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Hans Sievers, Old Resident, Dies Here Wednesday

Death Comes as the Result of a Few Days Illness From the Effects of Flu.

The death of Hans Sievers, 67 Wednesday afternoon, removed one of the long familiar figures from the community where his long years at the court house had made him known to practically everyone in the city and many from the different points over the county.

Mr. Sievers was taken sick last week with what was thought a severe cold and later turned into the flu and from the effects of which he gradually grew worse until Wednesday afternoon when he was released from the suffering of this life and called to the last rest.

Hans Sievers was born January 6, 1866, at Raade Kreis Rendsburg Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, where his early youth was spent and he received his education, later migrating to the United States to make his home for the future years. He came to Plattsmouth in the eighties and was for a great many years engaged in working for the Burlington in the local shops. Twenty-three years ago Mr. Sievers was selected for the office of custodian of the court house and at the time of his death was still holding this office. In his work he came in touch with many of the residents and had made a large and warm circle of friends by his pleasant personality and his outstanding character.

Mr. Sievers was married in this city on September 5, 1890, to Miss Anna Marie Thode, the family making their home here since that time and where their family was reared. There is surviving the passing of this good man, the widow and three daughters, Mrs. William Heldman, of Fargo, North Dakota; Mrs. Sanford Short of this city and Mrs. William Wambhoff, of Emblem, Wyoming. There are also several grandchildren to mourn his passing.

The deceased was very active in the work of the A. O. U. W. in this city for a great many years and also in the I. O. O. F. of which he was a long time member.

COMPLETE ANOTHER MAT

The force of workers engaged by the A. W. Farney Co., on the river work here, Tuesday completed the second large mat that is to be used in the protection work to the river bank near the large island southeast of this city. The local workers who have been placed on the work are now becoming more adept in the work of handling the mat weaving and have made excellent progress in getting the mat ready for anchoring. The willow mats are used as the first protection to the bank and held in place with rock work that is also being pushed to keep the work well up while the favorable weather conditions continue.

ATTEND LODGE MEETING

From Thursday's Daily
A number of the local Masons motored to Lyons, Nebraska, this week where they attended the meeting of the lodge there, the occasion being the inspection by Raymond C. Cook, deputy grand custodian, who is just completing his work of visiting lodges over the state and which has covered a period of several weeks. In the group going were R. Foster Patterson, W. A. Robertson, W. F. Evers, Leslie W. Niel and H. L. Gayler. They had a fine visit at the splendid lodge of Lyons and met a large group of the members of the fraternity residing in that section of the state.

PAYS VISIT HERE

Rev. Clifford Cecil, pastor of the Christian church at Shenandoah, Iowa, was in the city Wednesday afternoon for a few hours to visit with the old friends and his mother, Mrs. Isaac Cecil, who is making her home west of this city. Rev. Cecil has been located at Shenandoah, for the past several years and is one of the outstanding young ministers of the church in that section of the state.

ATTENDS MISSIONARY MEETING

Mrs. R. B. Hayes has returned home from Papillion where she was in attendance at the district meeting of the foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church. The meeting was most interesting and had as the speaker of the meeting Miss Larson, a returned missionary from the India field, who gave a very fine address on the work of this field of the church work. There were many interesting reports given on all phases of the work of the missionary field in the different lands.

Book Shower at the Library Proves Success

Fine Response Gives Many Books for Shelves of Library and Cash Donations Help Cause.

The report for September of the Plattsmouth public library shows 56 new borrowers. 3,268 books were exchanged. This was a decrease of 522 books over September of 1932, but there were three days less when the library was open and the average daily circulation was the same.

The book shower has to date, Oct. 18, brought in 187 books. Almost all of these can be used on the shelves, and duplicates or others which will not be used here are to be passed on to a neighboring library which also needs books, so every book will serve a useful purpose.

The question has come whether the library can use western and mystery stories. These types of stories are much in demand by some of our readers and any number that come can be used.

The library board wishes to thank the Plattsmouth chapter of the Delphians for a gift of \$5 to be used for musical reference books; the Presbyterian Q. Z. society for the purchase of Will James' "Three Mustanizers"; and the Presbyterian Ladies' Auxiliary for a gift of \$5. This last is to be used by Miss Jones for the purchase of children's books. The Three Mustanizers is a child's book, too, and is beautifully illustrated by the author.

The library board is grateful for all the books that have been given, and for money donations of \$10 which have come from various individuals.

Several jig-saw puzzles have been given and these will be circulated on borrowers' cards just as books are.

A friend of the library is giving all the NRA articles from the Mentor magazine. These, as well as NRA articles from other sources are to be mounted on cardboard and will be circulated to borrowers. As this collection develops it will be a perfect history of the NRA.

In the children's reading in school Miss Muenster's room is already 100 per cent for this quarter. Her room has the banner now, and may thus keep it for part of next quarter. After one more reader has finished in Miss Cook's room, they also will have 100 per cent.

LEAVE FOR THE EAST

From Thursday's Daily
This morning Mrs. Perry H. Murdick, Jr., of Elizabeth, N. J., Mrs. Ivan Norlin and Mrs. Helen Hughes of Brooklyn, New York, departed by auto after a visit here for the past two weeks with their relatives. Mrs. Murdick was here to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wescott and Mrs. Norlin with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luke L. Wiles, while Mrs. Hughes was at University Place with her family and old friends. The visit of the ladies was one that was enjoyed to the utmost by the respective families and it was with regret that the time for departure arrived for the party that had so delightfully enjoyed the last weeks.

MARRIED AT COURT HOUSE

On Wednesday afternoon at the court house occurred the marriage of Joseph P. Ira and Miss Dorothy A. Knott, both of Omaha, who came here accompanied by Sam C. Nocita and Lucille Carusa. The marriage lines were read by Judge A. H. Duxbury and witnessed by the friends. On the conclusion of the ceremony the bridal party returned to Omaha.

High Speed Train of the Burlington Being Prepared

Trackage and Curves on Lines from Kansas City to Lincoln Through This City Being Arranged

The Burlington new streamlined high speed train is being prepared for along the line of the system in this section, the tracks and crossings between Lincoln, Omaha, Plattsmouth and Kansas City being placed in condition to give the train the greatest opportunity for test of its speed in making the daily trips over this line.

When the train is first received from its builders it will be taken for a trip over the main lines of the system for show purposes before being placed in service on the line from Lincoln to Kansas City.

The new train to be made of stainless steel, following airplane design and construction, and capable of a cruising speed of ninety miles an hour with an additional thirty miles for its maximum, is expected from its makers about the first of the year.

This is not the only effort railroads are making to get business. Lower passenger fares are in sight as well as faster train schedules.

In preparation for this train, work has already been started in and about Lincoln, St. Joseph and Kansas City, rebuilding part of the tracks and installing an inspection pit and fuel tank. The tank and inspection pit will be located not far from the depot in Lincoln, a trifle north of the main building.

According to F. T. Darrow, assistant chief engineer, the pit will be about three and a half feet deep and will be used for working on the train, which unlike present engines, is built so low that all repair work must be done from beneath.

Curves are being rebuilt so that proper elevation of the rails may allow for high speed on the turns.

FUNERAL OF CHILD

Charlotte Lucille, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Denson was born in Grand Island, Nebr. Sept. 1st, 1927 and died at the Immanuel hospital in Omaha, Oct. 17, 1933, age 6 years, 1 month and 17 days. She leaves to mourn her passing her father and mother and little sister, Norma Jean. Her twin brother, Billy Gordon preceded her in death six years ago; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Dooley of Palmer, Nebr., and Mrs. Edna Richardson of Plattsmouth, as well as several uncles, aunts and cousins and many friends. We will miss our little darling but we mourn not as those who have no hopes, for we know our loss is her gain. And we too shall meet her when we leave this vale of tears.

The funeral of the little one was held on Thursday afternoon from the Sattler funeral home and the religious services were in charge of Rev. O. B. Chastain, pastor of the First Christian church. During the services a solo, "That Sweet Story of Old," was given by Frank A. Cloidt and a duet by Mr. Cloidt and Mrs. Hal Garnett, "Sometime We'll Understand," the accompaniment being by Mrs. O. C. Hudson.

VISIT IN THE CITY

From Thursday's Daily
B. I. Clements and son, V. G. Clements, of Elmwood, were in the city for a short time today while en route to Omaha on business matters. The Messers Clement are associated in the conduction of a funeral home at Elmwood which Mr. B. I. Clements established a great many years ago. While here they were callers on County Treasurer John E. Turner, brother-in-law of Mr. V. G. Clements.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Monte Streight, of Oakland, California, former residents here, are enjoying a visit with the old friends in this city and vicinity. Mr. Streight is a veteran in the mail service out of Oakland, having been engaged in that line of work since leaving here several years ago. They are enjoying a vacation and took the opportunity of looking over the scenes of so many years residence and meeting the old time friends.

VISITORS IN THE CITY

W. H. Leesley, one of the well known citizens of Greenwood, was in the city Wednesday, motoring in with his mother, Mrs. Dora Leesley and also bringing his nephew, Everett Lapham, here to take the examination for the C. C. C. They also had a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Oliver, the latter an aunt of Mr. Leesley and also visited with Earl Leesley, a cousin, who was injured very severely on Tuesday in an auto wreck near Elmwood.

Fugitive Sought in Seed Stealing Case Surrenders

Amos Hrabik, Wanted in Stealing of Alfalfa Seed from Near Nehawka, Pleads Not Guilty.

Amos Hrabik, who has been sought for the past several weeks as a suspect in the stealing of nine bushel of alfalfa seed from the farm of Ernest Ahrens, Wednesday afternoon surrendered himself to Sheriff Homer Sylvester.

The man had been named in the case following the arrest of two young men named Schroder and Winthers, who were given sentences in the reformatory for their offense and started serving their sentence Monday. With the apprehension of the two younger men, Hrabik had made his getaway and has since been in hiding.

The officers have been on the trail of the man who was reported to be in the vicinity of Meadow, his home, but several trips there failed to locate the man, he apparently being able to elude the efforts for his capture.

With his appearance here a charge of grand larceny was filed against him by County Attorney W. G. Kleck in the county court. The young man was arraigned and entered a plea of not guilty to the charge and was bound over to the district court for hearing and arraignment.

In failure to supply the necessary bond the man was turned over to Sheriff Homer Sylvester to be held in the county jail until the hearing.

SECURE BANK BUILDING

The building formerly occupied by the First National bank, is to be used in the future by the A. W. Farney Co., contractors on the Missouri river improvement work. The building will be used for the offices of the company and will prove a most ideal location for this line of work.

The former banking room is well equipped with desks, counters and vault for the handling of the work as well as the care of the books and documents of the company, while several private offices are to be found on the main floor and the second floor of the building.

The bank building is owned by R. W. Clement, who secured it in the sale of the bank assets when they were disposed of by the receiver of the bank.

LEAVES FOR WEST CAMP

William Newman, local world war veteran, departed on Wednesday night for Benkleman, Nebraska, where he goes to join the camp of veteran members of the Civilian Corps that is being located there for the winter. The government is maintaining a number of these camps for the veterans in their own states and Mr. Newman was one of those to be selected. Three others from this county were sent to these veteran camps last summer. It is the plan to maintain the camp at Benkleman during the winter season as well as several other camps in the west portion of the state.

BLAIR PARTIES WEDDED

The Presbyterian manse was the scene of the wedding of two young people from Blair on Wednesday, John Schmidt and Miss Florence Anderson being the contracting parties. The wedding was performed by Dr. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. The witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Nelsen, of Omaha.

Harold E. Mullis Passes Away Thursday Night

Born and Reared Here, Where He Had a Large Host of Friends Who Regret His Passing.

From Friday's Daily
Last evening Harold E. Mullis, 29, well known and highly esteemed young man of the community, was called by death from the scenes of his earthly activity, death coming as the result of an illness of some duration.

Mr. Mullis was brought here some two weeks ago from Jamestown, North Dakota, where he had been located for the past year, his condition being such that it gave little hope of his recovery.

Harold E. Mullis, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Mullis, was born in Plattsmouth, February 7, 1904, growing to manhood in this community and where he was graduated from the Plattsmouth high school in the class of 1923. While in school Mr. Mullis was outstanding in his athletic work and was a member of the football and basketball teams of the school. Following the completion of his school work he resided at Casper, Wyoming, being first engaged with the Burlington at that point and later with the Nash-Finch grocery company, later going to Crawford, Nebraska, where he was associated with the grocery company. On August 12, 1928, he was married in this city to Miss Ethelyn Wiles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wiles. The young people resided at Crawford for some time but with the breaking of the health of Mr. Mullis returned to this city to rest for a year. The health of the young man seemed to improve and he again attempted to take up active work and for the recent months was at Jamestown where his condition became critical.

Mr. Mullis was a member of the First Presbyterian church of this city and of the Faith lodge No. 181, A. F. & A. M., of Crawford.

The deceased is survived by the widow, three brothers and two sisters, Glen, of Long Beach, California, Ralph of Alliance, Lyle of Omaha, Mrs. Jess Brady of Casper, Wyoming and Mrs. Hugh Lockard, of this city.

VISITS IN OLD HOME

Thursday afternoon A. M. Arries, a resident here for a number of years, with his son, Don Arries, were in the city to visit with the old time friends and associates in this city. Mr. Arries since disposing of his business interests here has resided in Omaha and for some time was suffering from severe illness. He is now feeling much improved and it was a great pleasure to the old friends to have the opportunity of visiting with the old friend for a short time at least. While in the city Mr. Arries and son were callers at the Journal and ordered the semi-weekly sent to them at Omaha.

HAVE PLEASANT MEETING

The ladies of the Catholic Daughters of America enjoyed a most delightful social gathering on Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. W. A. Swatek on west Main street, there being a very large number present to participate in the event.

The hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Swatek, Mrs. Joseph Wooster, Mrs. Anna Zitka, Mrs. John L. Hadraba and Miss Genevieve Whelan.

The time was spent most pleasantly at cards, in the bridge contest Mrs. W. V. Ryan winning the high score, while in the pinochle Mrs. John Kubicka was the winner of the prize.

At an appropriate hour the hostesses served dainty refreshments that added to the enjoyment of the occasion.

RETURNS FROM CHICAGO

Mrs. August Roessler, who has been spending the past two weeks in Chicago, has returned home to this city. Mrs. Roessler was a guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Karl A. Roessler, while at Chicago and who assisted in showing her the many points of interest of the Century of Progress exposition.

HAVE DOUBLE WEDDING

At the residence of Rev. and Mrs. From Friday's Daily
C. O. Troy, last evening, there occurred a double wedding, Jack Linehan and Miss Viola Kaiser, being one couple to be united, while Robert C. Brown and Miss Dollie Walters comprised the second couple. The young people were from Omaha and served as witnesses for each other. Following their wedding they returned to their homes at Omaha.

Officials on River Work to Check Labor

Federal Re-employment Officials of Iowa and Nebraska Here to Check Use of Local Labor.

From Friday's Daily
This morning Virgil E. Kepford, Des Moines, Iowa national re-employment service representative for the state of Iowa, with Rudolph Vogler, Nebraska federal representative, and Abe Martin, Mills county, Iowa, re-employment agent, were in the city.

The men are here to check up the matter of employment of labor on the Missouri river work, the government insisting on the use of local labor in all cases where possible and it is the task of the visiting representatives as well as the local re-employment men, to make a check on how many of Cass and Mills county men are used as well as Sarpy unemployed as compared with the labor that has been imported on the work.

Lieutenant Burkhardt, who has been here as the federal representative on the handling of the work, has aided in every way the success of the government plan of the employment of labor from the communities that are adjoining the river work. Mr. Burkhardt has given much time to the explanation of the work to the new men and has aided a large number in getting along nicely in their work.

MANY VISIT AT OMAHA

From Friday's Daily
The Mummer's parade which was held at Omaha last night, drew several hundred from this city to witness the spectacle, one of the most colorful that the state metropolis has witnessed in recent years. The parade was one that extended over a greater part of the business section of downtown Omaha and the hundreds of brilliant, comic costumes and groups furnished an unending delight to the vast crowd that braved the chill winds to enjoy the sight. This proved the most interesting parade feature that Omaha has enjoyed since the Ak-Sar-Ben electric parade of the past years, but which have in the depression been abandoned.

RETURN FROM CONVENTION

From Friday's Daily
The Plattsmouth delegates to the Volunteer Firemen's state convention, held at North Platte, returned home last evening and report a most pleasant gathering both in the social features and in the convention. There were many of the best known men in the state on the program and the problems of the fire fighters discussed. The party from here comprised Chief O. Sandin, Herb Schutz, W. D. McCrary, Fred Sharpnack and Louis Lohnes.

REPAIR RIVER BOAT

The steamer "Edna Lee," which sank Saturday three miles south of Nebraska City, has been raised and repaired, having sunk in shallow water and Wednesday was sent on its way northward with Omaha as the destination. The boat is the property of the Lydell Construction Co., and is to be engaged in the river work at the Gibson bend, south of Omaha.

SUFFERS BROKEN LEG

Joseph Highfield, young son of Mr. and Mrs. William Highfield, suffered the fracture of his right leg on Wednesday and is at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha. The young lad was celebrating his birthday with a number of playmates and a football game was suggested and in the playing of which the boy suffered his injury. He is reported as doing as well as possible.

Standard Bearers Hold Fine Social Time Thursday

"Hard Times" Party Is Enjoyed by Large Number and Fine Program Presented.

The "Hard Times" Penny party was held by the Standard Bearers of the Methodist church last evening at the church parlors and was one of the largest and most attractive social events held for some time.

The church parlors were arranged in decorations of autumn leaves, pumpkins, ghosts in keeping with the Halloween season, with the beautiful fall flowers and the shaded lights adding a pleasing touch to the scene.

Throughout the room there were many attractions for the young people, the fish pond, presided over by Louise Rishel, the fortune teller booth, where Amy Elliot told the future of the young people, the candy and popcorn booth which was operated by Sheila Covert and Glendora Smalley, and the domino table that was presided over by Kathryn Armstrong.

The young people found much diversion at these places of interest and also in the fine program that had been arranged for their entertainment, a trumpet solo being given by Kathryn Barkus, a vocal duet by Margaret Yelick and Virginia Trively, while Virginia Samek gave one of her always pleasing piano numbers. The whole program was of exceptional charm and much enjoyed.

There was one diversion of the evening that will long be remembered by the jolly group as a ghost appeared in truly wired garb and proceeded to tell a most hair-raising ghost story and which was climaxed when the various parts of the victim of the weird story were tossed into the laps of the young people to bring a never to be forgotten thrill.

The ghost proved to be Miss Helen Warga.

The event was one of the greatest success and every member of the class had some part in making it a most glorious occasion.

The evening was closed with the serving of refreshments.

COMMUNITY BIBLE CLASS

From Friday's Daily
A community Bible class is beginning a series of studies, opening this evening at 7:30 in the auditorium of the public library. Mrs. C. C. Cadwell, of Omaha Bible Institute will be the teacher. She has had large experience and presents her lessons in a very interesting manner. It has not been definitely decided as to the study for this evening, but we will soon start studying Daniel or Revelations.

These are days when every Christian should be awake to their opportunities. So many are burdened with cares. Let's point them to the Christ who is willing to bear all our burdens. And the thing most needed to this is a better knowledge of God's word. Jesus says we are to be judged by His word in the last day. (John 12:48). "The word that have spoken the same shall judge him in the last day." Some come out and fellowship with us. Its entirely free, undenominational and very informal. If there is some question you are particularly interested in, come and present it in our question and answer period. If you are a stranger in our city you are especially invited to join us and become acquainted.

BACK ON THE JOB

From Friday's Daily
District Clerk C. E. Ledgway, was back at his desk today after a two day vacation necessitated by a tonsil operation. Mr. Ledgway is feeling fine and the only complaint is that his diet has to be soups and soft foods for the present. The many friends are pleased to see him back on the job and to see that he was feeling so well.

William Mann and Martin Shogren, both of Louisville, were in the city for a few hours on Wednesday and while here Mr. Mann was a pleasant caller at the Journal, renewing his subscription as well as that of his brother, Herman, at Pals, Illinois.