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Stockholders of Creamery Hold Annual Meeting

Past Year Has Shown a Pleasing Advance in Business of Local Institution.

The annual meeting of the Farmers Co-Operative Creamery Co., was held on Saturday afternoon at the court house and where the reports of the officers were given and a review of the past year presented.

The election of the directors of the company resulted in the selection of John Hobscheidt, Jr., of Murray, J. W. Murdoch of Nehawka and H. L. Grayer of this city as the members of the board. These directors with the holdover members of the board will meet later to name the officers.

The past year has shown an advancement in the output of the local plant owned by the creamery and operated by the Plattsmouth Produce with George K. Hetrick, as the manager. Mr. Hetrick has enlisted the patronage of a great many more of the residents of the community in disposing of their cream and produce which has enabled the plant to make a great deal more butter which has found a ready demand.

Mr. Hetrick has maintained a scale of prices above that of other points which has furnished the dairy farmers with a good return on their cream in these depression times. With the farmers of the community supporting the plant by selling their cream to this institution, it is hoped that the output of the creamery may be doubled in the present year.

The stockholders, all of whom are residents of the farming community near this city, enjoyed an informal discussion of some of the problems of the day, particularly that of tax reduction and the elimination of all useless bureaus in the national and state governments. With the excessive tax burden the farmers feel that the commissions and bureaus that have been built up in recent years in the federal government should be abolished.

ENJOY FINE CONCERT

A number of Plattsmouth people were afforded a rare musical treat on Sunday afternoon at the Joslyn Memorial at Omaha. This was the concert of the orchestra of the University of Nebraska School of Music. The orchestra is composed of some eighty members but only fifty-six of the orchestra were heard at Omaha. Prof. Carl Frederic Stekelberg, one of the best known musical directors of the west, was in charge of the concert. Of particular interest was the fact that Miss Vestetta Robertson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Robertson, of this city, was the accompanist for the orchestra.

The wonderful program given embraced selections from Wagner, Saint Saens, Haydn, Handel, Jahnfeldt, Bach-Adelt, the great music masters of the world.

Among those who enjoyed the concert were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Robertson and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Minor and family, J. K. Pollock, Superintendent and Mrs. L. S. Devoe, Mrs. H. F. Goos, Miss Cora Williams and parents of Elmwood, Russell Reeder, Miss Amana Hiatt, Miss Lillian Garrett.

RECEIVES SERVICE HONOR

Myron A. Birdsley, who was engaged with the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co. here for several years, is mentioned for service honors in the current issue of the Lincoln Telephone News, official organ of the company. Mr. Birdsley has been in the service of the telephone company for the past five years and at present is located at Nebraska City in service.

BRYAN'S CONDITION

Governor Bryan had a restful day Sunday, his attendants at the executive mansion reported Sunday night. He ate well, remained quiet and fell into a sound sleep at night. Although the governor did not receive any callers, members of his family were with him and his condition was said to be "as good as Saturday."

HAPPY FAMILY DINNER

The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Becker was the scene of a most delightful family dinner on Sunday, the event being in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George Wallinger, of near Ashland, the latter a sister of Mrs. Becker. The event was the birthday anniversary of the guests of honor. Joining the group were the sisters and brother and their families to participate in the happy occasion. The Becker home was prettily arranged for the event and amid the pleasant surroundings the members of the family enjoyed a delightful visit.

Loan and Building Association Elects Officers

C. A. Johnson Re-elected President and E. P. Lutz as Secretary of Association.

From Tuesday's Daily
The stockholders of the Plattsmouth Loan & Building association held their annual meeting last evening at the office of the company in the Bekin building.

There was a very pleasing number of the stockholders present to hear the reports of the officers and to join in the selecting of the officials for the year.

The Plattsmouth Loan & Building association ranks as one of the strongest in the state of Nebraska and the excellent business policy of the officers has built up a strong organization that has carried on through the years as one of the virile financial institutions of Nebraska.

The directors selected at the meeting last evening were: R. A. Bates, Charles E. Martin, Tone J. Janda. Following the election the board of directors met and organized for the coming year, naming the following: C. A. Johnson, president; R. A. Bates, vice-president; E. P. Lutz, secretary; Fred T. Ramge, treasurer and Charles E. Martin, solicitor.

A new series of stock will be opened in March at the time of the close of the stock year and at which time the annual dividend will be declared.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

From Tuesday's Daily
Coach Fred A. Rothert and R. Foster Patterson, principal of the high school, were at Avoca last evening to attend the Schoolmen's Club. The men teachers of the county were the guests of Superintendent L. O. Larson of the Avoca school.

Aside from the social features of the evening the arrangements for the annual Cass county basketball tournament was completed by the representatives of the various schools. This will be held on February 16-17-18, at Avoca this year. The tournament in the past two years was held at Eagle, but this year will be sent to the southern Cass county town.

The drawings have been made and the Plattsmouth Reserves, our entry in the tournament, will be pitted against the Union team. The junior Platters if they defeat Union will face Avoca in the second round. Avoca is one of the strong teams of the county and was a winner last year in the regional tournament. This year the team may enter the class A contenders at the Southeast Nebraska meet.

ARRIVAL OF NEW DAUGHTER

From Monday's Daily
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Weber of this city are the happy parents of a fine little daughter, Betty Jo, who arrived last evening. The mother and little one are doing nicely and the occasion a pleasure to all of the family. The father of the little lady is rejoicing over the event as far as possible as he suffered the removal of his tonsils on Saturday. Mrs. Weber was formerly Miss Margaret Bergmann.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and floral offerings during the sickness and death of our loved one.—M. L. Stander and Sons, Mr. and Mrs. George Decker and Family.

Farmers Union Present Plea for Strict Economy

Present Program for Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners.

From Tuesday's Daily
A large delegation of the residents of Cass county, members of the Farmer's Union, were at the court house today to present their platform of tax reduction and economy to the board of county commissioners.

The delegation was headed by William Blum of South Bend, president of the Union and among the members of the party were such well known residents of the county as William J. O'Brien, Harry P. Long, Joe Knecht, South Bend merchant, H. H. Ragoss and many others.

This delegation presented the resolutions recently adopted by the meeting of the Farmer's Union and which included the following recommendations:

Setting the rate of pay of road work at 25c an hour for overseers, 10c an hour for team, 20c an hour for men.

Refrain from dragging or grading dirt roads unless in a case of emergency.

Set the wages of workmen engaged in maintaining gravel roads at 30c an hour.

Cut the estimated cost of the operation of the county government and the levy to the sum of \$67,000.

Slashing the salaries of county employees where possible thirty per cent.

The members of the party presented their view to the commissioners and who will take the matter under advisement as this is the annual meeting of the board and the first since its reorganization.

Among others in the party were: H. L. Bornemier, Alto; Roy Bricker, Martin Blum, South Bend; Arthur Rocofof, Alvo; August Oehlerting, Wabash; Henry Ragoss, Louisville; Paul Gerard, Weeping Water; William Blum, Earl Talbot, John Roddy, Owen Dill, George Vogel, William J. O'Brien, Henry Long, Joe Knecht, Herman Kupke, Charles Frolich.

VERY CRITICALLY ILL

Gerald, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. William Ketelson, is very critically ill at the St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha, suffering from pneumonia, from which he has suffered for the past ten days. The condition of the little one became so serious Sunday that he was rushed to the hospital to be treated. The little patient has been given oxygen treatments since Sunday and has a fighting chance of recovery if the vitality of the patient has not been worn down by the struggle against the malady that he has struggled with for the past week. The many friends of the family are anxiously awaiting word as to the condition of the little one and trust that he may soon be able to pass the crisis of the case safely and be restored to health. Mr. and Mrs. Ketelson are at the hospital with the little son.

Reports from the hospital this afternoon were that the child had suffered a sinking spell this morning and its condition was very grave at this time.

CHANGE IN TRAIN TIME

From Monday's Daily
A number of the officials of the Burlington in the train, freight and mail service departments were here today to look over the local situation as to changes in train schedules. The Burlington is planning a change in train time for the "Schuyler," which now leaves here for the west at 3:17. Effective on January 15th this train will leave this city at 1:10 p. m., two hours earlier than at present. This change is made primarily to allow connections at Ashland and to eliminate overtime which is now charged.

TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL

From Tuesday's Daily
This morning the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Willis was taken to the hospital at Omaha for treatment. The little one has been suffering from pneumonia and its condition is quite critical.

CONFISCATE BOOZE CAR

From Monday's Daily
This morning a hearing was had on the matter of the 1929 model Chevrolet coupe which was found parked near Third street several nights ago by Officers Pickrel and Stewart. The car was impounded by the county under the state law as it contained four gallons of intoxicating liquor or hooch. The owner of the car was nowhere to be found and accordingly the car was left to face the law alone. The hearing before Judge A. H. Duxbury today resulted in an order for the sale of the car under the state law and the proceeds turned over to the county.

High School Enrollment at a High Figure

Opening of New Year Finds Enrollment Record Well Over That of the Past Years.

The opening of the new year finds the enrollment record of Plattsmouth high school to be well above last year's figures according to a check of the records in the principal's office made this week. The school year opened last September with an enrollment of 273 which compared very favorably with previous years. Today the total enrollment is 267 showing a net loss of only six students which is a very small shrinkage for the half year period. The present record is further emphasized by the fact that the enrollment at the close of school last year was 243 with a mid-year mark of 264. Thus the enrollment this year is well ahead of last year's marks and all indications point to finishing the year with little further loss. The figures for this year do not include seven post graduates who are doing part time or full time work.

The uniform enrollment figures for this year and the low shrinkage is doubtless due in part at least to the economic factors which have caused an increase in most of the public schools throughout the state whereas there has been a loss of from five to twelve per cent in college and university enrollment. Students who might have dropped out of school in normal times, returned to school in September and fewer are dropping out to take jobs because of the scarcity of employment. During good times, the schools always had to compete with business and industry in holding many pupils after they had passed the compulsory attendance age.

On the other hand the maintenance of enrollment and low shrinkage may be attributed also to the holding power of the school in the type of work which it encourages, its organization and personnel. The effectiveness of a school may not only be judged by the success of the products which are graduated but also by its ability to keep young people in school and interested in a secondary education. These aims, Plattsmouth high school endeavors to foster and its graduates and student body will be favorably compared with any other school in Nebraska.

Seven members of former graduating classes are doing part or full time work, chiefly in the commercial subjects. The Freshman class continues to be the largest with a total of 77, closely followed by the Junior class with 72. The Sophomores number 68 and the Senior class numbers an even fifty.

WINS BASKETBALL HONORS

The Downers Grove, Illinois, high school basketball team were the winners of the annual Stag holiday interscholastic tournament at Chicago, the finals being held on December 31st. Downers Grove defeated Roosevelt school of Chicago 35-26. There is some interest here as Superintendent G. E. DeWolf of Downers Grove was former head of the Plattsmouth schools for a number of years.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank firemen, neighbors and friends that assisted during the fire that destroyed our home on Jan. 6.—C. M. and Mrs. Parker, 1td-1tw

Pioneer Resident Dies at Age of 97 Years

Mrs. G. W. Mayfield Called to the Last Rest at the Nebraska Masonic Home Tuesday.

Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 at the Nebraska Masonic Home in this city, Mrs. Emeline P. Mayfield, aged 97 years, two months and twenty-seven days, passed to the last reward.

Mrs. Mayfield had been a resident of Nebraska since early territorial days and has lived largely at Louisville and Plattsmouth in the long years of her useful life. Despite the fact that almost 100 years had marked the span of her existence, she was bright and keen until the end and enjoyed to the utmost the passing years.

In the last weeks she suffered the bereavement of the loss of her oldest son, C. G. Mayfield, of Louisville, and since her return here had not been in the best of health. A few days ago she suffered an attack of pneumonia and from which she failed to recover.

The deceased lady was born October 13, 1835, in the state of Ohio, then on the frontier of the new nation and in that state she spent her early girlhood days. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Todd, decided to seek a home in the new portion of the west where the restless pioneer spirit was calling the settlers, and accordingly the family came to the territory of Nebraska, settling on a homestead just west of the frontier settlement of Plattsmouth. Here she grew to womanhood and in 1855 she was married to George W. Mayfield, then a young minister of the Christian church, also a pioneer newspaperman of Nebraska.

After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield resided in several of the towns of Cass county, Mr. Mayfield having been engaged in newspaper publication at Elmwood, Weeping Water and Louisville, founding the present Louisville Courier fifty years ago.

The home of Mrs. Mayfield at Louisville over a half century, was the center of hospitality of that little city and where the old friends gathered to enjoy the opportunity of visiting with the old time residents.

In 1925 the family circle was broken when Mr. Mayfield was called to the last rest and in the last five years Mrs. Mayfield had resided here at the Masonic Home where constant care and comfort made her last years ones of restful peace.

Embodying the sturdy spirit of the early American settlers of the west, Mrs. Mayfield leaves a splendid heritage of courage and faith to the members of the family that she has reared to manhood and womanhood. Born while Andrew Jackson was still serving as president of the nation, Mrs. Mayfield was given the opportunity to see her home land advance to a great nation, stretching between the oceans, to follow her country in four great wars, to see the west wrested from the Indians and become a great agricultural empire, as well as to see all of the great inventions that have made life easier brought into being.

Mrs. Mayfield is survived by five sons and two daughters, E. O. and O. M. Mayfield and Mrs. F. A. Secord of Omaha; A. U. Mayfield of Denver; G. A. Mayfield of Artesia, California; Mrs. W. W. Valentine of Los Angeles and L. J. Mayfield, editor of the Louisville Courier.

The body of Mrs. Mayfield was taken to Louisville last evening by the Sattler funeral home and the funeral services will be held at that city Thursday. Services will be at the Christian church, Rev. W. E. Goings of Greenwood, formerly minister at Plattsmouth and Louisville, and Rev. Robert D. Murphree of the Methodist church at Louisville conducting the service.

Interment will be at the family lot in Riverview cemetery at Louisville, beside that of the husband.

Plattsmouth stores offer every shopping advantage of the larger city, plus a personal contact between buyer and seller that means far more than the "opportunity of choosing from an extra shade or two of pink."

RECEIVES SAD NEWS

From Wednesday's Daily
This morning the message was received here by the Louis Born family, announcing the death of Harry Thimgan, 35, of Elmwood, a nephew by marriage of Mrs. Born. The death occurred at a hospital at Lincoln where Mr. Thimgan had been under treatment for erysipelas for some time. The deceased is survived by the widow and one daughter, Mrs. Thimgan being formerly Miss Mable Meisinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Meisinger of near Manley. No funeral arrangements have as yet been made.

Vocational Guidance of Youth Urged

Vance E. Thomas of Lincoln Is Speaker at Luncheon of the Rotary Club.

The members of the Rotary club had the pleasure Tuesday of hearing a most interesting talk on the vocational guidance of youth. The speaker was Vance E. Thomas of Lincoln, vocational director of the Lincoln Vocational of Commerce.

Mr. Thomas took as his topic the present day conditions where the thousands of young people that graduate from schools and colleges and find that there is less opportunity to secure positions or a start in a life work. In past generations the young man or woman found openings in many lines that they might choose for a life work, which is impossible today. This condition made necessary the guidance of youth into lines which they might be best suited and for which they were prepared. The speaker also took up the matter of the machine age, touching on the many mechanical developments and inventions that had displaced millions of workers over the world and rendered a large part in creating of the present world wide problem of unemployment.

The remarks of the speaker were followed with great interest and proved a topic that all felt personal interest in.

During the program which was under the direction of Superintendent L. S. Devoe, a delightful piano duet was afforded by Mrs. R. W. Knorr and Mrs. Devoe.

Rev. H. G. McClusky gave the charge to a new member of the club, Emery Dooday in his usual impressive manner.

SOCIAL WORKER'S ELECT

The Social Worker's of the Methodist church held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Edgar Newton, Tuesday afternoon, with a large number of the members in attendance. The ladies had as the chief business the election of officers, the following being named:

President—Mrs. W. A. Wells.
Vice-President—Mrs. R. B. Hayes.
Secretary—Mrs. L. S. Devoe.
Treasurer—Mrs. Henry Ote, Jr.
After the close of the business meeting a pleasant time was enjoyed by the ladies in a social manner and the afternoon closed with the serving of dainty refreshments by the hostesses.

SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

John Lutz and Fred G. Morgan, two of the veterans of the Burlington, were at Omaha Sunday for a few hours, visiting there with their old friend and associate in the shops here, George Dodge. Mr. Dodge has been ill for the past two weeks but is now feeling much better although he is still confined to his home. The many friends of Mr. Dodge will be pleased to learn that he is better and trust that he may soon be entirely over his sickness.

DAISY DAIRY CALF CLUB

The members of the Daisy Dairy Calf club will organize the club for the third year work January 20th, 1933, at Noble Kiser's. All boys or girls between the ages of 10 and 21 who wish to join are asked to meet with us that night.—Members.

Miles Drake, an Old Resident of Louisville, Dies

Dies Suddenly at Home at Louisville After Suffering Heart Attack; Veteran Hotel Man.

From Monday's Daily
This morning at 3:30 Miles Drake, long time resident of Louisville and one of the oldest hotel men in business in eastern Nebraska, passed away suddenly. Mr. Drake had not been in the best of health for the past year, but was not considered critical until the heart attack this morning.

Miles N. Drake was born in North Chemung, Chemung county, New York and came to Nebraska with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Drake, to what was then called Plum Creek, where Lexington is now located, in 1874. In the year 1887 Mr. Drake came to Louisville and engaged in the restaurant and confectionary business for a great many years, later enlarging his activities, the Hotel Drake being built twenty-two years ago. He was married June 6, 1906, to Miss Millie B. Bell, a member of one of the pioneer families of near Ashland. To this union two sons were born, Charles E. Drake and Miles Frances Drake, the latter passing away some years ago and the departed is survived by the widow, the son, Charles as well as a brother, C. F. Drake of Spooner, Wisconsin and a half brother, Clayton Drake of Monterey, California.

The deceased was very active in his own community, organizing the first commercial club and serving several times as chairman of the village board. He was a charter member of Louisville lodge No. 184, I. O. O. F., and the local Woodmen and A. O. U. W. lodges. Mr. Drake was a member of Springfield lodge No. 112, A. F. & A. M. and the Mt. Zion commandery of the Knights Templar of Plattsmouth.

HOLD PLEASANT MEETING

Fontenelle chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Henry McMaken on high school hill. The chapter has decided to secure another box of books which will be shipped to the merchant marine library. This library is used to provide reading matter for the sailors on boats under the American flag, as they are engaged in their voyages.

A representative and alternate was elected to the Continental Congress which is held in March at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. J. S. Livingston gave an interesting review of the D. A. R. magazine and Mrs. Otto Keck contributed a most interesting paper on "Conservation and Thrift."

At the conclusion of the afternoon Mrs. McMaken served refreshments appropriate to this season of the year.

ERROR IN SOENNICHSEN AD

From Tuesday's Daily
Due to a transposition of prices in the Soennichsen "January Clearance" ad in yesterday's Journal, a group of Women's, Misses' and Children's Coats were priced at \$2.95, and a Children's group at \$4.95. The Children's Coats should have been quoted at \$2.95 and the Women's group at \$4.95—that figure being the lowest priced adult coats offered by the Soennichsen company. They are also offering some sensational values in the higher priced coat range, at \$9.50 and \$7.95, that include some splendid fur trimmed garments. Exceptionally low prices on seasonal merchandise is the order of the day at Soennichsen's and their ad listed dozens of values. The Journal regrets this error in coat prices and hastens to correct it.

REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES

The real estate farm mortgage record for the year 1932, has been compiled by Register of Deeds Miss Lillian White, the following being the number and value of the mortgages:
Farm Property.
231 filed, value \$833,096.86; 144 released, value \$788,490.65.
City Property.
89 filed, value \$154,066.12; 78 released, amount, \$148,435.89.