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## Pleasure Party Ends in Serious Auto Accident

Niobrara Party En Route for Holiday Visit Near Here, Has Car Wrecked; Several Injured.

Mrs. Margaret Hill, 74, a former resident here, is at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha as the result of a serious auto accident and other members of the family are suffering from less severe injuries as the result of the accident.

The auto party had left their home near Niobrara, William Hill, a son of Mrs. Hill driving the car and other members of the family with them, they intending to drive to Plattsmouth to visit at the L. A. Meisinger home, Mrs. Meisinger being a daughter of Mrs. Hill.

When near Creighton their car was wrecked in the mist and fog when another car driving on the wrong side of the road crashed into them and as the result of the impact the members of the auto party were badly shaken up and injured. Mrs. Hill suffered the fracture of both legs and was taken on into Omaha where she is now at the Immanuel hospital. She is doing very well under the circumstances but will be confined to the hospital for a considerable period. William Hill also suffered some injury but was taken back to his home at Niobrara, while the young children also suffered minor injuries.

The accident came as a very sad end of a pleasantly anticipated holiday and week end outing for the members of the family.

## ENTERS MINISTRY FIELD

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Figley in this city will be interested in hearing that they are now planning on locating at Wauconda, Illinois, where Mr. Figley is to take up his work as minister of the Methodist church.

Mr. Figley had studied for the ministry prior to entering the teaching profession and is now at Garrett Institute at Northwestern university, completing his work for his master's degree. He received the call to Wauconda and accepted the same and will shortly take up his duties. In the affairs of the church Mrs. Figley, one of the best known musicians of eastern Nebraska will be found a wonderful aid in the musical work of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Figley are planning on making a visit to their old home at Wahoo at Christmas time and to visit friends here also.

In their new work Mr. and Mrs. Figley will carry the best wishes of the many friends in this community where they were active figures during their residence.

## CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McPherson celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home, 1955 C St., Lincoln, Nov. 29th at a family gathering for Thanksgiving dinner. Among the guests were Mr. Wm. Lehnhoff of Lincoln, best man and Miss Thillie Lehnhoff of Omaha, bridesmaid, fifty years ago.

Some merriment was caused by Mrs. McPherson reading a love letter addressed to her by the groom, May 16th, 1883, more than a year before their wedding and Mr. McPherson responded by expressing the same sentiment now, as expressed in the letter and complimented her as a home maker and helpmate.

Mr. and Mrs. McPherson were married at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lehnhoff in Center precinct, Nov. 25th, 1884.

## HAS CAR ACCIDENT

Fred Lugsch, local dry cleaner and tailor, suffered severe bruises and had his auto quite badly damaged when it collided with another car late Monday afternoon on Avery Hill. The icy condition of the road made driving difficult and many accidents were recorded along No. 75.

Mr. Lugsch suffered severe bruises as the result of the accident and it was necessary to have medical aid given him but nothing serious was found and the victim of the wreck will be able to resume his usual activity in a short time.

## SUFFERS INJURY

Gerald Fleming, of Nebraska City, who is operating a bread truck for the Peterson Baking Co., was severely injured Friday when his truck was overturned on the highway between Auburn and Brownville. The young man was bruised and injured about the hips and arms. He was taken to his home at Nebraska City where he is recuperating from the effects of the injury. Mr. Fleming is a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Fleming of this city.

## Carl Schneider Named Head of Masonic Lodge

Lester Meisinger, Senior Warden; R. Foster Patterson Jr. Warden of Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6.

From Tuesday's Daily  
Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M. held their annual election of officers at their session last evening, the meeting being largely attended by the members and much interest being taken in the selection.

The officers named were advanced in appreciation of their fine service that they have given in the past in the various duties that the order has called upon them to perform. Those selected were as follows:  
W. M.—Carl J. Schneider.  
S. W.—Lester Meisinger.  
J. W.—R. Foster Patterson.  
Secretary—L. W. Niel.  
Treasurer—Frank A. Cloldt.

The newly elected worshipful master has been one of the earnest workers of the lodge for the past years and has served well and faithfully in the tasks that have been assigned him. Mr. Schneider is assistant cashier of the Plattsmouth State bank and since his graduation from Hastings college has largely been identified with the banking interests here.

Other officers will be appointed later by the new master and installed into their office in January.

## INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Winscott and their three-year-old daughter, Betty Lou, were victims of an auto accident that occurred late Sunday on the main highway near Wahoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Winscott had been at Plattsmouth over Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Winscott, parents of Leroy, starting home Sunday and hitting the storm as they were en route to their home at a David City.

Three cars collided on the icy surface of the roadway, one being that of Dr. E. R. Stewart of Eagle, who suffered cuts on the face from the flying glass. Betty Lou Winscott suffered a severe cut on her right cheek. The parties were given treatment at Wahoo and able to go on to their homes.

## MUSICAL PROGRAM

The first public musical program presented by the music department of the Plattsmouth schools will be held in the high school auditorium Friday night, December 14th beginning at 8 o'clock. The program will be under the direction of Mr. Griffin and will feature the major organization of the school, the band, boys and girls glee clubs, girls sextette and orchestra.

This is the first of two programs which will be presented this winter, the second and annual program will be heard in February. A small admission fee of 15 cents will be charged for the program next week for the benefit of the music fund. About 150 students will participate in this program.

## RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Contryman and family of Oshkosh, Nebraska, have been in the city the past week, visiting at the home of Mrs. Contryman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Oliver, Sr. They spent Thanksgiving day at the home of Mrs. Contryman's sister, Mrs. Harry Henton. They returned to their home in the western part of the state, early Sunday morning, so that their daughter, Miss Dorothy, who teaches school, could resume her work on Monday morning.

## Woman's Club Has Very Interesting Meeting

Meeting Held at Home of Mrs. H. L. Thomas—"Conservation of Water Resources." Theme.

From Tuesday's Daily  
The Plattsmouth Woman's club met last evening at the home of Mrs. Herman Thomas. Associate hostesses were: Mrs. W. C. Soennichen, Mrs. Philip Hinz, Mrs. Robert Walling, Mrs. Everett Noble and Mrs. Wm. Mrasek.

Mrs. E. H. Wescott led the devotions. This was followed by the flag salute and roll call. A good number were present considering the cold weather and slippery streets. The treasurer gave her report. A letter of thanks was received from the library board for the Tag Day donation. The Tag Day receipts have grown from \$67.23 at the last report to \$75.23.

Mrs. Rea McMaken was the leader. She gave a very interesting and instructional paper on the "Conservation of Water Resources." The program consisted of two piano solos by Miss Ruth Westover, "Schubert's Serenade" and "Humoresque." These were unusually well presented. Miss Janet Westover favored the club members with a reading, "The Angels and the Shepherds."

Christmas carols were sung as a fitting close to the program. The tickets for the show "Cradle Song," are still for sale and anyone wishing tickets may call any member of the Woman's club or purchase them at the window of the Ritz theatre. This promises to be a very good picture and will be shown tonight only. Woman's club members are to turn in their unsold tickets and money at the Ritz theatre tonight.

High school representatives present were Miss Frances Gambin of the Senior class and Miss Wilda Johnson of the Junior class.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses at the close of the meeting.

## DISTRICT COURT OPENS

This morning the district court reconvened after a vacation over the Thanksgiving season, the members of the jury panel reporting for duty. The members of the panel from out of the city reported a great deal of difficulty in reaching here on account of the icy condition of the highways, a large part from the west end of the county leaving their homes early and braving the dangers of the glassy condition of the roads. Court Reporter Glenn Woodbury was at Louisvile Sunday and forced to remain there owing to car trouble and was unable to reach this city until late this morning.

The first case to be taken up is that of the Department of Banking vs. William E. Diers, et al. The state department is represented by Attorney J. A. Capwell and the defendants by Attorney W. A. Robertson.

## GIVE STORK SHOWER

Mrs. Newton Sullivan and Miss Helen Johnson were hostesses the past week at the country home of Mrs. Sullivan south of this city at a shower honoring Mrs. James Wurga. The event was in the nature of a stork shower and many beautiful gifts were received that were appropriate to the occasion. The afternoon was spent in games that aided in making the event one of the greatest enjoyment for the twenty-two ladies who were in attendance. At an appropriate hour dainty and delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses.

## IS DANGEROUSLY ILL

Mrs. Lester Foxwell, well known here, is dangerously ill at her home in Milwaukee, reports reaching here state. Her father, George A. Kaffenberger of this city, is at her bedside and other members of the family are being called there by the dangerous condition of the patient. The many friends will regret to learn of her illness and trust that she may soon be able to show improvement.

Phone the news to No. 6.

## RETURN TO SCHOOL WORK

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Comstock Sunday drove to Tarkio, Missouri, taking with them three of the Plattsmouth young men who are attending college at that place. The party included Cecil Comstock, Otto Stogola and George Adam, all of whom have been here for the Thanksgiving vacation. George Adam this year was a member of the football squad of Tarkio and participated in several of the games as a part of the reserves.

## Seek Cass Co. Man for Theft of 12 Chickens

Frank Harmer of Near Avoca, Arrested at Millard, to Face Charge in Cass County.

From Tuesday's Daily  
This morning a warrant was issued for Frank Harmer, of near Avoca, who is charged with taking a dozen White Rock chickens from the farm of Edwin Hall, near Elmwood.

Harmer was arrested Saturday near Millard, Nebraska, having in his possession at that time thirty-seven chickens, twelve of which were White Rocks and bore leg bands of the Nebraska Poultry Improvement association, the numbers being between 88362 and 88527.

The Douglas county officers as well as local authorities made efforts to locate the owners of the chickens and were finally rewarded by the information as to the ownership of twelve of the chickens. The chickens had been purchased from the Hill Hatchery at Lincoln, of which Roscoe Hill, former Plattsmouth man is the owner. A message to the hatchery disclosed that the birds had been sold by them to Edwin Hall of near Elmwood. Mr. Hill was reached and identified the chickens as being a part of his flock although there was no identification made of the remaining chickens.

Information was filed this morning by County Attorney W. G. Kieck and warrant issued for the arrest of Mr. Harmer on the charge and Sheriff Homer Sylvester departed to secure the defendant and bring him to this city to face the charges.

## ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE

From Wednesday's Daily  
The announcement was made today by the family of the bride of the marriage of Miss Florene Born to Mr. Albert Schiessl, which occurred on August 9th, 1934, at Glenwood, Iowa.

The wedding was very quiet and the ceremony kept a secret until this time when formal announcement was made of the event.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Born and was born and reared in this community and where she received her education. She has a large circle of friends who will learn with pleasure of her new found happiness.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schiessl of this city and he has, like the bride, grown to manhood in this community. He is one of the industrious young farmers of this community and the young people are expecting to make their home in the future on the farm west of this city.

The friends will join in their congratulations to the young people and the best wishes for a long and happy wedded life.

## ENJOYS VISIT HERE

The home of Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Arn was the scene of a delightful house party of young people over the week end. Miss Maxine Marts of Lincoln and Richard Avar, Jr., of Omaha as well as Miss Marjorie Arn, teacher in the Alvo school, being here for the outing. The members of the party returned to their homes Monday.

## RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Cyril Kalina, who a few days ago was operated on at the St. Catherine's hospital for sinus trouble, has returned home. Mr. Kalina is feeling very much improved and after a short rest and recuperation will be able to resume his usual activities at the BREX shops.

## W. C. T. U. Hears Discuss'n Liquor Laws

Very Interesting Program Prepared and Given Under Leadership of Mrs. R. B. Hayes.

The W. C. T. U. met on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. C. Giles and despite the unpleasant weather conditions there was pleasing attendance of the ladies at the meeting.

Devotions were led by Mrs. Geo. L. Farley. Mrs. George B. Mann, vice-president of the Union, gave a very interesting report of the national convention held in Indianapolis in November as well as messages from the national president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, of Des Moines, who was re-elected to head the national organization. This report took up the highlights of the convention and the program that is planned for this year.

Mrs. R. B. Hayes as leader presented a very interesting resume of the liquor laws and methods of sale handled by the states since the repeal of the eighteenth amendment in December, 1933. This was enlarged to a general discussion in the roll call on current events where the various state methods of sale was discussed, the Iowa state liquor stores and the Missouri license and option system being taken up at length. The ladies also discussed the present status of the Nebraska laws and the plans that had been suggested for handling the traffic in the state following the enactment of legislation by the coming state legislature.

Mrs. Giles and daughters gave several very much appreciated musical numbers during the afternoon that added much to the social features of the occasion.

As the day was closing dainty and delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

## EASTERN STAR ELECTS

From Wednesday's Daily  
The election of officers for Home Chapter No. 189 Order of Eastern Star was held last evening. The following were elected to carry on the work for the year 1935:

Worthy Matron—Mrs. Raymond Cook.  
Worthy Patron—Mr. Lowell Devoe  
Associate Matron—Mrs. Leslie Niel.  
Associate Patron—Mr. George Hetrick.  
Conductress—Mrs. C. L. Wiles.  
Associate Conductress—Mrs. Floyd Becker.

Secretary—Miss Clara Weyrich.  
Treasurer—Miss Mary Petersen.  
Installation of these officers and those appointed by the Worthy Matron, will take place in January. The Worthy Grand Matron and a number of other grand officers of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska will visit Home Chapter on the evening of December 11.

## DISTRICT COURT NOTES

From Wednesday's Daily  
This morning the jury was assembled and the trial of the case of Clifton Welch vs. Lloyd Carnicle, et al., was taken up. This is an action for damages arising from an auto accident in the northwest portion of the county. The plaintiff is represented by C. S. Wortman and A. L. Tidd and the defendant by W. G. Kieck of this city and J. C. Bryant of Ashland.

The members of the jury not called on the present case were excused until Thursday morning when the case of Edith Ballor by Florence L. Ballor vs. L. W. Baldwin, et al., trustees of the Missouri Pacific railroad will be taken up. This is an action for damages from an auto wreck that resulted in the death of two members of the Ballor auto party at the Murray crossing.

## SET CHRISTMAS VACATION

The board of education at their meeting Monday night fixed the opening of the Christmas vacation for Friday, December 21st and will continue over until Wednesday, January 2nd, 1935. This will give the teachers and pupils who may wish to spend the holiday out of the city an opportunity to do so.

## HUNTERS ARE BUSY

A party of Plattsmouth hunters were out Sunday northwest of this city to gather themselves a bunch of rabbits and as the result returned home late Sunday with several hundred of the elusive bunnies to their credit in the old game bag. Those who formed the party were Robert M. Walling, E. L. McKissick, John Sattler, Jr., Carl Ofe and L. W. Egenberger.

## Prominent Resident of Avoca is Dead

Henry Albert William Wohlers, 83, Dies of Heart Attack—Resident of Community Since 1878.

Henry Albert William Wohlers, 83, a resident of the vicinity of Avoca since August 20, 1878, died late Monday as the result of a sudden heart attack, prior to the attack he had been in very good health considering his age and the death came as a shock to the family and old time friends.

He was born in Vilsen, Hanover, Germany, August 24, 1851. On March 19, 1870, he arrived in this country and made his home in Wisconsin until his marriage on August 20, 1878, to Sophie Holthous, who died at their Avoca home in 1925. The newly married couple immediately set out for the west. They settled on a farm near Avoca and in 1881 he purchased a tract of land to which he has added throughout the years.

All his children live on home estate land. He died at the home of his son, Harry. For many years Mr. Wohlers has been retired and had made his home with his children.

Mr. Wohlers was baptized and confirmed into the church in Germany and in Avoca he was a member of the German Lutheran church of North Branch.

Surviving him are his children, Harry Wohlers, Mrs. John Mohr, Mrs. Anna Mohr, Mrs. William Oldenberg, all of near Avoca; 18 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

## ROTARY CLUB MEETING

The Rotary club at their luncheon on Tuesday noon had the opportunity of hearing a fine discussion of the world politics and governments with the trends in many countries to extremes of courses, given by L. S. Devoe, the strong left movements in Russia and the equally strong nationalistic dictatorships in many of the countries of the world, notably Italy and Germany. The policy of the United States has been largely of the midway course, social reforms greater than has heretofore been suggested as a part of the administration policy, but the general course has been to reassure private interests that no radical measure affecting them was contemplated.

The meeting was under the leadership of Fred I. Rea, chairman of the international relations committee of the club, who had arranged the interesting program. Robert M. Walling was the song leader for the meeting and performed this in his usual effective manner.

The two high school boys present were Chester Kile, senior and Carl Hula, junior, they being presented by Ray Misner, chairman of the boys' activities committee of the club.

## ENGAGES IN BANK WORK

John V. Svoboda, who was formerly clerk in the Farmers State bank, is now at the Plattsmouth State bank and assisting in the arranging of the new accounts that were received in the purchase of the Farmers State bank assets. Mr. Svoboda has been engaged in this line of work for the past several years.

## SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. Justus Lillie, Sr., is showing some improvement following her serious accident on Monday when she slipped on the icy walk and fractured her arm as well as suffering severe bruises on the face and body. Mrs. Lillie has not been in the best of health and the accident has proven very severe on her strength.

## Urge Cass County Man for Speakership

George E. Nickles, of Murray, Mentioned as One of Strong Candidates for State Honor.

George E. Nickles of Murray, representative from the sixth district in the coming legislature, is among the strong candidates mentioned for the position of speaker of the house in the forthcoming session.

Mr. Nickles is serving his second term in the legislature and at the last session was one of the leaders in matters of finance and assisted in the preparation of many of the important measures that were enacted by that body.

Mr. Nickles has long been identified with the business and farming interests of the state and is in a position to give the people of the state the best of service in the legislature and especially in the important post of speaker of the house.

This session will be one of the most important that has been held in the history of the state and the last of the dual system of government in the legislature, the forthcoming house being faced with the senate in preparing the necessary measures for the new one house body. There will be also much relief legislation to meet, that of the federal government as well as the enactment of the laws necessary for the handling of the liquor situation following repeal.

In selecting a speaker the democratic caucus could do no better than to name Mr. Nickles for this signal honor.

## PRINCIPALS 1873-1934

In connection with the program in honor of Miss Olive Gass, it is interesting to recall here the complete list of principals in by-gone days, some of whom will be remembered by many in Plattsmouth. P. H. S. has had but three women principals, the first was Miss Gertrude Johnson, for one year 1876-77; then the ten year service of Miss Gass, 1897-1908 and Miss Edith Woodburn for the year 1918-19.

Since 1873, Plattsmouth high school has had 27 principals whose average tenure of service has been a little less than three years each. Of the 27, 14 served only a year or less than a year; five served 2 years; two served 3 years; three served 4 years; one served 5 years; one served 6 years and one, 10 years.

Both of the oldest in point of service are now living in Plattsmouth, Miss Olive Gass whose record of ten successive years stands out above all the others, and the present principal, R. F. Patterson who is serving his eighth year in the schools and the sixth as principal. Following is the complete list of principals and the years they served:

A. E. Ross (Resigned), 1873; S. B. Starbird, 1873-1874; H. A. Wightman, 1875-1876; Gertrude Johnson, 1876-1877; W. W. Drummond, 1877-1878; E. T. Simons (Resigned) 1878; J. W. Love, 1878-1881; W. W. Drummond, 1881-1885; G. R. Chatburn, 1885-1889; C. T. Palmer, 1889-1890; W. N. Halsey, 1890-1895; J. W. McHuga, 1895-1897; Olive Gass, 1897-1908; W. G. Brooks, 1908-1909; Benjamin Harrison, 1909-1910; J. L. Richer, 1910-1911; C. O. Larson, 1911-1913; A. O. Egenberger, 1913-1916; A. H. Dewey, 1916-1917; Chas. Richardson, 1917-1918; Edith Woodburn, 1918-1919; H. A. Stronburg, 1919-1921; R. G. Campbell, 1921-1925; J. W. Poynter, 1925-1927; J. V. Simon, 1927-1929; R. F. Patterson, 1929.

## UNEMPLOYED MEETING

There will be a meeting of the unemployed of Cass county held at the district court room in the court house, Friday evening at 7:30. All are urged to attend and take part in the meeting which will be of importance to every one of the unemployed.

From Wednesday's Daily

Henry Stander and son, Herbert, of near South Bend, were in the city today to look after some matters at the court house and while here Mr. Stander was a caller at the Journal to renew his subscription to the semi-weekly edition of the paper.