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## A MAGNIFICENT TRIBUTE OF HONOR TO CANON BURGESS OF THIS CITY

Many Out of Town Guests Come to Pay Tribute to the Grand Old Man, Who for Thirty-Eight Years Has Had Charge of St. Luke's Parish of This City.

Thursday was a day long to be remembered by the members of St. Luke's church and those who paid tribute to one of the noblest men on earth on this eventful date. The day marked the closing of a half century of the great work of Canon H. B. Burgess as rector of the Episcopal church, and the thirty-eighth year of his ministry in Plattsmouth, and Thursday was a day set apart as the time to celebrate this event, as well as the golden anniversary and ordination of Canon Burgess. It was indeed one of the happiest events in the history of both Mr. and Mrs. Burgess, and they feel very grateful to their friends for the noble tribute of respect paid them.

A large number of the clergy from Omaha and other cities of the state, as well as a large representation of the laity of the Episcopal church of Omaha, arrived on the early morning train to participate in the holy communion services and ordination of the rector, Canon Burgess. The services in the morning were most beautiful and impressive. Bishop Williams of Omaha conducted the services at which the communion was taken, and it was a most beautiful sight to see those two old and dear people to the hearts of all who know them, Mr. and Mrs. Burgess commune together and separate from the other participants. Bishop Williams, in a few very beautiful remarks, in referring to this great event, said that the date (June 29) was especially appropriate, as it was also the anniversary of the ordination of St. Peter, as well as Canon Burgess. In reference to him, in whose honor this event was celebrated, Bishop Williams spoke very feelingly.

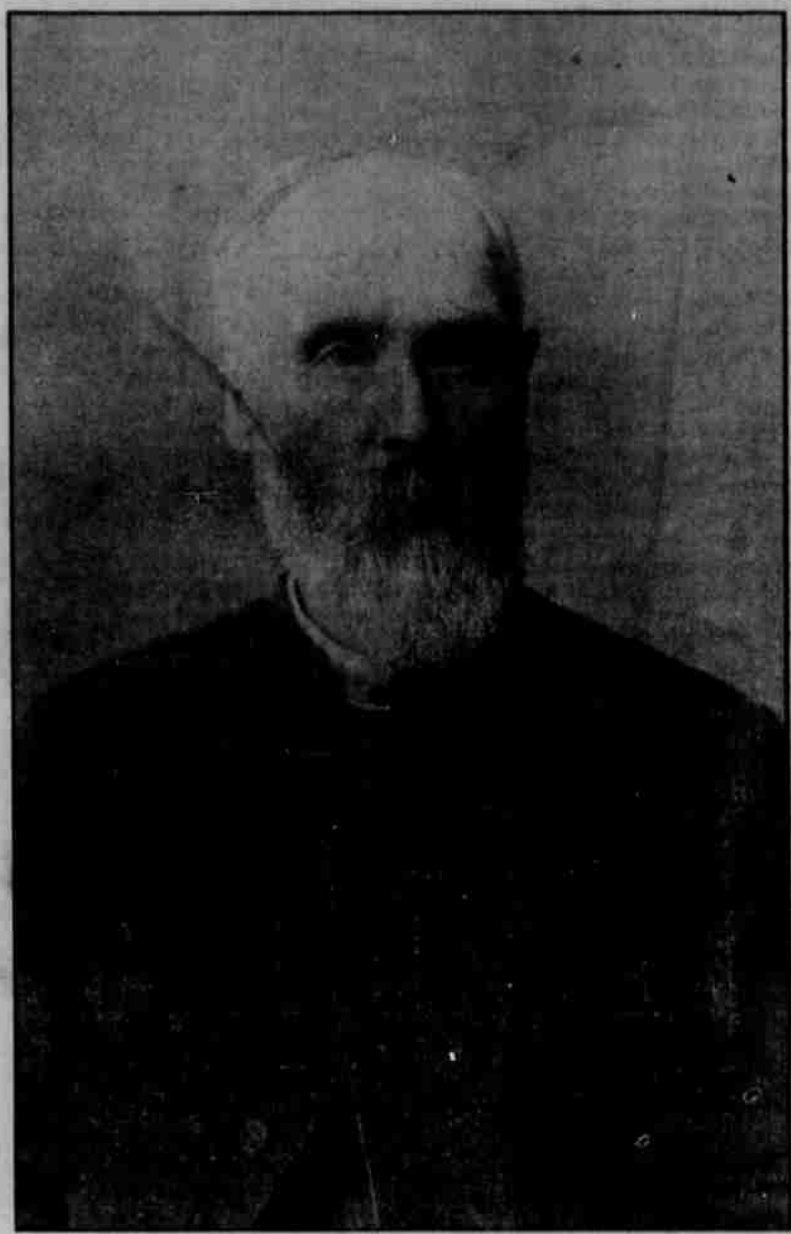
There was a fine audience of friends of the aged clergyman, besides members of the church, present to do him honor, and as a token of esteem to the grand old man, the Plattsmouth congregation and Bishop Williams raised a purse of \$160 in gold, and Mrs. Haller of Omaha presented Mr. and Mrs. Burgess with a magnificent gift in the shape of a gold teapot.

At the close of the services at noon Canon and Mrs. Burgess, Bishop Williams and wife, and other visiting clergymen were entertained at lunch by Dr. and Mrs. T. P. Livingston, while Mr. and Mrs. George N. Dovey entertained Mrs. and Miss Barkalow, Mr. and Mrs. Van Ostrand, Dean and Mrs. Tancock and Mr. Golla of Omaha. Mr. and Mrs. August Tartsch entertained Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pearce of Lincoln.

The clergymen and others from abroad who were present to do honor to the occasion were: Bishop Williams and wife, Right Rev. James A. Tancock, dean; Rev. T. J. Collar, Rev. W. H. Bayley, Rev. John Albert Williams, all of Omaha; Rev. W. H. Frost of Fremont; Rev. S. Mills Hayes and Rev. A. H. Brook and wife of Lincoln; Hon. F. E. White and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. White, Mrs. Byron Reid, Mrs. F. L. Haller, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Van Ostrand, Mr. George H. Savidge, Mrs. S. D. Barklow, Miss Barklow, Miss Melona Butterfield and Mrs. MacMurphy of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pearce of Lincoln.

The rectory was the scene of splendid receptions during the afternoon and evenings. Hundreds of people came and went, extending to Canon and Mrs. Burgess heartiest congratulations on the propitious occasion. The parlors and living rooms and dining room were beautifully decorated with flowers and ferns, and after passing the receiving line, headed by the guest of honor and his wife, the guests were ushered into the dining room, where orange punch and ices were served.

During the evening the lawn and the rectory were brilliantly lighted with electricity and beautifully gowned women and gentlemen in evening dress thronged the veranda and parlors.



CANON H. B. BURGESS  
Rector St. Luke's Church for Thirty-eight Years.

Miss Kittie Cummings presided at the piano, while different members of St. Luke's choir rendered beautiful solos.

The occasion was a brilliant social success, there being present the membership of all of the churches in the city, who came to honor the senior pastor, both in years and point of service in Plattsmouth.

The grand, good man, who served the people of Plattsmouth so long, first saw the light in Redford, Wayne county, Michigan, on April 21, 1833, which makes him a little upwards of 78 years of age. During his early boyhood days he lived with his parents on the farm, working during the summer and attending school in

teaching. He entered the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor in 1854, and completed his studies there in about two years and acquitted the university with the highest honors. He was proffered the chair of astronomy in the university of his graduation, which position he accepted and occupied for one year before taking up a course at a theological school, where he also graduated, and from there went to Neshota, Wis., where he entered the ministry. From there he went to Milwaukee, where he accepted a charge, and remained for nearly eight years, resigning to accept a position as instructor in the Nebraska City college, and while thus engaged he had charge of

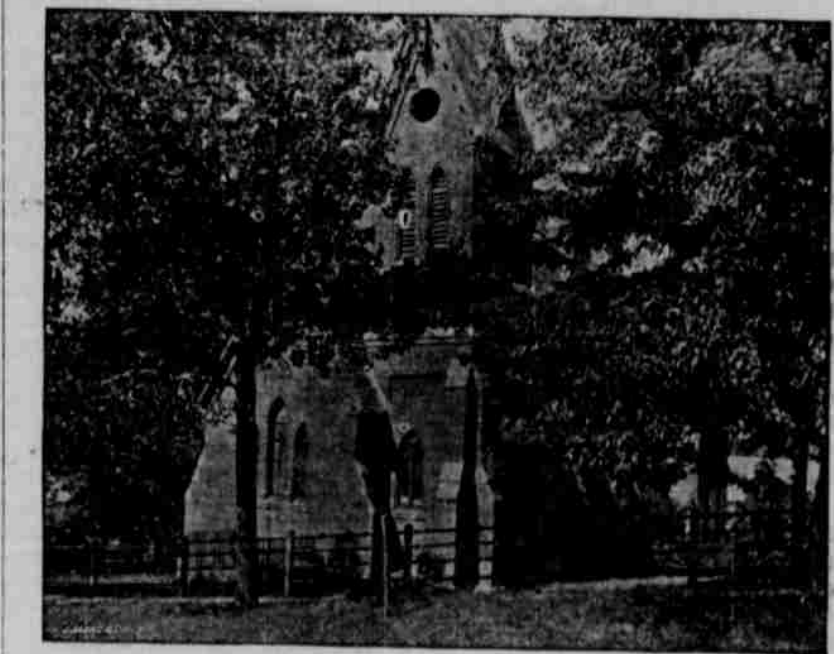
the ladder almost to the top-most round. While Mr. Burgess has almost reached his 80th year, his mind seems as clear as an ordinary person of 60, and the members of his church, and many who are not members, fairly worship him as man of exemplary qualities and one whose every-day life is worthy of following. He is a man whom the writer dearly loves for his manhood, true Christian spirit, and manly traits of character. No man would be missed among us more than Canon Burgess, and the Journal hopes that he and his excellent wife may live many years and enjoy life and prosperity, as they truly deserve.

Since the above was put in type the Journal is informed that the purse presented to Canon Burgess aggregated \$310. Mr. Myron Wheeler of Lincoln, for whom Canon Burgess performed a marriage ceremony twenty-nine years ago today, commemorated the event by sending a check for \$50, and checks are still coming in amounting to \$5 and \$10 as presents.

The members of St. Luke's church are deeply grateful to those who assisted them in making the occasion so notable an event. The ladies who served at the reception and those who furnished music, as well as the Evening Journal, each and all are sincerely thanked for the part taken and aid rendered.

While engaged in Nebraska City Canon Burgess gave one hour each day to instructions in Hebrew, one hour to Greek and five hours to theology. After one year thusly engaged the family removed to this city, where they have made their home ever since and where every man, woman and child is their friend, and who love the kind old man as a father.

While instructor in the Nebraska City college, which is one of the institutions of the past, Mr. Burgess had under his charge as student Paul Morton, former secretary of the interior and president of the Equitable Insurance company at the time of his death, a year and a half ago.



St. Luke's Episcopal Church, of Which Canon Burgess is the Rector.

the winter, until he had passed his 17th year. He then entered the High school at Pontiac, Michigan, and completed a four-years' course in three years' time, being compelled to stop one year in order to secure money to "go up higher." This year was given up to working on the farm and

During his thirty-eight years in charge of St. Luke's church he has missed but one Sunday from his usual services, and that was over twenty-five years ago, when he was ill for a short time. Mr. Burgess became a Mason many years ago, and has always proved true to the same and has ascend-

ed the ladder almost to the top-most round.

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### A CRACKER JACK BALL TEAM AT CEDAR CREEK

Winners From All Teams That Are Unfortunate Enough to Tackle Them.

The Cedar Creek baseball aggregation journeyed to Louisville Wednesday and trimmed up the ball team there by a score of 14 to 1. The feature of the game was Connor's pitching. He kept the hits well scattered and at critical times showed great form. When it comes to control, holding or heady ball playing, he has few equals in amateur baseball ranks.

Louisville's only score came in the sixth inning, when the runner from second base ran in front of the shortstop and caused him to miss a fast grounder, which Shortstop Schneider handles with ease when given a clear track. The runner, however managed not to touch the shortstop or have the ball touch him, and consequently the only score of the game was counted.

Twice they had men on third base, but Kelly, left fielder, spoiled the scoring by sensational catches of a line drive and a Texas leaguer. The batteries were: Cedar Creek, Connor and Wolff; Louisville, Wood, Ossonkop and Keekler.

Wolff's Colts will ramble to Avoca Sunday, July 2, and play the fastest team in the south end of the county and a god game may be looked for. There will be a train of autos leave Cedar Creek promptly at 12 o'clock and everyone who can is invited to join the cars.

### At Newport, R. I.

Mrs. N. H. Isabel is in receipt of a communication from her adopted son, John Isabel, who has joined the U. S. navy, and is now in training at Newport, R. I. He says he likes it fine and that there are over 800 boys in training there. He also states that he will receive \$17.00 each month besides all his necessary clothing. He says he will remain in training at this point until September 6, at which time they will depart for a trip around the world. He asked that a copy of the Semi-Weekly Journal be sent to him in order that he might be kept posted as to happenings at home.

### In the County Court.

The hearing on the probate of an instrument propounded as the last will of W. S. Polhemus was continued so that the depositions of attesting witnesses could be taken in the east.

Mr. W. A. Elwood of Neligh is in the city, the guest of his friend, County Treasurer F. E. Schlater.

### PLATTSMOUTH PEOPLE AT THE LEAGUE CONVENTION

Royal Reception at Nebraska City by Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Soper, Formerly of This City.

Mr. E. H. Wescott returned this morning from the Epworth league district convention held at Nebraska City Tuesday and Wednesday. The convention was composed of delegates from the five adjacent counties and met in the First Methodist church of Nebraska City and was presided over by the president of the convention, Prof. E. C. Laffer, of Peru.

The Plattsmouth delegation are grateful to Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Soper, who extended the kindest hospitality to the Plattsmouth contingent, meeting them at the train on their arrival and escorting them to their beautiful studio and suite of rooms, where lunch was served, and afterward a picture of the entire Plattsmouth delegation was taken. Their kind reception by Mr. and Mrs. Soper will be a pleasant memory for years to come in the minds of all who were fortunate enough to attend the convention from this city.

Plattsmouth was represented on the program by Mr. E. H. Wescott, who had a topic, and the chorus singing of the convention was conducted by Mr. D. C. York of this city and several solos were also sung by Mr. York, and he never failed to inject enthusiasm into the song feature of the convention. The Nebraska City people as a whole cared for the convention most excellently, a feature of the entertainment being an auto ride through the city and Morton park.

Those attending from this city were: President E. C. Hill and wife, D. C. York, Jesse Perry, Ellen Windham, Ethel Leyda, Myrtle Hall, Margaret Rishel, Eunice Cline, Erma Covert and E. H. Wescott.

### DELIGHTFUL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION YESTERDAY

Given at Home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Campbell in Honor of Their Daughter, Vergia.

The pleasant country home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Campbell, south of this city, was the scene of a most delightful birthday party on Thursday evening, when they entertained a number of friends in a very charming manner in honor of their daughter, Vergia's, birthday anniversary.

Whenever invited to the Campbell home everybody in that vicinity always expects a delightful time, and their expectations were fully realized in the entertainment of Thursday evening. The friends who had assembled at the Campbell home had come prepared to have a royal good time, and we have it, very confidential, that they sure did. The hours were very pleasantly spent in various games, interspersed with many other amusements, and all of which made the evening a most enjoyable one. Dainty refreshments, consisting of delicious ice cream and cake, were served, which the merry company likewise thoroughly enjoyed. It was a late hour when, after having wished Miss Vergia many more as happy birthdays, the guests departed for their homes.

Those who enjoyed this occasion were: Messrs. and Mesdames J. M. Wolland, W. M. Splitt, G. E. Wiley, Peter Campbell; Misses Mary Carroll, Vergia Campbell, Golden Wolland, Inez Splitt; Messrs. John Splitt, Edgar Wolland, Ed Jones, August Graf, Glenn Campbell, Ray Campbell, J. H. Robins and E. Manspeaker of Plattsmouth.

### For Sale.

One surrey in fair condition and one single buggy in good condition. For further particulars call on S. Long, Plattsmouth, Neb.

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Mrs. W. E. Crabill of Wakeeney, Kansas, arrived Wednesday to visit relatives and to change the climate for her babe, which has been ill for some time.

### Get Ready for Threshing.

William Splitt and Glen Campbell have purchased a brand new threshing machine and will soon be ready to do all the work that comes their way, and do it in short order. Mr. M. E. Manspeaker went out to see the boys last evening and not only sold the machine, but he says he arrived at the Peter Campbell home just in time to partake of some fine ice cream and cake in honor of Miss Vergie's anniversary. He says this alone would have paid for the trip.

### W. O. W. CAMP INSTALLED AT CEDAR CREEK

Starts Out With Twenty Charter Members, and Prospects Bright for the Future.

Woodmen of the World insurance added a number of good risks to their list last Wednesday at Cedar Creek, when Nebraska State Deputy Joseph Silence and Sovereign W. B. Rishel instituted a camp of twenty charter members. John Hunter was elected council commander and Haas Schroeder clerk. The camp was named for Mr. W. B. Rishel, and will be known as "Rishel camp No. 354." This camp is composed of some of the best citizens in Cass county and it is predicted that it will have a fine future. Deputy Silence remained in the vicinity and the charter will be held open a short time to write new applications.

The meeting Wednesday night was addressed by Sovereign Rishel, who set forth the advantages offered by the Woodmen of the World over the ordinary current rate societies and old-line insurance. Sovereign Deputy Silence has made a splendid record for himself in handling the affairs of the fraternity in this state for the last year. A steady, healthy growth has been scored in the state, there having been 354 camps instituted last year in Nebraska, and we look for better results this year.

### A Game of Fish.

Judge A. J. Beeson and Will J. Streight came down from Plattsmouth last Friday in response to an invitation to join C. L. Graves and Harry Graves on a fishing expedition over to the hospitable home of John Larsh at Springdale Farm. It was near the noon hour when the commissary department was stocked with sandwiches and other things too numerous to mention, and the start was made for the field of action. Arriving there the party received a cordial welcome by Mr. Larsh, who warned them that "they're not biting good this hot weather."

Judge Beeson was first man up and made a safe hit on a "blue-gill," while Streight was trying to figure out on which end his angle worm wore its head. Beeson's catch was the only score made before the hungry sign was hung out, and after calling "time" a nice picnic dinner was enjoyed along with a supply of nice cold spring water. The game was resumed after dinner, Streight and Harry holding their record of "nothing doing," while Beeson and the elder Graves made the phenomenal score as shown below:

Fish by Innings—  
A. J. Beeson...0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0—3  
C. L. Graves...0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—1  
W. J. Streight...0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0  
Harry Graves...0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0  
Recapitulation: "0" means jerked, but didn't catch 'em. Expense, \$3; fun, \$40; time, \$00. Wet pants bosoms, 4. Crawdads, by Streight, 4 handful. Lies told on train and in Plattsmouth—innumerable.—Union Ledger.

### Returns From Bellevue.

Special Deputy Game Warden William Grebe returned from Bellevue this morning, where the case against H. L. Hoover and D. B. Hoover for violating the fish law was tried yesterday. The guilt of the defendants was established and the court fined them each \$10 and costs.

Mrs. Droegge and Mrs. Jacob Heinrich boarded the early train for the metropolis this morning, where they looked after some business matters for a short time.