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Republicans Elect All Candidates in County

Sheriff Sylvester Swept to Defeat by 300 Votes—Ray Becker New Register of Deeds.

THE WINNERS

- County Clerk George R. Sayles, R.
- Clerk of District Court C. E. Ledgway, R.
- County Treasurer John E. Turner, R.
- County Sheriff Joe Mrasek, R.
- County Attorney Walter H. Smith, D.
- Register of Deeds Ray F. Becker, R.
- County Surveyor Robert M. Mann, R.
- County Assessor W. H. Puls, D.
- County Superintendent Lora Lloyd Kieck, non-political.
- Legislature Fred L. Carsten, non-political.

The election of 1938 in Cass county showed a comparatively light vote cast but one that was definitely republican and swept into office several new persons as well as retaining the former republicans. The democrats elected only those who were unopposed. Walter H. Smith for attorney, W. H. Puls, assessor.

Sheriff Homer Sylvester, who gained fame as the captor of two much sought gunmen here in April 1935, lost by some 353 to Joe Mrasek of this city, losing this city heavily and while gaining in many parts of the county failed to hold the lead.

The greatest upset of the campaign, however, was the defeat of Robert D. Fitch, county surveyor, by some 418, by Robert M. Mann, who had made no campaign and had been engaged in his work as usual instead of campaigning. Mann early took a lead that was never headed.

Ray Becker, the newly elected register of deeds also started an early lead in the first returns and from all sections of the county to gain some 401 plurality.

In the race for county superintendent Mrs. Lora Lloyd Kieck, who polled a heavy primary vote swept into a lead of 1,170 over J. R. Reeder, local school principal and was never in serious danger.

County Clerk George R. Sayles, veteran of many political wars, proved his running qualities in massing a 1,063 majority over Bernard G. Wurl, his democratic opponent, who had given him a close race four years ago but who was handily overcome by Mr. Sayles in this battle.

County Treasurer John E. Turner was also a republican incumbent that had little trouble in getting a substantial victory that will touch the 1,549 mark.

In the legislative race Fred L. Carsten of Avoca won re-election over William A. Metzger of Cedar Creek by carrying Cass county by a handsome majority that overcome the vote of Metzger in Sarpy county.

With the vote from Liberty precinct and Plattsmouth third ward yet to report, the question of the appropriation for the maintenance of agricultural extension work in the county has a lead of 163 majority. This will probably mean that the yes proposition has carried, as the other wards of this city gave strong support to the approval. The proposition was defeated heavily in many western precincts but in Weeping Water and Plattsmouth cities and in the eastern precincts showed good gains.

The vote of the county with Liberty precinct missing on the general ticket is as follows:

- STATE TICKET Governor R. L. Cochran, D. 2,474
- Charles J. Warner, R. 3,072
- Charles W. Bryan, (Petition) 1,095
- Lieutenant Governor Terry Carpenter, D. 2,402
- William Edward Johnson, R. 2,770
- John B. Elliott, Jr. (Petition) 1,204
- Lieutenant Governor (To Fill Vacancy) Nate M. Parsons, D. 3,309
- J. S. Kroh (Petition) 1,919
- Secretary of State Harry R. Swanson, D. 3,221
- L. E. Marsh, R. 3,992

- Auditor of Public Accounts William H. Price, D. 2,423
- Ray C. Johnson, R. 3,184
- Harry L. Babcock (Petition) 458
- State Treasurer Walter H. Jensen, D. 2,939
- T. W. Bass, R. 3,163
- Attorney General Richard C. Hunter, D. 2,371
- Richard R. Johnson, R. 3,480
- Railway Commissioner Floyd L. Bollen, D. 2,287
- Duane T. Swanson, R. 3,264

- CONGRESSIONAL TICKET Congressman, 1st District Henry C. Luckey, D. 3,148
- Geo. H. Heinke, R. 2,905
- Catherine F. McGerr (Pet.) 296

- COUNTY TICKET County Clerk Bernard G. Wurl, D. 2,673
- George R. Sayles, R. 3,736
- Clerk of the District Court C. E. Ledgway, R. 5,350
- County Treasurer Carl Keil, D. 2,462
- John E. Turner, R. 4,011
- County Sheriff H. Sylvester, D. 2,876
- Joe Mrasek, R. 3,229
- Ed. W. Thimman (Petition) 518
- County Attorney Walter H. Smith, D. 4,920
- Register of Deeds Lillian G. White, D. 2,967
- Ray F. Becker, R. 3,368
- County Surveyor Robert D. Fitch, Jr., D. 2,882
- Robert M. Mann, R. 3,300
- County Assessor W. H. Puls, D. 5,022

- NON-POLITICAL TICKET Chief Justice Supreme Court Robert G. Simmons 3,080
- C. A. Sorenson 2,715
- State Supt. Public Instruction Charles W. Taylor 3,517
- Sarah T. Muir 2,185
- County Supt. Public Instruction Lora Lloyd Kieck 3,748
- J. R. Reeder 2,578
- Legislature, 3rd Dist. Fred L. Carsten 3,243
- W. A. Metzger 2,886

WORLD LECTURER TO SPEAK AT MURRAY

The Cass County Fellowship association presents Miss Helen F. Topping, an international leader and world lecturer, at an interesting meeting next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the Christian church in Murray, Nebraska.

Miss Topping, the American-born daughter of Japanese missionaries in Japan and returned to the United States for advanced education. She received her bachelor's and master degrees from Columbia University Teachers' college in New York City. Besides teaching she lived in California for five years, working among Japanese women there.

In 1918 she was assigned by the national board of the Y.W.C.A. to organize the Japanese branch in Kobe, for twenty years she has been a strong advocate and follower of Kagawa and is now engaged as a world traveler, author and Christian minister of World Justice.

The subject next Sunday, November 13 at Murray is entitled, "Peace by Christianity in Social Practice."

Sunday evening she will be the guest speaker at the Ebenezer Evangelical church in Murdock, Nebraska, and will speak on the "World Family vs. World Fight."

The Churchman, New York City, refers to Miss Helen Topping and says: "Although nominally Dr. Kagawa's secretary, Miss Topping is actually an apostle. This highly energetic and efficient woman is by no means the bustling, busybody type. There is poise in her energy and intelligence in everything she does and says. Besides she has humility and kindness. Soft-voiced, cultured, Miss Topping believes in helping oppressed people."

The Cass County Fellowship association meets monthly and is what the name implies. The public is welcome to any monthly meeting.

HERE FOR MEETING

Mrs. George B. Mann, teacher in the schools at Odell, Nebraska, was here Monday evening to look after some business and to attend the meeting of the board of education of which she is a member.

Cass County Historical Society Meets

Fine Talks Given by George L. Farley and Miss Jane Boedeker of Murray at Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Cass County Historical society was held on Saturday afternoon at the district court room at the court house and very largely attended.

The officers had arranged a very fine program that was enjoyed for every minute of the session.

George L. Farley, who was superintendent of schools some thirty-eight years ago, gave a very interesting talk on the early schools of the county, his father, Hon. Henry Farley, having been a pioneer school man of the county and Mr. Farley himself followed the teaching profession and finally to the superintendency. County Clerk George R. Sayles had prepared a list of the superintendents from the earliest record and which made a most interesting feature of the talk.

Miss Jane Boedeker, who with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Boedeker of Murray, enjoyed a motor trip through Europe the past summer, was present and gave a wonderful descriptive talk of the trip and the various countries and interesting cities that they had visited on the trip.

After the close of the program the business session was held and the following officers named:

President—Dr. G. H. Gilmore, Murray.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Guy White, Plattsmouth.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. L. O. Minor, Plattsmouth.

Secretary-Treasurer—A. A. McReynolds, Nehawka.

The society will make marking of historic spots and ghosts towns of Cass county, one of the chief objectives of the coming year's work.

ASSIGN CASES FOR TRIAL

- Judge Wilson at the calling of the docket Monday made the assignment of cases for the jury term that will carry well into December. The cases set were:
- State of Nebraska vs. John Blakeley, et al. petty larceny, November 21, 9:30 a. m.
- Paul Pickering vs. L. R. Upton, et al. alienation of affections, November 22, 23, 24 a. m.
- John H. Busche, et al. vs. William H. Meisinger, appeal judgement account, November 28, 9:30 a. m.
- Florence Noell vs. Everett Pickens, damage, November 29, 30, 9 a. m.
- Mrs. Viola Shupp, adm. estate of Zella Brisendine, deceased vs. Hubert Cappen, for damages, Dec. 1, 2, 9 a. m.
- C. J. Pankonin vs. Elmer Wendt, et al. appeal St. note, December 5, 9:30 a. m.
- Frank M. Hunt vs. The County of Cass, Nebraska, damages, Dec. 6, 9 a. m.
- J. Howard Davis, adm. of estate of Ivan L. Fuller vs. Joe Youngquist, damages, Dec. 7, 9 a. m.

CALL TO KENTUCKY

From Monday's Daily—On account of the serious illness of his father, D. S. Sumner, agent of the Missouri Pacific in this city and his brother, B. E. Sumner of Elmwood, departed at 5:30 today for Peñarol, Kentucky.

Mr. Sumner is being relieved here by E. F. Stava, of this city and Mr. Sumner at Elmwood by Mr. Hoback of Union.

JOINS UP WITH NAVY

Joe Chovanec, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chovanec, left from Omaha Wednesday for the Great Lakes Naval Training School near Chicago where he will be located for three months. After receiving the necessary training there he will be transferred to one of the naval bases. He is a graduate from the Plattsmouth high school in the class of 1938.

TO MAKE HOME HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Keller and daughter, Clauden, have come to Plattsmouth from Wichita, Kansas to make their home here. Plattsmouth is glad to welcome these people to the community.

COMMISSIONERS ARE ELECTED

Following the general trend of the political wave the two commissioners elected are both republicans, Henry C. Backemeyer of Greenwood winning 1,680 to 772 for Harry Williams, of Elmwood, his democratic opponent in the third district.

In the second district Ray Norris, of Weeping Water was winner 850 to 614 for W. H. Porter of Union.

The result makes the county board all republican as Commissioner George L. Farley of this city, is also of this faith.

Death Calls W. T. Richardson at Mynard Today

Member of Pioneer Family of Cass County Dies After Illness of Some Duration.

From Wednesday's Daily—This noon at the family home at Mynard where he has made his home for a great many years occurred the death of William T. Richardson, a member of one of the pioneer families of Cass county.

Mr. Richardson was a son of the late Samuel Richardson and was born on the farm in Eight Mile Grove precinct and where he grew to manhood.

He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Mrs. C. A. Cathey of Waterloo, Iowa, and Mrs. L. G. Todd of Venango, Nebraska, one brother, Frank S. Richardson of Chicago and two sisters, Mrs. Wallace Carter of Bellevue, Washington and Mrs. James Hamilton of Los Angeles, California.

The body is at the Sattler funeral home to await the arrangements for the funeral.

PROGRAM OF FATHER-SON BANQUET AT MYNARD

Following is the program for the Father-Son banquet at Mynard Friday evening:

Invocation.

Address of welcome, Rev. Paul L. Dick.

Solo—Richard Cole.

Spokesman for fathers, Glen Whites.

Quartet—Lawrence Leonard, Art Hill, Charles and Ed. Howard.

Spokesman for the sons, Bob Valery.

Piano duet, Paul Rick and Robert Cole.

Address—Judge E. F. Carter, Nebraska supreme court.

Duet—Lawrence and Allie Leonard.

Benediction.

Raymond C. Cook will act as toastmaster.

Paul Dick will have charge of group singing.

Banquet scheduled for 6:30.

Menu will be roast beef with all the trimmings that go to make up the kind of a meal men and boys like.

SUFFERS FROM FALL

Robert M. Walling, the abstractor, is conducting his work today under a handicap as the result of a fall Saturday night. Mr. Walling was at his home in the Herold apartments and had gone to the rear door and started to step out onto the walk, not noticing it was very icy and slick and as the result he fell and struck on his right shoulder. The muscles were badly bruised and wrenched and it was found necessary to have the shoulder bandaged and the arm placed in a sling. There was fortunately no bones broken.

MEN'S BALLY

The United Presbyterian church of Murray is sponsoring a Men and Mission rally on next Sunday Nov. 13th at the 11 o'clock morning service. Prof. Walter Beggs of the University of Nebraska has been secured for the speaker. Special music will also be a feature of the service. A large attendance is expected.

RECEIVES FINE REMEMBRANCE

Mrs. Arthur Troop of near this city was made very happy Tuesday by the receipt of a box of fine pomgranates and persimons, sent from California. They were a gift from her brother, Robert W. Sherwood, of Long Beach and made a most delightful gift.

Death of John Rotter -- a Long Time Resident

Resident of Plattsmouth for Fifty Years Dies Saturday after Long Period of Poor Health.

Saturday night John Rotter, 85, who for a period of fifty years has been a resident of Plattsmouth, died at the family home in the west part of the city, following a long period of ill health and in the last weeks of which his condition has been quite critical.

Mr. Rotter was born in Bislov, Moravia, on May 16, 1853, and made his home in his native land in his younger years, being married in Moravia to Miss Anna Norusek, they spending some years in Vienna.

In the year 1888 Mr. and Mrs. Rotter with their three children left the old world to reside in the United States and came to Plattsmouth to make their home and where they have since resided, being a part of the fine citizenry of the community. For the greater part of his years Mr. Rotter was in the employ of the Burlington in the Plattsmouth shops, retiring in 1923 from this work and has since led a very quiet and retired life. Mr. and Mrs. Rotter have resided in their present home for the past twelve years.

There is surviving, the aged widow and six children, John Rotter of Newcastle, Wyoming; Vincent Rotter of Cody, Wyoming; Mrs. Mary Worsham, Mrs. Eva Egenberger, both of Des Moines; Mrs. Anna Leatak of Omaha and Mrs. Hermie Kubicka of this city. There are thirty-one grandchildren and twenty-one great grandchildren.

The body will be taken to the late home this evening to lay in state until the hour for the funeral services which will be held at 9:30 Tuesday morning at the Holy Rosary church.

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

The Plattsmouth high school under the direction of Mr. Lumir Gerner will present the Junior class play "The Family Upstairs," on December 9th. This is a comedy drama and will afford an opportunity for the class to bring out their best talent and a good entertainment for the public.

Mr. Gerner has started rehearsals with two casts. From this group he will pick the ones who are to be in the play. The following is cast No. 1 and the committee in charge:

Joe Heller-----Joe York

Emma Heller-----Shirley Petersen

Louise Heller-----Mary Helen Dill

Willie Heller-----Edward Smith

Annabelle Heller-----Phyllis Speck

Charles Grant-----Allan White

Mrs. Grant-----Helen Hiatt

Herbert-----Bernard Kubicka

Miss Calahan-----Wilma Swatek

Committee: Shirley Mason, Ralph Stava, Darlene Hennings, Joe Phillips, and Stephen Devoe.

Prompter—Helen Slattinsky.

Student Director—Corrine Drucker.

Cast No. 2 will consist of the following: Bruno Reichardt, Ruth Webber, Corrine Drucker, Stephen Devoe, Helen Blotzer, Keith Broman, Helen Slattinsky, Warren Albee and Thelma Capper.

FUNERAL OF JOHN ROTTER

From Tuesday's Daily—Funeral services for John Rotter were held this morning at 9:30 at the Holy Rosary church on west Pearl street. A large number of the old friends were present to attend the mass and pay tribute to the memory of the aged neighbor. The requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Joseph R. Sinkula.

The burial was at the Catholic cemetery with the Sattler funeral home in charge. The pall bearers were Edward Donat, John and Mike Bajcek, Charles Vitousek, L. W. Lorenz, E. J. Ferrie.

AN APPRECIATION

Gratefully we wish to acknowledge the many acts of kindness shown us in the illness of our loved one, for the many expressions of sympathy extended to us and for those who assisted in the funeral. We also wish to thank those who sent the beautiful floral remembrances.—Mrs. John Rotter and Family.

WILL MAKE QUARTERS HERE

The port of Plattsmouth will be winter quarters for a number of the dredges and quarterboats which have been engaged in the river improvement work the past summer. "The McGregor," one of the large vessels of the river fleet is to tie up here near the Plattsmouth dock as well as the "Lewis" and will make this city the headquarters for the crew during the winter season, bringing a number of new citizens to the community.

Must Remove Old High School Building

State Fire Marshal Serves Notice on Board of Education That Old Structure Must Go.

The Plattsmouth board of education has received official notice from the office of the state fire marshal at Lincoln, that the old high school building, which has stood unused for the past twenty years, must be demolished.

The building which housed the high school from 1899 to 1918, has been unused and gradually has yielded to the ravages of time and much of the material, seats, sliding partitions and other equipment has been used in other of the schools over the city.

There has been little left of the building save the brick walls and the general condition of the structure has become such that its removal has been ordered.

The board of education has been notified that the building must be torn down within 40 days and the fire hazard eliminated. It is expected by the board that the removal of the building will be made a NYA project and afford employment for a number of boys of the community.

HEAR "GRASSHOPPER CASE"

The county court was busy Monday with hearing the case of Harry Kaslen vs. First Trust Co. and Herman Agen. The case is one in which the plaintiff sought damages in the sum of \$500. The plaintiff, leasing land of the defendant trust company had harvested a grain crop, stubble being left in the field, and also part of his land in corn. The trust company had leased the land to other parties and they had gone in and proceeded to burn off the stubble. The plaintiff claimed that by reason of the fire he had been damaged in the amount of \$350 for loss of straw and that the fire had caused the grasshoppers to move from the stubble into the green corn and damage the crop to the amount of \$250.

After hearing the case in which some fifteen witnesses had been called, the jury returned a verdict finding for the defendant company.

ENGAGED WITH BANK

From Wednesday's Daily—Thornton Baker of Sharpsburg, Iowa, today was enrolled as a member of the staff at the Plattsmouth State bank, coming here from his home town, where he has been engaged in bank work. He comes to this city very highly recommended and will make a fine addition to the efficient force of the bank.

Mr. Baker has had banking experience in Nebraska as he was employed at the Bank of Brainard, and is very much pleased to be back in Nebraska again. Mr. Baker is single and will make his home at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gapen.

PROGRAM AND PLATE SUPPER

Thursday, Nov. 17, 8 p. m. at the Pleasant Ridge or "Becker" school, Dist. 41. Everyone welcome. Doris E. Wall, teacher. n10w-n15d

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To be given at Taylor school, Dist. 37, Nov. 22, 8 p. m. Everyone invited. Martha Kaffenberger, teacher. d&w

SUPPER AND BAZAAR

The Mynard U. B. aid society will give a supper and bazaar, Thursday, December 1st. 1t-d&w

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Rev. G. A. Pahl Receives a Call to Iowa Church

Pastor of the St. Paul's Church of This City Called by Church at Hartley, Iowa.

Rev. G. A. Pahl, pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church of this city announced to members of the church congregation Sunday his resignation and the fact that he had received a call to the pastorate of the Evangelical church at Hartley, Iowa.

The new charge to which Rev. Pahl has received a call is one of the best in the northwest section of Iowa, a large new church and fine congregation and a very attractive parsonage in connection.

The call is a recognition of the standing of the Plattsmouth pastor in the church and a tribute to his excellent work as a preacher and church executive.

In his service here Rev. Pahl has advanced the church in spiritual inspiration as well as in membership and his leaving will bring much regret to the membership of the church as well as the general public in losing this splendid family. Both Rev. and Mrs. Pahl have been active in the community life and made a wide circle of friends by their pleasant and genial personalities and willingness to aid in every way the advancement of the things best for the community.

Rev. Pahl after the call from the Iowa church also received an invitation from one of the Chicago churches to visit there with the prospect of the pastorate, but has elected to accept the Iowa call.

DIES AT HOSPITAL

From Wednesday's Daily—Mrs. Sarah T. Everett, an old time resident of this city, died this morning at Norfolk, Nebraska, where she has been a patient in a hospital for the past three years.

Mrs. Everett was born in Lancaster, Missouri, December 8, 1853, and lived there and at Afton, Iowa, for a number of years. With her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Grimes, she moved to Plattsmouth in 1881 and made her home here until some thirty-eight years ago. She was first married to Edwin A. Smith, and in later years to Claudius Everett, both preceding her in death.

There is surviving one son, Frank H. Smith of this city, two brothers, Edwin F. Grimes of Omaha and Charles D. Grimes of Fort Worth, Texas.

The body will be brought here by the Sattler funeral home to await the funeral arrangements.

HAVE EXCELLENT SHOW

Monday the John Deere company staged an entertainment and demonstration at the store room and yards of Glen Vallery, local agent, located on South Sixth street. There was a very large number at the picture show which showed the making and operation of the John Deere farming machinery and was most interesting to the large group that attended.

Mr. Vallery had arranged for refreshments for his friends and which was served at the noon hour and some 250 were fed at the building.

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