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## CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING AT LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

Ex Senator S. L. Thomas and Wife Celebrate the Event in a Most Becoming Manner at Their California Home.

In speaking of the happy event the Long Beach (Cal.) Daily Telegraph says:

On April 18, just fifty years ago, ex-Senator S. L. Thomas of Nebraska and Mrs. Thomas were married in Plattsmouth, Neb., and the event was commemorated in their home, 1409 East Fifth street, all smothered in golden hearted marguerites, gauzy bows of the same golden hue, tall lilies with a background of the lacy green of smilax vines.

Delicate lilies were caught against hangings and curtains with bows of yellow ribbons. Chandeliers were softly draped in greenery and pardineries of yellow nasturtiums lent a golden glow in the dining room, where a delicious collation was served.

The affair with all its charming phases was a complete surprise to the bride and groom of fifty years ago, who were taken on an auto trip to Los Angeles, in commemoration of their wedding day by their son, Mr. W. L. Thomas. Returning at 8 o'clock they found the home massed in golden bloom symbolical of the fiftieth anniversary, and the guests assembled with their golden gifts and congratulations.

Ex-Senator Thomas responded happily to a toast, saying in part as follows: "In reviewing the events of fifty years ago, I remember as but yesterday the

eighteenth of April, 1861, when the dark cloud of the rebellion was hanging over our country. Fort Sumter had just been fired on and had surrendered. I fully comprehend the different standing of the country today, where among the many other bright prospects is the rapid work going on in the Panama canal, which will open the gate to a new prosperity for Long Beach and southern California."

Senator Thomas paid a tribute to the Long Beach municipal band, and expressed his desire to assist in the celebration of the anniversaries of the friends assembled in honor of his fiftieth anniversary, saying that he fully expected to do so, as the climate of Long Beach gives a hope leaning toward the longevity of Methuselah's time.

There were four generations represented among the guests, including Senator and Mrs. S. L. Thomas, their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Helps, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Adamson, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Elder, Whittier, Cal.; Mr. H. Francis, Whittier, Cal.; Mrs. Bertha Todd, Clare Thomas, Glen Thomas, Herschel Thomas, Roland Thomas, Warren Thomas and the little great-grandchild, Larue Thomas.

## THE BALL SATURDAY NIGHT A GRAND SOCIAL SUCCESS

Given by Six Members of the Senior Class of the Plattsmouth High School.

The invitation dance, given by six members of the senior class of the Plattsmouth High school last Saturday night, was one of the most brilliant events of the year. The hall was beautifully decorated with the class colors, pennants of orange and black waved everywhere and each lady was presented with a beautiful rose. The music was furnished by the M. W. A. orchestra and the scene illuminated by numerous electric incandescents presented a dazzling picture as the grand march, led by Principal Richey and Miss Josephine Johnson of Lincoln, proceeded promptly at 9 o'clock. Fruit punch was served during the evening and everyone present seemed to enjoy the entertainment furnished to the fullest extent.

The out-of-town guests were: Mr. Frank Herold and sister, Miss Helen, and Miss Josephine Johnson of Lincoln; John Markel, Misses Leta Thomas and Hazel Classen of Nebraska City; Mr. John Woodworth and Misses Luetta Patterson and Helen Nason of Omaha; Mr. Carl West of Wyoming; Miss Assenmacher of Lincoln, and Miss Fern McBride of South Omaha; Messrs. George Morris, Hobert Clarence Wells, Albert Ellenberger and Frank Phillips of Omaha.

The committee on arrangements deserve much praise for the tactful manner in which the ball was conducted. Those present have warm words of commendation for those in charge, and frequent remarks were heard on the street this morning to the effect that the affair was one of the best ever given in the hall.

## TO CELEBRATE THEIR MOTHER'S BIRTHDAY

Sons, Daughter and Others Come in Sunday to Assist in Commemorating the Event.

While Mrs. P. E. Ruffner's birthday anniversary does not occur until tomorrow, those who came in to visit the old home on Sunday thought it a very propitious opportunity to celebrate the event, as their business was such that they could not always get away on any other day, and Mrs. Ruffner was just as willing as they were to have the good time right then and there.

Among the party assembled was: Dr. and Mrs. Dodge, Sperry and Horace Ruffner and Miss Irma Hunt of Omaha, and Edwin G. Ruffner of Dunbar, Neb. The entire party arrived Saturday evening at the Ruffner home, and it is needless to say they enjoyed "home life" to a perfection while under the protecting wings of mother and father. After one of the best dinners ever spread the party took a drive over the city, and the boys had an opportunity to view many places where they used to ramble, even to the "old swimming hole."

The only fault we have to find in chronicling this happy event is that Mrs. Ruffner refused point blank to tell us her age, and said "no woman was right in the upper story who would tell her age after reaching the 35 mark." So we didn't insist. The party all returned to Omaha feeling that they had enjoyed a good time, even if they were a day or two ahead of time.

At Weeping Water, May 8, County Superintendent Miss Mary Foster will hold the graduating exercises of the county eighth grade pupils. The program will be full of interest and everyone in the county who is interested is invited to be present.

Mr. Weyrich exchanged his fine gasoline launch for the car, making the exchange with the R. A. Duff establishment of this city. Emil doesn't have to take a wheel and ride a mile now before he can take his boat, but walks out of the store and steps in and is away.

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## Judge Nowell Injured.

From Monday's Daily.

Judge W. H. Nowell suffered severe injuries this morning as a result of an accident which befell him at his Cedar Creek quarry. The judge went to the quarry as usual on No. 29 this morning, and was about among the cars arranging for loading gravel when a heavy car door swung loose from its fastenings and fell on his left foot, breaking the left big toe. The injury was very painful and will cause the judge considerable inconvenience for some time.

## ANOTHER SERIOUS ACCIDENT NEAR EAGLE

Machine Becomes Unmanageable and Runs Into Barbed Wire Fence.

August Borkman, who resides six miles south of this city, met with an accident Sunday morning that might have cost him his life. He was riding a motorcycle and when about a mile south of his home the pesky machine became unmanageable, throwing its rider into a barbed wire fence in such a manner that a gash fully six inches long and within a sixteenth of an inch of the jugular vein was cut in Mr. Borkman's throat and he also received a bad cut on one of his hands.

The unfortunate man pulled himself out of his perilous position, and after assuring himself that he was still alive, picked up the machine, and with blood flowing from his wounds, he walked and pushed that treacherous machine back to his home, a distance of one mile. A doctor was then called to dress his wounds. August was able to come to town the next day and relate his thrilling adventure.—Eagle Beacon.

## BEFORE JUDGE ARCHER FOR FIGHTING SATURDAY

Arrested Party Not a Quarrelsome Citizen and Usually Very Quiet and Peaceable.

From Monday's Daily.

George Lindsay was arrested Saturday night for drunkenness and fighting. He was taken before Judge M. Archer this morning and given \$10 and costs, with the sentence being suspended for two weeks to give defendant opportunity to pay. George is not usually quarrelsome, but when his brother, Peter, attempted to take him home Saturday night he resented the assistance of his brother and finally assaulted him.

George regrets the occurrence very much and says he would not have thought of such a thing had he been sober. His brother refused to appear as a witness against George and the matter was disposed of without his statement. The altercation took place on Washington avenue about 9 o'clock in the evening.

## Honor the Journal Office.

From Monday's Daily.

A party composed of Joe Zimmerman, the genial cashier of the Avoca bank; Mr. Gust Mohr, the proprietor of one of the best regulated saloons in Nebraska; Ed Wulf and his mother, and Mrs. Rich, Mrs. Wulf's aunt, came over from Avoca this morning in Joe's lightning-speed auto. Mrs. Rich has been visiting at the Wulf home, near Avoca, and she was returning to her home in this city. The boys all paid their respects to the Journal and replenished its exchequer somewhat. They returned after transacting some business matters, and in departing, said they would land in Avoca for dinner. Come again, gentlemen, we are always glad to meet you.

## FOR SHERIFF.

I hereby announce by self as a candidate for the nomination for the office of sheriff of Cass county, Nebraska, subject to the decision of the voters at the coming primary election. I ask the voters to place me in nomination on the democratic ticket. G. P. Barton, Union, Neb.

Mr. W. M. Rinker was called to the metropolis on the afternoon train.

## MRS. F. S. WHITE RECEIVES IN HONOR OF HER DAUGHTER, MRS. HALLER

Quite an Elaborate Affair, With Several Plattsmouth Ladies Present.

The Sunday World-Herald contains the following: Mrs. Francis E. White and Miss Bertha White were the hostesses at a reception Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Frank Hastings Haller of Calumet, Mich., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. White. They received a hundred guests from 3 o'clock until 6. The rooms were brightened by clusters of yellow jonquils. Mrs. White and daughter were assisted by Mrs. Theodore P. Livingston of Plattsmouth, Mrs. Frederick McConnell, Mrs. R. R. Kimball, Mrs. Frank B. Johnson, Mrs. W. J. Straight of Plattsmouth, Mrs. Ewing Brown, Mrs. Lowell Parker of Minneapolis, Mrs. Frank Wilkins, Mrs. Russell Harris, Miss Luetta Patterson, Miss Gretchen McConnell and Miss Marguerite Birdsell.

## MR. JOHN BOCK CELEBRATES HIS BIRTHDAY

Six Daughters, Twenty Grandchildren and Four Great-grandchildren Present.

On Sunday, April 16, about sixty relatives, neighbors and friends gathered at the home of Mr. John Bock to assist in celebrating his 77th anniversary.

Mr. Bock has seven daughters and one son. His daughters all reside in Cass county, while his only son lives in Wyoming. Six of his daughters and families were able to attend. Twenty grandchildren were present and four great-grandchildren. The day was spent in social conversation.

A sumptuous dinner and supper was served by Mrs. Ed Gausemer (his youngest daughter, where Mr. Bock makes his home). Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Wulf and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hansen and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hansen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Philpot and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hunter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hild and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gausemer and family, Mrs. Schafer and sons, Otto and Philip; Mr. and Mrs. Adam Hild, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Puls and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Fredrich and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hild and family, Will Oberholte, Irma Peters, C. B. Peters, Richard Maybee and Charles Maybee.

## Drank Nothing but Water.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Mr. Fred Clugy returned from Bancroft and Rosalie yesterday morning, via Union. Mr. Clugy had not originally intended to visit Union on this trip, but circumstances were such that he felt almost compelled to do so. Mr. Clugy landed in Omaha Saturday night after the saloons were all closed up tight and caught the midnight M. P. train for Plattsmouth. He declares to his wife that he had nothing to drink but water, but he that as it may, Fred fell asleep and slept until the train reached Murray, when the accommodating brakeman waked him and asked him where he wanted to get off, and when he informed the train official, that individual said, "We passed that station some time ago." Fred then decided to go on to Union, as the conductor declined to back the train up to Plattsmouth. At Union he got a bed and rested very well until time for the early north-bound train, which he boarded for Plattsmouth.

## THEY SELL THE GOODS.

A few weeks ago a little want ad in the Journal sold 1,000 hedge posts for one of our farmer readers. Did you ever think of trying one? There is no doubt. They do the business.

## SOME MORE CUTE CAPERS OF DAN CUPIDO

A Pretty Wedding at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Todd, Three Miles West of Town.

A very pretty home wedding occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Todd, three miles west of this city, this morning at 10 o'clock, when Mrs. Todd's sister, Miss Edith Buzzell, was married to Mr. Frank L. Clark of Corning, Iowa. The marriage had been arranged to transpire in June, but the serious illness of the bride's father, who lives in California, caused the parties to hasten their marriage. They departed for California this afternoon.

The ceremony took place in the presence of the immediate relatives and was performed by Rev. Ratcliffe, former pastor of the Christian church. The wedding march was played by Miss Eleanor Todd. The bride wore a blue traveling dress and the groom the customary black with white tie. The wedding ceremony was very simple, but impressive, Rev. Ratcliffe using the solemn ritual of the Christian church.

After the ceremony and the congratulations of the assembled guests, the wedding party were ushered into the dining room, where a wedding lunch was served fit for a king. Delicious ice cream and cake closed the feast.

At the Burlington station a large quantity of rice and a few old shoes were showered upon the wedding party. A nice-looking gentleman preceded the party to the depot a half hour or so and, unrolling a bolt of white ribbon, informed the boys in the baggage room that in Iowa, where Mr. Clark lived, no one thought that they were married unless they could have their trunk decorated with bows of white ribbon, and that Mr. Clark would be disappointed if he should get out of town without having their baggage properly labeled. The boys fell into the plan, a huge piece of cardboard was produced and labeled "Just Married," and tacked on the side of the trunk, which had been sent to the station from the Buzzell home. The rope which bound the trunk was wrapped with white ribbon and huge bows of white ribbon were placed at every place where the ropes crossed over the trunk. At convenient intervals red hearts were pasted on the trunk, and an old shoe tied on each handle of the trunk. A large piece of brown paper was laid over the entire decoration, so that it might not attract too much attention before being loaded into the car.

When the party arrived at the station the young man had disappeared, and the station boys were left to use what caution was necessary to get the trunk loaded before the bride and groom discovered the decoration. A few of the friends got round on one side of the truck and viewed the spectacle, but neither Mr. nor Mrs. Clark saw it.

The out-of-town guests attending the wedding were: Mr. J. B. Farley, Mrs. E. E. Potter, Bertha Clark and Clifford Clark of Corning, Iowa.

The Journal extends congratulations and wishes the happy couple long life and a prosperous career through this vale of tears.

## Donates His Services.

Mr. Matthew Gering of this city has donated his services to the ladies of St. Mary's Guild and the proceeds from his lecture, "The Passion Play," will be used to beautify the St. Luke's church in this city. By patronizing the ladies in their endeavor to assist their church you also contribute to the upbuilding of the city. Show your appreciation of their efforts by attending the lecture on the evening of May 1st at the Parmele theater.

## Mrs. Seidenstrecker Not So Well.

Mrs. Seidenstrecker, mother of Mrs. Ida Campbell, is reported as being quite sick. Mrs. Seidenstrecker returned from the hospital recently, but has not been getting along as well as her immediate family and friends would like. We trust that the lady will improve and that she will soon be on the road to recovery.

## MOST DELIGHTFUL PICNIC AT CLOSING OF TERM

Miss Bessie Edwards Closed Her School Friday With a Picnic Dinner.

Miss Bessie Edwards, who has been teaching the Rock Bluffs school for the past eight months, returned to her home in this city Saturday afternoon, after having closed a very successful term of school in that district.

Friday being the last day of school the pupils, assisted by their teacher, decided to make the occasion of closing the school for the summer months one which they would never forget, and immediately began planning a picnic to be held at the school house on that day and to which parents and friends would be invited. This planning developed into a most delightful picnic dinner, which was held at the school house on last Friday and was a most enjoyable event. Parents, friends and the pupils, fifty in number, assembled at the school house during the morning hours, which were whiled away in social conversation, games and in preparing the picnic dinner.

Long tables were placed in the school room and a most bountiful picnic dinner was spread, and at the noon hour everybody joined in the banquet. After having done ample justice to this splendid picnic dinner, the time was very pleasantly passed in a social way and at the close of the beautiful spring day, all wended their way homeward, having had a happy time.

## Orders the Journal.

Mrs. Julia Thomas and son, Alvin, came over from Glenwood Saturday afternoon for a visit with friends in this city and were over-night guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Sharp. They were passengers to Omaha yesterday afternoon, where they visited Mrs. Thomas' son, Gerney B. Thomas and family. Mrs. Thomas returning to this city last evening, while Alvin remained for a more extended visit. Mrs. Thomas is employed at the institution at Glenwood as an attendant, while her son, Alvin, is attending the High school in that city. Mrs. Thomas was a pleasant caller at this office this morning and ordered a copy of the Journal sent to her address twice a week.