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DEATH OF WILLIAM NEVILLE, OLD RESIDENT OF COUNTY

Contractor of Early Day in Nebraska and Former Representative of County in Legislature.

The old time friends of William Neville, who for thirty-eight years was a resident of Plattsmouth, will regret to learn of the death of Mr. Neville which occurred on Friday, September 19th, at his home in Chehalis, Washington, and was very sudden in its nature.

Mr. Neville who has resided in Washington since 1907 has been in the best of health apparently and was up and around as usual on the day of his death and only about an hour before his death complained of not feeling well and soon sank to the endless sleep.

"Billy" Neville, as he was so familiarly known here in Plattsmouth and Cass county, was one of the most genial of companions and faithful friends and for a long period of years was one of the active figures in the business life of the community and also a leader in the democratic party in the county and state and had in an early day, despite the heavy republican majority of this county, been selected as the member of the legislature from Cass county for a number of terms.

William Henry Neville, born in Limerick, Ireland, November 26, 1845, died September 19, 1924, at Chehalis, Washington. He came to the United States in 1875, residing in the state of New Hampshire until 1879 then moving to Plattsmouth, Nebraska, living in that state until 1907.

During this earlier period in Nebraska he figured prominently in political and public life, serving in the state legislature beginning in the year 1882.

As a bridge builder and grading contractor for a period of thirty years he developed a wide acquaintance in the middle west, performing railroad contracts as far south as Texas and east as Michigan.

He was married in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, in 1872, to Miss Margaret Burke. To that union were born eight children, three of whom died in infancy. There remain to mourn his departure, his wife, Mrs. William Neville, Mrs. J. R. Imus, Charles and John Neville, residing at Chehalis, Washington, and Mrs. F. L. Mary and Will H. Neville, residing at Oakland, Cal.

He moved with his family to Chehalis, Washington, in 1907 where he lived until his death.

Funeral services consisting of a requiem high mass were held at the Catholic church of which he was a devout member, Rev. Father Duffy officiating.

At the grave in addition to the Catholic services, the order of Elks performed their impressive ceremony of which order he was a faithful member.

FROST MAKES ITS APPEARANCE

From Monday's Daily—
After holding off in the most accommodating manner for several weeks while the greater part of the corn crop was being matured, Old Jack Frost stepped into our midst Saturday night and last night and left evidences of his activities in many sections although the frost was not especially severe.

The corn in general has been well advanced in the last few weeks and will suffer very little from the frost as the corn that was injured is the very latest planting and would not under any normal conditions be able to fully mature before the cold weather.

The coming of the frost has caused the firing up of the stoves and furnaces around the homes and the appearances at night of the overcoats and heavier garments as the chilling air warns of the passing of the good old summer time and the fact that the frost is on the pumpkin even if the fodder is not in the shock.

RECEIVES HONOR AT SCHOOL

Miss Edith Farley, who with Miss Helen Farley and Miss Mary Tidball of this city, is attending Doane College at Crete, has been given an added honor in her first year at the well known college by being selected as the secretary of the freshmen class at Doane. Miss Farley is well deserving of the honor as she is a very earnest student and with the other girls from this city who are attending Doane is very much pleased with the work there and the educational advantages that are offered by the school.

VISITS SISTER HERE

Mrs. Rose Martin of Rosalie, Nebraska, who has been for the past month at the University hospital in Omaha, came down Saturday to enjoy a visit here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Vroman and with her sister, Miss Donice Vroman. Mrs. Martin greatly enjoyed the visit here with the sister and the members of the Vroman family and this morning departed for her home, being accompanied as far as Omaha on the journey by Miss Winnie Vroman.

DEPARTS FOR THE WEST.

From Monday's Daily—
Last night Mrs. Katherine Minor departed from this city for the Pacific coast where she will make her home in the future and will be joined there in a short time by her daughter, Miss Madeline, and they will then locate at Los Angeles, Mrs. Minor is a member of a pioneer families of Cass county and has made her home here for the greater part of her lifetime and possesses a very large circle of warm friends who regret very much to see her leave for the west to reside in the future. Mrs. Minor has been very active in the life of the community and her departure leaves a distinct sense of loss to the many old time friends. In common with the other friends the Journal joins in wishing Mrs. Minor and daughter success and happiness in the new home.

HAVE AN UNCOMFORTABLE EXPERIENCE AT BELMONT

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Atkinson Formerly Here, Caught in Fire in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Atkinson, former residents of this city, who have been living at Delmonico, California, for the past few years had a most uncomfortable experience Saturday when the Hotel Belmont, in which they were living was destroyed by fire.

This hotel was at one time one of the finest on the west coast and the main portion of the building was erected in 1887 and the hotel used largely by those who gathered to play on the famous golf links and playgrounds that surround the hotel.

The fire broke out in a tower in the front of the building at 3:30 Saturday morning and made necessary the hurried escape of the guests and some 600, in their night garments and many lost all of their possessions and it is reported that Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson were among those losing their personal effects in the fire.

Art treasures valued at \$75,000 were saved from the building by the efforts of the townspeople.

The hotel is not a great way from San Francisco and to that point the greater part of the guests were taken following the fire.

GIVES A FAREWELL

From Tuesday's Daily—
Last evening the attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Streight was the scene of a very pleasant gathering of the young people employed in the store department of the Burlington shops at a farewell in honor of Miss Madeline Minor, who is leaving in a few days for the west. The home is one of the greatest beauties made a very pleasing scene for the enjoyable gathering.

The time was spent in cards and music and at an appropriate hour a delectable two-course luncheon was served that added to the enjoyment of the guests. The members of the party who have been associates of Miss Minor for a number of years expressed their regret at the separation that is to come to them and extended to the guest of honor their best wishes for her future happiness. Those attending were: Misses Lula Starbary, Jeanette Weber, Katherine Lutz, Mervet Sitzman, Madeline Minor, and Messrs. James and Fred Warren, Jack Ledgeway, and Messrs. and Mesdames W. F. Hunkle, L. R. Sprecher, Evi Speir, W. J. Streight and Czakdek.

HAS A REAL SIGN

The big department store of the H. M. Soerensen Co. has a large sign placed on the front of the building that they occupy on upper Main street that tells the world the location of this high class modern store that is fitted to supply the needs of the people of Cass and Sully counties and Mills county, Iowa, in anything that they may desire. The sign is the handwork of Frank R. Gobelman, the artistic sign painter, and is a real work of art in every way.

GIVES FAREWELL DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilcox entertained very delightfully Saturday evening at a 6 o'clock dinner at their home in honor of Miss Pauline Liston, who is soon to leave for San Diego, California, to spend the winter, and Mrs. R. L. Propst and daughter, Miss Roberta, father and sister, of Mrs. Wilcox, who are to leave the last of October for Florida and Cuba, where they expect to spend the winter months in the more congenial climate of the southland.

GIVES OUT PRIZES

In the Book Review of the Public Library Reading Club contest held during the summer vacation and open to children between the ages of ten to fifteen, the prizes were awarded to Miss Ethel Quinton and Miss Jean Hayes whom the judge considered were of equal merit, and a third prize was given little Eleanor Olson, whose work was remarkable for so young a reader.

WOULD SEPARATE INTERESTS FROM ITS BIG BENEFITS

Hon. J. J. Thomas, Democratic Candidate For Senator, Gives Talk On Issues of the Day.

From Tuesday's Daily—
Last evening the district court room, Hon. J. J. Thomas, of Seward, democratic candidate for United States senator, addressed a very pleasing audience of the voters of this vicinity among whom were quite a large number from out of the county.

The meeting was attended by a number of the prominent democrats of the state and county, Arthur Mullen, national committeeman and Mrs. Mullen, with Fred Wright, well known attorney, were here from Omaha for the meeting as well as L. F. Langhorst of Elmwood, candidate for state treasurer; Hon. W. B. Banning, candidate for state senator; George Wilson, of Elmwood, candidate for sheriff; L. G. Todd of Union, county chairman, while a great many of the enthusiastic party workers of the county were in evidence in the audience.

D. O. Dwyer acted as the chairman of the meeting and paid the national ticket a pleasing compliment in the opening, speaking of the reputation of John W. Davis as a member of the bar and his wide experience and interest in the issues that benefited the common people and Governor Bryan and his successful administration of the state affairs that had won him national recognition.

The first talk of the evening was made by Louis F. Langhorst, of Elmwood, who has been a resident of Cass county for more than thirty years and who has in the past been a heavy worker in the party ranks and is now seeking the office of state treasurer. Mr. Langhorst detailed briefly his experience in the line of mercantile business, that he believed entitled him to the experience necessary in the conduct of the affairs of the treasurer's office. He touched briefly on the record of the present state administration that had fulfilled its pledges and made good, and promised if selected to see that the office of state treasurer administered justly and to the best interests of the people of the state.

The main speaker of the evening, Hon. J. J. Thomas, in his remarks took up and discussed in a very intelligent manner some of the vexing questions that have in the last few years greatly agitated the people, which if they are continued as they have been in the last few years would undermine the constitution of our country. Mr. Thomas stated that all of the people had a common interest in the nation, regardless of what political faith they might hold and that this common interest was the aim of all political parties, to give the people the best possible program of legislation for their needs.

The speaker traced the growth and fall of the older nations of the earth because of the overmastering force of the classes over the masses that led to the downfall of Greece and Rome and would of any other nation where the few were exalted and the many put down. Under the fabric of organized law and government, Mr. Thomas stated, the first consideration should be for the many who were oppressed rather than for the few who were capable through wealth to secure for themselves, while those less fortunate had to depend on the protection of law to give them an equal opportunity. In this nation, Mr. Thomas stated, the wealth was owned by two per cent of the people and this created a special class had been through privilege, brought into being by special legislation to benefit the few. The greatest of these aids to special privilege had been the high protective tariff system.

In this state, Mr. Thomas declared, particularly there was a great basic industry and this was agriculture and which had in the years of republican rule since the election of a republican congress in 1918, been given the worst of the legislative acts. The actual wealth of the agricultural section could be measured by the price of the land, the amount of the mortgages and the difference was the real actual wealth of the farming sections. The man who had toiled to produce from the soil had not received the full share of his just returns in these last few years, the speaker pointed out. While the farmer had been forced to throw his produce on the market at whatever he could secure for it, the manufacturer goods that the farmer must buy, the food that the toiler must have, had been kept at a high figure. The farmer had been forced to sell his crops at a price based on the world level while the manufacturer had not as he could restrict or expand his output according to the needs and demands of orders while the farmer had to plant and harvest his full crop each year. The tariff had given the manufacturer a basis of immense profits while the tariff of the farmer's produce had been valueless as he must sell his crop on the basis of the world level of prices while the manufacturer could set his illustrating the tariff on the output of the farm. Mr. Thomas showed how a tariff had been placed on wheat and in ten days the price had dropped twelve cents because

the price at Liverpool, the world's grain market, had dropped, but with the manufacturer there was no dropping because his output was not measured by the world's production.

Mr. Thomas briefly touched on the plus plan of many of the industries, and especially on steel and sugar. This steel plan operated by a price fixed at Pittsburg and which the steel company had plants at several points the price was fixed the same as at the Pittsburg plant and to this was added the cost of freight although the steel might never be hauled a mile and made to the consumer as a price as though the steel had been bought and shipped from Pittsburg.

This was also true of sugar, the price was fixed in New York and while Grand Island had a refinery, the price there must be the same as at New York and which made the freight added to it and which made the cost greater to the man who lived near the refinery than if he had to buy the sugar in the eastern market.

In 1920 there had been a deflation of the farmers carried out by congress and which had caused a deflation of \$500,000,000 in credits and \$3,000,000 in actual money. This had forced the farmers to sell their produce at whatever they could get and also the farmers that had purchased government bonds had had to sacrifice these. The profiteers who had bought up the bonds at a low figure had been able to reap a great harvest in the bonds as they had forced the market down and bought the bonds then had risen to full value.

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To add the farmer, Mr. Thomas offered some real remedies, the creation of some foreign market, reduce the tariff on the things needed on the farm to equalize the prices received by the farmer with those that he had to pay and also secure a more adequate reduction of freight rates for the farmers of the middle west.

If selected as senator, Mr. Thomas promised to give his best services to the people of the state.

Hon. W. B. Banning, candidate for state senator, who has been one of the outstanding figures in the legislature in the battles for the interests of the common people, offered a regular program that would be instrumental in reducing the taxes by seeing that all of the people paid taxes on the property that they owned. The senator believed in good roads and urged that those who used them must help pay for them by means of a tax on gasoline which was a just one and those who traveled the roads would pay their just share of tax, and, as Mr. Banning pointed out, this was something that would lighten the burden to the general taxpayer when the return of the intangible tax law was also secured. A more equitable tax could be secured. The reduction of taxes was the one big issue before the people and in this he favored every possible reduction.

At the conclusion of the meeting a speaker of prayer was formed by the persons present and will start out recruiting for the membership at once.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

From Monday's Daily—
The many friends of John W. Crabill will be pleased to know that he is now able to return home after a sojourn of several weeks at the Methodist hospital in Omaha and is now recuperating here from his recent operation. Mr. Crabill has been in the best of health for the past year and to give him permanent relief it was decided to have him treated and to undergo an operation at the hospital and which it is thought has been most successful and will result in the permanent relief of the patient.

LEAVING FOR CALIFORNIA.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Liston, with their daughter, Miss Pauline, are expecting to leave in a short time for San Diego, California, where they are to reside in the future. Mr. Liston who has served as station agent at Elmwood and in Plattsmouth for a great many years, is now at the age of retirement and as a veteran employ of the Missouri Pacific has been placed on the pension and will enjoy a well deserved rest and receive from the railroad his pension as a recognition of services faithfully performed.

BOY SCOUTS ARE TO BOOST LYCEUM COURSE HERE

Local Scouts will Again Stage This High Class of Entertainment During Winter Season.

The Plattsmouth Boy Scouts are to sponsor the Lyceum course again this winter following a very successful showing last year, and the boys by their endeavors hope to realize enough to help defray their expenses for the coming year.

The Scouts have closed the contract for the year with one of the leading Lyceum courses of the country and which will place four and possibly five numbers here for the coming winter months and which will be up to the usual high standard that has marked the offerings in the past.

The boys will have to depend on the success of their enterprise by the sale of the season tickets and will make a canvass of the city the last of the week to see just how many of the tickets can be disposed of to the citizens of Plattsmouth. Tickets for adults and the High school students will be \$1.25 and to the children in the grades the price of the season tickets will be 65c.

This is one of the main ways in which the Scouts raise the funds for their activities and they have been very successful in the past with the sales and hope this year to make a greater showing than they have given some real returns for their efforts and permit them to carry on the work in a very pleasant manner.

GIVE SHOWER FOR BRIDE-TO-BE LAST SATURDAY NIGHT

Mrs. W. R. Holmes and Miss Ina Dalton Entertain in Honor of Miss Florence Balsler.

From Tuesday's Daily—
Miss Ina Dalton and Mrs. W. R. Holmes entertained very delightfully a number of friends Saturday evening in honor of Miss Florence Balsler, who is soon to leave to make her home at Edgar, Nebraska, where she will reside as the mistress of the new home that is awaiting her coming.

The guests were requested to write and send messages to be opened by the guest of honor when she reaches her new home, and this feature occupied some time and furnished a great deal of enjoyment for all of the party. A very interesting contest was also enjoyed and in which Miss Ethel Babbitt was the winner of the prize.

In honor of the bride-to-be, she was presented with a number of remembrances from the friends which will take to the new home in Edgar as tokens of the affection of the friends.

At a suitable hour the hostesses, assisted by Miss Vivian Parker, served very dainty and delicious refreshments.

JOURNEY TO HERMAN

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday morning bright and early a number of autos filled with the friends here of Mrs. Noel B. Seney, formerly Miss Bell Speck of this city, departed for Herman, Nebraska, where they spent the day at the Seney home and greatly enjoyed the trip as well as the cordial welcome that they found awaiting them at the hands of Mr. and Mrs. Seney. Among those going in the party were Miss Nettie Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Guy C. White, Miss Cressie Hackenberg, Leslie L. Nichol, Miss Frances Bentley, John H. Palack, Miss Nettie Jirousek and Miss Emma Johnson. The ladies of the party comprised part of the force of clerks at the Burlington storehouse, where Mrs. Seney was at one time employed.

RECEIVE GOOD NEWS

The relatives here of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Havelka, of Wahoo, have received the announcement of the fact that Evelyn, the little two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Havelka, had received the first prize at the Saunders county fair for being the most handsome and perfect child of her age shown at the baby show.

ACCEPTS NEW POSITION

From Monday's Daily—
Miss Florence Ceeli, who has been engaged as a clerk in the First National bank, has resigned her position there to accept the position of cashier and bookkeeper at the office of the Plattsmouth Water company in the place of Miss Florence Balsler, who has resigned to accept a more permanent position in the near future.

W. C. T. U. MEETS

From Tuesday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon the W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. R. B. Hayes, who was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. T. B. Farmer. The ladies enjoyed very much the opportunity of hearing an address on temperance and law enforcement given by Rev. Frank Emory Pfoutz, pastor of the Methodist church, who detailed the work that has been done and is still to be done in the way of enforcement of the prohibition law.

There were a very large number present and all followed with the keenest interest the talk of the pastor. At the conclusion of the afternoon the hostesses served very dainty and delicious refreshments that were very much appreciated by all of the party.

BIBLE CLASS ENTERTAINS AT THE MASONIC HOME

Young Men of the Methodist Church Visit at the Home and Give Program of Song.

From Wednesday's Daily—
Last evening the members of the young men's bible class of the Methodist church, some twenty in number, visited the Nebraska Masonic Home and for several hours entertained the members of the Home with a program of song and specialties that proved a real entertainment feature that will long be very pleasantly remembered.

The members of the Y. M. B. C. have devoted a great deal of their meetings in the past year to music and have a real peppy singing organization that is a real entertainment feature and which has furnished some very fine musical programs at the church and to their friends.

The program at the Home last night was devoted to the chorus singing and the rendition of the old songs that made a great hit with the audience of the old folks who are at the Home and a pleasant diversion for them. A number of the members of the class also gave a few specialties which added to the enjoyment of the members of the party.

At the close of the entertainment the young men were treated to refreshments of pop corn and apples which added to the pleasures of the evening for all concerned.

SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

From Tuesday's Daily—
The many friends of Mrs. Frank Gobelman will be pleased to learn that she is now doing very nicely at the St. Mary's hospital in Racine, Wisconsin, where she was operated upon last week. Mrs. Gobelman had an operation for appendicitis as well as the correction of some foot trouble and both operations have proven very successful and the patient is now able to sit up a part of the time and hopes in a short time to be able to leave the hospital. The friends here will join in wishing her a speedy return home and a complete and permanent cure of her trouble.

NO MATTER what you may desire, a little want ad inserted here will bring you scores of replies. Give it a trial. The cost is low.

GLORIOUS SEASON IS AUTUMN IN THE STATE OF NEBR.

Richness of the Season is Reflected in the Beautiful Scenes Over This Part of State.

The most beautiful season of the year here in Nebraska is in the fall months when the leaves pass and summer is reflected in the harvest of grain and fruits and the charm of the natural foliage that dots the hills and valleys of this section.

A trip over the eastern and southern portion of the county passes through the finest orchards in the state and on the trees in the orchards can be seen the red and gold of the apple harvest that forms the greatest part of the fruit crop of the state and certainly is a promise of a great future for the fruit lovers in the winter months that follow.

The foliage of the hills is beginning to fire under the touch of the frost king into all of the colors that the hand of the master painter can call to his hand and the changing tones of green with the glowing scarlets and yellows of the leaves makes the most charming sight for the eye of the beholder and to these is added the late fall flowers that are found in the fields over this section.

It is well worth the time of anyone to journey down through the hills that form the banks of the Missouri river as the view is splendid and especially so now as the trees and shrubs are glowing in the glories of the autumn season and a real treat for the eyes. Those who live in other sections where there is lack of this natural beauty is struck with the great beauty of this section.


UNDERGOES OPERATION

From Wednesday's Daily—
Joseph Sedlak, Jr., who has been employed by the Burlington at Havelock for the past year, has just suffered a very severe attack of stomach trouble that made necessary his being taken to the St. Elizabeth's hospital in Lincoln where he was operated on Sunday for what was determined to be ulcers of the stomach. Joe has been in very poor health for some time and last spring he was operated on for appendicitis and apparently was getting better until the last few weeks. Joseph Sedlak, his father, and Frank Sedlak, a brother, who is now at Sedalia, Missouri, were at Lincoln to attend the operation and came in last night and reported Joe as being in very good condition in view of the serious case that he has.

DRAWN FOR JURY DUTY

The drawing for the federal grand jury which is called to sit at Lincoln on October 8th, has resulted in two Cass county men being placed on the regular panel, Watson Long of Greenwood and H. L. Ross of Nelawka, while on the list of alternates the names of Roy E. Howard of Murray and John C. Rauth of Manley appear and these gentlemen will have to devote some time to the task of assisting in the enforcement of the law.

Blank books at Journal office.



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Our past record is a pledge for the future. We invite your account on the basis of proved dependability.

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