

SOCIAL CENTERS IN THE SCHOOLS

Recreation Board to Request School Board for Use of Five Buildings for That Purpose.

OPEN THREE EVENINGS A WEEK

The Recreation board will go before the Board of Education with a request for the use of five to eight school buildings for social center purposes during a period of five months, beginning next month.

If the school officials grant the request it is the purpose of the Recreation board to suggest that the janitor service, heat and light be furnished by the school board and the Recreation board assume responsibility for care of the school property and furnish supervision and direction for the various social center activities. The plan is similar to that adopted in other cities.

It is proposed to organize dramatic clubs, choral societies, neighborhood orchestras and other groups as neighborhood conditions may suggest. The plan contemplates keeping these centers open three evenings a week. In a measure these indoor social centers will replace the recreation centers which have been maintained in the parks the last few months.

The new school buildings have assembly rooms and social center organizations have been meeting in several schools for a year and more. The idea in Omaha started at the Monmouth Park school.

Various Affairs in Social World During Last Week

The wedding of Miss Christine Josephine Swanson and Mr. Wilhelm Otto Liljenstolpe was celebrated Wednesday evening, September 8, at the home of the bride, at Forty-first and Isard streets. Rev. Mr. Larmer of the Lafayette Lutheran church and Rev. Mr. Lindberg of the Emmanuel hospital performed the ceremony in the presence of relatives and a few close friends. The young couple left the same evening for the west. They will be at home after October 25 in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hall of Nebraska City celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary Monday evening at the home of their daughter, Mrs. John B. Summers, and Mr. Summers. Mrs. W. W. Hills and Mrs. T. H. Wilson were the Omaha guests.

Mrs. T. B. Norris announces the engagement of her daughter, Edith Gordon, to Mr. George W. Pratt. The wedding will be celebrated in October.

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Negro Under Bed Causes a Racket

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Mr. and Mrs. Connelly, with their daughter, Margaret, had their bedrooms on the second floor of the house and on the first floor a bedroom is occupied by Harry McQuade, a boarder. About 5 o'clock in the morning, a commotion, awakened by some noise, called her mother and together they started a still hunt for the cause of the racket. They did not call Mr. Connelly, but in the hunt they chanced to look under his bed and there they beheld a huge and very black negro.

They immediately lifted their voices in piercing shrieks and Mr. Connelly was awakened. Thereupon he leaped lightly from his downy couch and into a far corner of the room just as the unwelcome visitor emerged from his hiding place.

The negro brandished a revolver and Connelly made a grab for the nearest thing he could throw. It happened to be a large bottle of vasoline. With all his strength he let it fly, and it struck the negro squarely on the head, bursting and allowing the contents to smear generously about. The aerial bomb had no other effect, however, than to encourage the man to run. Then Connelly called McQuade, who jumped from his bed, grabbed his revolver and as the negro dashed down the steps aimed deliberately at him and pulled the trigger. Again and again the hammer snapped, but the pesky revolver refused to shoot, and the prowler escaped into the cold gray morning.

Congressman Reilly Breaks Speed Laws

Congressman Thomas L. Reilly of Massachusetts, who was here as one of the speakers at the convention of the letter carriers, violated the city speed ordinance of both Omaha and Council Bluffs before he departed. However, there were no arrests.

While here Congressman Reilly made a hit with the carriers and all who met him. Friday afternoon, with railway and sleeper tickets in his pocket, he went to the Union station to board a Great Western train for Chicago. One of the convention bands went along, and inside the station a selection was played for the departing congressman. When the music ceased he was forced to respond to the calls for a speech, and while he was talking the train pulled out for the east. The discovery was not made until about the time the train reached the bridge. Then the congressman beat it for the viaduct, where he caught a jit bus and at a speed approaching forty miles he was whirled away to Council Bluffs, where he caught his train.

Farm Society is Singing County

The Douglas County Agricultural Society has brought suit for \$2,400 against Douglas county, in district court.

The county board, in accordance with advice that a new statute providing for a contribution of 5 cents for each inhabitant of the county, estimated according to the last vote cast for congressman, was unconstitutional, declined to pay the entire amount asked for the society.

The society asked a payment of \$2,400, but received only \$2,650.00, the board following an order stating directing a contribution of 5 cents for each inhabitant.

The new law is said to be unconstitutional on the ground that it is an amendment of a measure previously declared invalid.

YOUNGSTERS' CHEERING MAKES HIT WITH SUNDAY

The enthusiastic young man who was cheer leader at the Sunday tabernacle Friday evening for the Central High school is Robert Patten, son of Alvin Patten of the city clerk's office.

HUGE WAR HORSE ORDER COMES HERE

Ben Franklin Returns to Omaha with Instructions to Secure \$300,000 Worth.

FOR ONE OF WARRING NATIONS

Three hundred thousand dollars' worth of horseflesh is the order brought back from Denver by Ben Franklin, Omaha and St. Louis horse-rider who lives at the Millard.

Franklin went to Denver last week to check for the business and he came back Friday night, wreathed in smiles. The order is perhaps the largest ever undertaken by a single horsebuyer in the country since the war.

The animals are to be sent to one of the warring nations—which one Mr. Franklin was not at liberty to say. About 200 animals will be required, however, and Mr. Franklin expects to pay a figure in excess of the market in order to have them ready for immediate delivery. He will assemble his horses at Omaha and ship them from here.

The military agent with whom Franklin dealt is making extensive purchases of horses in the southwest also, but he left the bulk of his business with Franklin.

Mrs. William Thaw is Visiting Here; to Remain Sunday

Mrs. Mary Copley Thaw, mother of Harry K. Thaw, who passed through Omaha a short time ago on an auto trip to the Pacific coast, has arrived in Omaha with Mrs. Edward Storer and Miss Lydia A. Cocks, having come direct from Pittsburgh. Dr. A. B. Marshall, president of the Presbyterian Theological seminary, to which Mrs. Thaw has subscribed very freely, met her at the Fontenelle, where she is staying, and took her with her party to the seminary. She met the faculty and board of directors and their wives at the home of Rev. Marshall yesterday afternoon, and will probably stay in Omaha over Sunday.

Mrs. Thaw refused to say anything to the newspaper men who tried to see her at the Fontenelle, merely remarking to them as she entered her auto that she never talked to reporters.

Mrs. Thaw is probably going to the coast to join her son.

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FORMER OMAHA WOMAN DIES ON ANNIVERSARY

Word has been received in Omaha of the death at Fontanelle, Ia., of Mrs. Van Antwerp, wife of Rev. W. H. Van Antwerp, rector of Trinity cathedral parish, Omaha, from 1904 to 1908. Mrs. Van Antwerp died on September 11, which was the fifty-third anniversary of their marriage and also Mr. Van Antwerp's eighty-third birthday.

U. P. TO RUN SPECIAL FROM CENTRAL CITY TO THE "TAB"

Union Pacific officials have completed details for the running of the "Billy" Sunday train Sunday, September 13, from Central City and intermediate points by way of Stromsburg, Valparaiso and Valley. The train will leave Central City at 6:30 in the morning, reaching Omaha at 12:30. Returning it will leave Omaha at 10:00 o'clock at night.

CALVERT RECOVERS FROM INJURIES AT DOUGLAS, WYO.

The Burlington offices have received word that Chief Engineer Calvert, who was thrown from a handcar in the yards at Douglas, Wyo., and sustained a broken rib, is getting along nicely in the hospital. Mrs. Calvert has gone to the bedside of her husband.

SAN ANTONIO WANTS TO HEAR "BILLY" SUNDAY, TOO

A letter was received Saturday from San Antonio, Tex., asking "Billy" Sunday to state the earliest date when he can conduct a revival there. San Antonio doesn't want much "show" for several years at least.

ECHOES OF THE ANTE-ROOM

Beech Camp, M. W. A., Observes the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of Its Organization.

MANY MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Beech camp, Modern Woodmen of America, observed its silver anniversary last Friday night, the affair closing with a banquet at the Hotel Rome, where covers were laid for some 400. Among those about the board were several of the charter members. Of these a number recounted the early days of the camp and told of the initiations conducted under the direction of the late J. C. Root, who at the time was the organizer and state deputy for Nebraska.

While Beech camp has had many ups and downs, it is now one of the strongest camps in the Woodmen order and is on the high road to prosperity.

Woodmen of the World.

A union meeting of all camps in South Omaha is scheduled for Wednesday evening at McCran's hall, Twenty-fourth and P streets. Each camp has secured a large number of candidates for this joint initiation and the inspiration of a large gathering of sovereigns of this kind will be a very sensation for South Omaha's Woodmen. The Bonson drill team will be on hand to do the work, and see that new members are started properly on the road to perfected woodcraft. It will be a red letter day for Woodmen in South Omaha.

Members of Lithuanian camp No. 44 enjoyed their picnic at Hibber's park last Sunday, a large gathering of South Omaha Woodmen, representatives from all of the camps, being present. The usual social games were participated in and some real oratory displayed when expounding the great principles of Woodcraft.

Schiller No. 204, is arranging for an entertainment at its next regular meeting at the German Home, south Tenth street, Thursday evening, next. F. A. Klenke is chairman of the committee of entertainment and promises a royal time to all who attend.

Nebraska Lipa No. 183, will meet Thursday evening at Thirteenth and Dorcas. A large class will be initiated.

Sobieski No. 73 will meet today at its new hall, Twenty-ninth and Walnut streets, for their first regular meeting of the fall last Monday evening. The report of the Boosters' committee was accepted and the recommendations will be followed. The card contest for the Knights only will be started within a few weeks. The lodge plans to start a membership campaign. The booster committee plans to extend to all eligible citizens within the jurisdiction a personal invitation to become members of the order.

Royal Neighbors.

Ivy camp, No. 2, and Pansy camp, No. 10, Royal Neighbors of America, will entertain Douglas County camp Wednesday evening at the Modern Woodmen of America hall. All Royal Neighbors are invited.

Ancient Order United Workmen.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen central committee will hold its first joint meeting with Union Pacific lodge, No. 17, Friday, next, at the temple, Willis E. Reed, attorney general of Nebraska, will be the speaker of the evening.

Pythian Knights Meet.

Nebraska lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias, held their first regular meeting of the fall last Monday evening. The report of the Boosters' committee was accepted and the recommendations will be followed. The card contest for the Knights only will be started within a few weeks. The lodge plans to start a membership campaign. The booster committee plans to extend to all eligible citizens within the jurisdiction a personal invitation to become members of the order.

American Yeomen.

Omaha homestead No. 148 of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen gave a watermelon social at Baright's hall last Wednesday evening. Dancing and card playing were the features of the evening. Mr. Bostwick, the new district manager, made his first appearance and made a short talk. Charles Backly, captain of the degree team, made an extended address on Yeomanship, which met with the hearty approval of the members of 1904.

Modern Woodmen of America.

B. & M. camp No. 85, modern Woodmen of America, has a committee at work preparing for the largest and most pretentious entertainment in its history. The date has not been set, but the event will take place some time next month in one of the largest halls in the city. Several of the ordinary stunts will be pulled off. At its meeting last Tuesday evening the camp initiated another large class of candidates and transacted much important routine business. Its club rooms in the Bee building are always open to its members and all visiting Woodmen.

Ladies of the Maccabees.

Gate City Hive No. 5, Ladies of the Maccabees, will hold a special meeting at the hall Wednesday afternoon, September 15, at 2 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

A MOST ENJOYABLE TRIP

The two FAIRS and DENVER'S MOUNTAIN PARKS. Nothing like DENVER'S MOUNTAIN PARKS between the two coasts.

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This Factory-to-Home Piano Sale Saves You About Half

Table listing piano models and prices: Exchange Pianos, Vose & Son, Square, \$335; 2000 Root & Son, \$465; \$250 Arion, \$115; \$275 Lindell, \$120; \$400 Schmoller & Mueller, \$195; \$350 Weber, \$125; \$300 Schmoller & Mueller, \$150; \$375 Steger & Sons, \$175; \$325 Cramer, \$150; \$275 Mueller, \$135; \$400 Emerson, \$200; \$600 A. B. Chase, Grand, \$290; \$1,100 Chickering & Sons, Grand, \$200; \$800 Mehlin, Grand, \$525; \$600 Schmoller & Mueller, Player, \$350; \$1,000 Aeolian Player, \$450; -FREE STOOL, FREE SCARF; -FREE LIFE INSURANCE.

This great Piano Sale has already surpassed, in both sales and importance, any sale that we have hitherto had. People were quick to realize the fact that by eliminating all the middlemen's profits we were able to quote prices on New Pianos from \$75.00 to \$150.00 less than usually charged.

Every Piano in this sale, no matter how low priced, is absolutely and unconditionally guaranteed. Act promptly if you need a Piano, as every day sees some of these Pianos sold off.

New Upright Pianos Of Established Reputation. Sweet Tone and Delightful Action. Latest Style Mahogany, Walnut or Oak Cases. FACTORY TO HOME PRICE \$175 Sold on Small Monthly Payments.

New Player Pianos From the World's Greatest Manufacturers - Completely Equipped. The equal of many \$550 Players shown elsewhere. ONLY \$395 Sold on Small Monthly Payments.

Our enormous stock of Pianos and Player Pianos includes such great makes as Steinway, Weber, Hardman, Steger & Sons, Emerson, McPhail, Landman & Sons, Schmoller & Mueller, and the complete line of Aeolian Pianos Pianos.

Schmoller & Mueller Piano Co. 1859-The Oldest Piano House in the Middle West-1915 Headquarters for Victrolas and Grafonolas. 1311-13 FARNAM ST.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Our Mammoth New Fall and Winter Stock Now on Display

We announce the arrival of our mammoth new 1916 Fall and Winter display of home furnishings. This is, in every way, a wonderful exhibition. It is the largest collection of new furniture, rugs, carpets, etc., in both designs and finishes ever shown in America, and is on a scale characteristic of the Hartman Furniture & Carpet Company. Probably no stock of furniture was ever selected with such great care, or subjected to so many tests before being offered to the public. Our floors are now a vast exhibition ground, and it will pay you to look

SPECIAL EASY MONTHLY PAYMENTS GLADLY ARRANGED ON ANY PURCHASE

THE FAMOUS KROEHLER DAVENPORT BED AND SOFA COMBINED ONLY \$22.50. Terms: \$2.50 Cash \$2 a Month. An exceptional bargain in a strongly constructed mission rocker. Frame is made entirely of solid oak, finished fumed. Back and seat are upholstered in guaranteed Imperial Spanish leather. Very roomy and decidedly comfortable. A rocker that will grace any home. Worth double the price we ask for \$4.98 it, and quoted special for \$4.98.

A GREAT BARGAIN IN A 3-INCH CONTINUOUS POST BED COMBINATION. Bed has ten fillers and beautifully enameled in Vernis Martin. The springs are heavy angle iron with sanitary wipe fabric top. The mattress has soft cotton top with durable ticking. Complete combination specially quoted. \$9.99. SOLID OAK ROLL DOOR WHITE ENAMEL LINED KITCHEN CABINET. Has all the special features shown in the illustration with the exception of the small drawers below the floor compartment. This cabinet never sold for less than \$35. We will place a limited quantity of these on sale for this week, complete with full set of spice jars, only \$22.50.

MAGNIFICENT 48-INCH TOP COLONIAL LIBRARY TABLE. Supported by handsome colonial style legs. The design is very pleasing and decidedly attractive. Your choice of Imperial Mahogany or American quarter sawed imitation oak. At the special low price of \$12.85. NEAT DESIGN TUBULAR STEEL BABY CRIB. 2 FEET 6 INCHES WIDE BY 4 FEET 6 INCHES LONG. Has high sliding safety sides and equipped with heavy sanitary steel spring. Can be had in either white enamel or Vernis Martin. Priced extremely low for this week's selling at \$5.95. NOTE THESE BIG RUG BARGAINS FOR THIS WEEK. 6x9 FT. BRUSSELS RUG. \$8.85. 8x11 FT. VELVET RUG. \$10.98.

ELEGANT 7-PIECE DINING ROOM SET. A rare bargain in a high grade dining room set, consisting of six large chairs with heavy saddle seats, and broad panel backs. Table has large 42-inch top, extending to 6 ft. and supported by heavy square pedestal with four colonial turned feet. Entire set is made of selected American quarter sawed imitation oak, and our very low price for this complete set \$18.75 for this week, only.

AMERICA'S LARGEST HOMEFURNISHERS. HARTMAN'S 1414-1416-1418 DOUGLAS ST. NEW 1916 MODEL MERIT REGENT STEEL RANGE. Made full size, with large oven and six-hole top. Stove rests on sanitary steel base. Elaborately nickel trimmed, including nickel towel bar. Fully guaranteed and specially priced at \$24.50. LARGE SIZE SOLID OAK STORAGE CHESTONER. Made with large, roomy base, five drawers, fitted with wood pulp. Splendidly constructed throughout and beautifully finished in golden furniture offered at the extremely low price of only \$4.95.