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## DEATH HAS CLAIMED ANOTHER PIONEER

JOSEPH WRIGHT JOHNSON SUCCEDES EARLY SUNDAY MORNING.

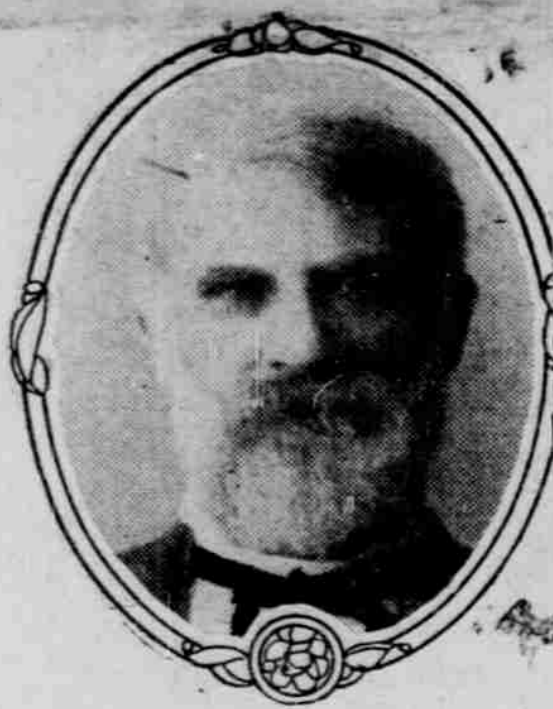
### FOUGHT IN THE CIVIL WAR

His Death Marks the Passing of Co. "A" 1st Nebraska, of the Civil War.

From Monday's Daily.

Yesterday morning just when the Sabbath had broken on the world, at five minutes past midnight, the spirit of Joseph Wright Johnson, who had layed for the past week between life and death, took its flight to the other world. Mr. Johnson received a stroke of paralysis about a week since from which effect he never entirely rallied, and while his nature and constitution fought against the death, he was willing to go, and the end came quietly at the midnight hour, surrounded by all the family with the exception of Mrs. John Chapman, who lives at Willard Mont, was not able to get here.

Joseph Wright Johnson was born January 19, 1835 in Leesburg, Highland county, Ohio. His father being John H. Johnson and his mother's name was Elizabeth Wright, the daughter of Joseph Wright, grandmother Johnson was a Holliday, all of whom were Quakers. Mr. Johnson's grandfather laid out the town of



JOSEPH WRIGHT JOHNSON

Leesburg on his own farm, the earlier generations of these families coming from Lynchburg, Va., in 1806, one of whom was known as "Governor James Johnson."

Mr. Johnson was initiated in Temple Lodge No. 227 I. O. O. F. on January 20, 1857 at Washington Court-house, Ohio, Fayette County 78. His mother died when he was two years old, and his father died when he was fourteen. At fifteen he went to work in a blacksmith shop as an apprentice.

March 7, 1857 Russell Vanpelt, Joseph H. Cox and Mr. Johnson left Leesburg for the west, taking boat at Cincinnati for St. Louis and from there expecting to go up the Missouri to Westport Landing, which is now Kansas City, and from there out into what is now, Wichita, Kansas, but they were not allowed to take boat at St. Louis on account of being from Ohio, so then went by boat to Keokuk, Iowa and came on foot across Iowa to Glenwood and then St. Mary's Iowa, which was about five miles north of Plattsmouth in the Iowa bottoms and which years ago was swept away by the Missouri River. On April 17, 1857, they crossed the Missouri river at Rocky Point. The previous winter was the coldest and the deepest snow ever known in this country before or since. The next day he took up claims at Eight Mile Grove, all that ground being for sale at \$1.25 per acre by Uncle Sam. It was at about this time that the following persons were here: Childs, Livingstons, Toziers, Caldwell, Sayles, Wright, Thomas, Hanna, O'Neil, Mickelwait, Marquette, Pottengers, Harpers and many others.

After spending the next winter at Pacific City, he started south, taking boat to Leavenworth and from

there on foot towards, Wichita, then south into Indian Territory and Arkansas and back into Missouri taking a claim where Carthage now stands, finally drifting up to Parry, Mo., where he almost lost his life by bushwackers, on account of his coming from Ohio. He was in a slave state looking for work. The fact that he was from the "southern" part of Ohio, is all that saved him as lots of "good people" come from there. This was about the time of the Kansas troubles and had the war broken out at this time Mr. Johnson from necessity would have been in the southern army. Mr. Johnson stayed in Berry until 1860, when he started out to find a place to settle down for life, about this time he returned to St. Mary's or "Clarks Mill" and was induced to make the trip to Pikes Peak. With ox teams they started on their journey of six weeks across the plains to Denver. At Canon City, they started a saw mill but the business was a failure for the lack of buyers and a bad loss to Clarks, so back to the Missouri river they came. In the spring of 1861 came the Civil war, with Alge Pratt, Bill Bain and Sam Peters he went to Plattsmouth and enrolled in Company "A" 1st Nebraska then being formed by Dr. R. Livingston and was in the battles of Ft. Donaldson, Corinth, Shilo and others. After the war was over he was mustered out of the army at Omaha. His death marks the passing of this company.

In 1865 he went to work in Harry Howland's blacksmith shop on the northwest corner of Vine and 6th street. He was married to Mary J. Henton, June the 8th, 1865 in Plattsmouth. In 1866 he was appointed a special policeman and in 1867 was elected city marshal. In October 1867 was elected sheriff and again in 1869 and 1871 and declined the fourth term. He was appointed and commissioned Aid de Camp on the staff of the commander-in-chief of the state of Nebraska, with the rank of Colonel and signed by Robt. W. Furnace, governor. Was elected mayor of Plattsmouth four times, 1877, 1878, 1879 and 1880. In 1882 he was appointed Probate Judge of Cass county. He is survived by his wife, four sons and one daughter: Jay Johnson of St. Joe, Mo., Edgar Johnson of Lincoln, Frank H. Johnson, Weeping Water, Neb., Alge S. Johnson, Lincoln, Neb., and Mrs. John Chapman, Willard, Mont. Emma Johnson another daughter died April 21, 1899.

During the past nearly sixty years Mr. J. W. Johnson has been a factor in the life of Plattsmouth, coming here sixty-one years ago next Wednesday, and it was during these times that Plattsmouth and Cass county was seeing some very perilous times. During the past few years, he has not been active in civil matters, but has during the past few years been on a board of Grand Army of the Republic, in the distribution of funds which is provided for those old soldiers needing assistance, and served with credit at all times. The funeral of Mr. Johnson will occur from the home, the Rev. H. G. McCluskey conducting the services, and will occur tomorrow Tuesday at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, the interment to take place at Oak Hill cemetery, west of the city.

### AT REST IN OAK HILL

From Wednesday's Daily.

Yesterday the last rites were said over the mortal remains of Joseph Wright Johnson, at his late home, the place where he has lived in peace with all mankind so long, that where every passing neighbor was his friend. The friends and relatives gathered to pay the last tribute to a noble life, which like a full sheaf of ripened grain, he goes to his reward with a full life of good deeds, a life well spent and resplendent with deeds of live and kindness to his fellow man. The quartet of the Presbyterian church, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Farley, Lynn Minor and Miss Mathilde Valley sang very beautifully "Near My God to Thee" while Miss Mathilde Valley sang touchingly "Face to Face". Rev. H. G. McCluskey gave in his discourse a history of the life of Mr. Johnson in which he told of his life among the people, as one who loves his fellow man, and loved to work among them. The Grand Army of the Republic escorted the remains to its last resting place at Oak Hill cemetery, where it was laid to rest by the loving hands of his four sons, J. Jay Johnson, Edgar Johnson, Frank H.

Johnson and Alge Johnson, and a grandson Edgar Johnson jr., son of J. Edgar Johnson and D. C. Morgan acting as the pall bearers. The floral offerings were very beautiful and suggestive of the love and respect of the ones presenting them. "Old Glory" in graceful folds draped the casket, and enwraps his remains as he lie at rest awaiting the last trumpet, in Oak Hill Cemetery.

## CASS COUNTY FARM BUREAU COMMENTS

THREE BOYS ENROLL IN BOYS' WORKING RESERVE—ALL ARE ASKED TO JOIN.

### TIPS BY THE COUNTY AGENT

Varieties of Potatoes Suitable for Eastern Nebraska Listed—Other Information.

Watch for the announcement of your precinct meeting, as we are holding a meeting in each precinct to organize or take up the agricultural lines in which that locality is interested.

We want you to call on the County Agent for any service he can give you. There are no fees to his trips. All service he can give you is free of charge.

Lloyd and Glenn Ranney and Robert Cole are the first boys to enroll in the Boys' Working Reserve, with the County Agent. Who's next? If you are working on your father's farm or have secured your position on a farm, enroll and let the government know who is who. You will not have to leave your home unless you wish. There is no compulsion in this enrollment, so boys line up as we are all for Uncle Sam.

Make the Farm Bureau your headquarters while in Weeping Water. Write or phone the office if you want to sell or buy seed corn. Be sure to list the things you wish to buy or sell with our exchange.

Boys, enroll in the pig-raising project. See the County Agent or your home banker.

The three varieties of potatoes that are suitable for Eastern Nebraska are Early Ohio, Bliss Triumph and Pearl, especially the Early Ohio for the extreme East. For commercial purposes plant from May 1st to 15th.

Those interested, write or phone the office for the circular, "The Sow and Her Litter."

The Department of Horticulture from the University of Nebraska will plant a 40 acre orchard one mile southeast of Union. Attend this planting with the County Agent the latter part of the week.

L. R. SNIPES, County Agricultural Agent, Weeping Water, Nebr.

### HAS HIS KNEE OPERATED UPON.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Some two weeks since Chris Murray living northwest of Murray, received a kick from a mule, on his right knee. While the kick was severe, he thought it would be well in a short time and therefore, did not pay much attention to it, until just lately, it became so painful that he took the case to the physician. Upon examination by Dr. T. P. Livingston he found pus formed from the injury and an operation was necessary for the allowing of its drainage, and it was made a few days since. After the operation the injury has eased from the pain, and it is hoped that he will soon be well again.

### FINGARSON-DONNELLY

From Tuesday's Daily.

Mr. and Mrs. James Donnelly of Plattsmouth, Neb., announces the engagement of their daughter, Mary to Lieutenant George E. Fingarson of the Forty-first infantry, now stationed at Fort Crook, Nebraska.

The wedding will take place this spring before the regiment goes to France.

This is a real war romance of Fort Crook, the couple having met at that post at one of the monthly hops given

by the officers of the regiment. Miss Donnelly belongs to a prominent Plattsmouth family. She has a charming contralto voice. She was graduated from the Plattsmouth High school. She has visited at Fort Crook at the homes of Major and Mrs. H. H. Bissell and Lieutenant and Mrs. Paul A. Reinke.

Lieutenant Fingarson's home is at Hillsboro, N. D., where he was studying law when he enlisted in the army. He is a graduate of the University of North Dakota and is a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Lieutenant Fingarson received his commission at the first training camp at Fort Snelling.

Miss Marie Donnelly the bride is one of the finest of the daughters of Plattsmouth born and growing to young womanhood in this city, and here having a host of friends who will rejoice with her in the happy marriage which is soon to be solemnized—Sunday World-Herald.

### PIONEER PASSES AWAY TODAY.

John Chalfant, aged over eighty years, and for many years a resident of this county passed away at his home this morning near Union. Mr. Chalfant was united in marriage in this city to Miss Gant, a daughter of Judge Gant, who was on the bench here during the early days of the state.

They have made their home for more than a half century in this county and are among the best citizens. The funeral will occur at Mount Hope church, which is in the southern portion of the county tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock, and the interment be made at the same place. A number of people from this city will attend the funeral.

### IS ENTERING THE ARMY.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Judge M. Archer received yesterday a card from his grandson, Don Archer, a son of John Archer, of Delhi, Minn., who was passing through Chicago on his way to Greenville, N. C., where he goes to take his final examination in joining the Marines. John Archer the father of Don and son of Judge M. Archer will be remembered as having gone to school here some years ago, later becoming a telegraph operator, and is now engaged in the mercantile business at Delhi, Minn.

### ORGANIZE HOME GUARD.

From Monday's Daily.

Captain C. A. Rawls and J. W. Holmes were visitors at Murray last Saturday, where they went to assist in the organization of the home guards at that place. A good meeting was had and after the address of Captain Rawls outlining the purposes for this organization and the need of the organization being that there are many things which this home guards can and probably will have to do before this war is over. They organized with a great deal of enthusiasm, and enrolled last Saturday evening 21 members.

### Why Not Be Good to Yourself?

If you awaken weary and unrefreshed in the morning, or tire early in the day, are bilious and "blue," with coated tongue and bad breath—if you are suffering from indigestion or constipation—you will find Foley Cathartic Tablets quick to relieve and comfortable in action. They are wholesome and health-giving. Sold everywhere.

### CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR

From Monday's Daily.

L. F. Langhorst of Elmwood was a visitor in this city and made this office a pleasant call, spending a short time in pleasant conversation. Mr. Langhorst is a candidate for the governorship of the state, and has received many flattering mentions in the state press.

### Best For Children.

Experience proves that Foley's Honey and Tar is the best family medicine for children for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough. Mrs. M. E. Schlarb, 6566 3 Oakland Ave., Ashland, Pa., writes: "When my little girl gets a cold I give her a dose of it and it always relieves her. I cannot praise it too highly." Sold everywhere.

Dennisson's crepe paper at the Journal office.

## TWO MORE BOOZE CARS CAPTURED

TAKEN INTO CUSTODY SUNDAY AND FINES AGGREGATING \$500 ASSESSED.

### CAMOUFLAGE OF EGG CASES

Ford Truck Carried Empty Ones on Top, but "Loaded" Ones on Bottom—Cars Held

From Monday's Daily.

As a result of the traffic which is banned as illegitimate and unlawful, namely, a flagrant violation of the prohibition statutes and the hauling into dry territory of booze, which is still participated in by numerous foolhardy and daring pirates, this county is today richer in material resources—coin of the realm—by some five hundred dollars than it was yesterday. Or, to be more exact, by one hundred dollars in actual cash and possession of some cars, which were being used to transport the booze. There is also stored in the vault of the county attorney's office a no small amount of poor whiskey and the county is holding a judgment for the remaining four hundred and costs to be realized from the sale of the cars.

Last Saturday night Sheriff Quinton had under surveillance a coterie of blockade runners who have been engaged in this hazardous undertaking for a long time, and succeeded in nabbing one car at the Platte river bridge and telephoning to the police, grabbed the other car between here and there.

A third car driven by one, Albin Shumaker, was apprehended, but all that could be found on them was an "empty" Old Taylor whiskey bottle, from which the spirits had flown, a "Dead Soldier," so to speak. He was turned loose as there was nothing about him in the way of booze incriminating, although he was operating a car with a last year's license number on it.

The occupants of one of the other cars, a Ford Coupe were Robert Novok and Mary Munday, who drew respectively fines of \$200 and \$100 and costs. Mrs. Munday paid the bill in full and was discharged but Novok is yet in limbo.

The other car was a Ford truck and was camouflaged until its real use could not be determined without strict examination. The back was piled high with empty egg cases, the two bottom ones containing small kegs of whiskey. The occupant of the truck was Tomie Katske and he too seemed to be short of cash but long on wet goods and so was unable to liquidate on the \$200 fine assessed against him. As stated above, both cars are being held and will in all probability be sold as were several others before them in order to satisfy to the law for the violation.

Verily, verily, the way of the booze trafficker is difficult.

### ABOUT THE FURLOUGHS GIVEN FOR FARMING

From Monday's Daily.

By a new ruling upon application being made on blanks furnished by the department, a petition for a furlough may be addressed to superior officers by those who were actively engaged in farming previous to the advent of the war. Such petition will be heard and considered by the officers in charge of the camps of which the applicant is in training. One of the requisites to obtaining a furlough is that the applicant must reside within such distance as to enable him to make the trip in twenty-four hours. This would be effective to Nebraska men at Camp Funston or at Camp Dodge but not those at Camp Cody or Camp Pike.

### OBITUARY.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Emzy Rebecca Christina Murray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Murray was born August 2, 1912 on the farm where she died, aged 5 year 8 months and 8 days. Besides her parents she leaves a baby sister and a host of other relatives and friends to

mourn her loss. She will be so sadly missed in the home, but the parents can take comfort in the knowledge that their little one is safe in the arms of Jesus who said "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

The funeral services were held in the Christian church in this city conducted by Rev. A. J. Hargett and were attended by a large number of relatives and friends. The choir rendered very beautifully a number of hymns. The numerous floral offerings were very beautiful and showed the esteem in which this little one was held and were an emblem of the purity and sweetness of her short life. The remains were tenderly borne to their last resting place in beautiful Oak Hill cemetery by four cousins of the little one, all robed in snowy white and were Fern and Pearl Spangler, Veronica Berger and Gilla Yost.

### SELLS PROPERTY FOR FACTORY.

From Monday's Daily.

The Daily Report shows of the transfer of the property on lower Main street, which is known as the Bach property just across the street from their store, and abutting the property which Mrs. Mary Heinrich has also sold. Mr. L. C. Sharpe getting both pieces for the use of the new Auto Power and Malleable Manufacturing Company.

This marks the beginning of an epoch of prosperity for this town we hope, will ultimately result in the growth to those proportions which its location and ability to care for the business which may come to it will justify.

### HEAR FROM BOYS IN FRANCE.

From Monday's Daily.

Letters were received yesterday and Saturday from the boys in France, they being written on the tenth of March, and taking more than a month to come. J. D. Lair and wife have a letter from their son Ralph and Edward Ripple had one from their son Eddie. In both the letters the boys say that they were getting along alright and were all well and feeling fine. They also said to send some tobacco which they have done, but on account of a recent postal order, the packages are not allowed to be sent across except on order from the captain of the company which the address is a member. It is well to know that the boys were well at the writing and we hope to see them home again.

In February, 1916, Bolo came to America. The Deutsche bank of Berlin is said to have turned over to Bolo a sum of 10,000,000 francs which was deposited in this country at least nine banks figuring in the records of the case. Disclosures made by the United States government relative to his activities in this country are said to have brought about his arrest.

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### GOOD FARMS.

We have some good bargains in Land Prices. Right with good terms. Otis Co., Gage Co., Pawnee Co. and Johnson Co. land, Southeastern Nebraska. Mockenhaupt & Curtin Land Co. Sterling, Neb. 28-1mowkly

## BOLO PASHA EXECUTED AS A TRAITOR IN FRANCE

PUT TO DEATH AT VINCENNES FOLLOWING RECENT CONVICTION OF CRIME.

Long and Unsavory Record Comes to End Before Firing Squad.

Paris, April 16.—Bolo Pasha has been executed at Vincennes. Bolo was recently convicted of treason.

Paul Bolo was born in Marseilles. He studied for law but forsook that profession.

He was identified in several enterprises which failed and then drifted to Paris, where, in 1894 he was convicted of abuse of confidence and swindling. He later went to Valencia, Spain, where he conducted a cafe which was frequented by the French colony.

In 1903 he married a widow who had an annual income of 70,000 francs.

Just before the war, Bolo, as a reward for intrigue in Egypt, was given the title of Pasha. Through the German foreign minister, Gottlieb Jagow, an arrangement was made to turn over to Bolo a sum of 10,000,000 marks to be paid in installments, for the purpose of influencing the French press. Of this sum about 4,000,000 marks were paid through Swiss banks.

During the summer of 1916 Bolo bought the Paris Journal from Senator Humbert, paying 5,500,000 francs for the property. After the initiation of proceedings against Bolo, the money he paid Senator Humbert was refunded.

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The Third Liberty Loan is needed to feed and clothe your brothers at the front. Get behind it with all your resources. Buy Bonds, Talk Bonds, Think Bonds and show the "boys" we're going to take good care of them whenever the call comes.

Bank regularly in a Savings Account at this Bank and be ready to help "Uncle Sammy" in his time of need.

## First National Bank

Plattsmouth, Nebraska.