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DEATH CALLS PIONEER RESIDENT OF STATE

JOEL V. D. PATCH PASSES AWAY AT 12:30 LAST NIGHT AFTER A SHORT ILLNESS.

From Monday's Daily. Last night at 12:30 the spirit of Joel V. D. Patch, pioneer Nebraskan, took its flight to the Creator after an illness that has covered the last few weeks and during which time the deceased has been failing very rapidly and it was with the spirit of joy and happiness that he awaited the coming of the messenger of death that was to bring him rest and peace from the solitude and loneliness that has been so marked with him since the death of his wife two years ago.

Mr. Patch and his wife came to the Nebraska Masonic Home April 16, 1918, and have since resided there and where Mrs. Purdie Patch died on January 3, 1921. During his residence here, Mr. Patch has shown a keen interest in the affairs of the community and also carried on to some extent his art work that had won him much fame in his earlier days and one of his most valued pieces of work are the hand painted light signs of the Masonic hall in this city.

Joel V. D. Patch was born at Mt. Holly, Vermont, January 30, 1842, and resided there for his boyhood days and while yet in his boy life he displayed the artistic ability that later was so pronounced and won him more or less fame in his later home in the west.

In the early fifties Mr. Patch was commissioned by Harper's Weekly, the great American illustrated paper of that day, to go west and write and illustrate stories of life in the great west and it was with this mission in mind that Mr. Patch arrived at Nebraska City in 1854, and so well pleased was he with the west that he has never returned east, but after a short time started a watch and clock making establishment and at Nebraska City was married and made his home until in the late eighties. He was identified with the Republican Valley land boom of an early day and had a part in naming Red Willow county, Nebraska, and in the organization of the emigrant trains for the west.

Becoming interested in art work he later moved to St. Joseph, Missouri, where he was one of the most active and distinguished citizens and was in charge of an art school for a number of years and later was commissioned by Governor Joseph W. Folk to paint the portraits of the members of the legislature for the state capitol and had other large commissions of art work, including the Scottish rite cathedral decorations and the city of St. Joseph also had him paint of number of the distinguished citizens' portraits for the city hall.

Mr. Patch was a member of Western Star lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska City, and was the oldest member of the Eastern Star in Nebraska in years of membership, being the last living charter member of Queen Esther chapter No. 1 of Nebraska City. He was a member of the Scottish rite Masons of St. Joseph and also of Mollia temple of the Shriner's of that city.

To mourn his loss of the family of eleven children, there remains one son, E. R. Patch of Chico, California, and he also has a nephew, Missouri L. V. Patch, of Pocatello, Idaho, and who was a great favorite of the deceased.

Mr. Patch was a member of the Missouri Society of the Sons of the Revolution and had been one of the officers of that organization for a number of years prior to coming to this city.

The body was taken to Nebraska City this morning and the funeral will be held there under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity and the body laid to rest in Wyuka cemetery beside that of the wife.

SUFFERS SEVERE ACCIDENT.

From Monday's Daily. Last night a party of Lincoln people were the victims of an auto accident on the Louisville road near the Luke L. Wiles farm that proved quite serious for Mrs. Roglitz, who was driving the car, as she had her right wrist fractured and all of the occupants of the car were more or less shaken up and injured. The accident occurred when Mrs. Roglitz, who was at the wheel, lost control of the car when it struck some soft dirt in the roadway and which allowed the car to slide into the ditch along the road and injured the parties.

SECURES MARRIAGE LICENSE

From Monday's Daily. This morning application for marriage license was made by Mr. Ferdinand R. Fryan of Raymond and Miss Veronic Pokorny of Waverly, in the office of County Judge Allen Beeson and at the end of the ten day period the young people will receive the desired permit to wed.

FIRE AT GERING HOME.

From Monday's Daily. Last evening the fire alarm was turned in from the Gering home on North Sixth street where a fire was discovered in the attic of the large and handsome home, but the fire did little damage and was put out before the arrival of the fire department. The origin of the fire has not been fully determined whether from a gas jet or from some defective electric wiring. The only damage to speak of was caused by punching a small hole in the ceiling of one of the rooms to reach the fire and which was made before the fire department arrived. The fire was very fortunate that it was not destructive as this is one of the most attractive residences in the city.

POLICE COURT HAS BUSY TIME TODAY

Two Cases of Speeding and One of Disturbing the Peace Called Before His Honor.

From Monday's Daily. This morning the police court was very active for the first time in a number of weeks and the parties before his honor, Judge William Weber, were charged with speeding as well as disturbing the peace.

Roy Doneny and George Buss, both claiming Omaha as their place of residence were charged with having operated their autos at a speed greater than the law allows and also with disturbing the peace by swearing on the streets.

The two men were arrested Saturday night by Chief of Police Alvin Jones and Mr. Doneny secured his release yesterday afternoon by putting the \$25 cash bond which was forfeited this morning, while Mr. Buss was fined \$20 and costs totaling \$23.50, this morning for his offense.

The chief of police was also called out to South Tenth street Saturday night by the residents of that locality who announced that there was war in the Anton Fritsch household and Mr. Fritsch was on the war path and using his wife as a sparring partner for his workout.

The chief brought the gentleman down and lodged him in the city jail who remained there until he was released yesterday afternoon by Chief of Police Jones on a cash bond of \$13.50. This morning the bond was forfeited in the police court and the charge placed against Mr. Fritsch of disturbing the peace.

TAKES VIEWS OF CITY FROM AEROPLANE SATURDAY

William G. Kieck, Reserve Officer in the Air Service, Secures Some Very Good Pictures.

From Monday's Daily. Saturday afternoon while Messrs. Atkinson and Vlast of the Atkinson Aviation company, of Omaha, were here with their plane, making flights with passengers, William G. Kieck, of this city, who is a reserve officer in the U. S. air service, made a number of flights and took snap shots of the city and the surrounding country from the air and which will be very novel to the residents here when they are developed and printed.

Mr. Kieck found the conditions Saturday rather poor for this line of work as there were very strong air currents and at heights of 1,400 feet the air current rushing up from the main section of the city was very noticeable and greatly interfered with the photographic work.

The camera used was the special Graflex of E. J. Weyrich and which was not as well adapted to this line of work as the regular army air cameras which are used in the taking of pictures by the arm aviators, but some very good results were secured and which give a clear idea of the terrain of this locality and the lay of the various buildings of the city.

STATIC INTERFERES WITH RECEPTION OF SERVICE

From Monday's Daily. Last evening it had been planned to have a surprise service at the Methodist church in which Magna vox was to give the congregation the benefit of a sermon by radio, but instead the surprise planned the weather conditions gave the congregation a surprise when the static became so bad that it was impossible to hear the service from WAW at Omaha and the congregation had to fall back on the old reliable pastor, Rev. F. E. Pfoutz. A. H. Duxbury and George Rogers had their radio apparatus at the church but try as they might old man static was in the air and stayed on the job until after the storm had passed which was too late for the church services.

Sell these articles you no longer have use for by advertising them in the Journal.

GORDER FAMILY RE-UNION IN WISCONSIN

Members Plan to Make This Annual Event—None of the Relatives from Here Present.

The members of the Gorder family of which there are a large number residing in Cass county and in Plattsmouth, have arranged to hold each year a family reunion and for this purpose held the first gathering on Sunday, August 19th at Watertown, Wisconsin, the old home of the family. The following is a very fine account of the gathering.

"Something in the way of a unique family reunion which is to be held every year by members and branches of the Gorder family was held Sunday evening at the first annual reunion was held at Firemen's park at Watertown. Owing to the short notice with which the event was planned some of the members from Nebraska and Minnesota were unable to be present, but they have promised to take part in the event when the second annual reunion is held next year.

"Dinner and supper were served in cafeteria style and the day was spent in games and social visit. It was one of the most pleasant experiences of the various members of the family and all are looking forward to next year's event, which is to be even larger and more elaborate. It was decided to hold the second reunion at Firemen's park also.

"Those present Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. William Gorder, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gorder and daughter, Paula, Mr. and Mrs. William Gorder, Jr., and children, William and Lydie, Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Hartwig, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kronitz, Ada Morris, Mrs. Ida Nowack and daughters, Esther and Enna, Emil Fluegel, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kronitz, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kaercher and children, Walter, Hilbert and Raymond, Edward Kohloff, Theodore Kohloff, Aurelia Kohloff and Emil Kohloff, of this city; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Brown and son Donald, of Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. Max Bue-low and son Victor, Mr. and Mrs. Lovell W. Ives and daughter Panny, of Jefferson; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Swanson and son Albert, Beyer, and Mrs. Otto Hahn and children Eldon, Arnold, Irene and Marion, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hahn, of Clinton; Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kurtz and children, Clarence, Harry, Roy, Lester and Florence, of Lake Mills; Edward Knecht, of Plattsmouth; Mrs. Edna and children, Edward, Leonard, Doris and Mabel, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loeffler and son Royce, Mr. and Mrs. William Geske and son William, Mrs. Mary Gorder, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gorder and children Sylvia and Zeno, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Fox and children Raymond and Philip, Mr. and Mrs. John Hotmar and daughter Wanda, Miss Erna Quade, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Kunz, Dorothy Clark, James Clark, Martha Clark, Albert Spittgerber, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gorder and children, Vivian, Cecil, Harold and Donna, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gorder and daughters, Alice and Grace, Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Gottschalk, Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jordan and children Susan, Jack and Bob, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kurtz and daughters, Sarah and Dora, of Watertown."

LIGHTNING KILLS CATTLE ON PETER HALMES FARM

From Monday's Daily. Last night during the electrical and wind storm, Peter Halmes residing west of the city was the unfortunate enough to lose five head of cattle as the result of being struck by lightning. The cattle had been standing near a wire fence and the electric current evidently struck the fence at some point and traveled the length of the fence, killing the cattle as they stood near the fence. The owner of the cattle was fortunate in the fact that the stock was insured with the Farmer's Mutual insurance company of Cass county, of which J. P. Falter of this city is the secretary and the loss will be fully covered by the insurance and which will save Mr. Halmes a very heavy loss. That shows that insurance on the farm as well in the city is a matter of the utmost importance.

LOUISVILLE HAS A BLOW.

From Monday's Daily. Last night the wind and rain storm was quite severe in the vicinity of Louisville when the wind proceeded to break off a number of telephone poles and also some damage to the electric lines. Over the town trees were blown down but no damage was done to the residences or business houses. In the country the storm was even more severe and several corn cribs are reported to have been blown down. A very heavy rain followed the storm and was much appreciated in settling the dust and helping the crops.

FOR SALE

Two Shetland ponies and one span of black mares, ages five and six years. Call phone 3102. a14-4tw

Blank books at Journal office.

SUFFERS LOSS OF "JACK"

From Tuesday's Daily. B. J. Reynolds, who is one of the veteran employes of the Burlington and directs the management of the local switch yards on the second track, is mourning the untimely departure of \$2,215, which disappeared from his home mysteriously Saturday night or Sunday morning so it thought. Mr. Reynolds had gone home with the money, a part of his monthly stipend from the Burlington and had left it in his trousers pocket and sought his downy couch and soon was in the deepest slumber and it is thought that someone entered the house in the late watches of the night and pilfered the roll, or at least it was missing the next day and so far there has been no trace found of the missing money.

VERY PRETTY HOME WEDDING TAKES PLACE

Pickwell Home at Murdock is Scene of a Very Charming Late Summer Wedding Thursday.

Miss May Pickwell of Murdock was married to Mr. Wm. Eisele of University Place last Thursday evening at 8 o'clock on the lawn of the Pickwell home. The Rev. Samuel Keiser of Ashland performed the ceremony before a group of more than one hundred relatives and friends.

Immediately preceding the ceremony the Misses Goldie and Gladys Kaefenberg of Lincoln sang "Beloved, It is Morn'" being accompanied at the piano by Miss Catherine Tool of Murdock.

The bridal party then passed out from the porch upon the lawn as Miss Tool played the Lohengrin "Wedding March." The bride, upon the arm of the groom, was attired in white satin, draped in georgette crepe and veil, with coronet of orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of Opheelia roses. The bride and groom were preceded by matron of honor and two bridesmaids, the bridesmaids being Mrs. J. E. Davis, Mrs. E. G. W. Little Dorothy Gorthy carried the ring in a large lily.

The bridal party formed a large semi-circle, facing a high bank of vines, large bunches of goldenrod and white meadow flowers. A string of brilliant bulbs lighted the ceremony and the entire lawn.

Round bricks of ice cream with yellow heart center and a variety of cakes and punch were served to the guests following the ceremony.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Pickwell. She attended the Plattsmouth high school and later completed the full course at the Peru state normal, where she received state and city teaching certificates. She has taught successfully for a number of years, but was employed in Lincoln up to within a few months of the wedding.

CHARMING PARTY HERE.

From Monday's Daily. Yesterday the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Schlater was the scene of a very jolly party of young people when their daughter, Miss Margaret, who is a student nurse at the St. Catherine's hospital in Omaha, entertained a number of her associates among the young nurses. The ladies had intended returning to Omaha last evening but were prevented by the rain and which made necessary their going back by train this morning. Those in the party were: Elsie Meinger, Alice and Marie Slavon, Florence Thierney and Miss Schlater.

MAY RETURN HOME SOON

Reports from the Immanuel hospital in Omaha state that Abram Ruple of this city, who is there recovering from an operation, is continuing his recovery and it is hoped by the last of the week to be able to bring him back home as he is very desirous of being back with the home folks. However, his return will depend largely on his condition at the time.

OLD SETTLERS REUNION WAS BIG SUCCESS

LARGE CROWDS PRESENT AND A MOST ENJOYABLE TIME IS HAD BY EVERYONE.

From Tuesday's Daily. Last Friday and Saturday the old settlers of this portion of the state, and especially that part of Cass and Otoe counties contiguous to Union, met together once more at the picnic grounds at Union for a renewal of old acquaintanceships.

This is the thirty-fifth consecutive year of the so-called Old Settlers Reunion, from which the younger settlers are not barred, and it seems each year the gathering becomes more successful.

The weather this year was all that could be desired and people came from far and near, many of those who formerly resided in this vicinity taking advantage of the occasion as an opportunity to come back and see the old friends of former days.

During the two days' celebration, a most varied and pleasing program was offered, including some prominent speakers and entertainers and their appearance did much to make this year's reunion the great success it proved to be.

The reunion was held at the regular place, which is in a shady grove just southwest of Union and which provided ample accommodations for everyone.

For the first day Governor Charles W. Bryan was the headliner and he gave a most worthwhile address, touching on the matters of state government and pleasing all those who heard him by his straightforward address and manner of telling what he had to say in a way which could not be mistaken. Mr. Bryan's address was followed by another equally pleasing one delivered by Rev. Chas. W. Savage, the "marrying parson" of Omaha, who has up to the present time performed 5,570 marriages and officiated at 2,976 funerals. His address was most timely and convincing and was very pleasing to the vast throng assembled. The Rev. George W. Wash, pastor of the Methodist church of Union, was the third speaker of the afternoon, delivering an excellent address which he drew from the minds of the audience, convincing them of his earnestness of purpose and high integrity of character.

For the lighter side of the entertainment the opening day, Mesdames O. Sandin of Plattsmouth and Harold Frans of Union, and Miss Eda Dickson of Plattsmouth gave readings of a humorous nature, which kept the people keyed up to a state of laughter throughout the day.

Later in the afternoon a ball game was played which also lent spice to the day's program and kept the fans on their toes from the first inning to the last.

The orchestra of Murray furnished the music for the first day, and special mention is due them both for the quality of their music and the generous quantity—not only was it good music, but there was plenty of it. The evening there was a dance as well as numerous other activities to interest and amuse the crowd and it is freely conceded that this year's was the best first day program ever given at the reunion.

The first day, which has in the past been more lightly attended, will well bring the count of the second day from that standpoint this year, and all on account of the fine program offered.

For the second day Attorney J. D. Graves, of Peru, a former candidate for governor on the prohibition ticket, made a most wonderful address which was heard by an immense throng. The Rev. L. D. Smith, of Nebraska, who was well known by a large number of people present, made an address which was highly appreciated by all who were privileged to hear him. Miss Hazel Clugey, of Plattsmouth, who was on the program, was not able to be present, being in the west and at Denver on that day. Her place was filled by Master Lucean LaRue, the 11-year-old boy soloist, who sang "Yes—We Have No Bananas" in such a manner as to bring loud applause from the crowd and in his encore numbers he proved equally pleasing. Lucean is the lad who scored the great hit on the Plattsmouth night radio program last May and his admirers are legion wherever he is heard.

Mrs. Wm. Baird of Plattsmouth enlivened the occasion by a number of her witty readings which added much to the interest and amusement of the occasion.

The closing address of the occasion was made by Congressman R. H. Thorpe, who dealt with social life and the history of Nebraska, touching some of the farmers' problems and the railroad rates.

The Eagles band of Plattsmouth furnished the music for the second day and secured a hit with the large crowd. The boys are real musicians and gave some most pleasing popular and semi-classical numbers.

Like the day before, a ball game was played in the late afternoon that was witnessed by many, and a big dance was held at the Woodmen hall in the evening.

ENJOY VISIT HERE AT LEHNHOFF HOME

Children of Henry Lehnhoff, an Old Resident of Louisville, Visit Here Over Sunday.

From Tuesday's Daily. For the past fifty years it has been the custom of the children of the late Henry Lehnhoff, one of the pioneer citizens of Louisville, to gather each year at the home of their aunt, Mrs. F. D. Lehnhoff and daughter, Miss Tillie in this city, to enjoy for a time the ties of kinship and the always prevailing spirit of hospitality and kindness that has characterized the gatherings.

This year the reunion commenced Saturday when Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McPherson, of Lincoln, arrived to visit at the home of Mrs. Lehnhoff, Mrs. McPherson being a niece, and Sunday morning Dr. H. J. Lehnhoff and wife and daughter, Caroline and son Henry and Miss Minnie Lehnhoff motored down from Lincoln to join the home gathering and Sunday also saw the arrival of Mrs. W. C. Frampton, another niece from Lincoln, who came accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. Redfield of Omaha, friends of the family.

FINDS CANADA IN POOR CONDITION

Mike Lutz of This City Returns from Trip to Saskatchewan—Says Farmers Hard Pressed.

A country where the crops are abundant and wheat yields from thirty to sixty-five bushels per acre, and the farmers so badly affected by the tightness of the money market that they cannot buy the binding twine necessary to gather the crops, is the situation in parts of Saskatchewan, Canada, states Mike Lutz, former street commissioner, who with Mrs. Lutz has just returned home from the north land.

Mr. Lutz and wife spent some time in the vicinity of Priestville, Canada, in the heart of the small grain belt and here found the crops to be very fine and the farmers in very bad shape as the result of the lack of funds to handle the crops and in many cases whole half sections of land can be bought for a few hundreds of dollars although the land is some of the best farming land that can be found in that part of Canada.

Game birds of all kinds are plentiful in the vicinity of Priestville, and among the poverty of the people they are unable to purchase the bullets to shoot the birds.

Mr. and Mrs. Lutz also visited the city of Winnipeg, Manitoba, on their return and found it a fine modern city and much more prosperous than the country farther west.

FARM BUREAU BOOSTERS HERE.

From Tuesday's Daily. This afternoon thirty cars of the Cass county farm bureau boosters, accompanied by County Agent L. R. Stipes, visited this city as the completion of the first lap of the tour of the eastern portion of the county and which was very successful in every way. The boosters were accompanied by the very fine band of Weeping Water and which delighted the residents of the city with a few numbers in the business section of the city. The jolly party in their short time enjoyed a very pleasant visit here and their coming was much appreciated by the Plattsmouth people and they certainly will be welcomed again. The party were also advertising the county fair which is to be held at Weeping Water and which is growing better year by year.

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During their stay the members of the family had a real time and one that they will fondly cherish for the ensuing year and not the least of the pleasures of the visit was the opportunity the members of the party had of trips over the beautiful tree clad hills of the city and the surrounding vicinity and which was a never failing source of delight to the members of the party and that there is no more attractive spot in the whole state than Plattsmouth.

CIRCUS PROVES PLEASING TO LARGE CROWDS

World Brothers Shows which were here Saturday for a matinee and evening performance gave an excellent performance and have some exceptionally clever acts in the show that would have done credit to a much larger organization.

Among the high class features was that of Langdon and his trained elephants which was as good as can be seen anywhere in the country and the aerial acts by members of the circus company were also very thrilling and entertaining and the ladies who had this portion of the program in hand showed their skill and daring in the various stunts given in the air. The trained lions were also a thrilling feature of the entertainment and kept the audience well keyed up to the excitement stage.

The circus as a whole was very satisfactory although there was more or less complaint against the manner in which the tickets were handled and several of the residents of the neighborhood claim to have paid a great deal more than the advertised admission price to get into the main show.

FOR SALE

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