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A TRIBUTE TO THE LATE MISSIONARY W. W. SCOTT

Editor Tribune:—

Many of your readers will be interested in a few facts about one of our Sunday School Missionaries, Mr. W. W. Scott, who has just died at Tamora, Nebr. He was our Presbyterian Sunday school missionary for sixteen years at North Platte.

His field was the "Sand Hills" and his people the "Cattlemen" and we may learn some lessons from him and his experience and conditions. I think country work sometimes fails because we try to do it after the city fashion. With a section of the land to every settler and many with several families in the Sand Hills are "few and far between." Under such conditions churches and ministers are impossible but cattlemen have very large families of children and whosoever they have a public school there is also hope for a Sunday school.

Their isolated conditions make them hungry for society. Cowboys in Mr. Scott's Sunday schools have been known to ride ten miles regularly to the Sunday school and often every family within six miles would be in attendance. They would often come and stay all day and many a rough man, because the Sunday school was the only public gathering would come under religious influence who if he had lived in a city would never have darkened the door of a church.

Because the Sunday School was their only hope for any religious influence, parents and christians would often hold on to it with a tenacity that was heroic, going miles to it through all kinds of weather. There were many children and young people in the Sunday Schools who had never heard a sermon or known a minister or been inside of a church. Under these conditions Mr. Scott's coming and organizing a Sunday School meant a great deal to the neighborhood. He was often told he was the only minister that ever came under their roof or the only man who had ever asked a blessing at their table. After praying at one home the little girl said, "Mother, who is he talking to." After kneeling in prayer at another home a boy said, "What did he do that for?"

Mr. Scott's rule was never to pass by a public school without a visit. His talk from the black board, his presentation of a bible to every boy or girl that could read it, his prayers and personal conversations with the children and the teachers made a deep impression and created a reverence for the "Man of God" that perhaps was not felt for any other man in the sand hills.

His distribution of clothing sent to him by eastern friends during the great droughts in Nebraska, his help of young people to get away to college, his faithful visits to the sick, his raising funds to send the afflicted to the hospital and his finding homes for orphan children endeared him for a life time to many a family and to a whole neighborhood. His friends sometimes complained that they "could not give Brother Scott anything really nice for himself for he would soon give it away to some poor man that he thought needed it more than he did." These are some of the reasons why Brother Scott could organize and maintain a Sunday School where no other man could do anything.

His health was poor, his strength was feeble, his eye sight was almost gone, and yet he organized more Sunday Schools than anybody. His spirit was so intensely interested in people that he could not refrain from working. "The love of God constrained him." Several times when the weather was bad his friends refused to give him a team or to go with him, hoping that he would abandon the trip but he walked to his appointment. Whenever a farmer could face the storm or a business man could go out he thought he could go for the Lord.

At nine years of age he had a spell of spinal meningitis which left him almost without sight or speech. To recover these he visited doctors and hospitals almost without number, and everywhere he was at work he impressed men with his intense earnestness. Because of this earnestness and prayerful spirit his friends secured him an appointment under our Board of Sunday School work and he came to North Platte. After his health failed he continued his work so far as he could without a salary.

He spent his money freely for others, gave his tenth faithfully to the church and the Lord did not forget him in his declining years. Our Board of Ministerial Relief in consideration of his long and faithful services granted him a pension of \$300 a year which was a great comfort in his declining health.

He was a great sufferer for years but bore it patiently. It was touching to see the tender and sympathetic interest the whole community manifested toward him in several long spells of sickness he had, sending him flowers and letters and many coming long distances to visit him. He appreciated these very highly and showed his interest in his friends to the very last.

We cannot mourn as "those who have no hope" and if Brother Scott could come back now how he would "wipe away our tears" and tell us not to mourn for him for he already is in the "better land" where after all our struggles and temptations we ourselves hope to come and where we that are faithful will before many years meet him again.

Yours very truly,
J. B. CURREN.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mooks were called to the eastern part of this state Saturday by the death of a relative.

HARRY PORTER BUYS FRONT STREET PROPERTY.

Harry Porter, of the Star Bottling Works, closed a deal Saturday whereby he becomes the owner of the former Harrington property on east Front street on which is located the hay barn. The property is 132x132, and was purchased for the purpose of erecting bottling works thereon. Mr. Porter expects to erect a building this fall.

The Star Bottling Works is one of North Platte's growing industries, and its yearly business now ranks with the largest of its kind in the state, its business covering a territory nearly 200 miles in length along the Union Pacific. For the past two years its present quarters have been inadequate to handle the business properly, hence Mr. Porter's purchase of a site for the plant.

150 Wash Skirts, 150, made of Palm Beach, Silverbloom, Gabardine, Poplin, etc., in white, tan and stripes in all shades, 98c up at BLOCK'S.

Mrs. Ira Minnick and Mrs. J. B. Williams, of Maywood, were visiting and shopping in town the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Liston, of Lincoln, visited in town last week while enroute to Dickens to visit the former's brother Charles Liston.

Mrs. A. L. Rash and baby, of Cheyenne, who were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott, have returned home.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Orra Sallor has returned from a visit in Denver.

Miss Focia Jessen left Friday evening for her home in Grand Island.

Mrs. W. E. Pease entertained the Baptist aid society Friday afternoon.

Miss Gladys Hall accepted a position in the local telephone office last week.

F. H. Minnure, of Kearney, began work in the Getzman Cigar factory last week.

C. E. Northley, of Gothenburg, visited with local friends the latter part of last week.

F. W. Rincker returned Saturday from Keystone where he transacted business last week.

Mrs. Rose McGinley, of Paxton, spent the week end with the Huff and Herrod families.

E. R. Kelly, of Kearney, arrived here Saturday to accept a position in the Getzman cigar factory.

Mrs. D. C. Congdon returned Friday evening from Hastings where she visited her mother who is ill.

Miss Hallie Smith, of Kearney, came Friday evening to visit Miss Marie Crook and other friends.

A daughter was born the latter part of last week to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Reflor who live west of town.

John Den went to Arapahoe the latter part of last week to visit relatives.

Harley Tiley who spent the past year in Des Moines, will return here shortly.

Mrs. D. W. Miller has gone to Kansas City to remain for a week or longer with relatives.

Mrs. Dan Valerius left Saturday morning for Holyoke, Colo., to visit relatives for a week.

Mrs. Hamilton, of Holyoke, Colo., who was the guest of Mrs. Dan Valerius, left Friday evening.

Whatever Wool and Silk Suits we have left, values up to \$40.00 are now going at \$10.00 and \$15.00. BLOCK'S.

Claude Peters is expected to return this week from Atchison, Kans., where he had been attending Midland college.

Charles Hupfer, Jr., who had been attending Midland College at Atchison, Kans., returned home Friday evening.

Miss Mabel Walters, who had been attending the Kearney Normal, returned home the latter part of last week.

Miss Alice Langford, who has resided in Pasadena, Calif., for two years, will return home the latter part of this month.

Mrs. Jesse VanDyke and daughter Mildred left the latter part of last week for Kansas City to spend several weeks with relatives.

Mrs. A. J. Salisbury left yesterday for Grand Island to attend the funeral of Harriet Fowler.

Mrs. J. W. Fitzpatrick and daughter left the latter part of last week for Omaha to visit Miss Mildred Fitzpatrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Winqest, of Brady, were here the latter part of last week and returned home in a new car.

Mrs. Elizabeth Danze and children will leave in a short time for Omaha to make an extended visit with relatives.

Royal Hahn, of Lincoln, came the latter part of last week to visit his sister Miss Beryl Hahn for several days.

Mrs. Charles Reynolds entertained ten friends at bridge Friday evening in honor of Mrs. William Neil, of Charles Town, W. Va.

The Thompson residence on 315 South Dewey was quarantined for small-pox Friday. This is the first case to develop in several weeks.

A successful social was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Perry Carson by the Catholic ladies. Assisting were Mesdames A. Guillame, A. Fink and Gregor Schatz.

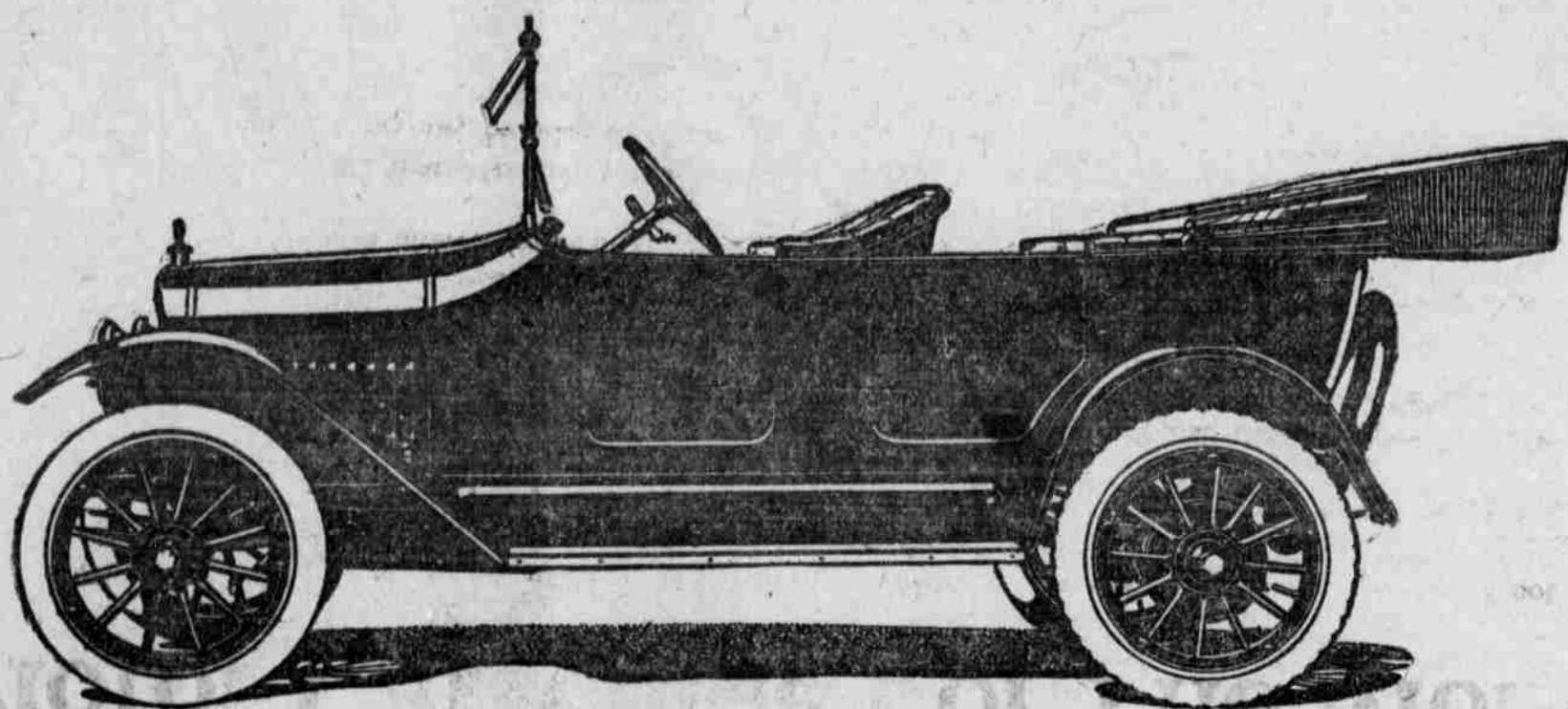
Miss Nell Dye, of Salina, Kans., who frequently visited her sister Mrs. W. R. Maloney in this city, will be married the latter part of this month to John R. Hayes of Salina.

Mrs. Theodore Samuelson entertained the Tillikum Girls' club Friday evening at a pre-nuptial towel shower in honor of her sister Miss Hattie Hatfield. The evening was spent in games and social conversation and the guest of honor received a pretty collection of towels.

Alma Pizer entertained a score of her young playmates at a birthday party the latter part of last week. It being the fifth anniversary of her birth she received many pretty gifts. Mrs. Charles Trovillo left at noon Saturday for Grand Island to attend the funeral of the late Harriet Fowler.

Mesdames Edward Ogier and Leonard Dick gave the second of a series of afternoon parties Friday. Sixty ladies were their guests and the afternoon was spent in Kensington work. A short program in which Mrs. Tiley, Mrs. Edward Burke and Miss Dorothy Hinman took part was given. Cut flowers were used in the decorations and on the tables. The functions were held at the Ogier home.

Friends in town received word Saturday of the death of Harriet Fowler at Grand Island after a short illness. The young girl formerly resided here and a few years ago moved to Grand Island with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fowler. She was fourteen years old and has many friends who regret to learn of her death. The funeral services were held yesterday afternoon and a number of friends from this city attended.



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