

Poison Gulped by Woman After Call to Employer

Found Lying on Floor of Shop Following Strange Telephone Message—Condition Reported Critical.

Gertrude Sampson, 32, 2115 Maple street, employed by the Earl C. Brady Plumbing company, 3224 North Twenty-fourth street, attempted to commit suicide Thursday afternoon, according to police, drinking chloroform in the office of the shop.

She was taken to Swedish Mission hospital where her condition is reported to be critical.

About 12:15 she telephoned Earl C. Brady, who was working on a job at 1910 Chicago street and asked him to return to the shop at once. When he arrived he found her lying on the floor. He called a physician who ordered her removed to a hospital.

No motive has yet been learned for her act.

This makes the fifth attempt at suicide within 24 hours in Omaha, according to police. Two attempts were successful; two were not, and the result of Mrs. Sampson's attempt is still in doubt.

Mrs. Sampson's maiden name was Siddens. She has been divorced from her husband for about two years. She has two children, Robert, 18, and Don, 8.

Until three months ago, when she started to work for the Brady company, she lived with her parents in Lincoln. In Omaha she lived for a time at the home of P. Brady, Earl Brady's father.

Earl Brady said he had accompanied Mrs. Sampson to various places of amusement, but that she had professed no love for him nor for her. They attended a theater Sunday night.

Brady is divorced from his wife. He said when Mrs. Sampson called him up this afternoon she was crying, which caused him to hurry back to the shop.

Engineers to Meet.

There will be a meeting of the Nebraska chapter of the American Society of Engineers here Saturday night, when the possibility of bringing a national engineers' meet to Omaha will be discussed.

Society

Club Delegate



Mrs. Philip Potter, president-elect of the Omaha Woman's club, will head the delegation from the club at the convention of the Second district Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs, to be held in Papillion Friday and Saturday.

The delegation, which includes Mesdames Edward Johnson, William Berry, L. M. Lord, Charles Hempel, Grace Pool Steinhilber, F. H. Cole, G. Y. Kring, John Gill, H. J. Holmes, George Magney, Thomas Tracy, John Golden, Harriet MacMurphy, George Pray, A. L. Fernald, J. F. Dimick and Miss Grace Thomas, will leave on the 8 o'clock interurban. The convention opens at 9 a. m.

Mrs. Charles Johannes, president of the club will be unable to attend the conference.

To Attend Council Meet.

Mrs. Philip Potter, president-elect of the Omaha Woman's club, leaves Monday evening for St. Louis, where she will visit her daughter before going to Atlanta, Ga., for the council meeting of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, May 7-11. Mrs. Charles Johannes, president of the Omaha Woman's club, leaves for Atlanta, Saturday, May 5. She will visit in Washington, New York, Boston and Maine before returning to Omaha.

Omaha University Gala Day on May 18.

Preparations for the 10th annual gala day at the University of Omaha started with the election of David Robel, junior, as chairman of the central committee. Class members of the committee are: Evelyn Walton, senior; Don Head, junior; Margaret Thompson, sophomore; Keith Ware, freshman; Don Thomas, preparatory representative.

The annual program at Kountze park, under direction of Mrs. L. P. Johnson, gymnasium instructor, and the gymnasium classes, is announced as a "Pageant of the Season," with the spirit of Spring heralding the coming of flowers and May, represented by girls, the May queen and her attendants, and the winding of the May pole. There will be 100 girls in the pageant, chosen from the entire school, Mrs. Johnson says.

Each class and organization of the university will put on a short act after the pageant, at Jacobs hall, Twenty-fourth and Pratt streets.

University Guest.

Miss Ruth Miller will spend Friday from the University of Nebraska to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Miller. With her she will have Miss Helen Wiley of Grand Island.

Guest from Kearney.

Mrs. Bernard Foutch of Kearney, Neb., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Willis H. Taylor, and Mrs. L. O.

Hoffman, who on Wednesday were hostesses to 56 guests at a bridge luncheon in the Athletic club.

The Thursday bridge club met yesterday for luncheon at the Brandeis honoring Mrs. Foutch, and last evening Mrs. Henry Cox entertained at a buffet supper.

Other affairs include, Mrs. Edward Leggett and Mrs. S. E. Faulkner, a bridge luncheon at the former's home on Friday; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weppner, a dinner on Saturday; Mr. and Mrs. Branch Curtis, a supper on Sunday; Mrs. Charles Horn and Mrs. Harry Peters, a luncheon at the Brandeis, followed by a movie party, on Monday; Mrs. Grant Benson, a luncheon on Tuesday and Mrs. E. Z. Hornberger, a luncheon on Friday of next week.

Mrs. Niederst Honored.

Sixteen members of the L. O. E. club entertained at a surprise party Wednesday afternoon in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mrs. John Niederst, retiring publicity chairman of the organization.

A birthday cake made by Mrs. John L. Killian was a feature of the luncheon. The afternoon was spent in games and music.

Engagement Announced.

Mrs. Emma Relf of Long Beach, Cal., formerly of Omaha, announces the engagement of her daughter, Mrs. Gene Relf Melick of this city, to Day-Willis H. Taylor, and Mrs. L. O.

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Legion Benefit Bridge for Worthy Cause.

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Visits to wounded and sick service men in hospitals, 125; distributed to service men in hospitals, 387 boxes of candy and 473 packages of cigars; 24 boxes of clothing and bedding, 15 boxes of food, 635 separate articles of clothing, all distributed to families

of needy service men; furnished Legion's four-bed ward in St. Joseph's hospital with bed clothes, linens and curtains.

There will be tables for high-five as well as for bridge.

The auxiliary has ordered additional tickets, the first 500 having been taken by ticket sellers.

For Tag Day.

Mrs. W. A. Thomas will have charge of the Florence territory for tag day Saturday for the Minerva home. Mrs. Elizabeth G. Smith will have charge in Benson. Minerva cottage is a home for homeless girls, sponsored by an interdenominational movement.

Personals

Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Davis are to spend the week end in Lincoln.

Miss Marjorie Cavers returned Wednesday from California and is at the Blackstone.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schnitzer announce the birth of a daughter at Frederick hospital Tuesday morning.

Mrs. C. W. Morton, jr., returned Sunday with Mr. Morton from Rochester, Minn., where she had undergone an operation for appendicitis. Their daughter, Patricia, during their absence, stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Morton, sr.

A daughter was born April 24 at the Stewart hospital at Omaha to Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Cherny of Rogers, Neb.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton B. Stult announce the birth of a daughter Monday, April 23, at Clarkson hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rickers of Vail, Ia., announce the birth of a daughter on April 24, at the Stewart hospital.

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