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Hallowe'en is Quiet Event in This City

Police Have Little Trouble With Funsters and No Serious Depredations Reported.

From Thursday's Daily
The city police report that Hallowe'en last evening was one of the quietest that they have experienced and the pranksters of the city evidently preferred the shelter of the fireplaces or other entertainment rather than the time honored pastimes of the season.

The advance of the standards of living have eliminated many of the attractions that tempted the youth of the community to arouse the ire of the residents with their pranks and nowadays the festival lacks much of the fire of ye olden times.

One of the old time residents of the city who recalls the days of the picket fences with their gates, the old time buggies and the outbuilding made famous by James Whitcomb Riley and Chick Sales, recalls some of the exploits of the youth of that day. The morning following Hallowe'en the property owners were busy over the city gathering cows from the roofs of sheds, searching among different parts of the city for the gates from their fences, stray parts of buggies and wagons as well as replacing the buildings dumped over by the pranksters. In those days too, the old timer states, the mischief was not confined to the youngsters but many men of mature age added their part to the observance of Hallowe'en.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY FOR BOY SCOUT TROOP

From Thursday's Daily
Last evening was a pleasant occasion for Plattsmouth Boy Scouts, as a Hallowe'en party had been arranged for their enjoyment. All but three or four of the troop membership met at a downtown location at 7 o'clock and were taken by local car owners to the Scout cabin at Camp Wheeler, six miles south of town. The affair was under supervision of Scoutmaster Raymond Larson and Assistant Scoutmaster Russell Reeder, who with a number of members of the Legion Scout committee accompanied the boys to camp.

An abundance of good eats was taken along and after a period of intensive play that involved all the traditions of Hallowe'en season, appetites were whetted to a keen desire for food—and more food. The boys came back for second and third helpings of the food that had been prepared by several of the ladies, and said it tasted much better than at other times at the cabin, when they had had to prepare their own.

One of the features of the event was that it took them out of town, where they could not be blamed for any depredations that might be committed on Hallowe'en night, and also afforded them a very pleasant evening.

SPEAKS AT ELMWOOD

R. Foster Patterson, principal of the Plattsmouth high school, was at Elmwood on Friday evening, where he was the guest speaker at the community Father and Son banquet. The subject of the address of Mr. Patterson was that of "The Wealth of Nations," a very able and eloquent discussion of the sons of the nations of the earth and their part in the progress of the world today and tomorrow. Mr. Patterson is one of the best known public speakers in this section of Nebraska and his addresses are always an oratorical treat to those who hear him.

VISITING WITH RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White, of Dallas, Texas, are enjoying a visit with the relatives in this section of Nebraska, guests at the home of Mrs. J. A. Donelan in this city. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thygeson of Nebraska City and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown at Papillion. Mr. and Mrs. White have been visiting at Denver and stopped off at the old home for a short time before continuing to their home in the south.

RECOVERING FROM INJURIES

Mrs. Julian McNatt, stenographer in the office of Attorney A. L. Tidd, has so far recovered from an accident suffered Saturday that she was able to resume her work Wednesday. Mrs. McNatt had the right side of her neck severely burned when hot steam from a coffee pot. The accident occurred while she was preparing one of the meals. The neck is still quite painful but slowly improving.

Death of Former Resident of City at Orchard, Neb.

William Matschullat, Sr., 77, Passes Away After Illness of Past Two Years—Burial at Orchard.

The death of William, Matschullat, Sr., 77, occurred Wednesday morning at Orchard, Nebraska, where he was making his home with his son, Ernest and family on a farm. Mr. Matschullat was a resident of Plattsmouth for a great many years a large part of the family being reared here, they later living at Orchard and then moving back to Plattsmouth to live until some eight years ago when they again moved to Orchard, where a few years ago the wife and mother passed away.

While a resident here Mr. Matschullat was employed by the Burlington in the local shops for the greater part of the time he resided here.

Two years ago Mr. Matschullat suffered a stroke and since that time had been gradually failing in health until death brought him relief.

He is survived by seven sons and two daughters, Herman, Otto, Ernest of Orchard; Henry, Omaha; Edward, William, Fred, Lincoln; Minnie and Lena, who also reside at Orchard.

The funeral services will be held on Friday afternoon at Orchard and the interment made at the cemetery there.

Mrs. A. Warstat and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Pitz and Mrs. Julius McNatt drove to Orchard this morning to attend the funeral services.

MANY VISIT AT CAMP

From Thursday's Daily
Last evening the FERA camp north of this city was the scene of a very delightful Hallowe'en party and dance given by the camp officers and members.

The large recreation hall and dining room was arranged for the pleasant social event and here the young people enjoyed the true Hallowe'en spirit in the dance, there being a number of ladies from Plattsmouth and Omaha present to join in the pleasures of the dance.

The music for the occasion was furnished by the FERA orchestra of Omaha which gave a well selected program of the popular dance music of the day.

The dancing party was chaperoned by Mrs. Stella Winn, case work supervisor of Omaha, and Mrs. Con Lynch of this city.

The event was attended also by a number of the business men and their ladies from this city who enjoyed very much the opportunity of being present.

Following the dance a delicious luncheon was served by the members of the camp to complete a most delightful time.

RETURN FROM CONVENTION

From Thursday's Daily
W. R. Holly and E. P. Stewart, members of the Ralston post American Legion band, returned last evening from Miami, Florida, where they were in attendance at the American Legion national convention. The Ralston band was the only musical organization from Nebraska at the convention and one of the crack musical organizations at the great gathering. They had a fine trip, through the east and south, and on their homeward journey that took them through the Atlantic coast states to New York, Washington and Boston. They returned home via Chicago and stopped for a glimpse of the Century of Progress exposition.

Mynard Community Club Enjoys Program

"Convention of Old Maids" Is Theme of a Very Fine and Cleverly Arranged Program.

On last Friday evening, October 26, one of the largest crowds ever assembled at a regular meeting of the Mynard Community club was present to witness the one act comedy, "A Convention of Old Maids" which was enacted under the direction of Mrs. George Topfiff.

The meeting was called to order by the Community Club president Sherman Cole, and the routine business of the club was transacted. President Cole stressed the importance, at this time, of increasing the membership for the ensuing year and though the annual dues are very small, being fifty cents per family or twenty-five cents per individual, the amount thus received helps very materially towards defraying the expenses of the club, such as light, heat, insurance, etc., and the members are assured of some very good entertainment throughout the year.

After the business of the club was transacted the meeting was turned over to the west side entertainment committee and the curtain was raised on the scene of "A Convention of Old Maids" wherein some eighteen ladies of the community were dressed in old costumes, many of which were in vogue back in the "gay nineties." It would take columns to properly describe the comedy in detail, but suffice to say it was a scream from the beginning to the fall of the curtain, especially when Raymond Cook, as Dr. "Makemover, the German scientist," demonstrated his new appliance whereby the "old models of uncertain age" were brought up to date.

A number of beautiful vocal solos and specialities were woven in during the performance which added much to the enjoyment of the entertainment. Among those who rendered vocal solos were Lawrence Leonard who sang "In the Gloaming" and Mrs. Chester Wiles sang "I Want a Little Yellow Dog" which fitted in admirably with the preceding scene. Miss Dorothy Reister sang "Out of the Dusk to You," which was greatly appreciated by the audience as was also her humorous reading. Little Shirley Leonard, Wilma Nolte and Helen Louise Blotzer, dressed as triplets, sang and danced in a manner that was a delight to the audience and a credit to their instructor, Miss Irene Reister.

Little Levina Troop gave a reading in her inimitable style which brought the hearty applause of the audience. The curtain fell on the humorous finale amid the roar of laughter of the audience and all present were unanimous in that the entertainment was one of the most successful and humorous that has been shown at the Community Club for some time.

ELECTION RETURNS

As a service to the candidates and others who will be greatly interested in the outcome of the present election, the office of Duxbury & Davis, in co-operation with the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company and the office of the County Clerk, has arranged for a special wire direct from the County Clerk's office which will give the election returns of Cass county just as soon as they are available.

You may obtain the latest returns at any time Tuesday night by calling the office of Duxbury & Davis, telephone No. 16, at Plattsmouth.

The office of the County Clerk is a very busy place on election night and this additional service will be appreciated by those interested in obtaining the latest returns.

RETURNS FROM FAIR

Mrs. D. C. Morgan has returned from Chicago where she was in attendance at the Century of Progress exposition, enjoying the last weeks of the great exposition. She was with a party of some fourteen, mostly from Omaha and reports a delightful time.

DISTRIBUTING THE BALLOTS

From Friday's Daily
County Clerk George R. Sayles departed this morning on the mission of distributing the election ballots for the various precincts of the county and the wards at Weeping Water. Mr. Sayles will visit each of the precincts today and deliver the ballots to one of the members of the election board who will see that they are on hand when the poll is opened Tuesday.

Democratic Meeting Held at Nehawka

W. J. Hotz of Omaha Is Principal Speaker at Enthusiastic Meeting at Auditorium.

From Friday's Daily
Last evening a very enthusiastic and largely attended meeting of the voters of Nehawka precinct was held at the auditorium in that city. The meeting had been arranged by Mrs. Evelyn Sheldon, precinct committee woman and the response of the voters was most pleasing.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Nelson Berger, one of the active leaders of the democrats in that section of the county and who presented the various speakers of the evening.

W. J. Hotz, prominent attorney of Omaha, was the principal speaker of the evening and gave a very fine address on behalf of the candidates of the E. R. Burke for United States senator and Roy L. Cochran for governor as well as the others on the democratic state ticket. Mr. Hotz urged that the progressive republicans of the county, join with the democrats in support of President Roosevelt and the new deal that has brought hope to the people of the west after years of disregard by the national government.

The candidates on the county ticket were present and each was presented and extended the greetings to the large audience and pledging their support to the best service possible in the discharge of their duties if elected.

During the evening the Tommy Mason orchestra gave a number of selections that added to the pleasures of the evening.

RECEIVES CITIZENSHIP HONORS

Cass county again scored recognition in the state's best young citizen's contest which was held at Omaha under the sponsorship of the American Legion and the Omaha World-Herald.

Miss Thelma Ward, Weeping Water, was selected as one of the five girls of the group of the best young citizens. The contest covers character, physical condition and mental adaptiveness.

Miss Ward is 16 and is a senior in the Weeping Water high school, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ward. Last year she was the winner of championship honors in both state and national 4-H club competitions. She was president of her class and a leader in various school groups.

CANDIDATES VISIT CITY

Richard Johnson, republican candidate candidate for attorney general and T. W. Bass, the republican candidate for state treasurer, were in the city Wednesday afternoon to meet the voters and present their cause. They had expected to fill a speaking engagement here Wednesday, but owing to the chilly weather it was thought advisable not to hold a street meeting. Both candidates have been making an extensive tour and feel the strain of the long trips and many speaking dates.

VERY HAPPY EVENT

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Oliver are rejoicing over the advent of a fine little son that was born to them at the hospital at Omaha on Thursday. The occasion has been a most pleasant one for all of the members of the family circle and the friends will be pleased to learn that all are doing nicely. Mr. Oliver is a member of the staff of the A. W. Farney Co., at their offices here.

Large Audience Grooms Opening 'In the Money'

Comedy Is Presented Under the Sponsorship of Social Workers of M. E. Church.

From Friday's Daily
The Platz theatre was filled last evening by a very large audience to witness the first night offering of "In the Money," clever comedy interspersed with musical numbers that made it one of the most enjoyed dramatic offerings that has been seen in the city.

The dramatic offering was sponsored by the Social Workers of the Methodist church and directed by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert C. Thoresen, of the Universal Production Co., and those sponsoring the offering can feel well pleased over the success that it scored.

The cast included over one hundred and embraced the leading residents of the city to lend their efforts in making the show a great success in every way possible.

The chief roles were taken by John Svoboda, Helen Schulz, Clement Wooster, Mrs. Frank Gobelman and H. L. Gayer, while those in the supporting cast of the dramatic portion of the offering were Chris Bullin, Gertrude Valley, Merle McCrary, Elinor Swatek, J. A. Capwell, Mrs. Richard Beverage, L. S. Devoe, Robert Bestor, Mrs. Ray Herring, Greth Garnett, Robert Rummel, Harry White, Mrs. Don Seiver and Raymond Cook.

The production and the musical numbers owe a great deal to the fine work of Mrs. L. S. Devoe as the accompanist.

The colored revue of the "Brethren and Sisters of the Mystic Shrine" was a much enjoyed feature and embraced many of the best known of the colored people's folk songs, "Lonesome Road," "Hear dem Bells," "Hallelujah," with Mrs. Don Seiver heard in a solo offering, "Sing You Sinners." The revue was composed of the following well known residents of the city:

Mesdames and Misses: V. T. Arn, Bernice Arn, Gladys Groff, Wayne Bennett, Sally Diehn, Ethel McCarty, Pauline Bonge, James Rishel, J. C. Peterson, Fae Martin, Mildred Hall, Fern Jahrig, Virginia Samek, Winifred Rainey, Earl Becker, Lon Henry, Alice Sharpnack, S. E. Kerr, Amanda Hiatt, Edith Solomon, Roy Turner, Alpha Mauzy, Emma Mendenhall, Grace Livingston, Howard Wiles, Ted Wiles, Chester Wiles, John Offutt, Messrs: John Turner, Frank Cloldt, Dick Livingston, Lynn Minor, Lawrence Leonard, Eddie Howard, John Cloldt, George Jaeger, Wilbur Hall, Leslie Thingam, Walter Herber, Frank Bestor, Don Creamer.

The show was also featured by the beauty chorus and dancing girls to add their grace and charm to the offering, the dancing numbers being presented by the following group:

Betty Kalina, Mildred Knofficek, Louise Rishel, Bessie Carey, Avis Sylvester, Mary Kay Wiles, Almee Jane Thomas, Mildred Casey, Frances Cloldt, Jean Knorr, Virginia Trivley, Marjane Long, Betty McCarty, Edna Mae Peterson, Marjorie Tidball.

"In the Money" called for an attractive chorus of the young ladies of the city and which feature was provided by:

June Geist, Sybil Geist, Wilma Vernon, Kahterine Hiner, Mae Kaneer, Mildred Eledge, Eloise Jones, Lois Giles, Louise Taylor, Mary Ann Highfield, Mary Ann Gradoville, Maymie Schwenneker, Harriet Goos, Jane Rebal, Jacqueline Grassman, Reba Capps, Lorraine Reichstadt, Rachel Robertson, Mary Alice Shiffer, Nadine Neeve.

The younger people in the audience were treated to a bit of ancient history when "The Gay Steppers of the Nineties" appeared on the scene in garb and garments that in the mauve days of the past were hot skits, which included Judge C. L. Graves as the swain of 1870 down to Dr. G. L. Taylor as a Floradora beauty of the turn of the century. This feature received much appreciation from the audience and gave a realistic production of time turned backwards. Those in this portion of the cast were:

R. Foster Patterson, Hilt Wescott, George Farley, Andy Kroehler, Judge Graves, Dr. Molak, Rev. C. O. Troy, Dr. Taylor, Carl Ofe, E. L. McKisick, Judge Duxbury, Arnold Lillie, E. G. Shellenbarger, Don Seiver, Alf

Edgerton, Glen Kaffenberger, Frank Wehrlein, Lon Henry, Leslie Niel, F. McFarland, W. A. Wells, Bub Martin, Emmett Mullen, J. R. Reeder, Roy Olson, Robert Hall, Walt Soenichsen.

"In the Money" will be presented for the second and last time this evening at the Platz theatre and those who failed to see the premier of the play should be present this evening or miss a real treat.

Movie Star Buys a Plattsmouth-Made Dresser

Betty Compson Purchases Dresser Made by G. G. Hoffman for Sum of \$5,000.

During the years that G. G. Hoffman was engaged here in pattern making and cabinet work for the Burlington, he developed into one of the most skillful wood workers on the system.

In his leisure time Mr. Hoffman with the true love of an artist for his work, would engage in making various articles of wood for the home, objects of the greatest beauty and wonderfully constructed.

One of the pieces of furniture that was made by Mr. Hoffman was a large dresser, and which he had inlaid with many kinds of the rarest woods to make an artistic piece of work that attracted much attention by all who had the opportunity of seeing it.

When the family moved to California following the death of Mr. Hoffman, the dresser attracted the attention of a furniture dealer at Hollywood, who prevailed on the family to allow him to try and sell the dresser as he believed that it would bring a good price. The family finally consented and a few days ago were notified that the dresser was sold.

Betty Compson, noted screen star, had visited the store and her attention was attracted by the dresser and as the result she paid to the dealer \$5,000 for the dresser and which now adorns her palatial home in the movie city.

ENJOY FAMILY PARTY

Wednesday evening the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Schmidtman, Jr., was the scene of a pleasant family gathering, the occasion being a family dinner party arranged by Mrs. Schmidtman in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mr. Schmidtman.

The members of the party enjoyed the delicious dinner served at 6:30 and its charming appointments, later the evening being spent in visiting and the congratulations to the guest of honor.

Those to enjoy the event were Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Goos, Mrs. W. T. Cole, Miss Harriett Goos, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Becker of this city, Dr. and Mrs. Carl F. Schmidtman, Dr. George Schmidtman, Miss Helen Borden of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Schmidtman and daughter, Janice.

FINDS LOST RING

Mrs. Z. W. Shrader is proudly displaying her wedding ring which she had not worn in thirty-seven years. During this period the ring was lost, but it was returned to her Wednesday after being found.

While playing in the yard at her former home, her great-grandson, Robert Lee Christwiser, found the ring. The little fellow showed his find to his grandmother, Mrs. R. H. Christwiser, who recognized it as her mother's.

After the ring had been cleaned of the dirt clinging to it, it polished up as nicely as when new and was not even bent. It was found near the step of the old home in which she lived at the time it was lost.—Nehawka Enterprise.

UNDERGO OPERATIONS

From Friday's Daily
This morning Mrs. Frank Koubek and Miss Helen Koubek were operated on at the office of a local physician for the removal of tonsils. The operation proved very successful and the patients are expecting to be able to resume their usual activities in the next few days.

Bernard Rakow Dies Suddenly This Morning

Had Arisen to Look After Work Around Home When Heart Attack Brings Death.

From Saturday's Daily
The death of Bernard Rakow, 40, occurred very suddenly this morning at 6 o'clock at the family home in the south part of the city, death coming as the result of a sudden severe heart attack that came on as he was preparing to start his day's activities.

Mr. Rakow was carrier on rural route No. 2 from the Plattsmouth post office, he starting in this work on April 1, 1921 and had been one of the veteran workers in the local postal service. His death removes a genial and friendly member of the staff and one who will be greatly missed by the old friends along his daily route.

Bernard Rakow, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Rakow, was born in Germany, August 14, 1894, and was brought to this country when an infant by his parents and has made his home here for the greater part of his life time.

He was educated in the local schools and when his country called in the world war for its sons to serve, he entered the army on September 19, 1917, being a member of the 89th division at Camp Funston, Kansas, but did not accompany the division to France, he being retained as a drill sergeant for the 10th division later formed there. He was discharged from the service on February 17, 1919.

Returning from the army Mr. Rakow was appointed a mail carrier on April 1, 1921, and has since served in that capacity.

On October 21, 1924, Mr. Rakow was married to Miss Kathryn Mathis of Farragut, Ia., who with one son, Alvin, 9, survives the passing of the husband and father.

There is also surviving the parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Rakow, one sister, Mrs. Earl Iles and four brothers, Walter E., William, Leonard and Arnold.

The many friends over the community will join in their condolences to the bereaved family on the loss that has come into their lives in the taking away of this excellent man and kind friend and neighbor.

The body is at the Sattler funeral home to await the funeral arrangements. If the members of the family from distant points cannot reach here it is expected that the funeral will be held on Monday afternoon.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY

An enjoyable Hallowe'en party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McMaken on Wednesday evening, given by Edith McMaken and Marie Speck. The home was beautifully decorated with the Hallowe'en colors. The evening was spent in playing games and in which Mrs. John Buechler was awarded first prize and Mrs. Lewis Frady the consolation prize. At a suitable hour delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Those present were: Mrs. Virgie Frady, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wetenkamp and daughter, Edna Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Frady of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. John Buechler, Lloyd and Mott Frady, Mr. and Mrs. John Frady, Renee Brown, Eddie Barta and Fern Arends, Marie Speck, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McMaken and son, Buddie.

FOOTINGS OF THE TAX LIST FOR CASS COUNTY

As reported by Geo. R. Sayles, county clerk, to Wm. H. Smith, state tax commissioner.

	1933	1934
State	\$ 85,281.91	\$ 74,021.17
County	138,797.08	140,254.39
School	220,623.74	206,980.59
City and Village	79,246.54	80,252.85
Misc'l.	125.49	65.40
Poll	7,272.50	7,391.00
Old Age Pension		3,135.00
Total	\$531,347.26	\$512,111.11

Jolly Workers Extension Club Food and Bake Sale, Nov. 10 at Warg's Hardware. n5w; n8dy