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Knights Templar and Ladies Enjoy Dinner Dance

American Legion Community Building Scene of Very Pleasant Social Event

From Thursday's Daily—Last evening the members of Mt. Zion commandery, Knights Templar, their ladies and a number of distinguished guests enjoyed a very delightful dinner-dance at the American Legion community building, honoring Leslie W. Niel, retiring commander of Mt. Zion commandery. The ladies of Home chapter 159 of the Eastern Star prepared and served the delicious dinner that opened the evening and which was in every way perfection both in the menu and the serving.

The tables were arranged in the form of a cross and the decorations of the tables were in the runners of smilax, Easter lilies and red candles, making a very handsome setting and with the uniforms of the Templars and the colorful evening gowns of the ladies made a most attractive scene.

The invocation of the evening was offered by Sir Knight Harry G. McClusky. Following the serving the program was taken up by Sir Knight H. L. Gayer, whose clever and ready replies served to make him a most capable presiding officer and his pleasant thrusts at the speakers and the interchange of wit with the various participants on the program made the occasion one of real entertainment.

Sir Knight A. H. Duxbury, commander of Mt. Zion commandery gave the official welcome to the ladies and guests of the evening and to this Mrs. Emma Nolting responded in a very clever manner for the ladies, expressing the pleasure at being present and taking part in this yearly social event.

Judge James T. Begley, past commander, made the presentation of the past commander Jewel to Leslie W. Niel, expressing the feeling of appreciation that the members of the order feel for the splendid services that Mrs. Niel has given in this office and the service in all branches of Masonry. Mr. Niel in a few and well chosen remarks responded to the many kind words that had been offered to him by his associates.

Very eminent Sir Charles H. Marley of Omaha, acting grand commander of Nebraska, was called upon and responded with a short talk and appreciation of the splendid work of the local commandery and the officers.

The main address of the evening was by the Very Eminent Sir Leo H. Kuhns, of Omaha, who had as his subject, "The Day and the Knight." In his short address Rev. Kuhns paid a fine tribute to the work of Mr. Niel in the local Masonic activities and on the work of the Templars in the communities where they form a part of the community life.

The Knights Templar quartet, comprising Frank A. Clويد, Raymond C. Cook, H. G. McClusky and R. W. Knorr, with Mrs. Knorr at the piano were heard in several numbers on the program that added greatly to the pleasures of the evening.

As the banquet tables were removed and the invisible orchestra under the skillful handling of Harvey L. Ganser, sounded the grand march, as the dinner party formed for the march, Grand Commander Marley with Miss Jessie Robertson and the grand marshal, Past Commander Niel and Mrs. Niel leading the dancers until the close of the march when the first strains of the opening waltz started the pleasant dancing party that continued until near the midnight hour.

ORGANIZE CLUB

From Saturday's Daily—Last evening a group of girls, with their leader, Miss Marie Meisinger, met at the Woodbine school to organize a 4-H Sewing Club. The club has been named "Jody Stitches," with 19 active members and one associate member.

The officers were elected: President—Lucille Meisinger. Vice President—Norine Mayabb. Secretary—Mildred Kostka. News Reporter—Ella Weiss.

After the business meeting, songs were sung and games were played. The next meeting will be held at the home of Theresa and Sophie Bierl, April 25th.—Ella Weiss, News Reporter.

Electric Sub-station Here is Now Enlarged

Additional Facilities for Handling Electric Lines Made as Plant Is Increased

The sub-station in the south portion of the city of the Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power Co., has in the past few weeks been in the midst of an enlarging program that is making it one of the largest plants on the system of the company and through which a greater part of the electric current of the city is handled.

In the control rooms large oil circuit breakers have been installed that will be used in the direct lines as needed and also large additional sections have been made to the switchboards and metering facilities of the plant as all current handled along the lines is metered here as it comes in and is switched over the various trunk lines.

The Omaha line through which power is secured from the Nebraska Power Co., has been metered here since the erection of the plant and now with the added facilities the current used on the Lincoln line that to Nebraska City and Malvern is also metered at this point as it is sent out to the more distant points.

One of the largest improvements made at the plant has been the installing of two giant two-hundred seven-ton transformers which have 2,100 horse power capacity each and which are used in the handling of the current that will be used in different parts of the lines.

The station is prepared to handle the 6,000 volts and which in several lines is reduced to 33,000 volts here and at Nebraska City while the lines to Malvern, Iowa, and Lincoln carry to larger voltage.

President B. J. Ioman of the United Light & Power Co., owner of the Iowa-Nebraska Co., was here this week and inspected the plant and announced that this city would become a more important point in the future in handling the electric service of the company through eastern Nebraska and western Iowa.

Fremont is Winner in Declamatory Meet

Large Number Present to Hear Contestants in the East Central District Meeting

The judge of the contest was the East Central declamatory contest of the schools of this section of the state, eighteen towns being represented in the various classes on the contest.

The greatest interest was shown in the various events both in the afternoon program held at the auditorium of the First Methodist church and in the evening program at the high school auditorium.

The judge of the contest was R. F. Cartwright of the Thomas Jefferson school of Council Bluffs and the result was Fremont scored sixteen points, Plattsmouth, 5 and Osceola, 5.

The oratorical division was held at the Methodist church at 2 o'clock and in this event Miss Margaret, talented Plattsmouth high school girl, was awarded the first honors with her number, "Let Me Forget." Lazier Kavich of Fremont was second with "Why" with Verner Carlson of Blair with "The Menace of Lawlessness." Other contestants were John Gehling, Falls City, Charles Gleystein, Rosalie, Dorothy Jacobson, Mead, Jack O'Sullivan, Columbus, Glen Pickler, Polk.

The humorous division was also held at the church and in the afternoon, with Philip Kavich of Fremont, first with "Mrs. Cohen at the Amusement Park," Lucille Enyart of Bellwood, second with "A Friday Afternoon Program in a Rural School," and Lucille Hancock of Herman, third with "Good-Bye Sister." Other contestants were Doraine Glasgove, Blair, Dorothy Lage, Columbus, Aurora Rapp, Auburn, Marcella Suchan, Dodge, Josephine Vose, Falls City.

In the evening session the extemporaneous division opened the program at the high school and in this section Robert Nugust of Osceola, was awarded first place with the number, "The Price of Wheat and Bread," the second to Harold Schrider of Fremont, on the subject, "Soviet Russia," while the third place was given to Chorus Pointer of Shelby on the subject "India." The other entries in this class were Robert Bestor of Plattsmouth, Alice Beckman of Blair, Lester Carlton of Ashland, Robert Schwaderer of Nebraska City and Harold Romberg of Scribner.

The dramatic division offered some very fine numbers and well presented by the young people and at the close the award of the judge was given to Edwin Gidley of Fremont in "The Finger of God," second place to Arlene Ekstrand of Oakland in "The Giant Star," and the third place to Lillian Mayfield of Falls City in "Lilac Time."

The contest was one of the best held in the east central section of Nebraska and the Plattsmouth schools felt well pleased in the honor won by Miss Gannett against a field of splendid talent and in her presentation she showed a great amount of talent and which has been a great force to the local debaters and declamatory contestants the past season.

START BUILDING WORK

The residence on the lots owned by J. H. Davis, assistant cashier of the Plattsmouth State bank, at Tenth and Main streets, has been removed and Mr. Davis has expected in a very short time to start the erection of a fine modern home on the site of the former house. The new residence will be built by G. W. Schwenecker, one of the local carpenters. The site of the new home is very attractive one and in one of the most pleasant neighborhoods of the city.

The Charles C. Parise residence on North Sixth street, which was so badly damaged by fire several weeks ago is being placed back in shape by Paul H. Wohlfarth. The work will require a great deal of building in the burned section of the house and also in general repairs in the entire building which was all more or less damaged by the fire. When completed the residence will be again one of the most handsome and attractive homes in the city.

SUFFERS SEVERE ACCIDENT
From Saturday's Daily—C. D. Kaysee, residing on the J. E. Wiles farm west of this city on the Louisville road, met with a severe accident yesterday afternoon that came close to a fatal ending for the farmer. He had been operating a seeder with a four horse team and had started to unhitch the horses when two of the animals who were rather wild, started to run. Mr. Kaysee being knocked down and the seeder caught him, rolling him over and over until the horses in their flight struck a large plow and the seeder was hurled up sufficiently to allow Mr. Kaysee to crawl from under the seeder. Mr. Wiles was at the farm and hurried to the scene of the accident expecting to find Mr. Kaysee dead but fortunately he was only bruised and scratched up some. Medical aid was called and an examination made and with the result that no broken bones were disclosed.

ENJOYS BIRTHDAY PARTY

From Thursday's Daily—Yesterday afternoon the Michael Sedlak home in the west part of the city was the scene of a pleasant gathering of the young friends of Mrs. Sedlak, who came to assist in the proper observance of his ninth birthday. The time was spent in games of all kinds and in the penultimate hunt Stewart Sedlak proved the most successful while in the tail pinning contest Bobbie Gradoville was awarded the first prize and Edward Kubicka the consolation. At an appropriate hour a very dainty and delicious luncheon was served by Mrs. Sedlak who was assisted by her daughters, Mrs. Charles Fulton and Miss Ann Sedlak. Those who enjoyed the occasion were Stuart Sedlak, Joe Kvapil, Francis Kapi, Bernard Kubicka, Edward Kubicka, Charles Gradoville, Bobbie Gradoville, Billy Ready, Raymond Kalasek.

Local Teacher Given P. B. K. Honors at U

Miss Helen Struble, Teacher in Junior High School Given Recognition for Scholarship

In the list of members of the graduates of the past year of the University of Nebraska, elected to the Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic fraternity, is Miss Helen Struble, now teaching in the junior high school of this city. Miss Struble was graduated in her degree last year and this is the first election of members to this honorary society since that time.

The election comes from those graduates whose standings in their school work is of the highest and is a recognition of their ability and interest in the school work that has earned them the right to be considered for the recognition by the university.

The many friends here of Miss Struble have been delighted with her recognition as she has proven one of the most efficient teachers in the city. She has been teaching here since her sister, Miss Hazel Struble, took a position in the junior high school.

East Nebraska Swept by Dust Storm Last Nite

This City Suffers Visit of Dense Clouds of Dust That Covers Entire Community.
From Thursday's Daily—A dust storm sweeping over the entire east and southeast section of Nebraska last evening visited this city shortly before 7 o'clock and for some time the air was filled with dense clouds of the dirt, driven by a stiff breeze that caused the dust to penetrate into the houses and business places of the city to lay coatings of the dust on the floors, furniture and household effects.

The extreme heat of the afternoon which had driven the mercury to 88 degrees caused much apprehension when the blinding dust came rolling over the sultry day of 1931 when Omaha and this section of Nebraska suffered from a succession of cyclones and tornadoes, but the storm failed to reach much violence as far as the wind was concerned. A gentle rainfall started that continued for the greater part of the night and served to lay the dust that had been deposited on the city.

The rain, while not heavy, was such that it did a great deal of good in the community where moisture has been much needed in the last few weeks.
CALLED ON SAD MISSION
From Friday's Daily—This morning Mrs. A. L. Shannon of this city departed for Indianapolis, Nebraska, where they were called by a message announcing that befell Eddie Jones, brother of Mrs. Shannon last evening. The brother was injured when a gasoline stove exploded and he was showered with the blazing fluid and received very severe burns and injuries from which there was little hope of recovery. The news came as a great shock to Mrs. Shannon and she will have the sympathy of the many friends here in the unfortunate event.

SUFFERS LOSS OF CAR
Clyde Jackson, one of the employees at the Lyman-Richey sand and gravel pits near this city, is minus the service of his auto as the result of the destruction of some person or persons on Wednesday night. Mr. Jackson, who resides on South Tenth street, had kept his car in the garage of one of the neighbors and when he sought the car on Thursday morning it was discovered that the garage was as bare as the proverbial cupboard of old Mother Hubbard.

Towns of Cass County Elect City Officers

Small Votes Recorded Save in Louisville Where There Was Spirit-er Contest Held

The towns and villages of Cass county held their annual elections the past week and have chosen the men that will guide their destinies for the next year. In most of the places the usual of year of light vote was cast save in Louisville where a very large number of the voters were out to choose their officers for the year and which resulted in the naming of the progressive candidates for the offices.

Weeping Water
In the selection of members of the city council the final result showed W. L. Hobson being named in the first ward and S. J. Marshall in the second ward of the city in an extremely light vote, while for the board of education Edward Dowler and Mogens Johnson were chosen.
Louisville
The city election saw two complete tickets of the progressive and citizens tickets in the field and a great deal of interest was shown in the result of the contest for members of the village board. C. E. Pettit and F. H. Brunson, both progressives were the winners over H. E. Pankorin and William Schwalm, the citizens nominees.

Elmwood
In the selection for members of the village board at Elmwood Ed Earnest was named for the long term while for the short term George W. Blessing, the editor of the Elmwood Leader-Echo was selected. On the board of education W. N. McLennon and H. A. Williams were named, being re-elected to the offices they have held for the past term.
Nehawka
The voters at Nehawka at their election passed on the proposition of a water bond issue and for the fourth time declined to support the measure that was to provide a water system. The vote was quite heavy and the result more decisive than at the last election, 80 votes being cast for the water bonds and 67 against, enough to prevent the carrying of the proposition. For the position of village trustees V. P. Sheldon, Leo Switzer, C. C. Hoback being named. On the board of education J. H. Shefferson was re-elected to the office and George C. Sheldon named as the new member.

Murdock
For the position of members of the village board the voters of Murdock selected Frank A. Melvin, Edward W. Thimgan and S. P. Lels, while for the board of education of the district Leo Rikil and Herman Kupke were the selections.

Greenwood
There was no contest for the office of members of the board at Greenwood, the selections being Rex Peters, E. O. Miller and R. E. Matthews, whole for the board of education E. H. Armstrong, Mrs. Gertrude Shepler and E. A. Landon were named.
Alvo
In the result at Alvo there were several candidates and the result of the election quite close in several instances, the final result being that R. M. Coatsman and William Stewart were chosen as members of the village board for the year. In the naming of the members of the board of education Simon Rehmever and Sam Jordan were selected.

Union
In the election for the members of the village board Ira Clark and D. Ray Frans were re-elected and Charles Greene was selected as a member of the board. Ray Fahland was named as treasurer and Mr. Frans will again serve as the village clerk.

ADDRESSES ROTARY
The meeting of the Nebraska City Rotary club on Wednesday was featured by an address by Rev. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city. The subject of the address of Rev. McClusky was that of "Fellowship," as a community asset and the Rotary club as a builder of community leadership.

"Insoluble people," Mr. McClusky said, "are folks who have all their faculties but who always are antagonistic to everybody else. They have not the right mixture, like food that needs flavoring." He illustrated his points with a number of stories about persons who devote their lives to one activity, missing the things needed to make them useful to the world.

The Nebraska City club is to have as a speaker at the next meeting Dr. C. E. Barker, widely known Rotarian and physician.
Personal physician to William Howard Taft when he was president of the United States and a speaker authorized by International Rotary, Dr. C. E. Barker has national reputation as a forceful and entertaining speaker.

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ADDS TO STORE FIXTURES

George Conis, proprietor of the Palace Shining parlor, is preparing for a hot dry summer and is arranging so that the patrons of his popular place of business will not suffer from the heat—provided they have the necessary nicker.

Mr. Conis has just had installed a fine new modern Frigidair equipment to his place and this year will be able to handle ice cream in addition to the usual line of soft bottled drinks, there being a large pop case also as part of the equipment.

The additions to the shining parlor will make for the comfort of the patrons as the summer season opens up and the demand for the cold drinks increases.

Interest in Yard and Garden Contest
Activities Noted Over the City as Residents Prepare to Beautify Homes
The Better Yard and Garden contest which is to be staged here this spring is growing in interest and the fact that there are but a few days left to file entries in the contest has caused renewed activities among the ward chairmen and their workers.

The time for the closing of entries is Wednesday, April 15th and those who are planning on getting into the contest should get busy.

A trip over the city indicates that the persons who have filed their entries are meaning business, as there are a great many already at work getting the lawns in shape for the spring. There are also a great many engaged in planting shrubs and planning the landscaping of the grounds around their home where the size of the plots permits any extensive work in this direction.

The improvement program is not confined to any particular part of the city but from every section there is evidence that the householders are preparing to engage in real friendly rivalry for the most attractive looking yards as well as neat and profitable garden plots around their homes.

QUEEN ESTHERS MEET
From Friday's Daily—The Queen Esthers of the M. F. church met last evening with Miss Florence Nelson. The meeting was opened by the singing of songs, followed by prayer by Mrs. C. C. Wescott, Secretary and treasurer reports were read and approved. Dorothy Meisinger led devotions in a very interesting and impressive manner. A lesson study on missions in Haiti was given by Freda Sprecher.

FUNERAL OF MRS. KARVANET
From Friday's Daily—The funeral services of the late Mrs. Katherine Karvanek were held this afternoon from the First Presbyterian church with a number of the old time friends and neighbors of the family in attendance at the services.

ENTERTAINS FOR BRIDE
Mrs. Lester Gaylord was hostess Thursday afternoon at her home on South Tenth street to a number of friends in honor of her sister, Mrs. George Troop, formerly Miss Emily Stava, whose marriage occurred a week ago.

RECEIVES GOOD NEWS
A. S. Grist, local furniture dealer, was made very happy late Thursday afternoon when a telephone message from Des Moines, Iowa, informed him of the fact that he was the grandfather of a fine eight pound grandson, born at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Starkey of the Iowa city. This is the first child in the family and the event has brought a great deal of pleasure to all of the members of the family. The young man is to bear the christian name of Auston in honor of the grandfather. The mother and little one are doing nicely, according to the word from Mrs. Grist, who has been at Des Moines for some time. Mrs. Starkey will be remembered here as formerly Miss Frances Grist.

Death Comes to Member of Pioneer Family

Miss Amelia Heisel Dies Suddenly at the Family Home at Early Hour This Morning

From Saturday's Daily—Miss Amelia Heisel, 62, member of one of the pioneer families of this community, died very suddenly this morning at the family home on Washington avenue, just a few moments after she had arisen to start to Omaha with her sister to visit a brother at an Omaha hospital.

Miss Heisel had been in her usual health and was stricken suddenly with a heart attack and before medical aid could reach her side had passed away.

WINS PROMOTION
The many friends of Robert Creamer, former Plattsmouth boy, will be interested in learning of his advancement in his work at San Jose, California, where for the past few years he has made his home.

PRAISE LOCAL SPEAKER
In the Louisville Courier of this week appeared a very complimentary article to one of our citizens and members of the high school faculty, R. Foster Platterson, principal of the high school. Mr. Platterson was the chief speaker at the Father and Son banquet held at Louisville on last Friday evening, and "Pat," whose ability as an orator is well known here, scored a great hit with his presentation. In speaking of the event the Courier has the following:

"The principal speaker of the evening was R. Foster Platterson, principal of the Plattsmouth schools, who proved to be a most able speaker. His speech was a great treat to everyone and was widely commented upon later as one of the best addresses ever given upon an occasion of this kind. Plattsmouth is surely fortunate to have so eloquent a speaker in their midst and all will hope some time soon to have the pleasure of hearing Mr. Platterson again. He chose as his topic, 'The Best of Men' and his stirring talk will not soon be forgotten by those who attended."

VERY PLEASANT NEWS
This morning at 5 a. m. a fine eleven-pound daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dale B. Jacques of Alexandria, Nebraska, and the reports from that city state that the mother and little one are doing nicely. Mrs. Jacques was formerly Miss Violette Begley, of this city, daughter of Judge and Mrs. James T. Begley. The good news has come as a most pleasant event to the members of the Begley family and who are planning on motoring to Alexandria Sunday to visit the new granddaughter. Mrs. Fred Hayhow, grandmother of Mrs. Jacques, has been at Alexandria for the past few weeks.