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FINAL ORSEQUIES OF THE LATE MRS. JANE KIRKHAM

Good Woman Gone to Her Rest Lamented by Many Relatives and Friends.

From Friday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon the funeral services of Mrs. Jane Kirkham were held at St. Luke's Episcopal church and were attended by a large number of the old friends of the family, who paid their last tribute of love and respect to the worthy lady who passed away on the 28th of December, 1915. The circle of her friends and relatives was well deserved reward. A beautiful and impressive burial service of the Episcopal church was held at the residence of W. S. Leece, and during the services the choir gave a number of the well known hymns, whose beauty was a reminder of the calm and gentle life of the lady who was being laid to rest after her years of devotion to her friends and to the members of her family, and to the bereaved ones the deepest sympathy of the entire community will be extended in their irreparable loss that has robbed them of their best and tenderest friend. At the close of the services the body was tenderly borne to Oak Hill cemetery, where it was laid to rest beside that of the husband, who had preceded Mrs. Kirkham in death some twenty years ago. The pallbearers were selected from the old friends and neighbors and were: H. M. Soennichsen, M. L. Johnson, M. M. Beal, William Ballance, E. A. Wurl and W. P. Cook.

Jane Brent was born in Maidley, Shropshire county, England, on the 28th of December, 1824. Here her girlhood days were spent, she coming to America when but 15 years of age, and was married in Pennsylvania on January 1, 1849, to Henry Kirkham, and to this union several children were born, three of whom died in infancy, and one son, Henry H. Kirkham, was killed while railroading in Denver some fifteen years ago. Two sons, John Kirkham of this city, and B. L. Kirkham of Belle Fourche, S. D., are left to mourn the death of the mother. Shortly after the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Kirkham the husband joined the rush of gold seekers to California and was one of the original '49ers in that state, returning after two years to the states and settled on a farm in Missouri, where they resided for several years, and Mr. Kirkham then decided to try mining again, going to Montana, then a wild, unsettled country, and spent several years there, later coming to Nebraska, where the family first located at Lincoln, and forty-seven years ago came to Plattsmouth and resided on a farm near this city for a short time and then moved into the city where the family has since resided. Mr. Kirkham died nineteen years ago and since that time Mrs. Kirkham has made her home with her son, John, with tender ministrations to her last days. In her girlhood Mrs. Kirkham was confirmed in the Episcopal church and was a very faithful member of this faith to the day of her death, and all of her children were reared in the same faith. Up to within a few days of her death Mrs. Kirkham was in the best of health for one of her age, but a sudden attack of the grippe was so severe for her advanced age and she gradually sank into the sleep that will only awaken to the Master's call. The place of Mrs. Kirkham in the community will be one hard to fill, as she was always a loving neighbor and friend and leaves to her family the tender memory of a life of nobility and worth.

Moving Into New Homes.

From Friday's Daily.

William Warga and family are engaged in moving into their handsome new home on High School Hill, which has just been completed and placed in readiness for their occupancy. This is a neat and attractive bungalow and is a great deal to the appearance of that section of the city and should be most comfortable home for the Warga family. It is modern in way and erected on lines tending toward comfort and pleasure of occupants.

MANY ARE TAKING A HAND IN BUTCHERING

From Friday's Daily.

Yesterday a party composed of A. F. Seybert, Hans Schroeder, J. C. York and W. M. Wosley motored out to the farm of Jerry Schroeder, near Cedar Creek, to assist in the butchering of a number of fine porkers, and a big time was enjoyed by the entire party. At the Schroeder home there was a large number of the neighbors present and close to thirty persons took part in the butchering. The Plattsmouth delegation returned home late in the afternoon well pleased with their trip and the hospitality they had enjoyed.

AT THE STROKE OF 12 O'CLOCK TONIGHT THE OLD YEAR GOES OUT

From Friday's Daily.

Tonight at the stroke of midnight the year 1915 passes into the story of the things that were and the new year enters upon the scene of action. The twelfth month just closing has been filled with happiness to many and to others it has brought additional cares and sorrows that have added to their grief and burden, but with the passing of time and the dawning of a new year let us hope that it will bring to each a better condition and that the spirit of happiness and peace may come to have a larger part in their lives. The story of the past is finished and let us all look forward with renewed courage to the future. The Journal extends to its friends and patrons the best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year and one filled with success and joy. As the day will be generally observed as a holiday and the Evening Journal will not be issued on tomorrow, as the members of the force will join in observing the day in proper form.

FARWELL SURPRISE TO ELBERT LOWE AT HIS HOME IN THIS CITY

From Friday's Daily.

Last evening a number of young folks walked in on Elbert Lowe at his home and gave him one of the surprises of his life and one that was wholly unlooked for, as the family had kept him in complete ignorance of the plans of the friends to surprise him, and not until they arrived at the Lowe home was there an inkling of the good time in store. The evening was spent in games, music and singing until a late hour, when the young people departed for their homes, wishing Elbert a pleasant time in his new location at Grand Island, where he goes to take up his work in the business college in that city. At a suitable hour a very dainty and enjoyable luncheon was served, which added very much to the pleasures of the event. Mr. Lowe is a young man of exceptional worth and a host of warm friends and relatives will be sorry to lose him from their midst, and he will be greatly missed. Those who were present were: Mr. and Mrs. Will Evers, Misses Christina, Minnie and Marie Evers, Janet Kildow, Essie Buttery, Leta Lair, Gladys Lowe, Messrs. Ernest Buttery, Elbert and Charles Lowe, Mrs. B. G. Decker and Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Lowe.

Mrs. A. J. Beesen Better.

From Friday's Daily.

Mrs. A. J. Beesen is confined to her home suffering from what seems to be a very severe case of the grippe and her condition has been very serious for the past few days but this morning she is reported as being a little better although still far from well but her family and friends are hopeful that in a few days she will be able to be up and around.

Mrs. Nora Livingston departed this morning for Omaha, where she will enter Brownell Hall to take up her studies for the rest of the school year at that institution, which is one of the leaders of its kind in the west.

CITY ATTORNEY A. L. TIDD RESIGNS HIS OFFICE

Increase of Business in His Practice and Private Affairs Makes This Move Almost Compulsory.

From Friday's Daily.

A. L. Tidd, who for the past several years has filled the position of city attorney of Plattsmouth under the administrations of both Mayor J. P. Sattler and under Mayor E. J. Richey, this morning filed with City Clerk John Nemetz his resignation of the position, to be effective with the new year. Mr. Tidd finds that his private practice and other business interests are such that he cannot devote to the office of city attorney the time he has in the past and for this reason is severing his connection with the city administration.

Mr. Tidd has during the time he has held office given the city the best of his services, and while in many things on questions of policy he might disagree with his associates, he has always had the keenest interest for the welfare of the city, and in all matters has displayed a great interest in looking out for the city business. In checking over the various matters of street work and the estimates for contracts and other matters of a similar nature he has devoted a good deal of time and energy and through this has been able to procure for the city a much better result than has been the methods in years past and a great deal of the improvements in the business methods of the city government has been due to the efforts of Mr. Tidd in assisting the city council and mayor in the handling of these matters.

Mayor Richey has not as yet taken any steps in regard to filling the vacancy, and it is not likely that the name of the new city attorney will be announced for several days.

BASKET BALL FEVER RAGING TO A GREAT EXTENT IN THIS CITY

From Friday's Daily.

The basketball fever seems to have struck the city in a great wave and the teams are being organized in sufficient numbers to allow of the formation of a city league if it is desired. The members of the Young Men's class of the First Presbyterian church last evening met at the office of L. O. Minor and completed the work of organization by electing Ray Larson as captain of the team and R. G. Ruel as manager. This team will have the services of Fred Mann as the coach of their playing, and with their make-up should prove a success. The Christian church boys have also formed a team that will soon get into shape for their games and be prepared to meet and come after a practice of a few weeks.

This evening the High school team will play at the Crystal Star rink with the team from Thurman, Iowa, and the game will be started at 7:45 sharp and should be a good, lively contest. Tomorrow afternoon the members of the Young Men's class of the Methodist church will play the Townsend Reserves of Omaha at the roller skating rink, starting at 3 o'clock, and looking forward to making the game one of the best seen here this season.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Farmers Mutual Fire and Live Stock Insurance Company of Cass County, Nebraska, will be held at the Taylor school house, in Plattsmouth Precinct, on Saturday, January 8, 1916, at 1:30 o'clock p. m. to elect officers for the coming year and transact such other business as may legally come before a meeting. J. P. FALTER, Secretary.

L. G. Meisinger drove in from his home Friday to attend to some business matters, and while here took time to call at this office and has his subscription to the Daily Journal extended for another year.

THE STORK LEAVES A LITTLE GIRL AT ED MASON'S HOME

Ed Mason is just about the happiest man in the city today and he certainly has a just cause for feeling that he has been greatly visited by good fortune, as the stork last evening visited his home and left with himself and wife a charming little daughter who tipped the scales at nine and three-quarters pounds and is one of the finest little ladies in the city. Both the mother and little one are doing nicely and Ed gives promise of getting down to normal condition in a few days.

A CASE THAT NEEDS THE CLOSEST ATTENTION AND NURSING

On Wednesday night last there arrived at the Perkins hotel a young man who registered as Thomas Rhodes and secured a room, to which he at once retired, as it was getting quite late. The next morning there was no noise or indication that he had arisen and the room was left alone until later. That night it was discovered that the young man had not arisen and on investigation it was found that he was quite ill. A doctor was called and pronounced it a case of pneumonia and one that was liable to develop into a very severe case. The gentleman was apparently without any relatives in this section of the country and stated to those who visited his room that he had been employed in November on the farm of Homer Shrader and for the past few years had also worked at different times on the farm of R. F. Foster and Ed Leach near Union. He claimed to be well provided with funds, but none could be found on his person, and the case seems to be one that should have some one to be in constant attendance on him, and while those at the hotel are devoting all the time possible to his attention, still it is not as much as should be given. The friends of the man residing out in the country where he has been making his home, will be very sorry to learn of his illness and it is to be hoped that he may soon be on the highway to recovery.

METHODIST BASKET BALL TEAM DEFEATS TOWNSEND RESERVES

Saturday afternoon at the Crystal Star roller rink the Young Men's Bible Class of the Methodist church played their first game on the home field with the team known as Townsend's Reserves of Omaha, and as a result of the contest the locals were victorious by a score of 50 to 12. This game was one filled with much interest and attended by quite a large crowd who were well pleased with the exhibition of skill put up by the representatives of the bible class who clearly had their opponents outclassed and were able to score at will on the Omaha team.

TWO CENTS COURT TERMS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

From Friday's Daily. District Judge James T. Begley has just sent out to the different counties and attorneys the assignments of the terms of court for the ensuing year in the second district. Cass county the terms will commence on April 24th, June 19th and November 20th; Otoe county, March 13th, May 22nd and October 29th; Kearney county, February 9th, and September 18th. This will divide up the time between the different counties of the district and keep the courts busy almost all the time in one of the counties of the district but with the assistance of Judge Begley who is the attorney of the county.

ANNUAL RE- CEPTION OF EP- WORTH LEAGUE

At the Beautiful Home of H. E. Westcott on High School Hill Friday Evening, December 31.

The annual New Year's reception by the Epworth League of this city was held Friday evening at "Sunnyside," the beautiful Westcott home on High School Hill, and was one of the most pleasant events in the history of the society and for the event there were in the neighborhood of 100 of the young men and women of the city in attendance. For the occasion a most pleasing program was arranged by the social committee which had the affair in charge, and this feature was one that was appreciated to the fullest extent by everyone present.

A piano number was given by Miss Jessie Whelan, which displayed remarkable talent on the part of this young lady, and the selections afforded by Miss Elizabeth Bajec and Mason Westcott were both very much enjoyed by the large crowd. A trio composed of Misses Elizabeth Bajec, Lucille Bryan and Agnes Bajec, also proved one of the most pleasing numbers given. A most pleasing duet was given by Mrs. Mae Morgan and Leone Brady, which aroused very much in making the program one of the rarest enjoyment and well worthy of the many pleasant events that have been held by this society. Two very interesting readings were given by Miss Ellen Windham and Mr. A. H. Barnette during the evening. During the progress of the program a general request was made for Mrs. C. E. Westcott, the hostess of the League at these annual gatherings for the past twenty years, to give a few words on the event that has always been filled with so much happiness and pleasure, and Mrs. Westcott told of a number of the gatherings in the days gone by when the custom was first inaugurated by the League, and of the many pleasant occasions which had been held in watching out the old year and welcoming the new. Hon. R. B. Windham, in behalf of the members of the League, expressed the appreciation of the many hospitable occasions when they had been entertained at the Westcott home and of the pleasure they felt in having Mr. and Mrs. Westcott with them on this occasion, and expressed the hope that on many other gatherings the host and hostess might be permitted to be with them.

Miss Hazel Tuedy added to the pleasures of the evening when she gave a most delightful vocal number, and as the old year drew to a close Mr. C. E. Westcott gave a few remarks appropriate to the occasion, and closed with the beautiful poem of George Prentice, "The Closing Year," and as the clock tolled out the passing of the old year the pastor of the Methodist church, Rev. Druliner, offered a few words of prayer for the year just coming into being.

The Westcott home was very prettily arranged in the Christmas decorations of red and green and made a very pretty sight with the jolly party assembled to enjoy the occasion. At 10:30 o'clock during the evening the party was treated to a most delicious feast, who as the year drew to a close, were pressed into service as the recipients of a great many proposals from the ladies, who looked into the new year to get an early start in the direction of asserting their rights.

Visits the Capital.

W. K. Fox, county treasurer of Cass county, was up from Plattsmouth over Christmas visiting with friends. He paid an ever welcome visit to the old and incidentally dropped a blank into the till for another year's subscription. "Kelly" never fails to poke his good-natured phiz into his neighbor when visiting the city and we always feel better because of the aforesaid poke.—Lincoln Herald.

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LEADING FRUIT GROWER OF DOUGLAS COUNTY VISITS HERE

Yesterday J. J. Smith of Florence, one of the leading fruit growers of Douglas county, was in this city for the day visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. B. Bates, and while in the city called at the Journal office for a short visit. Mr. Smith is secretary of the Fruit Growers' association of Douglas county and the owner of the famous Red Apple farm, three miles north of Florence, which has the reputation of being one of the finest farms of its kind in the eastern part of the state, and where Mr. Smith last fall disposed of 4,000 bushels of his apples right in the orchard at the highest market price. Mr. Smith has disposed of his fruit, both of the apples and berries, each year to the leading houses of Omaha, where they are easily sold at the highest market value, as he has made a science of fruit growing and with marked success.

IMPRISONMENT FOR MAN WHO PASSED WORTHLESS CHECK

From Friday's Daily.

A matter that comes under the new law of the state covering the issuance of worthless checks, has been called to the attention of the county attorney in regard to a check for \$17.50 which was drawn on the First National bank of Shenandoah, Iowa, and which was passed on George Oberle of Eagle by a man who claimed that he resided in the Iowa city. The check was turned over to the Bank of Eagle in the course of business, and was returned to them by the Shenandoah bank with the statement that the person drawing the check did not have any funds in that institution. Mr. Oberle has had communication with the party in regard to the matter, but without any satisfaction, and decided that the time had come to place it in the hands of the authorities, and accordingly it has been turned over to the county attorney. The law in this state in regard to this misdemeanor is quite severe and a person committing the offense is liable to suffer imprisonment for it. Just what steps will be taken in regard to the Iowa man has not been fully decided upon.

THE PLAY AT THE T. J. SOKOL HALL SATURDAY NIGHT

The production of "The Spanish Village" at the T. J. Sokol hall Saturday evening, which was given by the Omaha Dramatic club, was most entertaining in every way and the members of the company, who are among the leading Bohemian actors in the metropolis, were certainly very clever in their different roles and the large audience present felt well repaid for their attendance, as it was one of the most pleasing dramatic offerings in the Bohemian tongue that has been shown in the city in a long time. Joe Milk of Omaha was in charge of the company and had a leading role in the play and his many friends here had a most pleasant visit with him on this occasion. After the close of the play a very pleasant social dance was enjoyed for several hours to the pleasing music of the Holly orchestra, which for this occasion was under the direction of William Hearington, the violinist, of Omaha, and was a most delightful feature of the evening.

In the cast of "The Spanish Village" were: the strongest figure and the acting of Mrs. Joseph H. Beckov, who also much enjoyed and gave the leading member of the company were supported in splendid shape by the others of the company and especially Mrs. E. B. and Mrs. Joseph Peska, Mrs. M. J. and Mrs. A. C. Holoubek, who was a former resident of this city.

M. T. Gering, refracting optician, at Gering & Co.'s Wednesday and Saturday evenings. Examination free.

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CELEBRATE THE ADVENT OF THE NEW YEAR

A Most Pleasant Time Was Enjoyed at the German Home by German Residents Saturday Night.

One of the pleasant social events of the New Year season was held at the German Home on Saturday evening, when a large number of the German residents of the community gathered to celebrate the advent of the new year and as well have a brief reminder of the Christmas season, which had just passed.

In the hall a temporary stage had been erected, on either end of which stood a large Christmas tree laden with remembrances for the young and old alike, and here the program was given by the different members of the party. Songs in the German tongue were given by the men of the assemblage and this served as a very pleasant feature of the evening's program and one that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone in the party. The inspiring strains of the music and the general feeling of good nature and fraternity prevailing made the occasion one that will be long remembered. Throughout the hall decorations of red, white and black, the German colors, were used in the decorative scheme, intermingled with the American flags, and which made a scene of beauty with the happy faces of the young and old assembled for the event.

At the close of the informal program the grand march was formed and to the music of the Plattsmouth orchestra, under the leadership of Tom Svoboda, the merry party marched around the hall and were presented with fruit and other good things which had decorated the Christmas trees, and which added very much to the general pleasure of the occasion, and the good things secured from the trees were enjoyed to the utmost.

At the close of the grand march the hall was cleared and the grand ball opened, and until a late hour the pleasant event continued unabated with increasing enjoyment, and it was with regret that the time for the home-going drew near and bid the members of the party depart, feeling that it had been one of the most pleasant occasions in the history of the German Home and one that will be long very pleasantly remembered by everyone, young and old alike, who were fortunate enough to be present. Those arranging the affair are certainly to be commended.

JOLLY PARTY AT THE ADAM FORNOFF HOME LAST WEDNESDAY

The home of Adam Fornoff in the vicinity of Cedar Grove was the scene of a very pleasant social gathering on Wednesday of last week. The occasion was one that was enjoyed by all concerned. During the time in games, music, which enlivened the occasion and made it one long to be cherished. At a suitable hour the members of the party were invited to enjoy the pleasures of the feast that had been prepared for them, and it is needless to say there was everything that could be desired to eat and in the way of refreshments and the jolly party all did ample justice to the good things provided. Those who were present were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Keil and family, Mr. and Mrs. True and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Keil and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Keil and family, W. Holdren, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hicks, Mr. Burnell, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Seybert and family, Ernest, Carl, Maudie and Lizzie Tritsch, Miss Mable Heyflicker, Mrs. George Pick, Mrs. W. J. Miller and Bals Meisinger.

Orson Sharp of Eagle, who has been enjoying a visit in Ohio with relatives and friends during the holiday season, came in yesterday morning and spent a few hours here en route to Eagle to take up his school work.

Read the want ads in the Journal.