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## Mrs. Jessie Hall Called to Last Award Last Night

Lifetime Resident of This Community Passes Away After Illness of Some Duration.

From Thursday's Daily  
Last evening at the family home at 8th and Granite streets, Mrs. Jessie G. Hall, lifetime resident of this community passed away following an illness that has covered the last several months. Mrs. Hall has for the greater part of the time in recent weeks been confined to her bed, and but little hope of her recovery entertained by the family.

In her long residence here Mrs. Hall had been an active worker in the Christian church of which she had been a member since childhood and also was very active in the W. C. T. U. and one of the leaders in its work.

Jessie Gertrude Wiles, daughter of Captain and Mrs. Isaac Wiles, pioneer residents of Nebraska, was born on November 20, 1863, at the Wiles homestead located at the southwest boundary of the city. She grew to womanhood in this community and was a member of the first graduating class of the Plattsmouth high school in 1882. She had been active in the social life of the city up until her health became such as to make necessary her retirement from the greater part of her activities. In 1883 she was married in this city to Dr. Joseph H. Hall, they locating in the home on Granite streets and in that neighborhood her life has been spent. Mrs. Hall is survived by the husband, two children, Isaac James Hall of this city and Mrs. Mont Soule of Chicago; five brothers, T. Frank Wiles of Omaha, L. L. Wiles of this city, Ray Wiles of St. Louis; Marshall Wiles, Minutaire, Nebraska; A. L. Wiles, Syracuse, Neb.; three sisters, Mrs. Benjamin Dean of Glenwood; Mrs. Major A. Hall of Grant, Nebraska, and Mrs. Ursula Erratt of Los Angeles.

In the loss that has come to them the family will have the deepest sympathy of the many friends in this community in their loss.

### ENTERTAIN GUESTS

The Rev. and Mrs. T. Porter Bennett and the Rev. and Mrs. Carl C. Buder, all of Falls City, Nebraska, were Wednesday evening dinner guests at the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Troy of this city.

The Rev. and Mrs. Bennett recently returned from a honeymoon trip abroad where they leisurely toured the countries of Europe and the Holy Land. While in England the Rev. Mr. Bennett attended the Edinburgh University for six months, taking a special post-graduate course in advanced theology under world famous scholars. He also holds degrees from colleges and universities in this country. Mrs. Bennett who is a niece of former Governor Weaver is also very brilliant and accomplished, having spent five years as a missionary in India. Mr. Bennett will fill the pulpit of the First Methodist church of this city, next Sunday morning as a guest speaker. His theme will be based on his observations while in Palestine. All are invited to hear this scholar, orator and world traveler Sunday morning.

### GOES WITH THE "PACKERS"

Joe Kreljel of this city, who has been playing baseball for the past two seasons during the summer vacation with the Murray Red Sox, is having a shot at minor league ball. Joe has been at Omaha for the past few days, working out with the Omaha team of the Western league. His work has greatly impressed the Omaha management and he has been tendered a contract with the team but will take some more time to fully determine if he wishes to take up professional ball. Joe, who plays the outfield positions, left with the Packers today in their road trip through the league, one of the last swings of the season.

Kreljel has shown himself a real athlete in his school and college career and is a natural born baseball player, having a splendid judgment in his fielding work and a hitter who would be a tower of strength to any team.

### GIVE FRIENDS A "RIDE"

From Thursday's Daily  
Last evening Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Ptak were "taken for a ride" by a large number of their friends, who joined in welcoming them into the circle of the wedded. The bridal couple, who were married last Saturday, were seated in a buggy, attached to one of the autos and followed by some twelve auto loads of the jolly friends. The party made a tour of the business section of the city and then returned to the Ptak home in the Herold apartments.

## County Superintendents Hold Meeting Here

District School Heads Here to Meet with Miss Alpha Peterson, Cass County Superintendent.

County school superintendents of the second district of the state teachers' association, were here Wednesday to hold a round table conference at the office of Miss Alpha C. Peterson, county superintendent of Cass county.

These meetings are for the purpose of discussing the school work and needs of the various sections in the line of educational work and have proven most helpful for the school heads.

There were representatives of Otoe, Saunders, Sarpy, Butler, Douglas, Washington, Dodge and Cass counties present to take part in the discussion of the problems of school management.

Those who attended were: Superintendent W. A. Odman of Wahoo; Superintendent G. W. Dudley, of Papillion; Superintendent Mrs. Agnes Holland and daughter of David City; Superintendent H. W. Eaton of Omaha; Superintendent Lester F. Bedford and wife of Blair; Superintendent J. I. Ray and wife of Fremont; Superintendent Charles Speedie of Nebraska City; Superintendent Miss Alpha Peterson of Plattsmouth; L. S. Devore, city superintendent of Plattsmouth, was also a member of the conference as he is a newcomer in the second district teachers.

### TRAIN SERVICE NORMAL

The train service into this city from the north and west, interrupted by the heavy rains and the flood in the Pappio valley, is now back to normal. The Missouri Pacific was able to resume their schedule Sunday but the Burlington was not able to get their tracks on the Omaha-Oreapolis line repaired until Tuesday and the first train to get in was Wednesday morning.

The Burlington tracks on the South Omaha short line, which bore the full force of the Pappio flood are still torn up south of Fort Crook and in most of the places not even a trace of the once roadbed can be found in the Pappio valley, while in other places the ties and rails were twisted and piled up by the force of the water.

### VISITING IN THE CITY

From Thursday's Daily  
Mrs. C. R. Lynch of Kearney and brother, Edward Farnham of Hyannis, Nebraska, who have been visiting in Missouri, came in this morning for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Farnham and family. Mrs. Clara Jefferies, who accompanied the party to Missouri, will remain there for a short time. Miss Alice Jefferies of this city, will accompany her brother and sister on their journey Friday and will visit at the old home at Central City for a short time before school opens.

### TO VISIT COLORADO

From Saturday's Daily  
This evening Dr. and Mrs. Frank L. Cummins and Mrs. Kittle Roberts departed for Lincoln where they will visit over night with Dr. Edgar D. Cummins, departing with Dr. Cummins on Sunday for a trip to the west. They will enjoy a visit at various points in Colorado for the next week or ten days and to view the many pleasant scenes of the mountain country.

## Board Acts to Lower Valuation of Farm Lands

Cass County Land Now Placed on Same Basis as the Neighboring Counties.

Plattsmouth, Nebr., August 17, 1932.  
Editor Plattsmouth Journal,  
Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

About a couple of weeks ago you were courteous enough to publish the application which the Taxpayers League of Cass County, Nebraska, and the Board of Equalization of Cass County, Nebraska, made to the State Board of Equalization for a special reduction on the assessed value of farm lands in Cass county as compared with Otoe, Johnson, Nemaha and Richardson counties, showing that Otoe county was assessed \$7.74 per acre less than Cass; Johnson \$30.63; Nemaha \$14.86 and Richardson \$18.73.

I noticed a published statement given out by the state tax commission which was published in the Bee-News which shows that in the reduction made this year by the State Board of Equalization, Cass county got a reduction of \$4.58 more than Richardson; \$6.93 more than Johnson; \$4.01 more than Nemaha, and \$1.77 more than Otoe county. This shows that the State Board of Equalization gave consideration to the application filed by the Taxpayers League of Cass county, with the result that a reduction from \$1.77 to \$6.93, or approximately an average reduction in Cass county of \$4.00 an acre more than the other four counties received. This will mean a benefit of several hundred dollars to the farmers of Cass county.

If this is of interest, I would be glad to have you give it space in your paper.

A. L. TIDD.

### COMPLETES WORK

Paul Wohlfarth, who had the contract for the re-roofing of the Central and Columbian school buildings, has completed his task and given the board of education a splendid piece of work in a lasting and well made roof. The work is of the best and an added satisfaction is the fact that the material and labor used was all Plattsmouth product. Mr. Wohlfarth had the other carpenters who had bid on the roof assist him in putting on the roof and secured all of his material from the local dealers. This co-operation is a matter that adds to community prosperity by the use of home material and labor wherever possible. The roof is one of the well known mule hide roofing.

### MANY VISIT THE CITY

The attendance at the Wednesday night bargain festival, a weekly feature of a group of the local business houses, was the largest that it has been at any time this season. A large number were in the city from the nearby localities and to take part in the great buying fete offered by the local merchants. The public speaking system that has been installed as part of the program of the evening also added to the interest and kept the large crowd interested.

As a special feature of the Wednesday evening program, the Rock Bluffs orchestra, composed of Sherd Graves, Perry Graves and Paul Shera, gave several musical number which were broadcast through the loud speakers.

### ENJOY MOTOR TRIP

Friday afternoon Mrs. Fred Hinz, Mrs. H. A. Meisinger, Mrs. Howard Wiles and son, Howard, Jr., and Jeanette Hinz, departed for Ithica, Nebraska. The party made the trip by auto and with Robert Hinz as the official driver of the party. While at Ithica, they will be guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Schneider, the latter a sister of the ladies of the party. They will remain in the Saunders county town for several days.

Journal Want-Ads cost only a few cents and get real results!

### FORMER TEACHER HERE

Miss Evelyn Stewart, who was formerly a teacher in the Plattsmouth city schools, is here for a visit with old friends and school associates, being a house guest of Misses Elizabeth and Emma Hinz. Miss Stewart is now a member of the teaching staff of the Detroit city schools, considered one of the finest school organizations in the country. Miss Stewart has been visiting at her home at Waco, Nebraska, and is now en route east to resume her teaching work. The many friends are delighted to meet Miss Stewart again and this has been especially pleasing to the former students of this talented teacher.

## Harry Bottorff Again in Custody of the Law

Man Once Held as Suspect in Murdock Bank Robbery Arrested in South Dakota.

The period of liberty from the Nebraska penitentiary for Harry Bottorff covered a little over a month and he now faces another long sentence in either Nebraska or South Dakota.

The prisoner, who at one time was suspected of being one of the robbers of the bank at Murdock in Cass county, was paroled from the Nebraska state prison in July, from a charge of jail breaking. His parole was hardly signed when he was suspected of being involved in a series of daring holdups in this state. He was arrested on Friday at Moberge, South Dakota.

The residents of Cass county will recall the daylight robbery of the Bank of Murdock and the arrest a few days later at Council Bluffs of two men whom it was thought might have been involved in the robbery. Later Bottorff and his companion, Banning, were identified by Murdock residents as being the two men that had stuck up the bank. For safe keeping Sheriff Reed of Cass county had the men confined in the Douglas county jail at Omaha. On July 16, 1931, the two men staged a sensational escape from the jail and terrified the residents of near the court house as they made a mad dash for liberty. Bottorff was captured a few days later, then the irony of the case was revealed when a trio from Kansas were arrested and confessed the Murdock robbery, but Bottorff had won himself a penitentiary sentence by his attempt to escape.

It is thought that South Dakota will hold the prisoner for trial in that state.

### ENTERTAIN FOR GUEST

From Saturday's Daily  
Last evening Mrs. James G. Mauzy and Mrs. James T. Begley entertained most pleasantly at the Mauzy home in the south part of the city in honor of Miss Beulah Thomas, of Stroud, Oklahoma, who is here as a guest of friends, as well as Mrs. Verdon Vroman of Chicago, sister of Mr. Mauzy.

The occasion was an eight o'clock bridge and the home was tastefully arranged with the right hued flowers of the late summer season.

In the playing Mrs. Verdon Vroman was winner of the first honors, while the second prize was awarded to Mrs. E. H. Barnhardt.

The members of the party were treated to dainty refreshments at the close of the evening, the hostesses being assisted by Mrs. B. A. Rosencrans in the serving.

### STRUCK BY CAR

While Riley McFarland, one of the old residents here, was engaged in crossing Main street near the Third street intersection, Friday afternoon, he was struck by an auto and injured. The car, driven by A. E. Johnson of Council Bluffs, was coming east on Main street and Mr. McFarland failed to see the car coming and was in the path of the car before he realized his danger. The injuries were not dangerous, he having one arm bruised to some extent while his neck was slightly spained in the wreck.

## Stander Reunion Held Sunday at Old Farm Home

Basket Dinner Spread in Grove One of Enjoyable Features—Large Number are Present.

The annual reunion of the Stander family was held Sunday at the old farm home of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stander, prominent pioneers of Cass county and was largely attended by the descendants of this grand old couple and by other branches of the Stander family who live in this vicinity.

Everyone brought along baskets of lunch and a bountiful dinner was served in the grove. After the dinner there were various amusements, but the principal enjoyment was the visiting together and comparing of notes since the last meeting.

Among those present from a distance were Frank Stander and family, of Omaha; August Stander, of Elmwood and members of his family; members of the Chris Mockenhaupt family, including Mr. and Mrs. Roman Maier and family, of Louisville; Carl Stander and members of his family from Greenwood; George Stander and family, of Plattsmouth; Henry Stander and family, of near South Bend; Peter Spangler and family, of Weeping Water; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marquardt, of Avoca; Louis Stander and two children of Archer; James Stander, Peter C. Stander and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cleghorn, Arthur Stander and son, Robert, Mrs. Bedella Stander and daughter, Gertrude, all of Louisville. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sack and family now are tenants of the old farm, which is owned by Henry Stander, and they were also among those present at the dinner.

Probably the most interesting of the out of town relatives present at the reunion were the two daughters of August Stander, of Elmwood, who have taken the veil and are now Sister Redempta, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and Sister Alexine, of Sacred Heart convent, Omaha. Both teach in Catholic schools. — Louisville Courier.

### RETURNS FROM EAST

From Saturday's Daily  
This morning at 2:30 Rev. O. G. Wichmann, pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church, arrived home from a visit of two weeks in the east. Rev. Wichmann and Paul Iverson, his companion, reached here after a drive of 850 miles with the only stops for water, gas and a little food occasionally.

They had a most pleasant trip and spent the greater part of the time in Washington, D. C., where Rev. Wichmann visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Day, the latter a daughter, while Mr. Iverson engaged with his brother John, who is engaged in government work in that city. Rev. Wichmann also enjoyed a visit at New York City, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, St. Louis and several of the smaller cities on his route.

### VISITS AT CHICAGO

Charles Nowacek departed Friday night for Chicago where he will spend some time visiting with his uncle, John Waga, and enjoying the many points of interest of the great city. Mr. Nowacek has not been in the best of health for some time and was confined to his bed a part of the time in the last few weeks. Having a short vacation from his work at the BREX shops he decided to take a trip to the east to visit with the uncle and enjoy a rest.

### SUFFERS FROM ASTHMA

From Friday's Daily  
This morning Mr. and Mrs. Adam Meisinger and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Durell of Cedar Creek, were visitors in the city. Mr. Durell came here to receive medical treatment, he having been suffering from hay fever as well as asthma and which have been so severe that Mr. Durell has been unable to look after his usual activities and has suffered a great deal. While here Mr. and Mrs. Meisinger were engaged in looking after some business matters.

### RETURNS FROM VACATION

From Saturday's Daily  
County Attorney and Mrs. W. G. Kieck and little daughter, who have been enjoying a week's outing at Lake Okiboji, Iowa, returned home last evening. They have enjoyed very much the outing and the visit at the popular Iowa resort, where so many of the residents of Omaha, Sioux City and Des Moines, have their summer homes. With the return home Mr. Kieck has again taken up the grind of the office and handling the wrongdoers who may some his way.

## County Fair Boosters will Tour Tuesday

Headed by Weeping Water and Lewiston Bands They Will Visit Each Town.

The booster club of Weeping Water, in the interest of our Cass county fair, will make a tour of the entire county on next Tuesday and to extend the invitation to the residents of all sections to attend the county exposition, one of the best that is held in the state.

The caravan will be accompanied by the Weeping Water band as well as the Lewiston band and the schedule of the trip will be as below:

	Ar.	Lv.
Weeping Water	8:00 a. m.	
Avoca	8:15	8:30
Nebraska	8:45	9:00
Union	9:15	9:30
Murray	9:30	9:45
Mynard	10:00	10:15
Plattsmouth	10:30	11:00
Cedar Creek	11:30	11:45
Louisville	12:00	1:30 p. m.
South Bend	1:45	2:00
Ashland	2:15	2:45
Greenwood	3:00	3:15
Alvo	3:30	3:45
Eagle	4:00	4:15
Elmwood	4:30	4:45
Murdock	5:00	5:15
Wabash	5:30	5:45
Weeping Water	6:00	Adjourn

### ENTERTAINS FOR FRIEND

From Friday's Daily  
Last evening August Bach was host to a "stag" card party given for Father Marcelles Agius, who leaves the coming week for his new charge in Saunders county. The event was a surprise and the guest of honor arrived at the Bach home to find the rooms filled with the friends who joined in the surprise.

The time was spent in playing pinocle and in which Adolph Koubeck was the winner of the first prize while the consolation was awarded to Edward Gabelman.

The departure of Father Marcelles causes a great deal of regret among the many friends that he has made in the community where he has made his home for the past four years, as was attested by the general expression of sorrow that he is leaving the charge here so soon.

At the close of the evening a most delightful luncheon was served by Mrs. Bach, who was assisted in serving by Mrs. Joseph Libershal.

### PACKING PLANT VISITING HOURS

The Norfolk Packing Co. is delighted to have visitors at their plant to look over the work of canning the vegetables and making them ready for market. The company has set their visiting hours from 8 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. This is to permit all who wish to see the plant in operation and provide competent guides who will accompany the visitors through the plant and explain the details of the operation of the machines in the process of preparing the vegetables for the market.

There will be no admission to the plant after 6 p. m. as there is no one there at that time to guide the visitors through. Those who are wishing to visit the plant are welcome, but are asked to come at the regular visiting hours in the future.

### HERE FROM THE WEST

Mrs. Charles M. Parker is entertaining her sister, Mrs. W. T. Truelson and daughter, Miss Margaret, of Los Angeles. Mrs. Truelson was formerly Miss Harriett Murray of this city and her many old friends are delighted with the opportunity of having her with them.

## First Circus of the Season Coming Soon

Russell Brothers Circus Will Show at the Washington Avenue Ball Park August 31st.

The first circus of the year, and possibly the only one this season, will exhibit for one day only in Plattsmouth, Wednesday, August 31.

Three-fourths of the tented shows on the road this year are traveling by fleets of trucks. There are several good reasons for their adoption, but the main one is that the costs of operating the show is so greatly reduced that the management can afford to give the public the benefit of the saving by reducing their prices of admission.

The Russell Bros. Circus may be new in this territory, but it is not a new venture in the circus world, as it has been well established for several years and has created a reputation for being honorably conducted and for presenting clean, meritorious entertainment. Modest in its claims as to its size, the Russell Circus does require three rings, to present its program and it keeps all three rings occupied most of the time, the only exceptions being when some outstanding feature is being presented, such as Zeldo, the greatest head-balancer in the world and who walks on his head, or when "Rubber" the world's best trained elephant is introduced to the audience.

Like all other big shows, the Russell Circus has eliminated its parade, but it does feature the "highest class circus in the world," claiming to present more novelties and surprises than any show of recent years. Its program is so vastly different from that of other circuses that it is often referred to as "the show that is different."

In former years a circus always had its biggest attendance in the afternoon, and often at night the big tent would not be half filled. In late years the reverse is true. Seldom is there a night show with the Russell Circus that people are not turned away. The management prefers to have the tent filled in the afternoon, because then all who do see the Russell Circus in the afternoon will leave the tent pleased, enthused, and will become walking advertisements for the night performance. The fact is that as far as the performance is concerned, there is not the slightest difference between the afternoon and night performances, except possibly the night show being given under the electric lights, the arena may appear brighter. However, on dark or rainy days the Russell Circus operates its electric light plant for the matinee show the same as it does at night.

The Russell Bros. Circus will exhibit on Washington avenue ball grounds, giving performances at 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. and presenting a free exhibition on the show grounds at 1:30 and 7:30 p. m.

### HAS ARM INJURED

From Friday's Daily  
Jimmie Webb, who made a trip through the south with a group of Boy Scouts and returned without accident or injury, this morning suffered the dislocation of one of the bones in his wrist. Jimmie was engaged in riding a pony when he fell off the steed and lit on his arm. It was first thought that the arm was fractured but it was found that one of the bones was dislocated and was soon snapped back in place.

### TO MAKE HOME HERE

Mrs. Maude Fricke and children, Jane, Marion and Frederick, who have for the past several years made their home at Nelson, Nebraska, are to again become residents of Plattsmouth. Mrs. Fricke and family are locating in the apartments in the Union block formerly occupied by the late Mrs. Alice Eaton, mother of Mrs. Fricke. The many friends will be pleased to have this estimable family again residents of the city.

The Journal will appreciate your phoning in news items. Call No. 8. Thanks!