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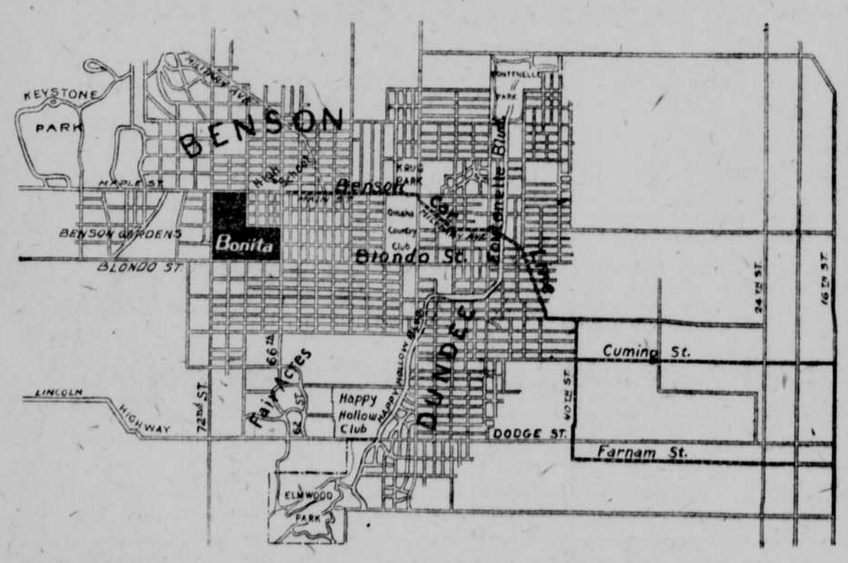

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Of this amount Mrs. David Feder and her workers secured $1,500 in $1 memberships from hotels and downtown stores. In house-to-house canvassing the workers of Mrs. Frank Carmichael collected $3,500 and $15,000 has been subscribed by Omaha professional and business men.

Many workers have not yet made returns, but it was stated that should the amount not reach the required $25,000, the drive is to continue.

Bellevue Notes.

"Is the Lord's Hand Waxed Short?" is the subject of the sermon to be delivered this morning by Rev. C. H. Russell at the Bellevue Presbyterian church. There will be special music by the choir.

Miss Mary Starr is back in school after having undergone an operation for the removal of her tonsils.

Harold Barnes has been awarded a knight pin in the Health Crusaders and Miss Mary Sterba has been presented with a knight bannaret pin.

On account of rain, the entertainment to be given Friday by the Boy Scouts has been postponed until May 14, when a program will be given at the Bellevue Presbyterian church for the benefit of the fnud to pay the expenses of the Bellevue contingent of Boy Scouts at Camp Gifford this summer.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Bellevue Presbyterian church met last week at the home of Mrs. James MacNab, who was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. C. L. Phelps and Mrs. Warren Carey. The meeting was well attended and the following officers were installed: President, Mrs. John Frazeur; vice president, Mrs. Lew Probasco, and treasurer, Mrs. Wilbur Kast.

Cho Cho, the famous health clown, will deliver an address and give demonstrations for the benefit of Bellevue children at the vocational school gymnasium Saturday morning at 9, May 19, according to an announcement by Miss Harriet Patterson, Red Cross nurses, of Sarpy county.

The annual meeting of the Bellevue Cemetery association will be held Tuesday evening at the courthouse, when a successor to James Gow, a member of the board of directors, will be chosen.

South High Notes

The Junior Bs held a meeting Wednesday to choose a speaker for the baccalaureate services.

The Junior A class field a candy sale Wednesday during the lunch periods. Proceeds will be used to pay for the Junior picture which will be published in the annual Tooter.

The Christ Child society will conduct a drive on Saturday, May 5, under direction of Mrs. John Mullen. She will be assisted by 25 or more South High girls who will sell tags.

The Golf club, under the sponsorship of Miss Morris, held a meeting Monday. The main purpose of the meeting was to elect officers. The results were: President, Charles Seymour; treasurer, Walter Haven, and captain, Edward Curran. A qualifying round of 18 holes is to be played May 1. There are now 20 members in the club and more are expected to join.

The Omaha Y. M. C. A. will conduct a swimming class for all boys over the age of 12 years. These lessons will be continued for three weeks or until the boys learn to swim 30 feet. There will be special classes for high school boys. Everything will be free of charge.

Students who are planning to graduate in August met Thursday. They discussed the question of rings, a play, and a class party for the summer. Mr. Weisbecker is sponsor of the class.

The members of the Science club went on an excursion to the Ford assembling plant Tuesday. Miss Chaffey, the sponsor, accompanied them.

The Zion and Cross Lutheran school club members and their sponsor, Miss Wehrs, met April 24. They planned a hike to Elmwood park for Monday, April 30.

Members of S. T. L. and their sponsor, Miss McClain, met Wednesday. A speech was given by Marguerite Jones. The members discussed plans for a banquet to be held later in the season. Refreshments were served.

The Passing Show which was given at the South high auditorium Thursday and Friday of last week was stared again Thursday, April 26, for the benefit of eighth grade pupils from the neighboring schools. Admission was free.

Students of South High reserved a section of the grandstand at Rourke park Wednesday to see the opening baseball game of the season. Gernandt, South high's last year pitcher, is now with the Buffaloes.

Papillion Notes

A miscellaneous shower was given at the home of Miss Ethel Doup Saturday in honor of Miss Alice Bossard, who is to become the bride of Henry Eaton next Tuesday. She received many beautiful gifts.

The 20th annual convention of the Woman's club, second district, was held Friday and Saturday at the high school auditorium. The convention theme was "Education," and addresses were delivered on American citizenship, applied education, legislation and public welfare by the chairmen of the various clubs.

Sadie Mae Carpenter was taken to an Omaha hospital Sunday for treatment.

Clarence Knapp, who has been very ill the past week, is reported improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mulligan and little daughter of South Omaha visited Friday at the J. E. Strawn home.

A son was born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Hans Stark.

F. J. Schwab went to St. Joseph, Mo., Thursday to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law.

Carl Stamm has made arrangements to leave for Germany on May 10, where he will visit his parents.

Ira Beadle has accepted a position in the engineering department of the Henningsen Engineering company at Dunlap, Ia., and left for that place this week.

Mrs. P. J. Langden and Miss Alice Weith of Gretna attended the Sacred Heart academy play here Friday.

The Sacred Heart academy play, which was given Friday and Saturday nights, was a great success and the house was crowded both nights.

Mrs. Earl Mella has accepted the position as linotype operator in the Papillion Times office.

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Funeral Today for Samuel Startzer, Sheriff of Sarpy

Lodges to Officiate at Rites for Fearless Peace Officer, Figure in Early History of Nebraska.

The funeral of Samuel Startzer, sheriff of Sarpy county, vice president of the State Bank of Papillion and a leading member of the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias, who died suddenly Thursday afternoon at his home in Papillion, will be held this afternoon at the family home at 2 under auspices of the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. Burial will be in the Springfield cemetery.

Mr. Startzer was born in Iowa in 1853 and came to Nebraska in 1872, settling on a farm near Springfield with his brother. He and his brother started the Buffalo Creek mill and for many years ground the grain for neighboring farmers, after which he opened and conducted a meat market in Springfield for many years.

He was elected county commissioner for one term in 1892 and afterward elected sheriff, a position which he held continuously for eight years and was then sent to the legislature as representative for one term. He was appointed sheriff two years ago to succeed Samuel Arbuthnott, who was elected to succeed Charles Peters. Sheriff Startzer was elected to succeed himself at the election last fall.

He is survived by one daughter, Clara, and two sons, William and Charles.

Mr. Startzer was one of the spectacular characters of the early history of Nebraska and bore a close resemblance to Buffalo Bill, wearing the well-known goatee sported by the famous buffalo hunter. Mr. Startzer was a personal friend of William Cody and during the early days of his capacity as sheriff rounded up and captured several lawless bands of crooks and horse thieves. His friends said of him that he never knew the word "fear," and he was greatly feared by the lawless element of Sarpy county, whom he kept well in check.

South Omaha Brevities.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS—MA. 4943.

Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Brumbaugh have moved into their new home, 4305 South Twenty-second street.

After several weeks at a local hospital, Mrs. Philip Shields, 4119 South Twenty-sixth street, has returned home.

Mrs. Robert McCoid, 3908 South Twenty-eighth street, is in Nicholas Senn hospital, where she will undergo an operation.

Albert Martin, 2612 G street, was called to Chariton, Ia., on account of the serious illness of his father who is past 80.

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Wilson, 2414 E street, have as their guests, Mrs. E. J. Loutzenheiser and son, of Gothenburg.

The Home Central club will hold a meeting Tuesday evening at 8 at Odd Fellows hall, Twenty-fourth and M streets.

Rev. W. N. Wallis will preach this morning on the topic, "The Garden of the Soul," at the Lefler Memorial M. E. church.

The Young People's society of the United Presbyterian church will hold its monthly business meeting at the church Tuesday evening.

Ray Witney of Boulder, Colo., former South Omaha boy, was a visitor here several days last week and made the rounds of his old friends.

A surprise party in honor of the birthday of Mrs. C. J. Green, 1603 Archer avenue, was given by a number of friends at her home Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. William Sullivan, 4220 South Sixteenth street, entertained at a 1 o'clock luncheon and bridge party to a number of friends at her home Wednesday.

A card party will be given the evening of May 23, at Eagle hall, Twenty-third and N streets, for the benefit of the auxiliary of South Omaha post, American legion.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Royer, 4429 South Seventeenth street, have as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bundy of Spokane, Wash., for several weeks. Mrs. Bundy is their daughter.

Miss Helen Reimer of St. Paul, Minn., former resident of South Omaha, arrived here Tuesday and will spend the summer with her brother, Walter and Mrs. Reimer, 4807 South Nineteenth street.

Rev. C. C. Wilson will deliver a sermon this morning at 11 at the Grace M. E. church on the topic, "Abhorrence of Evil." In the evening he will take as his subject "The Greatest Sport in Life."

St. Mary court No. 577, Women's Catholic Order of Foresters, will give a card party and dance at St. Mary hall, Thirty-sixth and Q streets, Tuesday evening. There will be music and prizes.

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A. D. Troutman of the Armour & Co. business office has been appointed manager of the McKenney Dentists ball team and games will be played with outside clubs, the first game to be played today at Plattsmouth.

Rev. J. A. Mears, pastor of the United Presbyterian church, will deliver a sermon this morning at 11 on the subject, "The Keys of the Kingdom of Heaven." This evening at 7:30 the sermon topic will be "Lessons Learned From Lot."

The Ladies' Aid society of Grace M. E. church will serve its annual May day breakfast Thursday morning from 5:30 to 9. A menu of oranges, hot biscuits and honey, bacon, ham and eggs, coffee and doughnuts will be prepared.

"Our Offering of Self," will be the subject of the sermon to be delivered this morning by Rev. L. A. Brumbaugh at the South Side Christian church at 11. This evening at 7:30 the topic will be "The Man Who Freed a Race."

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Kruse have sold their home, 4817 South Twenty-third street and will start on a motor trip the middle of May through eastern states. They expect to be gone three months and upon their return will locate in North Omaha, after having been a resident of the South Side for 24 years.

Miss Florence Roberts, 4120 South Twentieth street, gave a birthday party at her home last week in honor of her 16th birthday and the following guests were present: Misses Esperance Lyle, Amelia Berger, Mildred Graves, Helen Smith, Beth Hill, Dorothy Gow and Thelma Myers, all schoolmates at South High school.

Miss Dorothy E. Neiman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Neiman, 4430 South Twentieth street, graduate of the South High school and Lloyd F. McElroy, Tekamah, were united in marriage Monday at the home of the parents of the bride, Rev. C. C. Wilson officiating. Miss Lenore Martin attended the bride as bridesmaid and her brother, Clark Neiman was best man. The couple will make their home at Tekamah, where Mr. McElroy is employed by telephone company.

Better Homes Era Near.

The United States is enjoying an era of growing interest in better homes. People who think realize that the solutions of many perplexing problems are to be found in happier surroundings and a true home atmosphere. The Better Homes movement is one of the outstanding phases of this era.

Douglas County Post of Legion Biggest in U. S.

Fact Is Generally Unknown by Omahans Who Pride Themselves on City's First-Place Rank, Says Post Adjutant—Work of 2,516 Legionnaires of Organization Here Is Shown.

By HARRY C. HOUGH,
Adjutant, Douglas County Post.

A booklet issued by the bureau of publicity of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, states that Omaha is first among the cities of the United States in pig-iron production, that it is first in the production of butter, and that it is first in per capita automobile ownership.

Omaha has one other claim to distinction—a claim that is not as generally known as it should be.

In Omaha is located the largest post of the American Legion in the world—Douglas County post No. 1, which has a paidup membership of 2,516. Monahan post, Sioux City, Ia., with a membership of almost 2,000, is the only post in the country approaching the record of the local organization. Argonne post in Des Moines, Ia.; Learned post in Detroit, Mich., and Portland post in Portland, Ore., are other posts which are striving to exceed the total secured by the Douglas County post.

The preamble to the national constitution of the organization is as follows:

Legion Preamble.

For God and country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:

To uphold and defend the constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred per cent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our association in the great war; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

The following letter from national headquarters indicates that the Douglas County post is considered as meeting, to a high degree, the obligations of the above preamble.

April 24, 1923.

Mr. Harry C. Hough, Adjutant,
Douglas County Post No. 1,
The American Legion,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Hough: The report of your membership for 1923 assuredly does place Douglas County post No. 1 of the Department of Nebraska among the leaders of the country. When we hear of such a membership as this, we always know that there is some definite reason aside from the natural expansion of the organization.

In the case of the Douglas county post, we at national headquarters realize that it is due to the splendid activity of your officers, continued interesting meetings, and a bunch of live members who are always up and doing.

With the record mark of 2,516 already reported—and as you say, more to come—your post membership exceeds that of any other in the country. Only by the concerted efforts of the veterans of the world war is the American Legion able to do its part. It appears from your report that at least the Omaha integral of the Legion is of the type that the organization relies upon.

May the months to come continue as successful as those which we have just completed, and your goal of 3,000 membership be attained—and passed.

Sincerely yours,
LEMUEL BOLLES,
National Adjutant.

The membership of the local post in 1922 was 2,133; in 1921 it was 2,220; in 1920 it was 2,310. This year the organization, by a steady and consistent growth, has exceeded its size in 1920, 1921 and 1922, and present indications are that it will pass the goal it has set for itself—3,000 members, making it one of the most powerful organizations in the city.

War Spirit Shown.

The attainment of this membership is the result of a definite program that is now producing members who believe in the ideals and mission of the legion, and who will fight for them, as they fought for the country in '17 and '18.

For the past three years, it has been the conception of the officers and members of the Douglas county post, that the most important mission of the American Legion is "service." In the fulfillment of this mission, the local post has endeavored to give service, in every way, to the ex-service men, to the city, state and nation, and to justify our claim, "The American Legion—a Community Asset."

Since our first duty is to our comrades, especially those disabled in body or mind as a result of the war, the post makes every effort to assist men with their claims for compensation, hospitalization and vocational training. It maintains a unique department, a liaison bureau which acts as an intermediary between the service men, the government veterans' bureau and the general public. We have found that misunderstanding and friction was complicated and delayed the adjustment of many claims, and that the intervention of a member of this bureau, who understands both sides, will make it possible, many times, to cuear up the case.

Ward Maintained.

To give service to our sick comrades, the post maintains a four-bed ward in St. Joseph hospital, known as the American Legion ward. This is available for men who are not financially able for hospital care, or for those who wish to be with their former buddies. In most cases, the patients are treated by legion doctors, and when necessary, one of the nurses of the nurses division of the post is in attendance. By the use of this ward, the post has been enabled to take care of transient service men who are taken sick in Omaha, and who otherwise would be a charge on the charity of the city. The post is often called on to take care of men with claims against the government for compensation and hospitalization, but whose claims have not been sufficiently proven to secure their care by the veterans bureau. The furnishings of the ward have been supplied by the legion auxiliary, whose members, under the leadership of Mrs. William Mettlen, hospitalization chairman, make regular visits with candy, cigarets and magazines.

For several years the post has maintained an employment bureau for the use of service men. Through this bureau, hundreds of men have been given work, at no cost to themselves or the employers. A large proportion of the men have been transients, and the post believes that by furnishing these men, practically all with no means, with short jobs that brought them money at once, that a considerable burden is taken from the shoulders of the city, and many men kept off the streets.

Welfare Work Unlimited.

Other welfare work of the post is almost unlimited in its scope. Rent, clothing, food, medical supplies and attendance, transportation, burial expenses, infants' layettes—the post has been able to respond to every call that has been made to it.

In one instance, a husband and wife were reconciled through the efforts of the legionnaires; in another case a divorce was obtained by the advice of the post. Members of a certain family, who had become estranged because of religious differences, resumed friendly relations when the post took charge of the burial of an only son.

The post gives assistance to service men in all matters relative to the man's service with the government—lost discharges, bonus applications, travel pay, allotments, insurance, etc. Through its contact with the more than 11,000 other Legion posts in the United States, the post has been enabled in several instances to locate missing service men, whose relatives had lost trace of them.

Other Activities.

The post has always taken an active interest in civic affairs, and in general, endorses all movements with worthy objects such as the Boy Scouts, the Visiting Nurses, the educational programs of the Knights of Columbus and the Y. M. C. A., the Nebraska Society for Development of Musical Talent, etc. Although the post is absolutely nonpolitical, the members as individuals are urged to take an active interest in politics, since it is felt that such an interest is the duty of every citizen. The post is constantly engaged in Americanization work, is unalterably opposed to the I. W. W., the "red," the communist and all individuals and organizations who are endeavoring to tear down the government, and is a strong supporter of the doctrine, "America—one nation, one flag, one nation."

This, in brief, is the story of the Douglas county post, the largest post of the American Legion in the world; an organization that is working constantly to make better citizens of the service men in Omaha; an organization that is proud of Omaha, and an organization of which Omaha should be proud.

Girl of 10 Given Contract to Star in Special Part Eight Years Hence

New York Lass Learns Entire Leading Role by Hearing Play—Signed Up by Morris Gest—To Complete Education Abroad.

By Universal Service.

New York, April 28.—Virginia Lawson, 10, Brooklyn, wanted to be an actress so much that she learned by heart the entire leading feminine role of a current Broadway production, just by hearing the play over and over.

Today she was rewarded by Morris Gest, producer, with a contract starring her eight years from now in a part specially written for her.

It was the first time in theatrical history that the announcement of a new star was made so long before her actual debut. The fact that the contract is a long-time gamble on totally undeveloped talent is also unique.

It happened this way:

Virginia and her mother, Mrs. Catherine Lawson, attended the matinee every Saturday for six or seven weeks. Virginia was enraptured with the play—all eyes and ears.

The manager of the house noticed the beautiful blonde child and her eagerness and he finally interviewed her.

"Why, I know every bit of the part," she told him. "I learned it by just listening. Want to hear it?"

So the manager called together the star and the producer and had Virginia "speak her piece."

"The child is remarkable," declared Mr. Gest. "How did you happen to do it, Virginia?"

"I want to be a big actress some day," she replied modestly, blue eyes aglow.

Then Mr. Gest drew up the contract and it didn't take the ambitious lass many minutes to sign on the dotted line.

"Her's is true talent," he said. "It is evident that Virginia will one day be well known on Broadway."

So far, the child has had no dramatic training. But she seems to have inherited histrionic ability from her mother, who once did musical comedy.

Between now and the time the girl will star for Mr. Gest she will be given the best possible dramatic instruction, completing her education abroad. All at the behest of the producer.

Artificial Fruit Much in Vogue for Table Use

There is a man in a small village on the mountainside of northern Italy who carves from marble wonderfully natural fruits and tints them so skillfully and naturally that even horticulturists must inspect them closely to determine their artificiality.

This man, whose age is 80 years, daily toils at his work of making artificial fruits from marble and the world wonders at his talent.

It was from his studio that the penchant sprang for artificial fruit which is now gaining great favor in the United States.

And peculiar as it may seem, constructed sometimes of rubber, sometimes of wax, and much more often of a secret composition, the fruits are much in vogue.

Woman Held as Slayer Almost Admits Identity

Alleged "Hammer Murderess" Changed by Week in Jail—Appears Eager to Talk.

By International News Service.

Tegucigalpa, Honduras, April 28.—A week of imprisonment without a change of linen or the toilet aids so dear to the feminine heart, a week of worry and sparring with the authorities of a strange country has wrought a change in "Mrs. Jesse Carsen," the woman under arrest here on suspicion of being Clara Phillips, the "hammer murderess" of Los Angeles.

Her sullen defiance and seeming nonchalance are disappearing. Today she almost admitted she is Clara Phillips.

All this week, cooped up in a bare room above police headquarters, whose windows looked down on sun-baked streets and the drowsy life of this Spanish-American town, "Mrs. Jesse Carsen" has had only silence or contemptuous disregard for those who sought to question her. Today she appeared almost eager to talk.

This was especially marked during a visit paid her by John Ewing, former American minister to Honduras, and now one of the few Americans resident here. Ewing is confident "Mrs. Carsen" is Mrs. Phillips.

Knows About Clara Phillips.

"Why don't you admit your identity?" Ewing asked.

"Not yet, not yet," was her reply. "Many things may happen between now and the time I am forced to go back to Los Angeles. You may tell the world I deny I am Clara Phillips and that it is for the smart detectives who trailed me here to prove that I am. If I am dragged back there I will tell some things which some people in authority there may not wish to have exposed.

"I know about Clara Phillips. I probably know more about her than anyone else in the world."

Ewing confronted her with some newspaper pictures which bore striking resemblance to herself.

She looked at them curiously and then shrugged her shoulders.

"You may draw your own conclusions," was all she said.

Given Fresh Clothes.

Later she was allowed to get some fresh clothing and cosmetics from her baggage. She had brightened up considerably when F. Egan, clerk of the American consulate here, officially questioned her, together with her companion, "Mrs. R. M. Young."

Egan informed both the women that if one of them would admit to being Mrs. Phillips the other would be released. They looked at each other.

"No," said Mrs. Carsen shortly.

"No," said Mrs. Young.

The chief concern of "Mrs. Carsen" today was over getting a lawyer here. She will fight extradition to the last ditch, she said, despite the fact her supposed husband, Jesse Carsen, also held here, has indicated he will waive extradition and go back to Los Angeles to face an arson charge.

Changes Made in Personnel of South Side Police Force

Several changes have been made in the personnel of the police assigned for duty at the South Omaha police station.

Capt. George Allen has been assigned to duty at the central station and is succeeded on the south side by Capt. W. G. Russell. Edward Brinkman, for several months desk sergeant, has been transferred to the central station and will work as a detective sergeant out of Chief Van Deusen's office. Brinkman will be succeeded by Sergt. Thomas Crawford on the desk.

Sergt. John Zaloudek has been transferred to central station and is succeeded on the South Side by Sergt. William D. Carney. Sergeant Crawford, who was doing field wrok, will be succeeded by Sergt. Samuel L. Morris, transferred from central station.

Lutheran Lecture.

At the Cross Lutheran church, Twentieth and Vinton streets, the pastor, Rev. Titus Lang, on Sunday evening at 7:30 will give a lecture on the history and progress of the Lutheran churches of the Missouri synod in Omaha and vicinity.

Daniel J. Riordan Dies.

Washington, April 28.—Representative Daniel J. Riordan of New York, a power in Tammany circles and one of the democratic leaders of the house since 1906, died early today at Sibley hospital from heart disease. He was 53 years old.

Ralston Notes

George Chiptenden of St. Louis has been named as superintendent of the paint factory to replace F. S. Johnson, who resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fucinaro are rejoicing over the arrival Thursday of a baby girl.

Mrs. Peter Lowden, who underwent an operation on her eyes recently at an Omaha hospital, has returned home.

Mrs. Julius McConnaughhey of Omaha, who has been spending several days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. J. Milius, returned home yesterday.

Secretary of State Charles W. Pool was a week-end guest at the home of his niece, Mrs. Julius Steinberg, and Mr. Steinberg last week.

A. C. James has purchased the three lots adjoining his property upon which he expects to build.

A special business meeting of the members of the Community club will be held at the church this afternoon at 3.

A number of delegates from Ralston attended the Second district convention of the Nebraska Federation of Women's club at Papillion Friday and Saturday. Mrs. Grace Pool Steinberg sang several solos during the session.

The trustees of the Ralston Woman's club will give a May day party for the benefit of the building fund in the office of J. T. O. Stewart Tuesday afternoon. Prizes will be given winners at the high five and bridge tables.

The Parent-Teacher association meeting scheduled for the evening of May 8, has been postponed until the evening of May 11. A program will be given and there will be a school exhibit.

John Briggs, county commissioner, who sold his home in South Omaha, has moved to Ralston and is having a bungalow erected west of the residence of D. L. Ham.

Work will soon start on the Q street paving and and a house for the storage of cement has been erected at Seventieth and Q streets.

Among the visitors in Ralston last week were Mrs. C. M. Skinner, daughter, Ruth, and granddaughter, Patricia Ratchford.

The Ajax Tire & Rubber ball team and the Ralston club will play here this afternoon. Last Sunday Ralston beat the Underwood Typewriter team, 6 to 4.