

The Plattsmouth Journal.

Red Cross Conference at Omaha Very Interesting

Several of Cass County Chapter Attend Meeting of Douglas County Chapter.

The executive board of the Cass county chapter, A. R. C. were guests of the Douglas county chapter at their annual meeting January 23, 1938, held in the Blackstone hotel, Omaha.

The program was not only interesting but helpful in many ways in which Cass county chapter is interested. The beautiful setting provided by the Blackstone, the lovely flowers, the music from the Hammond organ added much to the pleasure of the officers and workers of the Douglas county chapter and other chapters adjoining. Booklets, with Red Cross insignia, containing the personnel and program of the Douglas county chapter, were presented each one present.

The numbers on the program were announced by Mrs. Porter in a pleasing and charming manner. A duet on two pianos was received with prolonged applause which brought a beautiful encore.

George Fishbaugh, a delegate for the Junior Red Cross to the national convention last year in Washington, D. C., spoke for the juniors, pointing out the trend of present day problems—the extreme youth of present day criminals, war, and governmental affairs that confront them. That the Junior Red Cross solves the present day problems in their service activities, even strain of society and development of personalities for youth, and gives challenge to the youth of homes, schools and churches.

Dr. Charles W. Pollard, chairman, was presented and introduced by Mr. Albert Evans, Red Cross director and disaster for midwestern states. Mr. Evans' discourse on recent floods was begun by first showing the film "Behind the Headlines in Floods" of 1937 with its appalling vividness. He stressed the great need for disaster preparedness. Thoughts of our own rivers and creeks, bordering on, and within Cass county were mental pictures of what we might be called upon to combat at some time; our past experiences within the chapter makes us know such disasters are possible. Disasters, other than floods, as the New London school tragedy; the Helena earthquake, portrayed vividly the terror and havoc that must be removed or conquered to overcome the effects of such experiences. Clara Barton's concept to the Red Cross is known internationally as the American amendment to the disaster relief part of its program.

Mr. Evans stressed the integrated efforts of all organizations; the mandate of the people demand that Red Cross must do the field work in disaster. Should we wait until disaster strikes? Essentials must be considered; collateral services considered; governmental authority must meet its statutory obligations, as disaster enlarges the job.

Advance planning is wise planning—our resources; facilities; what agencies? Food, clothing. Are our highways "all-weather" highways? These are only a few of the stirring things of his discourse.

Refreshments followed. Those attending from Cass county chapter were Miss Augusta Robb, chairman, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Norris and Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Tool.

REACHES EUROPE

Friends here have received cards from Father George Agius, pastor of the St. John's church of this city, mailed at Gibraltar, the first port of call as the ship arrived in European waters on the way to its port at Naples. Father Agius had a very fine trip on the Comte de Solvie, one of the best of the Italian line vessels.

SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

From Friday's Daily—Reports today are to the effect that Matthew Sedlak, suffering from pneumonia, was showing improvement and Mrs. Mike Sedlak, his mother, who also has been ill is reported by medical attendants as being much better today.

UNDERGOES TRANSFUSION

Judge D. W. Livingston, former district judge, was given a blood transfusion at the St. Mary's hospital at Nebraska City Thursday morning. Judge Livingston, widely known member of the Nebraska bar, has been in failing health for the past few years and while on the bench suffered several attacks as well as a fall that resulted in a leg fracture.

The many friends of Judge Livingston here regret very much to learn of his condition at this time.

Popular Young People are Wedded

Miss Kathryn M. Hirz and Mr. C. Walter Sikora Married Wednesday at St. John's Parsonage.

The marriage of Miss Kathryn M. Hirz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hirz and Mr. C. Walter Sikora, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sikora occurred Wednesday evening, the ceremony being very simple and impressive.

The marriage lines were read by Father Robert Salmon at the St. John's church rectory at 7 o'clock.

The young people were attended by Miss Jeanette Hirz, cousin of the bride and Mr. Robert Slavicek. The bride wore a very attractive gown of tea rose crepe with matching accessories while the bridesmaid's gown was of green crepe and with the accessories in matching tones.

Following the marriage ceremony the young people motored to the home of the bride's parents where a very delightful wedding supper was enjoyed by the members of the bridal party.

Both the young people have spent their lifetime in this city and vicinity and have a very large circle of friends who will join in the well wishes for their future welfare and happiness. They are both graduates of the Plattsmouth city schools.

Both the bride and groom have been located at Omaha for some time and they are planning on making their home in that city in the future.

BANKING ACTIVITY AT THE COLUMBIAN SCHOOL

The fourth grade with their teacher Miss Margaret Iverson at the Columbian school are conducting a very interesting activity on banking. It is a plan whereby arithmetic is made functional and the actual banking industry is being carried out in every detail. The children write checks, issue deposit slips, receive wages and pay out money just like the ordinary proceedings of a commercial bank.

This is in line with the newer method of education as it teaches a mathematics that functions in the everyday life of the child.

For the tellers they have constructed a small bank made of wrapping paper and orange crates with every detail worked out completely.

PINOCHLE SCORES

The following scores were reported on the Wednesday night play at the Recreation Center:

Mrs. Frank Rebal	5250
Joe Wooster	5150
Mrs. P. J. Konfrst	5120
Lee Phillips	5120
Joe Kvapil	5050
Darlene Edgerton	5020
Frank Kvapil	4740
W. H. Puls	4640
Frank Konfrst	4610
C. M. Manners	4490
Mrs. E. O. Vroman	4490
Frank Rebal	4370
A. J. Koubek	4270
Mrs. J. F. Kvapil	4170
Tom Walling	4020
Mrs. Fay McClintock	3890
Madge Keck	2860
Betty Bergmann	2750
Bhea Edgerton	2740
Jerry Konfrst	2660

ESTATE BUSINESS SLOW

From Friday's Daily—The probate business in the office of the county judge has shown a decided "recession" for the month of January. So far with the end of January but three days away, there has not been a single new estate filed in the court.

Platters Take College View by Score, 24 to 23

Battling Locals Come From Behind to Annex Another Victory—Play a Great Game.

From Saturday's Daily—In a story book finish, a battling blue and white quintet, Hayes, Rebal, Reed, Miller, Jacobs, won the most thrilling contest seen on the local court in many a day, a contest in which the Platters were underdog to the College View team until the last few minutes of the game. A flashy shot by Bob Hayes as the seconds ticked away to the close, with a score of 23 to 22 against Plattsmouth, scored a victory and brought a frenzied audience that packed the gym, to its feet in one long cry of victory.

Two of the fightingest teams that ever took the floor of the local gym, battled a wild second half and some roughness that is not generally featured in an average game of basketball was evidenced by the fact that both quints were keyed to the bursting points, and the game meant very much to each.

Plattsmouth is riding on the crest of a seven game winning streak and they had a record to uphold, and the fact that their star leader, Wooster was taken from the game via the four foul rule, was almost an obstacle too large to overcome, but the old never-say-die spirit was really displayed in the dying moments of the game by the entire squad, although trailing at the half 19 to 9, and at third quarter by 14 to 19.

Miller's late period long shot that stripped the net, put Plattsmouth within one point of the opponents, and amid the cheers of the full house, and with twenty seconds of the game left, Bob Hayes sank the game-winning basket and a contest which a few minutes before looked hopelessly lost, was turned into another glorious Plattsmouth cage victory.

The scoring was evenly divided, with that stalwart guard, Miller leading, having seven total points, and Reed next with six. Warren played a real game defensively, and more than once was in College View's proverbial hair. Hayes' total contribution, besides his Frank Merriwell shot, was two field goals and a free toss.

Jacobs, Rebal and Wooster each had two points for their evening chores.

Strasky, Capple, and Truele of College View did much to put the pressure on the local lads with Strasky leading by sinking three gift shots with two goals, for 7 points. Capple the fighting forward who was also removed because of too many fouls, had four points during his tenure.

Box score:

Plattsmouth (24)				
Wooster, f	1	0	4	2
Rebal, f	1	0	1	2
Jacobs, f	1	0	1	2
Hayes, c	2	1	1	5
McCarty, c	0	0	0	0
Reed, g	3	0	1	6
Miller, g	3	1	1	7
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College View (23)				
Capple, f	2	0	4	4
Powell, f	0	0	1	0
Truele, f	1	1	0	3
Schantal, f	1	0	0	2
Myden, c	1	1	1	3
Strasky, g	2	3	3	7
Mannen, g	2	0	1	4
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Referee—Ossian, Nebr. City. The game was in honor of the local ladies who were well represented, and enjoyed the game immensely by being on the edge of their seats throughout the entire game.

A special game was played in their honor, that being between the two Junior High girl teams coached by Jeanne Ray and refereed by Miss Borgenhagen.

Between the halves Robert Kiser and John Soennichsen received a big hand for their excellent playing of the accordion.

HERE FROM CHICAGO

Mrs. Albert D. Deegan, of Evanston, Illinois, is here to enjoy a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Patterson, as well as with the many old friends.

WILL UNDERGO TREATMENT

From Saturday's Daily—Mrs. Cleo Stones was taken to the St. Joseph hospital in Omaha yesterday to undergo treatment.

HOLD MEETING

From Thursday's Daily—The board of county commissioners and County Treasurer John E. Turner, constituting the county assistance board, met this afternoon at the court house.

This is the first meeting together of the new commissioners, H. C. Backemeyer of Greenwood and Elmer Hallstrom of Avoca, just appointed to the board with Mr. Farley, also their first experience in reviewing the assistance administration problem.

Death of Frank Lepert, an Old Time Resident

Passed Away Late Wednesday Afternoon Following Long Illness—Funeral Saturday.

Frank Lepert, 75, a resident here for many years, died Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 at the farm home south of this city after falling health that has covered a period of several years and which has made his condition serious in the last few weeks.

Mr. Lepert was born in Europe and would have passed his seventy-fifth anniversary on Friday had he lived. He was married in his native land and with the wife came to the United States shortly afterwards to make their home.

Locating in Plattsmouth Mr. Lepert was engaged in work at the local Burlington shops and while there suffered injuries that led to his leaving this line of activity for farming. He purchased a farm south of this city thirty-four years ago and since that time has been numbered as one of the industrious farmers of this section of the county, being assisted by his sons who are now engaged in farming in the same neighborhood.

Mr. Lepert is survived by the widow and five children, Phillip and James Lepert of this city, Mrs. Mary Kaska, and Mrs. Rose Krejci, of Omaha and Mrs. Frances Simon of Oakland, California.

The many friends in this section of Cass county will join in their sympathy to the members of the bereaved family in the loss that has come to them.

MYNARD CLUB MEETING

The regular January meeting of the Mynard Community club was held Friday evening at the community building and a fine attendance was present to enjoy the program and participate in the business session.

The Golden Rod Study club chorus of ladies, gave several vocal offerings that were very much appreciated by the audience and reflected the great credit on the ladies of the church.

Miss Flora Belle Meade, Plattsmouth high school student, gave a dramatic reading, "The Murder of King Duncan" which she gives today at the Auburn declamatory contest.

The club members had the added pleasure of having the motion picture travelogue presented by Judge and Mrs. A. H. Duxbury which showed many points of interest in the east and south and historical places that they had visited the past summer.

LEAVING FOR WEST COAST

From Saturday's Daily—Herbert Minor, of this city, who has been attending the University of Nebraska, is leaving Sunday for Los Angeles, where he will be engaged at the Aero-Industrial Technical Institute, one of the largest institutes of its kind on the west coast.

Mr. Minor has since leaving school here been greatly interested in this line of work and was very much pleased when he received word that he had been accepted as a student in the institute.

The many friends are pleased that he has had the opportunity of realizing his desire to be in this line of work that offers so bright a future.

Debate Team is Eliminated in Fifth Round

With All Lincoln District Teams Out in Sixth, Showing of Locals at Fremont Not Bad.

The Plattsmouth high school debaters and their coach, Milo Price, have returned from a successful two-day stay at Fremont. Both Plattsmouth teams participated in the Midland college invitation tournament—along with thirty-four other teams.

The Plattsmouth A team, composed of Homer (Jack) Barton and Harriett Case, won from Hartington and lost to Grand Island, Beatrice and Norfolk. It was necessary to win two of these four qualifying rounds in order to enter the fifth round.

The Plattsmouth B team won from Edgar and West Point and lost to Crofton and Wayne. After thus qualifying for the fifth round, Woest and Bestor were pitted against Benson high school of Omaha, holder of the last two Midland tournament championships and the last two state championships as well. They lost this debate to Benson and were out at the end of the fifth round.

At the end of the sixth round all the teams from this (Lincoln) district had been eliminated. Lincoln, Geneva, Beatrice and Plattsmouth all lost to teams from Omaha and Grand Island.

The fact that one Plattsmouth team completed five rounds and none in the district went past the sixth, speaks well for the local school's prospects in the district tournament to be held at Lincoln several weeks hence.

Robert Woest entered the after dinner speaking contest held at the debate banquet Friday evening.

RECEIVES PROMOTION

Mrs. J. H. Adams of this city has received word from her niece, Mrs. F. H. Johnson, of Lincoln, telling of a very fine promotion given their son, Walker Johnson, a graduate of the University of Nebraska.

Mr. Johnson for the past two years has been located in Venezuela, South America, a geologist with the Larga Petroleum Corporation, a branch of the Standard Oil Co.

He has now received a promotion to the position of head geologist for the company and his headquarters at Maracaibo, one of the large cities of the South American country.

Mr. Johnson on his graduation from the University of Nebraska, spent one year in his professional work in California, then was called back to Lincoln where the university recommended him to the Standard Oil company and he was sent to the South American field.

MAP OF U. S. WITH NEBRASKA IN WHITE NOW AVAILABLE

A cut of the U. S. map in black and Nebraska shown as the white spot of the nation" has been received at the Journal office. This map is of proper size for use on envelopes and letterheads and we will be glad to include it on your printed stationery at no extra cost. For those who already have a supply of letterheads or envelopes, we will make a special price for imprinting the map thereon, in line with the desire of the Associated Industries of Nebraska to have most of the letters leaving the state carry this striking illustration on either the envelope or letterhead or both.

Commencing next week the Journal will also carry one of these small cuts on its editorial page.

DEMONSTRATE TRUCK

From Saturday's Daily—The members of the fire and water committee of the city council and the fire department were busy today in the examination of the fire truck displayed by the International Harvester Co. at their local agency.

The city and fire department have discussed for some time the advisability of the purchase of a new truck to meet the needs of the city and to provide pumps and other devices needed in the fire fighting work.

UNDERGOES APPENDECTOMY

Plattsmouth friends will regret to learn that Mrs. Harley Becker, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Becker, is at a Chicago hospital. She will undergo an appendectomy. This is the third hospital case in the family in the past few months, Mrs. John Sattler, Jr., having just recently returned from a long stay in the hospital from injuries in an auto accident and Mrs. H. E. Becker is recovering from the effects of a fractured ankle.

Omaha Man Killed Saturday Near La Platte

Edward W. Hermansky, 65, Walking on Highway Is Struck by Car Driven by Everett Newton.

Shortly before 8 o'clock Saturday night, Edward W. Hermansky, of Omaha was killed when struck by a car driven by Everett Newton of this city, the accident occurring near the turn into La Platte.

It was snowing quite briskly at the time and Mr. Newton driving very slowly when the man appeared suddenly out of the storm and directly in the path of the car. The driver tried to swing out to avoid the man but the distance was too short and the man was hit and hurled from the road, being almost instantly killed.

The matter was reported by Mr. Newton and the Sarpy county officials at Papillion notified and County Attorney Nickerson drove to the scene and after an investigation of the matter released Mr. Newton from any blame in the matter as it was clearly an unavoidable accident.

Several other motorists reported that they had narrowly missed hitting the man just previous to the Newton car striking him and that the man apparently was paying little attention to safety or the passing cars.

With Mr. and Mrs. Newton in the car was his brother, Earney and Miss June Rice of this city.

QUARTET TO NORTH PLATTE

The Masonic quartet of this city, which has often been heard at state Masonic gatherings and grand lodge sessions, has received an invitation to visit Platte Valley lodge, at North Platte.

The North Platte lodge is observing the anniversary of George Washington's birthday on February 22 in a very elaborate manner and the Plattsmouth quartet will have a large part on the program.

William F. Evers, superintendent of the Nebraska Masonic Home, is also to take part in the program and will present his splendid series of pictures of the Home and its residents in their daily activities.

RECEIVES GOOD NEWS

From Friday's Daily—The announcement was received here today of the birth of a fine seven and a half pound daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hudson, of Shemandoah, Iowa. The mother and daughter are reported as doing nicely. This little one is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hudson of this city.

DIES AT OMAHA

Mrs. C. E. Hatchiff of Murray, one of the well known residents of that community for a number of years, died Friday afternoon at 12:12 at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha where she has been for some time.

The body of Mrs. Hatchiff was brought to the home and the funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church at Weeping Water.

MORTGAGE RECORD

County Register of Deeds Miss Lillian White has completed the check of the real estate mortgages filed and released in her office as follows:

Farm	
Filed, 192; amount, \$832,129.65.	Released, 160; amount, \$883,453.
City	
Filed, 97; amount, \$143,445.75.	Released, 75; amount, \$93,001.34.

Hold Wildlife Meeting at the Court House

Dr. M. C. Pederson of Lincoln, President of State Association, Is the Speaker.

From Friday's Daily—Last evening in response to the invitation of A. L. Tidd, Cass county chairman of the Nebraska Wildlife association, a group of interested persons gathered at the court house to hear a very interesting discussion of the fast vanishing wild life of the state.

Mr. Tidd, in opening the meeting, touched on the importance of the preservation of the wildlife of the state and of the particular interest that should be felt here where a few miles north, a fine natural bird and game refuge was easy to create in the grounds that form the U. S. rifle range, which had been partially arranged in this way last year under the WPA. This refuge if completed would afford shelter for many species of bird and wild animal life, water-fowl and others. Mr. Tidd also stated that he had the assurance of the needed land for a preserve at King Hill if it could be properly arranged.

Dr. M. C. Pederson, of Lincoln, state president of the Wildlife association and plans of those who are battling to preserve the wildlife of the nation from destruction.

Dr. Pederson related the various elements which had gone into the destruction of the wildlife, years of drought, drying of breeding grounds of waterfowl, predatory animals and reptiles that destroyed the young and eggs and the unnecessary killing of game and birds by hunters and particularly out of season. He related instances of the large lakes of the north being looted of their large and fine game fish by the commercial fishermen, who secured the best and left the preying varieties of fish in the lakes.

The formation of the clubs of the Wildlife association and the active interest shown by the membership would aid in the securing of needed legislation for appropriations for aid in preserving wildlife and the protection of game birds and animals in refuges over the country. It was the active interest of club members that had made possible much favorable legislation for the wildlife.

The money derived from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses, duck stamps and other assessments against the hunters was used in the providing of parks, fishing grounds and game refuges over the state and in which work the federal government also aided.

There was a very fine collection of pictures of game birds shown by Mr. Tidd, these varieties being the ones that make their migratory flights through here.

Mr. Tidd then discussed the formation of a group of the persons who hunt and fish in this locality to aid in the good work. It was suggested by F. R. Gobelman that some steps should be taken to check the visitations of Omaha parties here who shoot not only game but also the farm domestic fowl and animals. Mr. Tidd stated that this was one thing the hunters association could deal with.

A meeting of the hunters and fishers will be called soon by Mr. Tidd to start the ball rolling for better wildlife protection.

TO VISIT AT POTTER

From Thursday's Daily—William A. Robertson will leave Omaha this evening by train for Potter, Nebraska, where with other grand lodge officers of the Masonic order, he will attend the dedication of the new Masonic temple. Mr. Robertson as the grand master of Nebraska Masons will conduct the ceremonies. The Potter lodge has just completed their fine new home.

LEAVES FOR DENVER

Mrs. William Baird departed Wednesday afternoon for Denver, where she will visit at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Cecil. Master William Cecil will observe his seventh birthday this week.