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## Easter Day One Widely Observed in the Churches

Large Congregations Present at Services, Although Cold Checks Usual Easter Parade.

The churches of the city irrespective of creed, Sunday held record breaking congregations for the Easter day services, beautiful floral decorations and impressive musical programs being heard at all of the churches.

The St. John's Catholic church had three masses for the Easter morning, the first, a high mass at 8 o'clock, celebrated by a priest of the St. Columbian's mission. At 9:15 low mass Monsignor Agius was the celebrant and at the 10:30 mass the mission priests conducted the services. At the Holy Rosary church in the west part of the city, Father Joseph R. Sinkula celebrated the masses at 8 and 10 o'clock.

The First Presbyterian church had a very impressive service, a lovely arranged platform making a very attractive setting. The members of Mt. Zion commandery No. 5, Knights Templar, attended the services in full uniform to add to the impressiveness of the service. The choir gave a program of Easter music and Dr. H. G. McClusky a short sermon, "What Shall We Be Like."

The First Methodist church held very fine programs at the morning and evening services. At the morning service there was reception of new members, a group of some twenty adults being received into the church. At the evening service the choir gave the liturgy-cantata, "The Message of the Cross," a very fine presentation by the large and well-trained choir. Rev. J. C. Lawson gave a very fine sermon at the morning service.

The St. Paul's Evangelical church had an exceptionally large congregation at their morning service, a very fine address being given by Rev. Fenick on "The Risen Lord." The church received a number into the membership of the church. Rev. Schick was at Yutan for the evening service.

At the First Christian church there was a full day's program, starting with the Bible school until into the evening. In the morning service there was the celebration of the communion. The evening service marked a very fine program by the choir of the church.

### HOLD FAMILY GATHERING

Easter Sunday was a very pleasant day for the members of the Yelick family, the children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. James Yelick being home for the day with the parents.

This was the first time in the past few years that the family were able to be together, only one son, Raymond, being unable to reach here from his home in southern Nebraska. The members of the family assembled at the home for a noonday dinner, a very pleasant and long remembered occasion for the sons and daughters and their families. The rest of the day was spent in visiting.

Sunday evening the family group attended the services at the First Methodist church, where in their childhood they had been members of the Sunday school, now a large part of the family being communicants of this faith. The family were invited to the platform of the church to receive the greetings of the members of the church. It was a very inspiring sight with this large family all gathered together as one large unit of the church membership.

Those who were here for the day were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Leacock and children, Darrell, Alma, Florence, Frances, of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. George Dorland and son, David of Falls City; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Yelick and son, Hurrles Edward of Des Moines; Richard Yelick, Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. Yelick and daughter, Roxann, of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Yelick, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Yelick, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carr and son, Bobbie, Miss Mildred Hall, Mr. and Mrs. James Yelick and sons, Robert and James of this city.

### GOES TO VETERANS' HOSPITAL

John Curtis, 75, of this city, one of the old residents of the community, departed Tuesday for Lincoln where he entered the U. S. Veterans' hospital for treatment and also an eye operation. Mr. Curtis expects to have cataracts removed from his eyes, they having caused him a great deal of trouble in the last few months.

Mr. Curtis was a soldier in the Spanish-American war, serving in Co. B, Third Nebraska infantry, commanded by George L. Sheldon, later to be governor of Nebraska, now a resident of Mississippi.

### Meisinger-Hester Wedding Held in Omaha

Miss Evelyn Meisinger and Mr. Loran Hester Married Saturday—To Live in Council Bluffs.

Miss Evelyn Meisinger and Mr. Loran Hester, were united in marriage Saturday evening, March 23 at the home of Rev. Ralph W. Livers, pastor of the St. John's English Lutheran church. The bride's only attendant was her sister, Gladys Ofe of Council Bluffs, Iowa while the groom had as his best man his cousin, Jess Davis, Jr., of Omaha. The bride wore a dress of navy blue crepe with red and black accessories to match, while her attendant wore navy blue with matching accessories. The groom and his attendant wore the business suits.

Mrs. Hester, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Meisinger of Plattsmouth, was graduated from the Plattsmouth high school in the class of 1937. Since then she has been employed in Omaha and at present is a stenographer at the Gordon Storage Warehouses, Inc.

Mr. Hester, son of Mrs. J. L. Hester, is a graduate of Thomas Jefferson high school of Council Bluffs, in the class of 1935. Mr. Hester is a statistical clerk in the freight claim office at the Union Pacific headquarters at Omaha. Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, which was attended by some thirty guests. Out-of-town guests included the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Meisinger and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Green of Plattsmouth; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Swan of Denver, Colo. The feature of the reception was a huge wedding cake which was cut by the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Hester will reside in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

### FIRE AT COUNTRY HOME

From Tuesday's Daily—This morning a very serious fire occurred at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tritsch, west of Plattsmouth. The fire originated in the basement of the home, a number of pieces of men's work clothing, just recently washed, had been placed there to dry. The clothing evidently had caught fire from the stove that was used in drying the clothes. Great clouds of smoke filled the house and the blaze so severe that it charred the timbers and damaged the floor of the living room, just over the basement. So intense was the heat that windows were cracked in the living room. The Tritsch family had just recently had their home newly papered and redecorated and which was damaged to a great extent by the heat and smoke.

The members of the family and neighbors that hurried to the scene were able to get the fire extinguished but not until a great deal of damage had been done. The house was partially covered by insurance.

### RETURNS TO SCHOOL WORK

From Monday's Daily—After their Easter vacations at home, a number of the local ladies teaching at distant points are leaving today for their schools. Miss Maxine Clodt is returning to McCook, driving to Lincoln where she joined other of the teachers on the trip west. Miss Helen Farley also is going to York to take up her work in the high school.

### Henry Madsen Dies Suddenly at Delray Beach

Brother of Mrs. L. E. Lancaster, Plattsmouth, Dies Very Suddenly Monday Afternoon.

From Tuesday's Daily—Mrs. L. E. Lancaster, of this city, received the sad news late yesterday afternoon of the death of her brother, Henry Madsen at Delray Beach, Florida. Mr. Madsen passed away at 2:45 p. m.

His death came as a great shock as he was as well as usual at last report, although he had not enjoyed the best of health for some time. The message did not state the cause of death or the funeral arrangements.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. Peter Madsen, he was employed for some time in the local railroad shops. He was well known here and was equally known as a prize-fighter. After leaving Plattsmouth, he made his home in Montana until last fall when he went to live with his sister, Mrs. R. R. Neil, at Delray Beach, Florida.

Mr. Madsen leaves to mourn his passing one daughter and one son; two sisters, Mrs. L. E. Lancaster, Plattsmouth, and Mrs. R. R. Neil, Delray Beach, Florida; one brother, John Madsen, Luverne, Minnesota. His wife preceded him in death.

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICE

Even though it was biting cold Sunday morning when the sun was beginning to peep over the hills across the river, Christian youth of Plattsmouth gathered at 7 o'clock at the Presbyterian church for an Easter sunrise service. Miss Jean Kuorr opened the service with a beautiful organ prelude which was followed by the call to worship, "Christ Arose" played on the trumpet by Allan White. Then followed a hymn of praise and the invocation by Dr. H. G. McClusky. Miss Louise Rishel, the leader, then explained the purpose of the program and the theme, "Risen with Christ." This was followed by the hymn of exaltation, "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" and the Easter selection from the hymnal was read. A period of silent prayer was observed and it warmed one's heart to see the beautiful spectra of the sun as its rays streamed through the large stained glass window. A small but generous offering was taken to help defray expenses of the Christian Youth Union. At this time the participating groups were recognized. These were: The Mynard Christian Endeavor, the Presbyterian Christian Endeavor, the Christian church C. E. and the Methodist Epworth League. Miss Willa Sylvester beautifully rendered the solo, "The Stranger of Galilee." The reading "For Me" was presented by Miss Eleanor Giles. It was excellently read and gave the worshippers a feeling of meekness.

The Easter message was developed from the theme "Risen with Christ." Ruth Lawson ably presented the message on "He Is Risen." Dr. H. G. McClusky gave the lesson on "Ye are Christ's." Richard Hitt addressed the group on "Seek the Things Above." These splendid messages were followed by sentence prayers. A hymn of consecration "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" and the Christian Endeavor benediction closed this beautiful Easter young people's service. A postlude by Miss Jean Knorr was heard as the worshippers filed out of the church.

A tasty Easter breakfast was served after the meeting, at the Methodist church. It was prepared and served by willing young people who missed the Easter service to do so. The breakfast consisted of sliced oranges, hot cocoa, pecan and jelly rolls, and colored Easter eggs.

Thus ends the observance of Holy Week which the Christian Youth Union had designated as "Win My Chum Week." About twenty young people participated in both meetings.

See the frozen food compartment in the 1940 Philco at Farley Furniture, Plattsmouth.

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### HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Louis Wondra arrived home several days ago from St. Catherine's hospital in Omaha, where she underwent a major surgical operation on Monday, March 11. She will be some time recuperating from the trying ordeal and with her husband is staying at the home of his mother, Mrs. Frank Wondra, in the west part of the city, pending return of her strength and ability to again do her own housework. Friends will be pleased to learn that the operation was most successful. Mrs. Wondra was Miss Alice Petersen prior to her marriage.

### Prominent Young People Wed at Rockport

Miss Beatrice Marie Arn of This City and Mr. Leonard Brothers of LaPlatte Wedded Sunday.

Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the parsonage of the Methodist church at Rockport, Missouri, occurred the marriage of two of the young people of this community, Miss Beatrice Marie Arn, youngest daughter of Mrs. Vernon Arn, Sr., of this city and Mr. Leonard Brothers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Brothers of LaPlatte.

The young people, accompanied by Miss Buster Blauvelt of this city and Mr. Art Mohr, of LaPlatte, had motored to the Missouri city, popular marriage spot for southeastern Nebraska or northern Missouri.

The marriage lines were read by the Rev. Rosie, Methodist pastor. The bride wore a very charming tailored frock of blue trimmed with white fur, her accessories being white. Miss Blauvelt wore a gown of pink and with the blue accessories. Following the ceremony the members of the party motored to Omaha where they enjoyed a dancing party at Peony Park where they met a party of friends from this city.

Miss Arn has been one of the popular members of the younger set, a graduate of the Plattsmouth schools in the class of 1938. She has been making her home here with her mother since completing her school work.

The groom is a member of one of the prominent families of Sarpy county, the Brothers family having been early residents of the Bellevue and LaPlatte communities. He is now employed in railroad work.

### SHOWS EXCELLENT PROGRESS

John Patrick Brink, who is at the St. Joseph's hospital at Omaha, recovering from an appendectomy, is reported as showing excellent progress. While still feeling the effects of the operation, he is showing a very satisfactory response. Mr. and Mrs. Bronson Timm, the latter a sister, were at the hospital last evening to visit the patient.

### BACK ON THE JOB

From Monday's Daily—Miss Gertrude Vallery, clerk at the office of Register of Deeds Ray F. Becker, was back at her post this morning after an enforced vacation. Miss Vallery has been suffering from an attack of the mumps, the malady confining her to her home for some ten days.

### WYSELS HAVE BOY

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wysel at the St. Catherine's hospital Saturday morning, March 23. This makes three children for the Wysels—two boys and one girl. Mrs. Wysel, nee Mary Zitka, and son are both doing fine.

### NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

There will be a meeting of Cass county taxpayers at the school house in Manley April 1, at 8 p. m. for the purpose of completing a taxpayers association. Every tax payer is invited to attend.—Willard Clapp, chairman; O. A. Davis, secretary. m25-28w

### Senator Burke Addresses Voters of This Vicinity

Large Group Hear Senator Explain His Position on Issues of Day—Defends His Service.

From Tuesday's Daily—Senator Edward R. Burke, of Omaha, candidate for renomination on the democratic ticket, visited Plattsmouth this morning to present his views on the issues of the campaign and his position and record on the legislation of the past seven years.

Attorney D. O. Dwyer presided over the meeting and presented Senator Burke as well as Miss Shirley Seiver and County Attorney Walter H. Smith, who gave short talks in support of the senator.

Senator Burke attacked methods claimed to have been used in the campaign against him in the misrepresentation of his position on many of the public questions and the measures of the New Deal in congress.

The senator stated that he had reached Nebraska for the campaign when he learned that orders from the headquarters of the WPA had ordered slashes made in the rolls of men employed, which in Nebraska would have effected some 4,000. He had wired Col. Herrington, head of the WPA direction at Washington, contacted the state director and gave his report of the conditions that would be caused by the curtailing of the work program in Nebraska, the result of his efforts being that the orders had been modified and at least 1,000 men restored to the rolls. It had been charged, the senator stated, that he had voted against the appropriation for the WPA that had caused the lack of funds. This was true the senator stated, he had supported the measure when last year for the appropriation for the coming year, that the funds had been all that was asked by the administration. In 1938 the house and senate had voted large appropriations that he had supported and which gave the president power with his aides to cover the appropriation over all parts of the relief setup.

Senator Burke briefly touched on the statements made that he had opposed the irrigation projects in the state, particularly that of the Tri-county project. The senator stated that the Sutherland and Columbus projects were planned and made application for RFC aid even before the advent of the Roosevelt administration, these defeating the plan of the Tri-state for water diversion in the courts. He had not opposed any irrigation project, on the other hand supporting every program any way legally justified, including the Republican river valley.

Senator Burke stated his opponent offered no stand on any of the important issues of the day in campaign.

Touching on the farm program and his record in this part of the legislation of the administration, Mr. Burke stated that he had supported and worked for the measure to refinance the farmers, reducing the cost to the farmers of marketing costs. He had assisted in getting the farm mortgage refinancing act passed. He had supported the farm bankruptcy act that had sealed down the costs to the farmers of some \$200,000,000, and also had backed the farm moratorium act that had aided the hard pressed farmer.

In the crop loan program Senator Burke stated that he had supported the measures as presented for the farm program. On the original AAA measure he had opposed because of the belief that the processing tax features made it unconstitutional, this later being so declared by the supreme court. It had invaded the constitution in congress taking powers not justified under the constitution.

The senator had supported the later measure that sought to aid agriculture by the crop control features. The task of securing the funds needed for the program was growing more difficult, this leading to the recommendation from the administration sources through the president of reducing the benefit provisions.

### Plattsmouth High Baseball Workouts

Several Games Are Scheduled With Opening Game With Omaha South at Brown Park.

Plattsmouth high will go out of doors this week for its initial baseball workout of the season. It is vitally necessary that all players report for practice this week. Games have been scheduled with Omaha South, Omaha Tech, Lincoln, Weeping Water, Gretna, Louisville and Papillion.

The initial game of the season to date is scheduled with Omaha South at Brown Park, April 9. This year the pitching staff will be composed of Joe Noble, a left-hander who pitched his first no-hit, no-run game last spring; he will be assisted by Joe Phillips, right-hander, captain and two year letterman, and Ed Smith, a right-hander, who pitched his first game last year in the state tournament at Lincoln. Other pitching possibilities are Ralph Stava, left-hander, Pete Hilt, right-hander and Grover Parriott, another right-handed outfielder who may be switched into relief pitching duties.

### Death of Peter Peterson at Omaha Home

One Time Resident of Plattsmouth and Father of Mrs. Wm. O'Donnell, Sr., of This City.

Peter L. Peterson, 73, one time Plattsmouth resident, died Sunday at the family home, 216 North Twenty-second street, Omaha. Mr. Peterson has been ill for some time and gradually failed until death came to him. The deceased was engaged in work as a member of a road force for the Burlington for a number of years, but for the past twenty-one years he has been engaged as custodian at the Central high school at Omaha, retiring from active work three years ago.

He is survived by his widow; a son, Harold; three daughters, Mrs. Noel Watson and Mrs. Dan Lockard of Omaha and Mrs. William P. O'Donnell, of Plattsmouth. There are also a number of grandchildren to mourn his loss.

The funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Farnam street chapel of the Heafey & Heafey mortuary, Rev. Walter Traub officiating.

The body was brought to this city for interment in the family plot in Oak Hill cemetery.

### G. O. P. CARAVAN

The G. O. P. caravan will journey south on Highway 50 and be in Weeping Water at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, March 29. They will also visit Louisville and Greenwood. This same caravan will be in Beatrice that evening, and they will broadcast over KPNF, Shenandoah, from 8 to 9 p. m. Hyde Sweet will speak fifteen minutes and another speaker will be Dewey Short, congressman from Missouri. Other state candidates will be introduced.

From Falls City Saturday night, Sweet and Short will speak over radio station KMA from 9 to 10 o'clock.

### WOMAN'S CLUB EXHIBIT

The exhibit of Woman's club historical collection of documents, newspapers and records begins 12 noon Thursday, March 28th at the lobby of the Hotel Plattsmouth. This exhibit is open to the public.

The reception at the hotel lobby is from 5 to 6 p. m. followed by the Golden Jubilee banquet at the hotel dining room, 6 o'clock sharp. The pageant-drama in connection with the Golden Jubilee celebration will be presented at 8 o'clock at the Methodist church. Public invited.

### THANKS, FRIENDS

In behalf of our son, Jerry we wish to thank all of our and his dear friends who sent him cards, flowers, etc. during his stay at the St. Catherine's hospital. These thoughtful acts seemed to shorten Jerry's length of time at the hospital.—Dr. and Mrs. L. S. Pucelik.

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Behind the bat the catching duties will fall upon Jimmie Jones, last year's reliable backstop, who has in the past caught for the Auburn town team. Albin Chovanec and Bill Steinkamp are other members who will try for the catching position this year.

In the infield returning lettermen are: York and White at 1st; Smith at 2nd, Phillips at short stop; Parriott and Shiffer at 3rd. Shiffer will make his return after receiving a broken ankle last spring.

Last year's lettermen in the outfield are Parriott, Toman, Stava, Steinkamp, Lutz. New men who will make their first appearance this year are Larson, K. White, Steppat, Tiekotter, Dasher, Highfield, Evers, Favors, Dow, Gradoville, Yelick, Nielsen, Slatinsky, Dooley, Martin, McMaken and Robert Gradoville.

### TALKS ON HYBRID CORN

The Rotarians at their meeting Tuesday noon at the Hotel Plattsmouth had the opportunity of hearing a discussion of the value of the hybrid corn in the central west, particularly in the dry years that have been the part of this section of the west in recent years.

Richard Spangler was the chairman of the program, having as his guest, Herman Meisinger, Mynard grain dealer, who brought with him the guest speaker, Robert Putman, of Sioux City, representing the Michael Leonard Seed Co., to discuss the value of the hybrid corn to the states of the Missouri valley, showing the excellent results secured in the planting of this corn in the drouth years. Its resistance to the dry conditions being very marked.

Edward Smith, senior, and Clark Wiles, junior, representing the high school, gave in a most interesting way their observations of the month that they had served as members of the club.

A group of the Omaha Rotarians were present at the meeting, Ray Kingsley, who had helped charter the Plattsmouth club, Charles Steinbach and Charles Drexel, of the Omaha club.

### AN APPRECIATION

We wish to express our appreciation of the willing efforts of Miss Edwards at the Louisville telephone exchange, the Louisville fire department, the Plattsmouth fire department, and kind neighbors in coming to our aid during our house fire Tuesday morning.—Jake W. Tritsch family. w&d

### CARD OF THANKS

It is through this medium that I sincerely wish to thank all of my friends and neighbors for those beautiful cards, floral bouquets and gifts sent to me during my recent illness. Remembrances of this kind, more than anything else, seemed to speed my recovery.—Mrs. John F. Clugey.