

# THE FALLS CITY TRIBUNE.

Vol. VIII

FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY, JUNE, 23 1911

Number 33

## JOHN W. HOLT DEAD

### DEATH CAUSED BY INTENSE HEAT.

Was One of our Prominent Business Men.

Once more the grim reaper has appeared in our midst and taken away one of our honored and much esteemed citizens leaving a break in the community of which he was a member. Again has he appeared and without warning reminded us forcibly of the injunction to "Watch and Pray, for ye know not the hour when the son of man shall appear." Friday evening Mr. John Holt died suddenly at the home of his son Will R. Holt, living west of town a short distance. Mr. Holt had persuaded his son to allow him to help in the wheat field Friday and he worked all day in spite of the intense heat. Only once in the afternoon did he complain of being weary and at five-thirty while placing a sheaf of wheat in the shock he fell over with the wheat falling across his face. The man who was working with him removed the wheat and seeing that Mr. Holt was unconscious thought probably that he had fainted and went to get the field jug of water. When he returned with Will Holt, Mr. Holt had passed away into the hereafter to render his account to the great Judge.

Mr. Holt was one of Falls City's honored and respected citizens and has hosts of friends to whom his death will mean a great bereavement. His life history as taken from Morton's History of Nebraska is as follows:

John White Holt was born in Boone County, Mo. Nov. 17, 1834. His father, David R. Holt was born in Tennessee Nov. 8, 1803, and was among the pioneer settlers in Boone county, Mo. He died at Jefferson City, Dec. 6, 1840, while a member of the State Legislature. His mother, Isabella White, was born in Washington County, Va., Nov. 12, 1806, and belonged to one of the old families of that state. She died at the home of her son in Salem, Neb., April 20, 1869 at the age of 63. All his school education was acquired in the primitive "subscription school" in the neighborhood of his home. When he was six years old his father died and by the time he was 16 he had to care for his mother and family. At the age of 19 he became a member of the general merchandise firm of Gilmore, Holt & Co. at Fillmore, Mo. In 1857 he sold his interest in the business and went to Salem, Neb., where he formed a partnership with J. C. Lincoln, a second cousin of Abraham Lincoln, under the firm name of Lincoln and Holt. They engaged in general merchandising and built the first elevator at Salem. In 1872 on account of his failing health he disposed of his interest in the firm to Mr. Lincoln and engaged in the live stock business which he carried on successfully until 1878 when he was elected to the office of County Treasurer of Richardson county, which he held two terms. In August 1882 he was elected Vice-President of the First National Bank at Falls City, of which he was one of the organizers and stock holders. Later he was acting cashier for one year and after that vice-president until 1897 when he was elected to the office of president. From the time he was chosen as vice-president he had been active

in the management of the bank and much of its success is attributable to his efficient care. He was an enthusiastic stockman and gave much of his time and attention to the breeding of fine cattle, especially the Short horn variety, and to Berkshire pigs. Besides his banking interest and his farm he had other properties in Richardson and other counties. The spirit of self-reliance implanted in him by his early responsibilities, has been invaluable to him in his business career.

In 1876 he was elected to the Nebraska Senate as a democrat. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and was a Mason of the Knight's Templar Degree.

Mr. Holt has been married four times. His first wife, to whom he was married Sept. 11, 1855 was Mrs. Caroline Atkins, of Andrew county, Mo., and to them one daughter was born. Carrie, now wife of Edward B. Loughridge, of Lincoln, Neb. His second wife was Albina Spence, of Andrew county, Mo., whom he married August 24, 1859. She became the mother of one child, who died in infancy. On May 8, 1863 he was married to Ellen Oliver of Salem, who bore him two children, now deceased. On Nov. 8, 1869 he was married to Amanda M. Oliver of Salem and four children were born to them, two of whom are living, namely Geo. B. Holt and Wm. R. Holt, both of Falls City.

Mr. Holt has lived in Falls City for the last thirty-three years and in that time has formed many friendships which have now been rudely broken by the hand of death's angel. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the house and was the largest Falls City has known for some time. The Rev. Mr. Baker, his former pastor, preached the funeral sermon to the large audience of grieving friends. The flowers were beautiful and costly. The Masonic Order marched in a procession to the house and the Knights of Templar formed an escort for the body. The Masonic Order had charge of the services at the graveyard where a large crowd had followed to pay their last respects to the dead. Many were the friends from all over the county and state who came to bring their last tribute of love and respect for their honored and esteemed friend.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

The following marriage license was issued by the Judge Thursday June 15:

Frank Martin, Robt son, Kas 21  
Mable Miller, Robinson, Kas. 18  
Landy H. Stilwell, Joplin, Mo. 37  
Elzora Stevenson, Joplin, Mo. 31  
Walter L. Carlisle, Salem, Mo. 31  
Lily M. Crook, Salem, Mo. 27  
Roy E. Drake, Morrill, Kas. 21  
Nora Painter, Hamlin, Kas. 20

The latter couple were married at the court house by the county judge.

### A WORD TO OUR READERS.

Owing to the fact that our linotype has broken down this week, we shall be compelled to publish only four pages, but we will have our machine fixed and in good running order by next week and shall from then on give you a good, live, eight-page weekly paper.

All of those who know any happenings or local news of interest will please call us up by phone 226 or write them and send them to us by mail. We can handle all you can send us from now on.

### CAMPBELL BROS.' SHOW.

The Campbell Bros.' large show arrived here Wednesday morning on schedule time. At 1 o'clock they gave a magnificent parade and then went directly to the show grounds.

The performance started at 3 o'clock, the first act being by the trained elephants. They performed their part exceedingly good, showing how well they had been trained. The most dangerous feat was done by the keeper, who laid down and allowed one of the elephants to lie down over him while another elephant rested its front feet on the back of the first one.

The second act was made by the Morales family, who did some fancy bar performances.

Then followed the other acts in succession, as follows: The Hollis family, equestrians, doing their work in fine manner; the Linten Beckley cowboy troupe, doing lariat stunts and riding performances; the Brays family, walking the tight wire; the high school horses, etc.

The entire performance was a success throughout and everybody came away highly pleased. There were about two-thousand persons in attendance at the afternoon show and as large a number or more at the evening show.

Campbell Bros. carry a large number of wild animals consisting of Lions, Tigers, Hyenas, Elephants, Wolves, Snakes, etc. It requires 24 cars to haul their equipment and animals. They have in their employ between three and four-hundred people. They also have 150 horses, which are kept in fine shape.

Should Campbell Bros. come back to Falls City, they would be assured a good crowd, as the people here know what they have and how good a show they give for the money.

### DIED.

Mrs. J. W. Hansen died at her home, four and one-half miles east of town Thursday, after a serious illness of several weeks. Mrs. Hansen suffered a slight stroke of paralysis last fall from which she never completely rallied and died Thursday, June 15, after an attack of Bright's Disease.

Mr. and Mrs. Hansen have resided in this county for many years and have many friends who will sincerely mourn the loss of Mrs. Hansen. She leaves two children to mourn her death: Mrs. Ida Dawson of Kansas City and Fred Hansen of Waco, Neb.

### DIED.

Rev. J. W. Martin of Los Angeles, California departed this life June 11th, 1911. Rev. Martin was the son of Rev. Isaac Martin, deceased, and brother of Rev. Elza Martin, all formerly of this city.

Rev. Martin had been for many years in the regular ministry of the M. E. church, but in later life carried on Evangelistic work thus another has passed to the Great Beyond, strong in the faith of Jesus.

Rev. J. W. Martin was an uncle of Mrs. Benj. F. Foster of this city.

### "Bon Voyage" Reception

Tuesday evening at the Presbyterian church a farewell reception was held in honor of the Drs. Tuckers who are returning to their station in China.

Dr. and Mrs. Dr. Tucker have spent a very pleasant but busy furlough in the United States and

now are returning to take up their work again for the Master.

The Ministers of the Union of this city were all present and each gave very pleasing addresses. They spoke in the order of their residence in Falls City. Dr. Neide of the Episcopal church gave the first short address and was followed by Rev. Nanninga of the German Evangl. church. Miss Una Snidow then rendered a very pleasing vocal solo after which Rev. Watson of the Brethren church made a few choice remarks. Rev. Keeve, the new minister at the Methodist church made a few chosen remarks after which Dr. Emma Boose Tucker gave us her parting words of encouragement. She was followed by Dr. Francis Tucker and Dr. Baily gave the closing address of the evening, in which he wished for them a hearty God speed for himself and congregation. Dr. Allison also gave a short address speaking on the subject of how much good the Tuckers' visit to Falls City had done along the line of giving and impetuous to Missionary work. After the program the congregation united in singing the old favorite song "God be with you till we meet again," after which they went to the basement where the ladies of the church served pineapple ice and cake. The guests departed wishing Dr. and Mrs. Tucker a happy and successful journey and complete success in their field for the next seven years.

Dr. and Mrs. Tucker leave Friday for Montana where they will visit his parents and on the 12th of August they expect to sail from Seattle to their field of work in China.

Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. Dr. Henderson of Rulo here shopping Wednesday.

Dr. Miner was called to Humboldt professionally Thursday morning.

Oliver Graf of Hermann, Mo., has again returned to this city to take up his former position as linotype operator at the Tribune.

Ray McVay came down from Rulo Wednesday to attend the circus.

Jessie Schrimpton and wife came in for the circus.

Lee Martin of Stella was a Falls City visitor on circus day.

Mr. and Mrs. Parish of Salem were Falls City visitors Wednesday.

Adam Nutsman of Fairbury is in town visiting his aunt, Miss Martha Bickles.

The Misses McMahon of Preston were here Wednesday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith returned home Tuesday evening from Excelsior Springs.

Gorman Heineman of Verdon was a Falls City visitor on circus day.

Mr. Geo. Brisby and family of Verdon were in the city Wednesday.

### RUNAWAY.

Wednesday evening at about 7:30 o'clock a runaway occurred in front of the home of George Grinstead. A man and a lady were driving to town last night and passed three autos which frightened the horses causing them to run away in front of the Grinstead home and throwing out the occupants of the buggy, injuring them to quite an extent. Dr. Miner was called and both the injured are doing nicely. The buggy was broken up considerably.

## DESTROYED BY FIRE

### HOME OF JAMES MOONEY TOTALLY DESTROYED.

Thought to have been caused by Oil Stove.

Thursday night of last week the home of James Mooney, one mile west of Rulo, was burned, with all its contents except one rug and some valuable papers which their son James saved by running and pulling out the drawer which contained them. The fire started in some unknown manner from an oil stove which Mrs. Mooney had lighted in order to warm some water. Mrs. Mooney and her husband were at home alone, and were trying to find a cool place in the yard when they were startled by a neighbor who had seen flames shoot from the Mooney home and was trying to get Mr. Mooney over the telephone to see what was the matter, failing in this, he ran over and found the inside of the house aflame. They phoned to town and immediately a large crowd started out, but nothing could be done to check the fire. The house and furniture were insured. Mr. Mooney will rebuild soon as possible.

### RULO

Sam Goolsby came over from Missouri Sunday, to see his brother, Green who was hurt.

Mr. Van Wovmer of Forest City spent a few days with Rulo friends the first of the week.

Taibut Hinkle and sister Mildred left for Fayette, Mo. Monday to attend the commencement exercises. They returned Thursday accompanied by their sister Edith, who was one of the class graduates.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hinehart of Smith Center, Kas., left for their home Monday afternoon after spending a couple of weeks with relatives here.

Miss Artie Draper of Dawson was the guest of Abbe and Alta Gilbert, a few days last week.

James Tagney of Falls City came down Monday to have some work done in his orchard west of town.

Grandma Anderson has been quite sick the past few weeks.

Vaughn McVey returned to Lincoln Wednesday after a few days visit with his mother, Mrs. Emma McVey.

George Seley left Friday for Nebraska City to do some work on the piers of the river bridge.

Cecil Kanaly came home from Peru Friday for a short vacation, returning Sunday afternoon.

Alma Dorste returned home Wednesday from University Place to spend her vacation.

Dr. Wilson and wife of White Cloud spent several days in Rulo last week.

A large crowd from Rulo went to the Big Lake for a days outing Sunday. Rulo and Napier had a ball game in the afternoon, Rulo being the winners.

Mr. Henninger of St. Joseph was a business visitor in Rulo last Friday.

Mamie and Ruth Kanaly were Falls City shoppers Friday.

Mrs. D. Van Valkenburg and little grand-daughter spend last week with relatives in St. Joseph. Mr. and Mrs. Dode Anderson went to Kansas City Friday where she will receive medical treatment. Their daughter Pearl and little Howard Craig followed Sunday morning.

Mrs. John Hopkins and three children left Friday for a months visit with relatives in Creston,

Iowa. J. A. Osborn and family left in their auto Tuesday for a two weeks vacation. They will visit Lincoln, Crete, Dorchester, Fremont and several other places in Nebr. before returning home.

Isem Bryant of Missouri was a Rulo visitor Sunday.

John Mooney shipped cattle to St. Joseph Friday night.

Will Winterbottom of Chicago visited with relatives here the first of the week.

Prof. L. P. Grundy of Table Rock, who has the principalship of our school the coming year, was in Rulo on business the last of the week.

Fred Stewart was a Falls City visitor Saturday afternoon.

John Aikman left Wednesday for a business trip to Iowa.

Misses Agnes and Annie Schrajer visited in Preston a few days last week.

Mrs. P. T. Brine and daughter Amy were Falls City visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Dervin and Miss Josie Vetter of Kansas visited with Rulo friends the last of the week.

Mrs. Susan Eastman of Du Boise visited with old friends in Rulo recently.

Arthur Dill and wife of St. Joseph returned to their home last week, after visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Charlie Plante of Cement, Oklahoma has been in Rulo on business and pleasure the past few days.

Mrs. H. M. Edgecomb is in very poor health, and gradually getting weaker.

Mrs. Steve Cunningham and daughter Mary were Falls City visitors the first of the week.

Miss Jennie Thompson of Falls City visited friends in Rulo the first of the week.

Lawrence Caverzagie had the misfortune to fall from a tree while picking cherries one day last week, breaking both bones in his left arm.

Sunday while hauling ties from the railroad for fuel, Green Goolsby met with a very painful accident. A standard in the wagon broke, causing some of the ties to fall, striking Mr. Goolsby, breaking his collar bone and two ribs.

Miss Emma Dannecker and Mrs. Dill had a runaway Monday of last week; the horse became frightened by a threshing machine. The ladies were badly shaken up, but fortunately nothing more serious occurred.

Mesdames Garnett Wilson, Will Story and Miss Josie Mahan gave a shower Tuesday evening for Miss Grace Cronin whose marriage to John Mc. Clealan is announced, to take place June 28. The ladies showered with linen, the gentlemen with kitchen ware. All report a royal time.

Henry Schmidt built a new cement walk in front of the M. E. church last week.

George Oldfield came in from Hebron Friday for a few days visit with relatives.

Tom Brinegar is putting on an addition and otherwise improving his home.

Charlie Montgomery has made a number of improvements on his home this summer.

The following is the docket at the County Judge's office:

June 20. Hearing claims in Patrick O'Brein estate.

June 21. Hearing claims in Josephine Beecha estate.

June 26. Hearing claims in Hermann Gossmann estate. Probate Michael B. Ryan will.

June 28. Hearing claims in Jefferson Gilbert estate.