

Sketch of the Life of Warren L. Ward, Pilot

Nephew of Mrs. Agnes Moore of This City Laid to Last Rest Easter Sunday.

A telegram received about noon Wednesday, April 5 by Robt. B. Ward brought information of the death of his son, Warren L. Ward, who lost his life in an airplane crash which occurred at Krueger Field, an auxiliary landing field eight miles east of Randolph Field, Texas.

The news of the tragic death of this splendid young man came as a shock to his wide circle of friends throughout this community. No young man was held in higher regard by those who knew him and comments made by friends included the expressions of profound sympathy for the members of his family.

When the accident occurred he was practicing 180-degree approaches to the landing field and had completed two of the three turns included in the maneuver when the BT-9 training plane fell off into a tall spin and crashed from an altitude of from 200 to 300 feet.

The body reached Auburn Friday morning, April 7, accompanied by his roommate, Flying Cadet Robert Dean Postlewait.

Warren Leonard Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Ward, was born at Auburn, January 23, 1912, and had attained the age of 27 years, 2 months and 13 days. He attended the Auburn schools and graduated from the high school with the class of 1929 and in the fall of the same year he enrolled as a student at Nebraska Wesleyan university at Lincoln where he received his A. B. degree in the spring of 1933.

All through his school and college career he ranked as an "A" student. After he had graduated from college he worked with his father at the Johnson & Ward filling station in Auburn. Last summer he was employed as government inspector on the river project at Brownville.

In October he gave up this position and enlisted for a four year course in the army flying corps at Randolph Field as a flying cadet. On February 24 he passed the required tests which qualified him for the rank of upper classman and the rank of corporal.

In letters to Mr. and Mrs. Ward, officers at Randolph Field paid high tribute to his character and worth. Col. John B. Brooks, commanding the Air Corps wrote: "Your son's record at this school was an excellent one and many remarks of tribute have already reached me. Kindly accept the heartfelt sympathy of myself and every member of this command in the untimely death of this young man. It is regretted that his career should be so abruptly terminated."

Col. A. W. Robbins wrote: "His work at the training center was of the highest order and his death is not only a great personal loss to us but a distinct loss to the service. He was held in the highest esteem by all who came in contact with him and his untimely passing is deeply regretted by all."

Warren was a licensed amateur radio operator, operating under the call letters W9VQB and was a charter member of the Southeast Nebraska Radio club. He was also a member of the local lodge of the order of Modern Woodmen.

As a member of the First Methodist church of Auburn he pattern-

ed his life after the standard of Christian manhood. He was of even temperament, cheerful and optimistic. Because of his self-sacrificing disposition he was deeply concerned over the welfare of others and especially that of his immediate family.

Since he was a very small boy he has always been interested in airplanes and for several years had cherished a great desire to become a pilot.

He is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Ward and one brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice R. Ward and his beloved nephew, Teddy. He is also survived by three uncles, E. A. Ward, Franklin; J. W. Stoddard and Alex Stoddard, Auburn, and three aunts, Mrs. Viola Durst, Elk Creek; Mrs. Agnes Moore, Plattsmouth, and Mrs. Ella Gillespie, Snipe Lake, Canada.

Military services were held at Randolph Field preceding the homeward trip and services were held in the First Methodist church in Auburn, Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. LaVerne Jay. It was one of the most largely attended funerals ever held in Auburn, friends coming from far and near to pay their respects to the worthy young man whose life had reached an untimely end. The floral tributes were very beautiful and included a wreath from the enlisted officers at Randolph Field, a Floral Cadet emblem from class members, and a spray from Col. John B. Brooks.

Mrs. Marshall Howe, Miss Janice Power, C. W. Redfern and F. L. McPherrin sang: "The Old Rugged Cross," and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and Mrs. Fred Timm sang "Going Home" as a solo. Miss Darlean Rozean was at the piano. Honorary pallbearers were John Harmon, Clarence Tucker, John Stevenson, Floyd Clarke, James Roberts and Gerold Bennett, all members of the Southeast Nebraska Radio club. Active pallbearers were Ralph Darling, Fred Epperson, Verle Worthington, Claude Oakman, Delbert Hacker and Pete Susong.

Burial was in Sheridan cemetery with full military honors by the American Legion. During the services a plane piloted by Curtis Tucker of Howe with Carl McKee riding with him circled the church and also over the cemetery during the rites at the grave. At the sounding of taps, the plane dived from an altitude of 2,000 feet to 1,200 feet as a final salute to one who had given his life in the conquest of the air.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral were: Prof. J. C. Jensen of Nebraska Wesleyan university; Rev. J. W. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. VanHatten, and Mrs. Viola Long, all of Lincoln; Virgil Long, Norfolk; Lenora and Lela Taylor, Elliott, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hughes and Evelyn, Mrs. Lois Howe and Mrs. Gladys Peterson, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. William Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Wright, Graydon, Mabel, Lloyd and Katherine Snyder, Fred and Oscar Neidermeyer, Mr. and Mrs. George Roos, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Jensen and John George, Talmage; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Durst and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ramus Ovenden, Elk Creek; Mrs. Dora Morris and Verda, Brock; W. R. Stoddard, Tecumseh; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peters, Nebraska City; E. A. Ward, Franklin and Mrs. Agnes Moore and daughter, Plattsmouth.

RETURNS TO PARISH

From Friday's Daily—
Rev. Joseph R. Sinkula, pastor of the Holy Rosary church on West Pearl street, returned early this morning to resume his parastate duties. Father Sinkula, who had spent the last four months in New Mexico and Ohio recuperating from a recent illness, is feeling much better and relieved after taking treatments for his illness in the east. The many friends as well as his parishioners are glad to know that the vacation has proved a great help physically to Father Sinkula and hope him the best of health in the future years.

NEW MODERNISTIC FURNITURE

The Cozy barber shop of Arnold Lillie is going modernistic, a fine new set of steel chairs in the latest streamlined style being added to the equipment. Mr. Lillie plans also for a new flooring and painting the shop so that a color scheme of grey and green will enhance the looks of the shop. The chairs are in a very attractive shade of apple green.

VISIT AT FALLS CITY

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Sullivan of south of this city, with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tiekotter and Janet, motored to Falls City to spend the day. They were guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Greene, Mrs. Greene being a sister of Mrs. Sullivan.

I REMEMBER

By OLIVE GASS

As a part of the celebration of Music Week, May 7-13 I have been requested to give some reminiscences of Plattsmouth's musical activities, especially during the early days.

Plattsmouth, Nebraska was settled in 1853-54 and as early as 1858 we find an organization of the members of the community for the purpose of a general advancement in mental growth. It was called "The Literary Circle."

We are fortunate in having had the secretary's book of this "Literary Circle" preserved for us. In it there are frequent references to "singing by the members," with critical comments on the same. As, for instance, "The singing tonight was fair," or "Tonight, the singing was mellifluous!" But on other occasions, the comments on the singing were definitely caustic.

J. N. Wise, with his tuning fork, was the leader of these "sings." The names of some of these first families in this group, were Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Perry P. Gass, Jonathan Wise, Parker Wise, Burwell Spurlock, Miss Nancy Spurlock, Miss Ella Duke, Miss Margaret Duke, I. N. Karraga.

This secretary's book is important because it gives us the date (1858) of the first organization to have vocal music regularly on the program.

I have depended on the secretary's book for these earliest historical facts, but the remainder of this article is strictly reminiscent, as I took part in all that I relate.

Soon after the close of the civil war an opera was presented here by local talent. I remember that at the age of 8 years, I made my debut as a singer in the chorus of that opera. What the name of the opera was, I do not know. But I distinctly remember that my mother made for me a new ruffled white dress with many gilt paper stars sewed upon it, so presumably I was an angelic fairy.

The operas of Gilbert and Sullivan were very popular during the latter part of the 19th century. Plattsmouth musicians organized for the purpose of presenting some of these, between 1887 and 1900.

The operas selected were: "H. M. S. Pinafore," composed in 1878; "Pirates of Penzance," composed in 1880, and the "Mikado," composed in 1885.

I wish to digress from my subject, to comment on the fact that this year (1939) the jazz-swing maniacs have attacked "The Mikado" and they now present it to a long-suffering public, under the title "Hot Mikado."

I wish I knew a soft pedal word that would be a synonym for "lazy." But I do not, therefore I must say that these self-styled ultra-modernists are too lazy to do serious, original work, and therefore they attach "jazz-swing" like parasites, to correct musical forms of real merit, hoping thereby to participate in the success of the meritorious work from which they receive sustenance.

Following the presentation of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, we began the study of oratorios. "Elijah" was given about 1892, directed by Mrs. G. W. Noble. "The Messiah" was given about 1893 and was also directed by Mrs. G. W. Noble. "Queen Esther" was given in 1898 directed by Mrs. Lillian Swearingin-Hasse.

One of the earliest music clubs was the "Mozart Study Club" whose members were earnest music teachers and students whose object was to become better acquainted with classical music and composers.

In 1887 the "Zither Orchestra" was organized, with the following players: Zithers: Mrs. Ida Waterman-Wagner, Miss Anna Wechbach, Mrs. Alex Clark, Mrs. C. M. Butler, Miss Kate Stadelman; Violins: Miss Lillian Kauble, Mr. A. Eigenbrodt; Cornet: Mr. Alex Clark; Guitars: Miss Olive Gass, Miss Lydia Wechbach, Miss Alma Schmidtman; Bass viol: Mr. Hodabt.

We not only gave our entertainments in Plattsmouth, but we presented our concerts in neighboring towns.

Besides these group activities along musical lines, Plattsmouth has sent out professional entertainers who have been a credit to the city. Among them are Alice and Ethel Dovey, Dora Swearingin, L. D. Hiatt, Lillian Kauble, Agnes Knoflick and Richard Avard.

In closing, I wish to compare the status of music in our city in those early days, with the advancement of today.

During my school days, we had no music supervisors and no music taught. However, we sang every morning at opening exercises a capella, and enjoyed it.

Today, "music" is found in the curriculum of every-school in Plattsmouth.

Two of the most efficient and wide-

spread means of cultivating a knowledge and love for music are the Victrola and radio and to these must be given much of the credit for the remarkable advancement in music appreciation, in Plattsmouth, today.

PRESENT OPERETTA

Friday evening there was a very fine audience present at the high school building to witness the presentation of one of the most delightful of the light operettas, "H. M. S. Pinafore," which in its day had been one of the most popular of the tuneful musical operas.

The young people of the Junior High school presented the operetta in a very capable manner and showed remarkable ability and skill in their offering.

The cast of the operetta was as follows:

Leads

"Sir Joseph" ----- Kenneth White
"Captain Corcoran" --- George Jacobs
"Ralph Rackstraw" --- Robt. Grassman
"Dick Deadeye" ----- LaVerne Rice
"Boatswain" ----- Merle Shryock
"Cousin Hebe" ----- Irene LaHoda
"Josephine" (Act I) --- George Lester
"Josephine" (Act II) --- Miriam Fricke
"Buttercup" (Act I) --- Delores Russ
"Buttercup" (Act II) --- Lois Wolever

Chorus of Sailors

Buddy Eledge, Frederick Bruce, Sterling Hopkins, Coleman O'Brian, Joe McMaken, Joe Highfield, Lars Larson, Troy Cotner, Wayne Dasher, Walter Bryant, Albert Richards, Raymond Harold, Raymond Evers, Edward Bashus, Bernard Dow, Keith Wise, Lowell Hopkins, Raymond Johnson, Kenneth Hull, Fred Kille, Austin McBride, Howard Mrasek, Donald Skalak, Eldon Vroman, Billy Gochenour, Harry Gochenour, Norman Rhoades, Harry Egenberger, Paul Myers, Dean Earl.

Chorus of Girls

Edith Taylor, Mary Jean Hatt, Rachel McMaken, Ruth Gaines, Mary Ellen Carr, Joan Tiekotter, Charlotte Steinkamp, Dorene Weiland, Donna Seiver, Nellie Rainey, Shirley Price, Nola Meisinger, Geraldine White, Nora Shafer, Doris Lutz, Frankie Krejel, Betty Reed, Bernice Anderson, Helen Hough, Georgia Carey, Doris Johnson, Lila Jones, Minnie Grauf, Genevieve Wright, Jane Hitt, Mary Hitt, Georgia Stones, Eleanor Rozel, Ruth Farmer, Dona Mason, Eileen Aylor, Josephine Eastridge, Ruth Rhoades, Gladys Fae Rhoades, Ila Royer, Millie Kozacek, Jean Hudson, Josephine Sedlak, June Cadwell, Bonnie Walters, Elma Atteberry, Katherine Kaffenberger, Jean Galland, Uretta Finnebrook, Shirley Burcham, Leota Quinnett, Frances Davis, Marjorie Phillips, Marie Blake.

SCOUT PATROL MEETS

The meeting came to order with the Boy Scout oath. Since Patrol Leader Billy Hula was absent Assistant Patrol Leader Raymond Evers took over the meeting. We discussed going to Camp Wheeler over Friday and Saturday. As Billy Hula was absent we could not carry out our plans for tonight.

Meeting then came to a close with the Indian benediction after which a delightful lunch was served.

GEORGE JACOBS,
Patrol Scribe.

"JUST SO" SEWING CLUB

From Thursday's Daily—
The "Just So" sewing club met at the home of the assistant leader, Miss Ruth Ann Hatt, yesterday. Twelve members were present and two were absent.

Each member brought toveling for their towels, and started sewing on them.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Jane Hitt, Tuesday, May 9.

JUNE CADWELL,
News Reporter.

ENTERTAIN FOR GUESTS

Mrs. F. R. Guthmann and daughter, Miss Minnie had as guests T. J. Hallahan of Springfield, Mass., and his daughter and grandson, Mrs. Walsh and son, William of Charlamont, Mass., and Mrs. C. F. Guthmann of Boise, Idaho, formerly Miss Margaret Hallahan of this city.

T. J. Hallahan is a brother of Mrs. C. F. Guthman and who has many friends here who will be glad to hear of his recent visit in Plattsmouth.

ATTEND CHURCH CONFERENCE

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Born and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Starkjohn were at Omaha Thursday evening where they attended a conference held by the Evangelical synod of the state. Mr. Born and Mr. Starkjohn are members of the official board of the local church and Mrs. Born head of one of the local church groups.

ICKES HAS HOPES

WASHINGTON, May 4 (UP)—Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes was asked at his press conference today for verification of rumors that he is about to become a father. His answer was: "I have hopes."

Pitchers' Battle Marks Lincoln-Platter Game

Lincoln Has Best of 3 to 2 Score—Errors Add in Scoring of the Game on Both Sides.

In a close and exciting game Wednesday afternoon at Lincoln, the Platters dropped a 3 to 2 contest to the Lincoln team, a game in which some excellent pitching work was shown and ragged fielding.

It was a contest in which both pitchers, John Jacobs for the Platters and Wilkinson for Lincoln turned in good records, Jacobs allowing five hits and Wilkinson three, while Jacobs struck out nine and Wilkinson eight of the batters. Each pitcher gave one pass.

The Platters scored in the second inning of the game in a combination of hits and errors. Phillips hit safe and stole second and advanced on an error at short, while Jacobs followed with another safe bingle and also pliffed a bag from the Lincoln catcher. Joe York placed one through short that was not handled and the runs scored for the Platters. York was nipped at second on the fielder's choice of the blow of Parriott.

Lincoln staged their scoring in the third inning when Kersey, catcher, was given a pass to the initial sack and scored on the hit of Maser. Lovell was safe on an error at third and Maser tallied while Lovell scored on the outfield fly of Jennings.

In the sixth Lincoln again threatened when O'Connor and Wilkinson hit safely but the three succeeding batters were out on popups to York and Jones and the strikeout of Lower. The Platters had men on in the sixth and seventh but were unable to score, Wilkinson striking out succeeding batters to check the threat.

The box score of the game was as follows:

Plattsmouth		Lincoln			
AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Smith, 2b	3	0	1	0	1
Jones, c	3	0	0	9	1
Sedlak, 3b	3	0	1	0	1
Hayes, ss	3	0	0	3	0
Phillips, lf	3	1	1	2	0
Jacobs, p	3	1	1	0	0
York, 1b	2	0	0	7	0
Parriott, cf	3	0	0	0	0
Lutz, rf	2	0	0	0	0
Noble, rf	1	0	0	0	0
25		2	3	18	6

Lincoln		Plattsmouth			
AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Maser, rf	3	1	1	0	0
Lovell, ss	3	1	0	1	3
Jennings, 1b	3	0	0	6	0
O'Connor, 2b	2	0	1	3	0
Wilkinson, p	3	0	2	0	3
Miller, cf	3	0	1	1	0
Lauer, 3b	3	0	0	0	0
Wheeler, lf	3	0	0	1	0
Kersey, c	1	1	0	9	0
24		3	5	21	6

NEW LIBRARY BOOK

"A Little Princess," by Frances Hodgson is a new book placed on the juvenile shelf of the Plattsmouth public library. It is a book that the librarians, Misses Olive Jones and Verana Leonard are proud to present to the children and general public because it is widely distributed, well-known, and has been seen in picture, the book having been recently produced into a moving picture called "The Little Princess." In the last few weeks the demand for this book has been very heavy until the librarians were forced to purchase it.

The picture, "The Little Princess," starring Shirley Temple will be at the Cass theater on Sunday and Monday, May 7 and 8.

PREPARE STUDIO OPENING

A new musical institution in the city is that of the South Sea Island studio which will open up on Thursday afternoon at the Hotel Plattsmouth. The studio will teach the Hawaiian guitar and will be under the direction of Mrs. Caroline Showers, for six years in charge of the studio at 4004 South 24th street, Omaha, and Jay King.

There has been some twenty-five enrolled in the class and which will be held each Thursday afternoon in the future at the hotel.

HERE FROM DAKOTA

From Thursday's Daily—
Mr. and Mrs. Connie Allen, of Edgemont, South Dakota, arrived in the city last evening for a visit over night and this morning with Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Allen, parents of Mr. Allen. Mr. Allen, who is engaged in the bakery business at Edgemont, has been at Watertown, South Dakota, to attend a meeting of the bakers of that state and took advantage of the occasion to visit the old home.

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VISIT IN OLD HOME

From Thursday's Daily—
Today two former residents of Plattsmouth were here and enjoyed a few hours visiting with old time friends and acquaintances.

William Roy McKinney, of Los Angeles, who is en route home from Pontiac, Michigan, where he accompanied his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKinney, came in this morning for the day. While many of those who were among the boys and girls and business men of the years he was here have gone, Mr. McKinney has found many who have enjoyed to the utmost the opportunity of a visit with him and renewing old times.

Rev. O. G. Wichmann, pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church over a period of several years, was also here for a short time and had the pleasure of luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce of which he was an active member while here. Rev. Wichmann is now located in California, and is on his way east with friends.

ATTEND CORNERSTONE LAYING

From Friday's Daily—
W. A. Robertson, past grand master of the Nebraska Masons, W. F. Evers, superintendent of the Masonic Home, and Robert M. Walling, local abstractor, returned home last evening from a short trip to Franklin, Nebraska. Messrs. Robertson and Evers participated in the laying of the cornerstone of the Franklin community building, a structure erected by the various civic bodies of Franklin including the Masonic order. The cornerstone was laid by the grand lodge of the A. F. & A. M.

Mr. Walling at Franklin located the building where his father, the late Thomas Walling, Sr., had worked as a young man when first coming to the United States from the British Isles. The party also visited the farm near Franklin that was purchased many years ago by the late J. M. Robertson.

LOCATED IN NEW PASTORATE

Rev. O. G. Wichmann, former pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church, who stopped here for a short time Thursday to visit the old friends and church members is now located in the western part of the state at Minature. He has a very fine charge and is very much pleased with the western section of the state. He was called east to attend a synod meeting that is being held in Omaha this week.

VISITS IN MISSOURI

Mrs. M. O. Webb, who resides in the Herold apartments, is in Missouri where she will spend the next two or three weeks visiting with her parents, who live near Kansas City. Her husband, M. O. Webb, is in South Dakota where he is engaged in work for a while.

Lillian Murphy Dies at Omaha; Ill Long Time

Former Resident Here Where She Was Born and Grew to Womanhood—Ill Five Months.

Miss Lillian E. Murphy, 59, of 2724 Fontenelle boulevard, Omaha, a former Plattsmouth resident, died Wednesday morning at the St. Joseph hospital at Omaha after an illness that has covered the past five months.

The deceased lady was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Murphy, early day residents of Plattsmouth where the father was engaged in the contracting business. After the completion of her school work Miss Murphy was engaged in auditing and stenographic work for a great many years, serving here in the law offices of Byron Clark and C. A. Rawls until removing to Omaha where she has since resided.

She is survived by two sisters, Miss May Murphy, of Los Angeles, Mrs. W. F. Wild, New York; two brothers, Edward A. Murphy, Los Angeles and Thomas L. Murphy, Omaha.

LOCALS

From Saturday's Daily—
Helen Reed from Murray was a visitor in Plattsmouth Thursday.

Mrs. Earl Merritt of Murray was a business and social visitor in Plattsmouth yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Kendall of Union were in Plattsmouth Thursday where they attended to some matters of business.

Charles Vallery, local service station operator, was at Murdock today where he was called to look after some matter of business and visiting with friends.

NEW STORE OPENS

From Friday's Daily—
The liquor store operated by Robert Sedlak, located on South Sixth street was opened for business today after several days of preparation and redecorating. The store is nicely arranged with new shelving arrangements and decorations and a new stock of liquor that was installed Thursday. Mr. Sedlak received his license Thursday and is now ready for the service to his patrons.

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