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OLD CITIZEN PASSES AWAY AT AN EARLY HOUR OF THE DAY

MRS. ELIZABETH GUTHMAN SUCUMBS TO A COMPLICATION OF DISEASES.

Born Here in 1859 and Resided in This City Constantly Except Two Years in Louisville

From Saturday's Daily.

This morning at about 6:30 Mrs. Elizabeth Guthman passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. R. Olson, in this city, of a complication of dropsy, erysipelas, blood poisoning, etc. During the last days of her life, Mrs. Guthman suffered intense pain and death, rather than being cruel to her was kind in that it ended the suffering of this good woman.

Miss Elizabeth Ripple, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Ripple, was born in Plattsmouth June 18, 1859, and would have been fifty-nine years of age this coming summer. In October 1876, at the age of seventeen she was united in marriage to Oswald Guthman, from which union there were two children born, Mrs. Mary Olson, at whose home she died, and Conrad Guthman, who is a machinist at Pittsburg, Pa. Mrs. Guthman has lived in this city during the entire time since her birth, with the exception of two years spent in Louisville, when she and her husband were engaged in the bakery business at that place, and two years which she spent at Rock Springs, Wyoming, with her son, Conrad.

The husband, Oswald Guthman, died some years ago, and since then Mrs. Guthman has made her home with her children, the most of the time with her daughter, Mrs. Olson, at whose home she has been staying for some years.

Mrs. Guthman was a patient sufferer, and strove to bear up under the load of sorrow which was hers. She was a member of the Presbyterian Bible school during her girlhood, but never attached herself to any church organization, though living a strict, conscientious religious life.

Besides her children she is survived by two brothers, Edward Ripple, of this city and Joseph Ripple, of South Omaha.

Funeral services will be held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. R. Olson, Monday, April 1st, at one o'clock in the afternoon. Her son, Conrad Guthman, who is at Pittsburg, has been wired for, and is expected to arrive here Monday morning.

THE BALANCE IN OUR FAVOR

There has been released seven cases of smallpox, and two of scarlet fever, during the past two days, while but one case has developed, which is putting a great better aspect of the condition to the fore. Those to be released from the smallpox, and who have been fumigated and pronounced cured of the malady, are Rennard on Winterstein Hill, W. A. Rouse, Bert Tulene, Connor, F. W. Warren, Lincoln Denson, and Otto Pitz, while the two cases of scarlet fever which have been released from quarantine are E. S. Orphanage and a family by the name of Sage. This is all for the day nine cases cured, with but one to be quarantined.

THE NEW TIME CHANGE

From Saturday's Daily. Considerable speculation is being and has been indulged in of late regarding the new time schedule that becomes operative after tonight, as to just how it will affect the various activities of people. The Journal feels certain it will not change the status of anyone with respect to his or her work or social activity. In the middle of the winter when we go to work at 7 o'clock (before sun-up) we think nothing of it, so why should we now, when the sun is well above the sky line now at six o'clock (seven after today) and the days constantly growing longer. If we were to follow sun time literally, we would arise with the sun to begin our daily labors and work nearly twice as long in the month of

June to complete a day as during December. The sun and its relative position are only matters of comparison so far as their relation to our time of getting up, going to bed or doing our work are concerned. Besides, we go to bed by our watches and clocks, not by the sun or the moon. Seven o'clock now under the new rule of things should seem no earlier to the workman or housewife than seven o'clock did to them six weeks ago when the sun remained hidden from view later in the day than it now does. It is only by relative comparison we are able to notice any difference at all.

Turn your clock ahead tonight upon retiring along with the millions of other timepieces that will be advanced one hour and forget about the matter. The daylight saved at the close of your day's work will be sufficient to permit you to work at home in your garden—a most healthful exercise, to say nothing of what you will be able to raise from your efforts.

And you young fellows who call on girls—don't let the change confuse you as to what time to go home. Make your exit from the young lady's home at 10:30—your usual time—instead of thinking it is but 9:30 according to the old schedule, lestwise stern papa make his appearance and inform you different.

RETURNED FROM SOUTH DAKOTA

Last evening C. E. Haynie returned for a trip to Winner, South Dakota, where he went on a land transaction, and says he was well pleased with the trip, seeing some very nice country, and also some which was very rough. Speaking of the town of Winner, he said it has a population of about 1,800 and with that have electric lights, water works, and free delivery of the mails. Why should not Plattsmouth have free delivery as well with her population of 5,000. There must be a cause somewhere, for this.

GETS POSITION IN STATE SENATE

From Saturday's Daily. John Brady who a short time since went to Lincoln to look after a position in the extra session of the legislature, returned home last evening and will remain until Monday morning. Mr. Brady was tendered a position in the senate and accepted. He has been working there but on account of the fact that the legislature adjourned Thursday evening until Monday noon, he came home to await until the recess was over when he returns to his work.

HOME FOR OVER EASTER.

From Saturday's Daily. Ed. L. Creamer who is attending the Sweeney Automobile school at Kansas City, Mo., arrived in this city last evening and will spend over Easter with the folks at home. Ed is making good progress at the school and will get through in a few more months. He reports the conditions in Kansas City as being very grave on account of the strike which prevails there at this time. Since the beginning of the strike there has been a good deal of rioting, three people having been shot and killed. Ed will go back to take up his studies and work again the first of next week.

HOLD ANNUAL MEETING.

From Saturday's Daily. On Wednesday evening occurred the Annual Meeting of the congregation of the Presbyterian church. Reports were read from the Treasurer of the church, the Session, the Woman's Missionary society, the Ladies Auxiliary, the Q. Z. society, the Senior C. E. and Intermediate C. E. societies and the Light Bearers. All reports showed flourishing conditions. The Missionary Benevolences showed an increase over the year before.

The following officers were elected: For Elder for 3 years—Mr. F. B. Shopp and Mr. A. G. Cole. Trustees for 3 years—John Gorder and Frank Clodt. Treasurer of the Church—Mr. G. L. Farley. Sunday School superintendent—Mr. Yarborough. Assistant Superintendent—Mr. A. G. Cole. Secretary and Treasurer of Sunday School—Miss Margaret Hodgert. Assistant Secretary—Miss Ada Mann. Organist—Miss Mariel Streight. Assistant Organist—Miss Helen Roberts Librarian—Miss Estelle Baird.

SAMMIES IN BOLD DAYLIGHT RAID ON ENEMY TRENCHES

OFFICERS AND MEN GO OVER THE TOP FOR VICTORIOUS PEEP AT THE ENEMY

Feat Seldom Accomplished Beneath Rays of a Shining Sun—Our Boys Did it, Though.

With the American army in France, Thursday, March 28.—Two officers and four men went over the top today in broad daylight, a feat seldom accomplished. Although the sun was shining and the sky was clear the Americans decided not to defer any longer their determination to learn definitely whether the Germans were present in large numbers in an enemy firing trench.

When dawn came there were faint clouds showing back of the enemy's lines and the Americans delayed for a time, hoping for rain and fog, but when the clouds disappeared, the two officers and four men decided to make the daylight venture, although they would be under the eyes of the enemy, and were in a place where even pistol bullets might find their mark.

Machine guns were posted, and the Americans, with grenades swinging at their waists, and with rifles in hand, clambered up from the first positions over the parapet. They slid head first into the nearest shell hole and the journey was on. Moving from shell hole to shell hole, taking advantage of the slightest rise in the terrain, the patrol proceeded, in the trenches behind them their comrades stood with fingers on their rifles ready to fire the instant any Germans might show themselves.

Into Enemy Trench

From the American lines the patrol members were seen to force their way through the enemy wire, and, one by one, disappear into the German front trench.

During the next four hours the men in the trenches waited anxiously, hearing nothing from the patrol, who, during that time were inspecting six hundred yards of the German trenches.

Prepared for instant battle, the six Americans made their way from one trench to another, going into each dugout with the muzzles of their rifles preceding them and travelled 300 yards. Returning to the point from which they had started on this inspection, they searched the trenches 300 yards in the other direction. While four hours may seem a long time for this work, it must be kept in mind that every bend and every dugout may contain an overwhelming enemy group and there was no assurance that the Germans had not discovered what the Americans were doing and that they had not concealed men in places to meet the invaders.

Return to Lines

It was noon when first the head of an American was observed above an enemy parapet. The watchers in the American lines breathed easier, but at this moment the Germans discovered the patrol and rifle bullets began to smash against the trench sides and bottom.

Discovered, the six Americans lost no time in moving out. Uncatched, they returned to our lines, bringing all the information they had sought. This attracted the attention of an enemy sentry who fired a glare, forcing the Americans to drop to the ground and they crawled hurriedly back to their own lines as the flares died away.

SIXTY-SIX YEARS OLD TODAY.

From Saturday's Daily. Charles Boedeker of Murray was in the city this morning, and is looking fine with a pleasant smile for all he meets, a good type of a gentleman of sixty-six years of age, for today is his birthday, he having seen nearly two-thirds of a century. Mr. Boedeker was born in Wisconsin, and crosses the Missouri river at this place just fifty-three years ago tomorrow. He was thirteen years and one day old. That was March 31st, 1865. In 1876 he purchased the

farm some four miles west of Myriad for ten dollars per acre or \$1,600, but a short time since he was offered for the same farm \$250.00 per acre or \$40,000. Some advance in the price, but this was made possible by his hard work years ago, in assisting in the development of this country.

A BIG, BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY

From Saturday's Daily. Clarence Stenner, who has been in the west for some days, returned home last evening. While away he viewed a large portion of the west. He went to Sand Point, Idaho, at which place he has some relatives living, and there looked over the country, with a view to making that particular section his residence in the future. He found there a very beautiful country, and one with rich lands. His impression is that it is one of the most beautiful countries it has ever been his lot to see, and with soil as rich as can be found anywhere. He speaks of the land, which is just cleared and without any improvement whatever, selling for one hundred and fifty dollars an acre, the same price as one can buy improved land here for. Stump land, from which the timber has been cut, but not cleared or grubbed can be bought for from twenty to fifty dollars per acre, but it will cost nearly a hundred dollars per acre to clear it. While the country looked beautiful, it did not excite Clarence with an ambition to become a resident of that part of the U. S. under any circumstances.

GIVEN PERMISSION TO MARRY.

From Saturday's Daily. Albert H. Wolf, of Eagle, was in the city last evening and while here bought a license to marry Miss Bertha Vance of that place. The couple are of the best families of the neighborhood in which they live, and will make their home—at that place, where they have a large number of friends who are wishing them joy and prosperity through life.

ARE TRADING IN THE CITY.

From Friday's Daily. Mr. and Mrs. George L. Meisinger and family were visitors in the city today, coming to do some shopping and look after some other business. Mr. Meisinger is the owner of one of the farms owned by Mrs. J. M. Robertson and he comes to confer with Mr. Robertson as to some of the business on the farm. Mr. Meisinger and family have occupied this place for a number of years and have made the farming of a success for both themselves and Mr. Robertson.

IS TENDERED A GOOD POSITION.

From Friday's Daily. Ralph Marshall left last evening for Davenport, Iowa, in response to a long distance telephone call offering him the management of a concert company "The Maryland Singers." This company is one of the best concert companies playing orpheum and eastern "Big Time" theaters.

Mr. Ralph Marshall is a musician of considerable ability, and has had much experience in the matter of concerts, and plays of the higher class, and will surely make good in the position which has been tendered him.

SHOWING VERY PATRIOTIC SPIRIT

From Friday's Daily. Mrs. Earl Terryberry has taken a step in a direction which cannot be mistaken as meaning that she puts patriotism and the welfare of the Red Cross and for the cause for which its members are laboring above all else. She has tendered his parlor to the Red Cross for use for its meetings, and place to work, which has been accepted by the Fairview Red Cross Chapter. They will hold their meetings there hereafter for the Red Cross work and the surgical dressings.

This is accepted in the spirit in which the tender was made being that of patriotism and fidelity to the principles of Liberty.

EGGS FOR HATCHING.

S. C. Rhode Island Reds and S. C. White Orphington eggs for hatching at \$1.25 per 15, \$6.00 per 100. A. O. Range, phone 3513.

Journal Want-Ads Pay!

MARCH ASSURES US GERMANY CAN NOT POSSIBLY WIN

MAJOR GENERAL IS CONFIDENT OF ULTIMATE TRIUMPH OF THE ALLIES.

Is Without Word from Pershing of American Troops Participating Expects Reaction Soon

Washington, March 28.—In a statement tonight Major General March, acting chief of staff, assured the American people that there is no cause for alarm in the advances made by the Germans in the great battle now raging in Picardy, and expressed confidence in triumph of the allied arms.

General March said: "Whatever may be the present ground held by the Germans; whatever sacrifice of men the situation must entail, the allies will see it through and will win."

Late tonight the general still was without word from General Pershing concerning the American troops participating in the battle. General Pershing's report today and tonight dealt entirely with the positions of the opposing forces yesterday, as described in the British and French official statements.

Expects Counter Assault

Announcement by Field Marshal Haig tonight that the German war machine along the whole British front had been beaten off today with heavy losses, gave new zest to speculation here as the allied counter assault officers feel certain will not long be delayed.

War department officials generally appeared to be satisfied that substantial American forces would enter the battle lines with the French when the signal for the counter blow is given.

Among the new divisions identified on the German front the war department is advised are four that have been brought back from Russia to participate in the great offensive.

CLOSE MEETINGS AT LIBERTY.

From Thursday's Daily. Last evening concluded the series of meetings at the United Brethren church at Liberty, a few miles south of this city. Rev. S. Harvey of York, who has been here assisting Rev. E. H. Pontius with the meetings departing this morning over the Burlington for his home in the west. The meetings while not as largely attended as was desired were very successful, and a number of additions will come to the church on next Sunday.

FRIEND HAD MOVED FROM CITY.

From Thursday's Daily. William Hiers and F. A. Stock of Murdock, were in the city this afternoon, coming down to take the examination, and to visit some of their friends. All of their friends could not be found, as the family had removed. So the boys took a picture of the cannon on the court house lawn and other places of interest and would have liked to have taken the cannon, only it was fast.

RIVER GETTING UP SOME.

From Thursday's Daily. The water in the Missouri river is raising considerable during the past few days, but not to that extent at the submerging of the bottom lands is eminent. It is claimed that there is much snow in the mountains this year to melt, which promises much high water later on.

HAS PURCHASED A TRUCK.

From Thursday's Daily. Fred G. Dawson has broken into the ranks of the automobile owners, and has secured a truck, with which he will expect to do a business with the farmers in this vicinity, and out for some distance, as he will go out and collect eggs and produce from the farmers for his house. He will expect to keep the car in the country most of the time.

HAS HAND BADLY MANGLED.

From Friday's Daily. Yesterday at his farm two and a

half miles from Union, Winfield Swan, while assisting in shelling corn, had the misfortune to get one of his hands in the gearing of the sheller, mangling it badly. The member had immediate attention by the physician of Union, and while the suffering has been relieved to some extent the hand is still giving Mr. Swan a great deal of grief.

JAMES V. SWEENEY DIES IN ELMWOOD CEMETERY

From Friday's Daily. James V. Sweeney, well known monument maker of Omaha for nearly forty years, died suddenly at Elmwood, Neb., yesterday morning, where he had gone to erect a monument in a cemetery. He was about 58 years of age, and single. He lived at the Loyal hotel.

Sweeney was seized with an attack of heart trouble while working on the monument with a companion, and died before help could reach him. The body will be brought to Omaha today and taken to the undertaking rooms of Healey & Healey. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Sister Mary Liola of St. Berchman's academy is a niece of the dead man. A brother in Wisconsin also survives. Sweeney was a member of the Omaha Elks lodge, which will probably have charge of the funeral. He was also a member of St. Philomena's parish.

IS MOVING TO THE WEST.

From Friday's Daily. Yesterday Earl Leesley departed with a car of his household, goods, and farming implements together with his horses and stock for the west and will locate southwest of Broken Bow, at which place he has purchased a farm of one hundred and sixty acres. Mrs. Leesley departed last evening for South Bend with the children and will visit with her sister Mrs. Charles Campbell, for some time, or until Mr. Leesley has gotten through with the car and stock when they will join him in the new home. We are wishing them an abundant of prosperity in their new home in the west.

GORDON WILCOX IMPROVING.

From Friday's Daily. Miss Timmons, a nurse from Omaha, who has been at the home of Mr. Fred Ginter, west of the city, caring for the young man Gordon Wilcox, who was kicked some three weeks since by a horse which he was leading to water, and of whose recovery it was thought there was grave doubt, departed for her home in Omaha, after having successfully nursed him through the dangerous period of his illness. Young Gordon is making good progress towards recovery at this time and it is hoped he will soon be well again.

Flags at the Journal Office.

OBSERVE LIBERTY DAY SATURDAY, APRIL THE SIXTH

BY WILLIAM G. McADOO, SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY OF THE U. S.

Washington, March 28.—The campaign for the third Liberty loan will be opened on the 6th of April, 1918, the first anniversary of the declaration of a state of war between the United States and Germany.

This date will forever be a consecrated day in American history, and it seems peculiarly appropriate that the opening of the second year of our participation in this war for the honor and rights of America and the freedom of the world should be celebrated with a nationwide drive for another Liberty loan.

The campaign should begin with great demonstrations of patriotism in every city, town and hamlet in the country, that will truly express the spirit of aroused America.

On this date every American should pledge anew to his government the full measure of his resources, and resolve to make every required sacrifice in the same fervent spirit that impels our gallant sons in the trenches of France and on the waters of the Atlantic to shed their blood in America's sacred cause.

To carry forward America's essential part in this war for righteousness and justice, every man and woman in the country must lend their available means to the government; and I know of no more fitting time for such a patriotic response to the call of duty than the beginning of the second year of the war.

I earnestly hope that parades and patriotic meetings will be held in all parts of the country. The treasury department will endeavor to make the observance of the anniversary of the declaration of war as memorable as was the patriotic observance, during the second Liberty loan campaign of Liberty day, October 24, 1917.

BACK FROM VISIT TO COAST.

From Thursday's Daily. Mrs. M. W. Smith who has been visiting at Portland, Oregon, for some time past returned home this morning, having been traveling since last Saturday morning, which makes a long trip. Mrs. Smith was at that place to visit with her father Philip Batchelor, and with her two sisters Mesdames I. F. Wood and A. G. Lohman and their families. Mrs. Smith reported having had a good time while in the west, still Plattsmouth looked pretty good to her on her return.

Dennison's crepe paper at the Journal office.

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often tell us that they've been advised to open their accounts here by pleased patrons of this institution.

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