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Rev. Bowdern Tells of Early Explorations

Wide Areas of United States Covered by the Missionaries of Jesuit and Other Orders.

Those who attended the public meeting held by the local council of the Knights of Columbus Tuesday evening at Eagles hall, enjoyed an unusual treat in the lecture by Rev. Thomas S. Bowdern, S. J., dean of the Creighton university graduate school and regent of the Creighton school of journalism.

The meeting was turned over to the program committee by Frank Neugebauer, grand knight and Attorney Walter H. Smith, chairman, presided.

Miss Lucille Meisinger, one of the talented pianists of the city, gave two very artistic selections as the opening of the program.

John Cloldt, always a favorite vocalist, gave two numbers with Mrs. Cloldt at the piano.

Miss Theresa Slatinsky, high school student, gave two most appreciated numbers on the accordion with vocalization that was a treat all appreciated and showed the talent and skill of the young artist.

Rev. Bowdern, in his opening touched on the history of Christopher Columbus, whose voyage in 1492 resulted in the discovery of the West Indies and paved the way for the early Spanish settlements of North and South America. The difficulties of the Italian navigator in interesting the Spanish government in his project was told and the doubt held by many of the ultimate success of the expedition and whose success had caused much jealousy at the Spanish court.

Following the voyages of Columbus came the influx of other expeditions fitted out by the English, French, and Holland governments and which extended along the eastern coast of the United States and Canada. With the increasing expeditions there came the missionaries of the Catholic church, French Jesuits and English missionaries covering the Canadian country, down into the great lake regions and to the mouth of the Mississippi river, some even going to the northern part of the west coast. The speaker also traced the explorations of the Jesuits from Mexico to the lands to the north and the establishment of a chain of missions from Mexico City northward and into the present state of California where many of the old missions are still preserved. The work of Father Kino, Jesuit, in the spread of faith in present New Mexico, Arizona and Texas was touched upon, the organization of the Zuni Indians to oppose the Apache tribes of the southwest, the most blood-thirsty of all the Indian tribes. It had been Father Kino, the speaker stated, who had originated the raising of stock in the southwest and which provided food for the peaceful Indian tribes.

Trips of the Jesuits up the Missouri river from St. Louis had reached far into the north and led by Father Smith, they had passed through this section a hundred years ago to spend some time in what is now Council Bluffs and later the members were sent to Kansas where they were to found the mission of St. Mary's. It was in later years that the central west became thickly settled that the establishment of the Creighton university was made at Omaha.

The exploration of the missionaries had penetrated into Utah and what is now Wyoming. Rev. Bowdern told of his own visit to Fort Bridger, where a hundred years ago Jim Bridger had established a trading post in the wilderness and which became a noted spot in the history of the west and the Oregon migration. The development of the Oregon trail was made by Indians from the west coast and not from the east as so many had believed, was shown by the speaker.

At the conclusion of the very interesting and instructive talk, Rev. Bowdern, in response to questions told of the work of the DeSmet camp for city boys, which he had helped organize in 1925 and which is located at the St. Francis Indian reservation.

HUNT NEAR CREIGHTON

One of the local hunting parties, comprising Fred Howland, Walter Minnietar, Fay Spidell, Harold Chandler, Francis Minnietar and Mott Frady have returned from the northeast part of the state and with a fine bag of pheasants. The party hunted near Creighton, and found plenty of the birds but heavy foliage and a great many cockleburrs made the hunting somewhat difficult.

Young People are Married at Lincoln Today

Mr. George F. Swatek and Miss Lorene C. Jones Married at Rectory of St. Mary's Cathedral

From Monday's Daily— This morning at 10:30 at the rectory of the St. Mary's cathedral at Lincoln, occurred the marriage of Miss Lorene C. Jones, daughter of Mrs. Clara Jones, of Portland, Oregon and Mr. George F. Swatek, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Swatek of this city.

The marriage lines were read by the Rev. Father Riordan, pastor of the cathedral.

Their attendants were Miss Mary Swatek, sister of the groom, and Mr. Ted Spaustat, of Omaha. Mrs. W. A. Swatek of this city also witnessed the ceremony.

The bride was lovely in a plum colored afternoon dress ornamented with dull gold. She wore a corsage of gardenias. Miss Swatek was gowned in blue with a corsage of tiny pink rosebuds.

Mr. and Mrs. Swatek departed immediately after the ceremony for a motor trip through the south and after the honeymoon will return to Lincoln to make their home. Mr. Swatek is employed in the highway department of the state of Nebraska, with which he has been connected since his graduation from the college of engineering of the University of Nebraska.

Sunday the bridal couple were honor guests at a family dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Swatek. The out of town guests were the bride and groom and Miss Mary Swatek and Mr. Ted Spaustat of Omaha.

INJURIES ARE SEVERE

Reports from the Clarkson hospital at Omaha are to the effect that the injuries sustained by Matthew Sedlak, Sr., late Monday afternoon, are quite severe and will make necessary hospitalization for some time.

It was determined by X-ray examination that Mr. Sedlak had suffered the fracture of both heels, a possible cracked hip bone and it may be that the shoulder has also been cracked, but this is not certain. It will make necessary his remaining at the hospital. He is resting somewhat better today, it was reported, although still feeling very much the effects of the shock.

ENJOY HUNTING TRIP

From Tuesday's Daily— A hunting party comprising Mr. and Mrs. Henry Donat, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gorder, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Mark, John Cechal, William O'Donnell, Sr., and Robert Painter, returned this morning from a hunting trip in the vicinity of Plainview. They had great luck in the shooting and brought home their bag of the birds. It is claimed that Henry secured three birds in one shot on the opening day.

LEAVE ON HUNTING TRIP

Dr. W. V. Ryan and Dr. L. S. Pucelik left Saturday for Bassett, Nebraska on a hunting trip. They expect to return home on Wednesday, bringing their limit in pheasants. While in Bassett they will visit at the home of Dr. Pucelik's sister and family.

VISIT AT ATKINSON

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bishop motored to Atkinson, Nebraska on Sunday to spend the day there as guests of Mr. Bishop's parents, Rev. and Mrs. John H. Bishop, as well as with old friends.

Union Folks Give Program at Masonic Home

Delightful Afternoon of Vocal and Instrumental as Well as Orchestral Selections.

The residents of the Nebraska Masonic Home had a very unusual fine afternoon of entertainment afforded Sunday when a group of Union residents under the direction of Phillip Rihn, came up to give a short concert at the home.

The program opened with singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" by all of the group and Home folks as well as the orchestra numbers, "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Whispering Hope."

Rev. McGaughy of Union read the scripture lesson for the occasion and which added to the impressiveness of the event.

Mrs. Roy Upton and Mrs. Mougey were heard in a lovely vocal duet as their contribution to the program. Miss Esther McGaughy gave a very artistic reading that was very much appreciated by the members of the group.

The orchestra then gave two numbers, "Sparkling Eyes" and "Flag of Truce."

Miss Mildred Burbee, one of the talented musicians of Union was heard in a piano accordion number and Miss Flora Belle Meade in a delightful vocal selection.

Miss Ruth Morris also added to the interest of the varied program with a whistling solo of more than usual charm.

Misses Angria and Mina Ervin were heard in a piano duet that they gave very artistically.

The orchestra closed with "The Stars and Stripes Forever" and the group singing of "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again."

A regrettable feature of the afternoon was the fact that Mr. Rihn who had so generously arranged the program, was taken very ill as the afternoon opened and had to be taken from the Home into Omaha for hospital care. Rev. McGaughy continued the direction of the program.

HAS CAR DAMAGED

Tuesday evening while L. W. Egenberger was returning home after having taken George Bell to his residence at the sand pits north of the city, his car was badly damaged in an accident south of the Platte river bridge where the road to the sand pits joins the main highway. As the car was swinging into the main highway for the south, a passing truck came by and forced Mr. Egenberger to swing his car out of the main roadway and one of the rear tires blew out and the car crashed on into a telephone pole along the roadway. The radiator was badly damaged and the motor was forced back into the car and the windshield broken.

Fortunately Mr. Egenberger was only bruised and suffered several small cuts but none of which are thought to be serious.

VISITS OLD FRIENDS

From Tuesday's Daily— R. L. Propst, for many years a resident of Cass county, but now living in Lake Worth, Florida, was here today with his daughters, Mrs. Ed Wilcox and Mrs. Mayola Baughn, who have been with him on the journey from Florida. They were in Omaha today to visit relatives and on their return here will leave for Florida. Miss Corrine Hallstrom, daughter of County Commissioner and Mrs. Elmer Hallstrom, of Avoca, will accompany her grandfather and aunt back to Florida for a visit.

ATTEND ROTARY MEETING

Tuesday evening a Rotary club was installed at Tabor, Iowa, the Glenwood club being the sponsor of the new group. W. C. Rathke, prominent Rotarian, was the installing officer and gave the charter to the new club. Among those to attend the chartering of the new club was a delegation of the Plattsmouth Rotarians comprising Elmer Sundstrom, L. S. Devoe, Fred Lugsch, L. O. Minor and William Baird. Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Lugsch and Mrs. Sundstrom also attended the event.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS AT SERVICES

From Monday's Daily— Special services were held at the Methodist church yesterday honoring the Job's Daughters who attended church in a body. There were 16 officers present. The girls, wearing their white robes, made a very pretty group as they formed the choir.

Shirley Selver, honored queen of the Job's Daughters sang a solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," which was very much enjoyed. A very inspiring and interesting sermon in accordance with the occasion was given by Rev. J. C. Lowson, pastor of the church.

A most impressive feature was given at the close of the service when the girls formed a cross and sang the closing number, "Nearer My God to Thee."

RECOVERS PURSE

From Tuesday's Daily—

Mrs. Rex Peters, prominent Greenwood resident, was agreeably surprised this morning when visiting here to find her purse and \$10 that she had misplaced Monday while here shopping, was safe. Mrs. Peters had been at the H. M. Soennichsen Co. store to look after some business affairs and when leaving the store she had left the purse lying on a chair. She had returned home by way of Ashland and it was discovered on her return that the purse was missing. Retracing her route she was delighted to find here that employee at the Soennichsen store had found the purse with the contents untouched, and which was turned over to the Greenwood lady.

SUFFERS SUDDEN ATTACK

Alfred Ulrich, son of Mrs. Ed Ulrich, residing west of Plattsmouth, was stricken with an acute attack of appendicitis Saturday evening. He was in looking after some trading when the attack occurred and the patient was hurried on to the St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha. An operation was performed at once and the patient reported doing as well as possible.

MYNARD COMMUNITY CLUB

The October meeting of the Mynard Community club has been changed to Tuesday evening, October 25th at 8 o'clock, in order to secure the services of Newton W. Gaines of Lincoln and J. M. Quackenbush, of Weeping Water, County agent. There will be special music, vocal numbers by Mrs. Gaines. The public is invited.

PROGRAM AND PLATE SUPPER

I will give a plate supper and program for the members of the school on Thursday evening at the school, Dist. 13, which is known as the Swan school, some three miles southeast of Union. Ladies bring your boxes and let the boys buy them. A good time, a good program.

MRS. ELVA OPP, Teacher.

SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

There will be a meeting of the Cass County Sportsman's club, at the public library, in Plattsmouth, on Friday, October 21, 1938, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a president, and secretary-treasurer. Also to make final arrangements for the Farm Bird Sanctuary. It is important that every member be present.

COMMITTEE.

LEAVES FOR SEDALLA

From Tuesday's Daily— Francis B. Toman is departing this evening for Sedalla, Missouri, where he will resume his work at the Missouri Pacific shops.

ATTEND BAPTISM

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Egenberger were in Omaha Sunday, going up for the baptism of the baby boy of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Egenberger. The boy has been named John Louis.

BASKET DINNER

A basket dinner will be held at the Murray Christian church, Sunday, October 23, at noon. Program will be given in the afternoon.

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Golden Wedding of Cass County Couple Observed

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wilson of Murray Hold Open House to Large Group of Friends Sunday.

Sunday the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wilson at Murray was the scene of a very pleasant event—that of the golden wedding anniversary of this estimable couple who have spent so many years of their wedded life in Cass county.

John Absolom Wilson and Martha Elizabeth Gover were married on October 14, 1888, at the home of the parents of the bride in Hickory county, Missouri. Mr. Wilson was the son of John T. Wilson and Emma Wilson, his bride a daughter of Fount and Cyrena Gover.

They made their home in Missouri for some years after their marriage and later came to Nebraska to reside in the vicinity of Rock Bluffs until they came to Murray to make their home.

There were twelve children born to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, eleven of whom have lived to honor the golden wedding of the parents, one child dying in infancy. The children living are James Albert Wilson, Union; Fountain T. Wilson, Murray; Hezekiah Wilson, Craig, Colorado; Rena Crumps, Selkirk, Oklahoma; Dare B. Wilson, Sedgewick, Kansas; Wayne W. Wilson, Ohio, Missouri; Emma Wilson, Omaha; Levi E. Wilson, Dunbar; Mary Beins, Murray; Nora Johnson, Omaha; Anna Pearl Beins, Plattsmouth. There are also forty-five grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

The Wilson home at Murray was filled from 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon by the relatives and friends, calling to pay their respects to this fine couple and in honor of the event many remembrances were presented. Mrs. Levi Wilson, a daughter-in-law, presented them with a handsome three tier, five pound angle food wedding cake which was decorated with the tiny bride and groom, while the Omar company gave them a handsome ten pound cake that was fittingly arranged in keeping with the spirit of the occasion.

Throughout the rooms there was a profusion of the fall flowers to add their beauty to the scene.

Miss Mildred Wilson, a granddaughter, was in charge of the guest book and assisted in the reception of the guests.

HERE FROM THE WEST

From Tuesday's Daily— Mr. and Mrs. Robert Richardson and little daughter, Ardeth Ann, with Floyd Richardson, father of Robert, arrived this morning from the west coast. They have been making their home in Oregon and California for the past year, but are now planning on locating here. Mrs. Richardson was formerly Miss Olive Sylvester, daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. Homer Sylvester.

TO ATTEND CONVENTION

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Taenzler and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Graves departed Sunday for Denver where they will attend the international convention of the Disciples of Christ. This meeting will bring together many of the leading figures of the Christian church and many hundreds are expected to be in attendance. They plan on returning Saturday.

UNDERGOES APPENDECTOMY

Monday at the Clarkson hospital in Omaha, Otto Melsinger, well known resident of the community, was operated on for appendicitis with which he was suddenly stricken Sunday. The patient is reported as rallying in excellent shape and it is hoped will soon be definitely on the highway to recovery.

HERE FROM LINCOLN

Mrs. Charles Ingram and daughter, Frances and Miss Lydia Pautah, of Louisville, were here Saturday to visit friends and look after some trading. While here Miss Pautah called at the Journal to renew her subscription.

MRS. GABELMAN CRITICALLY ILL

From Tuesday's Daily— Mrs. Edward Gabelman, taken to Omaha Sunday for treatment at the Clarkson hospital, was in critical condition there last night and this morning. She is suffering from pneumonia and it has been necessary to keep her under an oxygen tent to try and give her relief. Mr. Gabelman with Mr. and Mrs. Cass Sylvester and Mrs. John Jordan, were at Omaha Monday afternoon and evening to be near the patient.

County Farm Bureau Long an Aid in County

Matter of Continuance of Appropriation by County to Be Voted on at November Election.

Next month at the general election several counties in Nebraska will vote whether or not they will continue to support a county farm bureau by taxation. Cass county is one of them.

County agents have had a part in making Nebraska better place to live by their extensive programs. Counties where there has been an agent for several years stand out above the others. The young people are more progressive as a result of 4-H training. The homes look more attractive. There are more windbreaks, and the farmers and farm home-makers are more progressive and will be more prosperous when weather and moisture conditions return to normal.

With abnormal weather and crop conditions the past few years, and with drouth, grasshoppers, sleeping sickness in horses, hogs sick and dying, and hundreds of other discouragements to face, it is no wonder that farmers feel they have had more than their share of hard luck. This unrest is reflected in business, big and little, everywhere. However 1,000 women enrolled in extension project and study clubs, 525 4-H club boys and girls, and a similar number of progressive farmers in Cass county, are willing and ready to put forth the effort and work they take pleasure in doing, for educational purposes, through the Farm Bureau.

The appropriation made annually from the county general fund for support of the Cass County Farm Bureau is \$2,800. The tax assessment amounts to 8c per \$1,000 valuation paid by town people and farmers alike. On the average quarter section it would amount to probably eighty cents, depending on the total assessed valuation. Even if the Farm Bureau were voted out, you will not notice any appreciable deduction on your taxes, especially since the tax levy has already been made for next year.

The itemized statement of expenditures of the entire \$2,800 appropriated to support of the Farm Bureau is on file in the court house and the records are available for public inspection. The \$2,800 is used strictly for maintaining the Farm Bureau which is the sponsoring body for agricultural extension work directed by the state extension service of the college of agriculture and the United States department of agriculture. For twenty years it has been a permanent educational institution organized for the promotion of better practices and methods in agriculture and homemaking and was firmly established before the creation of the A. C. P., S. C. S., F. S. A., and other federal programs which were created by acts of congress in recent years.

It is well to remember that every man and woman voter in the county may vote on this question, "Shall an appropriation be made annually from the general fund of the county for the support of Agricultural Extension work?" at the November election. This includes town people as well as rural people. It is up to every citizen of the county to help decide whether or not we shall continue to give assistance to 4-H clubs, women's project clubs, and educational work along other lines such as livestock improvement, birdweed control, grasshopper control, disease control, poultry work, tree planting, landscaping and home beautification.

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Sunday School Convention Has a Large Crowd

Unusually Fine Program Arranged for Afternoon and Evening Sessions—Officers Re-elected.

The Cass county Sunday school convention which met at Mynard for an all day and evening session on Tuesday was a decided success in every particular. A few more than two hundred registered during the day and evening and the program was enthusiastically received by all who attended.

The morning session was taken up largely by music, group discussions, devotions and regular routine activities, but was climaxed by an excellent, inspirational address by Miss Elsie Wik, secretary of the State Council of Religious Education. Miss Wik demonstrated to all that the office of state secretary is well filled and able to give definite, modern suggestions for the help of those engaged in Christian educational work.

The nominating committee brought in a report nominating the officers of last year for re-election and by motion and the unanimous vote of the convention the following were elected: J. Howard Davis, Plattsmouth, president; E. N. Ahl, Louisville, vice-president and Mrs. Evelyn Franke, Cedar Creek, secretary-treasurer.

The noon hour was a pleasant feature of the convention at which time the ladies of the Mynard church provided one of their typical fried chicken dinners with all the trimmings.

The afternoon program presented more interesting discussions, group singing and special musical numbers and featured two fine addresses that were an inspiration and challenge to all who heard them. The first address was presented by Milo Price of the Plattsmouth city schools and in his consideration of his subject of "The Christian Birthright of Americanism" he brought a message that deserved and received the highest commendation from those who heard him.

The afternoon address entitled "Christian Adventurers Today," by Miss Elsie Wik, proved to be another feature of unusual quality. Miss Wik is a young woman with a wealth of enthusiasm and training in her field of work and her message was well received and greatly appreciated by her listeners.

The evening session brought another good attendance and presented two entertaining and inspirational features. The first feature was a musical group presenting David Fowler in three violin selections and the Plattsmouth Masonic quartet in two fine numbers. The quartet was composed of Frank Cloldt, R. C. Cook, H. G. McClusky and R. W. Knorr with E. H. Wescott as accompanist. Mrs. L. S. Devoe accompanied Mr. Fowler.

Following the musical numbers the address of the evening was delivered by Rev. J. C. Lowson, pastor of the Plattsmouth Methodist church, who took as his topic the theme of the convention, "Mending Their Nets." Rev. Lowson very ably presented his remarks and closed the convention by leaving a wealth of food for thought in the minds of his audience.

Thanks to the agreeable weather and the generous hospitality of the Mynard church and its members the convention was a decided success. The convention next year will be at the Methodist church in Louisville and it is hoped arrangements can be made for a county Sunday school picnic some time early next summer.

RETURNS FROM VACATION

Mrs. R. Y. Buchanan has just returned home from a very pleasant outing that has taken her through the scenic portion of southern Missouri and the Ozark foothills. She had the pleasure of a visit at the Lake of the Ozarks, one of the largest lakes in the middle west and a popular resort, as well as at Kansas City with old friends. The crop condition in Missouri this year has been exceptionally good and some of the best corn in the west has been raised there.