

### The Plattsmouth Journal

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### Alvo News

Mr. and Mrs. William Mickle went to Weeping Water Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Mickle spent Thursday morning in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Timblin motored to Weeping Water Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bobb of Lincoln spent Sunday at the Mark Nickel home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Craig of Murdock spent Sunday with Mrs. Craig's parents at Alvo.

The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nickel has been on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer West and family spent Sunday at the Oliver Spratt home of Douglas.

One hundred and thirty tickets have been disposed of for the Mothers' and Daughters' banquet Friday evening, May 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stroemer, Mrs. Stroemer and Miss Marie Stroemer motored to De Witt Sunday afternoon, where they went to visit relatives.

Miss Ruth West, of Linberg, Wyoming, who had been visiting the past month at the Elmer West home, departed Wednesday for her home in Wyoming.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Mickle and son accompanied Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hardnock to Denton, Sunday, where they spent the day at the Loren Mickle home.

The Charles Roelofs family and the Elmer West family enjoyed a weiner roast in the Roelofs grove Sunday evening. The occasion was in honor of Miss Ruth West.

The pupils of the fifth-sixth grade room and their teacher, Miss Marjorie Arn, had planned to go on a picnic Thursday evening, but a light rain up and spoiled all their plans.

Remember, Friday evening, May 15, is the night for the Senior class play, "Billie, Behave." A three act comedy full of enough laughs to cure the common ailments of any person.

Mrs. S. C. Hardnock accompanied Mrs. Vera Lancaster and Betty to Lincoln when it was decided necessary for Betty to go to the hospital.

### Most Perfect Torso



Helen Ramsey

Sculptors designing statuaries for the Texas Centennial exposition at Dallas selected Miss Helen Ramsey, 16-year-old high school girl, as the possessor of the "most perfect torso" among the rangellettes attached to the exposition and enlisted her as a model.

### Senior Class is Preparing for Graduation Day

Sixty-two Young Men and Women Prepare to Leave School Days Behind Them.

In two weeks the young men and women who comprise the class of 1936 of the Plattsmouth high school, will have bidden farewell to the institution where for twelve years they have studied and mingled with their fellow students.

The passing of the high school graduation will make many changes for the students and long associations since childhood days, with each other, will drop away in the changing paths of life. The public school is a great example of democracy at its best and in it the children stand on an equality that they possibly will not find again.

This year the graduating class will be predominately feminine as there are thirty-eight girls to graduate and twenty-four boys, a larger number than usual of the girls, as in recent years the classes have been well divided and a number carried more boys than girls.

This class carries particular significance to Principal J. R. Reeder, the class sponsor, the class having entered the high school at the same time that Mr. Reeder entered on his work here and he has had them as a part of his student body since the day they came to school as freshmen, four years ago.

The members of the graduating class this year will be as follows:

Helen E. Albert, Mildred Allen, Kathryn F. Armstrong, Charles Eugene Ault, Dana R. Baird, Darlene Edna Benedict, James W. Benedict, Sophia Frances Bieri, Amber V. Bomer, Larkue M. Bomer, Zella Mae Brizendine, Bette Barbara Bulin, Rosemary A. Burcham, Cecil W. Carr, Rosemary B. Claidt, Stephen Mack Davis, Charles Howard Dow, Mildred Marie Dvoracek, Harvey Bernis Eggling, John H. Paris, Marjorie M. Fitch, Louise J. Fitzmayer, Wilma A. Friedrich, Richard Karl Gahl, Mary Ann M. Gradville, Edward J. Hadraba, Joseph R. Hendrix, Ralph Michael Hennings, Mary Margaret Henton, Grant W. Howard, Wilda Elizabeth Johnson, Chester Lee Keil, Thelma Beatrice Kohrell, Glen E. Kohrell, Clea Marie Koukal, Marjane Long, Rita Ann Libershal, Frances Marie Lillie, Floyd R. McCarty, Mary Jane McClure, Eugene O. Nolte, Viva E. Palmer, Fern Potts, Nancy Leona Price, Anna Marie Rea, Sarah Louise Rishel, Melvin A. Sell, C. Walter Sikora, Martha Solomon, Hugh Stander, Jr., Carolyn Jung Summer, Wallace M. Terryberry, Aimee Jane Thomas, Alberta Jeanette Timmas, Arthur J. Waga, Donald J. Waga, Anna Margaret Wiles, Grace Louise Wiles, Marian H. Wiles, Mildred Josephine Wilson, Marjorie Jane Wolfarth, Imogene Worthan.

The Ladies Aid Society of the local church met in the church basement Wednesday afternoon, May 6, for the regular meeting.

Because of the moving away of Mrs. John Skinner, who was president of the society, it was necessary to elect a new president. Mrs. Charles Godbey was elected to serve the remaining part of the year.

Mrs. Frank Taylor had charge of the devotional part of the meeting.

Miss Bertha Kousin and Mesdames Holmes, Mullen and Rehmeier were the committee in charge of refreshments.

Mrs. Eugene Nutzman led devotionals with a prayer, followed by Bible quotations on "Mother Love."

Mrs. Herbert Kuntz and Mrs. Nutzman sang "My Mother's Old Bible is True." Mrs. Harold Dodson with her sweet voice sang "It's Maytime."

The theme of the program was "Behind the Footlights." Mrs. Julian Pollard in her gracious manner presented the playlet, "The Piper"

Mrs. Eugene Nutzman and Mrs. Herbert Kuntz sang "Mother McCrea."

Prizes were awarded by the president to the youngest daughter present, the youngest mother, the eldest mother, the mother of most children and grandchildren, the eldest woman without children and the most generations present.

The guests were invited to the basement of the church for tea. Mrs. Carl Balfour and Mrs. Oren Pollard presided at the tea table. Sweet peas and orchid tapers formed the centerpiece. The other tables were lovely with bouquets of sweet peas and May baskets of pastel hues.

Mrs. Julian Pollard in her charming way made a ceremony of grace before the serving of the tea.

Those thus honored were: Mrs. Anna Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Dora Sutters, Mrs. Minnie Prouty, Mrs. Etta Hardnock and Mrs. Uptegrove.

Goes to Hospital  
Betty Lancaster was taken to the Bryan Memorial hospital Monday evening, where she underwent an operation for the removal of her appendix at about 10 o'clock that same night. She has been quite ill, but it is thought she is getting along as well as can be expected. Mrs. Lancaster remained in Lincoln to be near Betty.

Laid to Last Rest  
Funeral services were held for the late James Fitzgerald Wednesday at the St. John's Catholic church. The requiem mass was celebrated by Father George Agius, pastor of the church, with the choir of the St. John's school assisting in the mass.

Rummage Sale  
There will be a rummage sale held at the Presbyterian church on Wednesday, May 13th. Sale opens at 1 p. m. m8-34d-1tw

### STRAWS

By the Calendar, May 10 is official STRAW HAT DAY. By the temperature, it's NOW and we are ready!

Dress Straws 50c to \$2  
Work Straws 25c to 75c  
WESCOTT'S  
Personalized Tailoring  
King Korn Klub Dance, Wednesday, May 13, Legion Gldg.

### Barkus-Garner Wedding Occurs in California

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester L. Barkus, Former Residents of This City, Weds.

At a wedding celebrated quietly Saturday evening, April 25, Miss Lelia Laverne Barkus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barkus, 354 S. Mt. Vernon avenue, and John Bybee Garner, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Garner, 1375 Glasgow avenue, were married.

The ceremony took place at the home of Elder I. M. Bay, of the Church of Jesus Christ, Latter Day Saints, at 762 Seventh street. Gorgeous pink and red roses combined with a profusion of greenery decorated the rooms.

For her marriage the lovely young bride wore a frock of poude blue crepe trimmed with white, and with white gloves, slippers and hat. Her flowers were gardenias, and she wore a lovely crystal necklace, a wedding gift, and carried a handkerchief that belonged to the bridegroom's grandmother.

She was attended by her close friend, Miss Ruth King, who wore an all white costume with white accessories, and a corsage of pink rosebuds and sweet peas. Mr. Garner was attended by his brother-in-law, Emory Wahlén, in the role of best man.

Only the members of the immediate families of the young couple attended the ceremony which was followed by an informal reception at the home of the bride's parents. Beautiful arrangements of calla lilies, carnations and roses decorated the rooms.

The bride's table was laid with a lovely embroidered linen cloth and centered with the wedding cake. Tall white candles tied with white tulle bows and set in crystal holders were at each end of the table.

Following a short honeymoon trip the bridal couple will return to make their home in Wrightwood where Mr. Garner is employed.

The bride was born in Casper, Wyo., but lived the greater part of her life in San Bernardino and received most of her education in the schools here. She graduated from the senior high school with the class of 1935.

Mr. Garner is a native son of the city and with the exception of six years spent in Utah has lived all his life here and was educated in the San Bernardino schools.

In the company attending the reception and extending best wishes to the newlywedded couple were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slyde of Wrightwood, Drs. Helen and Melville Fenton, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Wahlén and children, Charles and Karen, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McKeay and son, Wendell, Mrs. E. K. Becker, grandmother of the bride, Miss Ruth King, Roy Barkus, and the parents of the honored couple.—San Bernardino Telegram.

The bride is a niece of Mr. Frank L. Barkus of this city and the many old friends of the family in this city will be pleased to learn of the marriage.

HERE TO SPEND SUMMER  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maury, two of our old and loved residents, returned home Friday from several months spent in the central part of the state. They have been spending the winter at Kearney, Nebraska, with their daughter, Mrs. T. J. Todd and family. They will now resume their home here and the many friends are delighted to have them back in their midst again.

FOR SALE—OR MIGHT RE-MODEL FOR GOOD TENANT  
Brick store room, 22x14, northeast corner 6th and Pearl streets, Plattsmouth. Good location for Hamburgers or Lunch Room.—Fred T. Ramage or T. H. Pollock. m11-2tw

### RECALLS EARLY DAY EVENTS

While in conversation with the scribe of the Journal, George Lloyd had to say that on the 15th of May, 1867, he with the family came to Nebraska and to Cass county, crossing the river at Plattsmouth, and distinctly remembers feeding the team at the lower end of Main street in Plattsmouth, and of coming to a pond midway between where Murray and Nehawka now stand where they purchased a farm and where the father and other members of the family planted a crop of corn on June 25, which was harvested and put in an improvised crib on October 15th, all good sound corn, and this without any of the modern machinery, for the corn was dropped by hand and cultivated with a single and double corn plow. Their only town was Plattsmouth, which was eight miles away, but there was no fences to impede their travel and only two bridges between the farm and Plattsmouth, the travel being in a direct line between the home and town. Good land could be purchased then for \$10 an acre. Mr. Lloyd mentions a man who traded a horse for 80 acres of land and broke the same out with two Texas steers and also raised a good crop.

### KING KORN DANCE

The dance sponsored by the King Korn Klub is to be held on Wednesday evening at the American Legion building. This is the first activity of the club and is one of the means for the raising of funds for the forthcoming fall festival, it deserving the support of all to assure a successful time in the fall.

Committees will be out in the business section of the city Monday to contact the business and professional people and enroll them in the good work of promoting the King Korn Carnival.

### Wabash News

Jerry Smith commenced planting his corn last Thursday.  
W. T. Richards was looking after some business matters at Nebraska City one day last week.  
Business called Henry Crozier of Weeping Water to Wabash last Wednesday forenoon and he also enjoyed visiting with his old friend, Sherman Hardaway.  
Louis Bornemeier, of Elmwood, where he is manager of the Farmers Union cream station, was looking after business matters in Wabash on last Tuesday afternoon.  
Warren Richards, who believes in getting his corn planted in time so it will grow and mature, has completed the planting of his crop and is now waiting for the corn to get big enuf to go over with the cultivator.  
Fred H. Gorder, who injured his foot so seriously when the ankle turned on him as he was walking, and who was laid up for some time as a result, was again able to be out the latter part of the week, although he found it necessary to walk with the aid of a cane.  
William Rueter, who is ever rustling with the affairs of the farm, but who was so ill he was not able to go to Weeping Water to meet with a committee that is looking after the farming interests, had Clarence go in his place, and the young man has been given a position with the farm workers.  
Grover Lauretzen, manager of the Farmers Union Implement company, at Weeping Water, with his truck came via Wabash last Wednesday and picked up L. R. Stanley, they going to Lincoln, where they secured a quantity of goods for their respective businesses, which they brought back with them.

Home from the East  
William Langhorst arrived home

### DEAD ANIMALS

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Ashland, 85; Weeping Water, 232; Murdock, 70; Elmwood, 13; Greenwood, 70

last Monday on the early train from an all winter's visit in Ohio, where he visited at New Bremen and Springfield. On his arrival home, he found that the hail storm had just broken out a number of his windows, which he had to have repaired. He had a good time while he was away, but was glad to get back home again.

### PLATTERS AT ASHLAND

Several of the Plattsmouth high school track squad were at Ashland Friday to compete in the mud in the various events that were featured on the card of the invitation meet.

The York high school entries were the best mudders and carried off the meet honors with 48 1/2 points. The few entries from this city were able to annex eight points and secured a first and second honor.

Earl Taylor of the Platters scored second in the discus, while Max Seitz was the first place winner in the javelin.

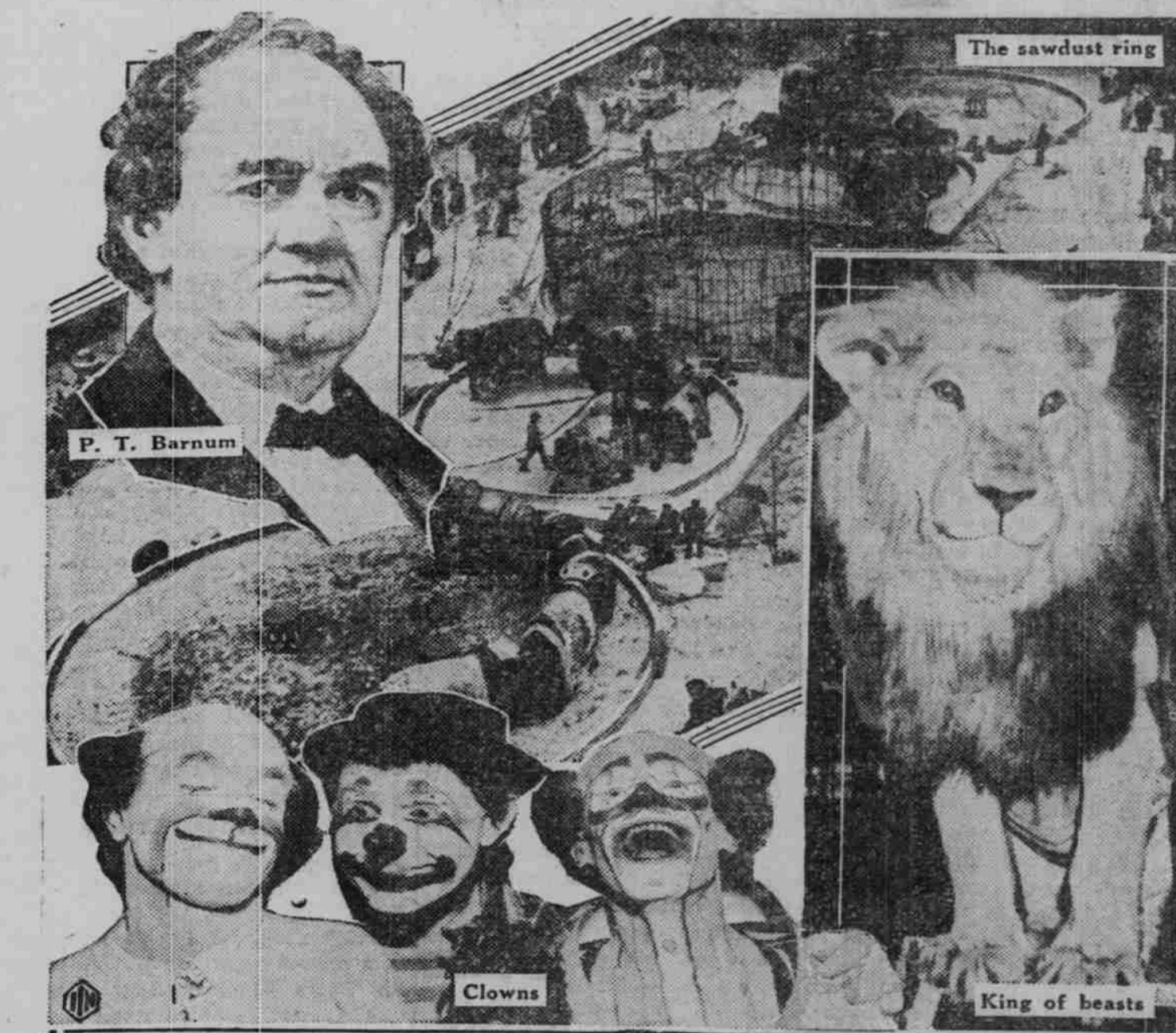
Other local entries failed to place in the various events.

Dale Ganz of Alvo was placed in several of the events and kept the west Cass county school in the running.

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### Circuses Face Struggle for Existence

Competition From Motion Pictures and Radio Constitutes Menace to Future of Glamorous Sawdust Ring



By JEAN ALLEN  
International Illustrated News  
Feature Writer

NEW YORK.—Another indication of the decline of the circus as an important unit of the modern entertainment is seen in the discouraging reception accorded Ringling Bros., Barnum & Bailey circus when it opened the 1936 season in New York.

There are some who attribute the poor return at the box office to the fact that the giant extravaganza, "Jumbo" in itself a combination circus and musical comedy, dulled the edge of interest among Manhattanites in the annual arrival of the big show.

It is doubtful whether the circus will ever disappear as the integral part of the entertainment world, but is equally doubtful whether it will in the future retain the importance and glamor associated with it in the halcyon days of P. T. Barnum and John Ringling.

realm of amusement unknown in the days when the circus and an occasional minstrel show were the only breaks in the ordinary routine.

No More Tom Thumbs  
Another factor which has lessened interest in the circus is the fact that about every novelty, wild animal and freak possible has been exhibited in the past decade. The most able showmanship cannot replace the powers of attraction which Tom Thumb, the original midget, and Jumbo, the much-heralded giant elephant, held for other generations.

An indication of the struggle for existence which circuses have endured in recent years is seen in the fact that showmen have found it necessary to combine to survive. Consolidation of Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey was one step in this direction.

A similar development has resulted in the affiliation of several of the smaller shows under one management, each retaining separate identity but profiting by economies of wholesale buying, co-operative book-keeping and common management.

The immense costs of transportation and the huge overhead involved in operation of any circus of size is another factor which makes the business a risky one. A sustained stretch of bad weather, which hurts the circus more than any other form of amusement, takes a terrific toll from the reserve fund.

Weather also is responsible for the necessity of laying up the show, nearly half of the year. Only a few of the smaller shows which tour the south operate the year around.

The decline of vaudeville has been another factor detrimental to the welfare of the circus, since many of the star performers of the sawdust ring gained their start in this field. The "easy money" offered by Hollywood has, for the most part, made entertainers unwilling to endure the hardships and financial uncertainty of circus life.

Despite all this, however, the youngster of today—and even tomorrow—need not fear that the circus will disappear from existence. It has a glamor, a romance distinctly its own, and provides a thrill which the movies or stage can never duplicate.

**Blacksmith**  
PLOW WORK A SPECIALTY  
**Ed Palmeter**  
Alvo, Nebraska