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DEATH CLAIMS NELSON JONES AFTER VERY BRIEF ILLNESS

Many Years a Resident of this City Mr. Jones' Death Comes as a Sad Surprise to Lifelong Friends and Acquaintances.

From Friday's Daily.

Died—Jones, Nelson, at his home in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on Friday, December 3, 1909, at 8 o'clock a. m., of quick consumption, aged 38 years, 1 month and 28 days. Funeral on Sunday, December 5, 1909. Interment at Oak Hill cemetery.

After what was comparatively a brief illness, Nelson Jones, for many years a resident of this city and known to nearly every person in its confines, passed away this morning just as the hour struck eight o'clock. His death was not unexpected as he had been so seriously ill for the past month that virtually all hope of saving his life had been abandoned. It is but a very short time ago when he was taken to an Omaha hospital where an operation was performed upon him for an enlarged gland which had appeared under one of his arms. At that time his condition was not regarded as serious in the least and he went through the operation with little trouble. Returning to this city as soon as his wound had sufficiently healed, he resumed his place as a merchant's policeman, working nights but he had only worked a few nights when he was taken down with what proved to be the last attack.

For many years Mr. Jones had lived in this city and its immediate neighborhood and he had become a very familiar figure to all. He was one of the kind of men whom everyone knew to like. In his nature he was generous and open hearted, a true friend and a patient, hardworking man. Throughout the many years he had lived here he had formed many acquaintances and all knew him to admire and respect him for his many manly qualities. At the time of his death he had been employed by the merchant's of the city as a night watchman and in that position he had acquitted himself with credit and earned their confidence by his faithful attendance to his duties and his fidelity to his trust. In his death the community

loses a good citizen and one ever willing and anxious to do what little he might toward the uplifting of his fellow men and the good of the community in which he lived. A married man, he had proven a good provider for his family and in his loss the sorrowing widow loses a good husband while the little children are bereft of a loving father.

Deceased was born in Mills county, Ia., almost within sight of the place where he breathed his last on October 5, 1871, and he lived with his parents, J. R. Jones and wife, in that county until the fall of 1879 when they moved to this city. Since that time he has been a resident of this place and he has been a faithful and energetic worker in many lines of business. He was married in this city to Mrs. Jones several years since and of this union there was born two children, both girls, their names being Ethel May and Almenda Louisa Jones. Both survive him in addition to his widow. He is also survived by his father and mother, J. R. Jones and wife of this city, three brothers, viz: Jacob E., Clyde, and James Robert Jones, and six sisters, Mrs. George Ahlrep, of Denver, Col., Mrs. Almira Baldwin, Mrs. Dora Denson, Mrs. Edna Denson, Miss Agatha Jones and Miss Minnie L. Jones.

The deceased was an honorary member of the city fire department and had also carried some insurance in the American Patriots society of Springfield, Ill.

The funeral takes place on Sunday next, although at this time arrangements have not been completed owing to waiting for word from relatives abroad. Interment will be made at Oak Hill cemetery, west of this city.

In their profound sorrow at the loss of so loving and kind a husband, father, son and brother, the family have the sincere sympathy of a vast circle of friends and acquaintances.

WORDS OF PRAISE FOR CLUB'S WORK

Secretary Wescott of the Commercial Club Receives Several Letters From other Secretaries Regarding It's Achievements.

The recent banquet of the Plattsmouth Commercial club has been attracting attention the state over and Secretary Wescott has received a number of letters from outside parties congratulating the club upon the brilliant success which it achieved. Among others is one from the secretary of the Fremont Commercial club which especially commends the club for its activity and congratulates it on the vigorous earnestness with which it is doing things. He says that from all accounts the Plattsmouth club banquet was a most brilliant gathering and is bound to do much good, not alone to this city but to the state.

In addition Secretary Wescott has also received letters from Messrs Arthur Smith and J. M. Guild who spoke here at that banquet. They both congratulated Mr. Wescott on the large gathering which they faced and warmly commended the energy which the people of Plattsmouth were displaying in the pursuit of industries. Mr. Guild's letter was especially gratifying to the local club. As secretary of the Omaha Commercial club he stated he had attended many banquets in the state and none of them had come up to the one which the Plattsmouth club gave, either in point of attendance or enthusiasm manifested. He stated it was a gathering which would be a great credit to Omaha and wound up by the assertion that it meant much for the welfare of Plattsmouth. Mr. Guild's letter has enthused the members of the executive committee and the club members to a degree and inspired in them a determination to make the club the leader in industrial development in the state. When it is considered that such organizations as the Fremont club and the Omaha club can find much worth imitating in the Plattsmouth club its worth to the community and the state can easily be recognized. Secretary Wescott is more than gratified at all these manifestations of interest in the work of the club and believes that there is a more than a brilliant future ahead for the club and for Plattsmouth. It has gotten the ball rolling and it will keep it going.

Wedding at Weeping Water.

At Weeping Water last Wednesday evening occurred the wedding of William E. Heebner and Miss Nellie E. Cockrell. The wedding took place at the home of Mrs. A. Hauns, grandmother of the bride and was quite largely attended by the relatives of the contracting parties. Rev. J. C. Street performed the ceremony which united these young people for life. The groom is a prominent young farmer of the vicinity of Weeping Water and has a great many friends in the neighborhood. He is a young man of much worth and ability. The bride has been engaged in teaching school throughout that section of the county for sometime and is a charming young woman of many accomplishments. She likewise has many acquaintances and friends who unite with those of the groom in extending the happy couple their best wishes for a long and happy married life.

Lineman Injured.

Joe Hair, a lineman in the employ of the Nebraska Lighting company, yesterday afternoon was injured by a falling pole at the corner of Third and Rock streets. Hair was on the pole when it gave way under him precipitating him to the ground. He was unable to get up but other linemen and passers by secured a cab and had him taken to his room at the Hotel Plattsmouth where his injuries were examined by a surgeon and pronounced not serious, the ankle of the right foot being sprained and some bruises on the body being had. The injuries were quite painful, however. The accident occurred after the Journal went to press at 3 o'clock which accounts for its not appearing in yesterday's paper.

Mrs. A. F. Knoflicek is spending today in Omaha, having gone to that city this morning on the early train.

Narrow Escape From Injury.

Last Wednesday night A. G. Bach and his wife had a narrow escape from what might have been almost serious injury. They were driving home on one of the side streets when the buggy in which they were riding struck a deep hole in the road and in some manner Mr. Bach's leg was caught either between the buggy box and the wheel or in the wheel, the exact situation not being certain and his knee badly sprained. Fortunately the member was not broken and Mrs. Bach sustained no serious injury. The accident has served to lay August up for some time and is a very painful one. An examination by a surgeon disclosed that no bones were broken. It will be several days before the injured member will be in shape for use.

MISSOURI PACIFIC IMPROVEMENTS

Will Soon Start on Their New Steel and Concrete Structure Over Platte River.

The Missouri Pacific will not stop with relaying the steel on their line through this city but they will start in two weeks on their new steel and concrete structure over the Platte river. The new bridge will occupy the site of the old one and it will be one of the best bridges which will span that stream. It is to be all steel with concrete piers and with large commodious openings for handling flood waters. It is stated that work on this bridge will occupy a year and that it will furnish employment to a big gang for that period of time. There are many cars of steel and lumber in the yards at this point for the work and a large number are standing on the side tracks at La Platte. This makes a big expenditure for the company in this immediate neighborhood when it is taken in connection with the relaying of the tracks. For the latter purpose there are nine carloads of Greeks now in the yards here and this place will be their headquarters until they finish the laying of the rail into Gilmore Junction. This work will take several months now, it is assured as the weather conditions are such that work cannot be done fast at present. When the track is relaid and the new bridge completed the Missouri Pacific will be in a position to compete with any line between Omaha and Kansas City and can make fast time between the two points. The present bridge over the Platte is too light for the use of the big engines of the company and the main object of the new structure will be to afford a strong steel structure for that purpose. The new rail will also be heavy enough to permit the running of the heaviest trains over it with no danger.

Twenty-Five Days in Jail.

From Friday's Daily.

Bud Ball, the person of color who tried so hard to separate C. E. Wescott's Sons from sundry pairs of pants and vests day before yesterday, was again arraigned before Judge Archer this afternoon and withdrew his plea of not guilty, admitted to the court that he snaked the said belongings away from the store with the intent then and there and thereby to feloniously make way with same. Previously he had consulted Matthew Gering about a defense and Matthew seemed loath to take up Bud's troubles, so he concluded the thing to do was to cast himself upon the mercy of the court. Judge Archer heard all Bud could offer in extenuation of his offense and then concluded to sentence the colored gentleman to twenty-five days in the county bastille, the first three days to be on bread and water. This means that Bud will have his Yuletide dinner with Jaller Manspeaker and that any turkey he eats will be the donation of the county of Cass. He was some cast down by the unfeeling action of the court and could not see how his honor could look upon his frisky antics as a grave an infraction of the laws and so much against the peace and dignity of the state of Nebraska. He was taken back to the donjon keep by Sheriff Quinton where he will dwell in peace and harmony until another year almost knocks upon the portals and the old year with its sins and follies is buried deep in the sea of oblivion. And that is some buried.

EDWARD W. WHITE DIES IN PENNSYLVANIA OF TYPHOID FEVER

Death Comes as a Great Shock to Friends and Relatives in This City—Graduated From Local High School in Class of 1905

Died—White, Edward, at Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania, on Friday, December 3, 1909, of typhoid fever, aged 22 years, 5 months and 28 days.

The many friends of Eddie White, as he was so well known in this city, were shocked beyond expression last evening when the news was received here of his untimely death at Wilkinsburg, Pa., from typhoid fever. His illness had a very brief run and hardly had the news of his serious condition reached this city when it was followed by the sad intelligence of his passing away. That it came as a great shock to the many friends who had known this most estimable young man from his birth, goes without saying. Departing from this city but a few months back in all the strength of budding manhood, he was among the last whom death it would seem would seek, yet today he is numbered with those who were. When the news of his serious illness reached this city his devoted mother and his brother David, hurried to his bedside that they might be present to aid him in his sturdy fight against disease but being of no avail.

Such deaths come as a terrible affliction to all who have had the fortune of knowing this excellent young man. In all the history of this city where are so many deserving young men whose lives have been spent within its borders, none deserved higher praise than Edward White. It could be said of him that all the good qualities which a man may possess, he had that the faults and the failures which most fall heir to, had passed him by and he had placed his footsteps upon the threshold of a busy life with a soul as spotless and as pure as the stars of heaven, only to find the cold hand of death closing the door of opportunity to his knock.

Edward White was born in this city on June 5, 1887, and from his early childhood this had been his home and here, in the tree clad hills which borders the Missouri, he had virtually passed all his life. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White, two of the best known and most estimable of our citizens. As a boy he had attended the public schools in this city and throughout the years in which he had been a student, he had acquitted himself well earning a high place in his studies and ranking among those whose work was a pride to their teacher. Later when his career as a student in the public school had closed he entered the state univer-

sity at Lincoln, and here he repeated the success which he had attained in the schools. As a student at the university, he developed and enlarged these traits, which had made him so highly esteemed in the schools. Adopting engineering as his chosen profession, he devoted himself to it with the assiduity and vigor which insured success and when his term in the university drew to a close, he graduated with brilliant success and was honored with the degree of Bachelor of Science in the engineering department. Returning to his home in this city, he shortly after his graduation, which took place in the class of 1909, entered the employ of the Westinghouse Electrical company in their plant near Pittsburgh, Pa.

It was while engaged in this work that he was stricken with the fatal disease which carried him away and, as told above, the end came yesterday despite all which loving hands and careful medical attendance could do for him.

The deceased is survived by his mother, Mrs. W. A. White, his father having preceded him to the Great Beyond about one year ago, and three brothers, David, Harry, and Arthur, and one sister Adella. Of these David is a student at the state university at Lincoln, Harry is engaged in the railroad business at some point in New Mexico and Arthur and Adella were in this city with their mother. It is announced that the remains of the young man will arrive in this city tomorrow afternoon on the train from the east, arriving here at 1:58 p. m. Further arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

During his years in the state university, the deceased was not connected with any of the college fraternities, but was a member of Company B., of the Thurston Rifles of the university and was also a member of the Palladium debating society. He was a particularly bright young man in debate and ranked very high. In addition he was very popular with his classmates and they will share in the general sorrow over his untimely taking off.

To the grief stricken mother and brothers and sister, the entire sympathy of the community is given. In his death they have lost one whose whole future held only the most brilliant promise, a kind and loving son and brother, his death leaves a void which time can never fill and a memory which throughout life must be one of sadness and sorrow.

CLOSE CALL FROM SERIOUS INJURY

Will Vallery, While Hauling Hay is Thrown From Load and Hurt.

From Friday's Daily.

Will Vallery yesterday afternoon had a narrow escape from serious injury, and as it was, sustained severe bruises about the body by reason of being thrown from a load of hay. Mr. Vallery was engaged in hauling hay at his farm southwest of the city and at the time of the accident was driving a four-horse team. He was on the load when the lead team approached a ditch over which he was going to drive. The team gave a sudden jump when at the edge of the ditch and threw him forward, he striking the upright at the front end of the rack and being thrown to one side and off the rack to the ground. Fortunately he fell clear of the wagon and the wheels just barely scraped his side as the wagon went past him. He was taken to the house and a physician summoned. An examination revealed that he had sustained no more severe injuries than bad bruises about the side and body. Where he had struck the upright on the rack, his stomach was bruised considerably as was the side where the wagon had scraped him. He suffered considerable pain but this morning was feeling better and he will probably be able to be out and about within a few days.

Dr. E. D. Cummins was called to attend Mr. Vallery and this afternoon he furnished a statement as to how the accident came about. The above is substantially the facts but the escape which Mr. Vallery suffered was closer than indicated. The lead team leaped over a hole in the road, it hurled Mr. Vallery against the standard at the head of the hay rack. This broke off and he was pulled over on the backs of the se-

cond team, bounding from them to the ground directly in front of the wagon wheels. These caught him and he seized the spokes of the wheel, being dragged across a bridge they were approaching before the team was stopped. The front team when it made its plunge snapped the double trees in two. Fortunately Mr. Vallery did not sustain any broken bones but his breast and side was badly bruised and he was painfully hurt by the fall and the dragging over the bridge.

Judge Travis Returns Home.

Judge H. D. Travis returned home last evening from Beatrice, where he has been engaged for several weeks in trying the case of the State vs. Chamberlain. Chamberlain was cashier of a bank at Tecumseh, which failed owing the depositors many thousands of dollars. He was arrested on complaint of a depositor, who alleged he had taken deposits after he knew the bank was insolvent. It was this case which Judge Travis was trying. A jury was impaneled and the trial had proceeded for about two weeks when one of the jurors was taken ill with typhoid fever and he was compelled to dismiss the jury. He ordered a new panel and this is to report on next Monday when the trial will be resumed. Judge Travis expects to return to Beatrice on Sunday next and remain until the case is finished. This afternoon he was a passenger for Omaha, where he will visit his brother, I. F. Travis, at the hospital. It is pleasant to note that the latter gentlemen is getting along nicely and that the chances for his recovery are now considered very good. He is a sufferer from typhoid fever.

Theodore Helm and son Charles, two of the best citizens Louisville can boast of, were visitors today in the city, having come down on the Schuyler train this morning. The Messrs. Helm are sterling men and are among the best Cass county farmers. They are always welcome in this city.

LAND CASES DISPOSED OF

Ami B. Todd Fined One Thousand Dollars and Three Months Imprisonment.

From Saturday's Daily.

In St. Paul, Minn., yesterday Judge Hook of the circuit court of appeals of the United States handed down a decision sustaining the sentence given the several cattlemen convicted several years ago of fraudulent entry of lands in this state. Among others who are directly affected by the decision is Ami B. Todd, former county commissioner of this county and now a resident of Denver, Col. Todd was convicted along with a number of others of having fraudulently conspired together and entered public lands of the United States unlawfully, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000 and spend three months in jail. This sentence is affirmed and there seems no hope for his escape from serving it. It is said an effort will be made to obtain a pardon for Todd on the ground of his ill health and for the reason that the violation of the law was quite unintentional on his part as he did not know the acts he committed were prohibited by law. His friends hope to induce the president to intercede and, by extending a pardon save him from the ignomy of a pris-

on sentence. He escaped lighter than most of the other men convicted, some of whom got a fine of \$1,500 and a year in jail. The prisoners included Bartlett Richards, president of the Nebraska Land & Feeding company, Will G. Comstock and Charles C. Jameson, also officers of the company. They all received heavier sentences than Todd.

Isbell Abandons Trip.

For the first time in seven years, N. H. Isbell, who has been handling one of the mail routes out of the city, was this morning compelled to abandon his trip. The extraordinary condition of the roads which literally stop traffic caused his abandonment of his trip. He made the trip as far as Mrs. Goo's southwest of the city when he decided it was useless to attempt to make the round and he drove back to town. This is one of the most startling demonstrations of the terrible condition of the country roads yet made and it speaks volumes. In the seven years Mr. Isbell has been carrying mail he has gone on through rain and shine but today was too much for him and he gave it up and drove back to the office. There is small prospect of better roads for sometime to come now and the patrons of the rural delivery must be prepared for disappointments.

Low Brissey is among those spending today in Omaha, having gone to that city on the early train this morning.