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Popular School Teacher Showered by Friends

Miss Ona Graves Honored at Local Event at the Glenn Valley Home in This City.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Valley was the scene of a very delightful shower this week honoring Miss Ona Graves, one of the popular teachers in the county, whose marriage to Mr. Lester Thimman, of this city, will occur the latter part of June.

The event was in the nature of a cotton and linen shower tendered by Miss Gertrude Valley and Miss Loa Davis, some twenty guests being present to participate in the delightful occasion.

The home was arranged with the attractive spring flowers and made a fitting setting for the shower.

The time was spent in the preparing of the bride's book and in which all of the members of the party participated in making this token that will be long cherished by the guest of honor as a token of the regard of the friends.

The guest of honor received a large number of very beautiful gifts that she will take with her into the new home that she is soon to enter as mistress.

The guest of honor has been engaged in teaching in the schools of Cass county since her graduation in 1928 from the Plattsmouth high school and for the past two years has been engaged in teaching at a school near Mynard.

During the evening dainty and delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses to add to the pleasures of the evening.

Out of town guests were: Mrs. Bryan McDonald, Murdock; Miss Angelina O'Keef, Omaha; Miss Mildred Schultz, Stella; Miss Elizabeth Hatt, Seattle, Washington.

CAR HAS SMASHUP

From Thursday's Daily

Last evening the car driven by Merle Long was badly damaged when forced off the highway by a passing truck near the junction of Livingston Road and First street. Mr. Long and Miss Matilde Olson were turning up Wintersteen hill on First street when the truck came along and crowded their car so much that it was forced into a telephone pole and badly damaged.

Both of the occupants of the car were bruised and suffered minor cuts and lacerations as the result of the accident, which were treated by Dr. R. P. Westover.

The truck did not stop to see the effects of the damage that had been done and the number of the truck was not ascertained.

It is thought that the truck was the same that had forced a car off No. 75 north of this city near Omaha a short time before and for which Deputy Sheriff Walling was making a check on the highway when the Long car was hit.

DEPART FOR MISSOURI

From Thursday's Daily

This morning the Lamphere brothers departed by auto for Humsville, Missouri, where they are to spend a short time visiting their father, George Lamphere, who is making his home in that place with his brother, Charles. Mr. Lamphere is in poor health. The party expect to reach their destination this afternoon and remain until Friday evening.

Those who made the trip were Bernie Lamphere, Omaha; George Lamphere, Jr., Lincoln; Birt, Henry, Charles and John of this city.

PLATTSMOUTH NIGHT SET

The opening Ak-Sar-Ben den show of the 1935 season will be held Monday night, June 10th, and the following Monday night, June 17th, has been designated as "Southeastern Nebraska" night, when the citizens of towns throughout this part of the state will be invited guests. This year's show, unlike any in the past, is to be the production of a Broadway stage hit. Heretofore the shows have evolved around locally written plots. The usual free lunch will be served to visiting delegations after the show.

HERE FROM MONTANA

From Thursday's Daily

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rebal and children, Donald and Richard, arrived last evening from their home at Great Falls, Montana, for a visit here at the home of Mr. Rebal's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Rebal and other relatives and old friends in this section of the state. Mr. Rebal, who was formerly on the Journal for a number of years, is now employed on the Great Falls Tribune in their composing room and has been there for the past seven years. They have made the trip by auto and enjoyed a very pleasant journey.

Plattsmouth Young Man on Battle Fleet

Oliver E. Taylor Has Most Interesting Trip Across the Pacific to the Hawaiian Islands.

Oliver E. Taylor of this city, who enlisted in the navy last year, is now on the U. S. S. California, one of the battleships attached to the Pacific fleet that is now on the maneuvers that have occupied the last few weeks.

Oliver has enjoyed very much the experience of the twelve day trip from the home port at San Pedro to the Hawaiian islands where the fleet had a short stop and later was out again in the Pacific for the carrying on of the practical mobilization of the fleet and giving the officers and crews the advantage of experience in actual wartime maneuvers.

The Plattsmouth young man was much impressed with the beauty of the islands and enjoyed the opportunity of the entertainments afforded by the native Hawaiian dancers and singers given on the California.

Oliver, who was a member of the graduating class of the Plattsmouth high school in the class of 1934, still retains his interest in the old school and in the athletic department in which he was active as a member of the football and track squad during the last two years of his school work.

He anticipates returning to the United States in the early part of June when the fleet is to arrive at San Diego to take part in the ceremonies at the exposition there.

FLOWER SHOW OPENS

From Saturday's Daily:

The Plattsmouth Garden club flower show opened this afternoon at the Knights of Columbus hall at Seventh street and Chicago avenue. Despite the weather conditions which have checked a number of the early summer flowers, there is a very large number of entries.

The showing of iris is one of the largest that has been seen in the city and many rare and beautiful flowers are to be found in the collection. One of the interesting showings is a collection of cacti which has been sent from Murdock for the show.

The show will be open this evening and Sunday afternoon it will be open for the visit of the flower lovers of the community.

This is a very worthy endeavor and reflects the efforts of the Cass county people who are interested in floral culture.

VISIT AT LOUISVILLE

Miss Dorothy Downey, teacher in the Plattsmouth schools and Mrs. Harold Peterson, of Omaha, were here as week end visitors at the home of Mrs. Ross Nichols. Mrs. Peterson was formerly Miss Helen Vallery, of Plattsmouth. She and Miss Downey are former Louisville teachers, living at the Ross Nichols home while here.

Mr. Peterson is a former superintendent of schools at Bellevue, but is now teaching in North High school in Omaha.—Louisville Courier.

VISITS OLD FRIENDS

Mrs. J. H. Teegarden and son, of Brock, Nebraska, were in the city Wednesday to visit with the friends in the old home town of Mrs. Teegarden. Mrs. Teegarden will be remembered here as formerly Miss Tinsie Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith, old time residents of this city.

City Pays Fine Tribute to Hero Dead of Nation

Pleasant Weather Makes Day Ideal for Decorating Graves—E. H. McCarthy Is Speaker.

Memorial day in this city was extensively observed by the residents of the community in tributes to war dead and to the many who are at rest in the beautiful Oak Hill cemetery west of the city.

In the morning program there was the decorating of the graves of the soldiers and sailors, members of the W. R. C. and Legion Auxiliary in the cemetery where the last resting places were marked by the flag of their country that they had so nobly defended. The morning services were in charge of the American Legion who conducted services at the G. A. R. mound as well as the Legion plot in the new cemetery. Attorney J. A. Capwell spoke briefly in tribute to the departed veterans of all of the wars and touched with regret on the fact that on this decoration day there were no members of the G. A. R. or of the W. R. C. who were able to carry on their usual tributes as in the past years. The firing squad from Fort Crook gave the last salute at both the G. A. R. and Legion plots.

Afternoon Program.

The memorial services in the afternoon were held at the First Methodist church and a large group of the residents of the community were present to take part in the tribute to their dead. The services were presided over by C. A. Marshall, commander of the local American Legion post. The meeting was opened by the assembly call by Scout Burton Rishel, as a fitting opening of the program of the day.

The audience joined in the singing of "America," led by Mrs. E. H. Westcott, chairman of the patriotic council.

The pledge of allegiance was given by Scout James Webb in a very impressive manner and joined in by the audience.

Rev. C. O. Troy, pastor of the First Methodist church, gave the invocation and called the divine blessing on the assembly and the glorious spirit that it represented in honor to the departed.

The male quartet composed of Lawrence Leonard, Charles Howard, Henry Hild and Edward Howard gave several of the old war songs of the civil and world war days that added a most impressive touch to the scene.

Miss Virginia Trively, member of the graduating class of the high school, presented in a very able manner the immortal address of President Abraham Lincoln on the battlefield of Gettysburg, one of the greatest messages in the history of the United States.

The roll call of the dead was given for the veterans of the Spanish-American war by Louis Reinacke, who was a member of Co. B, Third Nebraska, in that struggle, with Raymond J. Larson giving the roll call of the world war dead, three of whom have been laid to rest in the past year, Bernard C. Rakow, Ernest D. McCarty and James Robert Jones. Mrs. J. H. McMaken presented the sole surviving veteran of the civil war, Abram Shellenbarger of this city, who despite his great age is still keen and active, it being a very great pleasure for all of the audience that he was able to be present at the services.

The American Legion Auxiliary presented their beautiful ritualistic service in honor of the soldier dead. Mrs. Don Selver reading the poem, "Flander's Field," with the musical setting by Mrs. L. S. Devoe. As the poem was given Marjorie Devoe and Dorothy Jean Cappell placed the poppies amid the white crosses on the field of green to represent the resting places of the world war dead in foreign soil.

The address of the afternoon was by E. H. McCarthy, past commander of the Melting Pot post of the American Legion at South Omaha. Mr. McCarthy made a very fine address and in which he told of the service and sacrifices of the men of the nation in many wars, their undying devotion that had first made the nation free, had preserved it from the menace of dissolution in the civil

war, had freed the peoples of Cuba and the Philippines and last had served to fight the battle of world democracy on the fields of France. Mr. McCarthy paid a very beautiful tribute to the civil war veterans who are now but a handful from the millions that served in the war of the states. The speaker also attacked the teaching of unAmerican principles in the college or school where the old established ideals of the United States were attacked and the serving by bearing arms for the nation attacked.

The meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. C. O. Troy and "Taps" by Scout Rishel.

The ushers of the afternoon were members of the Boy Scout troop.

Raise Enlistm't Age for the CCC Call for June

Members May Now Be Enrolled From Ages of 16 to 28, to Report at Fort Crook.

Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans, county probation agent, who has had charge of the enlistment of members of the Civilian Conservation Corps, has just received the information from the headquarters of the fact that there will be called another group of young men for June 17th, when they will report at Fort Crook.

The age limit on the forthcoming class has been raised and now will be from 16 to 28 years, giving a three year additional age limit to the new recruits.

The total number in the state to be called on the expansion program from June 15th to July 5th will be 1,700. The authorization has been given to the counties in the state to make selection for June 17th and June 19th.

Only those applicants whose parents are on relief rolls will be considered for filling the places allotted. Four new camps are on the list located at Niobrara, Ponca, Valentine and Gering. Each will take 189 enrollees.

POLICE HAVE BUSY TIME

The members of the night police force had a very lively time Friday night when they were compelled to take into custody a lady from our neighboring city of Omaha who had acquired a large load of liquor that she was not carrying so well.

The lady and her boy friend, who however was sober, appeared on the streets shortly after ten o'clock and the lady was not making her feet behave so well, in fact attracting considerable attention and making necessary the law to urge her departure.

The lady in question became engaged at the appearance of the police and proceeded to give them a cursing out that would have been creditable to one of ye old pirates—the girl knew all the words. The two were taken to the city jail while the man attempted to get his companion tamed down. The lady, however, was not to be confined by bars of steel or windows of glass and proceeded to smash out two panes in the windows of the jail. The lady received some cuts on the hand which was given first aid and as the man of the party was able to dig up the price of the window the two were sent on their way back to Omaha.

A large group of the youth attracted by a damsel in distress congregated near the jail to look and listen.

VISIT WITH RELATIVES HERE

From Thursday's Daily

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Buttery and children, of Alliance, arrived here last evening to spend some time here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Buttery, the parents of Mr. Buttery.

It is expected to enjoy a family reunion here on Sunday as all of the members of the family are now here or located in this section of the state and can be here for the pleasant event.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Knorr and children, departed Wednesday afternoon for Hastings, Nebraska, where they will spend Decoration day visiting with the relatives at that place as well as attending the Memorial day services.

Keith Miller is Killed Under the Wheels of Train

Fifteen Year Old Boy Tending Cow Meets Death on M. P. Tracks Near His Home.

Keith Miller, 15, was instantly killed Thursday afternoon at 1:15 near a private crossing over the Missouri Pacific tracks south of Pearl street, when struck by a northbound passenger train.

The youth had been noticed by James Sedlak, residing north of the scene of the tragedy, a short time before the accident, the boy looking after a cow that was grazing along the right of way and near the tracks. Shortly after the passage of the train Mr. Sedlak noticed that the boy was not in sight and glancing down the track saw the mangled body lying on the center of the track some 200 yards south of the Pearl street crossing.

The office of Sheriff Homer Sylvester was notified and Deputy Sheriff Tom Walling hastened to the scene of the tragedy and the body was removed to the Sattler funeral home.

The boy had been badly mangled, the right side of the head and face being caved in, both arms were severed from the body and the right foot crushed to small bits and the wheels had passed over the body.

The train crew were apparently unaware of the fact that they had struck the unfortunate boy and continued on to Omaha before they were notified of the tragedy.

The train striking Miller is due here at 1:05 p. m. and Thursday was running some ten minutes late.

It is thought that the death occurred as the boy was engaged in preventing the cow that he was herding from getting on the tracks and was caught when the train, sweeping out of the cut near the Wiles farm was on him before he was fully aware.

The young man was well known and very popular among a large circle of friends in the city and his untimely death came as a sorrowing feature of the holiday. Keith was a freshman in the high school and had been very active in the work of the Boy Scouts, being a member of the drum and bugle corps and active in all of their work. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. James Miller, who reside in the Bajek residence on Maiden Lane just a short distance from the scene of the death of their son.

The place where the death occurred has in the past been the scene of two other similar accidents that resulted fatally, residents of that section of the city state, John Bajek, Sr., meeting his death there a great many years ago and Charles Zitka, residing nearby the tracks was also killed in a similar accident a number of years ago.

The funeral services were held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine streets, attended by a large number of the neighbors and close friends of the family and of the unfortunate boy.

Rev. C. O. Troy, pastor of the First Methodist church, brought the comforting message of the Christian faith to sustain the grief stricken parents and the sorrowing relatives and associates of Keith.

During the service Frank A. Cloldt was heard in two vocal selections, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." E. H. Westcott being the accompanist.

The body was laid to rest at Oak Hill cemetery, the pall bearers being members of the Boy Scout troop of which Keith was a member, John and Burton Rishel, William Rosencrans, William Evers, Richard Yelick, and Gavin Farmer, patrol leader of the departed.

HERE FROM WAHOO

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Janda and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cech, of Wahoo, were in the city Thursday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Donat, Sr. Mrs. Janda is a sister of Mr. Donat and is well known in this city.

SEEKS TO RECOVER INSURANCE

Monday in the federal court at Lincoln the trial of the case of Erma V. McCrary vs. the New York Life Insurance Co., will go on trial before a jury.

This is an action in which the plaintiff seeks to recover the sum of \$4,000 on double indemnity under the terms of a \$2,000 policy carried by her son, William D. McCrary. The case was removed from the district court of Cass county on the motion of the defendants and transferred to the court of Federal Judge T. C. Munger at Lincoln.

Old Timer Here is Honored on 80th Birthday

Farnam Wellington, Resident Here in Late Eighties, Now Editor at Houston, Texas.

Friends here have received an account of the recent birthday celebration of Farnam Wellington, a resident of Plattsmouth in the late eighties, who is now located at Houston, Texas.

Mr. Wellington was engaged in the insurance business while a resident of Plattsmouth and quite active in the affairs of the community and while here he was married to Miss Hattie Latham, daughter of Fred Latham, then agent of the Burlington in this city.

The family later moved south and Mr. Wellington is now the editor of "The Great Southerner," a publication devoted to the insurance interests of the south and southwest at Houston.

On the occasion of the anniversary of the eightieth anniversary of Mr. Wellington a large number of the friends gathered to assist him and Mrs. Wellington in the happy occasion.

These old residents will be remembered by a large number of the older residents of the community and who will learn with interest of the birthday observance.

SCHOOL TO TAKE CENSUS

The board of education has appointed Naomi Day, Virginia Trively, Mildred Hall, Margaret Yelick and Anna Peoples to enumerate the school census of School District No. 1 for this year. They will call on all of the homes in this district and secure information relative to the date and place of birth of each person below 21 years of age, and other information. They will be working during the month of June and the board of education earnestly requests the cooperation of the citizens with these girls in getting a list of the school population of the Plattsmouth district. This information is not only valuable to the superintendent for his records, but is required by law to be filed with the county superintendent.

SUFFERS FROM ILLNESS

Miss Virginia James, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy James, former residents here, is quite seriously ill at the home of her parents at Blanchard, Iowa, she being ill for some time from a malady that has affected the arteries and has made her condition serious. Miss Emma DeHart of this city, an aunt, has been at the bedside of the ailing girl for the past several days.

Betty and Ted James, brother and sister of Virginia, are here for a visit at the home of their uncle Ward Whelan, for the past several days and enjoying a vacation outing.

VISITS FOSTER PARENTS

Mrs. Roy E. Butter, who has been enjoying a visit with her foster parents, left for her home in San Diego, California, Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Butter is making the trip via bus.

Mr. Butter is employed in the Signal Corps of the navy, and at present is with the fleet participating in the maneuvers in the Pacific.

She was accompanied as far as Omaha by Dr. and Mrs. H. G. McClusky, who will drive on to spend Decoration day in the former home, Laurel, Nebraska.

Cass County is Swept by Torrential Rain and Hail

Greatest Fury of Storm at Louisville Where Rain Reaches Cloudburst Stage; Much Crop Damage.

Sunday afternoon one of the most severe rain and hail storms of many years swept over the entire county with the chief fury of the storm apparently in the vicinity of Louisville, growing less violent as the storm proceeded eastward.

The dark lowering clouds in the west and northwest early in the afternoon protended a severe storm and following the reports of tornadoes in the central part of the state, warnings were sent by radio and telephone to the residents of the localities in this part of the state to be prepared for a possible wind storm as well as rain and hail, but fortunately the tornado aspect of the storm was not felt in this territory.

The storm that struck Louisville between three and four o'clock brought a rainfall of three to five inches in the space of an hour and sweeping down from the hills soon had the small creeks and streams flowing bank full and Mill creek in the town of Louisville a raging torrent, bringing reminders of the great flood of 1923 that took toll of several lives. A heavy hailstorm also accompanied the rain, which battered the residences of the town and did untold crop damage in the farming territory southwest of Louisville.

The Platte river, swollen to flood time proportions commenced to overflow the lowlands to the north of Louisville and added to the great volume of water pouring from the small creeks inundated a large section of the settlement north of the Burlington where there has been a large number of homes built by the employes of the Ash Grove Cement plant. The residents were forced to leave their homes in the face of the menace of the rising waters. The Platte also broke through the dikes at the recreation park and flooded that to a depth of several feet and into the north lake of the park.

The rain and hail in the territory west of Plattsmouth six to eight miles did much damage and a great many wheat fields are reported as ruined by the force of the hail that covered the ground like a snowfield for some time after the storm. Fields stood covered with water as the tremendous rainfall was not absorbed by the already soaked soil.

Northwest of this city along the Platte the river overflowed in many places and the Four Mile creek, swollen to riverlike proportions swept over the lowlying farm lands. Residents of that section, fearing a tornado, gathered at the Todd farm and with the rush of the waters considerable difficulty was experienced in getting out of the water filled lowlands to the highways.

Workmen of the Lyman-Richey Sand & Gravel company had difficulty in getting to and from their work owing to the rising waters and the truck of Clyde Jackson was forced to be abandoned Sunday afternoon on the road leading into the sand pit grounds.

The Platte was overflowing into the lowlands on the Sarp side of the Platte river and the severe storm brought a great deal of water into La Platte as the result of the torrential rain.

Watchmen were stationed at the north side of the highway bridge over the Platte last night where it was feared that the attack of the Platte on the north side of the stream might endanger the approach to the bridge and the highway.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing to the many kind friends and neighbors our deepest appreciation of the many acts of kindness shown us in the time of our great sorrow. We especially desire to thank the Boy Scouts for their wonderful expressions of sympathy and aid extended us, as well as to all those taking part in the funeral service.—Mr. and Mrs. James Miller.

Farmers are optimistic following the spring rains and foresee prospects of a bumper crop.