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## Memorial is Held at Young Cemetery

Country Burial Plot Scene of Meeting of the Descendants of Pioneers of County.

Sunday there was a large group of the descendants of the pioneer families of Cass county gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy White, six miles south of this city, the old homestead where for many years David and Anna Young had made their home.

The occasion was the memorial program of the Young Cemetery association, where many years ago the plot of land had been donated by the Young family for the cemetery use.

In recent years the cemetery association has improved and kept in splendid condition the cemetery where rest many of the pioneers of the county.

The program was presided over by Rex Young in his very clever manner and presenting the various speakers of the day.

Mrs. E. H. Wescott led the group singing and in which all joined in singing the well known and loved songs. Mr. Wescott accompanied the singing on the piano.

The formal program was opened with the invocation by Rev. J. W. Tenzler of the First Christian church of this city, who also gave the benediction.

Mrs. Clara Lee White, secretary-treasurer of the association, gave the report of the year's activities, showing a very fine program of improvement in the condition of the cemetery and the preservation of the historical data connected with it.

Judge A. H. Duxbury gave the chief address of the afternoon and in a most able presentation of a truly patriotic message to the gathering, Judge Duxbury pointed to Memorial day as fitting for the people to rededicate themselves to the heritage that they had received from the pioneers and the men and women that had served the nation in the past.

The present time was witnessing a great change in which American democracy was to stand the test of whether under it the problems might find solution, urging that the people determine what is right to guarantee the future of the nation. To the 20,000,000 of American youth the future was to offer the opportunity of aiding in the great experiment in which the nation was to engage in, trying to make life more than just a struggle, to learn not only to live and let live but also to live and help live.

Judge Duxbury also took up the matter of memorials and their history, showing that nations that in reverence and honor had paid to the highest of their ideals and the sacrifices of their people had progressed while others had gone the way of decay and destruction.

Judge Duxbury called upon Mrs. White to read the names of the war veterans at rest in the Young cemetery, six Civil war and three Indian war veterans being entered.

He closed with a very beautiful tribute to the flag.

In the musical portion of the program Dorothea Mae Duxbury, one of the talented young musicians of the city, gave two very delightful piano selections.

The Speck sisters, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Speck, gave several selections on the piano and vocal offerings that were very much enjoyed.

Dr. G. H. Gilmore, of Murray, president of the Cass county historical association, gave a short talk on the work of the society in the preservation of the history of Cass county and the lives of the pioneers and their part in the early days of the county organization.

Edward Bornemeier of Elmwood was present and had with him one of the early flags of the American nation, one with nine stripes and thirteen stars. This flag had been found in one of the old church buildings in the Elmwood community and possessed a real historical value.

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## SOIL CONSERVATION TOUR

Farmers in Cass county will have an opportunity to see how erosion problems can be worked out by going on the soil conservation tour June 17.

Those attending the tour will get to see such erosion control practices as contour farming, terracing, buffer striping, use of bromegrass, tree planting, strip cropping, pasture furrowing and wire dams.

Men going on the tour will meet at Weeping Water about 9:30 o'clock in the morning.

## Avoca Teacher Files for Office of County Supt.

Emma Marquardt Rawalt, of Avoca, Files for Nomination at August Primary.

Filing was made Saturday afternoon by Emma Marquardt Rawalt of Avoca for the office of county superintendent. Mrs. Rawalt was born in Cass county and has lived here most of her life. She was graduated from Peru State Teachers' College and took work at the University of Nebraska.

Mrs. Rawalt is well qualified for the office which she seeks, having a professional high school state certificate. This certificate qualifies her to teach any grade in any school in the state of Nebraska.

Mrs. Rawalt was formerly superintendent of schools in Avoca for six years. She was principal in Brady and Louisville schools and taught high school subjects at Wisner, Gottenburg and Minden. She also taught grade school subjects at Wisner.

For several years Mrs. Rawalt has been teaching Cass county district school No. 63, where she has had excellent results with her pupils.

## VISIT IN PIONEER HOME

Mrs. Augustus O. Thomas, of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. H. N. Ireland, of Denver, are in the city as guests of relatives for a few days.

The two ladies are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Colvin, pioneers here in the territorial days. Mr. Colvin later pioneering in the southwest part of the state near where Arapahoe is now located.

Mrs. Thomas is the widow of a former state superintendent of schools and of the Kearney state normal school, and is en route to Kearney for the fiftieth anniversary of the Kearney Woman's club of which she is a past president. Mrs. Ireland is meeting the sister here and will go with her to Kearney and then on to her home in Denver where Mrs. Thomas will visit.

The ladies are relatives of the Cummins, Kennedy and Richey families of this city.

## VISITS AT ALMA MATER

Mrs. P. H. Murdick of Cleveland, Ohio, was among the alumni of Wesleyan university at Lincoln, to attend the banquet last evening and the graduation exercises which are being held today.

Mrs. Murdick accompanied her brother, Edgar S. Wescott, of the Bankers Life Insurance Co., of Nebraska, back to Lincoln, he being here to attend the funeral of Thomas M. Patterson, long time representative of the company in this territory.

## SUFFERS FRACTURED LEG

George Stander, one of the prominent farmers of this section, suffered a fracture of his leg Saturday while engaged in some work at the farm. It seems that in cutting a tree it fell and pinned the leg beneath it and with the result that the bone was fractured. The injured man was taken to the offices of Dr. O. C. Hudson where the injury was treated.

## REPORTED NOT SO WELL

Mrs. Fred H. Rutherford motored to Omaha Tuesday with the expectation of bringing Mr. Rutherford home, but on reaching the hospital found that the husband had suffered a hemorrhage on Monday night and the attending physicians declined to allow him to leave until a later time.

## Death of T. W. Vallery Comes Very Suddenly

Pioneer of Cass County Dies at Close of Memorial Day as He Reaches Home.

From Tuesday's Daily—Theobald Walter Vallery, 78, native son of Cass county, died very suddenly last night shortly after 9 o'clock as he had just arrived at the office of his sons on South 5th street. Mr. Vallery had been taken out for a ride by his son, Glenn Vallery and wife and returned the father to the office where he was seated on a chair and suddenly slipped to the floor, dying almost instantly. Dr. R. P. Westover was called but the aged man had died apparently in seconds.

The deceased was probably the oldest native born resident of Cass county or at least in this section, his parents, Theobald and Wilhelmina Vallery, coming here in 1855 from Ohio and settling on a farm near Murray and where they lived for many years.

Mr. Vallery grew up in this community and took up farming as his life work, remaining on the farm until a few years ago when with his wife he moved to Mynard to reside.

He was married in 1880 to Miss Elizabeth Cook, a daughter of another of the first families to settle in Cass county and their long married life was one of happiness and true affection until the death of the loved helpmate on February 1, 1937. Mr. Vallery has made his home largely with the children since the passing of the wife and mother.

There is surviving three sons and one daughter, Frank E., Glenn and Charles of this city and Mrs. Margie Willis, of Weeping Water. One brother and one sister, the oldest of the family also survive, Henry Vallery of this city and Mrs. Mary Wright of Nisland, South Dakota.

The body is at the Sattler funeral home.

## LOCAL GIRLS WIN HONORS

At the honor convocation at the Peru State Teachers college, marking the close of the school year, two of the Plattsmouth students there were given high honors in their classes for their proficient work.

Virginia Trively was named for high class honors in the sophomore class and Edna Mae Petersen for high honors in the freshman class of the college.

Sixty-eight honor points are required for class honors and eighty points for the high class honors.

Both of the local students had very high standings in their high school work here and have carried this fine record into their higher educational work.

## LOCAL TEAM WINS GAME

From Wednesday's Daily—The BREX-Norfolk Packing Co. team won last evening from Pacific Junction in the softball contest, 4 to 2.

The locals carried a sustained attack in the fourth inning of the game and while acquiring but two hits took advantage of the opportunity and made their hits count effectively. Charles Nelson of the locals pitched a very effective game against the visitors throughout the contest.

## HAVE A FINE DINNER

Thursday evening the members of the Rotary club entertained their ladies in a dinner party at the Country club. The threatening weather earlier in the day promised to wreck the plans for a picnic and accordingly a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McCarty was served. The repast was delightful and enjoyed to the utmost by the members of the group. There was no program and visiting was the order of the day.

## LOUISVILLE HONOR STUDENTS

The Louisville commencement exercises were held Tuesday and in which Phyllis Hennings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hennings, was awarded the first scholarship and Herbert Knutson received the second scholarship.

Ruth McConnell won the regent's scholarship award.

## VISIT CHILDHOOD HOME

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fulton and family enjoyed an auto trip into Iowa through Mills and Fremont counties, where the parents of Charles once resided near Thurman. This was a very pleasant trip and stopping at the home of a friend, Chris Pierce, near Thurman. Charles discovered that they still had a small wagon in which he had ridden and played with when a boy of ten years. The little daughter of the Fultons, Sally Ann, had the pleasure of a ride in the wagon that had been the plaything of her father.

## Honor Roll of High School for Final Quarter

Large Group of Students Show Well in Their Studies in Last Quarter of School Term.

The following students were selected for the honor roll of the Plattsmouth high school for the fourth quarter of the year. Their standing represents their efficient work in their studies. (\*) indicates 2nd semester only (\*\*\*) indicates 4th quarter only.

Freshmen—Helen Barkus, Alvin Chovanec, Robert Cook, Corbin Davis, Betty June Henry, Edwin Hiber, Ann Hill, \*\*Marie Lantz, Ronald Lester, Betty Joe Libershal, Joe Noble, Clayton Sack, Verona Toman, Shirley Walling, Ruth Westover.

Sophomores—Edith Broman, Charlotte Corner, Mary Helen Bill, Corliffe Drucker, Darlene Hennings, Whipple Leonard, Glen Lutz, Matthew Sedlak, Helen Slatsky, \*\*Ed Smith, Wilma Swatek, Raphael Toman, Allan White.

Juniors—John Bestor, Harriett Case, Hazel Kelley, Maxine Nielsen, \*Kathleen Nolte, Janet Westover.

Seniors—Irene Anthes, Gaylin Farmer, Mary Gayer, \*Dick Hall, Joan Hall, \*\*Winifred Kuffenberger, Shirley Keck, Jean Knorr, Joe Kvaspil, Neil Lancaster, Flora Belle Mand, Eleanor Minor, Marion Olson, Hazel Payton, Shirley Selver, Robert Woest.

## VISITS OLD SCENES

Mrs. J. H. Adams, who has been confined to her home for the past several years, had the pleasure of being able to enjoy a drive Monday to many familiar places in this part of Cass county. It had been two years since Mrs. Adams was able to enjoy a drive and was one much enjoyed. She was able to visit the cemetery here as well as at Lewiston, Horning and the Young cemeteries where there are members of her family at rest and was much pleased with the manner in which these are being cared for. On the trip she also had the opportunity of visiting old Rock Bluffs which had been familiar to her in earlier days.

## RETURN FROM THE WEST

From Wednesday's Daily—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Godwin returned last evening from Fernley, Nevada, where they have been making their home during the school year. Mr. Godwin being the superintendent of the city schools at that place. They are planning on spending a two months vacation here and in this vicinity with relatives and friends and will return to prepare for the school year. Mr. Godwin has been re-elected as superintendent.

## VERY HAPPY EVENT

From Monday's Daily—This morning a fine ten pound son was born to County Surveyor and Mrs. R. H. Fitch at an Omaha hospital. The mother and little one are doing nicely and the occasion has brought a great deal of pleasure to the entire family and especially to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitch and A. W. Cloldt.

## TO VISIT IN MISSOURI

From Tuesday's Daily—Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans and Mrs. W. E. Rosencrans departed this morning for a motor trip to Missouri, where they are planning a short outing. They will visit relatives of Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans and also take in the many places of interest in that section.

Super Creamed Ice Cream, pt., 15c; qt., 30c.—Sweeney Cafe, So. 6th St.

## Funeral of T. M. Patterson Held Tuesday

Large Number of Out of Town Friends Here for Services at Horton Funeral Home.

Tuesday afternoon at the Horton funeral home the last rites for Thomas M. Patterson, lifetime resident of this community was held, a large number of friends of many years standing from Omaha, Lincoln and this city, filling the chapel.

The services were simple and impressive. Rev. H. G. McCluskey, pastor of the First Presbyterian church being in his remarks words of comfort to the bereaved family and friends.

During the service Mrs. J. M. Roberts played at the piano, two of the beautiful old hymns, "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Lead Kindly Light."

The interment was in the family plot in Oak Hill cemetery and the pall bearers selected from the representatives of the Bankers Life Insurance Co., of Lincoln, of which Mr. Patterson was a veteran representative. These were J. S. Howe, Auburn; J. S. Rhoten, Unadilla; S. B. Parker, Fred Parker, E. H. Conckel, of Nebraska City and J. F. Knoficek of Plattsmouth.

Floral tributes were many and very beautiful.

The friends here from out of the city for the services were: Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Olson, Omaha; Fred M. Saunders, secretary-treasurer of the Bankers Life, Lincoln; R. C. Harris, manager of the Omaha office of the Bankers Life, and wife; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Fronten, John Borison, M. P. Brogan, J. C. Glass, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Swangott, of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Woodruff, Fargo, North Dakota; D. R. Coby, Omaha.

## REACHES NINETYETH YEAR

From Wednesday's Daily—Mrs. A. H. Graves, a long time resident of Murray and Plattsmouth, is today observing the passing of her 90th birthday, spending the anniversary at the home of her sons, George and Edward Graves at Peru. Mrs. Graves is still very vigorous for her age and the many friends will join in the wish that she may enjoy many other anniversaries. Mr. Graves passed away a few years ago and Mrs. Graves is now making her home in Plattsmouth. In addition to the two sons at Peru other children are J. H. Graves, Mrs. Frank E. Vallery of this city and Mrs. Bert Crawford, who resides in Oregon.

## RETURN FROM NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reeder of this city were at Elmwood for the alumni reunion of the high school last Friday. Mrs. Reeder being a graduate of the school. They remained over the holiday season and on their return home were accompanied by Miss Anna Williams, sister of Mrs. Reeder.

Miss Williams has been teaching the past year at Elida, New Mexico, and has had a very successful year in her work.

## ARRIVE FROM CALIFORNIA

From Tuesday's Daily—Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bullin and Merle McCrary, of Burbank, California, arrived here this morning to enjoy a vacation visit with their relatives and friends. They had a very fine trip and came through in record time with Mr. Bullin and Mr. McCrary taking turns in driving.

## RETURNS TO SCHOOL

Margaret Henton, who is attending the Beau Ideal Beauty school, of Omaha enjoyed a three day vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Henton and her grandparents. She returned to Omaha Monday evening.

## MRS. PITTMAN ILL

From Wednesday's Daily—Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Davis of Murray were business visitors in Plattsmouth yesterday. Mrs. Davis' mother, Mrs. Dave Pittman, who is 85 years of age, is reported as very ill at her home.

## HERE FROM CLEVELAND

Mrs. P. H. Murdick and son, "Tad" arrived Sunday morning from their home at Cleveland, Ohio, and will spend a few weeks here with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wescott, parents of Mrs. Murdick. Their visit is one that has long been anticipated by the Plattsmouth relatives and bringing them much pleasure. The little son has gained much fame since his earliest babyhood as the subject of photography that has been used largely in national advertising in many of the leading magazines.

## Many Here to Take Part in Memorial Day

Large Groups of Former Residents Return on Day of Memory and Recollection to Honor Dead.

Friday and Monday saw large groups of former Plattsmouth residents here to look after the decoration of graves of their loved ones in Oak Hill cemetery and to meet many of the old friends here and renew acquaintanceships of years gone by.

The cemeteries were very beautiful and fresh with waving flags and beautiful flowers and presented one of the best appearances that it has for years.

Those from out of the city were especially loud in their praise of the manner in which the cemetery had been kept and arranged for the memorial day. The constant care that the cemetery has received in the past year was apparent in the beautiful appearance.

Among those here from nearby points to look after their graves included:

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Vallery, Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson, Myron Wheeler, Mrs. Dan Wheeler, Michael Wurga, Sr., Dr. E. D. Cummins, Frank H. Johnson, Mrs. Agnes Chapman, Ralph Larson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Worley, all of Lincoln; Frank Levings, Mrs. O. M. Edwards, Mrs. Charles Duke, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mansek, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Grassman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chrisman, James Kinkead, Mr. and Mrs. Reese Hastain, Mrs. Nellie Agnew, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hunter, Francis Whelan and Clyde Drew, all of Omaha; Louis Ottmat, Nebraska City; Emmett Smith, McCook; Alg. Johnson, St. Joseph, Mo.; Frank Wheeler, Lincoln.

## TO WITNESS SAILING

Miss Jessie Robertson of Lincoln, who has been a delegate at the conference of the White Shrine, held at Toronto, Canada, will be at New York on Friday, June 3rd, when the warships carrying the Annapolis cadets sail for their European training trip. Her nephew, James M. Robertson, II, will be one of the party.

This summer cruise is for the purpose of giving the midshipmen a course of training in navigation and also in the firing and gun practice that will be a part of the training they must have when graduating to become officers of the navy.

## HERE FOR DECORATION DAY

From Monday's Daily—Mrs. Edna Evans and four grandchildren, Jack, Paul, Nita and Lalie, of Lincoln, arrived yesterday to spend Decoration Day with Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Breese, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Thompson and W. E. Wells and daughter Ernestine of Red Oak, Iowa, arrived this morning to spend the day.

## HERE TO VISIT RELATIVES

D. R. Churchill, of Twin Falls, Idaho, is here to join Mrs. Churchill, who has been visiting the relatives here for the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Churchill are members of pioneer Nebraska families and have a large number of relatives and old friends in this community.

## ATTEND WRESTLING MATCH

From Wednesday's Daily—Arnold Lillie and John Jordan were in Omaha last evening to attend the wrestling match, both being ardent followers of the game.

## Iowa Institution Band Gives Fine Concert Sunday

Large Number at the Nebraska Masonic Home to Hear Splendid Program Presented.

The music lovers of Plattsmouth had an unusual treat afforded them Sunday afternoon when the Iowa State band of Glenwood, paid a visit to this city for a concert at the Nebraska Masonic Home.

This band is one of the best in western Iowa and under the direction of George M. Duncan, well known bandman.

There was a large group of the residents who to join the Masonic Home residents and to enjoy to the extent the artistic rendition of the well arranged program.

The visitors from Glenwood were welcomed to the city by Mayor George Lushinsky, who extended the freedom of the city to them and expressed the wish that they might return again to give the local people the opportunity of enjoying such an exceptional musical treat.

The band presented a very classic overture from the pen of Suppe, the well known composer, "Tantalus-qualen," whose rendition showed the very fine training of the members of the organization. Soft and soothing was "Romance Day Dreams," by Rollinson, a very fine number that was enjoyed to the utmost by the large audience. The always popular "Skaters Waltz" was given a place on the program and in the fine rendition lost none of its charm and beauty.

The cornet solo, "I'll Take You Home Again Kathleen" was given by Angelina Micheluski, one of the talented young artists of the band, the number being accompanied by Pansy Rigan and Margaret Gee, to form a cornet trio of unusual beauty.

The aged residents of the Home were especially charmed with the familiar melody of plantation songs which the band gave with great feeling and expression.

Superintendent W. F. Evers of the Masonic Home expressed the appreciation of the kindness of the Masonic Home expressed the appreciation of the kindness of the Glenwood band in coming here for the concert, and to Director Duncan and Superintendent H. B. Dye of the state institution for making the visit possible.

## HERE FROM IOWA

Dr. Charles M. Gradoville and family were here over the Memorial day holiday visiting with the relatives in Plattsmouth, Murray and Omaha. They returned home last evening.

This year the oldest daughter of the family, Catherine, was graduated from the Knoxville, Iowa, high school.

His son, Robert, this year received the American Legion award at Knoxville for his athletic work and scholastic rating, this being the second time that it has been won in the family, last year the oldest son, Charles, receiving the honor.

## ELECTED HEAD OF HOME ECONOMICS SOCIETY

LINCOLN, May 30—Lois Giles of Plattsmouth was recently installed as president of Omicron Nu, honorary Home Economics society at the University of Nebraska. Miss Giles is a Junior in the College of Agriculture.

## FRIED CHICKEN DINNER

First Christian church, June 4th. Adults 40c. Children 25c. Menu:

Fried Chicken  
Mashed Potatoes - Gravy  
Green Beans - Radishes  
Tomato Salad  
Strawberry Shortcake  
Jelly - Hot Rolls  
Coffee

## NO BIBLE SCHOOL LESSON

Copy for the Bible lesson written by L. Neitzel failed to arrive this week, hence the usual lesson is missing from this issue of the Journal.

Phone news items to No. 6.