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Bock Family Join in Annual Reunion Sunday

Meeting Held at Home of Mr. and Mrs. William Philpot Near Newark—Eighty Present

The beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. William Philpot near Newark was the scene Sunday of the fourth annual reunion of the descendants of John Bock and Helen Ruchmann Bock, pioneer residents of the west.

For the occasion the son and six daughters of the original family were the host and hostesses of the occasion and provided the reunion for the other members of the family circle, these being Julius Bock, of Newcastle, Wyoming; Mrs. Henry Wulof, Avoca; Mrs. William Hunter, Plattsmouth; Mrs. Edward Gansener, Newark; Mrs. George Hansen, Newark; Mrs. William Peters, Alvo; Mrs. William Philpot, Newark.

The day was featured by the picnic dinner where all members of the family gathered to enjoy the wonderful array of delicious viands prepared for the event and around the table the ties of the family associations and traditions were renewed.

The year has brought a number of changes into the lives of the family circle as a number have wedded and several little ones have come to form a part of this splendid family which one has been called to the last reward.

The members added by birth were Catherine Rapp, born November 14, 1921; Warren, Mrs. Henry Wulof, December 20, 1928, and Ruth Harriet Knabe, born December 3, 1928. The one death in the family was that of little Ruth Harriet Knabe which occurred on December 3, 1928.

There has been three marriages in the family in the year. Dolores Irene Peters to Hildreth A. Lyon, May 23, 1929, who now resides at Concordia, Kansas; Britton Peters to Charlotte Bartholomew, June 6, 1929, now at Burwell, Nebraska; Edna Hansen to Harry Davis, January 22, 1929, residing at Glendale, California.

During the year there has been one golden wedding celebrated, that of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wulof of Avoca on November 14, 1928.

At the pleasant afternoon short business session was held and it was voted to have the reunion in 1930 at the home of Julius Bock at Newcastle, Wyoming, and in the selection of officers, Mrs. Augusta Philpot was named as president and Miss Helen Hunter as secretary.

Those enjoying the occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gansener, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Knabe, Mr. and Mrs. William Philpot, of Newark; Julius Bock, New Castle, Wyoming; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wulof, Avoca; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wulof, Avoca; William Wulof, Otoe; Mr. and Mrs. George Pollard, Newark; Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. George Hansen and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Hansen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hansen and family of Newark; Mr. and Mrs. William Peters, Alvo; Mrs. William Philpot, of Newark; Mrs. Warren, George Peters, Weeping Water; John Peters, Taylor; Mrs. Robert Droner, Burwell, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Peters, Lyman, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. William Hunter and daughters, Helen and Marie, Plattsmouth; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hunter and daughter, Barbara, of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brewer and son, Charles, Callaway; Mr. and Mrs. Will Bapp and family, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Raur and daughter, Patricia, Walthill, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hill and family, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pollard and daughter, Julia, of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Hild and family of Murray; Miss Jessie Robertson, Plattsmouth; Mrs. Schoemaker, Nebraska City; Miss Melba Dickenson, Omaha.

HAS UNUSUAL ACCIDENT

Miss Margaret Samson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Samson who were old time residents of Plattsmouth was the victim of a very unusual accident a couple of weeks ago in Seattle, Washington. Miss Samson who for many years has been teaching school in Portland, Oregon, was in Seattle for a visit with friends. One day while sitting in a small bus station, in company with five other people, the whole crowd was astonished and frightened by the sudden appearance of a large truck, loaded with stone, which came crashing through one of the walls. It seems as though there were two trucks going along the street right behind the station. Just as they drew even with the station the rival drivers got into a row and one driver, losing control of his truck, came crashing through the small building. Miss Samson next woke up in a hospital, suffering from severe cuts on the head and arm, and otherwise bruised up quite badly. She is now recovering quite nicely, however, and will soon be up and around, none the worse for the experience.

The other five occupants of the station all got off with lesser injury than that suffered by Miss Samson.

ENJOYS VERY FINE TRIP

From Monday's Daily—Last evening just as the shades of evening were falling, Harry L. Kruger, the wall paper and paint man, with the family who have been seeing America on a good portion of it for the past week, returned home happy but tired. They left a week ago for Kansas City where they had only expected to visit his mother and after getting there they took the mother with them and went to Tulsa, Oklahoma, and then to the southeast corner of Oklahoma, where they visited for a time then went to the southwest corner of the state where they visited with Mrs. Kruger's folks and stopped Friday night at Wellington, Kansas, where they stayed all night. They left there on Saturday morning and driving 300 miles, arrived home about seven o'clock. They report a very pleasant trip.

Locals Outswat the Cedar Creek Team Sunday

Deluge of Hits Mark Game which Score of 19 to 1 Grabbed by Plattsmouth Athletics

The Plattsmouth Athletics journeyed out to Cedar Creek Sunday afternoon and in a very much opposed baseball game, won by the score of 19 to 1, the locals fattened their batting average when Nessor, hurler of Cedar Creek, weakened in the fifth inning and with the result that ten runs were scored by the Athletics.

In the fatal fifth inning, the local batted around twice and John Svoboda, Joe Krejci and George Sedlacek each secured two hits apiece for this inning, while their team mates were garnering a few blows themselves from the delivery of Nessor.

Honus Newman, who has been following the hot short field position for his baseball career, made his initial appearance in the pitcher's box and proceeded to make it too bad for the opposing batsmen. Honus retired eleven of the Cedar Creek men by the strikeout route and showed some real stuff in his pitching work, his speed and control being especially marked. In addition to the mound work of Newman, he also garnered a home run in the third inning to help swell the score.

After the fifth inning, Rudy Meisinger was sent in for Cedar Creek and was able to check the batting spree of the locals, but the change was too late and the Athletics were able to read their title to victory by a very large margin.

The Athletics are negotiating for a game at Thurman, Iowa, on next Sunday when they will meet one of the fast teams of southwest Iowa. In the batting honors of the day George Sedlacek scored two three sackers and was one of the most feared hitters of the Athletics.

GIVEN PLEASANT SURPRISE

From Monday's Daily—Last evening Joseph Zitka was given a very pleasant surprise at his home on west Pearl street when a large party of the young friends arrived at the Zitka home to tender the young man a fitting observance of his twenty-first birthday anniversary. The members of the party brought many very handsome and attractive gifts to remind the guest of honor of his anniversary and these will be cherished by the recipient as tokens of the feeling of friendship from the many associates. The evening was spent in playing Bingo and other games and in the Bingo contests prizes were won by Miss Dorothy Svoboda, Miss Anna Janda, Matthew Wooster, Miss Rose Skival, Henry Strabs of Omaha, while the consolation prize was awarded to Frank Koubek.

At a suitable hour dainty and delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Zitka, mother of the guest of honor, who was assisted by Miss Mary Zitka and Mrs. James Sedlacek. Those who enjoyed the event were Misses Dorothy Svoboda, Rose Janda, Mary Strabs, Ada Campbell, Eleana Koubek, Frances and Anna Krejci, of this city, Anna Wooster, Josephine Stanek, Emily Skravil, Marie Cisar, Helen, Margaret and Frances Vajek, Messers John and Theodore Svoboda, Joe and Henry Krejci, Thomas Svoboda, Ernest Janda, James Holy, James Zitka, Frank Koubek, Matthew Wooster, Louis Konfrat, Ernest Zitka of this city, Henry Sterba, Ed Sterba, Frank Stanek, Joe Cisar, Frank Novak, Joseph Zitka, Omaha.

RECOVERING FROM OPERATION

From Monday's Daily—Isaac Todd, one of the popular young men of the Murray community and well known in this city, is recovering very nicely at the St. Mary's hospital at Nebraska City from an operation for appendicitis. He has improved so rapidly that it is hoped he will be able to return home within the next few days and spend his recuperative period on the farm.

Mrs. Ruth Beverage Called to Last Reward

Long Time Resident of This Community Passes Away After Long Illness

From Monday's Daily—Mrs. Ruth Ann Beverage, one of the long time residents of this community, passed away late Saturday afternoon as the result of a long illness which she has had since the summer of 1928. She was 72 years of age and had been gradually failing until death came to bring her rest from the illness.

The deceased lady has been a resident of this city and the vicinity of Murray for the past forty-nine years and to the old friends of many years standing the news of her death brings a great regret. Ruth Ann Beverage was born May 17, 1856, near Monterey, Westmoreland county, Virginia, and in that community she grew to womanhood and while a young girl joined with the Methodist church and in which faith she continued to worship until her death. On February 10, 1880, she was united in marriage to Charles N. Beverage, who too, was a native of that section of Virginia. Shortly after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Beverage came west to Nebraska and located on a farm near where the present town of Murray is located and here they made their home for a great many years and reared their family. Eighteen years ago Mr. and Mrs. Beverage moved to Plattsmouth and have since resided here and where on June 2, 1921, Mr. Beverage passed away. Since the death of the husband and father, Mrs. Beverage has been cared for by the different children at the home of the late Mr. Beverage.

The deceased lady is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Albert Satchell of Madison, Nebraska, and Mrs. R. H. Hitchman of Blair and three sons, Fred of Murray and Alph and Richard Beverage of this city. The funeral services for this estimable lady were held this afternoon at 2:30 from the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine street, the services being conducted by the Rev. George A. Weaver of the Myriad U. M. church. The burial was at the Eight Mile Grove cemetery beside the husband and father. There were a large number of the old friends accompanying the body to the last resting place and old neighbors present to pay their last tributes of love and respect to her memory.

BOY BURGLARS

Sunday night the office of the Clويد Lumber & Coal Co. on South Fourth street, and the H. M. Soenichsen grocery store were burglarized by a party of boy burglars and a small amount of money secured at the Soenichsen store, while at the lumber office the boys failed to secure anything of value. The entrance to the Soenichsen store was secured by removing a screen on a rear window and then getting into the store from proper, where the sum of \$6.25 was taken from the cash register.

The boys made their way into the office of the Clويد Lumber & Coal company by breaking a window on the south side of the office building and in doing so one of the boys suffered a cut on his hand and which later led to the apprehension of the parties. The police discovering the burglary traced the boys by the blood from the injured hand and were able to secure the boys and the return of the money with the exception of a few cents. Owing to the extreme youth of the boys, prosecution of the case will probably not be made as the property taken has been returned.

YOUNG MINISTERS SPEAK

From Monday's Daily—The Methodist church yesterday had the pleasure of having two of the young members of the ministry, Rev. Clinton Swingle, who has just completed his work at Winfield, Kansas, and who now goes to Boston to continue his studies, and Rev. Clifford Cecil of Des Moines, who is an ordained member of the ministry of the Christian church and visiting here at home was invited to occupy the pulpit of the Methodist church. Rev. Swingle spoke at the morning service and Rev. Cecil at the evening service and both brought clear and ringing messages on the teachings of the church.

HAS HAND INJURED

Sunday morning while other members of the family were at church, John Aschenbrenner, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Aschenbrenner, residing on west Vine street, fell while he was playing around the house and cut a very severe gash on the right hand. The injury did not bleed freely and caused a great deal of fright to the members of the family when they returned home. The boy was taken to the office of a physician where the injury was treated and several stitches taken in the hand.

WILL BE IN NEW STORE

From Tuesday's Daily—This city is to have a new business house in the near future as Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gerner are arranging their store room on South Sixth street for a new store and which they expect to have in operation in the next week. The fixtures for the new store are en route to this city and as soon as they arrive the stock will be placed and the store ready for business. The new store will be run on the plan of the city 5 and 10 cent stores, the proprietor states. The stock for the store will arrive here within the next few days and Mr. and Mrs. Gerner are hopeful that they will be able to have the store open by next week and may be able to have a part of their stock installed by Saturday.

Plattsmouth and Omaha Eagles Hold Picnic

Eagle Camp Ground at LaPlatte is Scene of Gathering of Several Hundred Eagles Sunday

From Monday's Daily—The picnic of the Plattsmouth and North Omaha series of the Eagles was held yesterday at the Eagle camp grounds near LaPlatte at the north end of the Platte river bridge and for the entire day and the evening the park was the scene of a great deal of pleasure for the members of the order, their families and friends.

The grounds are ideal for picnic parties and the day was all that could be wished for as far as weather conditions were concerned and from early in the morning until late in the evening there was enjoyment and fun for everyone in a program of sports and dancing. The Plattsmouth series retained the baseball championship that they won last year, as they again defeated the North Omaha team by the score of 19 to 1 in a game which was held at Fourth and Vine street, the services being conducted by the Rev. George A. Weaver of the Myriad U. M. church. The burial was at the Eight Mile Grove cemetery beside the husband and father. There were a large number of the old friends accompanying the body to the last resting place and old neighbors present to pay their last tributes of love and respect to her memory.

NEGRO GETS LEFT

From Tuesday's Daily—Last evening Officer Dave Pickrel rounded up a colored man who was without a place of shelter and the police accordingly accommodated the man from the chilly fall breeze and placed him in the city basket for the evening. The man stated that he was a member of the tent gang of the Sells-Floto circus that had showed in Omaha Sunday and when the circus train passed through this city he had gotten off the train and while he was absent the train had pulled out and he was left stranded as in the words of Willie Mullins, he was "broke and had no friends here."

ENJOY GOLF MEET

From Monday's Daily—Yesterday J. W. Holmes, Dr. P. Westover, Frank Horack and Leslie Niel motored to Nebraska City where they played in the qualifying round of the Southeast Nebraska tournament. Dr. Westover and Frank Horack were medalists with a score of 74 each while all of the members of the party were in the first eight unless later qualifications were eliminated some of them. Last evening seventy had entered the tournament and it is expected that this number will be raised to 100 by tonight when the qualifying round is finished.

LEGION AUXILIARY MEETS

The American Legion Auxiliary met on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. H. Duxbury and with Messdames W. T. Melhorn, R. E. Westover and L. W. Niel as associate business. The chief business of the afternoon was the decision to have a building constructed in the Legion building that would connect the furnace room and kitchen and give more room in the kitchen and wash room which could be carried on in the furnace room.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our thanks for the very kindness expressed by the spoken word, the floral tokens, and the every act in expressing sympathy, and for all who kindly ministered at the time of the death and at the funeral of our beloved mother Mrs. Ruth Beverage, and to those who sang at the funeral—Fred, Alfred and Richard Beverage and Mrs. R. C. Hitchman and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Satchell.

Missouri River Bridge Work is Progressing Fine

Union Construction Co. to Close Up Their Work This Week to Give Way to Steel Workers.

From Tuesday's Daily—Within the next two days the last of the concrete work on the Missouri river traffic bridge will be completed and by the end of the week the Union Bridge and Construction Co., which has had the contract for the pier and concrete work will be ready to close up their work and load their equipment for shipment to other fields of activity.

The capping of the last pier will be made today or Wednesday and then all that will be left will be the tearing down of the forms and false work used by the company and the loading out of their equipment, when the force of workmen will be ready to depart for other fields of labor.

The Omaha Steel company, which has the steel contract already has a great deal of their work started and as soon as the final pier is completed and in readiness for use the steel will be started out over the main part of the river. Already the steel extends out some one hundred feet from the pier on the Nebraska side, while on the Iowa side a part of the concrete roadway has already been poured as the work has advanced.

The erection of the steel work on the 400 foot span across the main channel will be a great sight to view as the various sections are bracketed out each other and hang suspended high in the air above the water. While the bridge was thrown in principle of construction, at Blair piling was driven into the river bed, used as temporary support on which to build the bridge and afterwards removed.

The steel work will be pushed rapidly as the concrete work will be completed and prospects are that the bridge will be ready not far from the first date which was hoped for and by the latter part of November there should be a bridge ready, or at least in the early part of December.

With progress on the bridge there is advanced the question, "How are we going to get to the bridge?" as the road work on the new highway is still being held up due to negotiations with the Burlington not being completed.

The new bridge will be a great thing for Plattsmouth. At Blair, where the bridge was thrown open to traffic only a few weeks ago, a steady stream of Iowa cars on Nebraska highways both north and south of Blair are noted, and the volume of traffic is reported to be increasing daily.

STILL SUFFERS GREATLY

From Tuesday's Daily—Mr. McMaken, who has been taken to the Clarkson hospital at Omaha, is still in very grave condition and has suffered very much from the effects of his attack of gland trouble, but this morning seemed some better after a rest last night, the first that he has had for several nights. It will be necessary to give Mr. McMaken treatment before the operation as he has been very much weakened by his attack. The many friends are anxiously awaiting word from his bedside and trust that he may be able to rally and soon be able to receive relief from his malady.

PURCHASES NEW INCUBATOR

W. N. Brink of this city is preparing to engage in the poultry business on an even larger scope than heretofore, as he has just purchased a new 10,000 egg Buckeye incubator that he will have installed at his poultry farm. Mr. Brink is planning to enter into custom hatching and will sell baby chicks in the future as soon as the new incubator is placed in service. Mr. Brink has been very successful in his work in the poultry line and with the improved facilities should be able to greatly enlarge his business.

WILL ATTEND CHURCH MEETING

From Tuesday's Daily—This afternoon Rev. O. G. Wichmann, pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church accompanied by Misses Amelia, Martens, Louisa, Albert, Mata Schkanies, Dorothy Wichmann of Denver and Hildegard Wichmann of Portland, Oregon, departed for Milford, Nebraska, where they will attend the meeting of the synod of the Evangelical church and especially the young people's section of the synod work. Miss Martens is the delegate of the junior church and Miss Albert of the Sunday school.

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George Troop, Nehawka young man, who has been engaged in driving on the grading and graveling gang working west of this city, was the victim of an auto accident Sunday that has resulted in some painful injuries to the young man. Mr. Troop was driving on Elm street near the Heisel mill and several cars were parked along the street and also cars coming from the opposite direction and in seeking to avoid an accident he turned his car and with the result that it was overturned. In the spill the young man had his hand caught in the door of his Ford coupe and had the right hand cut quite badly and requiring several stitches to close the wound. He also suffered a general bruising as the result of the accident and will have to take an enforced layoff as the result of the accident.

Chickens from This City for the C. M. T. C.

Farmers Co-Operative Creamery Ships 300 Dressed Chickens to Fort Crook for Students

From Tuesday's Daily—The poultry department of the Farmers Co-Operative Creamery in this city was a very busy place yesterday afternoon when a force of several workmen was on hand to prepare some 300 dressed chickens for shipment to Fort Crook to be used in feeding the members of the training force of the Citizens Military Training camp.

Chickens is on the menu of the student soldiers twice a week and the mess officer of the camp seeking some of the real tender and high class chickens of Cass county came here and entered his order with the local creamery to supply the quota for the Wednesday chicken dinner.

The chickens were cleaned and dressed and chilled here and taken to Fort Crook today for delivery to the post kitchens for the use of providing a toothsome feast for the young soldiers.

WILL LEAVE THE CITY

From Tuesday's Daily—Mrs. J. M. Patterson and children, Tom and Jane, are leaving the city the last of the week for their new home at Wheeling, West Virginia, where Mr. Patterson is now located and where they expect to make their home in the future. They are to make the trip by auto and will enjoy a stop at several of the cities enroute to Wheeling.

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Roddy Family Pay Honor to Aged Member

Hon. Patrick Roddy and Mrs. Roddy Guests of Honor at Arbor Lodge Party Sunday.

Patrick Roddy, 87 years of age, and one of the early settlers of Nebraska, who came to this state in 1863, and Mrs. Roddy, were centers of attraction at the annual picnic of the Roddy family held at Arbor Lodge state park at Nebraska City last Sunday.

More than 60 relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Roddy, the latter living on the old home place north of Nebraska City, as well as relatives of the late John Roddy, who preceded Patrick to the United States from County West Maath, Ireland, by several years, participated in the reunion.

The reunion of the Roddy family has been an annual occurrence for many years, and the last three years it has been held at Arbor Lodge State Park. The picnic, by custom, is held the first Sunday after August 15th, the date of the wedding anniversary of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Roddy.

Patrick Roddy, who filed on the old homestead where he still resides, way back in the sixties, is still hale and hearty. He is possessed of a clear mind and can recite early day history with startling correctness.

In speaking of the event, the Nebraska City News-Press pays the following tribute to this venerable old citizen:

"Mr. Roddy was one of the early navigators of the Missouri river and holds a captain's commission in the Mississippi and its tributaries, which at that time included the Missouri. For five years he was captain of the steamer, H. C. Nutt, a transfer boat operating between Omaha and Council Bluffs. At various times he operated a steamer as captain between Omaha and Joseph, and like his brother, the late John Roddy, who preceded him to this country by five years, he was recognized as a good sailor and navigator.

"To Patrick Roddy's accomplishments credit because of his activities as a sound citizen. Having been elected to the house of representatives of the state legislature in 1895, he was again returned to that office in 1897, and it was during those years as a member of the lawmaking body of this state that he fathered the High school bill, which provides for children who are graduates of rural schools attending the high schools of the cities and villages.

"Patrick Roddy's eyes glinted as he told of his contest to have all children be given equal opportunities, as he expressed it. 'Right here in Nebraska City they put up an awful howl when I introduced that measure, but the people of today realize I was right,' said Mr. Roddy. 'I had offered to pay tuition for my children provided they were permitted to attend high school here, but the members of the board of education would not listen, so I had myself elected to the legislature and then put through the bill I wanted. Later my critics conceded I was right. I used to like a good scrap and the way I took my opponents down the line on that high school matter was sure a caution.'

"Although he came to the United States in 1863, Patrick Roddy never again visited the scenes of his youth. 'What would I want to go over there for,' he remarked, 'when I live in the best country on the face of the globe. I was there too long as it was, and anyway, I like this country, and especially Otoe county, where I have made so many good friends.'

"Mrs. Roddy once paid a visit to old Ireland and visited for a few months, but she said she was satisfied with one trip and that she has never had any desire to go again."

It was a happy gathering that assembled at the annual picnic. The old, the middle-aged and the kiddies indulged in an old-fashioned picnic, the like of which is seldom witnessed anywhere.

Among those present at the reunion from distant points were Mr. and Mrs. Roddy McCarty and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred F. Clark, York; Dr. and Mrs. A. Navaux, Beatrice; Mr. and Mrs. Hollister, Lincoln; Roy Mullis and family, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Banning, Alvo; C. W. Conklin, state adjutant of the American Legion, and Mrs. Conklin, of Lincoln, while the relatives from nearby were Elmer Witherow and family, Jack Roddy and family, Paul Hanley and family and Miss Mamie O'Donnell, Union; Mike Roddy and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Shanahan and daughter, Miss Frances, and Mrs. C. E. Witherow, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shelinger, Mrs. Anna Heafey, John Heafey, Nebraska City.

Superintendent and Mrs. R. E. Bailey and their little son have returned home from their summer outing on the Pacific coast and Mr. Bailey is now preparing to get into the harness of school work.