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Council Has a Busy Session Monday Night

Rescind Action on Adopting Firemen's Insurance—Lift Ban on Liquor Store Opening Christmas.

The city council had a very busy evening Monday with the accumulating of three weeks business to take care of and which involved many different angles of the city affairs.

The meeting being the first of the month, there was the regular reports of the various officers of the city to be heard. City Treasurer M. D. Brown reported that there was \$19,839.51 in the treasury and Mayor Lushinsky took the occasion to thank the treasurer for the fine report. City Clerk Albert Olson reported that he had a poor month with only \$7.50 being collected. Chief of Police Libershal reported five arrests and fines and costs of \$45.80, while Police Judge Graves reported for the week of November 25, two arrests and fines and costs of \$23.38 and for the week of December 2, one arrest and fines and costs of \$25.

Asks Ordinance Revision
A communication was received from the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company asking that the "Green River" ordinance be arranged so that they might conduct their business solicitation among the residents of the community, stating that eighty-five per cent of their business was secured in this manner. It urged that local business interests be given consideration in the measure.

City Attorney Davis was of the opinion that the changing of the ordinance to benefit any particular group would make the measure unconstitutional.

Councilman Comstock called attention to the fact that the proponents of the ordinance had urged its passage in the identical language of the Wyoming ordinance aside from the name of the town.

On motion of Councilman Webb, the communication was referred to the Plattsmouth Business Men's Club to take up with the telephone company and try and arrive at some understanding and report the same to the council.

The council also received a communication from the Recreational Center council in which it was asked that the city aid in the support of this community enterprise. It was decided to assist in having water placed in the building for use of the employees and those who are using the building for recreational purposes.

Mayor Lushinsky in reading the city bills urged that the coal used at the city hall for the furnace be of a cheaper grade and will notify those who order the coal to look after this.

The report of Fire Chief Dr. O. Sandin was received and showed three fires since the last report. Mayor Lushinsky took the occasion to compliment the firemen on their excellent work in holding the fires down to very small losses.

Amend Liquor Ordinance
There was presented an amendment to ordinance No. 713, changing the regulations of the liquor stores. Under the original ordinance the stores were closed for package sales all day on Sunday, Christmas and Memorial day. The amendment would permit the stores to remain open on Christmas and Memorial day. The motion was offered to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second and third readings for final passage. On this motion, Webb, Hall, Tippens, Rebal, Comstock, Schutz and Vroman voted aye and Puls and Brittain no.

Councilman Schutz was of the opinion that the opening on the holidays should be the same as beer taverns, from noon on. Councilman Brittain was opposed to the change stating anyone could secure all they wanted the day before.

On the final passage of the amendment to the ordinance, Webb, Hall, Tippens, Rebal, Schutz and Vroman voted aye and Puls, Comstock and Brittain no.

Councilman Tippens closed that the road work was well closed up and that only small jobs of street maintaining looked after. He also reported that the Missouri Pacific (Continued on Page 4)

FILES COMPENSATION SUIT

A petition for compensation has been filed in the office of the clerk of the district court in which Adolph J. Koubek is the plaintiff and the Burlington Refrigerator Express Co. is the defendant. The petition alleges that on October 7, 1935, the plaintiff was injured in his left arm and shoulder while in the employ of the defendant company. The injury then was a fifty per cent disability has increased to a 100 per cent disability at this time, the petition sets forth. Compensation is asked for 112 and a half weeks at \$14 per week and also \$213 for medical care.

W. C. T. U. Has 'Peace' Program at Wiles Home

Fine Program Presented with the Discussion of Problems of the Present Day of Unrest.

The W. C. T. U. held a very fine meeting at the home of Mrs. J. E. Wiles on Monday afternoon and in which "Peace" was the topic of the gathering and many interesting facts brought forth as to the need of national defense and peace.

Miss Elizabeth Spangler had the devotions of the meeting.

Mrs. George L. Farley was the program chairman and had arranged a very interesting series of talks by the ladies.

Mrs. Otto A. Keck gave a fine talk on the American Legion universal service bill for national defense, prepared and adopted at the national convention held in New York in September. There were forty-one planks dealing with the national defense and bringing out the serious necessity of congress to appropriate \$1,000,000,000 for the national defense.

Mrs. E. W. Thimgan talked on "The Demand for a Referendum on War Declaration," which is being strongly agitated in congress at this time.

Mrs. D. S. Sumner discussed "Call to the 13th Conference on the Cause and Cure of War."

Mrs. V. T. Arn gave the resolution on peace adopted by the World W. C. T. U. at their session this year.

The afternoon was closed by the serving of refreshments by the hostess.

HAVELOCK SHOPS TO CLOSE

For the first time in history the Havelock manufacturing and repair shops of the Burlington will close down entirely Dec. 18, C. E. Melker, superintendent of motive power, said Monday. The shutdown, which will put approximately 375 men out of work, is for an indefinite period, but Melker said that the Burlington hopes to start a new program the first of 1938, with a full crew again on the job.

Reason for the closing Dec. 18, Melker declared, is that the present production and repair program will be completed on that date and that there is no appropriation for a new program. Whether or not the shops will reopen the first of the year, according to the superintendent, hinges directly on the I. C. C.'s action on the railroads' requested increase in freight rates. Ralph Budd, president of the Burlington, intimated as much in a statement made in Lincoln recently.

Melker said that only enough men will be retained at the shops to keep machinery and equipment shipshape and in running order. "We'll be closed down tight," he said.

TRUCKS HAVE SMASHUP

Saturday night near the Chris Tschirner place west of this city on the Louisville road, a truck load of horses belonging to the Cordell Brothers of Malvern, Iowa, and an empty truck driven by Edward Baumgardt, sideswiped.

The trucks were damaged quite a great deal and the load of horses escaped from the truck and scattered along the highway until rounded up by their owners and later taken on to Malvern.

Deputy Sheriff Cass Sylvester was called to the scene to make an investigation of the case.

Former Plattsmouth Lady is a Hotel Executive

Mrs. Anne Rokahr of Phoenix, Ariz. Enters Second Year as Head of Large Southwest Hotel.

Plattsmouth people will be interested in the following article taken from a Phoenix, Arizona, paper and which tells of the remarkable success of Mrs. Anne Rokahr, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hiber of this city, and where she spent her girlhood:

Outstanding among business women in the Southwest and pioneering in a field which until recently was thought to be exclusively man's domain is Mrs. Herbert (Anne) Rokahr who is beginning the second year as assistant manager of one of the Southwest's largest hotels. Member of a prominent pioneer family living in Lincoln, Neb., Mrs. Rokahr came with her husband to Phoenix in the winter of 1928, and yielding to the lure of the desert country, decided to make their permanent home.

Taking a position as private secretary to the manager of Hotel Westward Ho, Mrs. Rokahr continued in that capacity several years, assuming new and greater responsibilities with each new season. In the fall of 1925 Fred B. Humphreys became manager, and recognized the need of a woman executive in a modern hotel, offered the position of assistant manager to Mrs. Rokahr. Possessed of an advanced business educational training in Nebraska, experienced in legal office and the first-hand knowledge she had acquired of the hotel business, along with her natural aptitude to meet the general public and win friends, her appointment has been a decided success. A noteworthy ability to remember names, faces and incidents, so that few old guests are unknown to Mrs. Rokahr, adds to her value to the organization.

"Hotels more and more are recognizing the value of women executives particularly in the public relations work," according to Mr. Humphreys, "however their duties must be of greater magnitude and their experience more diversified than merely to act as hostesses." This winter, while part of Mrs. Rokahr's duties will be to direct social activities, she will depend a great deal upon a junior hostess.

Mr. Humphreys states that "many hotel men have shown an interest and are watching the experiment we are finding so successful. I am sure there will be few large hotels in this nation in the years to come that will be without a woman executive on their staff. Too little attention has been given to the woman's angle on what a modern hotel should provide, particularly to with the increasing number of women traveling. Only a woman can anticipate and administer to their comforts."

HOLD FAMILY DINNER

Sunday the members of the Gradoville family held a most delightful family dinner party at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Todd southeast of Murray.

The home was very handsomely arranged with the Christmas decorations whose bright coloring added much to the charm of the scene and made a very appropriate setting for the dinner party.

The event was in honor of Frank Gradoville, who has just returned from seven years spent in the Philippines, and all of the family save Dr. C. M. Gradoville and family of Knoxville, Iowa and Tom H. Gradoville of Burlington, Iowa, and family, were present.

All the families came with well laden baskets that served to make a fine dinner that all appreciated.

Following the dinner the time was spent in visiting and with a supper served in the evening.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gradoville, the parents, Frank Gradoville, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Kahoutek, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Gradoville and family, of this city, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Westphal, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ptacek and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Blotzer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Bourne and Mr. and Mrs. Todd and family of the Murray community.

REVEAL WEDDING DATE

Friends here have received the announcement of the approaching marriage of Miss Ruth Huneke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Huneke, of Burlington, Iowa, to Roland Willey, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Willey.

The wedding will take place at the First Methodist church at Burlington on Friday evening, December 31, at 7:30.

The announcement of the approaching wedding was made at a dinner party at which Mr. and Mrs. Huneke presided, at their home on Thanksgiving day. Places were appointed for eleven guests.

Plane Down in Sleet; Santa in the Hospital

'Silver Wings' Noses Over in Forced Landing Near Concordia, Kansas, This Forenoon.

SALINA, Dec. 15 (Special Dispatch)—Still upset from his airplane accident, Santa Claus was making plans as he lay on his hospital cot here this afternoon on how he could pick up his broken schedule by the end of this week. "Tell those Plattsmouth kiddies I'll get there somehow Saturday afternoon," he said, continuing: "This is the worst accident I've been in since the big explosion in No. 2 toy factory in the summer of 1907, that kept me off duty almost ten days. Then my helpers carried on with but little lost time, but now I've simply got to get out of here and be on my way."

En route to Salina, Kansas, this morning in "Silver Wings," Santa Claus sustained severe injuries when sleet gathered on the wings, causing a forced landing. As the plane came down in a wheat field, it nosed over, injuring both Santa Claus and the pilot. The accident occurred near Concordia and both the occupants were rushed to a hospital at Salina. Injuries to Santa, while not serious, are very inconvenient. Doctors advise two of his ribs were cracked, his left forearm broken and severe scratches that will disfigure his face, with a particularly deep gash over his eye.

As the ambulance from Concordia came upon the scene Santa was holding his broken left arm and pacing back and forth beside the wrecked plane, far from his usual jovial mood. "I never wanted to give up the reindeer team," he said, "but the plane was placed at our disposal and I thought I could cover more territory in this manner than any other way. Now, I will have to disappoint a lot of boys and girls at points south of here whom I intended to see today and tomorrow."

Still restless on his arrival at the hospital, he made inquiries about the Cass county boys and girls. "I'll be out of here and on my way again in a day or two at the most," he said, "but no more airplanes for me."

Hospital attendants did not hold out such bright promises, however, and say he will have to remain there at least for several days and even then if travel is to be resumed, it must be in some sort of a hospital car, with a nurse in constant attendance. "It was a bad wreck," said the chief surgeon at Salina hospital, "and Santa can sure thank his lucky stars that he was not more seriously injured. We'll do the best we can to get him fixed up and on his way by Thursday night or Friday."

HAVE A FINE SALE

The sale of the property of the Herman Ross estate was held on Saturday at the farm between Union and Murray, a very large number being present to participate in the bidding.

Rex Young, well known auctioneer, was in charge of the sale and had excellent success in the handling of the livestock and machinery that was offered.

One team of horses brought \$300 and the top cow offered at the sale was \$76.

There were bidders present from five counties in this part of the state.

Joe Altschaffl Seeking Cut in His Sentence

Sentenced From Cass County for Shooting with Intent to Kill Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Siemonet.

LINCOLN, Dec. 13 (UP)—Mike Hadvab, 36, whose drunken and reckless driving caused the death of Samuel A. Dillars at 24th and U streets in Omaha December 22, 1935, will be given a hearing by the state pardon board January 12.

Hadvab, sentenced to three years for the crime, is one of 19 penitentiary and reformatory prisoners who will be heard at the regular January meeting.

Excessive drinking, incidentally figured in at least five other cases set for hearing in January. John Criss, 22-year-old Burr county youth sentenced to three years for attempted assault on a 16-year-old girl, denied in his application that he was guilty but admitted he had been drinking heavily on the night he was accused of committing the crime.

Three Filipino boys sat in a car at Scottsbluff two summers ago drinking wine. Before the evening was over they had broken into a farm house. Two of them, Leon Baleri, 24, and Stanley Gapusan, 25, will appear before the board seeking parole. They received 1-10 year sentences.

Others who blamed drink for their crimes were Steve Richardson, breaking and entering at Bayard; Chris Merkel, Douglas county, grand larceny, and Corry Mayhugh, who stole a car at Shubert.

An unmanageable temper, not drink, was held responsible for the crime of Joe Altschaffl of Plattsmouth, serving a 39-year sentence for shooting with intent to kill.

A German immigrant farmhand, he shot at his employer, Fritz Siemonet, and Mrs. Siemonet while they were in bed on June 21, 1928, for no apparent reason. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 19 and 20 years, the terms to run consecutively.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS INSTALL

Nebraska Chapter No. 3, Royal Arch Masons held their installation of officers at the lodge rooms on Monday evening, William A. Robertson, past high priest of Nebraska chapter and grand master of the Nebraska A. F. & A. M. served as the installing officer, assisted by Henry F. Nolting as marshal and Raymond C. Cook as chaplain.

The officers installed were as follows: High Priest—Robert Fainger. King—Charles L. Carlson. Scribe—J. A. Capwell. Treasurer—Frank A. Cloidt. Secretary—W. P. Evers. Captain of the Host—John E. Turner.

Principal Sojourner—F. L. Barkus. Royal Arch Captain—Leonard Born.

Master Third Vail—Clyde H. Graves. Master Second Vail—Ivan Deles Denier. Master First Vail—Lyle L. Horton. Sentry—L. L. McCarty.

Following the installation the members of the chapter enjoyed a very pleasant luncheon.

NOTICE

Will the former patients of the late Dr. T. P. Livingston who have received statements of their account, please call at the Water Office at once. L. O. MINOR, d15-6td-1tw Administrator.

STRAYED AT MY PLACE

Heifer, weighing about 600 lbs. Owner may have same by paying for this ad and feed bill. J. P. Peterson, two miles east of Murray, Nebr. d13-2tw

PROGRAM AND PLATE SUPPER

Program and plate supper at the Fairview school, Dist. No. 9, Friday, Dec. 17. Rosemary Cloidt, teacher. d13-2tw-4td

LOCATES AT OMAHA

Harold Stewart, formerly an employee at the Schwartz Auto Parts store, has accepted a position at a theater in Omaha.

DEPART FOR SOUTH

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jahrig and daughter, Miss Fern, departed Saturday for a visit in the south which will take them over a great deal of territory. They traveled to Chicago and from there they departed for Louisville, Kentucky and while there they expect to make a trip to the Mammoth cave of Kentucky, one of the wonder spots of that section.

They will then go to New Orleans for a sightseeing trip and then on to Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Miami, Florida for visits before returning home.

They expect to be home by Christmas.

Phillip Cook Dies at Home at Norfolk

Oldest of the Living Members of the Cook Family, Pioneers of Cass County.

From Monday's Daily—The death of Phillip Cook, 85, eldest of the living members of the Cook family, pioneers of Cass county, occurred Sunday morning at Norfolk, Nebraska where he has made his home for a great many years.

Mr. Cook was born in Cass county on December 8, 1852 and made his home here during his boyhood days, one of a large family of sons and daughters of one of the earliest families to settle in this section of Cass county.

Mr. Cook is survived by a family of five sons, three daughters, Forrest, living in California, Adam, Nancy, Nebraska, George, Hadar, Nebraska, Mrs. Bell Wenke, Mrs. Minnie Wenke, John Cook, Mrs. Etta Mattison, all of Norfolk. There are thirty grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren.

There is surviving three brothers and one sister, Joseph and Charles Cook of this city, John of Beaver City and Mrs. Caroline Cole of this city. The funeral services will be held on Wednesday at Norfolk, with the interment there.

CONDEMN RADIO PROGRAM

The Fontenelle chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. E. H. Wescott and in which the members of this patriotic organization passed a resolution condemning the use of the story of the Garden of Eden in the Bergen radio program Sunday.

The ladies enjoyed a very delightful 6:30 three course dinner and which was very much enjoyed.

The home was very attractively arranged with the bright colored Christmas decorations that added a lovely touch to the scene.

Mrs. F. R. Gobelman was the leader of the meeting.

Mrs. Otto Keck gave a most interesting contribution to the program on three lessons on the flag, which was followed with the greatest interest.

Mrs. L. O. Minor talked on "The D. A. R. in the State of Vermont" a very fine tribute to the work of the organization in that state.

Miss Caroline Baird talked on the birthday and work of Frances Parkhouse Keyes, one of the leaders of the D. A. R. in the nation.

Mrs. Gobelman had several interesting subjects to make up her part of the program, "Utah and the Work of the D. A. R.," that was most interesting and also the report of the president general on her European trip to the coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth. She had the pleasure of being presented to the British rulers while in London.

Mrs. Gobelman also discussed the life and work of Dr. Ephriam MacDowell of Kentucky, who performed the first abdominal operation on record and long before this surgery was attempted by the European specialists.

REMAINS ABOUT THE SAME

The condition of William Woolcott, Jr., who is at the St. Catherine hospital at Omaha, remains about the same. He is under constant care but his condition has been about the same as when he was taken to the hospital.

Platters Start Season by Win from Pappio

Final Score of 31 to 24 After Last Quarter Rally of the Papillion Quintet.

From Wednesday's Daily—The Plattsmouth high eageters ushered in the 1937-38 season last night on the local court with an impressive victory over the Papillion quintet by a score of 31 to 24.

Captain Ray Wooster, Joy Miller and Bob Hayes led a team that looks to be on the way to a very successful season. Wooster piled up a total of twelve points with five field goals and two free throws, Hayes also found the hoop consistently with three field goals and two gift shots for eight total points. Miller was outstanding in his fighting spirit and breaking up opponents passes and also accounting for five points. Ronald Rehal had two field goals to his credit and also showed ably in the defensive section of the game as did Warren Reed.

For the visitors it was Classen and Gehringer that led their attack, Classen, center and captain was the high point man of the evening, sinking seven field goals and one free toss for a total of fifteen points.

The Platters started the scoring early in the contest and were never headed, maintaining a wide margin of 31 to 13 at the end of the third quarter. The Pappio five proceeded to stage a last quarter rally that brought them much nearer to a possible victory as they scored consistently as the local reserves battled in this part of the game. The first string Platters were recalled in the last of the final stanza to check the visitors which they did most effectively.

The omission of the center jump after goal was the first witnessed by the local fans and met with approval as a faster and more interesting game, altho more exacting on the players as it speeded the action.

The Plattsmouth boys' basket eyes were much better than Papillion as they sank twelve field goals and seven free throws to the foes eleven field goals and two free tosses.

Papillion was out in front on fouls, committing nineteen to twelve.

The box score:

Plattsmouth—	FG	FT	PF	TP
Wooster, f	5	2	2	12
Jacobs, f	0	0	1	0
Hayes, f	3	2	1	8
Rehal, c	2	0	2	4
Miller, g	1	3	2	5
Reed, g	0	0	1	0
Smith, f	0	0	2	0
McCarty, c	1	0	1	2
Wall, g	0	0	0	0
York, c	0	0	0	0
	12	7	12	31

Papillion—	FG	FT	PF	TP
Boxman, f	1	0	1	2
Umatus, f	0	0	3	0
Daup, f	1	0	1	2
Dietz, f	0	0	1	0
Classen, c	7	1	3	15
Hauschild, g	0	1	4	1
Manford, g	1	0	4	2
Gehringer, g	1	0	1	2
Jordan, c	0	0	1	0
	11	2	19	24

Referee—Keefe, Glenwood; Timekeeper, Don Armstrong, Plattsmouth; Scorer, Bill Armstrong, Plattsmouth.

Reserves Win Victory
The blue and white reserves won the curtain raiser from the stubborn Papillion subs by the score of 8 to 6.

Wall distinguished himself in the encounter for the time he was in the game, playing aggressively on both the offense and defense. Joe York and Ed Smith did the scoring for the Platters.

After a very successful evening the local fans can look forward to some real battles this winter.

MISS FRIEDRICH HOME

Miss Amelia M. Friedrich, who has been at the Mayo clinic at Rochester, Minnesota, for some time, has returned home to this city. She is feeling much benefited by her stay at Rochester and will continue her treatments under Dr. Schrock, at Omaha.

Just before her return Miss Friedrich visited with Ray Keilley, a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Horn of this city. Mr. Keilley underwent a very serious operation last Wednesday and has rallied very nicely. His condition is thought fine by the attending physicians.