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Masons Pay Honor to Grand Master William Ramsey

Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6 and Omaha Chapter of Sojourners Have Delightful Gathering.

From Thursday's Daily
Last evening one of the largest gatherings of the Masons held in this city in many months was held at the lodge rooms of Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M., and for which occasion they were joined by Omaha Chapter No. 19 of the National Sojourners. The meeting was to honor William C. Ramsey, grand master of the Nebraska Masons, a former Plattsmouth resident.

The group, numbering 175 were served a very delicious dinner at 6:30, arranged by the Plattsmouth Masons with Carl Schneider, Ralph Wehrlein and Wayne Bennet as the chief cook directing the feed. The serving was in the hands of a very capable group of the Masons, Elmer Tritsch, Fred Tritsch, Herman Hennings, Charles Janek, Fritz Nolting, John Parkening, Louis Friedrich, John Janek.

The menu was as follows:
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Seafood Cocktail
Overseas Plums - Mixed Forage
Conraband Rations
Potato Cakes - Tackle Beans
General Staff Rolls
Army & Navy Blend Java
Admiral Byrd Desert
Smoke Candles

During the serving the members of the party were entertained by a violin trio of high school students, Rachel Robertson, Billy Evers and Wallace Terryberry, with artistically given selections, Jean Knorr being the accompanist.

The invocation was offered by the Rev. V. C. Wright while the benediction was by Rev. H. G. McClusky. The skipper of the battleship "Sojourner" was Judge A. H. Duxbury, who introduced a part of the program while at "Fort William I. Jones," Captain H. L. Gayer, proved a clever and entertaining toastmaster.

Lester W. Meisinger, master of the Plattsmouth lodge extended greetings to the visitors and which was responded to by Major William I. Jones, president of the Sojourners.

Lewis E. Smith, a distinguished and honored figure of Nebraska Masonry, for many years grand secretary, spoke briefly.

One of the interesting features was the dialogue between Luther M. Kuhns, D. D., and Raymond C. Cook, deputy grand custodian, the Dr. as Jonah while Mr. Cook responded for the whale in the well known biblical incident.

Superintendent L. S. Devoe of the city schools was called upon for a few remarks that he responded to in his usual clever and entertaining manner.

William A. Robertson, grand senior warden, gave a few brief remarks on the program in greeting to the local and visiting members of the order. On behalf of Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, Mr. Robertson presented a past masters jewel to Carl J. Schneider, who has just retired as the master of the local lodge.

Judge Duxbury from the good ship "Sojourner," presented Grand Master Ramsey to the dinner party and who was most enthusiastically received among the members with whom he has been so intimately associated in the years of his activity in Masonry.

Mr. Ramsey made a very able talk along the work of Masonry in the state and the general good of the order and commending the fine record that has characterized the activities of Plattsmouth lodge and the group of soldier Masons who form the membership of the Sojourners. The opportunity of having the grand master of the state with them was one that was much appreciated by the large group of Masons.

During the evening the members of the Sojourners held an open meeting of the chapter to add to the impressiveness of the occasion.

The gathering was one that will long be remembered as one of the highlights of many fine gatherings of the Masons of Plattsmouth and Cass county.

There were representatives from lodges in fifteen of the states of the United States present at the dinner.

HERE FOR VACATION

Miss Jane Boedeker, member of the graduating class of 1935 of the Plattsmouth high school, is home for a short vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Boedeker of Murray. Miss Boedeker is attending the William Woods college at Fulton, Missouri, one of the best known girls' schools in the west and where she has established a splendid scholastic record. Miss Boedeker is one of the most talented musical students that the Plattsmouth schools have had in their classes and the many friends here are very happy in her success.

Creamery Proves a Real Asset to the Community

Has Established Firm Reputation for Products and Covers a Wide Territory Over County.

George K. Hetrick, of the Plattsmouth Produce Co., operators of the Farmers Co-operative Creamery in this city, has established a great reputation for the concern that is resulting in a constantly mounting demand for the output of the company and enlarging the field of producers to all sections of the county.

The Casco brand of butter is one of the most popular in eastern Nebraska and it is in constantly increasing demand from those who have been users of the popular brand of butter. The demand far exceeds the capacity of the plant and keeps the operation at the highest peak with orders from all sections of the country.

The company during the recent cold weather that held all of the countryside blocked in by the snow on the highways, maintained their trucking service to secure cream for the plant and also doing a good turn for the farmers who were locked in by the snowbound roads. The cream was delivered where possible at a farm accessible to the trucks and in turn the truck driver would take out mail and groceries for a large area and leave them at the common meeting place. This service not only kept the plant operating but also did a good turn for the farmers and their families.

DIES AT MASONIC HOME

Mrs. Emma C. Belden, 80, died Wednesday morning at the Nebraska Masonic Home where she has been a resident since 1931, following a long illness. Mrs. Belden was born in Poleville, Greene county, New York, on February 18, 1856. She was for a number of years a resident of Omaha and where in 1913 her husband passed away. She made her home in the east for a number of years, later returning to Omaha where she resided until coming here to make her home. She was admitted to the home on February 18, 1931, from Bee Hive lodge No. 184, A. F. & A. M.

She is survived by a brother and sister residing in the east. The body was taken to Omaha where it will be laid to rest at the Graceland cemetery on the southside.

WEEPING WATER ELECTION

The voters of Weeping Water at the election on Tuesday displaced the present administration of that city with a group of new officials headed by Oscar C. Hinds, of the First National bank, as the new mayor of the city. The election was one that brought out one of the heaviest votes cast in the history of Weeping Water.

Other winners were C. V. Wallick and John N. Cole, councilmen; Herbert C. Wilkerson, clerk; Henry Mogensen, city treasurer; Clyde Jenkins, police judge; Frank J. Domingo and Irvin L. Markland, board of education.

NEW DAUGHTER ARRIVES

Mr. and Mrs. Cass Sylvester of this city are the proud and happy parents of a fine little daughter, born to them last night at an Omaha hospital. The mother and little one are doing nicely and the event has brought the greatest happiness to the deputy sheriff. The little lady has been christened Carol Ann.

Nehawka Loses Well Loved and Honored Citizen

W. S. Norris Laid to Last Rest on Thursday in Community Where He Lived so Long.

A deep sorrow has come to this community in the death of its loved citizen, W. S. Norris. Mr. Norris was stricken seriously ill Monday afternoon, having suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. Medical and nursing skill could not avail, and he died about one o'clock Wednesday morning.

Winfield Scott Norris was born on February 23, 1856, in Taylor county, West Virginia. With his parents he moved to Redkey, Indiana, where he resided until he was twenty-one years of age. He then came to Nebraska where he engaged in farming, living for a few years in Antelope county, a few years near Plattsmouth, and then in Nehawka for the past thirty years.

October 25, 1888 he was married, in Nehawka, to Miss Mary C. Murdoch. He was a member of the Congregational church and was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows lodge.

He died April 8, 1936 at his home in Nehawka after a thirty-six hour illness, leaving his wife, one sister, Miss Alice Norris, and two brothers, Gus and Chester Norris, of Brunswick, Nebraska, and several nephews and nieces.

Funeral services were held in Nehawka at the Methodist church on April 9, at two o'clock in the afternoon. The Rev. George Carter, local pastor, officiated and was assisted by Rev. Otto Engbretson, of the United Brethren church.

A quartet consisting of Mesdames Wm. Obernälte and Melvin Sturm and Messrs. W. H. Kruger and Verner Lundberg, with Mrs. H. L. Kuntz, accompanying them, sang a few of the old familiar hymns.

Floral offerings were many and beautiful. A number of out of town relatives and friends were in attendance as well as many neighboring friends.

Interment was in Mount Pleasant cemetery near Nehawka.

Thus briefly do we sum up this long life. But no brief words can summarize the richness within that life, for Mr. Norris was a man who won and held the love of those about him, wherein lies a man's greatest wealth.

Gentle, retiring, kindly, he loved his neighbors. Association with his many friends was ever his great happiness. Indeed if one were to epitomize this kindly man with a single word, that word would be "Friend."

Bound by unusually strong ties of love and companionship to his dear ones, his home was close to his heart. His lodge with its ties of friendship, love, and truth, was dear to him.

He softly trod his simple way and looked on life with quiet eyes.

The loving memory of Scott Norris, friend, will ever be green in our hearts.—Nehawka Enterprise.

YOUNG PEOPLE WEDDED

Thursday evening at the home of Judge A. H. Duxbury occurred the marriage of Miss Mildred K. Gates of Fort Crook, to Mr. Merle L. Parker, also of the same place. The young people were accompanied here by Miss Lorraine Theissman of Papillion and Royal R. Cochran of Lingle, Wyoming, who witnessed the ceremony.

The marriage lines were read by Judge Duxbury and the bridal party later motored on back to their home.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gates, well known residents of east Sary county, while the groom is at this time engaged in CCC work at Fort Crook where they are expecting to reside.

REPORT CHICKENS STOLEN

From Friday's Daily
Sheriff Homer Sylvester was notified this morning that a large number of chickens had been stolen from farms near Nebraska City and also at Auburn. The sheriff was checking up the matter here but no trace of the missing chickens was revealed.

ATTENDS SCHOOL MEETINGS

Miss Alpha C. Peterson, county superintendent of schools, was at Omaha Wednesday where she took part in two school meetings. In the morning she was engaged in a conference of county superintendents and in which there were fourteen counties of the state represented, a fine program and discussion being enjoyed.

The afternoon was taken up with a district meeting of the Parent-Teachers association and which was very largely attended.

South Sixth Street Paving Nearing End

But Little Will Remain When Work Week Closes—North Blocks to Then Be Completed.

The long cherished dream of a two block section of 6th street paving between Vine and Pearl, seems to be soon a realization at the present rate that the work is being pushed.

The concrete paving on the south block is now fast nearing completion and will make a fine and up to date paving to replace the old bumpy brick paving that for several years gave the street a state wide reputation for roughness. The workmen are now in the last sections of the paving and then will be left only the clearing up of the sidewalks and placing them back in shape and all will be lovely in that section of the city.

The workmen that are assigned to the WPA project have all been busy this week on the south side and as soon as this is completed they will be shifted to the north block to push the work there as rapidly as possible and by the real opening of spring the street should be ready for travel.

The work has been in progress for several months and its completion will be greeted with enthusiasm by the business men and residents of the street who have been more or less handicapped by the necessity of having the street closed while the work was in progress.

FIRE DESTROYS SMOKEHOUSE

Wednesday afternoon shortly before 4 o'clock a fire originating in the smokehouse at the farm of Mike Hausladen, south of this city, threatened for a few moments the destruction of the home as well as other outbuildings on the place.

There was a large amount of meat in the smokehouse that was being cured and it is thought that the fire started from this source and whipped by the strong north wind spread very rapidly.

The fire was first discovered by Mrs. Hausladen and whose calls for help were heard by Walter Gouchenour, a neighbor, who secured James Lepert and Emil Koukal and hurried to the scene of the fire and their prompt action was all that saved all of the buildings from being swept away.

The fire spread from the smokehouse to a large pile of wood that had been arranged for fuel and the wind drove fire through there and in the direction of the house and several smaller buildings until it was finally checked.

The smokehouse and its contents were entirely destroyed. Mr. Hausladen some two years ago had his barn burned with the loss of several horses and hay at a very heavy loss to him.

HOME FOR VACATION

Plattsmouth students at the University of Nebraska are home to enjoy the Easter vacation with the home folks. The group includes Miss Anna Margaret McCarty, Miss Lois Bestor, John H. Becker and Dorothy Farmer. Miss Mary Anne Rosencrans, another of the Plattsmouth students, is forced to spend her vacation in the Bryan Memorial hospital where she is reported as recovering very nicely from an appendectomy.

RECOVERING NICELY

Relatives who have been visiting with Miss Mary Anne Rosencrans at the Bryan Memorial hospital at Lincoln, report her as recovering nicely from her recent appendicitis operation.

Plattsmouth Music Students Second at Tarkio

String Quartette, Vocal Sextette and Violin Soloist Are Awarded High Honors.

From Saturday's Daily
In the Tri-State music contest held at Tarkio, Missouri, yesterday, representatives from the Plattsmouth high school made a splendid record.

Miss Mildred Knoficek was rated superior by the judges, for her outstanding performance. At their request, Mildred remained for an evening appearance also.

The string quartet, composed of Mildred Knoficek, Rachel Robertson, Bill Evers, and Wallace Terryberry, with Jean Knorr as accompanist, rated excellent. These respective ratings were received by Mildred Knoficek and the quartet in their appearances at the M-I-N-K contest in Peru and the district contest in Omaha.

The violinists all are pupils of Mrs. Grace Ledy Burger of Omaha. The pianist, Jean Knorr, is a student of Mrs. Kittle Roberts.

The vocal sextette of the high school also scored an excellent rating for their splendid offerings on the afternoon program. The sextette comprises Maymie Schwenneker, June Sumner, first soprano; Betty Ann McCarty, Mildred Knoficek, second soprano; Marjorie Fitch, Wilda Johnson, altos. Miss Edna Mae Peterson played the accompaniment for the sextette in the contest.

In the musical section the Plattsmouth high school entries scored second place, Sidney, Iowa, which had a large group of entries, winning over the local school by two points.

In the oratory class of the declamatory contest James Webb of this city was awarded good for the original oration, "Breaking the Depression," and Miss Kathryn Armstrong also scored a rating of good in her dramatic section in the contest.

ELMWOOD ELECTION

The annual village and school elections at Elmwood were held on Tuesday, April 7th. Voting was not very heavy, only a small vote being polled. In the school election the results were as follows:

Dr. O. E. Liston 116 votes; Henry Bornemeier 75; Mrs. E. Cook 36; Paul Bornemeier 35. Liston and H. Bornemeier being the two high candidates were elected to serve on the school board of district 95 for the term of three years.

The result of the village election was as follows:

George W. Blessing 91 votes, Fred Kunz 85; Emil Rosenow 45 and Chas. West 44; A. H. Rase 41; Elmer Shreve 24. Paul Bornemeier 35. The three high candidates, Blessing, Kunz and Rosenow were elected for two year term of office. There were some scattered votes, Everett Lynn 6, and a number were voted for by one vote.

RETURN FROM KANSAS CITY

From Saturday's Daily
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Graves returned home this morning from Kansas City, Missouri, where they have been for the past month. Mr. Graves was taking treatment at the Thornton & Minor clinic in that city and returns home feeling very much improved in health and it is hoped will derive permanent benefit from the course of treatment.

TWINS AT STAVA HOME

Twin girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stava of south of this city on Tuesday, one of the little ones passing away a few moments after birth while the other one is doing very nicely and it is hoped that both the mother and child will soon be out of danger.

DOING NICELY

The many friends of Little Miss Peggy Jane Wiles will be pleased to learn that she is doing very nicely after a three weeks illness. She has been suffering from a kidney infection and which made necessary her being under medical care at home.

VISITS IN CITY

E. C. James of Ord was in the city today in company with his friend, Clarence M. Davis, also of Ord, who is a candidate for the republican nomination for attorney general. Mr. James is the father of Mrs. Fred A. Rothert, formerly Miss Alice James, one of the popular members of the teaching force of the Plattsmouth schools for a number of years. While here Mr. James was able to meet a large number of the local people.

Cass County Supplies Call for CCC Camps

Eleven Selected to Be Sent for Service in Public Work—Another Call Is Anticipated.

Another selection of Cass county young men for the Civilian Conservation Corps has been made and eleven have been sent out to be assigned to camps later.

The young men who were selected were: Vern Harter, Weeping Water; Clarence Gardner, Eagle; Russell Witt, Greenwood; Thomas Deal, Lloyd Stratton, Waldemer Long, Irus Gerdes, Louisville; Lawrence Oxley, Cedar Creek; Floyd Eastridge, Plattsmouth; Edward Hicks, Union.

The young men were sent at once to Weeping Water where they will receive their inoculations and vaccinations and the preliminary training before they will be assigned to their permanent camp.

The present selections is depleting the list of those available for the CCC work and it is hoped that more will call at the office of Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans and register as another call is anticipated in a short time.

TO SELECT DINNER MENU

Councilmen Tippens and Palmer and their wives will meet tonight to select the menu for the League of Municipalities convention and entertainment here on April 22. Five local women's organizations have submitted menus to the reguar committee, which is made up of parties having some connection with different organizations bidding, and these have been typed and given a number, so the identity of the different bidders will not be known to the special committee, none of whom have any connection with the bidding organizations, to select what they deem the best one.

It is expected there will be more than 200 visiting city officials here from the 91 towns in this region to attend the conference.

Rehearsals are under way for the one-act skit, "Model Session of a Town Board," which is to be one of the features of the evening's entertainment.

PRESENT FINE PROGRAM

From Saturday's Daily
Last evening the choir of the First Methodist church presented at the church "The Seven Last Words of Christ," by Dubois, one of the impressive cantatas of the passion week observances.

Walter Dale, well known Omaha soloist, was here and assisted in the production with his masterly rendition of the tenor solos of the cantata.

The choir gave a very much enjoyed rendition of the impressive and inspiring musical story of the last hours of Christ on the cross and which was heard by a large congregation.

VISITS IN CITY

Harold Jordan and Miss Helen Harse, of Valentine, Nebraska, were in the city Friday for a short time, being dinner guests at the home of County Treasurer and Mrs. John E. Turner. Mr. Jordan was for several years a teacher in the commercial department of the Plattsmouth high school.

FILES SUIT IN COURT

An action has been filed in the office of the clerk of the district court by Lillian Livingston vs. John Livingston, asking for a decree of divorce, as well as custody of minor children. W. G. Kleck appears as attorney for the plaintiff in the action.

B. J. Reynolds, Former Resident, Dies in Omaha

Veteran Switchman at This Place Passes Away After an Illness of Some Duration.

Benjamin J. Reynolds, 75, a resident of Plattsmouth for a great many years, died Wednesday morning at the family home, 2424 Cuming street, Omaha. Mr. Reynolds has been in poor health and only recently returned to Omaha from the west coast where he had visited his relatives and since that time he has been bedfast. It was one of his last desires to visit with his old associates in the railroad work but which he was unable to do.

Mr. Reynolds was born at Cumberland Gap, Kentucky, January 30, 1861, and grew to manhood in that locality, going when twenty-one years of age to Missouri where he spent several years. In 1886 he moved to Sidney, Iowa, to make his home until he later moved to Nebraska City and in 1889 came to Plattsmouth where he entered the service of the Burlington railroad in the switching force in the local yards. Mr. Reynolds made his home here until ten years ago when he moved to Omaha where he continued his work for the railroad company up to 1932 when he was retired from service.

Mr. Reynolds was twice married, four sons and four daughters survive by the first marriage and the widow, Mrs. Dora Reynolds and one son, Lyle L., of Omaha survive from the second marriage. The other children are Edward of Lincoln, Charles of Montana, Joseph of Oklahoma, Gerald of San Francisco, Mrs. Jennie Barkus of San Bernardino, California, Mrs. Ruby Mapes and Mrs. Lucille Holmes of Lincoln and Mrs. Jessie Clifton, Marshalltown, Iowa. There are two brothers, Joseph and Boone, of Council Bluffs and a sister, Mrs. Rebecca Bouger of Wichita, Kansas. There is also three stepsons and one step-daughter surviving.

The funeral services will be at Omaha on Saturday afternoon at the Crosby-Carlson-Meyer's chapel at 2 o'clock. The body will be brought to Plattsmouth for burial and the funeral party is expected here at 3:30. The casket will be opened at the grave for the old friends in this city.

TO HOLD FORMAL OPENING OF NEW STORE THURSDAY

The formal opening of Mullen's new Cash Market is to be held next Thursday evening, April 16th. No merchandise will be sold during the opening, and the public is invited to attend, going through the new store and inspecting the fine new equipment for the handling of groceries, fruits, vegetables and meats that has been secured by Mr. Mullen for his new place of business in the Masonic building.

More than \$50 worth of groceries and meats will be given away in baskets, the retail value of which will be at least \$2 each. Coupons entitling the holders to participate in these awards have been printed and will be distributed free to all persons who call at the store between now and the night of the formal opening.

VISITS IN ILLINOIS

Mrs. Hallie Marshall departed Wednesday evening for Macomb, Illinois, where she will visit with an aunt in that city. The aunt has not been in the best of health for some time and at her advanced age it has made her condition a matter of worry to the relatives. Mrs. Marshall expects to spend a short time with the relatives whom she has not seen for some time.

SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. Julian McNatt, who is undergoing treatment at the Nicholas Senn hospital at Omaha, is reported as showing a great deal of improvement and which has been most pleasing to the relatives and attending physicians. Her condition the first of the week was very serious but she has rallied nicely and is now able to sit up a part of the time.

Phone news items to No. 6.