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Frank N. Rauen, Old Resident, is Dead at Omaha

One of the Long Time Residents Succumbed to an Illness That Has Covered Past Two Years.

Sunday morning at 8:30 at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha occurred the death of Frank N. Rauen, 70, whose lifetime had been spent in this community where his family were early settlers.

For the past two years Mr. Rauen had been in failing health and in the last several months his condition grew so much worse that his recovery was recognized as a matter of doubt.

Frank N. Rauen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rauen, was born at St. Joseph, Missouri, November 5, 1863, and when eight months old was brought by his parents to Plattsmouth, where he had since made his home. The family located in the property at Eighth and Vine streets and which is still owned by the members of the family. Growing to manhood Mr. Rauen entered the services of the Burlington in their local shops and for many years was in the employ of the freight car repair department. Some eleven years ago he was retired from the railroad work and since that time had been busy in looking after the conduct of his real estate holdings.

On July 24, 1887, Mr. Rauen was married at Plattsmouth to Miss Mary Doyle, a member of one of the old families of the city, who with the son and five daughters survive his passing. The children are Peter Rauen, Omaha; Mrs. Rose Rich, Omaha; Mrs. R. R. McGrath, Omaha; Mrs. G. W. Squires, Fremont; Mrs. P. D. Fillmore, Omaha; Miss Margaret Rauen, residing at home. There are also five grandchildren to mourn his passing.

The funeral services will be held on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from the Sattler funeral home to the St. John's Catholic church, of which the deceased was a lifelong member. Interment will be at the Catholic cemetery.

The friends who wish to take a farewell of Mr. Rauen may call at the Sattler funeral home Tuesday morning from 7 to 9 o'clock.

COLORED FOLKS WRECKED

Saturday night shortly after 9 o'clock the office of Sheriff Homer Sylvester was notified that a car wreck had occurred on highway No. 75 just south of this city, in which a colored man and woman had been injured.

They had been en route from Council Bluffs to Topeka, Kansas, and had evidently partaken freely of some potent liquor that caused the driver of the car to have difficulty in keeping the car in the roadway, eventually overturning.

The parties were brought to the city and taken to the office of Dr. R. P. Westover where Dr. R. R. Anderson was to treat the injured lady. The patient was left in the rear office for a few moments while the surgeon prepared to treat the patient and when Dr. Anderson and Acting Deputy Sheriff Dr. G. L. Taylor visited the room the lady had flown.

Dr. Taylor made a search for the colored lady and finally located her on the streets where she had gone despite her injuries.

The two were taken back to Council Bluffs by friends and will be treated there.

APPROVE COUNTY SCHOOLS

County Superintendent Miss Alpha C. Peterson has received notice from the office of the state superintendent that three of Cass county's non-accredited high schools had been approved for state aid.

These schools are the two year high schools at Murray, Manley and Pleasant View in district No. 80, which have been proving among the best of the smaller high schools of the county.

These schools carrying only a two year course are not accredited to the University of Nebraska, but will under the approval of the state superintendent be eligible for their part of the state apportionment for Cass county schools for the 1934-35 apportionment of public funds.

DIES AT MASONIC HOME

The death of Mrs. Viola Spurrer, 65, occurred Sunday at the Nebraska Masonic Home where she had resided since March 23, 1931. The deceased lady was born at DeWitt, Nebraska, January 17, 1869 and spent the greater part of her lifetime in Nebraska. She was a member of Vesta chapter, No. 6, Order of the Eastern Star of Omaha. The funeral services will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the Glendale mortuary, the body being later taken to the Wyuka cemetery at Lincoln for burial.

Funeral of Little Ardythe Sylvester Largely Attended

Services Held at Sattler Funeral Home Sunday Afternoon—Burial at Oak Hill.

The chapel of the Sattler funeral home was filled to its capacity Sunday afternoon by the many friends of the Sylvester family to attend the last rites for little Ardythe Sylvester, whose tragic death Friday brought such a deep sorrow to the community.

The services were conducted by Rev. C. O. Troy, pastor of the First Methodist church, who in his remarks brought words of comfort and hope to the members of the bereaved family circle.

Mrs. Opal Turner Clements of Elmwood gave a solo number, the beautiful song, "Little Pink Rosebud," by Carrie Jacobs Bonds, while Mrs. Clements and Mrs. Cora Williams Reader gave two duets, "Precious Jewels," and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." The accompaniment was played by Miss Anna Williams of Elmwood.

Following the services the body was borne to the Oak Hill cemetery where it was laid to the last rest, the pall bearers being Stephen Davis, John Benton Livingston, Jr., Edward Hadraba and Carl Hula.

Those to attend the wedding breakfast were Mr. and Mrs. Roch Wesolowski, parents of the groom, Elizabeth, Joseph and Roy Wesolowski, Mr. and Mrs. Romy Wesolowski, Mr. and Mrs. Waddell, Edward and George Waddell, Mr. and Mrs. Kojdecki, Miss Mildred Bly, Mrs. George Kozlowski, all of Omaha; Miss Marie Barnes, Indianapolis, Indiana; Joseph McCarthy, Plattsmouth; Joseph McCarthy, Sr., Aurora, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McCarthy, Mr. and Mrs. William Hansell, Miss Dorothy McCarthy, Clifford Hardison, Mrs. Lester Gaylord of this city.

Last evening a dancing party and reception in honor of the newlyweds was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Hansell, on South 10th street. The festivities were staged on the lawn that was decorated with vari-colored lights and here the members of the party danced as well as showering the young people with their well wishes.

The bride was born and reared in this city where she was educated in the local schools and has a very large circle of friends who will join in wishing these happy young people the greatest of success.

The groom is connected with the Standard Barber Supply Co., of Omaha with which he has been employed for a number of years and is one of the prominent and popular young men of the South Side.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesolowski departed Monday night for Chicago for a short visit at the exposition and later will visit at Detroit with Mrs. W. G. Bassler, sister of the bride.

Wedding of Young People Occurs Monday

Miss Catherine McCarthy of This City Married to Mr. Robert Wesolowski at South Omaha.

On Monday morning at the St. Mary's church at 36th and Q streets, South Omaha, occurred the marriage of Miss Catherine McCarthy of this city and Mr. Robert Wesolowski of that city.

The nuptial mass was celebrated by the pastor of the church and the ceremony witnessed by a large number of the relatives of the contracting parties.

The bride was attended by Miss Elizabeth Kajdecki of Omaha and Miss Helen Koubek of this city as bridesmaids, while the attendants of the groom were Rudy Wesolowski, brother of the groom, and Mr. John V. Svoboda of Plattsmouth.

The bride was very charming in a gown of white ribbon taffeta, wearing the long flowing bridal veil and carried an arm bouquet of the bride roses.

Miss Kapdecki wore pale yellow organza and carried a shower of the pale yellow roses.

Miss Koubek was most attractively gowned in pale pink organza and her flowers was an arm bouquet of the pink roses.

The ladies wore head bands of roses.

The bridal party motored to Plattsmouth after the ceremony to enjoy a wedding breakfast at the Hotel Riley dining room which had been prepared by the Stewart cafe.

The bride's table was arranged with the large and handsome wedding cake which bore the tiny figures of a bride and groom as a fitting touch to the decorative plan of the wedding breakfast.

Mrs. E. P. Stewart and daughter, Mrs. Carl Kreager of Mynard, were in charge of the serving.

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NO TRACE OF P. B. CRUISE

No word or trace of P. B. Cruise, Eagle lumber dealer, who disappeared Friday noon, had been received Sunday night, a daughter said. Lincoln police and state officers had obtained no further information since the finding of his car in Lincoln Friday night, and the receipt of an envelope containing \$300 by Mrs. Cruise thru the mail Saturday.

Other acquaintances and business associates who have become interested in the mystery could not offer a single clue in evidence of his whereabouts, or the manner in which he disappeared after leaving the car late Friday.

FARM HOME BURGLARIZED

Monday afternoon while Mr. and Mrs. Don Rhoden, residing seven miles west of Murray, were absent from their home, their farm residence was burglarized. The parties secured entrance to the house and proceeded to loot the clothing of the family, taking away two suits belonging to Mr. Rhoden and two silk dresses of Mrs. Rhoden. In addition to the clothing taken the burglars stole a large feathered Indian war bonnet that had been a present of Mrs. Rhoden a number of years ago. Sheriff Sylvester was notified of the theft after the return of the family, but the time had allowed the parties to make their getaway from the scene.

Resident Near Alvo Ends Life by Shooting

Charles Appleman, Residing at Home of Nephew, Blows Head Off with 16-Gauge Shotgun

From Monday's Daily

This morning Charles Appleman, 66, an old resident of the vicinity of Alvo, ended his life by shooting himself with a 16-gauge shotgun, the charge blowing off the top of his head and bringing instant death.

Mr. Appleman has been making his home with a brother, L. B. Appleman and family for the past few years and of late has been in poor health and very despondent over his condition that had failed to improve and has frequently threatened suicide.

This morning, while other members of the family were engaged in their tasks around the home, Mr. Appleman secured the shotgun and made his way to the front porch of the home, where he placed the gun against his head and pulled the trigger.

The county authorities were notified of the shooting and County Attorney W. G. Kieck visited the scene of the tragedy, but as the cause of death was apparent, no inquest was held.

TOWNS DO NOT DIE—THEY COMMIT SUICIDE

It has been said that towns do not die, they commit suicide. And it is true. If everybody who makes his money in this community would spend his money in this community the home town would double in population in a few years and everybody in and around it would be prosperous. Why are filling stations out of proportion to every other line of business in number? Because people buy almost all of their gas and oil at home.

It is really inexplicable, why people will persist in spending money out of town needlessly, when the results of this practice are so costly. We know of one individual in the city now out of a job. This particular individual rarely spent a cent here, even when he could have saved money. Some two or three years ago this person was informed that if his practice of spending money out of the city continued, he would work himself out of a job entirely. And that is just what happened. How can the business men or any one else, hire employees if they have nothing for them to do, or any money to pay them? When you spend a dollar outside you take it right out of the pocket of some local citizen.

And speaking of the "penny wise and pound foolish" policy, this is it. Save a few cents by spending your money in some other city, and then in the course of time you find your husband out of a job because business conditions here will not warrant his remaining in some one's employ.

The fight is on in all smaller cities. This does not only apply to Plattsmouth. It is becoming a very serious question, and that must be reckoned with in the near future. Just as mentioned above—the small city is not dying, it is committing suicide inch by inch. Instead of casting this idea off like so many snow flakes, it is time, and right now when every individual should give the matter serious thought. Otherwise, they'll be more vacant stores in the city that we regret to report today.

"See it before you buy it."

Popular Teacher Writes of Trip of University Tours

Miss Amana Hiatt Now in the East With Large Party of Teachers of the Central West.

Plymouth, Mass., July 20.

Dear Editor and Friends: Just a word of greeting and wishing you might enjoy the sea breezes with me this evening.

I am with the University of Tours, and we are at present located at Nelson Street camp grounds, Plymouth, Massachusetts, which appears to be a real mecca for traveling organizations. Tomorrow we expect to visit Plymouth Rock, Bury Hill, and many other places of historic interest.

The eastern group is made up mainly of teachers from the western and middle western states. It includes nearly 400 people ranging in age from 16 to 68, and with 26 of the 48 states represented. The idea of the tour is to combine summer work with a tour of the country and the entire eastern group is in charge of Floyd D. Focht, professor of American history at Oklahoma City University with which the tour is affiliated.

The Nebraska group was picked up at Omaha and from there taken to the Chicago World's Fair and then on into Canada and where we spent two weeks, going as far as Quebec. During the past few days we visited Gloucester, Salem and Boston, and from here we go to New York where our camp will be pitched for the next week at Englewood, New Jersey.

From there the tour will proceed along the eastern coast to Florida where we will remain two weeks and then hop to New Orleans and then by easy stages to Fort Worth, Texas, where the group will disband.

I expect to be home by the 21st of August. I will say that I will be glad to return and be with my friends and school again.

Yours sincerely,
AMANA HIATT.

CALLED ON SAD MISSION

From Wednesday's Daily
Mrs. Henry Ofe and son, Carl, departed this afternoon for Oakdale, Nebraska, where they were called by the death of Mrs. Herman Ofe, wife of the sole surviving brother of the late Henry Ofe, Sr.

Mrs. Ofe had been in very poor health for a number of years and had been a partial invalid for the greater part of the time and in the past weeks had gradually grown weaker until death came to her relief.

She is survived by the husband, four daughters and two sons. The funeral will be held on Friday at Oakdale and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ofe, Jr., are expecting to drive there for the services.

GIVES CONVENTION REPORT

The Rotary club at their luncheon on Tuesday received a fine report of the convention of the International Rotary, just closed at Detroit, Michigan, which was given by Judge A. H. Duxbury, immediate past president of the local club.

Judge Duxbury told of the various sessions, the fine contacts that he had made with Rotarians from all parts of the world, as well as giving in detail many of the most important acts of the convention.

The report was one that held the interest of all of the membership and showed the thought that had been given to meeting by the Plattsmouth representative.

ENJOYS OUTING

Byron Golding of the Reliable 5c to \$1 store, tossed dull care away today and enjoyed a visit at Omaha and also at Lincoln where he spent some time with his relatives in that city.

Mrs. E. L. Spies of Branson, Colorado, is here to enjoy a visit with the relatives in this city, accompanying her brother, Charles Peterson and family here from their outing in Colorado.

RETURNS FROM COLORADO

Robert Foster Patterson, principal of the Plattsmouth high school, returned Monday evening from Boulder, Colorado, where he has spent the past few weeks. Mr. Patterson has been working on his master's degree at the University of Colorado, at Boulder. He reports the weather very pleasant there and was unpleasantly surprised to find that Nebraska was still suffering under the effects of the drought and heat. Mr. Patterson will start in on the plans for the opening of high school here in the first week of September.

Rebekahs Install Officers for the Ensuing Year

District Deputy Miss Grace Hoover and Staff of Louisville Conduct the Ceremonies.

District Deputy Miss Grace Hoover and staff of Louisville, were here Friday evening to install the officers of Bud of Promise No. 40. The following are the elective and appointed officers for the ensuing term:

Noble Grand—Mrs. Myrtle McFarland.

Vice Grand—Mrs. Mary Mumm. Secretary—Marie E. Kaufmann. Treasurer—Miss Anna E. Leach. Conductress—Mrs. Mary Kruger. Warden—Miss Ella Kennedy. R. S. to N. G.—Mrs. Emma Olson. L. S. to N. G.—Mrs. Pearl Mann. R. S. to V. G.—Mrs. Mary Taylor. L. S. to V. G.—Miss Gerda Peterson.

Musical—Jessie Robertson. Inside Guard—T. E. Olson. Chaplain—Mrs. Martha Peterson.

"Miss Rebekah," who is visiting all the Rebekah lodges, appeared on the scene, and was presented to Bud of Promise by Mrs. Cora Thomas, guardian of the Louisville lodge. A vocal solo, "My Task," was beautifully rendered by a visiting sister from Mayflower lodge No. 391. In conclusion dainty and cooling refreshments were served.

HAVE FINE CROWD

A large number of both the state and county democratic candidates were represented here Saturday night at the ball given by the Young Democrats. Among those in attendance were Roy L. Cochran, candidate for governor; William Price, for re-election as state auditor; Henry Cleve for state senator; G. E. Price for congress; Knud "K. C." Knudson, for railway commissioner; Francis V. Robbins, for attorney general; Raymond W. McNamara, for attorney general; John W. Fillman and Arnold J. Lillie, for commissioner of public lands and buildings; Herman Rauth for county commissioner; Fred Gorder for county commissioner; Martin Nielsen, for sheriff; H. L. Topley, J. L. Stamp and Pete Gradoville for county treasurer; Bernard G. Wurl and Bruce Rosencrans, for county clerk; Carl Keil, Lillian White, Clarence Troy and Charles Hula, for register of deeds. The committee is indebted to Homer Sylvester, candidate for re-election for sheriff, who also co-operated in the sponsoring of the ball, but who was unable to be present, on account of the death of his little daughter.

One of the features of the dance, was the introduction of a new song entitled "The Candidate from Hell," written by Raymond W. McNamara, candidate for attorney general, who together with the other candidates left pleasant memories of their visit to Plattsmouth.

Eddie Wehrlein served as master of ceremonies.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express to the host of friends the deepest feelings of gratitude for the sympathy, aid and comfort given us in the hour of our grief at the loss of our loved little one and sister. So many kind acts were performed by the friends that they will always be a grateful memory to us.—Mr. and Mrs. Homer Sylvester and Family.

Mrs. James Ptacek and children, James, Jr., Gertrude, and Maxine, as well as a grandson of Mrs. Ptacek, are here to visit for a short time with the relatives and old time friends.

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Shower Fails to Give Relief from the Heat

Rainfall Here Confined to Slight Sprinkle But Other Sections Report Small Rains.

From Wednesday's Daily

The very slight sprinkle that fell here this morning at 1 o'clock failed to settle the dust or to bring any great amount of relief to the heat tortured residents of the community. The shower came in the midst of one of the most distressing nights of heat that the community has felt and which was such that for the larger part of the population sleep was impossible.

West of this city in the Cedar Creek and near Louisville neighborhoods, the rain was reported as heavier than in this city, although not near adequate to the needs.

The showers failed to bring a great deal of relief as it lowered the temperature somewhat but brought a very sultry condition that added to the suffering of the residents who for two weeks have borne one of the worst periods of drought and heat in the history of the west.

Fifty-eight deaths from heat were reported in Nebraska for Tuesday and over 700 the country over as the result of the intense heat.

PAVING UNDER WAY

The long anticipated paving to close up the gap in Highway No. 75 north of this city, is now under way, the first concrete having been poured Saturday, but it was found necessary to halt the work temporarily as the heat was so intense as to "set" the cement, before the work of finishing the surface could be completed. The short stretch laid that day was kept under water yesterday in order to slow up the curing process a bit.

The laying of the paving has been started from the end of the present paving near the Valley farm and will be rushed rapidly along.

The stretches needed as part of the old road, are being poured from the rapid-set type of cement being turned out by the Ash Grove plant, which will permit use of the roadway 36 to 48 hours after the paving is finished. It will be a great relief to get traffic routed back over the gravel highway, as the dirt detour is very dusty this kind of weather, and in case of rain would be well nigh impassable on account of mud.

FLOWER CLUB MEETS

The Social Workers Flower club held Guest Day at the home of Miss Helen Johnson with some forty members and guests present.

The meeting was turned over to a committee who had prepared a short program for the afternoon: Vocal solo, Mrs. Mike Kaffenberger; Piano solo, Miss Elizabeth Wiles; Reading, Margaret Wiles; song and tap dancing, Shirley Mason; Reading, Miss Cecelia Lepert; song and tap dancing, Donna Fae Mason.

A delicious luncheon was served and the remainder of the afternoon was spent in visiting.

The next meeting will be the annual picnic in August when all members are urged to be present with well filled baskets.

DEPART FOR CALIFORNIA

Joseph Staska, the capable and accommodating agent of the Missouri Pacific railroad who has worked long and faithfully at the task of agent at Murray, is taking a vacation at this time which is to extend for a month. He is accompanied by his wife, daughter, Josephine and son Eugene, while the older son, Charles, is staying in Murray and making his home during the time the others are away, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mrasek.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our deepest appreciation of the many acts of kindness to our father and husband in his last illness, as well as the sympathy of the neighbors and friends and for the beautiful flowers and assistance at the funeral.—Mrs. Frank N. Rauen and Family.