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TRAGEDY ENDS VACATION TRIP OF UNION MAN

JACK PATTERSON, CASHIER OF BANK OF UNION, DROWNED YESTERDAY P. M.

PERISHES IN LAKE MICHIGAN

Was Visiting at Home of His Sister, Mrs. Albert Deegan and Alone When Plunge Taken.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The vacation trip that was being enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Patterson of Union and Joseph Fetzer, of this city, father of Mrs. Patterson, was suddenly and tragically terminated yesterday afternoon at Chicago when Mr. Patterson, while bathing in the waters of Lake Michigan, was drowned.

The first news of the tragedy came in a message here to Thomas M. Patterson, father of the unfortunate young man, who had come down to look after his insurance business, and came as a crushing blow to the father and the mother, who was in Omaha at the time, as well as to the relatives and hundreds of friends of Mr. Patterson and his family.

The father on the receipt of the news this morning returned to Omaha to be with the wife when the sad news was broken to her, as her health has been very poorly and the shock will prove most severe in her present condition, it is feared.

From the sister in Chicago comes the details of the drowning as far as can be ascertained.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson and Joseph Fetzer, father of Mrs. Patterson, departed a week ago for Manitowish, Wisconsin, making the trip in the car of the Patterson family. Reaching Chicago Mr. and Mrs. Patterson stopped there to visit at the home of Mrs. Albert Deegan, sister of Mr. Patterson, while Mr. Fetzer continued on to Wisconsin to visit at the old home there and was to be joined by Mr. Patterson and wife. Reaching Chicago today, but the plans were shattered yesterday in the tragic taking of the unfortunate young man.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Patterson had taken his wife from the Deegan home in North Chicago down town to do some shopping and was to return to the Patterson home and then motored back to the lake near the Deegan home, where he secured a bathing suit and took a plunge into the waters of Lake Michigan from which he never returned.

There was no one at the lake who saw the young man after he had secured the suit, and his death was undoubtedly caused by a sudden cramp in the cold water of the lake and not being an expert swimmer, he perished before anyone could hear his cries or discover his plight.

The details of the tragedy were not discovered for some time until his failure to return and the finding of his clothing in the car revealed the tragic story.

So far Lake Michigan has not given up the body and the grief-stricken wife and her father, Mr. and Mrs. Deegan will start back home to Nebraska this evening on their sad mission to bring to the two little children, who were left with friends at Union, the sad news of the death of the father.

Jack M. Patterson was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Patterson and was born and reared in this city and has spent practically all of his lifetime in this city and vicinity.

He was thirty-three years of age and was married here in Plattsmouth some twelve years ago to Miss Charles Fetzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fetzer, who with the two children, Thomas and Jane, are left to mourn his death. He also leaves the father and mother at Omaha; one brother, Dwight Patterson, also of Omaha, and one sister, Mrs. Albert Deegan, of Chicago. He is nephew of Mrs. T. H. Pollock and R. F. Patterson of this city, Charles Patterson of Arapahoe and Sam Patterson of Omaha.

For several years Mr. Patterson has been conducting the affairs of the Bank of Union, at Union, of which institution he was the cashier.

To those who knew him best, Jack Patterson was a true and steadfast friend and while he was of a quiet and retiring disposition he had made many friends who will share the grief of the family at the rude severing of the link of friendship in his untimely death.

FEELING QUITE POORLY

For the past few days Bert Coleman, the contractor, has been confined to his apartments at the Hotel Perkins suffering from a recurrence of his sickness of the past few months. Mr. Coleman has just recently returned from the Mayo hospital at Rochester, Minnesota, and has been exerting himself greatly, which led to his being compelled to remain in bed for some time.

PICK UP YOUNG LAD

From Tuesday's Daily—
The police for some time have been noticing the habit of many of the young boys of the city loafing around the main part of the city for long after the midnight hour and apparently without any real business or purpose when they should have been at home with their parents. Last evening the night police gathered in one of the young men who is below the current age and escorted him to the city jail where he rested for the remainder of the night and was released this morning wiser for the experience and will probably in the future seek his own home at night instead of the city hall as quarters.

PLATTSMOUTH BOY SCOUTS MAKE FINE SHOWING AT CAMP

Byron Halstead of this City Ranks as Most Proficient Scout at Camp Quivera.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The Plattsmouth Boy Scouts, who have just closed their summer camp period at Camp Quivera, near Cedar Creek, made one of the best records of any troop that has appeared there in the various camp and district competitions in which the locals were pitted against the boys from Lincoln and other points, the Plattsmouth campers scored very high points.

One of the Plattsmouth boys, Byron Halstead, was the highest ranking member of the camp and secured more points for efficiency and faithful scout work of any member of the camp. This was the first year at the summer quarters for this young man and his showing is all the more pleasing for this fact.

In the tent inspection No. 1, occupied by Plattsmouth boys, won first place and the other tents were tied several times for this honor, showing that the boys were careful in the care maintenance of their quarters.

The winning K. P. team was also composed largely of local boys who proved real kitchen workers.

Probably one of the hardest events won by the Plattsmouth delegation was that taken in by tents 1 and 2 in the "stunt night" events which the local lads won from the Lincoln scouts, after some keen competition.

In the swimming contests held under the supervision of Kenneth Benz of Lincoln, water chief, the Plattsmouth boys won many honors and also in the track meet held at the camp during the ten day period and returned with the awards of their prowess.

The command of the camp invested in R. D. McDermott of Lincoln, a very efficient gentleman and a real leader of the boys work, and his ability is in a large way one of the reasons for the great success of the camp activities.

Not the least of the personnel of the camp is Arthur Lamb, the cook, who supplies the members of the camp with the many fine meals that they enjoy, and also Edward Patterson, who is the camp librarian and banker and is there and over in this line of work.

Those attending the camp from this city were: George Caldwell, Henry Marshall, Herbert Patterson, Joe Harford, Robert Wurl, Ewing Sharp, Bernard Klinger, Ferdinand Deifel, Gerald Smith, John Bauer, Jr., Lester Stout, Jack Hatt, Don York, Linville Wiles, George Swatek, John Falter of Falls City, Byron Halstead, Clare Shallenberger.

C. C. PARMLEE IS BANKRUPT

Charles C. Parmelee of Plattsmouth filed a voluntary bankruptcy petition Monday embodying the largest figures of any such instrument filed in Lincoln this year. Debts were given as \$289,595 and assets \$104,710. The latter includes realty valued at \$4,500; securities and notes, \$2,500; insurance policies, \$5,500; and personal property \$88,700. The personal property consists of a one-fourth interest in the Baracovna mine and ranch in Chetopa, Col., and a note and mortgage on the 8,800 acre Parmelee ranch in Custer county.

Secured claims totalling \$179,460 are held by the Merchants National Bank, Omaha, the largest creditor, the First National Bank of Plattsmouth and the Plattsmouth State Bank; John Gerner of Cedar Creek, the New England Life company of Omaha, E. J. Richey and Miss Verna Leonard. Unsecured claims include \$7,500 owing to Byron Clarke and Jesse L. Root of Omaha for legal services and an assessment of \$10,400 on 164 shares of the failed bank of Cass county.

Much of Mr. Parmelee's indebtedness grew out of the defunct Auto Power company and the operation of the Parmelee ranch. A large amount he says should be paid by J. P. Falter, a former partner in business, and George W. Snyder, with who he signed various notes.—State Journal.

J. M. Teegarden of Weeping Water was here today for a few hours looking after some matters of business.

CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY OF OLD RESIDENT OF COUNTY

A. C. Carey Has Very Pleasant Observance of His Natal Day at Chester Minnear Home.

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday was the sixty-fourth birthday anniversary of A. C. Carey, one of the old and highly respected residents of this portion of Cass county and in honor of this excellent gentleman the relatives and friends staged a most delightful birthday celebration at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Minnear near Murray. The time was spent in visiting and at the noon hour the members of the party unloaded the contents of the many baskets of the good things to eat from the Cass county farms that made a feast fit for a king and prepared as only the housewives of this community are capable. This with social conversation and a general good time occupied the greater part of the day, although during the afternoon a number of the gentlemen motored to Murray and enjoyed a fine dip at the bathing beach. Mr. Carey, it is reported, was the champion swimmer of the bunch.

Those attending the delightful occasion were: A. C. Carey, the guest of honor, Mr. and Mrs. Will R. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. Sigel Carey and children, Rosella, Gilbert, Gladys, John and Mary; Cassius Carey, wife and son, Richard, of Omaha; Teddy Carey, Mrs. S. A. Barker and daughter, Miss Mae, W. A. Kiser, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kiser and children, Noble and Junior; Mr. and Mrs. Forest Leonard and children, Whipple and Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. George Meltinger of Plattsmouth, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Minnear and son, Harley; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hennings and children, Lavern Fay, Elmer and Odella of Louisville, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wetenskap and children, William and Francis; Mrs. Martha Wetenskap of Plattsmouth, Miss Dorothy Hirtz of Plattsmouth, Mary and Edna Wiles and Wilma of Weeping Water, Robert L. Propst of Lake Worth, Florida.

The concert had been arranged by the band, twenty-five of whom took part in honor of the aged residents of the Home and their program, given in the most artistic manner, was one that delighted everyone of the large family that resides at the home. In addition to the members of the Home, the Plattsmouth citizens, many of the city who were at the concert and were of hand to listen to the program and several hundred availed themselves of the opportunity of attending the concert.

The visitors had a large array of pop and watermelon on hand and which was given to the boys and girls of the city who were at the concert and made the youngsters warm friends of the visiting nobles and their families.

KFKX BOOSTERS HERE

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reed of this city had as their guests for the day, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gaston and two daughters of Hastings, Nebraska, old friends and neighbors of Mr. Reed. Mr. Gaston is one of the residents of the Gaston Music and Furniture Co., at Hastings and in his building is located the studio of Station KFKX, "Empress of the Air," as it is designated by the Hastings boosters. This is the large Westinghouse repeating station which is one of the largest and best in the state of Nebraska and the source of a great deal of pride to the residents of Hastings and vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Gaston made the trip here by auto and are real advertisers and boosters for the radio station as their auto testifies.

TWO FINE SERVICES

From Monday's Daily—
The Methodist church yesterday enjoyed two very pleasing services, both at the morning and evening worship hour. At the morning service Attorney A. H. Duxbury, who is the Superintendent of the Sunday school, spoke on the relation of the church and the Sunday school and the relation of the child to the school as well as the parent to the child and the religious field. The address was very complete and covered many important points in the handling of the church work for the betterment of the children and youth of the community.

At the evening service, W. E. Froslier, one of the well known laymen of Omaha, was present and gave a very strong and forceful personal appeal for the unity with the church and covered thoroughly his own personal experiences in the field of religious work and the benefits that he had received from embracing the Christian faith. At this service the young men's choir of the church gave several very pleasing numbers. The service attracted a great deal of attention and the remarks of the speaker were followed with the greatest interest by the members of the congregation.

PICK UP STRANGER

From Tuesday's Daily—
This morning Sheriff E. P. Stewart and Deputy Sheriff Rex Young responded to a call from south of this city near the farm of Charles Allen, and captured a stranger who had been throwing a very severe scare into the residents of that locality, although he had done nothing but appear rather deranged.

The man refused to talk and all the efforts of the officers to get him to converse were without success and the man was brought on to this city and lodged in jail to rest here until County Attorney Capwell could get some action on him. The man is apparently about twenty-five years of age, very dark complexioned and from his general appearance is undoubtedly a foreigner.

MANY TOURISTS ON THE ROAD

From Tuesday's Daily—
Despite the fact that the roads in this portion of the west are far from ideal for traveling purposes, the tourists are keeping the highways busy with their cars and the hard going seems to have but little effect in checking the flow of travel. In an almost continuous stream the cars are going and coming along the highways that pass through this city and the cars loaded down with the tents and other equipment are almost as numerous as the cars of the local people passing over the main roads. The fact that the autos are growing cheaper and gas coming down is fast developing a nation of tourists out of the American people and the summer season sees a large percentage of the population out on the highways seeing the country from the Ford.

SHRINERS BAND GIVES A SPLENDID CONCERT SUNDAY

Omaha Members of Tangier Temple and Families Enjoy Picnic Dinner at the Home.

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon the lovers of real music of the city were given a rare treat when the members of the band of Tangier temple of the Shrine came down from Omaha and gave a musical program on the lawn of the Nebraska Masonic Home.

The members of the party arrived here at 11:30 and their families and friends that accompanied the band enjoyed a real picnic dinner in the friendly shade of the trees on the lawn of the home and continued their pleasant time until the time for the concert which was attended by several hundred of the Plattsmouth people.

The concert had been arranged by the band, twenty-five of whom took part in honor of the aged residents of the Home and their program, given in the most artistic manner, was one that delighted everyone of the large family that resides at the home. In addition to the members of the Home, the Plattsmouth citizens, many of the city who were at the concert and were of hand to listen to the program and several hundred availed themselves of the opportunity of attending the concert.

NOT SO BAD HERE

From Monday's Daily—
While the farmers of this section have had some loss and delay to the crops by reason of the heavy rains of the months of June and July, they are apparently a great deal better off than the residents of the other sections of the state if the reports from there by travelers are to be believed. In the northwestern portion of the state there has been a great deal of hot and dry weather that served to make the progress of the crop very slow and in the last few days this has been succeeded by very heavy rains that have reached the dimensions of cloudbursts. Further east in the vicinity of Atchworth and thence to the Missouri river there has been a great deal of hail that has made some fields of corn a waste of riddled stalks.

Fortunately here the farmers have only been compelled to replant and with any favorable weather will be able to gather a crop that other sections will not have the opportunity to secure.

SUFFERING FROM LUMBAGO

From Monday's Daily—
Mrs. Lena Droege has been confined to her home since Saturday, suffering from a very severe attack of lumbago that has proven far from pleasant and the patient has suffered a great deal of pain as the result of the attack. Mrs. Gale Connors of Omaha is here assisting in the care of her mother during her sickness.

GIVE TURNING EXHIBITION

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday morning a number of the young men, members of the active turning class at the Catholic Sokol hall, departed for Omaha where they attended and took part in the exhibition of apparatus turning that was held at the K. S. hall on South 21st street. The members of the class from this city were Frank Woolley, Jr., Louis Svoboda, Emmons Holly and Fred Halk. A number of the members of the society and their families also motored up to enjoy the exhibition and in which the Plattsmouth boys showed up in fine shape in competition with the Omaha turners.

RECEIVES A LETTER FROM FRIEND NOW VISITING GERMANY

Mrs. Fred Hesse, Former Resident Here, Now Enjoying Visit with Relatives in Germany

From Monday's Daily—
Crossing the ocean for a visit back in the old world with relatives and friends whom she has not seen for many years, Mrs. Fred Hesse, has written to the friends here a very pleasing description of her trip across and the changes that have occurred in the old home since her departure many years ago.

Mrs. Hesse sailed in May for Europe in company with Miss Marie Kaufmann and Mrs. Perry Coffman and the ladies landed in Cherbourg, France, the last of that month. Together they visited Paris and there the paths of the ladies parted as Mrs. Hesse departed over the Est railroad for the border and the Rhine region where her relatives are located, arriving at Fairbrooken, Germany, on June 10th. Here Mrs. Hesse was met by her sister and niece, who reside there and who met their American relative at the station and Mrs. Hesse stated that although she had not seen the sister since she was a little girl, she at once recognized her. The meeting was both happy and sad as Mrs. Hesse learned of the death of her brother-in-law on May 10th, and also that her sister had lost a son in the late war.

In speaking of Germany, or that part at least in the Rhine region where she is visiting, Mrs. Hesse stated that the crops are fine and appear to offer every indication of an abundant yield. There is much fruit in the valley and great piles of coal are stored at various points through that portion of Germany. Mrs. Hesse states that one of the strangest things to her is the fact that she does not hear the English language spoken and which makes a touch of homesickness to her.

In the crossing Mrs. Hesse states that all of the party stood the trip fine and none of them were seasick and arrived in the old world feeling quite ready for the most interesting spots that were awaiting them. Miss Marie Kaufmann is now in Holland and expects to visit with Mrs. Hesse at Fairbrooken when she makes her visit up the Rhine valley into Switzerland.

PLATTE RIVER BOOMING

From Monday's Daily—
Following the intense rain and hail storms in the north part of the state the Platte river was up to a great height yesterday and running almost bank full, being as high as at any time this season. The sudden raise was due to the fact that the Loup and Elkhorn rivers are carrying off the water of the heavy rains in the northern part of the state and which being poured into the Platte caused a very rapid and unexpected rise. At the bridges north of this city yesterday the river was at flood stage and the swift current was pouring the waters down to the mouth of the river a very heavy stream that was a real sight to behold.

ENTERTAINS AT KENSINGTON

From Monday's Daily—
The home of Mrs. Henry C. McMaken was the scene of a very pleasant Kensington on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. McMaken and Mrs. R. W. Clement being the joint hostesses at the delightful occasion. During the afternoon to add to the enjoyment of the occasion the ladies enjoyed two contests in the first of which Mrs. L. L. Wiles was awarded the prize while in the second Mrs. Nelson Jean was the successful contestant. At the close of the unusually pleasant afternoon the hostesses were assisted in serving a very dainty luncheon by Misses Helen Clement and Ursula Herold. There were twenty-seven present to enjoy the occasion and at the close the members of the party departed voting the event one of the greatest enjoyment to all those fortunate enough to be present.

ENTERTAINS AT BRIDGE

From Monday's Daily—
On Saturday afternoon Mrs. Hilt Martin and Misses Leone and Vera Becker entertained very pleasantly at the Becker home a high school ball at bridge, a number of young lady friends being the guests of the occasion.

The color scheme of orange and green was carried out in the floral decorations as well as in the refreshments. In the games Miss Catherine Schneider received the first prize while Miss Virginia Beeson received the second prize.

The occasion was very much enjoyed by all those in attendance and those who participated in the occasion were Misses Janet Bajcek, Catherine Schneider, Pauline Bajcek, Helen Wescott, Clara Mae Morgan, Ruth Shannon, Ruth and Mary Tidball, Grace Nolting, Marguerite Wiles, Kermit and Ethlyn Wiles, Virginia and Grace Beeson, Thelma Kroehler and Mrs. Thomas Walling, Jr.

W. C. T. U. MEETING

From Tuesday's Daily—
Monday afternoon the W. C. T. U. held its regular meeting at the home of Miss Olive Gass with Miss Lucy Arnold and Mrs. W. O. Troop, as assistant hostesses. After the business of the union was finished a very interesting discussion of the life and work of Miss Anna Gordon, national president, was given by the members. A program of readings and music followed. Those taking part in the musical program were Marjorie and Bernice Arn, Margaret, Eunice and Dorothy Burbridge and Treva Edgerton. Refreshments of ice cold watermelon and wafers were then served. After the serving the ladies departed with expressions of pleasure for the afternoon entertainment.

HEAVY SHIPMENTS OF OLD GRAIN ACCORDING TO ROADS

Corn Loadings on Burlington Range from 125 to 175 Cars Daily—New Wheat Coming.

From Tuesday's Daily—
Although the movement of the new crop of wheat to market will not begin in Nebraska for a week or ten days, high grain prices are bringing last year's crop out of the bins, and there is a heavy movement, especially of corn, according to Omaha railway officials.

General Manager Flynn of the Burlington reported but one carload of new grain loaded on its lines in Nebraska, but a heavy loading of old corn, ranging from 125 to 175 cars a day.

"There is a very good movement of old grain, especially corn, right along," he reported. "Last Friday we loaded 159 carloads and Saturday, 115. Not any new grain is moving yet."

General Manager Jeffers of the Union Pacific reported both old wheat and corn coming into the market from Nebraska farms. "The new crop is seeking the market in Kansas, and will be here before long," he said.

Northwestern officials reported but slight movement of either new or old corn along its Nebraska lines. C. E. Childe, traffic manager of the Omaha chamber of commerce, reported yesterday on his return from a shippers' conference at Salt Lake City, that the railroads were prepared with sufficient cars to move all the crop rapidly to market. The old advice to buy coal now, both to save money and to aid in grain movements in the fall, was renewed, he said.

RUSSO IS REARRESTED WHEN BOND QUESTIONED

From Monday's Daily—
Philadelphia Russo, Omaha, who was arrested after an alleged attempt to blackmail V. P. Chiodo by sending the latter a threatening letter demanding 5 thousand dollars, was rearrested Monday after an investigation by the department of justice had determined that the bond of 10 thousand dollars under which he was given his freedom, pending trial, was worthless.

SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

From Monday's Daily—
The reports from the Lord Lister hospital in Omaha state that the condition of Charles Hitt, Jr., who was operated on there Thursday evening, is now showing some little improvement and while the patient is still suffering a great deal it is thought that the present improvement is most favorable and in a short time should give the patient some permanent change for the better.

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