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Revival Meetings to Continue at Christian Church

Rev. Allen to Carry on Work Despite the Disagreeable Weather Conditions Experienced.

The evangelist and members of the Christian church have been laboring under a very discouraging situation since the revival meeting began as the weather has been so severe, it has kept the attendance down a great deal, and has not been as large as it should be had the weather been more favorable, therefore the work has not advanced as it should have done under more favorable conditions.

There have been several additions, baptismal services were held last Sunday evening for those having made the good confession previously.

We intend going on with these meetings until we have accomplished our objective, in building up the church spiritually, as well as numerically. It is going to take longer to do this than we first planned, but we are going on until we reach this goal, and we assure the public of continued services regularly, with a definite program to work in the future, as Brother Allen and his good wife have kindly consented to remain with us indefinitely, subject to the approval of the membership of the church. Brother Allen has proven his ability as an evangelist. He came highly recommended, having held several charges in the largest cities in the state of Iowa, the last one having been in our neighboring city of Glenwood, Iowa, and we are fortunate indeed in being able to procure them permanently.

Let's all show our appreciation now, by rallying to Christ and His church, by getting behind his movement, lending our support in every way possible for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom, and His church in which He died to establish, that through this church a lost and dying world might be redeemed from sin. Are you brother interested in the success of the church in your community, in the salvation of souls, in the teachings that the church and Sunday school give to your children, and the community? If so we will expect you to come regularly to God's house of prayer every Lord's day, showing by your presence your interest and willingness to abide by His teachings, and the desire on your part to live a Christian life henceforth and forever more. Will you accept this challenge, from Christ and His disciples? The opportunity is yours today, there never has been a greater opportunity offered your church and this community than we now have for you. The fields are ripe unto harvest, and the laborers are few saith the Lord.

FIRST DISTRICT WOMAN'S CLUB LUNCHEON AT AUBURN

Mrs. John A. Jimerson, president of the first district of Nebraska Federation of Woman's clubs, entertained at a luncheon Friday, Jan. 31st, at her home in Auburn, Nebr.

Sweet peas and green tapers made the tables very beautiful and with the cheerfulness of the fireplace, and the joy of renewing friendships, the zero temperature was quickly forgotten.

Chairmen of departments and district officers were guests. Plans were made for the year's club work.

Those attending from Cass county were Mrs. W. S. McGrew, Louisville, chairman of public welfare; Mrs. Ivan Balfour, Union, chairman of international relations; Miss Marie Kaufmann, Plattsmouth, chairman of art; Mrs. Ray E. Norris, Weeping Water, chairman of law observance and delinquency.

SUNDAY FIRE ALARM

The fire department was called out Sunday afternoon by an alarm from the Bekin building. A cigarette or match had been dropped back of a radiator in the "Bright Spot" beer tavern in the first floor of the building, this evidently falling into a space by the radiator pipes and started to burn, causing alarm that the blaze might spread to other parts of the wall. The firemen responded at once and checked any possible traces of fire that might have existed.

RETURNS TO DAKOTA

From Monday's Daily
This morning H. L. Taplett returned to his work at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, after a visit here over the week end with his family and the many friends in the city. Mr. Taplett is the representative of one of the large distributing companies for beverages in South Dakota and has been very successful in his work. He has been located at Sioux Falls for the past year and has found business excellent and much improvement in all lines.

Palat-Zitka Wedding Occurs at Prague, Nebr.

Miss Victoria Palat and Mr. Joseph Zitka Wedded at St. John's Church at Prague.

On Saturday morning at eight-thirty o'clock at the St. John's church, Prague, Nebraska, Miss Victoria Palat, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Palat, became the bride of Mr. Joseph Zitka, son of Mrs. Anna Zitka. The Rev. Cermik officiated.

The bride wore a royal blue crepe dress and accessories of navy blue to match. She also wore a corsage of sweet peas and roses.

Her only attendant was Miss Anne Zitka, sister of the groom. Miss Zitka wore a maroon crepe dress and accessories of black. She also wore a corsage of sweet peas and roses.

The groom's attendant was the bride's brother, Emil Palat.

A dinner was served at noon to members of the immediate families at the home of the bride's parents.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Palat of Prague, Nebraska. The groom is the oldest son of Mrs. Anna Zitka and is employed in Omaha where they will reside.

SURPRISED ON BIRTHDAY

Edna Mae Petersen, whose seventeenth birthday anniversary occurred on Saturday, was given a real birthday surprise by a group of the high school friends. Miss Petersen was quietly spending the evening at home when the party of friends arrived to shout their birthday greeting and giving her a real happy reminder of the occasion.

The members of the jolly party spent the evening in visiting, games and dancing to add to the enjoyment of all of the group. In honor of the occasion the guest of honor received many very attractive gifts.

At a suitable hour the many good things provided for the party was produced and a dainty luncheon enjoyed.

Those who participated in the pleasant evening were Patricia Clodt, Rachel Robertson, Marjorie Wohlfarth, Anna Marie Rea, Margaret Will, Grace Louise Wiles, Betty Kalina, Rita Libershal, Shirley and Edna Mae Petersen.

SNOWBOUND

Dr. P. T. Heineman, local dentist, had a real winter experience Monday that he will long remember. Dr. Heineman was called to Louisville on some business matters and started home in the afternoon in the midst of the blizzard that was driving the roadway full of snow and made travel more difficult as the car fought its way along in the endeavor to reach Plattsmouth. The car was able to travel as far as the farm of David Rutherford and there the drifting had so effectively closed the road that further progress was impossible and Dr. Heineman sought shelter at the Rutherford home, where he was compelled to remain all night and until the roadway could be opened up.

ASKS FOR DIVORCE

From Monday's Daily
In the district court today an action was filed by Mrs. Eskie Cappen, asking that the ties of marriage with Earl Cappen, be dissolved and that the plaintiff be given a decree of divorce, also the restoration of her maiden name, Eskie Stock. The petition states that the parties were married at Topeka, Kansas, December 23, 1931. W. G. Kieck appears as attorney for the plaintiff.

Old Age Assistance by March 1st

Payments Possible. Assistant Attorney General Murphy Tells Assistance Committees.

The school of instruction and round table for county boards, county clerks and county directors of assistance, under supervision of Director Tolen of the state assistance committee, with Assistant Attorney General Murphy as lecturer, continued during the day in representative hall at Lincoln and closed with a night school. It is to be resumed again Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. In spite of stormy weather and some snow blocked highways representative hall and closed with ties attend the day session. Commissioners Pitz, Gorder and Chapman of Cass county were among those attending.

Review of provisions of the old age assistance law, with time out for answering questions, occupied most of the afternoon. The night session was devoted almost entirely to forms, such as application blanks for old age assistance, forms for county investigators of applicants, finding and report of county assistance committee on applications, and forms for county requisitions for state assistance funds.

Interpretations of the state laws, coupled with federal social security requirements, with many routine details for guidance of county boards, were entered into by Murphy. H. H. Swink of Champion, chairman of the Chase county board, expressed the view that it might be better for counties to collect and spend their own money as they see fit instead of sending their \$2 head tax and 1 cent gasoline tax to the state and then having the state tell them how to spend their own money.

Murphy said he was not inclined to argue the merits of the state law, but he said the federal government had offered the state about 5 million dollars for social security and it had decreed that there should be a central state agency thru which it should be expended, and that supposedly the state legislature had done its best to formulate laws to comply with federal requirements. He said great latitude is given both the state and county assistance committees and that they are able to work in harmony with each other.

Murphy, in defining the steps necessary to get applications for old age assistance claims thru the county committees and to the state committee for approval, said a ten day waiting period is necessary for time for an appeal. Even with this necessary time he believed it would not take more than twenty days to get a claim thru and that upon receipt of the state director's certificate of approval, money could be paid out before March 1 for old age assistance. He said county committees could authorize county clerks to issue warrants immediately after notification of approval from the state committee director.

DIES IN OHIO

The death of Mrs. Paul Outland, 40, a former Plattsmouth lady, occurred Saturday night at Sylvania, Ohio, a suburb of Toledo, where she has made her home in recent years. The deceased lady was formerly Miss Pauline Kalasek of this city where she was born and reared to womanhood. She was married at Omaha to Paul Outland several years ago and the family made their home for a time at Omaha and Superior.

Mrs. Outland is survived by the husband, her mother, Mrs. Mary Buttery, and one sister, Mrs. Florence Outland, all living near Toledo. She was also a niece of Cyril Kalina of this city.

The funeral services and interment will be at the Ohio home as far as learned here.

ATTENDANCE REMAINS GOOD

The attendance in the city schools is reported as very good despite the extreme cold weather and only in the kindergarten and lowest grades has the attendance shown any particular drop. Even in the blizzard like condition of Monday there was a very good showing in the high school and grades in all schools of the city.

LEAVE FOR CALIFORNIA

From Monday's Daily:
Henry Albert of Louisville, with his sister-in-law, Miss Anna Sanders of this city, departed today for San Diego, California, where they will join Mrs. Albert and daughter and Henry Sanders, who have been spending the winter there.

The party was accompanied to the west coast by Mrs. Hamburg, who has been here to visit with her mother, Mrs. William Budig and her sister, Mrs. William Ofe and family.

Blizzard of Monday Causes Many Drifts

Sweeping Wind Piles Snow in East-West Roads, Despite Attempts to Keep Them Open.

One of the old fashioned blizzards swept over eastern Nebraska and western Iowa Monday afternoon, following a day of steady snowfall and the high wind at once swept the snow into deep drifts and closed many of the highways and made travel disagreeable and dangerous.

In this city there were large drifts formed over the residential section which blocked many of the roads, marooning residents and making it necessary making their way out on foot.

The roads in this locality also suffered from the drifts and many of the side roads are vast fields of unbroken snow that will require several days to get open for normal travel.

Road maintaining forces were busy at Murray all Monday afternoon to keep this east and west road open for travel and several crews were there in the fight to keep it from drifting shut.

SURPRISED ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Phillip Hirz was given a most delightful surprise on Tuesday afternoon by the members of her card club which proved a real surprise to the guest of honor. Mrs. Hirz had been assisting at the store of her husband and returned home shortly before 1 o'clock to find that the home was filled with the members of the club. The visitors had arranged a most delicious 1 o'clock luncheon in honor of the birthday and which all appreciated very much. The afternoon was spent playing bridge and visiting with the guest of honor.

Those present were Mrs. E. H. Bernhardt, Christine Soennichsen, Mrs. James G. Mauzy, Mrs. Harley Wiles, Mrs. W. C. Soennichsen, Mrs. W. V. Ryan, Mrs. H. L. Thomas, of Nebraska City and Mrs. Hirz.

OBSERVES BIRTHDAY

From Wednesday's Daily
Today was the eighty-second birthday anniversary of A. W. Smith, one of the highly esteemed residents of the city and whose many friends will join in their congratulations to him and for many more such happy events in the future. Mr. Smith has made his home here since 1910 and has been one of the community's best citizens. In honor of the anniversary his daughter, Mrs. W. T. Richardson, of Mynard and his son, Arthur Smith and family joined in the dinner party at noon at the Smith home.

SHOWING FINE IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. Ralph E. Gansemer, who has returned home from the Clarkson hospital where she was given a very serious operation, is showing a very pleasing gain and doing just as well as possible. Mrs. Gansemer is here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Clement, the extreme cold weather making it inadvisable to have her taken to her farm home near Murray. The many friends will be pleased to learn of her improving condition and trust that she may continue to gain in strength.

VISITS WITH FRIENDS

Miss Rosemarie Burcham spent Sunday with her friends, Miss Ethel Kuenzli. Miss Kuenzli, who has been confined to her home with illness the past week is now on the road to recovery.

Phone news items to No. 6.

Birds Face the Danger of Starvation

While Winter Birds Can Stand Bitter Cold, Heavy Snow Prevents Securing of Food.

The very heavy snow of the past two weeks is bringing a real menace to the bird life of the central west and if large numbers are to be saved from starvation it must be through the action of the residents of the communities. The birds are able to withstand a very bitter cold but when their food supply is covered to a depth of several feet with snow, it creates a most critical situation.

Many of the Plattsmouth people in their thoughtfulness for the feathered friends that prevent insects from ruining our crops in the summer, have arranged feeding places for the birds but a more general movement of this kind should be started.

Small grain scattered on platforms or in cleared places, soon will attract the attention of the birds and they will readily find them. Sections of suet, tied or wired to trees also furnishes a suitable food supply for the birds. A number of the Plattsmouth householders have made window ledge feeding places for the birds where they gather to pick the grain or bread crumbs provided.

The state game commission is urging a general movement to provide food for the birds over the state to save the lives of thousands who otherwise will perish from starvation and in many cases organizations are providing grain to be used for the bird feeding.

SURPRISE FRIEND

Miss Margaret Bauer, whose birthday anniversary occurred on Saturday, was given a very pleasant reminder of the event by a group of the young friends who reside in the same neighborhood. The jolly party arrived at the Bauer home and all joined in an evening of the rarest enjoyment and in games of cards until a late hour when a dainty luncheon was enjoyed. The luncheon was featured by the large and attractive birthday cake that was prepared by Mrs. Louisa Bauer, grandmother of the guest of honor. In honor of the occasion Miss Bauer was given a large number of very attractive gifts. Those attending were Agnes and Gertrude Brink, Marie Nolting, Lois Giles, William Starkjohn, Willard Brink and Sheldon Giles.

LOSE HARD FOUGHT GAME

The Plattsmouth Reserves were at Omaha Tuesday afternoon for a tussle with the seconds of Central high school and showed fine against the Omaha team, altho losing by the score of 31 to 28. The Junior Platters paced the Omaha team until in the last quarter when they appeared to tire and the Central team was able to eke out the necessary three points for a win. Hayes was the sparkplug of the Platter offense and led the team in scoring. Rehal, who has been out of the game on account of illness, was back in the game and able to play a part of the time. The Central team will be here on Friday, February 22, to play the preliminary of the Plattsmouth-Blair tilt.

SEEK SHELTER HERE

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VERY CRITICALLY ILL

From Tuesday's Daily:
J. Howard Davis was called to Lincoln at an early hour today by a message announcing the very grave condition of Rev. D. W. Parker, father of Mrs. Davis. Rev. Parker is at the Bryan Memorial hospital at Lincoln, suffering from pneumonia that has been very severe. Mrs. Davis has been with her father at the hospital since the last of the week. A message from Lincoln at noon today stated that the patient had withstood the severe condition of the night and seemed slightly better but still gravely ill.

HAVE FIRE CALL

The members of the fire department this morning were called by an alarm of fire at the Epler residence, just east of the city hall and fire station. The alarm was occasioned by the burning out of a chimney. The burning chimney was checked without any serious damage.

DR. GILMORE ILL

Dr. G. H. Gilmore of Murray, one of the veteran members of the medical profession in the state, is confined to his home at Murray by an illness that he has suffered from for several days and which has placed him on the inactive list. The family seems to be suffering a jinx in the way of sickness as the son, John, was recently operated on and Mrs. Ray Frans of Union, sister of Mrs. Gilmore, is quite seriously ill at Union and is being cared for by Miss Amelia Frederick of this city, a trained nurse.

Father and Son Move Discussed by Searl Davis

Local Man Gives Very Interesting Talk at Meeting of the Rotary Club Tuesday.

The members of the Plattsmouth Rotary club had the opportunity of hearing a very fine discussion of the father and son movement and the problem of the young man and boy in the community, given by Searl S. Davis.

Mr. Davis in his talk took up the problem of the boy from both the standpoint of the parent and of the boy. Mr. Davis strongly urged that some community gathering place for the youth might be provided that would permit the association of the young men together in surroundings that would be of a more inspirational atmosphere than those that they now have to find for themselves. This idea, following along the lines of the Y. M. C. A. in a limited scope, was suggested and Mr. Davis urged that some building be provided where the youth might gather and have the encouragement and guidance of more mature minds in providing for their recreations.

There were present the two high school students who will be members of Rotary for the month of February, Arthur Wurga, senior and Richard Otterstein, junior.

The meeting was under the leadership of Carl Ofe.

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The children reside west of La Platte where the heavily drifted roads made it impossible to get through the drifts and after several attempts were made it was decided to have the children brought here rather than risk further exposure. The party of children were taken back today to their school and it is expected that by night the roads to their homes may be opened up.

TO REMAIN AT HOSPITAL

John Potter, former Plattsmouth man, now located at Ashland, who entered the Veterans' hospital at Lincoln several days ago, has advised Legion officials here that he is still under observation, but the indications seem to point to gall bladder trouble. Definite diagnosis will be completed within a few days, but he expects to remain at the hospital for some time. John was formerly located here with the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company.

Sketch of Life of Samuel Latta of Murray

Native of Cass County, Deceased Led Very Active Life and Engaged in Many Occupations.

Samuel Foster Latta was born on a farm near Rock Creek, Nebr., on April 16, 1865, and departed this life at Hastings, Nebr., on February 1, 1936, aged 70 years, 10 months and 15 days. He was the fourth son of Robert M. and Letitia Latta, pioneers and homesteaders of this community. He had two sisters and four brothers, only three of whom survive him: William E. Latta of Culbertson, Nebr.; James T. Latta of Esccondido, Calif., and Elbert J. Latta of Hastings, Nebr.

His mother died when he was five years old, after which time he made his home with his sister, Mrs. Sidney Miner, who mothered him to young manhood. He attended country school until he was about 16 years of age, after which time he attended college at Valparaiso, Ind., for one year.

Later he associated himself with Samuel G. Latta, an uncle, this being his first business venture, establishing the first store in Murray. Selling out a few years later he became a professional cook, holding many important positions. His health being impaired by close confinement he became a farmer, locating near Wolf Lake, Ill., from which place he came to Murray. He was married in 1895 to Ida Neal who preceded his going one year.

He always in all his location associated himself with the church, holding membership in several organizations. He held membership in Jonesboro lodge No. 111, A. F. & A. M., at Jonesboro, Ill., and was also a member of the Odd Fellows lodge. He lived a friendly life as evidenced by his recent election to an office in this community, the term of which was cut short by his death.

Those of the family from out of the city to attend the funeral services were Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Latta, Hastings; Dr. J. C. Latta and wife, Clay Center, Nebr.

NAMED ASSISTANCE DIRECTOR

From Wednesday's Daily
Paul Vandervoort of this city, has been selected as the county assistance director to serve under the local county assistance commission which is composed of the board of commissioners and the county treasurer.

Mr. Vandervoort was at Lincoln Tuesday and today to attend the meeting being held there to provide schooling on the new security law and its operation.

Mr. Vandervoort is well qualified for this work and can give it his fullest attention and care to the important work which will cover the handling of the pensions for the blind, old age and children. The many friends will be pleased to see him assigned to this work.

HERE FROM LINCOLN

From Wednesday's Daily
Edward Murphy, of Lincoln, former well known resident of Mt. Pleasant precinct, was in the city today to look after some matters of business and calling on his many friends in the city. Mr. Murphy is now connected with the state liquor commission as an inspector and his duties take him to all sections of the state.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

C. C. Wescott, who has for the past three weeks been at the Methodist hospital at Omaha, returned home Sunday afternoon and will recuperate at the family home in this city. Mr. Wescott is recovering from an operation for glandular trouble and is now doing very nicely and well on the highway to recovery.

CARD OF THANKS

It is with the deepest gratitude that wish to acknowledge the many acts of kindness shown in the last illness and death of my loved wife. I wish to thank all who were so tender in their sympathy and assisted at the funeral service.—Fred G. Morgan.