

## UNION ITEMS.

Tommy Mason of Nehawka was delivering wood to Union last Monday and was also over to Plattsmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Porter were in Omaha last Wednesday visiting for the afternoon with friends and as well were shopping.

Ralph Davis and wife and Mr. and Mrs. George Kuhl of Nebraska City were visiting with friends in Union for the day on Christmas.

Supt. H. D. Bugbey and two of the teachers, Misses Mearle Davis and Rachel Viers were over to Lincoln last Saturday where they were visit-

ing with Mrs. Bugbey as well as doing some pre-Christmas shopping.

Wm. Clintberg and wife of Peru were visiting for the week end at the home of the mother of Mrs. Clintberg, Mrs. Mary B. Allison.

Charles V. Barrows of near Myard was a visitor in Union Monday of this week, having some business matters to look after for a short time.

The ladies of the Baptist church were holding their quarterly birthday gathering at the parlors of the church last Wednesday and also enjoyed having a Christmas party with exchange of gifts.

Henry H. Becker was called to Omaha Monday of this week to look after some business matters and securing repairs for a pump which he was installing in a new well which he had just completed digging for a farmer.

Mary Becker, cashier of the Union Co-operative Credit Association was a visitor for over the week end with her friend, Miss Mearle Davis at Omaha. Mrs. Otto Ehlers was caring for business at the bank during Saturday afternoon.

On last Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Meisinger and their little son were visiting for the evening at the home of their friends, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Leach where all enjoyed a very pleasant evening and a delightful supper.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. McCarthy and John McCarthy making their home midway between Union and Nebraska City on No. 75, were host and hostess when they had the McCarthy family as guests for Christmas. A pleasant gathering was had and a most sumptuous dinner.

Mrs. O. W. Finney was visiting and looking after some business matters in Plattsmouth last Monday, going via Murray and taking her mother who also visited in Plattsmouth. Mildred Clarke was looking

after the telephone office during the absence of Mrs. Finney.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Griffin and the other members of the family and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Schumaker and little son are to spend Christmas day in Plattsmouth at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Griffin where the gathering of relatives will enjoy the Christmas day and a very fine dinner.

Miss Joy Whitworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Whitworth, who has been attending school at Wesleyan University at Lincoln, has concluded her work there with the ending of the present semester and with the beginning of January will begin nurse training at the Methodist hospital in Omaha.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor were down to Nebraska City last Wednesday shopping and visiting with friends. Returning home they found that their friend D. B. Porter had left them a generous supply of beef and pork and that Herman Ross had left them a dressed pig, all of which Mr. and Mrs. Taylor wish to express their thanks.

### Proved Herself Most Capable.

Mrs. C. L. Greene who was in charge of the entire program given at the Baptist church last Sunday, and with her two very capable helpers, Misses Veire and Davis had direct charge of the play and cantata. Mrs. Greene proved herself a very capable executive and much credit is due to her efforts and the ladies working with her. The presentation was most pleasing to the large number of people in attendance.

### Home From Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cross, the latter a daughter of Mrs. E. J. Mougay, were in Omaha last week where they went to the Methodist hospital where Mrs. E. J. Mougay has been for several week receiving treatment and

was able to return to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cross where she is being cared for. While still very poorly she is feeling much improved.

### Gave Cantata, The Lost Star.

One of the most pleasing of entertainments was staged at the parlors of the Baptist church last Sunday evening. The entire entertainment was under the direction of Mrs. C. L. Green, who was very ably assisted by Misses Veire and Davis. The program which was a play with the cantata was composed of some eleven characters, who took the following parts: Philip, a Jewish lad; James, father of Phillip; Sara, Phillip's mother, the three shepherds, Mary and Joseph, Asaph and his wife Lydia, with Simon, a messenger from Joppa. The scene in the first act is staged at the Inn at Bethlehem the night of the birth of the Christ. The act two was staged in the home of James and Sara, thirty years later. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Booher. The play was witnessed by all who could find entrance to the room. The audience was well pleased with the rendition.

### Oliver Finkle Dies at St. Louis.

Oliver Finkle, brother of Frank Finkle, a former employe of the Missouri Pacific railway, but who has been in poor health for some months passed away a few days ago at the Missouri Pacific hospital at St. Louis where he had been receiving treatment. The remains were brought to Union, passing on to Dunlap, Iowa, where a number of the family now rest. Mr. Finkle leaves three brothers one being Frank Finkle of Union, two daughters and one son. The daughters make their homes in Ohio. Mr. Finkle was well and favorably known here and will be mourned by a large number of people here.

### Take Nice Trip Sunday.

Frank Bauer and Elmer Withrow went to Omaha last Sunday and when they had gotten there passed over the bridge to Iowa and departed in a southeasterly direction, seeing the country as they went and finally found themselves at Glenwood, Iowa. They continued south and went to Anderson and Sidney and until they hit Iowa No. 3 which they follow to Nebraska City where they crossed back into Nebraska, visiting at Nebraska City for a time before returning to Union, and as it was getting near evening they called it a day.

### Car Hits Train.

A man from Lincoln, going west last Sunday night about midnight, was blinded by one train standing on the tracks with a bright headlight and running around it to cross the track found a freight train on another track just beyond. As he was going at a good rate of speed he ran into the freight train, damaging his auto very seriously and at the same time was injured himself, cutting his face and nose quite badly. The man was able to continue on to his home in Lincoln after receiving temporary treatment.

### Wanted His Money.

At a few moments after ten o'clock last Saturday our druggist, W. D. Rankopp was preparing to close for the evening, the front door of the store was opened and in came three men, two being very poorly dressed and one being better outfitted. They asked for tobacco but as the druggist had not secured any license to sell tobacco he told them and remained behind the counter. They then said, we do not care, we wanted you anyway, hand over your money. Quick as a flash Rankopp who had just placed a revolver in his pocket, flashed the gun in the face of the three would-be bandits, and taken by surprise, they immediately fled. The

## MANY PAIRS OF SHOES NEEDED IN PLATTSMOUTH

Community Building club trustees, who have undertaken to provide the needy children of this city whose parents cannot buy them footwear, are now busy indexing the various requests that have been made, most of which have come from teachers in the schools who know the need and are more or less familiar with the financial problems faced by the parents.

A good number of outgrown and discarded shoes have come in so far, and these will be given necessary repairs and in turn given to some of the children needing shoes that can be thus fitted. In addition, many of the children will be provided with new shoes.

The trustees have set aside \$50 to cover part of the cost of footwear for the needy children and will provide up to that amount more should the demands require.

No shoes have been given out as yet, as it takes some little time to get the program organized, but no needy child will be forced to return to school after the holidays with dangerous footwear that might bring on sickness.

The school authorities of both the public and parochial schools have cooperated splendidly and the public can be assured that shoes will be provided for all worthy children at the earliest moment possible, consistent with an investigation of the need and the financial ability of the parents.

So far as investigation has proceeded at present it is evident practically every one of the nearly fifty cases referred to the committee are deserving and come from homes in which parents are not able to buy the needed shoes, rubbers or overshoes as the case may be.

excitement unnerved the druggist who immediately notified the authorities who went after the robbers who had disappeared in the darkness. A shot after the retreating bandits would have been a good admonition to leave such a job alone in the future. Nothing more was heard from them, so they evidently got away. They were all comparatively young.

### Christmas at Uptons.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Upton are today entertaining for Christmas and are serving a goose dinner at their home where the decorations bespeak the Christmas spirit obtains. Those present for the occasion are Mrs. Fannie Upton, mother of Mr. Upton and Mrs. D. Lynde, mother of Mrs. Upton, Earl Upton and family, L. R. Upton Jr., Sara Upton, who is teaching at Rockville, Nebr., who is spending her vacation at home. The gathering was very pleasantly enjoyed.

Plattsmouth is the ideal large town shopping center for all Cass county people. Values here are the equal of those found anywhere—read the ads for bargain news.

## Our Greetings TO YOU

We are desiring for all our friends . . . Good Health . . . Prosperity . . . Friends . . . and a Happy Home.

### Union Lumber Yard

D. Ray Frans, Propr.  
Union, Nebr.



Wishing Our Friends and Customers

A Merry Christmas AND A Happy New Year

We appreciate your past patronage and hope we may continue to merit same during the coming year 1937.

Phil and Charlie  
Phone 29—Union, Nebr.



## SEASON GREETINGS

Reliable 5c to \$1.00 Store  
GOLDING & STIBAL



Accept the season's salutation offered with highest respect and good cheer.

L. B. EGENBERGER  
321 Main Street—Telephone 252  
Plattsmouth, Nebr.



May Good Fortune and Health and Happiness be yours at this Christmas-time and follow you throughout the coming year . . . is the wish of

Plattsmouth Bakery



What's the use of thinking up A greeting that is new—When just the same good old Christmas wish Is what is meant for you.

Donat's Liquor Store  
Donat's Beer Tavern



Ring Out Ye Bells!

To all our friends, fellow townsmen and the strangers in our midst, may the Christmas bells ring a message of hearty good cheer. May you find joyous happiness in the holidays and the promise of more in the years to come. . . . A Merry Christmas to everyone!

Bates Book Store

## BEST WISHES



It is pleasant to remember old friends and to wish them a Merry Christmas

Barney's Shop  
Barney Fullerton  
Joe Graves



May pleasant memories Of the jolly old season Linger long after The holidays are over.

Kroehler Hardware  
Plattsmouth, Nebr.



The Same Old Greeting but . . . with renewed sincerity "Merry Christmas and Abundant Happiness"

R. V. Bryant  
Olds Sales and Service



May the Wishes of Your Friends for You at Christmas Come True.

Plattsmouth Creamery  
Makers of Casco Butter  
Plattsmouth, Neb.

## Bible School Lesson Study!

Sunday, December 27th By L. Neitzel, Murdock, Neb.

Review: "The Spread of Christianity in Southern Europe" Heb. 2:1-4; 11:32; 12:2.

We have come to the last lesson of the year, and we do well to take a look backward as well as looking forward, unto Jesus. We have seen the phenomenal growth of the early church; the small beginning, the conquering of the Gentile world, the establishing of new churches, religious centers in Asia Minor, over her borders into Europe, all within the course of 30 to 40 years time. This was done by a few men whose souls had been set on fire by the Holy Spirit which could not be quenched. Ask them the reason for their devotion and courage in facing the dangers and even martyrdom, they would say: "The love of Christ constraineth us." The impelling and compelling force that cannot be resisted. That is the spirit and the power that will conquer the world.

The writer of the letter to the Hebrews (not Gentiles) could not have been the Apostle Paul, because he was called especially to be an apostle to the Gentiles. Acts 9:10 unfold to us a panorama, going back to the giving of the law by ministering angels, tracing it to the coming of "His Son," bringing the matter of our salvation up to date, and then asks a question of such great importance that neither man nor angel nor God himself can answer: "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great a salvation?" Who is able to adequately describe this salvation? It is great because its author is God; it originated in God's love; it is made available through Jesus Christ his only begotten son; it was made possible only by the sacrifice of the eternal Lamb of God; nothing can take its place; it is permanent, never changes; it bestows power, peace, joy; it is eternal; it satisfies; it is unique—has no rival in the world. This is a great word of ours, "neglect," meaning not to pick up, not to take hold upon, not to gather; just to let a matter lie; not to touch it; be without interest in it, without concern.

"It is my very salvation, that which is mine in Christ, but does it concern me? It is there, it exists, but to treat it as something assured and positive which now may be relegated to some distance from the actuality in my life is to neglect it." (G. Campbell Morgan).

Who will try and answer the question? "How shall we escape?" There is none.

The inexorable consequence follows, an utter rejection by God, without mercy. Divine justice demands it. Heaven would be the hottest Hell for an unregenerated soul.

The writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews, after having given many historical examples of fidelity by men and women to God, seems to say: "What's the use of heaping up evidence; look at the array of heroes (just to name a few), see the accounts of Gideon (Judges 6:8); Barak (Judges 4:5); Samson (Judges 13:16); Jephthah (Judges 11:12); of David and Samuel and the prophets and their exploits. (Let the teachers call for answers to the enumerated deeds of valor, faithfulness, patience and courage displayed—by whom? (Verses 33-35). Can you name the heroes? (Israelites subdued Canaanites, etc.) Promises to patriarchs. All of verses 36-40 refer to well known Old Testament characters—examples for us. The great incentive to faithfulness should engage our earnest attention. The life of the Christian is here pictured as a race. (The picture is taken from the Olympic Games.) The stage setting is superb. The great amphitheatre is filled with spectators—in this case there is first the Son of God—think of Stephen's race—then the innumerable hosts of angels—then the host of them that have "overcome," some named above, a "cloud," great numbers, at all points of the race, from start to finish.

We are in the race; some start well, but do not finish, fall by the wayside. Began the year 1936, but where are they now? Did they make progress, or slide back? (We are speaking of the living). The Germans have a trite saying: "Nicht der aufang ur das ende, Kroent des Christen Glaubensstreit." Not the start, but the finish, is what counts. The athlete strips for the race, every superfluous particle is put aside; he trains to be in perfect order, to be ready when the signal is given and his face is set for the goal. If Christians would take their life as serious, which virtually is a race for an imperishable crown, and having their eyes fixed on Jesus, the "author and perfecter of their faith," we sure would bring the kingdom of God quicker to a world that otherwise will go to perdition, and their blood may be required from our hands.

The race for eternal life means concentration, to have one purpose, "this one thing I do." (Phil. 3:13—Paul.)

Jesus endured the cross, despised shame, for the joy that was awaiting him—his glorious resurrection—his uniting with the Father—a perfect redemption wrought for the world—the possibility for man to be saved.

"All hail the power of Jesus name Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of All."