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Two More to His Credit

Officer Marts has succeeded in landing two more dangerous characters. On last Thursday afternoon two men appeared at the second hand store of Wm. Sears and tried to dispose of some shoes. He became suspicious and immediately notified Mr. Marts, who started after the men, taking with him the deputy sheriff, Jim McFarland. They succeeded in overtaking one of the fellows only a few blocks south, while the other was found in the yards at the M. P. depot. A search was made and seven pairs of shoes were found in a box car nearby, while on their persons were found 9 knives, 1 razor, and 1 revolver together with a bunch of skeleton keys.

The men gave their names as Ed Johnson and Zanoia Glen, aged 35 and 18 years. After undergoing the sweating process for a time young Glen told the whole story, telling that the goods were secured in the Ocamp dry goods store and the Winterbottom hardware store at Rulo, to which they had gained entrance by use of the skeleton keys. He also confessed that they were the parties who burglarized the store in Humboldt a couple of weeks ago, and that they belong to a gang of thieves who work between Wymore and St. Joe.

Both men waived examination and were placed in jail to await trial at the next session of the district court. Much credit is due Officer Marts in landing these two fellows, and he only hopes to be able to get others of the gang. It is a sure thing that he will get them if anybody can, for he was never known to shirk his duty, no matter how hazardous. It is the public safety he thinks of and goes where duty calls him.

Anti-Saloon Caucus.

The anti-saloon element of this city met at the court house Tuesday evening for the purpose of placing in nomination a complete city ticket.

Dr. Miner called the meeting to order. Prof. Oliver was made chairman, who upon taking the chair made a few appropriate remarks along the line of temperance. The platform setting forth the stand taken against the open saloon was read and adopted.

W. W. Abbey was chosen for mayor by the unanimous voice of the convention, and following is the balance of the ticket as nominated:

Treasurer—Guy Greenwald.
Clerk—Will Schmelzel.
Councilmen—George Reichers, John Benschoter, Jas. Nauslar.
School Board—John Lichty and Fred Brecht.
Police Judge—J. D. Spragins.
City Engineer—John Crook.

Farm Buildings Burned.

Stella, Neb., March 13.—The worst country fire that has been experienced in this vicinity occurred yesterday at the farm home of Mrs. Martha Weaver. The farm is exceptionally well improved and the value of the property destroyed is estimated at \$5,000, and was protected by a small amount of insurance. The fire started in the barn, which with hog-houses, milk-house, windmill and cribs, was entirely destroyed.

Over 5,000 bushels of corn were in the cribs, and while all of this grain did not burn, it is likely that every bushel is now unfit for market. Three small calves were burned to death in the barn.

The son-in-law of Mrs. Weaver, John Weddle, lives on the farm, and he and his wife were at the time in town.

House Raiders Again Busy.

Steve Miles and wife, who have been in Los Angeles for some time, returned home Saturday night. On Sunday afternoon they noticed that a great many things had been tampered with. This led to further investigation and it was soon found that most of Steve's clothing was gone, together with his shot gun and some table linen.

At the barn where Steve had a good supply of hay and grain when he left, there was nothing, the thieves having emptied all the grain sacks and hauled the contents away, likewise all the baled hay.

Fortunately, before leaving home Mr. Miles had placed all their silverware and other valuables in the bank, or undoubtedly it would have gone with the balance.

There is a slight clew, which Officer Marts is following up, and hopes to be able to land the man, and if successful it is thought it will be the means of unearthing a gang who have been doing so much petty thieving in these parts of late.

New Party Launched.

Friday, the 13th, had no terrors for about twenty-five or thirty of our young men when they met last Friday evening and launched a new political party, calling themselves the "Young Men's Progressive Party of Falls City, Nebraska."

After the platform was read, which in part set forth as its principles their earnest wish to bury the hatchet and to blot out all factionalism, and also to put forth their best efforts for a better city, the following ticket was nominated:

Mayor—G. L. Windle.
Treasurer—Guy P. Greenwald.
Clerk—W. H. Schmelzel.
Councilmen—Albert Maust, John Benschoter, Sidney P. Spence.
Police Judge—J. D. Spragins.
City Engineer—John A. Crook.
School Board—Fred Brecht, H. R. Miner.

Falls City Wins.

Last Friday evening at the court house the State League debate took place between Falls City and Auburn high schools. Both schools had looked forward to this as the event of the season in debating and consequently had made thorough preparation on the question. When Mr. Edwin Falloon, the presiding officer, called the meeting to order, he faced a room crowded with enthusiastic supporters of the two debating squads. Fifty students from Auburn alone, cheered their representatives.

The question for debate was, "Resolved, that the Federal government should own and operate the railway systems of the country." Jean Cain, Alice Yoder and Blaine Yoder argued for the affirmative and Mr. Armstrong, Miss Hanna and Mr. Tyler for the negative. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative.

The participants on both sides should be commended for their excellent work. The argument presented by the students from the local high school was especially clear and the delivery was so forceful that when Blaine Yoder had finished, the supporters of Falls City felt confident that their team had won, even before the judges had rendered their decision.

W. S. Korner left Wednesday morning for Kingman, Kansas, where he goes to look after his landed interests.

Our City Dads.

The adjourned meeting of the city council which met on Monday evening was a busy one.

The contract of the city with Joseph A. Bortenlanger of Omaha, Nebr., for the furnishing of the boilers and electrical machinery was signed and Bortenlanger's bond to the city for \$6,000 was approved. Nearly an hour was spent by the council in discussing the terms of the contract. After going over all of the details carefully it was signed.

The city clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of sidewalks along the Clark property in Crook and Towle's addition, and along the south and west sides of the Southard property near the Harlan school building.

Prof. T. J. Oliver appeared before the council and in quite an extended address, asked the council to submit to the voters in the coming election the liquor question by permitting them to vote "For Saloon License," or "Against Saloon License." As a ticket was already in the field, the council decided that the request came at too late an hour and voted the motion down.

Several other propositions came before the council for their consideration but no action was taken.

The Mayor offered the following recommendations:

Falls City, Neb., March 16, 1908
To the Honorable City Council,
Falls City, Neb.,

Gentlemen:
I would recommend that the following places be designated as voting places for the coming municipal election to be held Tuesday, April 7th, 1908.

First Ward—Hose Room in rear of Library Building.
Second Ward—County Clerk's office in Court House.

Third Ward—Sample Room in rear of National Hotel.

I would further recommend that the following named gentlemen be appointed Judges and Clerks of said election, and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to issue to each the proper notice, and make all other necessary arrangements for holding said municipal election.

First Ward: A. W. Southard, John Cox, Robert Neizel—Judges.

First Ward: Geo. Reichers, Geo. Holt—Clerks.

Second Ward: Sam Mower, L. L. Aldrich, Lewis Hill—Judges.

Second Ward: H. P. Custer, Fred Sebald—Clerks.

Third Ward: Con Horn, James Nausler, George McFarland—Judges.

Third Ward: Howard Linsacum, Frank Smith—Clerks.

Respectfully submitted,
G. M. BARRETT, Mayor.

Motion made by Windle and seconded by Hahn, that the Mayor's recommendation relative to the municipal election to be held April 7th, 1908, be approved.

The roll call was as follows: W. S. Fast, J. C. Maust, M. Gehling, I. B. Whitaker, H. Hahn, G. L. Windle.

Successful Operation.

Mrs. Louis Plege underwent an operation at the hands of Drs. Houston, Boose and Reneker on Wednesday, for a trouble of long standing, and at present is getting along nicely with all symptoms pointing to a complete recovery.

A Card of Thanks.

We desire to publicly express our appreciation and gratitude to the people of Falls City for their helpful attitude and fraternal spirit toward us during our recent bereavement.

MRS. T. C. MACMILLAN and family.

In Memorium.

At the close of the church services on last Sabbath morning, at the Presbyterian church, the pastor very feelingly and tenderly spoke of the departure of the late Dr. McMillan. He spoke of his unswerving fidelity to the church, of his untiring faithfulness, his indefatigable energy in behalf of all that pertained to the church's best interests. In order that the individual members, as well as the church and congregation as a body might give expression to the feeling that they had lost a dear friend and one of their most loyal workers, there was a motion to the effect that we extend the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathies in this their affliction, and as a fitting mark of respect for the deceased, it was ordered that our church should bear the emblems of mourning for a period of thirty days. It was the expression of the whole congregation that these tokens of our regard should be printed in the city papers and that a copy of each should be presented to the family.

Resolutions.

At a regular meeting of Falls City lodge No. 18, K. of P., held on the 18th day of March, 1908, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, our Brother Thomas Charles McMillan has been called from this lodge to the Grand Lodge above, having departed this life on the 9th day of March, and

Resolved, that in the death of our brother this lodge laments the loss of a brother who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid and the voice of sympathy to the needy and distressed of the fraternity; an active member of this society whose utmost endeavors were exerted for its welfare and prosperity, a friend and companion who was dear to us all, a citizen whose upright and noble life was a standard of emulation to his fellows.

Resolved, that the heartfelt sympathy of this be extended to his family in their affliction.

Resolved, that these resolutions be spread upon the records of the lodge, and an engrossed copy thereof be transmitted to the family of our deceased brother, and the charter of the lodge be draped for a period of thirty days.

J. C. YUTZY,
A. GRAHAM,
D. MCCARTHY. } Com.

The Last Call.

Only one week more remains in which our delinquents can square their subscription accounts with the Tribune. All are familiar with the new ruling of the postal law, that all who are in arrears more than one year must be taken off the list or a 1-cent stamp placed on papers otherwise sent out. This latter the Tribune nor any other country newspaper cannot afford to do. Now it is up to you. We do not want to lose a single subscriber, neither do we want a dissatisfied one, so if you want the paper pay up.

We believe all understand the position in which the newspaper man is placed by this law, and will take this final notice in the spirit in which it is given, that of the very best feeling, and that all will come to the front and pay up.

Marriage License

C. C. Fergus, Humboldt. . . . 27
Maggie Fergus, Falls City. . . . 23

Married

THOMPSON—MACOMBER

Mr. Joseph Thompson and Miss Mabel A. Macomber were married at the residence of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thompson, five miles southwest of Falls City, Wednesday evening, March 18th, at 8 o'clock p. m., Rev. Elza Martin, grandfather of the bride, officiating.

The bride was attired in a beautiful white silk, while the groom wore the usual black. The ceremony was witnessed by a large assemblage of relatives and friends, who join in wishing them a long life of happiness and prosperity, after which they partook of an elegant dinner, for which Mrs. Thompson and her daughters are famous.

The presents are many and beautiful and this was an occasion long to be remembered by all who were present.

The groom is a prosperous young farmer who has grown to manhood in this county. The bride has resided in this city for years and is a successful teacher in the county. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Macomber, moved to Oklahoma some months ago.

The young people will be at home to their numerous friends in Salem precinct after April 1st, where they locate on a farm.

FERGUS—FERGUS

A very pretty home wedding was celebrated Wednesday, March 18, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Fergus, west of the city, when Miss Maggie May Fergus became Mrs. Clarence C. Fergus Rev. C. A. Mastin, celebrating the nuptials.

At high noon the contracting parties presented themselves under a bower of evergreen and took the vows which made them man and wife.

Miss Una Snidow sang a beautiful solo, in her wonted good voice, and in low tones played a wedding march during the ceremony.

After the marriage a collation of rare excellence was served.

The bridal offerings were pretty, costly and well suited to the occasion.

Those present from abroad were Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fergus and Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Fergus of Humboldt, Mrs. C. I. Johnston of Beaver City, Mrs. F. H. Londers and children of Gronde, New Mexico. From the city, Miss Annie Lowler, Mrs. Henry Rieger, Miss Una Snidow, Mr. Ernest Gagnon, Miss Bessie Arnold.

Mr. Fergus is a well to do and prosperous farmer, living north of Humboldt, and Miss Maggie May Fergus grew up to womanhood here, graduated from our schools and was one of the leading young ladies of our city.

Many friends unite in wishing them a long and useful life.

Mrs. Beauchamp and daughter, came up from Hiawatha Friday afternoon, and were the guests at the homes of Al Doerner and Sidney Spence and family over Saturday and Sunday.

Orrie Ross, manager of the Nelson Herald, is in the city, having been called here by the serious illness of his father, John Ross who is reported some better at this time.

Mrs. Amos Stetler of Pawnee City, is in the city the guests of relatives.

R. P. Thomas and David Stumbo made a business trip to Dunbar the latter part of last week.

Family Reunion.

The home of W. S. Korner was the scene of a happy gathering on Tuesday evening, when the Schock brothers and sisters gathered together in a family reunion. The family consists of G. W. and W. A. Schock, Mrs. A. R. Stetler of Pawnee, Mrs. S. E. Stewart of Vermillion, Kas., and Mrs. Geo. Holland and Mrs. W. S. Korner of this city, and it is the first time they have all been together in six years. The youngest of them is 48 years old while the oldest is 68.

After a pleasant visit an elegant supper, such as the Schocks are noted for, was served, after which the evening was spent in recalling the pranks indulged in in their childhood home.

It was an occasion long to be remembered, and all present sincerely hope these meetings will be more frequent in the future.

An Important Decision.

The case of Schaible against Rieger was decided by the supreme court of this state last week in favor of the plaintiff. The case involved about \$17,000, and turned on the question of the validity of an anti-nuptial contract. The rule of the supreme court had been that such contracts would not dispose of the widow's dower, but that she was entitled to her dower interest in the lands of her husband notwithstanding she should contract before marriage that she would claim no interest in his estate should she survive him.

Judge Reavis wrote the brief and argued the case in the supreme court and succeeded in convincing the court that its former rulings were wrong. There are many such contracts existing in this county and this decision gives full force to their provisions.

Ed May was down from Salem on Tuesday.

Mrs. Annie C. Johnson was quite sick a few days last week.

A baby girl was born to Frank Davis and wife, who live near this city.

G. G. Stumbo made a business trip to Craig, Mo., the latter part of last week.

Frank Wilson, who lives west of town, has been quite ill the past few days.

Nut Lovet 15c. a pound, and Peanut Bar 10c. a pound at the Candy Kitchen, Saturday, March 21. Don't miss it!

Fred and Ed Lawrence of Fairbury are in the city having been called here by the serious illness of their mother, Mrs. L. D. Lawrence.

Mrs. L. D. Lawrence is very ill at her home on North Harlan street, but at this writing (Thursday evening) she is reported a little better.

Mrs. Woods of Table Rock is the guest of Miss Nellie Schock this week. Mrs. Woods was formerly Miss Nellie Don Carlos, a very successful music teacher in this city.

Rev. Elza Martin of Peru, is visiting relatives in this city. He came down to officiate at the marriage of his grand daughter, Mable Macomber, to Joseph Thompson on Wednesday.

Mrs. James Powell returned Wednesday from a week's visit with relatives in Seneca, Kans. She was accompanied home by her little niece, Evelyn Morton, who will spend some time with her.