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## William Dowd Killed at Rock Island Crossing

Lincoln Resident Returning From Plattsmouth, Instantly Killed as Train Hits Car.

William Dowd, 63, a resident for many years near Greenwood, but now living at Lincoln, was instantly killed on Saturday afternoon when his car was struck by a Rock Island train at the crossing three miles west of South Bend.

The crossing is a very dangerous one as the view of the track is obscured both from the north and south and the driver of the car apparently did not see the east bound passenger train, No. 6, as it bore down on him. The impact demolished the car and badly mangled the unfortunate driver.

Mr. Dowd was alone in the car, he being en route to his home after being at Plattsmouth to look after some business matters at the court house.

Sheriff Homer Sylvester was notified of the accident and drove to the scene of the accident and had the body brought here to the Horton funeral home where it was held until later when taken to Lincoln.

Mr. Dowd was born and reared on a farm near Greenwood in Lancaster county, practically all of his life, operating a farm until ten years ago when the family moved to Lincoln and have resided at 620 South 26th street in that city.

He is survived by the widow, Margaret Dowd and two brothers, Tom of Omaha and Martin of Greenwood.

Mr. Dowd was a candidate for the office of sheriff of Cass county on the democratic ticket some twenty years ago against C. D. Quinton and a few years ago opposed Bert Reed for the republican nomination but was defeated.

The crossing where the accident occurred is known as "deadman's crossing," where several accidents have occurred in the past and where a man named Hennings was killed in 1895.

## DEATH OF YOUNG MAN

The death of Roy Meisinger, one of the well known and popular farmers of this community, occurred Sunday night at the family home on the P. A. Meisinger farm near this city.

Mr. Meisinger had been ill for a short time, first taking down with the mumps and in the last few days suffered from complications that led to his death last night.

The deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Meisinger, prominent residents of the county and was born and grew to manhood in the community where he was called to the last rest.

He is survived by the widow and two small daughters, Ellen and Marvel, as well as the parents, two sisters, Mrs. Ida Tschiren, Miss Verna Meisinger and four brothers, Ruben, Otto, Arnold and Elmer Meisinger, all residing in this community.

In the loss that has come to them the bereaved family will have the deepest sympathy of the host of friends over this section of the county.

The funeral of Mr. Meisinger will be held on Wednesday afternoon, a short service being held at the home at 1:30 and at Eight Mile Grove Lutheran church at 2 o'clock. Interment will be at the Glendale cemetery.

## MARRIED AT NEBRASKA CITY

The marriage of well known young people of Springfield and Louisville occurred on Monday afternoon at the court house at Nebraska City, when Miss Ella M. Nicholson of Springfield and John O. Schlatter, of Louisville were wedded by Judge T. Simpson Morton. The wedding was witnessed by Mr. and Mrs. Pat Reed of this city, the latter a sister of the groom.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Nicholson, well known residents of Springfield community and where the bride was born and reared. The groom is a member of one of the well known families of Louisville and where the young people are expecting to make their home in the future.

## DETAILED TO GEORGIA

Friends here will be interested in learning that First Lieutenant DeLeugh W. Utter, former Plattsmouth young man, has been detailed to the army infantry school at Fort Benning, Georgia. Lieutenant and Mrs. Utter, who have been making their home at Lincoln for the past several years, are expecting to leave for the southern post on Monday, February 12. They are planning on making the trip by auto to the south.

## Rock Creek Filling Station Suffers Robbery

Two Bandits Hold Up Night Attendants Early This Morning and Make Way with \$17.50.

From Monday's Daily  
Early this morning at 3:30 Don Allen and Douglas Tilton, night attendants at the Rock Creek filling station, a mile east of Murray, were held up and robbed of the change left at the station, some \$17.50.

The two bandits entered the station and each carried a revolver with which they threatened the young men and demanded the money that they might have on hand, which was largely change as the main portion of the Sunday receipts of the station had been taken away by the day attendant.

The bandits were very thorough with their work and proceeded to cut the telephone line into the station as they left, making it necessary for one of the attendants to go to a neighboring place to call the sheriff.

The young men report the bandits driving an old type Jordan-S sedan and the numbers of which had been turned up so that it was impossible to see the license number of the car.

The officers patrolled the highways in this locality as well as notifying the Omaha police, but no car of the description given was found by them. Deputy Sheriff Lancaster was at Murray this morning to investigate further in the case and to check up towns to the south to see if a car of that description had been noticed.

## YOUNG PEOPLE HOLD SERVICES

The Presbyterian church held its annual young people's day at the morning hour on Sunday, one of the most interesting and enjoyable services being given by the young people of the church.

The scripture lesson of the day was given by Floyd Shanholts, while Miss Helen Waga gave a most interesting talk on "The Future of the Church Depends on the Training of the Young People of Today," a most impressive contribution to the services of the day.

The special musical features of the services was that of a string quartet which had been trained by Mrs. Grace Leidy-Burger of Omaha, this group comprising Mildred Knoefleek, Alice Hiatt, Lois Bestor, Rachel Robertson, the accompaniment being played by Mrs. Burger. Miss Harriett Goss also gave a delightful soprano solo as her part of the service.

The prayer response of the service was given by Miss Gertrude Valley, one of the active leaders in the young peoples work of the church.

The service was quite largely attended and proved an impressive demonstration of the work of the young people in the church activities.

## FIRE ALARM SUNDAY

The fire department was called to the residence of C. L. Martin on South Seventh street Sunday morning, shortly after 11 o'clock where it was found that a fire had become stopped up and was pouring smoke into the house in great quantities.

The chimney was finally burned out and the draft permitted the smoke being carried up the chimney instead of deluging the interior of the house.

The house was damaged to more or less extent by smoke, the kitchen especially suffering from this damage, while a small section around the chimney was scorched.

The prompt aid of the neighbors and members of the department cleared up the trouble before great damage was done.

## String Recital Pleases Large Crowd Saturday

Pupils of Mrs. Grace Leidy-Burger Present Fine Program at Public Library Auditorium.

The music lovers of the city had a fine treat given them Saturday evening at the public library auditorium when the pupils of Mrs. Grace Leidy-Burger were presented in recital and the residents of the community given the opportunity of enjoying the high class program.

The young people showed artistic skill in the numbers presented both as solo offerings and in the group selections and their numbers were received with hearty appreciation by the audience.

The accompanist for the recital was Miss Beatrice Knoefleek, who was also heard in a charming solo number.

The program of the evening was as follows:

War March of the Priests..... Mendelssohn  
Ensemble..... Mascagni

Petite Valse..... Mendelssohn  
Robert Hayes..... Mendelssohn

Soldiers March..... Mendelssohn  
John Tibball..... Mendelssohn

Polish..... Mendelssohn  
Robert LaRue..... Dancza

Fifth Air Valse..... Dancza  
Billie Reddie..... Zamecnik

Duet: Yeeter Dramas..... Zamecnik  
John Tibball, Violin; Marjorie Tibball, cello

To a Wild Rose..... MacDowell  
Fay Hennings..... Chilara

The Spanish Dancer..... Chilara  
Leo Welch..... Beethoven

Minuet in G..... Beethoven  
Roselan Miller..... Dvorak

Duet: Sonatina..... Dvorak  
Louis Knoefleek, violin; Beatrice Knoefleek, piano

Viola Solo: Spring Song..... Mendelssohn  
Wallace Terryberry..... Haesche

Gavotte Roccoco..... Haesche  
Billy Evers..... Drdla

Souvenir..... Drdla  
Edward Lorenz..... Saint Saens

Viola Solo: The Swan..... Saint Saens  
Rachel Robertson..... Chopin

Piano Solo: Nocturne..... Chopin  
Beatrice Knoefleek..... Romberg

Cello Solo: Sonata..... Romberg  
Bernard Knoefleek..... Hochstein

Minuet in Olden Style..... Hochstein  
Alice Hiatt..... Ries

Adagio..... Mildred Knoefleek  
Mildred Knoefleek..... Slunicko

Viola Quartette..... Slunicko  
Mildred Knoefleek, Lois Bestor, Alice Hiatt, Rachel Robertson

## HONOR SHOW CAST

From Tuesday's Daily  
Last evening the Wintersteen Hill Parent-Teachers association held a most delightful banquet at the Barnley cafe, the event honoring the members of the cast of "George in a Jam," recently presented as a benefit for the school.

The members of the cast comprised well known young people of the city and who were the guests of honor of the evening.

The banquet was arranged under a committee composed of Mrs. Roy Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rice, the latter two president and secretary of the association.

After the enjoyment of the fine repast prepared by the staff of the cafe, short talks were given by several of the group, Superintendent L. S. Devoe, C. H. Martin, Mrs. Lon Henry, Lawrence Sprecher, Frank Rice on behalf of the association, gave the appreciation that had been felt of the services of the members of the cast.

It is planned by the association to have a formal opening of the P. T. A. addition to the school building which has been made possible by the effort of the members, the use of CWA funds for labor and the donations made for material.

## GLOBE TROTTERS RETURNING

The Harlem Globe Trotters, colored basketball quintet, will appear in this city on Saturday, February 10, opposing the Plattsmouth Storz at the local high school gym. The Globe Trotters were here several weeks ago and gave a great exhibition of basketball playing, defeating the Storz by a large score and providing some clever entertainment for the large crowd.

The game will be held at 8 o'clock and should give the fans the opportunity for an hour of real pleasure.

## ELECTED "Y" PRESIDENT

Paul Iverson of Plattsmouth, a junior at Hastings College has been elected president of the college Y. M. C. A. for the coming year. Iverson has been an active member of the Y. M. C. A. Gospel team during the past three years, and was vice president of the organization last year. He is business manager of the Hastings College Bronco, a member of the Gamma Gamma Gamma and of the life work recruits. He will be installed in his new office February 15.

## Nehawka War Veteran Dies at N. C. Hospital

Albert Wolfe, of Nehawka, fatally wounded Sunday Unloading volvier; Died Monday.

Monday afternoon at the St. Mary's hospital at Nebraska City occurred the death of Albert Wolfe, 45, Nehawka war veteran, who was fatally injured at an early hour Sunday morning.

Gladys Wolfe, a daughter and a companion, Gayle Stoll, had returned last Sunday morning at an early hour from Lincoln and Miss Wolfe had with her a revolver that she carried for safety while driving along the highway. The father had taken the revolver and was unloading it, removing the cartridges and at the time had the barrel pointing toward him, when suddenly the revolver was discharged and the bullet penetrated the abdomen and finally lodged in the back, inflicting a wound that was to prove fatal.

The injured man was taken to the St. Mary's hospital, but despite all possible aid he continued to grow worse until death Monday afternoon. Mr. Wolfe is survived by his widow, Mrs. Etta Wolfe and the daughter, Gladys.

The deceased was a barber and at one time worked in this city for C. E. Martin and later worked at Omaha, Lincoln, Murray and Union and eventually located in Nehawka and where he was married to Miss Etta Munn. At the outbreak of the world war he entered the service of his country and served until the close of the war.

Mr. Wolfe had been engaged in conducting a cafe at Nehawka and Mrs. Wolfe has had charge of the telephone exchange at that place for some time.

The accident and its tragic consequence has come as a shock to the community where the Wolfe family was well known and the family has the sympathy of the entire community.

## RESTAURANT CHANGES

From Tuesday's Daily  
Today marked activity in the restaurant lines in the city with the result that a new addition is made to the eating places of the city and one of the older cafes makes a change in location.

The Brown cafe, which was formerly in the Hotel Riley building, has moved to its former location in the Leonard building, moving the equipment Monday afternoon and last evening and after an all night work had the place open for business at the usual hour this morning and saving the loss of a day's business.

The room in the Hotel Riley is being taken over by the Sewart cafe, operated by Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Stewart and whose equipment is being installed in the new location today. Despite the handicap of moving and getting settled, the Stewart cafe today was serving the weekly luncheon of the Rotary club, the meal being arranged in the kitchen of the hotel and was ready for the use of the Rotarians at the usual time.

## SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. George Taylor is reported as showing some improvement at the home in the north part of the city, where she has been confined since last Thursday. While at her household work she slipped and as the result of this accident had her hip dislocated. The injured member was set and the patient made as comfortable as possible under the circumstances.

## Funeral of Roy Meisinger on Wednesday

Services at the Eight Mile Grove Lutheran Church Very Largely Attended by Friends.

From Wednesday's Daily  
The funeral services of Roy Meisinger was held this afternoon at the Eight Mile Grove Lutheran church and attended by a large number of the relatives and friends to pay their last tributes to this fine young man who had been taken in the full flush of young manhood from the circle of his family.

The services were conducted by Rev. A. Lentz, pastor of the church who brought to the bereaved family words of comfort and hope in their dark hour of sorrow and separation from their loved one.

The English choir of the church gave several of the well loved hymns during the services that brought a beautiful touch to the last rites. The body was borne to the Glendale cemetery where it was laid to rest in the family plot in that city of the silent.

Roy Ernest Meisinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Meisinger, was born May 14, 1904 on the farm west of this city and where he grew to manhood and was educated in the schools of that community. Growing to manhood he followed his childhood training as a farmer and was so engaged when stricken down by the last illness.

On October 2, 1929, he was united in marriage to Miss Edna Mae Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hill, Jr., member of two of the pioneer families of that section of Cass county. To this union there were born two children, Ellen and Marvel, who with the mother survive the passing of this fine young man.

There are also left to share the sorrow of his death, the parents, two sisters, Mrs. Ida Tschiren, Verna, four brothers, Ruben, Otto, Elmer and Arnold.

The pall bearers were cousins of the deceased, Edgar, Victor and Alvin Meisinger, Fred and Walter Fjornoff and George Miller.

## ARREST ROBBER SUSPECTS

Deputy Sheriff Lancaster at Auburn Monday afternoon took into custody two young men of that place, Floyd A. Kyriss, 20, and Ellis P. Stringfield, 21, suspects in the robbery of the Rock Creek filling station Monday morning.

The young men were located at their home and brought on to this city where they were lodged in jail and given a thorough questioning as to the robbery and as the result of the investigation charges will be preferred against the two young men on the charge of robbery.

A third party is being questioned in regard to the robbery, having been a resident of the community where the robbery occurred and who it is thought may have had a part in the pickup of the oil station operators.

The arrests were made in record time after the robbery which occurred at 3:30 Monday morning and the two men were taken into custody shortly after noon Monday.

## BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Reuel Sack entertained at a birthday party for her son, Clayton, and Miss Wilma Mumm. The afternoon was spent in playing games. The guest received many useful presents. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. George Mumm, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Lockhart.

Those present were Wayne and Billy Lockhart, Derrel Wilson, Richard Cole, Junior and Edgar Vice, Jimmie Richardson, Rex Bourne, Raymond Albin, Clark Wiles, Austin and Norman Rhodes, Margaret and Delores Smith, Wilma Mumm, Richard and Clayton Sack.

## MARRIED HERE SATURDAY

At the residence of Rev. C. A. Pahl, Saturday, occurred the marriage of Miss Mary Antone of Kansas City and Homer H. Barnes, Sacramento, California. Following the wedding the bridal party returned to Omaha.

## ATTENDS CONFERENCE

From Wednesday's Daily  
E. H. Wescott was at Omaha today where he was in attendance at an all day conference of the state organization of the Y. M. C. A. of which Mr. Wescott has been a member for a number of years. The meeting was one that brought representatives from all sections of the state and proved one of the outstanding gatherings of this organization for many months. A luncheon at noon and banquet this evening will feature the event.

## Trio of Young Men Plead Guilty to Robbery

Men Charged with Robbery of Rock Creek Filling Station Bound Over to District Court.

The folly of crime and the sure and certain punishment that follows in its wake was strikingly shown Tuesday afternoon in the county court when three youthful men, the oldest 21, were before Judge A. H. Duxbury on the charge of robbery.

The three young men, Floyd A. Kyriss, Ellis P. Stringfield and Carl Park, were charged with the robbery of the Rock Creek filling station, one mile east of Murray early Monday morning.

The station was entered by two of the men and the attendants stuck up at the point of revolvers and robbed of \$17.50 and the robbers made their escape to Auburn where they were arrested several hours later by Deputy Sheriff Lancaster and returned to this city. Park was later arrested at Murray where he makes his home.

To the charge as preferred by County Attorney W. G. Kieck, the trio each entered a plea of guilty and were accordingly bound over to the district court for trial, their bond being fixed at \$1,000 each.

Owing to the absence of Judge Begley from the city the young men cannot be arraigned until his return from the south.

## FUNERAL OF MRS. HART

The funeral services of the late Mrs. Frances Valley Hart was held on Monday afternoon at the First Presbyterian church, where a large number of the old friends and neighbors had gathered to pay their last tribute of love and respect to this estimable lady.

Dr. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the church, had charge of the services and gave a short tribute to the departed lady and her long life in this community, also giving words of consolation and hope to the members of the bereaved family circle.

During the services two vocal numbers were given by Frank A. Cloldt, selections that had been favorites of the departed, "God Will Take Care of You," and "The Old Rugged Cross."

The pall bearers were grandsons of the deceased and the body was laid to rest at the Horning cemetery.

## ATTEND LEGION MEETING

A group of the members of the American Legion post of this city were at Ralston last evening where they attended the installation of the newly organized post of that place.

The new post and officers were installed by H. H. Dudley, state adjutant of the American Legion and who spoke at some length on the work of the Legion and the membership drive that is now in progress over the state.

Those from this city to attend were C. E. Ledgway, W. R. Holly, Fred Herber, George Conis, Thomas Walling, Pat Reed, James Farnham, Dr. G. L. Taylor, Albert Olson and M. D. Brown.

## ANOTHER AUTO CARAVAN

From Tuesday's Daily  
This morning at 2:30 another caravan of used cars being taken from Chicago to Denver, arrived in the city for a stop, the drivers of the cars being quartered at the Hotel Riley for the remainder of the night and departing this morning for the west. There were some twelve cars in the group, the second that has passed through the city for the west.

## River Work is Being Resumed at This Point

Several Additional Men Called Back in the Last Few Days as Pile Drivers Resume Work.

The work southeast of this city on the Missouri river is commencing to show renewed activity as the river clears of ice and permits the Farney Co., contractors, to start their operations again after a few weeks of idleness in the greater part of the lines of work.

There are several piledrivers at work now on the river bank placing the retaining piles and which has caused a number of the local men to be called back to duty. The local situation was helped as to labor by the fact that a number of the men from Iowa heretofore working on the pile drivers had been placed at work in the CWA projects and continued on with this work, allowing the employment of additional men in the Nebraska quota.

With the approach of spring it is expected that the work will be greatly expanded and larger forces added to all lines of the activity along the river.

## CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

A number of the school friends and acquaintances of Betty Ann Thomas were guests at a delightful birthday party held at the Thomas home in recognition of her ninth birthday anniversary. The event had been arranged by Mrs. Thomas and many interesting games and contests had been provided for the young folks.

The guest of honor received a number of very handsome gifts as remembrances of the occasion.

At a suitable hour delightful refreshments were served by Mrs. Thomas to add to the pleasures of the party, who comprised the following: Frankle Krejci, Georgia Carey, Mary Evers, Joan Tiekotter, Edith Taylor, Robert Grassman, Lars Larson, Catherine Conis, Robert Traudt, Mary Rishel, Raymond Evers, Katherine Shellenbarger, Dick Noble, Marion Prieke, Mary Jean Hatt, Thelma Kruger, Joe McMaken, Irma Taylor, Helen Hough, Donna B. Selvers, Ellen Winters, Rhoda Ries, Doris Lutz, Rachel McMaken, Ruth Westover, Mary Phyllis Soennichsen, Carol Lou Barnhardt, Helen Jane Kruger, Beverly Jean Thomas, and Miss Selma Diehm, teacher of the young people.

## RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Sam Arn who has been for several weeks at the Methodist hospital at Omaha, was able to return home Tuesday evening, his condition being such that permitted his removal. The young man was brought home in the Sattler ambulance and stood the trip in fine shape. He was operated on for double hernia and complications that followed made his case a severe one and it will be necessary for him to spend several weeks in recuperation before he can resume his regular duties.

## FUNERAL OF ROY MEISINGER

The funeral services of Roy Ernest Meisinger will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 from the home and at 2 o'clock from the Eight Mile Grove Lutheran church. The interment will be at the Glendale cemetery.

The body will be taken from the Sattler funeral home this afternoon to the home on the farm where it will lay in state until the funeral services.

## HAS TONSILS REMOVED

Martin Barnes of this city was operated on Monday for the removal of his tonsils, the operation being performed at the office of a local physician and Mr. Barnes is reported as doing very nicely following the ordeal.

From Tuesday's Daily  
Arthur and Louis Kief were at Omaha today for a few hours attending to some matters of business and visiting with friends in the metropolis.