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Funeral of Louis Kroehler This Afternoon

Services at First Christian Church Largely Attended by the Old Time Friends.

From Friday's Daily— This afternoon at 2:30 from the First Christian church was held the funeral services of the late Louis Kroehler and which were very largely attended by the old time friends of the city and vicinity.

The Rev. Walter R. Robb was in charge of the services at the church and spoke words of comfort to the bereaved members of the family circle. Rev. George P. Clark, the new pastor of the church assisted at the services and held the committal services at the grave.

During the service a mixed quartet composed of Mrs. May S. Morgan, Mrs. Minnie Pickard, John Frady and B. A. McElwain gave two of the well loved hymns, "Jesus Savior, Pilot Me" and "Nearer My God to Thee."

At the conclusion of the service the body was borne to Oak Hill cemetery where it was laid to the last long rest.

The pall bearers were Clifford Forbes, George Tartsch, Joseph Hadraba, John Libersahl, James Pollock, Frank Neubauser.

The following tribute was given by Rev. Robb at the funeral services at the church: Louis Kroehler was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Kroehler of this city. He made his advent into this life at the old family home in the northwest part of this city March 1, 1879.

At the close of his life he was taken acutely ill which was so alarming in its nature as to necessitate his removal from his apartments in the Riley Hotel to the Immanuel hospital in Omaha. A diagnosis determined that an operation was absolutely necessary.

The surgical work was performed by skilled hands but to no avail as at 11:30 a. m. Wednesday of this week his spirit fled the tenement of clay to take up residence in the spirit world. In things physical he was aged 47 years 5 months and 17 days.

Louis Kroehler was born and reared to manhood and continued on to the close of his life in our city. In the city schools he received his education. Upon completing his education he entered the employ of the Ebinger Hardware company, then located in the Coates building.

In the year 1904 he purchased an interest in the business then being operated by his brother, Andrew Kroehler in the building now occupied by the Thierolf Clothing Co. From this location the firm of Kroehler Bros., moved to the building in which the firm is now located in 1908.

Together with his brother, the business has with growth and continuance proved his fitness and ability as a business man.

Louis Kroehler was well known in the fraternal circles of the community. Being a member of the Elks lodge, the Royal Arcanum and of the I. O. O. F., in all of which he was held in high esteem.

Louis Kroehler was never married. He leaves to mourn his going two brothers, Andrew Kroehler of Plattsmouth, George Kroehler of Omaha, and one sister, Mrs. Harry Newman of Los Angeles, Cal. In addition there are Mr. David Ebersole, George Ebersole and Robert Kroehler nephews of the deceased and Mrs. B. F. Blackwell of Omaha, Miss Frances Kroehler of Omaha, Thekla Kroehler of Plattsmouth, and Mrs. W. C. Kenner of Talmage, Nebraska, who are nieces, likewise feel keenly the loss of an uncle.

Louis Kroehler, when but a young man in his teens acknowledged his belief in Christ and united with the First Christian church of this city with which body of believers he continued his membership until death. He could always be counted on to contribute annually to the maintenance of the church financially.

As a man he was respected by all who knew him and transacted his business with honesty and integrity. He lived quietly without display and was kindly in his attitude to all.

In the very midst of his life it has become his lot to go ahead and try out the paths that our feet likewise soon will be traveling. In the great unexplored places of the universe his spirit has found its freedom. Louis Kroehler has gone, he is not here. He left behind him that which will be heard of and which will live life eternal and who dealing with man are always those of justice.

Business forms of all kinds printed at the Journal office.

SELLING CHEVROLET CARS

From Thursday's Daily— John B. Livingston, the local representative of the Buick and Chevrolet automobile companies, has in the past week been very busy in delivering a large number of the latest types of the Chevrolet cars to his patrons in this part of the county. G. Meisinger and W. G. Meisinger each have secured coupe models of the Chevrolet while Ed. F. Meisinger and Allie Leonard have both secured coach type of cars for their use. In addition to these Mr. Livingston delivered a coupe to Merritt Dotson of near Nehawka.

Death of Former Plattsmouth Lady at Glenwood

Mrs. Sarah Ellen Gilson Passed Away at Home of Son; Body Brought Here for Interment.

From Friday's Daily— The death of Mrs. Sarah Ellen Gilson, a former resident of Plattsmouth, occurred on Monday night at Glenwood at the home of her son, O. E. Gilson, with whom she has been residing and the body was brought to this city yesterday and laid to rest in Oak Hill cemetery beside that of the husband who passed away a number of years ago.

The deceased lady was born March 4, 1849 and has spent the greater part of her life in the states of Iowa and Nebraska. For a great many years Mrs. Gilson and her husband, the late Oliver Gilson, were residents of this city where Mr. Gilson was engaged in the well digging work and at which he continued until his death a number of years ago.

The family will be well remembered by the old time residents here and the son, O. E. Gilson was at one time in the employ of the Evening Journal as compositor until leaving for the city where he has since made his home.

The many old friends of the family here will learn of the death with great regret and extend their most sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

BIRTHDAY CLUB MEETS

From Friday's Daily— For a period of several years a group of ladies of this city, members of the Episcopal church, have maintained what was known as the "Birthday Club," and on the anniversary of each of the members the ladies would gather at the home of the lucky lady and enjoy a fine social time and which in their intimate friendships proved occasions of the rarest delight.

In the last few years a number of the ladies have removed to other points and depleted the circle of the friends but last evening the members and present at the meeting held at Mrs. Henry Herold's pleasant home practically all of the membership of the original club and who joined in the delightful gathering that marked the passing of another milestone in the life of this estimable lady.

In cards and social conversation the ladies spent the busy hours as well as in partaking of a very dainty and delicious repast that had been prepared for the occasion.

The members present from out of the city to attend the occasion were: Mrs. Annie L. Britt, Minneapolis, Mrs. Carl G. Fricke, Nelson, Nebraska and Mrs. J. H. Donnelly of Omaha.

ATTENDING WHIST MEETING

From Thursday's Daily— Mr. and Mrs. William M. Barclay departed this morning at 4 o'clock via the auto route for Clear Lake, Iowa, where they are to attend the Summer Outing Whist club tournament which is held each year at the Iowa summer resort. The event attracts the leading whist players from the states of Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota and Missouri and as a devotee of the game Mr. Barclay has been in attendance at the summer meetings in the recent years as well as the winter sessions of the whist association that usually meet at one of the larger cities in the middle west. Mr. Barclay has won high honors at several of these gatherings and the whistlers should look to their playing or the Plattsmouth player will carry off their old cup for them.

DEATH OF CHILD

From Thursday's Daily— Mr. and Mrs. George K. Petring of this city received the message last evening announcing the sad news of the death of the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hawkins, a nephew of Mr. Petring, which occurred yesterday at Nebraska City. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Hawkins' relatives at Nebraska City and the little child was taken ill and passed away. No arrangements for the funeral have been announced.

Street Department Is Improving So. Sixth Street

Readjustment of the Paving Makes the Street Much More Suitable for Use.

From Friday's Daily— The improvement of South Sixth street in the past week has been one that every person passing over that street in a car or truck can fully appreciate and it has made the street fully 95 per cent better than it was in the past and eliminating the disagreeable features that made the street one of the very roughest in the city.

The city street, alley and bridges committee of the council has had the work in charge and while the improvements are not as extensive as the repaving of the street would have made them, still they go a long way toward making it a much more comfortable place to drive than it was in the past.

In the past years with the taking up of the pavement for various repair jobs on the sewers or water and gas mains there has been a great many depressions created in the surface of the street and which with the heavy volume of travel that passes there every day has become a real nuisance. This was the problem that Councilman Kunsman and his committee attacked and as the result they have secured a very much improved street that will probably last for the time until the street can be repaved with heavier and more modern brick paving.

The passing of from 500 to 1,500 cars and trucks along this thoroughfare each day of the busy summer season and the increasing use of motorized vehicles by the residents of the city and county, makes it one of the most intensely traveled streets in the city and one that in its location as part of the King of Trails highway is very important to the community.

The street department will now take up the problem of repaving north Sixth street and where there will be a great deal of work to be carried out in smoothing the surface of this street as there has been a slight dip in the surface of the street in the main sewer system and which has softened and undermined the ground on which the paving rests and with the heavy traffic has resulted in making the contour of the street anything but pleasant to drive over.

The large number of the accredited schools in the county is a very pleasing showing for the county in the way of educational advantages and which are as extensive as any other county in the state possess and which holds a fine future for the young men and women in all sections of the county.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT HERE

From Friday's Daily— Yesterday afternoon W. A. Lynn arrived here from Chicago to take charge of the work of the Woods Brothers Construction Co., which is handling the construction of the new Missouri Pacific railroad bridge over the Platte river north of this city. Mr. Lynn has had a great deal of experience in this line of construction work and was for several years engaged in this line in Illinois and adjacent states. N. C. Allen, who has had charge of the preliminary work here has been sent to other points where the company has large contracts. Mr. Lynn will make his headquarters in this city during the construction work on the bridge.

Cass County Schools Are Given Rating

Large Number of the High Schools of the County Accredited to State University.

From Thursday's Daily— The high schools of the county have been accredited and approved by the state educational department as being duly recognized schools of the state from which the students graduating will be given entrance to the university of Nebraska and other schools and colleges that are in the middle west.

County Superintendent Miss Alpha Peterson, has received the notice from the state department of education that the high schools of Plattsmouth, Alco, Avoca, Eagle, Louisville, Elmwood, Weeping Water, Greenwood, Hardock consolidated, and Nehawka consolidated, have been approved for the full four years course of training and from which the graduates will be admitted to the university without examination.

The high schools at Murray and Manly have been approved for the two years course of study. The pupils receiving their thirty-two credits will be eligible to graduate from the schools.

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ENJOYS BIRTHDAY PARTY

From Thursday's Daily— Yesterday afternoon in honor of the seventh birthday anniversary of little Miss Betty Kalina, a number of the little friends were entertained very delightfully at Garfield park in games and recreations of all kinds that added to the interest and pleasure of all of the members of the party. The little folks spent the time in various games, a contest being won by little Miss Betty Kalina. The party was given by the parents, assisted by an aunt, Mrs. Good, another aunt, Mrs. Hobscheidt, Mrs. Helen Sedlak was awarded the first prize while the consolation was given to Theresa Sedlak. Other games that had been planned for the afternoon were carried out to the enjoyment of all of the members of the jolly party. At a suitable hour dainty and delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Cyril Kalina, who was assisted by Misses Mary and Eleanor Swatek.

Those attending the occasion were: Wilma Swatek, Wave Smith, Dorothy Rebal of Omaha, Jeanette Hirz, Dorothy and Barbara Zitka, Helen Sedlak, Mary Ann and Teresa Sedlak, Jane Rebal, Laurine Reichstadt, Ann Marie Rea, Mary Theresa Grudell of Omaha, Betty Kalina, Ronald Rebal and Edward Kalina.

ENJOYING VACATION

From Thursday's Daily— Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Turpin, who are in the east that they are enjoying very much the opportunity of viewing the sights of the great eastern cities and also Niagara Falls, one of the natural wonders of the world. They enjoyed a four days stay in New York City and were kept constantly on the go in seeing the many places of interest that is possessed by the world's greatest city. They are now at Philadelphia where the national convention of the shorthand reporters is in session, Mr. Turpin being one of the representatives from this state and after the close of the convention they expect to leave for Washington to visit the national capitol city and the great many places of interest there.

VISITORS FROM ELMWOOD

From Thursday's Daily— Yesterday afternoon a party of the well known residents of Elmwood, B. I. Clements, Guy Clements of the American Exchange Bank, Rev. West and Harold Royer, motored over to visit friends and enjoy a few hours here at golf and tennis. Rev. West and B. I. Clements playing around on the course of the Plattsmouth golf club while Guy Clements and Harold Royer were entertained at the tennis court in the southwest part of the city by local tennis sharks. The visit was much enjoyed by the Plattsmouth friends and they are anticipating other pleasant visits from their Elmwood friends in the future.

Those who attended the occasion were the Misses Alice Louise Wescott, Virginia Anderson and Erma Mueller of Chicago, Clara Mae Morgan and Ethel Truesdel of Omaha, Adeline Street, Shenandoah, Ruth Shannon and Mrs. Edna Shannon, Messers Lauren Milton of Oklahoma City, Fred Nelson of Gothenburg, Harvey Johnson, Clifford Cecil, John Frady, and Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Smith of this city.

ENJOY DELIGHTFUL EVENING

From Thursday's Daily— Last evening "Sunnyside," the Wescott home on high school hill was the scene of a very charming informal picnic dinner and an evening of music arranged by Miss Helen Wescott in honor of a number of the friends who are here visiting from out of the city and which was enjoyed to the utmost by all of the party of young people.

The picnic supper spread on the spacious lawn amid the beautiful flowers and the greensward made a very pretty setting for this portion of the evening and was followed by a delightful informal musical program given by the guests that added to the completion of the happy event.

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Burlington Installs Automatic Train Control Devices

Line Through This City Equipped With the Latest Invention for Safe Train Handling.

Installation and testing of the automatic stop equipment has been completed by the Burlington railroad on its line between Lincoln, Neb., and Creston, Ia., through Omaha. The apparatus is such that if there is danger ahead on the track, the train is halted, even if there were no engineer in the cab. Only by deliberate intention could an engineer permit his train to pass a semaphore stop signal, set against him.

A number of test stops were made by a local train between Omaha and Pacific Junction, Ia., Tuesday afternoon, as final tests. The engineer, J. B. McCrory, a veteran of thirty-five years service, around a curve at 45 miles an hour. The semaphore flashed by a handle in the cab snapped sidewise, and the brakes began to grind. The stop was made within 1,500 feet.

Another stop was made, needing 800 feet at 25 miles an hour. Semaphores are set at least four thousand feet beyond a train, against others. On these tests, the automatic stop equipment was set to use only half the air pressure that may be used with the automatic equipment.

The mechanism, made by the Sprague Safety Control and Signal Corporation of New York, consists of a magnet between the rails at each semaphore, and a combination of electrical and air apparatus on the locomotive.

The track magnet unit has ten permanent magnets. When the semaphore is set "clear," an electromagnet connected with the semaphore signal circuit balances the magnetism of these bar magnets. The instant anything goes wrong with the circuit, or a train moves onto the "block," this electromagnet quits, and the permanent magnets are ready to stop the train.

Six inches above the rails at the front of the locomotive is a metal plate, part of a magnetic relay which is affected by the track magnets. The relay operates a series of air valves which apply the brakes.

The engineer can prevent the automatic stop from working. He must reach high over his head to pull a handle, and must repeat this each time he sees a signal against him. He must get out of the cab and touch a button before his train can be started.

The Burlington has equipped 165 miles of track with these magnets, at a cost of about one thousand dollars a mile. All the locomotives running on this division have been equipped with the device at a cost of approximately \$600 each.

Installation was made under direction of C. J. Connett, division superintendent for the Burlington, with the assistance of F. M. Vogel, engineer representing the Sprague company.

One hundred miles of track will be equipped with the control device each year, according to plans. All first class railroads have been required to install some variety of automatic train control.

Beside Mr. Connett and Mr. Vogel, in the inspection party Tuesday were G. P. Trachta, division master mechanic, Stueber, division signal supervisor, and W. P. Mettlen, division trainmaster.

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MRS. RABB IMPROVING

From Friday's Daily— The many friends of Mrs. Andrew Rabb, Sr., who was for a period of some three months sick at her home here, will be pleased to learn that she is now feeling much better and is at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Otto Kruger, in Omaha where she was taken some time ago. Mrs. Rabb has been under the care of Dr. Gemar, a chiropractor, and which treatments have very much improved her, the members of the family state, and she is now able to be up and around the greater part of the time and it is hoped will have a permanent relief from her illness.

Lehnhoff Farm Sold to Edward Jochim, at \$200

Third Quarter, Owned by Lehnhoff Heirs, Included in Deal at \$165 Per Acre.

From Friday's Daily— A farm sale of much interest to people in this part of Cass county took place last week when William Lehnhoff, of Lincoln, came down and put through the sale of his farm southeast of town, to his former neighbor, Edward Jochim.

Mr. Lehnhoff owned 160 acres and the Lehnhoff heirs owned another 80 acres, three eighths in all, and considered one of the best farms in this vicinity. It adjoins the Jachim farm on the north.

The consideration was \$200 an acre for the William Lehnhoff 160 acres and \$165 an acre for the third eighth, the whole deal covering more than \$45,000.

The old timers of this vicinity learn of these old farms changing hands, going out of the family entirely, with more or less regretful sentiment, but in this case, the friends of both families feel considerable satisfaction that it is a friendly deal between old time neighbors and feel that with Mr. Jochim's young boys coming on, he will be able to use this large acreage to good advantage. This makes Mr. Jochim the owner of 480 acres of Cass county's finest land and he is receiving the congratulations of his many friends, while the friends of the Lehnhoff family are pleased to know that the old place will be well kept up by the present owner.—Louisville Courier.

MEETS WITH OLD FRIEND

From Friday's Daily— While E. H. Schulhof, the well known piano tuner, was at Glenwood this week he had the pleasure of meeting a former resident of this city and one of the best musicians that this city has enjoyed numbering among its people, William R. Butler, better known here some twenty years ago as "Billy" Butler. Mr. Butler is now the eastern freight agent for the Mobile & Northern railroad, one of the well known southern railroad lines, and he now has his headquarters at New York City. Mr. Butler is at Glenwood visiting his mother who is still a resident of that city, and meeting the many old time friends there. The old time resident sends his kindest regards to the old friends here whom he has not seen for a number of years. While a resident here Mr. Butler was a leading member of the Elks lodge and also was a member of the Plattsmouth quartet comprising Ralph White, Mr. Butler, Clara Street (Mrs. E. H. Wescott), Edna Marshall (Mrs. Edna Petteys), which organization was one of the most popular organizations in eastern Nebraska.

DEATH OF OLD TIME RESIDENT

From Thursday's Daily— Mrs. C. E. Edmisten, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Ballard and Miss Juanita Edmisten, have returned home from Wakefield, Nebraska, where they were called to attend the funeral services of W. I. Baker, aged 67, the twin brother of Mrs. Edmisten, who passed away the past week at his home near Wakefield.

The deceased was at one time a resident of the vicinity of Union and one of the best known and highly respected residents of that community and the many old time friends in this county will regret to learn of his death.

MRS. WILES SERIOUSLY ILL

From Friday's Daily— Mrs. Guy Wiles of near Murray was operated on yesterday at the St. Catherine's hospital in Omaha for a complications of troubles that has made her case a very serious one from the start and the patient was in very poor shape when taken to the hospital. A message received from Mrs. Oscar Gopen, mother of Mrs. Wiles, who is with her at the hospital, this morning, stated that the patient was in very critical condition and the attending physicians had but little hopes of her recovery, although all that medical skill and constant care could give her has been done for her relief and to try and better her condition.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

From Friday's Daily— Yesterday at the St. Joseph hospital in Omaha Mrs. Frank Konrat of this city was operated on, and at the last reports her condition was all that could be asked for and the family are very much encouraged about the reports, although it will be several days before the patient will be in condition to determine the final outcome of the case. The many friends here are hopeful that the patient will soon be able to show the improvement desired and to enjoy a return to her former good health. She cannot receive visitors for a few days, however.

VISITING FROM ST. LOUIS

From Friday's Daily— This morning Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clabaugh of St. Louis, arrived in the city to enjoy a vacation visit here with Col. and Mrs. M. A. Bates, parents of Mrs. Clabaugh, and also with the other relatives and old friends in the city. Mr. Clabaugh was at one time manager of the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co., in this city and later was at Jackson, Mississippi, Fairmont, West Virginia, and St. Louis in charge of utility companies.

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Many Attend the Opening Day of the Old Settler's

Plattsmouth Has a Very Large Number Present at the Gathering at Union.

From Saturday's Daily— There was a very large and pleasing representation of the Plattsmouth people present at the opening day of the Old Settler's reunion held at Union yesterday and the program of the day was one that pleased the large number in attendance from the eastern portion of Cass county and from Otoe county, the affair being a reunion of the old settler's of the two counties.

The opening of the exercises was presided over by Mont Robb, the president of the reunion association and who very ably introduced the various speakers and entertainment features of the afternoon program at the grounds southwest of the town of Union. The Rev. W. A. Taylor, one of the best known ministers of the county, offered the invocation that fittingly opened the program of the day.

There were addresses given by Judge James T. Begley and Attorney C. A. Rawls of this city and at the reunion in which they touched upon the effects of the lives of the pioneers on the community development and the sacrifices and labors that the original settlers had made in making this one of the greatest counties in the greatest state of the union.

A group of the Union ladies entertained the large audience with an "Old Maid's convention" that was amusing and entertaining and very cleverly presented by the ladies.

The May's Melodists of Lincoln assisted in the entertaining feature of the afternoon with a concert at the park that was very much enjoyed by all of the members of the large crowd present.

In the evening the dance given in the hall in Union drew out a very large number of young people and for which the May's Melodists furnished the music.

In and near Union and north of Nebraska City are located some of the oldest farms of the county and the residents there are numbered from the descendants of the pioneers who came here in the fifties and sixties and have made their full contribution to the history of the state of Nebraska. Some of the most interesting chapters in the history of Nebraska have been laid in Cass and Otoe county and it is a great occasion to have the old residents of these two counties together to tell the wonderful stories of the early days in the state.

WILL RUN FOR CONGRESS

George L. Sheldon, former governor of Nebraska, who has, since 1910, been a resident of Mississippi, and who has been very active in the attempt to form a white republican party in the south, has entered the political arena in our adopted state as a candidate for congress in the third Mississippi district. Mr. Sheldon was named at a meeting of the white republicans held at Greenville to oppose Congressman W. M. Whittington, the democratic nominee for the office.

Recently Governor Sheldon was an active candidate for the office of collector of internal revenue for Mississippi and for which he had the support of a large number of the democratic as well as republican leaders but the office was handed to an appointee of the colored national committee from Mississippi.

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