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## Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Young

### Observance of the Anniversary as Well as Birthday of Mr. Young at Country Home.

From Tuesday's Daily—  
The smiling skies and soft and pleasant spring day yesterday was an ideal setting for the happy anniversary that was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Young, south of this city when this estimable couple observed their golden wedding anniversary as well as the passing of the seventy-fifth birthday of Mr. Young.

The invitations to the anniversary had been sent to a large number of the older friends and a general invitation to all of the friends of many years standing to join in the observance of the double event and from early in the afternoon yesterday cars were coming and going to the pleasant Young homestead carrying the friends with their messages of love and respect for these two splendid old residents who have lived their lives here in this community.

The surroundings of the anniversary were ones that silently reminded the honor guests of the years of happiness and joy, as well as the shadows of trouble that come into the story of life. The farm where the anniversary was held is that where seventy years ago the parents of Mr. Young settled in Cass county and at the old home now there is a few of the logs that once formed the family homestead still to be seen, altho the sun and snow of many years have come and gone since the pioneer parents had gone to their rest.

William Young, father of David A. Young homesteaded the land where the golden wedding was observed, in the year 1855, and since that time the members of the Young family have resided there, developing the farm into one of the attractive places of that portion of the county, while not far away on the hillsides rest those who have gone on before, when they have completed their work and gone to the last home.

The story of the life of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Young is a chapter out of the history of Nebraska and Cass county and that their part in the community life has not been unappreciated was shown by the great number of friends who gathered at the home yesterday afternoon. David Andrew Young was born March 22, 1851, near the pioneer town of Greenwood, Iowa, while Anna A. Mann was born in Decatur county, Iowa, September 3, 1858. The Young family crossed the Missouri river into the territory of Nebraska in March of 1855, settling west of the then thriving settlement of Rock Bluffs. At that time the settlements were largely limited to a few of the farmers located along the north branch of Rock creek and a small settlement farther west at Eight Mile Grove. Selected a farm on the border of this section of Nebraska and here David grew to manhood, being but a child of five years when he was brought to this section. Farming and assisting his father David Young grew to manhood in this community and bore his share of the privations and suffering that was the part of the first settlers. It was in the year 1865 that Thomas Mann and family came from the old home in Decatur county, Iowa, to Rock Bluffs and settled there to make their home, bringing with them their little daughter, Anna, then a child of but seven years. In the pleasant old river town the young girl grew to womanhood and where in the years when her being blossomed into the full flush of womanhood she met the young farmer boy from the vicinity of Rock creek that was destined to play a great part in her life. The acquaintance of Anna Mann and David Young grew into a deeper, richer friendship and love and on March 22, 1876, these young people were joined in the bonds of wedlock at Plattsmouth by William H. Newell, then the county judge of Cass county. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Young located on the farm and have spent the greater part of their life there, residing continuously there until 1903 when they moved to Knox county to reside for three years and then back to the old farm in 1906, then removing to Murray in 1915 and living there for three years, but the lure of the pleasant old home again called them back and to the home fireside they returned again.

The parents of Mrs. Young removed after her marriage to Monona county, Iowa, where they located and where they lived to a ripe old age, passing away a number of years ago. The parents of Mr. Young lived on the old homestead until their death and now rest in sight of the old home in their dreamless sleep.

The lives of Mr. and Mrs. Young has been blessed with seven children, six of whom are still living, one daughter, Lucy having been killed thirty-three years ago in an accident. The living children are Dallas Young of Beach North Dakota, Mrs. E. O. Lyman, Vail, South Dakota, Mrs. Ona Lawton, Plattsmouth, Albert A. Young, Murray, William Rex Young of Plattsmouth and Mrs. Clara Lee White, who resides at the old home.

The guests at the home numbered some 169 and each of them was received in the following poem composed by Mrs. Ona Lawton, to inscribe their names in the book of memories:

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MR. AND MRS. DAVID A. YOUNG

William Williver of Moorehead, Iowa and Grant and Perry Mann of Moorehead.

The golden wedding was opened by the family reunion and dinner served at the noon hour at the home and which was confined to the members of the family circle, many tender and pleasant memories being aroused by the sentiment that prevailed at this part of the days program. One of the features of the family dinner as well as in the main observance in the afternoon was a large beautiful wedding cake that was designed and made by Mrs. Ona Lawton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Young. The cake was a three tier cake with snow-white frosting and trimmed in gold, making a very pretty picture that was the object of the greatest admiration. At the noon hour also Mrs. E. O. Lyman gave a poem dedicated by the parents that was a very touching and beautiful tribute to the mother and father. The members of the family who participated in the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Young, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Young, Mrs. E. O. Lyman and daughter, Aurora, Mrs. Ona Lawton and son, Lyle, Mr. and Mrs. Guy C. White, Mrs. Clark Williver, Mr. and Mrs. Will Williver, Grant Mann, Mrs. Alice White and Miss Lillian White.

During the afternoon and evening the program was carried out with several selections by the talented guests who had come to share the pleasures of the day with Mr. and Mrs. Young. Miss Jean Ellington of Omaha, a relative of the aged guests of honor gave a group of vocal selections as did Mrs. Jol Schurz of this city and these talented ladies made the program one of the greatest interest. Mrs. Elbert Wiles also added to the delight of the program with a fine series of flute selections. E. H. Wescott of this city favored the members of the party with several very delightful piano selections in his usual pleasing manner. A poem of greeting and congratulation written by Emma Playter Scabury of Denver, a relative of the family was read very effectively by Mrs. Lyman.

Adding to the general pleasure of the afternoon and evening were the old time songs in which all joined, the singing led by Mrs. John Schut of Plattsmouth and the strains of "The Old Folks at Home" was especially touching to all of the members of the party.

In the evening portion of the program Judge Allen J. Beeson made a short address paying tribute to the aged couple and also presenting on behalf of the guests a purse of \$42.50 that represented the gift of the gift of the friends present. Mrs. Beeson also delighted the members of the party with her reading, "My Mother" which was particularly dedicated to Mrs. Young the lovable guest of honor.

The gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Young were beautiful and included orange blossoms and roses from California, two rare gold coins, rings made of the virgin gold of the Black Hills for both Mr. and Mrs. Young, as well as a wealth of floral remembrances and gifts from the friends here in the home community. The telegram from the son, Dallas

We'll read and read and think of you, as girls and boys, Bringing back the old time days with all the joys. Sometimes many—sometimes few— Friendships strong, sweet and true, Lasts through all the years, Adding to its other charms memory that endears.

The program in the afternoon was opened by a very appropriate poem written by Mrs. E. O. Lyman, a daughter, and was a very touching tribute to the aged parents, the poem being as follows:

Father and Mother. Dearest father and mother of mine, Long we have had of this anniversary. When sons and daughters from far and near Assemble around this festal board so dear.

Our throts go back to the long ago, When David and Anna made a trip in the snow; A trip to the village of Plattsmouth town. Now a city of great renown, There they were married by the good old judge.

David returned with Anna, his bride, Grandfather, with Jennie close beside, Stood in the cabin door And welcomed them home— As they did in days of yore.

Here, you have lived for fifty years, Thru sunshine and shadow, toil and grief, Sickness and health, joys and fears, Lived the pages of life, leaf by leaf.

The children came, one by one, In a few short years, were older grown. Soon were gone, some east, some west, Each with loved ones of his own, Away from the old home nest.

And now we have come to this day of days To honor you in the dear old-fashioned ways— Sons and daughters from far and near, Save Lucy, called by the Father's will.

Asleep on yonder pine clad hill, And dall in the Northland far away Though we know he is with us in that today.

And now we bring you these gifts of gold To express our love which can only half be told. On this, your Golden Wedding Day, Your children renew their love to you To last forever and aye.

Call at the annex of the Bates Book & Gift shop and enroll in the free classes that are learning the new decorative art work in lamp shades and screens. It is a pleasant and attractive work that any lady can find most profitable.

## Fred Egenberger a Citizen of U. S. Since Nov., 1889

### Candidate for Councilman in Second Ward Has Been Citizen for Thirty-Seven Years.

From Tuesday's Daily—  
Fred G. Egenberger, the democratic candidate for councilman in the second ward, has been annoyed by a report that his right as a citizen yesterday to the effect that he was not a citizen of the United States, the story being wholly without foundation and evidently an attempt to keep the name of Mr. Egenberger off the ballot.

The truth of the matter is that Mr. Egenberger has in his possession and has had for the past thirty-seven years a certificate of his admission to citizenship on November 4, 1889 in the district court of Cass county before Hon. Samuel M. Chapman, district judge, and the certificate bears the signature of W. C. Showalter, then clerk of the district court and bears the official seal of the office of the clerk of the district court.

With the real facts known Mr. Egenberger was surprised to say the least when the statement was given circulation that his right as a citizen that he had valued and cherished for more than three decades should be questioned.

The candidate for councilman was born in Germany—if that be a crime—and was brought to the United States by his widowed mother when but three years of age and has never known anything but the love of his adopted country and when reaching manhood's estate he secured his legal papers that would make him a full fledged citizen in every sense of the word altho he had been in his heart a lover and supporter of the United States and its institutions. Two of his uncles fought in the Union army in the great struggle that was to test whether this nation should live or die and members of his family were enrolled in the army that crossed the seas to fight for the Stars and Stripes even in a foreign land and again the land of their forebears.

Mr. Egenberger is a member of one of the old and highly esteemed families of this community who were one of the many thrifty and energetic German families that came to Nebraska in the seventies and eighties and by their thrift and hard work made this country and this city the splendid communities that they are today. That their services and sacrifices should be so ruthlessly attacked, is surprising, as those who are familiar with the history of Cass county and particularly of Plattsmouth know what splendid citizens the members of the German and Bohemian races have made. There is no one in the community that does not feel that the attack on Mr. Egenberger was ill timed and a blow at some of the best men and women that have served to make Cass county a community of thrift and home-loving people.

## DEATH OF PHILIP FORNOFF

From Tuesday's Daily—  
This morning at 7:30 at the farm home south of this city occurred the death of Philip Fornoff, well known resident of Plattsmouth and Louisville, following an illness of some duration.

Mr. Fornoff was forty-nine years of age and has lived in this community for practically all of his life, being a resident of Louisville for a number of years and five years ago bought the farm where he has since resided. He was married two years ago at Omaha to Miss Julia Blanner of that city and who survives his passing.

The body was taken to Louisville this morning to the home of his sister, Mrs. John H. Busche, where it is expected that the funeral services will be held on Thursday at the Glendale church with the interment there. Of the immediate family there remains the wife and the one sister, Mrs. Busche in this county, four brothers and two sisters living in Illinois. The deceased was also a cousin of Jacob and George Fornoff of Plattsmouth and A. B. Fornoff of Cedar Creek.

## SPLENDID MUSICAL TALENT

From Monday's Daily—  
The Plattsmouth ladies who attended the meeting of the Woman's club at the public library on Friday evening had the pleasure of receiving two very inspirational offerings in the musical line and which comes in very fittingly with the musical program of the club.

One of these numbers was the artistic piano selection, "The Rosary" by Mrs. R. B. Felton and the other was the short discussion by Miss Vyril Fossler of the city schools on "Musical Appreciation," using to impress the sense of good music the very fine rendition of selections from "Peer Gynt" and which were played on the Victor and gave to the members of the party a real interpretation of this great gem of the musical world.

## EDWARD CHASE IMPROVING

From Tuesday's Daily—  
The latest reports from the hospital in Omaha are to the effect that Edward Chase, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brantner of this city, was showing the greatest improvement and that the attending physicians were more than pleased with the progress that he has made. Mr. and Mrs. Brantner and other members of the family were at the hospital yesterday and Edward was able to converse and enjoy the visit very much and has not had one of his attacks of coma for a period of several hours, the last attack of this being on Sunday. It is hoped now that the lad will soon be on the highway to recovery.

## Past Masters' Night at the Masonic Lodge

### Officers Conduct the Initiation Ceremonies and the Event Marked by Pleasant Banquet.

Last evening was past masters night at Plattsmouth lodge No. 6 A. F. & M. U., and one of the most pleasant meetings of the year was enjoyed by the membership of the order as well as a large representation of visitors from Elmwood, Nebraska, Weeping Water, Omaha and Lincoln.

The event was attended by Samuel Whiting, past grand master of Nebraska, and Lewis E. Smith, grand secretary and past grand master were among the main speakers of the evening.

The past masters of No. 6 put on the initiatory work. Dr. Robert Kroeber being the candidate and received into the order with the beautiful and impressive ritualistic ceremonies.

After the ceremonies a very pleasant banquet was enjoyed, this being prepared and served by the members of the order and was one that was appreciated very much by the members of the party.

The toastmaster of the occasion was Attorney W. A. Robertson, past master, and who in his entertaining and pleasant manner introduced the various speakers of the evening. Addresses were given by Mr. Whiting, Lewis E. Smith and Judge James T. Bergey, past grand master of the local lodge.

## GREAT PRAIRIE FIRE

From Monday's Daily—  
Yesterday the residents of the southwest section of the city had an experience that reminded them of the historic days when the great prairie fires—the menace of the new west would sweep over the country. The cause of the excitement was a small prairie fire that caused some very anxious moments for one of our well known young men who was the sole person present to combat the flames.

The young man had decided to burn a small quantity of weeds and rubbish that served to make the locality unsightly and all was well for a few moments but the wind suddenly freshened and started the fire going in great shape and onward it swept. The hero of the story dashed toward the flames with all of the abandon of William Desmond, the screen's greatest fire fighter, but unfortunately he had no means at hand to check the blaze and the time was too short to hitch up the trusty Buick and plow a ditch around the fire infested locality. The water supply was locking and had there been, there was no bucket, nay even a can that could be used to dash water on the raising flames. The roar, the heat, the intense excitement was such as to almost overcome the young man as he battled to save the surrounding property and for a time the flames seemed certain to consume the site of Villa Rosenerans. The fire spread in several directions but fortunately, before any lives were lost or property destroyed, the fire decided to call it a day and burned out, bringing to the lonely fire fighter a great relief.

There was little property damage but the young man can realize the perils and dangers that beset the pioneers of the great west in the "Covered Wagon" days when a fire would lay waste thousands of acres.

## RETURNING TO CALIFORNIA

From Wednesday's Daily—  
Mrs. C. E. Wescott who has been spending several months here at the home of her sons, C. C. and E. H. Wescott, is leaving Thursday morning for her home in Los Angeles after a very pleasant stay here in the winter season, the first that she has enjoyed for some years. The visit here of Mrs. Wescott has given the opportunity to the old friends to enjoy meeting her again and renewing the many pleasant times of the years past and to Mrs. Wescott it has brought the opportunity of making many new friends among the residents of the city.

## Funeral of Mrs. Adam Hild Held Here Yesterday

### St. Paul's Church Crowded by the Old Friends and Neighbors Paying Their Last Tributes.

From Monday's Daily—  
Yesterday afternoon the funeral services of the late Mrs. Adam Hild were held at the St. Paul's Evangelical church and attended by hundreds of the old time friends and neighbors to render their last tributes of love and respect to this splendid lady that had been called so suddenly from the scene of her earthly activity to her lasting reward.

The funeral was one of the largest that has been held in this city in many months, the old friends coming from all sections of the county to join in the services of their old and loved friend.

Rev. O. G. Wichmann of the St. Paul's church gave a short service in German in tribute to the memory of the departed and Rev. A. Lentz, pastor of the Eight Mile Grove Lutheran church also gave a short sermon and tribute to the memory of Mrs. Hild, the pastor giving his remarks in English. The ministers gave to the children and relatives and friends words of comfort in the loss that has come to them and held to them the hope of the life in the hereafter when the ties broken here are renewed in the life beyond the vision of mortal eyes.

There was a very large number of floral tributes that silently attested the deep feeling of affection that the departed lady had been held in the community where she had so long been a resident.

The cortege that wended its way to Oak Hill cemetery was very large and the interment was made in the family lot there beside the husband and father who passed away in 1920.

## RETURNS FROM CALIFORNIA

George S. Ray, well known resident of the vicinity of Murray, who has been spending some time at Los Angeles, California, returned home Saturday afternoon. George was at Los Angeles taking treatment of a specialist there as he has not been in the best of health and was very much pleased at the benefits that were received, returning home very much improved and feeling fine and active.

Mr. Ray enjoyed a very pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. Mark White while in the west and reports that Mrs. White who has been sick for the past several months is still under the care of her physicians and who are hoping that they will be able to give her some permanent relief from her long suffering.

Mr. Ray returned in time to enjoy the golden wedding anniversary of his old friends and neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Young, today, at their home near Murray.

One of the pleasing new art work is that of fancy lamp designing and which can be learned by calling at the Bates Book & Gift shop annex and free lessons given. Join the classes that are working now.

## FIRST STRAW OF SEASON

From Monday's Daily—  
The first straw hat of the season so far reported made its appearance on the street today and caused a general search of the vain men of the community as to what the latest of the season's offering in the way of straw headgear might be. The wearer of the straw hat was seen disappearing into the Farmer's State Bank but Rae and Jim denied the ownership of the first herald of the spring season, although they had been meditating rushing the season themselves. With the warm weather continuing, Mayor Sattler will probably appear in one of the new crowning glories of man as the genial mayor usually is among the first to don a straw when the season permits.

## Plattsmouth Young Men on State Quintet

### Joe Krejci Picked as Outstanding Figure on State Conference and Russell Wasley Also Named.

From Monday's Daily—  
Two Plattsmouth young men, members of the champion Bobcats of Peru, have been selected by Gregg McBride, well known sport writer as members of All-State college teams and which recognition is one that all followers of the sport in the state will give their warm approval.

McBride has selected Joe Krejci as center for the first all-state team while Russell Wasley was named as guard on the second team that was picked by the sport writer for his hard fighting and excellent playing ability that helped to roll up another championship for the Peruvians.

In speaking of the work of Joe Krejci, McBride pays the following tribute to the Plattsmouth basketballer: "Joe Krejci of Peru was easily the class of the conference centers. The former Plattsmouth athletic is rangy, gets the tipoff well and is a clever shot from all angles of the court. He has good endurance, is a clean type of an athlete that, should he continue his present clip, will make one of the great players in Nebraska college history."

## AGED MAN SUFFERS STROKE

From Monday's Daily—  
Yesterday afternoon Joseph Micina, one of the old time residents of the vicinity of Manley, was found lying along the roadside near the M. P. crossing at Manley in an unconscious condition. It was thought at first that he had been struck by an auto and injured and medical aid was hurriedly called and the examination disclosed that he was suffering from the effects of a paralytic stroke and for some two hours was in an unconscious condition. It was found after he had recovered consciousness that he had been feeling poorly and as he was living alone at his home he decided to seek aid and relief and while walking along the roadside was suddenly stricken down. At the last reports he was doing as well as possible and it is hoped that in a short time he may be able to resume his usual activities. Mr. Micina is the father of Mrs. H. F. Ganmer of near Murray and Mrs. John Habel residing west of this city.

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