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Annual Musical Program to be Given Monday

Will Be Presented by Music Department of City Schools Previous to the State Contest.

The annual music program previous to entering the state contest at Fremont April 1st and 2nd will be held at the high school auditorium next Monday evening. Director Lee Meyers has been working constantly and will be able to present one of the best arrangements of musical talent that the school has produced. All sections of the music department will be represented in the mixed chorus, Boys' Glee club, Girls' Glee club and a large group of solo numbers.

Because of the numerous entries the contest will start promptly at 7:00 o'clock. Mr. R. T. Benford, supervisor of music at Peru Teachers' college, will be the judge and give the decisions.

The following is the program:

Girls' Glee club, "The Rosary" and "Lure of the Gypsy Trail."
Girls' High Voice: Betty Voboril, "Ave Maria"; Katherine Barkus, "From the Land of the Sky Blue Water"; Eleanor Minor, "Were I a Gardener?"

Trumpet Solo: Richard Cole, "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice"; Granville Sigler, "Cavalier"; Allan White, "Castles in the Air"; Burton Rishel, "Old Folks at Home Fantasia."
Girls' Medium Voice: Shirley Selver, "Calm as the Night"; Eleanor Giles, "Mission of the Rose"; Joan Hall, "In the Garden of Tomorrow."

Piano Solo: Jean Knorr, "Prelude in G Minor," Rachmaninoff.
Girls' Low Voice: Beatrice Arn, "Coming Home"; Flora Belle Mead, "Where 'Ere You Walk"; Margaret Anne Vallery, "Summer Rain"; Helen Hiatt, "When Song is Sweet."

Trumpet Trio: "Polka Dots," Allan White, Burton Rishel, Richard Cole.
Girls' Sextette, "My Little Nest of Heavenly Blue and Dark Eyes," Betty Voboril, Eleanor Minor, Frances Cloldt, Helen Hiatt, Shirley Peterson and Shirley Selver.

Girls' Sextette, "Bird at Eventide" and "The Pipers Song," Wilma Swatek, Katherine Barkus, Jean Knorr, Flora Belle Mead, Hazel Kelley, and Margaret Anne Vallery.
Saxophone Solo: Raymond Wooster, "Nadine," and "Danse Honoroise."

Boy's High Voice: Richard Cole, "Your Song from Paradise."
Boy's Medium Voice: Stephen Devoe, "Trade Winds"; John Jacobs, "Where My Caravan Has Rested"; Ted Libershal, "Somewhere a Voice is Calling."

Bariitone Horn Solo: Eleanor Giles, "In Old Madrid."
Boys' Quartette, "Shadow March" and "Can't You Hear Me Callin' Caroline." Richard Cole, Ted Libershal, John Jacobs, and Dick Hall.
Boy's Low Voice: Dick Hall, "The Trumpeter."

Boys' Glee club, "Smilin' Through" and "Jolly Roger."
Mixed Chorus, "Come Unto Me" and "Dear Land of Home."

Accompanists, Jean Knorr, Ruth Westover, Flora Belle Mead, Mrs. Roy Cole, Mrs. L. S. Devoe.
Judge—Mr. R. T. Benford, Peru Teachers' College, Peru, Nebr.

Those participating in the group organizations: Beatrice Arn, Mary Alice Ault, Helen Barkus, Kathryn Barkus, Alice Campbell, Frances Cloldt, Pat Cloldt, Richard Cole, Harley Cottingham, Stephen Devoe, Mary Helen Dill, John Elliott, Eleanor Giles, Kathryn Grosshans, Dick Hall, Frances Hadzaba, Ruth Ann Hiatt, Twila Fay Hendrix, Helen Hiatt, Richard Hitt, Darlene Holubek, John Jacobs, Shirley Jacobs, Hazel Kelley, Robert Kiser, Jean Knorr, Bill Knorr, Lawrence Lamberson, Marie Lentz, Shirley Leonard, Whipple Leonard, Ted Libershal, Dale Long, Shirley Mason, James Mauzy, Clarence Mayabb, Flora Belle Mead, Joy Miller, Eleanor Minor, Carter Minor, Kathleen Nolte, Allen Persinger, Jane Persinger, Shirley Peterson, Joe Phillips, Darwin Fitz, Betty Ruffner, Dorothy Ruffner, James Sandin, Shirley Selver, Granville Sigler, Helen Slatinsky, Ralph Stava, Rose Mary Steppat, Ed Steppat, Kathryn Strickland, Wilma Swatek, John Tidball, Clara Toman, Verona Toman, John Urish, Virgil Urish, Margaret Anne Vallery, Betty Voboril, Shirley Walling, Vivian Warner, Ruth Westover, Allan White, Jacqueline Westenkamp, Florence Wiles, Peggy Wiles, Dale Wohlfarth, Joe York, Alice Zatopek.

PURCHASE NEW FARM
Donald W. Harris of Union has purchased the A. F. Arthur farm. He and Mrs. Harris will move to their new home on or about April 1. Plattsmouth will be glad to welcome these people to the community.

C. C. PARMELE HERE

Charles C. Parmele, who has been very ill at the St. Elizabeth's hospital at Lincoln, has so far recovered that he was able to be brought to this city where he will recuperate from his illness in his old home community.

Mr. Parmele will be cared for at the home of Mrs. Paul Wohlfarth and family, old friends and neighbors of the Parmele family for a great many years.

It is hoped that in the pleasant surroundings and among the old friends that he may soon have a speedy recovery and be able to enjoy his former excellent health.

Stop Signs Cause Number of Arrests

Highway Patrol Brings in Number of Persons Arrested on "O" Street Wednesday.

Highway patrolmen operating on the "O" street road Wednesday made a number of arrests for traffic violations, the chief of these being failure to bring cars to a stop at the stop signs leading onto the main highway.

The hearings were held at the court of Justice Charles L. Graves on the complaints filed by the patrolmen, Dale Dabcock and John Leigh, with County Attorney J. A. Capwell.

The men who were charged with the traffic offenses were Joe Bruns, Delor Swartz, Marvin Kettelhut, Walter Jacobmeier.

The majority of the violations alleged were on the road north of Avoca where it connects with the highway No. 34.

The court after hearing the evidence as offered by the officers and the parties charged with the violation gave a fine of \$1 and costs in each case.

COMMITTEES HAVE BUSY TIME

The past week has been one of great strenuousness to the members of the fire and water committee of the city council and the special committee of the city fire department. The committees received bids Monday at 1 p. m. on the purchase of a new fire truck for the city and since that time they have had meetings each evening and sometimes in the day to try and reach some understanding. The bids are being carefully tabulated and checked and the advantages or disadvantages of each truck are being very carefully weighed by the two committees.

The findings of the committees are to be submitted to the city council next Monday evening which body has the right to purchase the truck or reject the bids.

FUNERAL OF JOHN McNURLIN

The funeral services of John McNurlin were held Thursday afternoon at the First Methodist church, a very large number of the old time friends being in attendance.

Rev. J. C. Lawson, pastor of the church, gave the sermon and paid tribute to the departed as well as bringing the message of the life everlasting that is held promise of the Christian faith.

During the services two of the old hymns were sung by Don C. York, "There is a Green Hill Far Away" and "The Cross is Not Greater Than His Grace." E. H. Westcott was the accompanist.

The interment was at the Eight Mile Grove cemetery and where the I. O. O. F. lodge of this city conducted the ritualistic services.

The pall bearers were: C. A. Marshall, Don Seiver, William Kief, Everett Bentz, Omaha, Alph Beverage, Louis Born.

TO ATTEND CONTEST

L. M. Gerner of the high school faculty, departed Friday night for Holdrege, Nebraska, where he will attend the state declamatory contest being held today. He was accompanied by Miss Flora Belle Meade, who will represent the Plattsmouth schools and this district in the dramatic section of the contest. Miss Evelyn Meade, sister of the contestant also accompanied the party to enjoy the contest.

Mynard Community Club Has a Fine Meeting

Fine Program Presented; Members of Club Participate in Old Fashioned Spelling Bee.

From Saturday's Daily—
The Mynard Community club held their regular business session last evening at the community building and with a large number of the members in attendance.

After the regular business session of the club the program was turned over to Roy O. Cole, chairman, who introduced the various participants in the most interesting entertainment features.

Lawrence Leonard gave two very delightful tenor solos in his usual pleasing manner, while Miss Mildred Burbee of Union, was presented in several numbers on the piano accordion. Richard Cole gave a fine vocal solo and also a trumpet solo that was very much enjoyed and appreciated. Royal Smith gave a clever monologue on the lazy farmer that was heartily enjoyed by the group and exceptionally well given.

The members of the club were then divided into two groups and enjoyed for some time an old-fashioned spelling bee to test the ability of the members in their spelling.

At the close of the evening the committee served a dainty and much appreciated luncheon that all enjoyed to the utmost as the climax of a very fine evening.

W. F. M. S. HOLDS MEETING

The W. F. M. S. of Omaha district held a very interesting meeting at First Church in Omaha yesterday. Mesdames Lawson, Perry, Hayes and Miss Spangler attended and report a very fine program. There were more than 150 attending from the auxiliaries of the district. The district president, O. E. Pearson presided. The interesting part of the morning session was a panel discussion led by Miss G. W. Tiffey, district corresponding secretary. The Standard Bearer rally to be held at St. Paul's church in the evening and the week-end house party to follow at the home of Mrs. Parker of that church drew forth a vital interest as two girls from each band in the district were invited to attend. Twenty-seven girls were expected.

Time was given before lunch at 12:45 for friends to exchange greetings and visit. The Plattsmouth folks were glad to add Rev. and Mrs. V. C. Wright and delegation from Ashland to their group. The Wrights had recently returned from Boston where they were called by the illness of their son Harry who has not recovered and is able to take up his work with reduced schedules. They also visited their daughter Elizabeth in New York. They are both well and happy in their new location.

FUNERAL OF LITTLE CHILD

The funeral services for Donald Jean Baumgart, son of Mr. Caesar Baumgart and his wife, Luetta Baumgart, nee Renner, were held on Wednesday afternoon at the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine streets.

Rev. A. Lentz, pastor of the Eight Mile Grove Lutheran church, had charge of the services and brought this comforting message: "May the Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, within whose arms little children are welcomed and from whose lips fall the gracious word that theirs is the kingdom of God; comfort the bereaved and grant us steadfastness in our faith."

Mrs. Julius Engelkemier and Mrs. A. Lentz gave two of the loved hymns, "Sometime We'll Understand" and "Sleep Baby Sleep," during the services, the accompaniment being played by Miss Hilda Friedrich.

The interment was at the Oak Hill cemetery.

The pall bearers were selected from the young boys of the neighborhood, they being Chris Zimmerman, Jr., Karl Grosshans, Jr., Lloyd and Max Zimmerman.

Donald Jean Baumgart was born January 20, 1937. He was stricken ill on the nineteenth of February, 1938 and succumbed to the ravages of pneumonia on the twenty-first day of March, at the age of fourteen months and one day.

He is survived by the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caesar Baumgart, two brothers and one sister, the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Renner and Mrs. Fred Baumgart, a great grandfather, Charles Herren, seven uncles and five aunts.

Mrs. Freeman McFarland of Effingham, Kansas, is in the city to visit with her daughter, Mrs. Leroy Ruse and a number of the old time friends for a few days. Mrs. McFarland reports that Mr. McFarland has not been so well in the past several weeks but is now showing definite improvement over his previous condition.

CHRISTIAN LADIES MEET

From Thursday's Daily—
The Ladies' Aid of the Christian church met yesterday afternoon for their social meeting. The program consisted of harmonica numbers by Junior Kiser, a short play, "The Cheerful Caller," given by Mrs. Ed Ofe and Mrs. L. D. McKinney, Mrs. Hal Garnett sang a selection, and Ellene Reed gave a clarinet solo. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses Mrs. Ruel Sack, Mrs. Rex Young, Mrs. Dewey Reed and Mrs. J. W. Tenzler.

VERY HAPPY EVENT

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hirz of Omaha are the proud parents of a fine 7-pound baby boy born March 23 at the Methodist hospital in Omaha. He has been named Denis Phillip. Mrs. Hirz was formerly Mary Ann Highfield of this city. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William Highfield and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hirz of Plattsmouth.

TO LOCATE HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Arley Christensen and son Ronald will be located in Plattsmouth. They come here from Ames, Iowa. Mrs. Christensen was formerly Miss Eleanore Smetana.

MANY ATTEND CLASS

There was a group of some fifty ladies present at the Recreation Center Friday afternoon to enjoy the handicraft lessons which was being staged by Miss Jessie Baldwin, of Weeping Water, county extension worker.

The class was given instruction in weaving and handicraft work and some very attractive articles were prepared by the ladies in the course of the lesson.

This was one of four meetings that are being held over the county under the auspices of the Cass county farm bureau and Mr. D. D. Wainwright, the county agent.

Support Needed if Golf Course is Maintained

Heads of Golf Club Will State Membership Canvass to Determine Outlook for Coming Year.

The question of whether this community is to have their golf club and course and park maintained for the coming year, will be determined largely by a membership canvass which will be made in a few days, was the decision of a meeting held last evening by officers and some of the veteran golfers.

The cost of maintaining the course in proper shape amounts to quite a sum in the course of a season and it is estimated that \$500 would be needed for rentals and maintenance costs and which is not an excessive figure.

The golf club park and course has been a decided community asset and served as a most delightful spot in the summer not only for golfing but also for picnic parties and a spot to entertain friends that might be visiting here and who enjoyed a good golfing spot.

It is felt by those who have guided the club in the past that unless a paid membership sufficient to fully guarantee the club being active for the season is pledged, that it would be useless to try and maintain the course.

CITY TEACHERS RE-ELECTED

The board of education at a meeting Wednesday afternoon took up the matter of the selection of the members of the teaching force for the coming year.

All of the members of the present high school faculty and grade school teachers were re-elected to teach for the coming year and the contracts will be sent out at once by the secretary of the board to the teachers for their acceptance or rejection.

Teachers were all selected at the same salary as for the past year, the finances at this time not permitting the raise in many cases that was well earned in the excellent work of the teachers.

It is hoped that with the taxes showing a greater return that it might be possible to have sufficient funds at the close of the school year when some of the teachers, especially those in the lower salary brackets might have a small bonus.

ATTEND CHURCH RALLY

From Saturday's Daily—
Last evening a group of 18 of the Standard Bearer girls attended a rally at the St. Paul's church in Omaha. Last night's meeting especially for Standard Bearers was a part of a number of meetings of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society convention. The girls heard Miss Barbara May Bailey, a missionary teacher from Tokyo, Japan and Dr. Scofield of Denver speak. It was very interesting to the girls there.

CASE IS DISMISSED

From Saturday's Daily—
This morning in the county court the case of the State of Nebraska vs. C. E. Erickson, alias Parker Erickson, was dismissed at the request of the complainant, George A. Stites of Union.

The dismissal was made by County Attorney J. A. Capwell and the matter closed by the settlement.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

Marion Tucker, well known Nehawka merchant, is at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha where he is to undergo a minor operation. It is hoped that he may soon be able to return home and resume his usual activities.

Missouri River Seems to Have Reached Crest

Much Water Over Lowlands But Fails to Reach Mark of Rise of Last June.

While the Missouri river at this point showed a decided rise this morning over yesterday, it is seemingly at a standstill and expected to start showing a fall by night.

The river here was reported at 19.5 feet level this morning and which is slightly under the high water mark of last summer in the June rise but its spread over the lowlands presented a most imposing sight and viewed by large numbers from the bluffs along the river.

A large amount of flood water has poured through the first channel and spread over a great deal of the land between there and the main river some distance to the east.

Water has surrounded many of the houses on the bottom land but no damage is reported and residents prepared to stand their ground until the water recedes. Most of the residents along the lowlands are always prepared with boats near their home so that escape can be made in case of any unforeseen changes in the river.

Along the Nebraska shore near the bridges, the water has come up around the cabin of John Curtis and that of Frank Yost, but failed to rise sufficient to get into the Grebe home.

Farther north along the river, especially in the vicinity of Blair there has been a great deal of land inundated, while at Florence and Omaha it was hoped the crest had been reached.

The result of the visitation of the high water is awaited with interest as to whether the force of the water will result in the scouring out of the narrowed channel made by the re-ventment work along the river.

SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. J. H. Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Egenberger of this city, is reported as being improved in her condition as she has been at the St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha for the past two weeks.

Mrs. Carter is not allowed visitors as yet as she has been in a very weakened condition but it is hoped that she may soon be able to regain her strength and be allowed to receive friends.

The parents and other relatives are at the hospital each day and are very much pleased that she has commenced to show definite signs of improvement.

Towl Says Dam Near King Hill Is a Menace

Former Omaha Mayor Returns From Visit to Points Along the Missouri River Area.

Roy N. Towl, former Omaha mayor and a representative of the Omaha drainage district, returned Sunday from a trip that had taken him to Pacific Junction, and Bartlett, Iowa, to Nebraska City, charging after his trip that the large rock dam that was built on the Nebraska side of the Missouri river near King Hill, has raised the level of the river and threatened the town of Bartlett.

The dam was built in order to force the channel around an island that had formed in the river.

Mr. Towl in discussing the matter stated: "Either the dam will have to be removed or transferred into a spillway," was his prediction. "Sunday the water was soaking tracks on the Burlington embankment near Bartlett, while the main highway into Bartlett was under one to two feet of water, making it impassable."

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HOLD WEDDING DANCE

Thursday evening a very large dancing party was held at the Eagles hall in which Mr. and Mrs. Verner Friedrich were honored on their recent marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Friedrich, the latter former Miss Selma Kraeger, have just recently returned from their honeymoon and this is the first formal social affair to honor them.

The friends from this city and the community where the young people have grown up were present in large numbers and joined in the delights of the dance which was to the music of Ray Herold, Glen Puls and Fred Manners.

At an appropriate hour a very much enjoyed luncheon was served to the members of the jolly party.

SUFFERS FROM BRONCHITIS

Mrs. James Tigner, well known over this section of Cass county, has been quite ill for the past few weeks as the result of an attack of bronchial trouble as well as severe pleurisy that has made her condition quite critical. She was taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe West at Omaha for special care and nursing and where she has been under the care of a specialist. It is the wish of her friends that she may have a speedy recovery.

COUNTY COURT HAPPENINGS

From Friday's Daily—
Hearing was had today on the application for the probate of the estate of John L. Smith, deceased of Nehawka. The prayer of the petition was granted and Walter J. Wunderlich named as executor.

Hearing on claims was held in the estate of Frank L. Trotter, deceased, of Nehawka, and on that of Caroline Mitchell, deceased, of which estate W. A. Ost, of Nehawka is the administrator.

Whether your printing job is large or small, it will receive our prompt attention. Call No. 6.

Death Claims a Former Resident at Hay Springs

Mrs. Chris Koehnke Dies at Age of Eighty-four Years—Sister of Mrs. William Hassler.

From Saturday's Daily—
Mrs. Margaret Koehnke, 84, widow of the late Chris Koehnke and a former resident here, died this morning at 7 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Eugene Marcy, at Hay Springs Nebraska.

Mrs. Koehnke has been in very poor health for some time and with her advanced years her passing was not unexpected.

The deceased lady was formerly Margaret Horn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Horn, and was born near Pekin, Illinois, and was brought west to Nebraska when a very small child the Horn family settling on a farm northwest of this city where the Earl Becker family is now farming. She grew to womanhood in this community and was married here to Chris Koehnke, a well known carpenter and contractor, the family for many years making their home at the residence property just west of the post office building, living here until moving to the northwestern part of the state. Mr. Koehnke preceded his wife in death in 1911.

There is surviving the passing of Mrs. Koehnke two daughters and one son, Mrs. Eugene Marcy, Mrs. Charles Peterson of Hay Springs and Claus Koehnke of Chadron, as well as three sisters and a brother, Mrs. William Hagedorn, George Horn, of Hay Springs, Mrs. William Hassler of this city and Mrs. Mathilde Johnson of Pekin, Illinois, and six grandchildren. Three children preceded the mother in death.

The funeral will be held at Hay Springs on Monday and the burial at that place.

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VISIT BEE HIVE LODGE

From Friday's Daily—
A large delegation of the members of Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M. were at Omaha last evening to attend the meeting of Bee Hive lodge of that city.

A fine banquet was held in the evening and at which the members of the Plattsmouth quartet, Frank A. Cloldt, R. C. Cook, R. W. Knorr and H. G. McClusky were heard in two numbers and with E. H. Westcott at the piano. The speaker at the banquet was the Rev. Thomas Nevins, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Omaha.

Several of the grand lodge officers were in attendance including W. A. Robertson of this city, grand master of the Nebraska Masons, who was presented to the members of the lodge.

Those attending from this city were Mr. Robertson, W. F. Evers, Frank A. Cloldt, R. C. Cook, H. G. McClusky, R. W. Knorr, H. A. Schneider, E. H. Westcott, Carl J. Schneider, H. F. Nolting, John Parkening, Elmer Tritsch, Wayne Bennett, County Treasurer John E. Turner, J. R. Reeder.

RETURNS FROM TEXAS

Charles K. Bestor, who has been spending the winter season at Corpus Christi, Texas, returned home Thursday afternoon. He has had a very pleasant stay in the south and enjoyed the Gulf country very much with its mild climate. He reports that Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Mayfield, of Louisville, who have been visiting at Portland, a suburb of Corpus Christi, have disposed of their property at that place and are planning on returning to Louisville where they still have residence property and where they will make their home.

CARD OF THANKS

We gratefully wish to express to the many kind friends and neighbors our sincere appreciation of all of the acts of kindness that was shown us in the last illness of our loved one and for the tender words of sympathy in our loss. We wish also to especially thank those who took part in the funeral services.—Mr. and Mrs. Caesar Baumgart and Family; Mr. and Mrs. William Renner and Family; Mrs. Fred Baumgart and Family; Charles Herren.