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## Declamatory Contest will be Held March 12

Local Students to Have Tryouts in Several Classes in Preparation for Sub-District Meet.

The date for the local declamatory contest has been definitely set for the evening of Tuesday, March 12th. At this time thirteen students are entered which will insure a fine evening of entertainment. The winners of first place will represent Plattsmouth high school in the sub-district contest to be held at Auburn the last of this month.

The contestants are being trained under the direction of Mr. Wayne Alvord who has had assistance from other members of the faculty in preparing the large number of students for the contest.

Declamatory work has played a prominent part in the high school list of activities for a number of years. Three times in recent years, Plattsmouth has won the sub-district championship and has had several district winners of individual championships. This is a fine type of work which benefits annually a large number of students with a type of training that is valuable all through life.

The list of contestants to date is as follows:

Humorous section: Joan Hall "Ma at the Races"; La Rue Bomer, "Brothers in Love"; Edna Mae Peterson, "Jane."  
Dramatic reading: Velma Edwards, "Antonio Opens His Eyes"; Inez Drucker, "Micky's Marker"; Avis Sylvester, "The Pensioner."  
Original oratory: Lois Meade, "Painting and Sculpture as Mediums of Expression"; Amber Bomer, "Crime and Punishment"; Fred Fricks, "Israelit."

Extemporaneous: Naomi Day, Basile Carey, and Jane Boedeker. Subjects in this section are selected from topics discussed in the current issues of the Literary Digest and Review of Reviews.

The public is invited to attend the local contest Tuesday, March 12th.

## GIVE FRIEND SURPRISE

Sunday afternoon the neighbors of Miss Effie Creeley joined in a very pleasant surprise to their friend, who is moving to a farm near Tekamah, Nebraska, to make her home in the future. The guest of honor was unaware of the event until the friends arrived to join in their greetings and well-wishes for her future happiness in the new home.

The afternoon was spent in games and in which prizes were awarded the successful participants. Miss Creeley was presented with a gift as a remembrance of the friends with whom she has been neighbors for the past several years and who will greatly miss her in the future.

The members of the party had come with well laden baskets of the good things that formed a most delicious luncheon that was served at an appropriate hour. Those who attended the event were: Mesdames Clifford Forbes, Catherine Nolting, Simon Clark, Rose Bookmeyer, Henry Starkjohn, F. J. Hennings, Will Swanda, Earl Kline, B. G. Wurl, Henry Born, Phillip Born, Miss Olive Gass, Miss Margaret Mapes, Mrs. Margaret Hodgert and the guest of honor, Miss Effie Creeley.

## HAVE BUSY TIME

The office of Miss Lillian White, register of deeds is one of the busiest spots in the court house in the last two weeks and at this time as the March 1st business has proven very heavy and kept Miss White and her deputy, Miss Hill, busy in the recording and handling the various transactions of the real estate and lease business of the office.

## GO TO MINNESOTA

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Knorr departed Sunday for Rochester, Minnesota, where they will spend a short time at the Mayo clinic. Mr. Knorr has not been in the best of health for some months and it was thought best to have a thorough check made of his condition by the celebrated surgeons and physicians of the Mayo institute.

## MOVING INTO CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hill are moving Tuesday from their farm home west of Mynard to the Creeley residence in this city where they are to make their home in the future. Mr. Hill has purchased the oil service station at Granite street and Chicago avenue and has been located here for the past several days and now will be joined by the family. The residents of the city are pleased to have this excellent family as a part of the citizenship of the community and extend them a most cordial welcome.

## Death of Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, Old Resident

Passed Away Saturday at Home of Daughter, Mrs. Hugh Standley at Lincoln; Funeral Sunday.

The death of Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, a resident of Plattsmouth for the past fifty-six years, occurred late Saturday at Lincoln where she had been making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Hugh Standley and family.

Mrs. Miller was the widow of W. H. Miller, for many years a well known resident of the second ward of this city and for many years resided in the home in Orchard Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller were married at Phillipsburg, New Jersey, December 25, 1876, coming to Plattsmouth a few years later where they have made their home. Mr. Miller was for many years engaged in the carpenter business here until his death a number of years ago.

Mrs. Miller is survived by two sons and one daughter, George Miller of Janesville, Wisconsin; William Miller of this city and Mrs. Hugh Standley of Lincoln. There are also ten grandchildren, one of whom, Mrs. Ralph Hatt, resides in this city.

The deceased lady was a member of the Episcopal church for the greater part of her lifetime.

## WINS A PRIZE

From Monday's Daily  
Mrs. Lester Capps of Plattsmouth, Nebr., is the winner of a new RCA Glob-Trotter radio with dual wave and European reception, she was informed today by the Omaha Flour Mills company of Omaha, Nebraska, sponsors of a contest on Omar Wonder Flour.

Mrs. Capps' recipe for Applesauce Doughnuts was chosen the winner among hundreds of entries from Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Illinois, said the Omaha Flour Mills company in congratulating her upon her award.

The radio, which is the latest model, having long and short wave reception, including European stations, will be delivered to Mrs. Capps through her grocer, some time this week.

## TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Sunday afternoon Hillard Grassman, who has been ill for the past three weeks from an attack of erysipelas, was taken to Omaha where he was placed in the St. Catherine's hospital for care and treatment. Mr. Grassman had been feeling much improved and on Friday was able to be down in the business section for a short time but on his return home suffered a relapse and Saturday and Sunday grew much worse and to such an extent that pneumonia developed and it was deemed best to have him taken to the hospital for treatment. He was taken in the Sattler ambulance and will remain at Omaha until his trouble is definitely turned for the better. Mrs. Grassman accompanied the husband to the hospital.

## ARRIVAL OF LITTLE DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hill of west of this city are the parents of a fine little daughter that arrived Saturday at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha. The mother and little one are doing very nicely and the occasion bringing a great deal of pleasure to all of the members of the family. The little lady has been christened Patty Ann. Mrs. Hill was formerly Miss Mabel Rummel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rummel of this city.

## Auto Party En Route from West Have Wreck

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Keltz and Son Have Auto Wreck in Kansas, Due to Dust Storm.

On Sunday, February 24th, while en route from their home in Los Angeles to Plattsmouth and Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Keltz and son, Bobbie, had a very painful and destructive auto accident. While entering Gordon City, Kansas, they encountered the severe dust storm which was of a very dangerous nature to people traveling on the highway in that section.

In attempting to avoid running into what looked like a red danger light Mr. Keltz had the misfortune of colliding with a truck, with such force that part of the windshield was broken out and it is thought that a part of this struck Mrs. Keltz who was riding in the rear seat, inflicting a very severe scalp wound and injuring her nose very badly. The other occupants of the car, which included a lady friend, were not seriously injured, but the force of the compact did a great deal of damage to both cars. Mrs. Keltz's injuries were so severe it was found necessary to have her removed to a hospital at Garden City where she stayed until Thursday, February 28, when she was able to be brought into Omaha where the party stopped at the home of Mrs. Keltz's cousin, Mrs. Louis Gavin, where her injuries became so painful that it was found necessary that she again enter a hospital.

Don C. York, a brother of Mrs. Keltz visited her at the Evangelical Covenant hospital yesterday and found her resting very well, doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances.  
Mr. Keltz was en route to see his sister, seriously ill in Kansas and when he was able to reach her home after recovering from the injuries of the accident it was to find that she had passed away.

## DEATH OF AGED LADY

From Monday's Daily  
The death of Clara Minerva Searl, resident of the south portion of the city, occurred this morning at 5 o'clock at the family home.

Mrs. Searl has made her home here for a great many years and had a large circle of friends who will regret to learn of her passing.

The deceased lady was a native of Ohio and at the time of her death was aged eighty-three years, eleven months and twenty days. She was the widow of A. M. Searl who preceded her in death last June. She is survived by several nephews and one sister-in-law, Mrs. J. W. Hendee, of Wishtia, Kansas.

## STOLEN CAR RECOVERED

From Monday's Daily  
This morning Omaha police reported the finding of the Hupmobile "S" sedan of Leslie Thimgan, which apparently had been abandoned in the south side district by those taking it from this city.

The car was stolen early Sunday morning from the vicinity of Ninth and Pearl streets, and while officers made search over the city the person taking the car had evidently driven direct to Omaha and there abandoned the car.

## DOING MOVING JOB

The McMaken Transfer Co., of this city, which boasts that they can move anything that is loose, were busy Sunday and today in moving the household effects of the Alexander Geist family from this city to Beatrice where Mr. Geist has a new position with the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co. The McMaken firm have also moved household goods of the Robert Gray family from Table Rock to this city where they are to reside.

## RETURNS FROM WYMORE

Mrs. J. H. McMaken has returned home from Wymore, Nebraska, where she has been visiting at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Serman Taylor and family.

## ARRIVAL OF LITTLE DAUGHTER

There was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tucker of Omaha, a fine eight pound daughter on Saturday at 9 p. m., at Glenwood. Mrs. Tucker has been at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stivers at Glenwood for the past week. The mother and little one are doing fine and the event has proved a great happiness to all of the members of the family. The little one has been christened Ruth Ann. The little lady is a great granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Clark of this city.

## County Work Planning Committee Meets

Committee Representing Central Organization Meets Here—to Organize Precinct Meetings.

From Tuesday's Daily  
This morning the Cass county committee that was appointed a week ago to take up the planning of proposed public works projects was in the city to meet with the county commissioners and to discuss among themselves various ideas of work that might relieve the present situation.

The committee composed of Senator W. B. Banning, Union, chairman; Elmer Hallstrom, Avoca, ex-officio member; William J. O'Brien, South Bend; Frank Melvin, Murdock; Judge A. H. Duxbury of this city and D. D. Wainscott, Weeping Water.

The members of the committee were met here by a committee of the residents of East Rock Bluffs in which they urged the surfacing of the highway into their portion of the county as one of the means of affording employment through man labor.

The general committee urged that all precinct and sectional chairmen prepare to hold meetings in all of their localities to take up plans for public works that might aid in the employment of persons who are now unemployed or on the relief rolls of the county.

The meetings will be called in the various sections at once and concrete plans for public works will be prepared as soon as possible to the proper sources.

## YOUNG PEOPLE WEDDED

The announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Margaret Snodgrass of this city and Mr. Theodore Voeller, of Lincoln. The young people were married last June and have kept the matter of the marriage a close secret from even the members of their family until a few days ago when the announcement was made.

The young people are visiting at the home of the bride's father at Thurman, Iowa, for a few days and will later go on to Lincoln to make their home.

The bride is well known here where she has grown to womanhood and has a very large circle of friends in the community. She is a daughter of Edward Snodgrass.

The groom has made his home at Lincoln where he is an employe of the Burlington at their shops at Havlock and is a young man held in the highest esteem by all who have the pleasure of his acquaintance.

## RECOVER STOLEN CAR

Monday Deputy Sheriff Tom Walling recovered a Plymouth sedan here that was later identified as the property of Herbert Winton, of Nebraska City. The car was taken early Sunday morning at Nebraska City and abandoned here on west Pearl street. The car evidently was abandoned by the parties that had later stolen the car of Leslie Thimgan and which had been abandoned in Omaha. The finding of the car was reported by Mr. Walling to Sheriff Carl Ryder of Otoe county and the machine turned over to the owner.

## NOTICE TO PUBLIC

The ten day maximum incubation period having expired since any case of meningitis has occurred in Plattsmouth, the Board of Health hereby directs the lifting of all existing bans on public gatherings, etc.

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

## Assignments Completed for Scout Circus

Plattsmouth Boys to Have Important Parts in Arbor Lodge District Show at Nebraska City.

For the first time in the twenty-five years of Boy Scouting, a Scout circus outside the large cities is to be held. Arbor lodge district, of which the local Scout troop is a part has been selected for this first co-ordinated exhibition of showmanship by Boy Scout troops spread over three counties, and Plattsmouth Scouts will have no small part in the performance.

Among the acts assigned to local Scouts are the following: Games section, "Streets and Alleys;" Signaling, Semaphore (4 boys); Bell and Buzzer (2 boys); Knot Tying, rope machine (4 boys); rope spinning (group of boys); Tenderfoot knots (4 boys); Chariot race, one entry; Aviation, one stick and three scale models.

The boys are now actively at work on the parts they will have in the circus, which is to be held at Memorial building in Nebraska City on Friday, April 5th. An afternoon matinee show at 4 p. m. will be followed by supper for all Scouts and Scouters before the evening show.

What It Is  
The Scout Circus, held frequently in the larger cities, is really a three ring exhibition of Scouting in its entirety from Tenderfoot to the advanced rank of Eagle Scout. It is put on with all the showmanship and grandeur of the "big top," from whence it derives the name "circus."

Manifold acts appear simultaneously on the large floor of the auditorium where it is presented, following each other in rapid succession and having all the earmarks of the "greatest show on earth."

A nominal admission charge of 25 cents for adults (10 cents for children at the matinee performance only) will be used to defray the expense of production, including the meal provided following the matinee, and the remaining balance divided equally among the troops participating.

Tickets will be in the hands of the various troop committeemen in the near future, with early preference to outlying towns, up to a week before the date, when the rest of the limited seating capacity will be placed on sale in Nebraska City. This is done to assure giving the outside towns opportunity of attending. Only available seating capacity, which at best will be limited due to the large area of floor space required for the acts, will be sold.

Raymond J. Larson, Plattsmouth Scoutmaster, has been selected to be director of the Aviation act, that will feature some forty stick and scale models of present day planes, and Supt. L. S. Devoe will be director of the "Out of the Ark" comedy number, assisted by Supt. Stimberty, of Nehawka.

Rev. Edgar, of Syracuse, well known here, will be director of the chariot race feature. D. W. Webb, Louisville Scoutmaster, will direct the heavy pioneering act which comes as the grand finale of the show and includes cumbersome equipment that will be left intact so the various creations may be inspected by the audience as they come down on the main floor from the balcony after the show.

The Personnel  
Rev. Walter H. Jackson, of Nebraska City, a 23-year Scouter, is the general chairman and will be assisted by Rev. D. S. Coad, of Peru, in carrying out the general arrangements. Bert Swalley, of Nebraska City, is program director; Ed Harvey of Auburn, will have charge of preparations; Elmer Webb, of Plattsmouth, promotion, including publicity and ticket sales, with M. R. Shradler of Nebraska City assisting in ticket distribution; L. S. Devoe, of Plattsmouth, staging, and C. D. Damaast, of Nebraska City, general business manager.

Troop committeemen and Scoutmasters in every one of the eight towns represented will have important parts in the co-ordination of the circus, including supervision of the various acts that go to make up the program.

A general meeting of Arbor Lodge

district Scouters will be held in Nebraska City next Monday night, March 11th, to further formulate plans for the show.

The March court of honor for the district will be held at Peru Tuesday evening, March 19th.

## RETURNS HOME

From Wednesday's Daily  
Last evening Mrs. Andrew Robinson and babe, Ralph Lawrence, returned home from Omaha where they have been since the birth of the son. They are now at the home in the Bloom apartments.

## Local Teacher Resents Reflection at Profession

R. Foster Patterson Speaks Before Central High P. T. A. at Omaha—Opposes Oath Bill.

R. Foster Patterson, principal of the Plattsmouth high school, was the guest speaker Tuesday evening before the Central high school P. T. A. at Omaha, offering a criticism of the bill introduced in the present legislature and which would require Nebraska school teachers to take an oath to support the federal constitution.

Branding the bill as an unnecessary and unwarranted invasion upon the rights of our boards of education," Patterson said that it had "no other purpose than to cast aspersions on the school teachers of Nebraska."

He attacked the sponsors of the bill, particularly William Randolph Hearst, in stinging phrases that evoked applause from the five hundred listeners. Objecting that the bill limits the oath requirement to school teachers, Patterson said it should apply to "lawyers, clergymen and all who make public addresses—and to newspaper publishers."

"School Teachers Loyal."  
"I hope," he said, "that among the first who will rush forward to sign will be that intellectual Caesar who publishes a journal in this city, that superpatriot, that keeper of the keys to all things holy in love of country, that self-appointed guardian of all our liberties, that super-red hunter, William Randolph Hearst."

School teachers as a whole, he said, are inclined to conform. He said he believed they are loyal in their support of the constitution, and that the requirement of an oath was unfair.

"Which Is a 'Traitor?'"  
"How," Mr. Patterson asked, "can school teachers be expected to interpret the constitution when members of the supreme court cannot agree upon it?"

Citing the recent decision in the gold case, he asked if the dissenting justices were "traitors." If Mr. Hearst's argument were consistent, Patterson said, then all those who opposed the Eighteenth amendment while it was a part of the constitution were equally traitorous.

Mr. Patterson's address was preceded by a musical program in which Mrs. Mabel Allen Smalls, Mrs. Eloise West McNichols, Madge West, Grace Leidy Burger and Oscar Weinstein took part.

Community singing was led by Charles R. Gardner, while Dr. Frank G. Smith gave the invocation. George W. Pratt, president of the group, was chairman. The meeting was the last for the school year.

## ATTENDANCE NORMAL

From Monday's Daily  
Attendance at the high school went back to normal this morning and with practically every desk occupied, the work of making up work missed by many students will be quickly and thoroughly done. The third quarter will close the third week in March and the regular examinations will be held on Thursday and Friday, March 21 and 22. This gives the students more than two weeks to prepare for the usual tests.

## Murdock Five Winners of Their District Meet

West Cass County Quintet Closes a Brilliant Season—Play Brainard in Regional at Lincoln.

The Murdock high school quintet has just closed a brilliant season that has brought them to the regional class B contest at Lincoln next Saturday evening when they will play Brainard.

The team has just won the district meet when they eliminated Eagle on a 27 to 23 victory and move on to larger fields to conquer.

The Murdock quintet won their first game from Bennet by the score of 30 to 10 and Alvo fell in the second round, 21 to 15. In Hickman the Murdock boys had one of their steepest opponents, winning by the score of 16 to 13. The final game with Eagle was won by the score of 27 to 23.

In the tournament play Knosp, forward, was the high scorer of the team with a total of 32 points; Tool, 20; Rickil, 21. The guard work of Epping and Kuehn, who played in all the games was a large factor in their team winning.

The box scores of the games were as follows:

Murdock—	FG	FT	PF	TP
Tool, f	1	1	0	2
Knosp, f	3	1	0	7
Rickil, c	2	1	1	5
Epping, g	0	1	0	1
Kuehn, g	5	2	2	12
Miller, f	0	0	0	0
Weber, f	0	0	0	0
Klemme, g	0	0	0	0
Bornemeier, g	1	0	0	2
	11	6	2	30

Bennet—	FG	FT	PF	TP
English, f	1	1	4	3
Roeser, f	0	0	0	0
Monk, c	1	0	0	2
Church, g	0	0	0	0
Hall, g	2	1	2	5
Stricker, f	0	0	1	0
Jensen, g	0	0	1	0
	4	2	10	10

Murdock—	FG	FT	PF	TP
Tool, f	2	1	0	5
Knosp, f	3	2	0	8
Rickil, c	1	2	1	5
Epping, g	0	0	0	0
Kuehn, g	0	1	1	1
Miller, f	0	0	0	0
Weber, f	0	0	0	0
Bornemeier, g	0	1	3	1
	6	6	5	20

Alvo—	FG	FT	PF	TP
Miller, f	0	0	0	0
Cook, f-g	0	0	0	0
West, c	3	1	4	7
Skinner, g	3	0	1	6
McGinnis, g	0	0	1	0
Ganz, f	0	2	4	2
Keller, c	0	0	0	0
	12	11	10	15

Murdock—	FG	FT	PF	TP
Tool, f	2	1	0	5
Knosp, f	2	2	0	6
Rickil, c	2	1	2	5
Epping, g	0	0	0	0
Kuehn, g	0	0	0	0
Bornemeier, g	0	0	0	0
	6	4	5	16

Hickman—	FG	FT	PF	TP
Offer, f	1	0	2	2
Patton, f	4	0	0	8
F. Buhl, c	0	1	2	1
J. Buhl, g	0	0	0	0
Bottenhausen, g	0	0	4	2
Wisner, f	0	0	2	0
Wessel, f	1	0	0	2
Grote, c	0	0	0	0
Helm, g	0	0	1	0
	6	1	9	13

Murdock—	FG	FT	PF	TP
Tool, f	3	1	2	7
Knosp, f	5	1	1	11
Rickil, c	2	1	0	5
Epping, g	0	0	0	0
Kuehn, g	1	2	1	4
	11	5	7	27

Eagle—	FG	FT	PF	TP
West, f	0	0	2	0
Adams, f				