

Funeral of Mrs. F. A. Jones is Held Today

Services at the Home This Afternoon Attended by Large Number of the Old Friends.

From Thursday's Daily.—This afternoon at the childhood home of the departed was held the last rites for Mrs. Florence Baird Jones, whose untimely death on Monday brought such a sense of sorrow to the community.

The body arrived this morning from the home at Ruskin and was taken to the home of her mother, Mrs. J. T. Baird where it remained until the funeral services this afternoon.

Rev. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of which Mrs. Jones had been a member for several years, gave a short sermon filled with the words of comfort and hope to the bereaved family circle that has been called upon to part with their loved so suddenly and under such trying circumstances.

Frank A. Cloidt, friend of many years of the departed lady sang the beautiful song, "Face to Face" during the course of the services while the Masonic Male quartet composed of F. A. Cloidt, L. O. Minor, H. G. McClusky and R. C. Cook gave one impressive number, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought".

At the conclusion of the services the body was borne to the Oak Hill cemetery where it was laid to the last long rest in that beautiful city of the silent, the pall bearers being J. W. Chapman, F. A. Fricke, W. A. Robertson, L. O. Minor, L. L. Wiles and E. H. Westcott.

Among the relatives from out of the city to attend the services were, A. R. Jones of Chicago, J. H. Jones of Ruskin, C. E. Day of Norfolk, Epton Collision of Carthage, South Dakota.

PLEASANT DINNER PARTY

From Monday's Daily.—Yesterday the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, 723 Marble street was the scene of a very pleasant family dinner party that was one of the delightful features of the holiday season whose brightness added much to the scene of happiness.

The delightful 5 course dinner, served as the feature of the Christmas day, was one that was fit for a king and was fully enjoyed by all of the members of the jolly party of relatives and friends.

Following the dinner the big Christmas tree was lit and the gifts there for the various members of the family circle were exchanged and enjoyed as is only possible of Christmas time.

Those enjoying the occasion were the following: Nelson Berger and wife of Nebraska, Raymond Berger and wife of Plattsmouth, Henry Ost and wife of Ashland, George Pledje and wife of Omaha, Arthur Smith, wife and daughter, Gertrude, of Creston, Ia., Mrs. Claude Buruff of Creston, Ia., Ivan Simpson of Ansley, Nebraska, A. W. Smith and wife of Plattsmouth, Gerald Smith, Mrs. Mollie Berger of this city.

HAS COASTING ACCIDENT

From Thursday's Daily.—Another small accident occurred yesterday afternoon, the result of coasting down hills leading into the main streets and fortunately the lad who was the victim of the accident was not very seriously injured and as it is he will have some time to recuperate from the effects of the injury that he received. Ralph Bostwick was coasting down the Marble street hill east to Lincoln avenue yesterday afternoon and as his sled came down the hill it struck the curb at the same time that the auto driven by Dave Ebersole was passing and as a result the sled crashed into the path of the car and the lad was very painfully bruised about the hip and body and was unable to walk away from the scene of the accident and was taken by Mr. Ebersole down town to receive medical assistance.

ENJOY HOLIDAY IN OMAHA

From Monday's Daily.—Rev. and Mrs. McClusky and daughter, Catherine, spent Xmas day in Omaha at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will T. Graham. The dinner party consisted of 12, all of whom formerly lived at Laurel, Neb., where Rev. McClusky was pastor for seven years.

The day was very pleasantly spent renewing friendships and of course enjoying the fine Xmas dinner. In the evening the entire party attended the theater.

RECEIVES FINE DUCK

From Thursday's Daily.—This morning Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Sitzer received from their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sitzer of Imperial, Nebraska, a fine duck that will grace the Sitzer table Christmas day and prove the source of a great deal of enjoyment to the members of the family circle.

HERE FOR CHRISTMAS

From Thursday's Daily.—This afternoon Miss Hildegard Wichmann, a daughter of Rev. O. G. Wichman, arrived in the city to spend the holiday season with her father, the general pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church. Miss Wichman is instructor in Spanish at the high school of Los Animas Colorado, and has been having a great success of her work in this line of instruction. Miss Wichman has spent the last summer in Mexico City in taking special work in the schools there in her study of Spanish and which has brought her to the forefront as one of the leading instructors in this tongue in the west.

Louis Furlong Killed at Modale, Ia., in Accident

Son of Mark Furlong and Former Cass County Boy Dies in Auto Accident Last Evening.

From Monday's Daily.—Louis Furlong, aged 21 years, son of Marcus Furlong, well known in the neighborhood of Rock Bluffs, was instantly killed last evening in an auto accident near Modale, Iowa, where Mr. Furlong has been making his home for some time past.

Louis Furlong with a young man companion and two ladies had started out on a pleasure trip last evening to enjoy the Christmas holiday, and in a short time their pleasure had been marred by the tragedy that resulted in the death of Louis.

The car in which the four young people were riding had gotten into a rut in the road and while the driver was attempting to get the car out of the rut, it suddenly shot toward a bank along the road with the result that the top of the car was shattered. One of the bows of the top of the car struck Louis in the head and was driven through the skull, crushing it and causing instant death.

The body of the unfortunate young man arrived here this afternoon and was taken to the Straight undertaking parlors where it will remain until the funeral. It is thought that the funeral will be held at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon and will probably be from the First Presbyterian church.

HENRY LEACOCK POORLY

From Monday's Daily.—The reports from the St. Elizabeth hospital in Lincoln, state that Henry Leacock, Sr., who was operated on there a week ago Thursday, is not showing the progress that had been hoped for. Mr. Leacock had had a very serious operation that has made his case one that will require a great deal of care and medical attention before he can show any marked progress and it is hoped that in the next few days he may take a turn for the better that will result in his being able to return home to his city in the next few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Hans Heinrich were at Lincoln yesterday to visit with the father of Henry and they were disappointed to find that he was not showing any greater improvement.

AGED LADY IN HOME

From Thursday's Daily.—The older residents of the city will recall Miss Mattie Kearney, a resident here for a long period of years and who removed from this city some twelve years ago for the west. Friends here have received word from Miss Kearney, who is now located in a home for aged people at Mt. Vernon, Washington, and doing very nicely there although she is now well advanced in years and has been unable to carry on her usual activities for some time. Miss Kearney sends to the friends pictures of herself and the home where she is residing and which shows the advance of time on this estimable lady.

ELKS DISTRIBUTE BASKETS

From Monday's Daily.—Yesterday the committee of the Elks was very busily engaged in the delivery of baskets filled with the good things that would help to make Christmas pleasanter for the unfortunate of the community. The Elks have the custom of this yearly provision for their less fortunate neighbors and they see that into many homes that would otherwise be neglected there is brought a touch of the Christmas spirit that makes the day one brighter in every way for those that the Elks have visited.

RADIO WITH MEALS

From Thursday's Daily.—The Fullerton and Chilton cafe in the basement of the Main hotel is now equipped with a fine up to date radio that affords the patrons the opportunity to enjoy musical programs as well as reports of current events as they eat or enjoy a game of cards in this popular place of business.

Community Christmas Tree Pleases Many

Despite the Intense Cold Hundreds of Children Greet Santa Claus at the Large Cedar Tree.

From Monday's Daily.—The Community Christmas tree, staged on the court house lawn with the splendid old cedar tree which has stood there for years as the beacon of light that guided Santa Claus on his visit to the city.

The Nebraska Gas & Electric Co. had arranged the decorating of the tree and made one of the most attractive sights that anyone could wish for as the vari-colored lights blazed forth at 7 o'clock with the Christmas message. As the President at Washington lit the great tree in front of the White House, the Plattsmouth community tree blazed forth in all of its glory as William Highfield threw in the switch that brought forth the Christmas message.

Hardly had the lights of the tree blazed up in their beauty when a great cheer from the upper portion of Main street announced that Santa Claus was approaching in full charge of the candy that had been placed at his disposal by the American Legion post of this city as a treat to the kids.

Owing to the fact that a great deal of the snow had melted from the street and walks Santa was forced to abandon the sleigh with which he has in the past made his trip and came with a modern and up-to-date truck that was loaded to the top boards with the load of candy all sacked and ready for distribution.

The appearance of Santa in the street in front of the court house was the occasion for a great demonstration for the patron saint of the children and in order that it might be more pleasant for the children the truck was driven up on the sidewalk and the candy passed out by Santa Claus as the children filed past to receive their share of the sweets that were provided.

There were some eight hundred children crowded with the candy by Santa Claus and had the weather been less cold, there would have been several hundred other children present to enjoy the occasion. As the children filed past the truck many stopped to give Santa personal greetings and to urge his making calls at their home.

To add to the interest of the occasion members of the Eagles band gave a few selections during the distribution, but their excellent offerings were overshadowed by the attraction of the candy and Santa Claus.

After the distribution of the good things the children hurried home or to the various church entertainments for the remainder of the evening.

RESTRAIN LAND SALE

From Thursday's Daily.—This morning in the office of the Clerk of the District Court there was filed the application for a restraining order in a suit entitled August Osserup vs. R. H. Hastain and E. P. Stewart, Sheriff of Cass county.

The restraining order was to stop the sale of certain farm lands near Louisville and town lots in that place, belonging to the plaintiff and which were to have been sold by the sheriff under virtue of a judgment issued by the district court in favor of R. H. Hastain of the Bank of Commerce of Louisville.

The temporary restraining order as prayed for was granted by Judge James T. Begley and the sale of the lands held up until at least after the hearing of the case, which will be in the early part of January.

FORD SERVICE

Rex Young has just bought from the Plattsmouth Motor Co. one of the latest improved Ford coupes. Rex is more than pleased with the service he received from his old Ford car he says. He estimates that he has driven it over 32,000 miles and his entire expense for repairs including tires was only a little over \$150 in nearly two years driving. In speaking of his old car he says, "I drive in all kinds of weather and over all kinds of roads and make long trips to Colorado and never once has my car failed me. I have only replaced one spark plug. The little old Ford is good enough for me."

SPLENDID DANCE LAST NIGHT

From Thursday's Daily.—Last evening the dance at the Eagles hall attracted a great many of the young people of the city to enjoy the very fine program of music arranged and offered by the Dea Atherton orchestra of Beatrice. The latest and most popular of dance music was given and the artists who comprise the Dea Atherton gang of tune-makers was there and over in the production of the kind of music that appeals to the dancing public. The dancing continued until a late hour and all of the members of the party of young people enjoyed the offering to the fullest extent.

CARL KUNSMANN ILL

From Monday's Daily.—The many friends of Carl Kunsmann, well known resident of this city, will regret very much to learn that Mr. Kunsmann has been feeling very poorly since early Christmas morning when he was suddenly taken ill with stomach or intestinal trouble and for several hours was in very serious condition but last evening seemed to be improving and it is hoped that he may soon be back to his normal health again. It was first thought that it might be necessary to have an operation performed on the patient but it is hoped now to avoid this in the present at least.

Templars Hold Observance of Christmastide

Mt. Zion Commandery of This City Has Splendid Services at the Lodge Rooms in the Masonic Temple.

From Monday's Daily.—Christmas observances of Mt. Zion Commandery No. 5, Knights Templar of this city were held yesterday at the lodge rooms in the Masonic temple and a large number of the local membership as well as sojourning knights were in attendance.

The Masonic quartet composed of Frank A. Cloidt, R. C. Cook, Dr. R. P. Westover and L. O. Minor gave two numbers during the program that were very much enjoyed and were in keeping of the spirit if the day.

The recorder of the commandery, John E. Schutz, read the Christmas greetings of the various Templar dignitaries and the responses were made by the members of the local commandery.

The message of George W. Valley of Denver, Most Grand Commander of the United States, was one delivered to all of the Knight Templar organizations in the United States and carried with it the Christmas message of cheer and happiness. The response to the message of the grand commander was responded to by James M. Robertson, Deputy grand commander of the Knights Templar of Nebraska.

Toasts were also offered to Francis E. White, past grand commander and grand recorder of the Knights Templar of Nebraska with the response by Dr. Raymond P. Westover, past commander of Mt. Zion commandery.

The toast to James W. Robertson, deputy grand commander of Nebraska was responded to by Luke L. Wiles, past master of Mt. Zion commandery.

The toast to Plattsmouth lodge, No. 6, A. F. & A. M. was responded by Oliver C. Hudson, worshipful master of the lodge and standard bearer of the commandery.

The toast to the Nebraska Masonic Home was offered and the response was very pleasantly by William A. Robertson, past commander.

The Nebraska Chapter No. 3, R. A. M. was toasted and the response made by Judge James T. Begley, high priest of the chapter and senior warden of the commandery.

The toast to Mt. Zion commandery was responded to by William F. Evers, commander of the local Knights Templar.

The toast to the departed knights was very eloquently responded to by Rev. Frank Emory Pfoutz prelate of the Mt. Zion Commandery.

ENJOY THE CHRISTMAS CHEER

At the home of Lloyd Lewis and wife, northwest of Murray, yesterday was gathered a large number of relatives and friends of this estimable couple, who in the proper manner celebrated the day in friendly intercourse and thankfulness. They had a Christmas tree with holiday decorations, which made the well ordered home a veritable wonderland of beauty.

A sumptuous dinner was served that fit for a king and the following were present to enjoy it, J. D. Lewis, father of the host, and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Godwin, parents of the hostess, Edward Lewis and family, Wayne Lewis and family, Albert Godwin and family, Earl Merritt and wife, Frank Godwin, Miss Pearl Dugay of Omaha, James Fitch and family and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lewis. The Christmas tree seemed to have gifts for every body and all enjoyed the receiving of the gifts.

ENJOYING PLEASANT VISIT

From Thursday's Daily.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Sydebotham and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stine has been the scene of a very pleasant family reunion this week and the members of the family who are here will remain over for the Christmas holiday. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson and children, Roy, Ruth, Bearer and Frank, of Cortland, are here, and Oscar Johnson, of Omaha, will arrive tomorrow to join in the very pleasant family party that will continue over the holidays.

Christmas Eve at the Presbyterian Church

Church Was Beautifully Arranged for the Occasion and Largely Attended by Members.

From Monday's Daily.—The Christmas eve observance at the First Presbyterian church on Thursday evening were very largely attended by the members of the Sunday school and their friends.

The decorations of the platform and the church were in white touched with the glitter of the artificial snow and the red and green of the Christmas season that made the occasion one of the greatest charm and with the very enjoyable program given was fully appreciated by all of the members of the audience.

Part I of the entertainment was rendered by the small children of the Sunday school and was especially pleasing to the audience. Many of the little tots were making their first appearance on the platform. This part closed with a very pretty Xmas tree drill given by 12 small girls.

Part II—"The Old, Old Story"—in pictures. These were portrayed in shadow on an 8x10 ft. screen, carried with white and framed in green. Jean Tidball portrayed Mary and Robert Wurl, Joseph.

The shepherds and wise men were portrayed by Harlan Gorder, Bob Wurl and Joe Hartford.

Those portraying the angels were Helen, Jerry, Helen Valley and Catherine Troop.

In front and just at one side of the picture frame stood the group of other nations, who by song plead for the story to be told to them. Mrs. Bill Martin, represented Japan, Laura Skalak, Mexico, Catherine McCusky, the Indian, Irma Mayfield, China and Margaret Iverson, India.

On the other side of the frame stood the four Gospel Writers in oriental costume. Mr. Frank Cloidt took the part of Matthew, Rev. McClusky, Luke; Mr. Lynn Minor that of Mark and Roy Olson as John.

These men recited the scripture which interpreted each scene portrayed on the screen. Many carols were used also in interpretation. Those were sung by the two Sunday school choirs, Catherine Schneider leading and Mrs. H. F. Goos at the piano.

This impressive pageant was under the direction of Miss Staats and Mrs. McClusky. The lighting was managed by George Caldwell Winquist and Miss Alice Pollock.

Very much of the success of the picture pageant belongs to Ralph Olsen, George Olson and Bob Wurl, who furnished all the properties used. These had to be made from cardboard and called for great skill and careful drawing. The entire city of Bethlehem and the camels and ships as well as many smaller properties were made by these boys.

The audience was enthusiastic in their praise for the new interpretation of the "Old, Old Story" of the Babe of Bethlehem.

At the close of the evening Santa came with his hearty laugh and his merry words to cheer and please the children who very eagerly crowded to him to get their treat from his sack.

DROP CONTEMPT CHARGE AGAINST CARL MAGEE

Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 21.—Carl C. Magee, Albuquerque editor, tonight stood cleared of all charges of contempt of court arising from his utterances both verbally and in print during his fight against political conditions in New Mexico for the last few years.

He was freed today when the state supreme court upheld the power of the governor of New Mexico to pardon persons convicted of direct contempt of court.

The decision came in habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Magee's counsel by which they obtained his freedom under bond from the county jail of San Miguel county after the sheriff refused to recognize a pardon, issued by James F. Hinkle, then governor. Magee was being held in jail at East Las Vegas after being sentenced by District Judge David J. Leahy for contempt of court.

The direct contempt charge grew out of Magee's remark, during one of his libel trials, that "I deny that this is a court." His previous libel trials grew out of editorials published in his newspaper.

Magee now is facing trial under charges of manslaughter in connection with the slaying of John B. Lasseter during an altercation with Judge Leahy in Meadows hotel at East Las Vegas last August.

DOMESTIC, WITH SAME FAMILY 98 YEARS, DIES

Pau, France, Dec. 25.—At the age of 110 years, Nava Charlotte, a domestic in the household of descendants of the family for which she originally worked, died today. She entered the service of this family in Mexico in 1827, followed its members to France, and remained with them until her death.

RECEIVES PLEASANT NEWS

From Thursday's Daily.—The relatives here, last evening, received the pleasant news of the birth of a fine nine and a half pound son to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Forgarty at Lincoln. Mr. Forgarty, the happy father of the little man, is a son of Kern Forgarty, well known Burlington official and is also a nephew of Mesdames Joseph Hiber, and John and Tomas Svoboda of this city. The many old friends here of the family will join in their well wishes for the future welfare and success of the young man.

Plattsmouth Shows Well in Peru Athletics

Joe Krejci Gets Regular Center Job of State College Team and Russell Wasley Guard.

From Monday's Daily.—The Plattsmouth students at the Peru state normal school have proved real finds for the athletic department of the state school and two Plattsmouth boys, Joe Krejci, well known high school center and Russell Wasley have both won berths on the state school basketball team.

Krejci has shown as wonderful work at center for Peru as he did for the Plattsmouth high school and his splendid basket throwing in the game last week against Tabor college gave his team the victory and made him high point man of the battle, he having won 13 of the 31 points of the 31 to 21 score of the game. Joe has an uncanny ability of flipping them into the baskets at will and his work at Peru has enthused the followers of the sport there over the team this season.

Wasley has been assigned to right guard on the basket ball team and by his hard and aggressive guarding has succeeded in keeping many scores from being added against the Peru team. Wasley was a very effective guard while a member of the Plattsmouth high school team and shows the same spirit in his work on the state college team. With the added advantage of weight Wasley has become a real guard for the team and in the Tabor contest played all but a few minutes of the battle.

Krejci was the only Peru player that was kept in the game from the start to the finish.

It will be interesting to the Plattsmouth followers of the basket ball game to know that Walter Betgenbach, who was referee here of the Plattsmouth Malvern game on December 18th has been selected as the captain of the Peru team this season. Mr. Betgenbach was an all star player last year and will make his record even better this season the followers of the game expect.

WRONG MR. BUSHNELL

From Thursday's Daily.—Our informant as to the Bushnell-Forbes wedding that appeared in the Journal last evening was evidently misinformed as the parents of the bride in the case as Mrs. Forbes is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Bushnell, instead of Henry Bushnell as was stated.

Christmas at Masonic Home Well Observed

Big Tree on Thursday Evening and Magnificent Dinner Served Yesterday at the Institution

From Monday's Daily.—Christmas time at the Nebraska Masonic Home is always an occasion of greatest interest and the one of 1925 was, if anything, a little more elaborate than any that has heretofore been held at this place.

The festivities opened Thursday evening at 5:30 when the supper hour at the Home was selected as the occasion of the visit of Santa Claus and every member of the large family of the institution was more than well remembered in the array of gifts that were distributed and represented the remembrances of many lodges from all over the state as well as individuals.

The large tree placed in the dining room was lighted at the supper hour and from the array of presents that have been pouring in by every train for the past week was distributed to the residents of the Home.

An added feature of enjoyment was the delightful musical program afforded by the orchestra under the direction of Mrs. A. D. Caldwell and which played during the supper hour and enlivened the occasion with the well selected and wonderfully rendered program.

After the enjoyment of the big time on Thursday evening the members of the Home were awakened early Christmas morning by the Christmas carols that the members of the Epworth League of the Methodist church sang outside of the building and later singing during the breakfast hour for the entertainment of the aged residents of the Home.

At the noon hour the great Christmas dinner that is always a feature of the occasion was set in the dining room and from the well laden board there was the real Christmas joy as nothing was omitted from the menu that could add to the enjoyment of the party and to enjoy the occasion with the splendid old people that make up the Home membership there were present some fifty guests.

The Santa Claus committee of the grand lodge and the various Omaha lodges of the Masons were also in attendance at the Christmas tree on Thursday as well as a number yesterday to enjoy the day with their friends in the dispensing of real Christmas spirit.

INJURIES CAUSE WEEKS TO REMAIN IN BED

Washington, Dec. 25.—Christmas day for John W. Weeks, former secretary of war, and Mrs. Weeks, meant confinement to bed, because of slight injuries received yesterday in a train collision near Charleston S. C. Both were suffering from shock, while Mrs. Weeks' back was injured and the former cabinet officer received bruises on the face and head.

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