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SOCIETY NOTES

AS 'TWAS TOLD TO OUR SOCIETY EDITOR

Various Kinds of Entertainment by Individuals, Lodges, Clubs, Churches, Etc

Cards are out for the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of J. R. Cain and wife for next Tuesday evening.

A fishing party composed of Fred Graham, Lloyd Shaffer, Edgar Shock, Harry Cain, Frank Weller, Grace, Gertrude and Constance Lyford, Ruth Heacock, Ruth McMillan and Hazel Clark left Tuesday for an outing over at Big Lake. Mrs. V. G. Lyford chaperoned the young people. They will remain until Friday.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Thomas church met Monday evening with Miss Mamie Hutchings. Mrs. Neide was the leader for the evening and presented the subject "Alaska" in a very interesting manner. After the lesson the hostess served nice refreshments and the evening was greatly enjoyed by the goodly number present.

Mesdames Lyford, Hargrave and Varner arranged for a neighborhood picnic on Friday afternoon which resulted in a pleasant outing for a number of little ones. They spent the afternoon in the Maddox grove north of town, where they played and feasted to their heart's content, returning home in the evening tired but happy.

Mrs. Ross Will entertained the married ladies' kensington Wednesday afternoon. Those present were Mesdames Chas. Will, Wm. Bahr, Elmer Coon, Harry Will, Chris Wamsley, Will Wamsley and Misses Maggie Bahr and Carrie Wamsley. All report a pleasant time. Dainty refreshments were served. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Bahr.

"Greek Heroes" was the subject of discussion by the Book Worms at their meeting Friday morning with Misses Josie Birdsley and Edna Schaible as leaders. Refreshments of ices and "apples of discord" were served and the session proved most enjoyable. The club met again Thursday morning, when Misses Irene Waechtel and Bessie Curran led in the study of "Modern Greece." After a very interesting lesson refreshments of milk and honey, the national food of that country, were served. This will probably be the last meeting of the club during the remainder of vacation.

Old Resident Passes Away

Mrs. Gould, living in the southeast part of the city, died last Thursday from an accident, occasioned by the lifting of a tub of water. Deceased had long been a resident of the city. She was prominent in the work of the Pentecostal church. The funeral services were held from the First Methodist church, Rev. Mr. Eichelberger, her pastor, had charge of the services, and was assisted by the Rev. C. A. Mastin. A large number of sympathizing friends attended the obsequies. Interment was made at Steele's cemetery. Deceased has a brother and son in the city.

High School Band Engaged

The necessary arrangements could not be made with the Falls City Military band to furnish music during the chautauqua, but the management informs us that the High School Band has been engaged for the entire season, playing every day. This insures us plenty of music, which is essential to the success of a gathering of this kind.

GOT THEIR MAN

Joe Roubidoux Arrested for Horse Stealing

On last Thursday a horse was stolen from Edmore Roubidoux who lives near Preston, but he being away from home at the time, the theft was not made known until his return on Tuesday, when Sheriff Fenton was notified of the fact, and he with Deputy McFarland left at once for that place.

They had no difficulty in locating their man who proved to be Joe Roubidoux a nephew of the man who lost the horse. He was arrested in Rulo, where he had disposed of the animal to Judd Carpenter and was having a good time on the money.

The man was brought to this city and taken before Judge Fallstead, but he waived a preliminary examination and was bound over to district court. He is now in jail awaiting his trial.

We understand this is not his first offense, and is considered a desperate character, and this being true, no doubt after the court gets through with him he will be placed where he will cause no more trouble for a time.

INSTALL FIRE ESCAPE

Ample Fire Protection Provided in Our Schools

For the past two or three months our school board has been negotiating with different concerns with the view of placing fire escapes in our school buildings. Last week the work of placing one in the Central school building was completed and the work is being pushed on the one on the high school.

This is a move in the right direction and now many an anxious mother's heart will beat easier when the fire alarm is sounded and she feels that should the school house be on fire her children have a good chance of escape.

Phones Burned Out

Those of you who said all kinds of mean things to Central the latter part of the week now owe them an apology, as it wasn't their fault, but the trouble was all due to the fact that about 150 phones were put out of business by the fire which occurred last Wednesday afternoon, the cables being burned, thus cutting off communication in the north part of town.

A force of workmen were kept busy night and day but the trouble was not remedied until Saturday. Of course it was a great inconvenience but they all appreciate the phones more when again in working order.

Married Seventy-five Years

A celebration of unusual occurrence took place near Rulo Sunday, August 2, when Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones celebrated their seventy-fifth wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones have lived at Rulo for years and are known to all the old residents of this vicinity. Mrs. Jones will be 99 years old in January and her husband was 98 this month and bid fair to see many more anniversaries, which is the wish of their many friends.

Train Service for Chautauqua

No. 43, leaving Falls City at 10:15 p.m., will stop at Salem and Dawson during Chautauqua. No. 42, leaving Falls City at 7:10 p.m., will stop at Rulo.

With this arrangement people from the west end can attend the Chautauqua all day, arriving here in the morning, about noon or in the evening and return to their homes in good season.

Those from Rulo will be able to attend the afternoon session and return home in the evening.

CAMPAIGN OPENS

AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING AT THE COURT HOUSE

Interesting Talks Made by Hon. W. S. Norris and the Hon. J. A. Williams

Last Thursday evening marked the formal opening of the republican campaign in this city. A few selections by the band advised the people of the time for the meeting and a fair sized and enthusiastic crowd gathered at the court house. Hon. W. S. Norris of Wayne and Hon. J. A. Williams, state railway commissioner, were the speakers of the evening, and each presented his subject in a pleasing manner. Judge Williams was the first speaker, giving his hearers a most instructive account of the object of the railway commission, and a brief review of the work it has accomplished in the sixteen months which have passed since its organization. During that time aside from the thousands of minor matters which have been adjusted by correspondence, nearly four thousand complaints, coming from about half the towns in the state, have been filed. He showed where the amount saved to Falls City people alone on passenger rates is about \$10,000 and the railroads doing more business than ever. It is to be regretted that more did not hear

LAUNDRY BURNS

FIRE DESTROYS ONE OF OUR BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

G. L. Windle Sustains a Heavy Loss

Expects to Rebuild as Soon as possible

Thursday night about midnight the fire alarm was sounded and our people awakened to find that the city laundry was on fire. The fire department responded quickly but when they arrived on the scene it was to find that the flames had gained such headway that any material aid was impossible. The spectators who gathered fought heroically, but to no avail, and in a short time the institution which had been a source of pride to our people, was a smouldering ruin.

This is indeed a sad loss to Mr. Windle, who has worked hard to bring the laundry to its high standard. He had just completed an addition to the building besides installing a great deal of new machinery all at a great expense, but it was all destroyed, with the exception of the new mangle which they succeeded in saving with but little damage.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. Mr. Windle had been in the building about 9 o'clock at which time everything was in good order. Parties passing at 11 o'clock saw no signs of

DROWNED IN SHALLOW POOL

Body of Young Farmer Found at Bottom of Pond

Following is an account, taken from Tuesday's State Journal, of a peculiar death at Humboldt, Neb.

The body of Mert Strawn, a young farmer of this section, was found at an early hour this morning at the bottom of the waters of a pond on the farm of Neal Matten, a few miles southeast of the city. Deceased was about twenty-five years of age, and a son of Charles Strawn, an old soldier and pioneer settler of the county, living at home with his parents. Sunday morning he started fishing in a bayou or inland pond with one or two companions, but the heat proved too strong for the others who left him shortly before noon. When evening came young Strawn failed to show up at home and after inquiry a searching party was formed among the neighbors to look for him, but it grew dark before any trace could be found, and although the neighbors kept up their lookout until morning it was not until seven o'clock that the body was located as stated. The young man was subject to fainting spells and it is supposed one of these came upon him while he was at the river bank and he fell into the water and was drowned before he recovered himself. The water was not deep enough to drown him otherwise according to the idea of the neighbors. Deceased was a native of this county and one of a pair of twins. He leaves his parents and several brothers, one of whom still resides at home. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at the home.

Severely Injured

While riding a bicycle Saturday Mr. Cooper, a young man employed on the Gilligan bridge gang was badly injured. He was attempting to turn and go west at the corner of Lyford's store when he lost control of the wheel and ran into the railing at the bowling alley. He was thrown on to the rail, which is covered with sharp spikes and several deep gashes were cut on his left shoulder and arm. One gash was about four inches long and two others about six inches and the flesh was otherwise badly lacerated.

The building was the property of Mr. Windle's mother who now lives in Wankomis, Okla., which is a total loss, there being no insurance. The contents were insured for only \$800. Mr. Windle made arrangements at once to care for his trade by shipping the laundry to St. Joe. He expects to begin as soon as possible to rebuild, and the new plant will be much larger and more complete than the one destroyed.

Mr. Windle has the sympathy of everyone in his hard luck, but he is made of the right kind of stuff and will not be discouraged, but will go to work with renewed zeal and will soon have another plant superior to anything of the kind in this section of the country. He can count on the hearty co-operation of all his old patrons.

A Good Yield

Early in the season the prospects for grain in this locality were not very bright, but it now develops that the yield is proving much better than expected. Among the good stands of wheat threshed recently is that of G. W. Bartlett. He had two pieces of wheat, one of which yielded thirty-six bushels per acre, while the other averaged thirty-three, all of which goes to show that failures are unknown in old Richardson.

SPECIAL TO AUBURN

Special trains will be operated on Sunday, August 9 and 16 from Falls City to Auburn and return, and on week days during the period of the chautauqua. No. 185 will leave Falls City at 6:50 a.m., arriving in Auburn at 7:45. Returning No. 188 will leave Auburn at 7:20 p.m. and arrive here at 8:15.

A BUSY SESSION

COUNCIL TRANSACTED MUCH BUSINESS MONDAY NIGHT

American Light and Water Co. of Kansas City Was Awarded the Contract

Upon request of the various bidders a special meeting of the council was called for 5 o'clock Monday afternoon, when the bids called for were opened and read at length, after which an adjournment was taken until the regular evening session.

At this time all bidders were called to explain their bids in detail. When this was completed some dissatisfaction was expressed as to the wells, and by a unanimous agreement of all concerned the council then gave permission for bidders to file supplementary bids on well and pump. When the returns were brought in it was found that the American Light and Water Co. of Kansas City were the successful bidders. Their bid calls for a Triplex motor pump.

The contract price for the tank and tower, water pipe lines, pumping station and pump is \$17,440.

The proposition of J. H. Miles of \$250 for a tract of land fifty feet square as the site for the watertower was taken under consideration.

The contract for furnishing coal to city was awarded to Heacock & Son at \$2.49 per ton delivered at plant. Contract calls for Novenger Mine Run Coal.

Maust Bros. secured contract for hauling what coal is needed at the present plant at forty cents per ton. Council then took a recess until Tuesday evening.

At the appointed time the faithful ones were in their places, and again took up the questions of the previous evening.

Mr. Bortenlanger, the unsuccessful bidder, under the decision reached the night before, appeared before the meeting with his lawyer, claiming that the awarding of the contract was illegal. After consideration, the council rescinded their previous action, and awarded the contract for pipeline, tank and tower to the American Light and Water Co. of Kansas City, for \$16,845 and decided to readvertise for bids for pump, pump house and wells. The conditions as they exist under the present contract will place our water system in the best possible condition, by taking up all dead ends and giving a free circulation of water.

The contract for electrical supplies in connection with the new plant was awarded to the Western Electrical Co. of Omaha at \$1,500.

Max Hartman was given the contract for repairing park house at \$295.

The feeling of the council is that they have accomplished a great amount of work under the circumstances.

Mission Festival

The annual mission festival of St. Paul Lutheran congregation, 6 miles north of town, will be celebrated next Sunday, Aug. 9. Rev. A. Firnhaber of Sterling, Neb., will preach in the morning and Rev. H. Hfug of Thayer, Neb., in the afternoon at 2:30. You are cordially invited to attend. REV. O. H. ENGELBRECHT

A Business Change

A deal was made Monday of this week whereby the Kanaly cigar stand passed into the hands of Jim Powell, who is now sole proprietor. Jim has many friends among the boys and no doubt his "Smoke House" will prove a popular resort.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

Falls City Chautauqua Assembly

FRIDAY, AUG. 7th

2:30 Prelude.....Royal Hungarian Orchestra
3:00 Lecture.....Senator J. P. Dolliver
8:30 Grand Concert.....Royal Hungarian Orchestra

this talk, and if possible, arrangements will be made for Mr. Williams to make addresses in many counties in the state.

Judge Norris who has spent the past nine years in the Philippines, interested his audience with an account of the conditions in that country. Mr. Norris is a fine speaker and an effort will be made to have him deliver an address before our chautauqua assembly. If such is possible he will be a drawing card.

The meeting was not as well attended as it was hoped, but this fact was due to the extreme warm weather and the early date of opening the campaign.

Engine Broke Down

On Friday the engine of Peck & Harris, which furnishes the power for the many fans about town broke down and for a few days our people were forced to do without these comforts. The repairs were made as quickly as possible and when again in running order the people realized more than ever the good of these conveniences.

Drowning at DuBois

A young man by the name of Boyd was drowned near DuBois on Friday last. He was about 17 years of age and in company with a few companions was wading in the creek when he got beyond his depth, and being unable to swim, went under before help could reach him. The young man was a distant relative of Mrs. E. G. Whitford of this city.

fire and a few moments after when the alarm was given, the building was a mass of flames. These are all the facts known.

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