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Webster County Bank

A Hero Dies

“OUR HERO” started early at half-past in Red Cloud last week. Citizens spoke in subdued voice of what this signified.

The mantle of Death had cast a shadow of sorrow over the entire community.

Somewhere in France a soldier—dead.

Somewhere in Webster county a home bereft.

About five o'clock last Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Cather, of Catherin precinct, received message from the War Department conveying the sad tidings of the death of their son, G. P. Cather, Jr.

So far as known, he is the first Webster county soldier “killed in action,” and the sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved wife and parents.

Lieutenant Cather was born and reared near Bladen. He was a nephew of Willa Sibert Cather, the author. His parents are prominent pioneer farmers and large land owners living south of Bladen and his wife is the daughter of a wealthy retired farmer living in Bladen. He served one enlistment in the navy. Afterward returned to Bladen, married and engaged in wheat growing on a large scale. When Company K of the Fifth Nebraska national guard regiment was formed at Blue Hill, Cather became quartermaster sergeant. He served on the Mexican border in 1916.

After war began with Germany, Cather attended an officers' training camp at St Paul, Minn., and went to France as a lieutenant in the infantry. He was considered an expert soldier when serving in the Nebraska national guard, and attended two sharp shooting contests, one in New Jersey and one in Florida.

He went to France in the summer of 1917 and there with other officers received special training. In letters written some little time since he spoke of having taken part in several battles.

Lieutenant Cather is survived by his parents, his widow, two brothers, Frank and Oscar, and a sister, Mrs. O. L. Lindgren.

Last Sunday morning a memorial service was held in the opera house at Bladen, Rev. Bell in charge. Over two thousand people were present. The service flag was lowered, the star for Lieutenant Cather removed and replaced by a gold one.

Masons, Home Guards and other patriotic organizations were in attendance.

Lieutenant Grosvenor P. Cather fought the good fight—made the great sacrifice—for God, for home, for his country. He lived for the right, fought for the right, and died as he had lived. Honor to him.

Christian Church Notes

SUNDAY, JUNE 16TH PROGRAM
11 a. m. Flag Day service. Adding stars to the Service Flag. Report of war committee will be given. Study the history of the Flag.

2 p. m. Union Service under leadership of Dr. Hanson at the Orpheum. An important meeting for the city.

The Christian church rejoices in the growing of Church Union, and will be glad when the fellowship of Christ overcomes sectarianism.

Baptist Church Notes

Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8:30 P. M.

Friday evening an ice cream social will be given on the church lawn from 7 to 10 o'clock, for the purpose of raising money to secure a bell for the church. A special invitation is extended to all to attend.

Sunday School at 10 A. M. Children's day exercises will be held after Sunday School.

No preaching Sunday evening on account of a lecture at the Orpheum by Dr. Hanson of Kansas City, Mo.

A June Bride

At 12 o'clock, at the home of the parents, Miss Irene Pegg and Mr. George Ramsey were united in marriage by Rev. J. L. Beebe performing the ceremony which was witnessed by a large number of relatives of the contracting parties.

The bride wore a handsome gown of white tulle and georgette crepe, the groom appearing in conventional blue. Miss Marie Pegg was bridesmaid and Mr. Roy Fitz best man.

Beautiful decorations in patriotic colors adorned parlor and dining room and a large wedding bell under which the happy couple were united, gave a finishing touch to the artistic ensemble.

Josephine Reigle rendered the wedding march while the bridal couple took their places for the ceremony, after which a bounteous wedding dinner was served to the assembled guests.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Pegg, a graduate of Red Cloud High School, a successful teacher and a young lady of charm and grace.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Ramey, respected farmers of Webster county, and a young man worthy of the bride he has won.

On Monday a reception in honor of the newly married couple was held at the home of the groom's parents, and numberless friends of both these young people wish them a long continuance of the life-voyage so auspiciously started.

Chautauqua Information

The community that supports a Chautauqua is a community that is on the map—a community with mettle that forges ahead.

Attorney H. S. Foe has received two very interesting letters the length of which precludes full publication.

First—and make special note of this—President Wilson wrote an autograph letter to the president of the International Lyceum and Chautauqua Association thanking the organization for the good work it is doing and especially commending the Chautauqua as having, by reason of the war gained a new opportunity for service—hoping that the people will not fail in the support of a patriotic institution that may be said to be an integral part of the nation's defense. Strong words, these, from a strong man. Take heed of them.

Second, The Chautauqua dates for Red Cloud have been set for July 24 to 30, inclusive. “This year gives us a glorious opportunity and we must make the most of it. President Wilson, vice-president Marshall, Secretary McAdoo, National Red Cross Chairman Henry P. Davison, Secretary Baker all commend the Chautauqua.”

The program in detail will be given later. It is unusually strong this year and includes Miss Marie van Gestel a Belgian Red Cross nurse, Dr. Robert O. Matthews official Red Cross speaker, official current War Pictures issued by the government, Over Seas Male Quartette, big Military Band, Ladies Quartette, Ole Theobaldi Norwegian violinist, Oxford Operatic Co., Charles Brandon Booth, Strickland Gillilan, the Children's Chautauqua, and other numbers. All in all, a rare treat.

First Month's Business

The Farmer's Union Co-operative Co. of Red Cloud, point with pride to the record of their first month's business. They bought two hundred and seventy ten-gallon cans of cream and one hundred and seventy cases of eggs. Prospects are favorable for a still higher run in their second month's business. Mr. J. F. Edwards, manager, informs us that the company makes a special point of fair weights and tests, thereby protecting its patrons in every way, even to correction of error, should any occur. He also adds that the patronage is highly satisfactory and appreciated.

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Christian Church Program FOR JUNE, 1918

- June 2—Sammie's Day
- June 9—Children's Day
- June 16—Flag Day Service
- June 23—Women's Day
- June 30—Woodrow Wilson's Day

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