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Ferrie-Otto Wedding at Omaha Saturday

Popular Young People of Community Wedded—To Honeymoon in Florida and Cuba.

On Saturday afternoon at 4:45 at the residence of Judge J. W. Battain at Omaha, occurred the marriage of two of the popular young people of this city, Miss Ruth Regina Ferrie and Mr. Lorin F. Otto.

The wedding was very simple, the bridal couple motoring to Omaha with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Chriswiser, the latter a sister of the bride, who served as the attendants at the wedding.

The bride wore a blue crepe tailored suit with matching accessories, while Mrs. Chriswiser wore black tulle trimmed in blue.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Chriswiser entertained at a pleasant dinner at their home on South Seventh street, at which time the announcement of the marriage was made to the members of the family, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ferrie, parents of the bride, and the bridal couple being guests.

Immediately after the dinner Mr. and Mrs. Otto departed for Kansas City, Missouri, where they make a short visit with Mr. Otto's mother and sister and then go to Florida and Cuba where they will spend a month honeymoon in the delightful playgrounds of the south.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ferrie, and has made her home here for the past nine years, graduating from the high school here in the class of 1931. She has been one of the most popular of the young social group of this city and a lady of charming personality that has made her many friends. Since her school days she has been engaged in a number of the business houses of the city.

The groom is assistant area engineer engaged in the supervision of the improvement work on the upper Missouri river and has made his home here for the past two and a half years. He is a young man highly esteemed by those who have the privilege of his acquaintance.

The many friends in the community will join in their well wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Otto for many happy years.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto will be at home to their friends after March 1st in their home in the Herold apartments.

MASONIC BOARD MEETING

The stockholders of the Nebraska Masonic Home association held their regular meeting on Saturday at the Masonic temple at Omaha. Thirty-five stockholders and representatives were in attendance at the meeting.

The stockholders named as a new member of the board of directors, Carl E. Groisen, of North Platte. He will fill the unexpired term of Dr. J. B. Lichtenwalner of Omaha, who died last summer.

The officers named were all re-elected as follows: Millard M. Robertson, Omaha, president; William A. Robertson, Plattsmouth, first vice-president; Frank H. Woodland, Omaha, second vice-president; Jesse D. Whitmore, Valley, third vice-president; Lewis E. Smith, Omaha, secretary; J. Theodore Brammann, Omaha; Emmett I. Ellis, Tekamah; Dr. Carroll D. Evans, Sr., Columbus; Henry H. Wilson, Lincoln; and Robert J. Jones, Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Enos R. Leigh and Herman E. Reimers of Omaha, directors for three years.

Superintendent W. F. Evers presented his annual report and which showed a most efficient handling of the business management of the home.

RELEASED FROM CUSTODY

Saturday afternoon, Walter Burk, who was apprehended taking some scrap lumber from the BRES shop yards, was released from custody. It was decided by the shop management not to press the charge against Mr. Burk during his good behavior and to remain of the property of the BRES.

Phone news items to No. 6.

ATTEND INITIATION

Sunday afternoon a group of some ten of the members of the Monsignor M. A. Shine council of the Knights of Columbus, were at Omaha to attend the initiation of a large class at the Omaha council lodge rooms.

The Plattsmouth council had two candidates for the initiation, Dr. L. S. Puelick of this city and John Crane Manley, who were given the work in the first and second degree by the staff of the Omaha council while John Fitzgerald council of Lincoln exemplified the third degree.

Following the initiation the members of the order were guests at a banquet held at the Hotel Blackstone honoring the new class of candidates.

Jesse L. Root, A. E. Sheldon To Speak Here

Cass County Historical Society to Hear Well-Known Speakers at Meeting February 2.

Judge Jesse L. Root of Omaha and A. E. Sheldon of the State Historical society are to speak at the meeting of the Cass County Historical society February 2 in the district court room of the court house in Plattsmouth at 2 p. m.

Judge Root is well known in this county. He came to Plattsmouth in 1886. He was one of the most prominent lawyers of the county. He served three terms as county attorney then was a member of the state senate. In 1907 he was appointed judge of the state supreme court under Governor Sheldon. Until retirement a few years ago, he was a solicitor for the Burlington railroad.

A. E. Sheldon, editor of the Nebraska History magazine and secretary to the Nebraska State Historical Society comes to the meeting with suggestions and aids to the growth of the society, as well as a wealth of knowledge concerning the county and state history.

Music from the Plattsmouth high school will also be a part of the day's program. A social hour will follow the meeting. Mrs. Will Robertson of Plattsmouth is chairman of the committee in charge of refreshments. Members of the program committee are Mrs. Carl Ganz of Alvo and Hazel Baier of Plattsmouth.

Dr. G. H. Gilmore, president, will take charge of the business meeting. A report is expected from the committee on by-laws during the meeting.

This will be the third meeting of the society. The society was organized in Weeping Water May 29, 1936. The second meeting was held at Alvo October 13. The organization now has over 100 members.

RECEIVES FINE PROMOTION

Emmett Mullen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mullen of this city, has been given a very pleasing promotion by the Morrell Packing Co., of Ottumwa, Iowa, in whose employ he has been for the past two years.

Mr. Mullen has been in charge of the territory in central Nebraska with headquarters at Hastings and has just received notice of his promotion to the Galveston, Texas, territory, a very decided advance in his salary and a most important territory for the packing company.

Mr. and Mrs. Mullen and children are to visit here Tuesday with the parents and leave on Wednesday for the south to make their future home.

JUDGE LIVINGSTON HOME

D. W. Livingston, former district judge, has been taken to his home in Nebraska City from the St. Mary's hospital where he has been for several weeks undergoing treatment. Judge Livingston has been in poor health for the past year and in the past two months has suffered from the effects of a broken leg that rendered him bedfast and made it impossible for him to hold court in the latter part of his service on the bench.

See the goods you buy. Catalog descriptions are alluring enough, but how about the goods when you get them?

Plattsmouth Debaters to Enter Tourney

Local Forensics Team to Compete with Many Schools in Midland College Tournament.

Plattsmouth high school's forensics team will compete with representatives from 24 Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota high schools in Midland college's eleventh annual forensics tournament at Fremont, Neb., Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 28, 29 and 30.

Each of the 25 schools is scheduled to enter two teams in the debate division in which contestants will argue the question, "Resolved: That all electric utilities should be federally owned and operated." The winning team will receive a silver trophy, while the outstanding debater will get a \$100 scholarship to Midland. Benson high of Omaha won the 1936 championship.

Eleven schools have also entered contestants in the after-dinner speaking event, and 14 have registered speakers for the extemporaneous speaking contest. The general topic for the former event will be "If I Were Dictator," while the subject in the latter will be "A Changing America." The winner in each contest will receive a silver trophy.

Plattsmouth is one of the schools registering contestants for the after-dinner and extemporaneous speaking contests.

FUNERAL OF MRS. HENRICH

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Henrich was held on Monday afternoon from the St. Paul's Evangelical church, where for so many years she had been a devout member and faithful worker.

Rev. G. A. Pahl, pastor of the church, paid a fine tribute to the life of the departed friend for her faithful services to the church and the community and the fine character that served as an inspiration to her family and friends.

The choir of the church gave two of the loved hymns, "Asleep in Jesus" and "Abide With Me," while the members of the Ladies' Aid society paid their last tributes in one of the old German hymns of faith. Miss Leona Meisinger served as the accompanist.

There was a very large attendance of the friends present at the service.

The interment was at the Oak Hill cemetery and the pall bearers selected from among the old friends, Henry Born, Carl Kusemann, John Lutz, Adam Stoehr, Frank Schaknies and James Novacek.

The Sattler funeral home had charge of the funeral.

CARD OF THANKS

With deep feeling of gratitude we wish to express our appreciation to the neighbors and friends for their comforting words of sympathy and acts of kindness in the death of our mother. Especially do we wish to thank those taking part in the funeral service.—The Children of Mrs. Mary Henrich.

FINDS STREETS BAD

From Wednesday's Daily—Sherman Cole, one of the well known residents of near Mynard was here this morning and engaged in conversation commented on the condition of the local streets, stating that the main street of Mynard was all cleaned off while here the snow of two weeks ago still remained and banks of frozen snow and ice lined the curbs of the city.

Today Old Sol was making some headway with melting the ice and snow and Ivan Taylor also assisted the work by getting the snow broken up where possible.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Plattsmouth friends will be pleased to learn that Mrs. Herman L. Thomas of Nebraska City, who was recently operated on at the St. Mary's hospital is now back home to recuperate. Mrs. Thomas is showing a fine progress in her recovery and it is hoped in a short time will be able to resume her usual activities.

FUNERAL OF G. W. RHODEN

From Tuesday's Daily—This afternoon the funeral services of the late George W. Rhoden were held at the Horton funeral home at Seventh and Vine streets.

A large number of the old friends were present to pay their last tributes of respect to the departed pioneer resident of the community.

Dr. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the First Presbyterian church conducted the services and brought words of comfort to the bereaved family as well as paying a tribute to the long and useful life of the departed.

Frank A. Cioitid gave two of the hymns, favorites of the deceased, "Face to Face" and "In the Sweet Bye and Bye."

Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M. conducted the Masonic burial service for their departed member.

The interment was at the Oak Hill cemetery beside the wife.

Frank Steppat Badly Burned in Omaha Fire

Former Resident Rescued by Fellow Workmen in Garage But Is Very Badly Burned.

Frank H. Steppat, 51, former resident of Plattsmouth, is in critical condition at an Omaha hospital as the result of burns suffered in a fire at the Wade Auto Transport Corporation Sunday.

A truck was being filled with gasoline when the hose fell from the tank and scattered gasoline around the garage and which became ignited.

Steppat was working around a truck at the time of the fire when the alarm was sounded. In his hurry to get from beneath the truck he bumped his head and in a dazed condition walked into the room where the fire was raging instead of escaping with other workmen to the outside.

Companions pulled Mr. Steppat from the fire swept room but his clothing was blazing and it was only by rolling him in the snow that the flames were extinguished.

Steppat suffered third degree burns over the greater part of the body and was removed to the hospital.

Message from the hospital to relatives here late Monday were to the effect that the patient was doing as well as possible under the circumstances.

Members of the family were at Omaha today to visit Mr. Steppat at the hospital.

FRANK STEPPAT REPORTED IMPROVING

From Wednesday's Daily—Mrs. Ed Steppat and Mrs. Everett Spangler drove to Omaha yesterday to see Frank Steppat, who was burned in a gasoline explosion Sunday. Mr. Steppat has only first degree burns instead of third degree as first reported.

Although Mr. Steppat's body is badly burned, the burns are not deep. He has inhaled a good deal of the fumes but unless complications arise, he is expected to get along fine. Mrs. Nolting is a sister, Mrs. Spangler a niece and Mrs. Steppat, a sister-in-law to Mr. Steppat.

RALPH ANDERSON IMPROVING

From Monday's Daily—Ralph Anderson who is recovering from injuries received in a train wreck near Council Bluffs Saturday morning, is getting along very nicely at Mercy hospital in Council Bluffs. He has a fracture of his right leg just above the ankle and his left leg, hip, shoulder and back are badly bruised. No internal injuries were suffered. Although suffering a good deal with pain yesterday, he is resting easier today.

SUFFERS INJURED HAND

Marion Speck, residing west of this city, suffered a very severe gash on the thumb of the left hand. He was assisting a neighbor in butchering when the knife slipped and penetrated to the bone. The injured hand was dressed but is still very painful.

Emil Walters Drops Dead in Postoffice Lobby

Prominent Contractor and Brick Mason Dies of Heart Attack as He Was Starting Home.

Emil Walters, 74, well known contractor and brick mason, dropped dead Monday afternoon at 4:30 in the entryway to the local postoffice building, suffering a heart attack that brought death almost instantly.

Mr. Walters had been apparently in his usual health Monday and came from his home in the northwest section of the city, to attend the funeral of an old friend, Mrs. Mary Henrich at the St. Paul's church. Later he had visited with friends around the business section of the city and was in his usual pleasant and jovial mood as he started home. He had inquired for his mail at the postoffice and at that time seemed as usual. A few moments after he had secured the mail two school girls entering the north door of the postoffice building, discovered him lying stretched on the floor of the entryway. The girls at once notified the postoffice employes and the stricken man was borne into the office of Postmaster Frank J. Cummins and medical aid called while the members of the force sought to revive him. He had apparently died as he slumped to the floor.

Mr. Walters was a native of Hamburg, Germany, leaving his native land when a youth to come to the United States to make his home. He located in Omaha in 1883 where he followed his trade as brick mason and a short time later came to Plattsmouth where he has since made his home.

In his long residence here Mr. Walters has been a well known and highly respected citizen and one who assisted in many ways in the community.

Mrs. Walters preceded him in death two years ago and since which time he has made his home with the son at the home in this city.

There is surviving his sudden death one son, Edgar, of this city and two daughters, Mrs. Helen Tarrant Thompson of Los Angeles and Mrs. Marguerite Walters Johnstone of Sheridan, Wyoming, as well as several grandchildren.

RETURN FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spangler and son, Homer, returned Saturday evening from a two-month vacation spent on the west coast. A frost in California during the last week they visited there killed many of the beautiful flowers. Poinsettias suffered especially. They also spoke of the dense smoke which filled the air from the smudge pots placed in the fruit groves.

The return trip was made through Texas then north. They encountered a dust storm in Arizona then were forced to wait part of a day at Tulsa, Okla., because of a snow storm. There was no snow through Kansas.

While in California they visited a number of former Plattsmouth people. Near Long Beach they visited the A. S. Will family and the Ed Todd family. At Santa Ana they were guests of Mrs. Clara Linderman and in Costa Mesa, visited Ed Roman. They also drove to Tacoma and Spokane, Washington. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook, the former a son of C. C. Cook of this city and Mrs. Cook daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Peterson.

Among the interesting sights described by the vacationists were the Rose Parade in Pasadena and a trip across the eight mile bridge at San Francisco. They have driven over 8,000 miles since Nov. 29.

DOES A NICE JOB

Coach William Ossian, of the Nebraska City high school, was the referee here of the North-Plattsmouth basketball game Tuesday evening. The coach did a fine job in serving as the arbiter of the game and was one of the competent referees that has appeared on the local court and his conduct of the game made it a pleasure to the fans.

SEVERAL VISITORS SPEAK AT AD CLUB LUNCHEON

From Wednesday's Daily—Very Rev. A. M. Mosler spoke to the members of the Ad club this noon urging a "sell Plattsmouth" rather than "buy Plattsmouth" campaign. He complimented the men on their cooperation in the business club and upon the efforts put forth to popularize Plattsmouth.

D. M. Babbitt, a new member of the club, also gave a short talk. He is an implement dealer here. Misses Margaret Iverson and Berniece Wieland were visitors from the faculty members. They are teachers in the Columbian school. They were introduced by Superintendent L. S. Devoe.

Fred Busch, president, reported on progress being made toward the elimination of house to house peddlers in the city.

Sketch of Life of Fred Stock, Sr. Old Resident

For Many Years One of the Prominent Residents of the Community Near Murdock.

Fred Stock, Sr., was born in Lippe Datmold, Germany, in 1867, and died at his home near Murdock, Neb., January 21, 1937, at the age of seventy years, three months and twenty-three days. In 1883 he came to the United States and settled near Murdock. In 1888 he was married to Johanna Dettman. To this union seven sons were born, William, Gustav, Fred, Robert, Paul, Jesse and Harry, all living near Murdock.

He leaves to mourn his death his bereaved widow, two brothers in Germany and the seven sons, fifteen grandchildren and many distant relatives and friends who knew him as a friend faithful and true. All these together with his bereaved wife will sadly miss him as they continue their earthly pilgrimage.

Mr. Stock was converted at the age of eighteen and became a follower of the Christ, he so much loved that in the same year he joined the Callahan Evangelical church to which he was faithful unto the end. He served as Sunday school superintendent for thirty-nine consecutive years. Also held many other important offices both in the church and in the community. His leadership and advice was valued very highly in the church. The great interest of his life was the promotion of the Kingdom of God, and the welfare of his family.

In the last year when ill health caused him to give up his active service in the church and the body was weak the spirit was strong, and brought a blessing to all who came to visit him. He was always ready to witness for his Lord both in word and in song, and at last longed to be at home with God. He calmly went to the end of life's road, fearing nothing for he knew that he had far greater treasure in the Kingdom of Heaven than he could ever have in this life.

The life of Father Stock as a father, neighbor and friend had ever been one that reflected the inner light of faith by which he lived.

We shall pause a moment today and look upon this mortal body and then carry it out and lay it to its final resting place where the stars of the night shall keep watch over him, but in our hearts there is born the assurance that he who never slumbers nor sleeps came in death night and took the soul of our departed brother home to the land of eternal day where we shall see him again when our life's pilgrimage is o'er.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Callahan Evangelical church conducted by Rev. F. C. Weber and interment was made in the Callahan cemetery.

CALLED BY DAUGHTER'S ILLNESS

From Wednesday's Daily—Mrs. Oscar Gopen left last evening for Detroit to be with her daughter, Mrs. Otto Marek. Mrs. Marek, who has not been well for some time, is to have an operation this week. Mr. and Mrs. Marek lived in Plattsmouth until three years ago when they moved to Detroit.

Platters Turn Back North High by 33-17 Score

Platters Give Overconfident Visitors from Omaha a Drubbing and Lead at Every Period.

From Wednesday's Daily—Playing the brand of basketball that they demonstrated last week, the fast and aggressive Plattsmouth high school basketball quintet took a surprised and startled North High team last evening. The final score of the battle was 33 to 17 for the locals.

Coach Paul Davis of North hustled his second string players into the conflict and right away the Platters started to put on the heat, Wooster scoring a basket in the first seconds after the initial tipoff. McCarroll then shot one from under the hoop and the blue and white was off. Zimmerman with two field goals and White with a field counter and a gift toss, kept the visitors in the running in this stanza. McCarroll scored again in the period as did Wooster and Max Seitz raced through the shaky North defense to plant a field counter. The close of the period showed Plattsmouth leading 10 to 7.

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