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Plattsmouth Debaters Show Well at Peru

Students of Milo Price Compete with Some of the Best Debate Teams in This Part of the West.

The Plattsmouth debate team was at Peru the last of the week to compete in the invitation tournament, they having been fortunate in being able to make the trip through the kindness of Fred Bourck who placed at their disposal a 1937 Chevrolet to make the trip.

The team at Peru lost to such teams as that of Benson and Central of Omaha, two of the best teams in Nebraska, according to tournament records, and to Independence, Kansas, home town of Alf Landon. The Independence team recently placed third in the Kansas state championship tournament, placing first in the consolation contest at Peru.

Robert Woest and John Bestor did so well in the debate against Independence that the judge admitted that his decision turned on the evident wider experience in public speaking displayed by the Kansans. Plattsmouth equaled and excelled them in logic, facts and figures.

The Plattsmouth debaters also lost to Nebraska City but won from both DeWitt and Geneva. Harriett Case and John Bestor debated in both of the contests won by Plattsmouth.

The steady improvement of the local debaters is putting Plattsmouth on the debate map. The fact that our team has two more years of competition should give other schools something to think about.

Nebraska is now divided into five large districts, and on March 19 and 20, Plattsmouth will compete at Lincoln for the district championship. Other class A schools in the district are Auburn, Aurora, Beatrice, Fairbury, Fremont, Geneva, Lincoln, Nebraska City, Tecumseh, Stromsburg and Wymore.

NEHAWKA WOMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. A. P. Sturm and Mrs. J. J. Pollard were hostesses to the Nehawka Woman's club on Friday, March 5th, at the Sturm home. Mrs. Carl Balfour, president, presided.

Mrs. Mary Norris conducted devotions which consisted of a scripture reading, recital of the Lord's Prayer, and a very pleasing vocal duet by Mrs. E. A. Nutzman and Mrs. H. L. Kuntz, with Mrs. Kuntz at the piano. Flag salute was led by Mrs. Ivan Balfour. Roll was called and minutes read and approved. Business of the day was transacted.

It was voted that each member donate one dozen eggs to the Child Saving Institute.

Mrs. E. C. Stimbart gave a very interesting and instructive talk on "Nebraska Educational Problems."

Mrs. Nelson Berger then reviewed "The Country Kitchen," by Della Thompson Lutz. Mrs. Berger gave a brief summary of the author's life, and reviewed the book in a most able and entertaining manner.

Miss Betty Ross favored the club with two solos, "I Heard You Pass By," and "A Bowl of Roses," singing each number beautifully. She was ably accompanied by Mrs. H. L. Kuntz.

Election of officers followed and resulted in the following being named: Mrs. George Sheldon, president; Mrs. Raymond C. Pollard, first vice president; Mrs. H. L. Kuntz, second vice president; Mrs. E. C. Stimbart, secretary; Mrs. Martin Ross, treasurer; Mrs. E. C. Stimbart, delegate to state convention; Mrs. Hall Pollard, delegate to district convention.

Refreshments were served from a tea table at which Mrs. Carl Balfour and Mrs. George Sheldon presided. The table carried out the St. Patrick motif, with green tapers in silver candlesticks, and a beautiful bouquet of maiden-hair fern in a silver basket-vase. A miniature snake harp, pipe, pig and Pat, the Irishman himself, were present to further the Irish theme. Favors, other appointments and refreshments were also in keeping.

Plattsmouth offers a splendid market for farm produce. Local dealers always pay top prices.

DRAWNS DOWN FINE

Tuesday afternoon before Judge C. L. Graves, Leo Roddy, Ernest Harding and Clifford Eaton, a youth, were arraigned on the charge of hunting without a license. The men were apprehended while hunting east of Union and the complaint was filed here by H. C. Mapes, deputy game warden, who appeared against the men.

On the recommendation of the game warden, a fine of \$1 and costs was given Roddy and Harding and the fine of Eaton was suspended.

Nehawka Pioneers Celebrate Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. John Wunderlich Have Lived on Farm Near Nehawka During Past 50 Years.

From Monday's Daily—

Mr. and Mrs. John Wunderlich of Nehawka celebrated their golden wedding anniversary yesterday at the home in which they have lived since their marriage. The couple was married in Otoe county at the home of the bride's parents on March 9th, 1887. Mrs. Wunderlich was formerly Miss Magdalena Caroline Carsten.

As all the children could not be present on Tuesday, the celebration was held yesterday. The yellow color scheme was carried out in flowers and table decorations.

During the afternoon interesting incidents of the couple's pioneer life in this section were recalled. Mrs. Wunderlich was born on the farm on which they now live. While a young child her parents moved to Otoe county then she returned to the farm as a bride.

All the children were present. Those attending the dinner were Mrs. Lottie Rosencrans and son, Bill, of Plattsmouth; Mrs. Sadie Shrader and son, Gerald, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wunderlich, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams and son, Burnell, all of Nehawka; and Lester Wunderlich of Plattsmouth.

During the afternoon many phone messages came and letters of congratulations arrived today for the bride and groom of fifty years.

AWARD SOLICITING PRIZES

The campaign for the sale of flowers to aid the cause of the blind, conducted here on Saturday, resulted in the sum of \$37.45 being collected by the young girls who conducted the sale. This amount after the deduction of mailing cards and small items will be sent to the Protherhood of the Blind.

The sale was under the direction of Mrs. Otto Keck as chairman.

The prize winners among the twenty-three girls doing the solicitation were: \$2 cash, Mary Ann Winscott, collecting \$9.89; Barbara Lamphere, collecting \$3.78, fountain pen from Bates Book store; Betty Ault, collecting \$2.64, hose from Knorr's; Mary Jean Hatt, collecting \$3.49, purse from Soennichsen's; Lella Covert, collecting \$3.20, hair dressing from Ann's Beauty shop; Shirley Leesley, collecting \$2.50, powder and perfume from Weyrick & Hadraba.

All who assisted in the sale received a free ticket to the Cass or Ritz theatre.

RECEIVES SAD NEWS

From Monday's Daily—

Fred H. Sharpnack this afternoon received the sad news of the death at Lincoln of his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Starkey, who has been ill for some time. Mrs. Starkey was an old resident of Lincoln and had been gradually failing in health since the death of her son in a railroad wreck several weeks ago.

Mrs. Starkey is survived by two daughters, Mrs. H. Sharpnack, of Lincoln and Mrs. Jennie Nesmith, of Milford and one son, George, residing in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sharpnack will attend the funeral services which will be held at Lincoln on Wednesday.

All kinds of commercial printing done promptly at the Journal office.

Murray Parties Have Fine Trip in Southland

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Boedeker Tour Through Sixteen States; Cover More Than 5,000 Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Boedeker of Murray have just returned home from a very delightful tour through the deep south, a trip that carried them through sixteen states and over 5,000 miles.

They made the trip by car and on their way to the south encountered the first stages of the floods that were later to sweep the Ohio valley, they striking the rising waters near Evansville, Indiana, which city later suffered greatly from the effects of the waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Boedeker made their way through Kentucky and into Tennessee, enjoying a trip through the Cumberland and the Tennessee river valley, a very attractive sight and where they visited one of the great federal power projects that have been launched in that part of the south.

They enjoyed visits at Atlanta and Macon, Georgia, in the latter place finding the old spirit of the south reflected in the homes and the settings of the city in general.

They toured down the east coast of Florida with stops at Palm Beach, St. Augustine, with their principal stay at Miami where they spent three weeks in the delights of this resort city. They found the climate truly delightful and thousands from the north in this playground of the south.

On the return trip Mr. and Mrs. Boedeker traveled up the west coast to Florida and had the opportunity of seeing many of the beauty spots of the everglades and the Indian residents who still maintain their homes where once their ancestors ruled. Fine highway facilities made this trip one of the greatest delight.

They stayed a short time at Mobile, one of the picturesque cities of the south and viewed many beauty spots in that section, continuing their way along the Gulf coast country where Spanish moss hanging from the trees and the attractive foliage added a charm to the scene.

A stay was also had at New Orleans where they visited the old French sections and historic spots of the city where many of the thrilling dramas of the nation have been enacted from the days of the first French and Spanish settlers.

MISS LOIS BESTOR NAMED SPECIAL PAGE

Miss Lois Bestor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bestor of this city, has been notified that she may attend the Daughters of the American Revolution Continental Congress as a special page. The convention is to be held in Washington, D. C., April 19 to 23 inclusive.

Three regular pages are permitted to go from the state. The appointment as a special page comes through Mrs. Wm. A. Becker, president general.

The delegate has received her papers of lineage through the Bestor family. She enters the organization through the Caleb-Carleton line.

Miss Bestor is the fourth person to represent the Fontenelle chapter of D. A. R. in the Continental Congress. Mrs. Zelma Tvey Jennings, Mrs. Helen Wescott Murdick, and Miss Vestetta Robertson have attended as pages. Mrs. Murdick had the honor two years.

Many nice courtesies are extended to the pages while in Washington. They will be guests at a dance in the Willard Hotel, will visit Arlington, Va., stopping at the tomb of the unknown soldier and other points of interest and will take many educational trips about the national capital and neighboring points.

UNDERGOES OPERATIONS

Frank Schackneis, Sr., of this city, underwent an operation for adhesions and the removal of gall stones and appendix Saturday morning. He is at the Anton Kani hospital at Omaha and is getting along as well as can be expected. Mr. Schackneis is in the employ of the BREX shops.

CARS HAVE SMASHUP

Sunday afternoon an auto smashup occurred at the intersection of Pearl and Seventh streets, just north of the Knights of Columbus hall. A car driven by Walter Porter was going east on Pearl street while a car driven by Ernest Elliott was coming west on the same street. The two cars were turned in the intersection, that of Elliott to go on our Chicago avenue while the Porter car had started to swing apparently into Seventh street.

Both of the cars were smashed up quite badly.

C. K. Morse Challenges Men of Rotary Club

Dr. P. T. Heineman Presents Representative of Extension Dept. of University of Nebraska.

From Tuesday's Daily—

C. K. Morse gave a challenging talk before the members of the Plattsmouth Rotary club at the luncheon this noon. He said that statistics show that every high school graduate has a potential service period of 46 years and asked "What are you doing for them to receive them into the business life of your community?"

He asked how many of the high school seniors the members of the club could call by name, and the number with whom they had even spent fifteen minutes in conversation. The educational program is not one of urging students to go to college, he explained, but of guidance into the right channels of life occupation. Many of the students need advice and consultation with men who are experienced in the field in which they desire to work, he said, and urged the men to give time to assisting these graduates in becoming useful citizens in their own community.

Dr. P. T. Heineman had charge of the day's program.

William Baird, Searl Davis, and Dr. P. T. Heineman were named by Frank Cloldt, president, as the nominating committee. Announcements were made during the meeting of a number of luncheons to be held at other clubs with invitations to the Plattsmouth members.

Hilt Wescott and Dr. R. P. Westover have been invited to lead the community singing at a meeting of the Omaha club. Several members will attend special meetings and dinners at Glenwood Thursday evening and at Ashland Monday.

RECEIVES RECOGNITION

Eugene O. Vroman, who since the operation of the Burlington Refrigerator Express Co., shops here has served as inspector and checker, has received a very deserved promotion in his services of the company.

Mr. Vroman has been named as general foreman of the local shops, succeeding Ralph H. Anderson, who has been transferred to St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mr. Vroman has had a long experience in the shop work and has made a most efficient worker that has aided in the efficiency of the plant and the work produced.

The recognition will be very pleasing to the many friends of "Rip" over the city where he has grown up and with his ability and faithfulness he may be depended on to give the new position the benefit of his experience.

Edgar Newton will take the place vacated by Mr. Vroman and Robert Painter will take over the work as checker, formerly held by Mr. Newton.

ILL AT HOSPITAL

John Wooster, of Reliance, South Dakota, a former Plattsmouth resident, is at the St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha where he has just undergone a very severe surgical operation.

Joseph Wooster, who is now located at Denver, came in Saturday to visit with his family here as well as the brother in the hospital.

John Wooster and family have made their home in South Dakota for the past fifteen years. Mr. Wooster being engaged in farming near that place.

Many Attend Court of Honor Here Last Night

Nine Troops Have 46 Boys Up for Advancement—Eagle Award to Nebraska City Boy

From Wednesday's Daily—

With nine troops (three from Auburn, two from Nebraska City, and one each from Nehawka, Plattsmouth, Syracuse and Union) represented by a total of 46 boys, last night's Arbor Lodge district court of honor for the Boy Scouts of Cass, Otoe and Nemaha counties, was the most largely attended in point of numbers and awards made of any in recent years.

The awards included one Eagle, one Star, seven first class and twenty second class Scouts. In addition, seventeen boys received a total of 39 merit badges.

Norman Flau, of Nebraska City, was awarded the Eagle Scout honors in most impressive manner, the badge being pinned on his uniform by his brother, while his father presented him with the accompanying credentials and letter of congratulation from national Scout headquarters.

Rev. Walter Jackson, of Nebraska City, presided over the court of honor, and Willis V. Elliott, Scout executive of Lincoln acted as secretary, calling the different troops up for advancement.

During the time the board of review was examining the many applicants for advancement the members of Plattsmouth troop put on a short program.

A vocal number was given by the boy's quartet, Bob Valley, John Tidball, John Jacobs, and Dick Hall. Allan White gave a trumpet solo and a vocal solo was given by Theodore Libershal. James Sandin read "Idiosyncrasies." Ray Larson gave an explanation of the basis upon which awards are made in the Scout organization.

One of the features of the court in addition to the presentation of the awards to the boys, was the presentation of a 25 year button to Rev. Walter Jackson, of Nebraska City, a Silver Beaver Scouter, who has served as an adult leader in the Scouting movement for that length of time. E. H. Wescott, of Plattsmouth, another Silver Beaver Scouter, passed the 20 year mark some three years ago and will also be eligible for that honor soon.

The 25 year award was presented by Ray Low, of Omaha, who has long been identified with Scouting in the Covered Wagon council that comprises territory north of the Platte river. Previous to being assigned to the pastorate at Nebraska City, Rev. Jackson served various M. E. churches in the Covered Wagon council, but since that time has continued equally active in the Cornhusker council of which the Arbor Lodge district is a part.

Plattsmouth troop had four boys up for advancement to second class Scouts, Bill Cloldt, Carter Minor, Billy Robertson and Kenneth Wohlfarth.

The next court of honor for Arbor Lodge district will be held at Syracuse in May.

Following is the complete list of troops represented and members who received advancement:

Auburn, Troop 228—Ord Wells, Star Scout; Harold Wrightman, Kenneth Schmidt and William Allgood, first class Scouts; Ord Wells, Robert Hemmingsen and John Shiveley, four merit badges.

Auburn, Troop 321—Jean Castner, Nellan Lokie and Frank Simpson, second class Scouts; Harold MeVicker, Memo Wilhelms, Paul Harvey and John Dressler, for total of eight merit badges.

Auburn, Troop 327—Donald Morris, Dan Dustin, second class Scouts; Herbert Helms, merit badge.

Nebraska City, Troop 343—Bob Schimmel, Bob Harrah, Keith Wardrip, Donald Meyers, Norman Gumlach and Chas. Maybee, second class Scouts.

Nebraska City, Troop 346—Norman Flau, Eagle Scout; Mason Colbert and Ramon Rhodes, first class Scouts; Dale Porter, Jim Stephenson, Fred Rottman, Jr., James Smith, Virgil Pitstick, Jr., Bill Pitstick, Joe Littrell and Bob Stephenson, total of twenty merit badges.

Nehawka, Troop 231—Stuart L. Schlichtemeier, second class Scout.

Plattsmouth, Troop 364—Kenneth Wohlfarth, Bill Cloldt, Carter Minor

and Billy Robertson, second class Scouts.

Syracuse, Troop 321—Kenneth S. Alsdurf, Leslie Kreps, Pierre Pettinger, Keith Janssen and Gerald Metzger, second class Scouts; Harold Gately, six merit badges.

Union, Troop 238—John Morris, second class Scout.

Either a Scout circus, a merit badge exposition or a camporal will be held in Plattsmouth about the last of May or early in June, which of the three it shall be to be determined at the April business meeting of Arbor Lodge district in Nebraska City.

Cass County Pioneer Resident Dies at Manley

Mrs. William C. Pankonin Has Lived in Farm Home During the Past 64 Years.

From Wednesday's Daily—

Mrs. Wm. G. Pankonin died at her home near Manley yesterday afternoon at one o'clock after a lingering illness. She was 82 years of age and has lived at her present home during the past 64 years. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church in Weeping Water and interment will be in the Weeping Water cemetery. Rev. George Morey of Uteia will have charge.

Mary Helen White was born March 4, 1855, in Cayuga county, New York. She was married at the age of 19 in Michigan to Wm. G. Pankonin and came to Nebraska as a bride. The couple made their home on a farm near Manley where they resided during their lifetime.

Mrs. Pankonin was a member of the Baptist church of Louisville for a number of years and of late has been active in the Methodist church of Weeping Water. She was a loved neighbor and mother.

She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Herman Wagner of Weeping Water, and four sons, Ernest, who lived at home with his mother, John, Frank, and Ed, of Weeping Water. Three grandchildren also survive, Lorene and Lola Wagner and Mrs. Merle Rogoss of Weeping Water, and one sister, Mrs. Eva Powell of Kendalls, Mich.

VISIT AT LINCOLN

Monday the Very Rev. Adolph M. Mosler, vicar-general of the Lincoln diocese of the Roman Catholic church, with Father George Agius, pastor of the St. John's church, motored to Lincoln. They spent some time visiting friends and looking after matters at the office of Bishop L. B. Kucera.

On the return Father Paul Hasler, of Lincoln, accompanied Father Mosler and will be a guest here for a short time.

Father Mosler and Father Hasler are natives of the province of Silesia, formerly a part of the German empire.

OPENS NEW MARKET

From Tuesday's Daily—

This afternoon the stocking of the new fruit and vegetable market in the Hatt building on Main street was commenced.

This market is being opened by Jerry Thomas, of Tarkio, Missouri, and who will have the store ready for opening as soon as possible.

The new owner is the operator of a large store at Tarkio and which he will continue in conjunction with the store here, a local manager being in charge.

It is the expectation to have the store stocked with all of the fresh vegetables and fruits that are available on the market.

IS CRITICALLY ILL

From Wednesday's Daily—

County Attorney J. A. Capwell was at Waroo today to visit there at the Community hospital, with his brother-in-law, Clifford Samek. Mr. Samek has been at the hospital for the past four weeks suffering from the injuries that he received in an auto wreck near Weston, his home. He had apparently improved from the skull fracture but now has developed brain fever and his condition is very grave.

Presbyterian Church is Ready for Rededication

Interior of Structure Ravaged by Fire Now Restored in Greater Beauty and Artistic Charm.

The interior of the First Presbyterian church, which a few months ago was gutted by fire, now stands ready in its restored beauty for the rededication services which will be held on Sunday.

The only change made on the exterior of the building is that of the new roof that was so badly damaged by the fire.

As one enters the church auditorium from the swinging doors at the northeast corner, the simple and dignified semi-gothic setting of the rooms is very impressive.

The dark timbered ceiling and walnut wood used in the furniture has its tones enhanced by the light cream tones of the walls and ceiling.

The church auditorium floor is covered with the deep heavy Wilton carpet in mullberry tones that blend artistically with the furnishings, this being used in all save the pews.

The replacement of the former opera chairs with the pews has lent a much more dignified touch to the interior and provides ample seating capacity for the church. These pews are arranged on the natural curved lines so that all seats face the platform at the west of the church.

The greatest change that has come to add its effectiveness to the charm of the interior is the platform which now extends almost the entire west side of the church auditorium.

In the front of the platform ample space has been provided by the elimination of one row of the seats and this space is now richly carpeted and from the center aisle of the church three steps lead to the platform. At the top of the steps there stands the beautifully carved communion table of dark walnut and on which is painted the word famous "Last Supper" by deVincel. A soft reflected light on the beautiful picture causes the figures to stand out in lifelike relief.

The fifty-three foot carved screen that extends across the front of the platform is simple and impressive and furnishes an impressive touch to the interior of the building.

On the left of the platform is the pulpit with its reading desk and light where the pastor may bring his message to the audience.

To the left of the steps is arranged the choir loft, ample space with the pews seats being arranged for the musicians and who are seated so that they are almost on the level with the chancel rail.

The crowning glory of the redecorated church is the fine new Rueter pipe organ which was purchased from the Rueter Organ Co., of Lawrence, Kansas. The console of the organ is placed at the front of the platform with the organist facing the audience. The organ has two manuals and every modern note to make it a great contribution to the beauty of the religious service. The pipes of the organ are hidden by the walls of the auditorium and the music is heard through the large handsomely carved walnut grill on the west side of the auditorium, just above the choir loft. A companion grill also is at the north portion of the platform.

The church has lighting equipment that will add a fine note to the general dignity and charm of the church.

From the main auditorium the steps leading to the fellowship room in the basement, are covered with the heavy carpeting that makes it possible to ascend or descend the stairs noiselessly and not disturbing the service.

The Fellowship room has been redecorated altho there has been no change in the general plan of the room. The walls and ceiling here are in the cream tones of the main auditorium and the dark toned wood sets this off nicely.

The changes that have come to the church have made it one of the most beautiful and impressive houses of worship in the city, one that breathes the spirit of reverence as the worshiper enters its portals and the members of the congregation may well be proud of their restored building.