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Hostess Finds Many Newcomers to Plattsmouth

Interesting Visits to the Homes of New Residents of the City Are Revealed.

"And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not vex him. But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself." Lev. 19: 33-34.

Our first call in July was at the St. Paul's Evangelical parsonage, 914 Avenue E to visit with Rev. and Mrs. Willard E. Sherman, recently arrived from Schaller, Iowa



where he was pastor of the Immanuel Evangelical church. Rev. Sherman received his college and seminary training at Sheboygan, Wisconsin and Mrs. Sherman studied voice, piano and organ at the Sherwood Music School in Chicago, later spending three years at the Pacific Conservatory in Lucca, Italy, where she received her master's degree. Mrs. Sherman plans to teach music in the community. The recreational preference of the couple is tennis and golf and Mr. Sherman has been trying out the golf course recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo T. Finneran from Jacksonville, Florida, have come to live at 215 North Third street in the Melsinger apartments. Mr. Finneran is foreman of the cement work at the bomber plant. The children are Eugene, 15 and Carolyn 4. Mrs. Finneran commented on the friendliness of the town and how cordial it seemed to have people speak to her on the street. This family prefers our drier type of summer weather rather than the dampness of Florida.

Also from the south are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cauley and their three fine boys, Ivan 12, Jack 10 and Charles 8. Formerly from Georgia, they are comfortably located at 613 Second avenue on a hill where the cool breezes blow. Mr. Cauley is a crane operator at the bomber plant. The family is interested in swimming and baseball.

The general superintendent of the bomber plant, Paul C. Stalker and Mrs. Stalker live at the Herold apartments. Although they are both mid-western, they have lived recently on the east coast and Mrs. Stalker told your hostess some very interesting things about the scenery there, particularly the ocean. Th favorite diversion of this couple is fishing and hunting, so of course they also have some fine dogs. An English setter is being trained in Canada. We must tell them about the fine Labrador retriever at Cedar Creek owned by Mr. Ault. He also trains dogs and had a golden retriever in training there lately.

From Hastings come Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Siga and Albert 17. They live at 622 Chicago Avenue in the Walter Propst apartments. Mr. Siga is a mechanic at the bomber plant. Both Mr. and Mrs. Siga are interested in lodge work. Mrs. Siga was formerly an assistant city hostess in Hastings so there were many things to visit about and the time of the call passed all too quickly.

New business people in our city are Mr. and Mrs. Randall H. Bigsby from Omaha who recently purchased the Horton Funeral Home at 702 Avenue B. Mr. Bigsby is a licensed mortician and was with the H. K. Burke & Son funeral home for four years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bigsby are interested in church work and their favorite recreation is golf.

Mr. Lee L. Huston from Nebraska City is the new manager of the meat department recently purchased by Joe's New Way from Frank Mullen. The family is located at 701 Third Avenue in a newly painted and decorated home. Little Jerry Lee, 6, is eagerly awaiting the first day of school and we were glad to be of help in answering the questions about our local school system.

A very busy couple are Mr. and Mrs. James Dobbs, Jr., both employed

at Lugsch Cleaners from Harlan, Iowa. Your hostess made an evening call in order to find them at home, but had lived in Union previously of the visit and they especially liked the gifts of bakery and the local newspaper that the hostess carries to the newcomers in addition to presenting them with the coupon booklet.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Harris have purchased the property known as the William Seybert home at 922 Avenue D. They are rebuilding and remodeling this residence which includes a separate room for Mr. Harris' work as draftsman with the United States Engineers. Previous to their arrival in this city they had lived in Omaha for a short time but had lived in Union previously where Mrs. Harris is active in 4-H work. Mr. Harris is the fourth son of former County Commissioner Creed Harris.

Please continue to notify Mrs. Giles at telephone 109-W or Mrs. Thomsen at 57 if there are newcomers in your neighborhood as we do not want to miss any who intend to live here for a reasonably length of time. Many of the newcomers comment on the friendliness of the town.

Iola Rosencrantz Married in Omaha Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waters and Phyllis Kehne Attend Rosencrantz-Rieckman Rites.

At a ceremony performed at the home of the bride's parents in Omaha on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock Miss Iola Rosencrantz daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Rosencrantz of Omaha, was wed to Donald Rieckman, son of Otto Rieckman of Murdock, Nebraska. Rev. F. C. Weber, pastor of Calahan Evangelical church of Murdock, officiated.

Preceding the ceremony itself Edna Dennis, sister of the bride, played "Twilight Reverie," followed with the Lohengrin wedding march as the bridal party entered.

The bride wore a dress of white satin bodice, with sweetheart neckline and full tulle skirt. She carried a bouquet of red and white roses. Marie Schewepe, cousin of the groom, was bridesmaid and she was attired in a light blue chiffon dress and her bouquet consisted of pink roses. The groom and his attendant, Merle Rieckman, his brother, wore dark suits.

An informal reception followed the wedding at the Rosencrantz home. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waters and Phyllis Kehne of Plattsmouth, attended the event.

Iola is well known in Plattsmouth, having graduated from the Plattsmouth High school in 1938. She has many friends throughout the county as she had served as a rural school teacher for approximately two years. Her husband was graduated from the Murdock High School in 1932. Mrs. Rieckman taught the pupils of Dist. 70 the past two years.

The couple will reside on a farm in Murdock.

FUNERAL OF EVERETT GOODING

The funeral services for Everett Gooding were held Wednesday afternoon at the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine streets, a large number of the old friends being in attendance to pay their last tributes.

Rev. J. W. Taenzler, pastor of the First Christian church, conducted the services.

Mrs. Hal Garnett and David Robinson gave two of the old hymns, "Does Jesus Care" and "Whispering Hope." Mrs. O. C. Hudson being the accompanist.

The interment was at Oak Hill cemetery, the pallbearers being John J. Cloldt, W. H. Eledge, James Comstock, Walter Minniear, Robert Painter and Frank J. Libershal.

CARD OF THANKS

Gratefully we wish to express our deep appreciation of the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown us in the time of our sorrow at the death of our husband and father. To those who sent the floral remembrances, and took part in the last rites we wish to thank you all.—Mrs. Everett Gooding and family.

Local People Return from Trip to Market Centers

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Soennichsen and W. R. Holly Spend Several Days at St. Louis Markets.

From Saturday's Daily—Last evening Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Soennichsen and W. R. Holly returned home from a visit of several days at the markets at St. Louis and Chicago, they looking after the purchase of stocks for the men's ready to wear department of the H. M. Soennichsen Co.

The market week at St. Louis was one of the largest for many years, the wholesale house reported, as there were hundreds from all parts of the country in to try and secure needed goods for the fall and winter and on replacements of stocks.

One of the most striking features was the great advance in the prices on the wholesale market in practically every line of goods and with the prospect that many more advances might be expected before the tension is eased and the demand lessens the cost.

The same conditions prevailed in Chicago where a day was spent completing the buying for the local store. Here as at St. Louis was a great crowd of eager buyers seeking to secure stocks or assurances of being able to supply the demand.

While in St. Louis the Plattsmouth people had the opportunity of enjoying a river trip on the Mississippi river, the steam "Admiral" being leased by one of the large wholesale houses and 3,000 of the employees and patrons of the company made the trip up the river to Alton, Illinois and return.

Miss Mary Rosencrans, who accompanied the party to St. Louis, continued on to Chicago to visit her brother, B. U. Rosencrans and family for a few days.

LEGION POST INSTALLS OFFICERS

From Friday's Daily—Last night was open house meeting for firemen and other guests and installation of officers night for the local American Legion post, with the meeting an open air affair at Holly's cabin on the Platte.

There were upwards of fifty present, including County Commander Oliver Scheiber of Union, as well as guests from several neighboring towns and Comrade Haskin of the Mitchell, Neb., post, who is working in this vicinity.

Reports of various activities and the last six months' audit were read and the sum of \$5 per month for four months contributed to help provide an enlarged recreation program with a full-time non-relief director for this area.

Sick call, employment and other bulletins and communications were followed by installation of officers, carried out by County Judge A. H. Duxbury, one of the early commanders of the local post. A rising vote of thanks was extended Judge Duxbury for his long and faithful years of service as post service officer, a position in which the Legionnaires are glad to have him continue from year to year.

The officers installed were: R. T. Cuthrell, commander; Wm. Schmidtman, Jr., and Clyde Rosborough, vice commanders; Elmer Webb, post adjutant; Eugene Vroman, finance officer, and Albert Olson, sergeant-at-arms.

Post inspection was carried out by County Commander Scheiber and the record made up for department headquarters of the activities of Plattsmouth post.

Of the six delegates and alternates named at last meeting only two—Commander Cuthrell and Cap. Gayer—plan to attend, and it will become necessary that the Commander appoint substitutes.

Following the business session hot dog sandwiches and liquid refreshments were served.

WORK WANTED

Will do plastering, brick-laying, cement blocks, and cistern work. See Fred Rice or call 488-W. j7-17w

Chromium Plate rubber stamps at lowest prices at Journal Office.

FIX ROAD FOR FRIEND

During the absence of W. R. Holly at St. Louis, where he was called on business, a group of his friends got together and started the plan of constructing a new road leading from old highway No. 75 to the summer camp of Mr. Holly, "Shady Nook" located in the Stull pasture near the Platte river.

This is a very fine gesture of friendship as Mr. Holly in the past has generously turned his house and the grounds over to individuals and groups for their gatherings without charge or restriction.

In the past the road has wound around through dry creeks, weeds, trees and what have you. The new road will follow the old highway to just south of the land belonging to the Bell company, then entrance is gained through a gate to the Stull land and the road runs directly east to the cottage without curves or dips.

Promise Push to New School Construction

State Defense Council Will Urge WPA Keep Large Sorce on Job Until Complete.

Judge A. H. Duxbury, member of the regional committee of the Nebraska State Defense council, was at Omaha for the meeting Friday and found a full group of the members of the state and regional committees in attendance.

Judge Wade Martin, chairman, presided and Capt. R. F. Weller secretary were present at the session. The Plattsmouth grade school building now being constructed was discussed by members and it was promised that more money would be urged for the construction work so that it is possible the structure will be ready by late fall for the service of the school district.

The meeting covered a wide range of subjects relative to the conditions as pertaining to the national defense and also to the conditions of the area here near the bomber plant at Fort Crook.

PREPARING FOR BIG TEST

From Saturday's Daily—The members of the Junior American Legion drum and bugle corps are a busy bunch the last few evenings as they are shaping up on their rehearsals for one of the big events of the year—the state convention of the American Legion at Hastings, which will open on Sunday.

The local drum and bugle corps will attend the convention, leaving here at an early hour Tuesday and participating in the parade, one of the colorful features of the state meeting. The competitive drill of the various drum and bugle corps will be held on Tuesday evening and will offer very keen competition as a great many will be entered, among these the Holdrege team, winner of last year and the South Omaha Sons of the Legion.

A number of the local Legion and Auxiliary members are expecting to go to Hastings for the parade and drill Tuesday.

RECEIVES SUSPENDED SENTENCE

From Saturday's Daily—In the county court this morning a complaint was filed against Claude Richardson charging intoxication, second offense. The court after hearing the plea of the defendant and the facts in the case gave a sentence of sixty days in jail. The sentence carried with it the provision of every other day on bread and water, but the sentence was suspended and the defendant paroled during good behavior.

TO MY FRIENDS

In respect to all of those kind friends and neighbors who helped me, sent me floral bouquets, paid personal calls, and sent the convalescing cards and letters during my recent illness, I wish to express my deepest appreciation. These thoughtful tokens assisted in cheering as well as encouraging me.—Miss Ella Kennedy.

Jury In Wreck Case Finds Criminal Negligence

Report Made at 10:45 Saturday Evening Holds Delbert Hobbs of Plattsmouth.

"Criminal negligence against Delbert Hobbs and recommendation that a charge of manslaughter be filed," was the verdict of the coroner's jury that had under consideration the wreck near Louisville on July 27th and in which four out of seven persons involved were killed.

The jury had been impaneled at the time and viewed the scene of the accident at the outskirts of Louisville, and Saturday evening were called here by County Attorney Walter H. Smith, to hear evidence submitted by a group of the parties that had been at the scene of the accident as well as that of the survivors of the terrible tragedy.

The members of the jury comprised Richard Livingston, Henry Davis, LaRue Williams, Eric Davis, William Kahler, Herbert Eager, all of Louisville.

The testimony was taken of the location of the cars that met near cemetery hill at Louisville and in with H. O. Hanson and Charles Nelson, both of Louisville were killed in one car, Rosalind Bremer of Nebraska City, William Hindman of Plattsmouth in the other car.

The injured were Cassell Elevens of Nebraska City, Gerald Daniels and Delbert Hobbs, of Plattsmouth. The testimony of witnesses included that offered by Eugene Kerig, Clyde Rosborough, Hubert Dew, Florence Brodine, Edward G. Ofe, Sheriff Joe Mrasek, Cassell Elevens, Gerald Daniels and Delbert Hobbs.

The testimony was received and given to the jury that spent some time in the deliberations that finally resulted in the holding of Delbert Hobbs, driver of the Daniels car at the time of the accident and the least injured of the party.

The information charging manslaughter is expected to be filed on Wednesday on the return of Judge A. H. Duxbury and the arraignment expected at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

MRS. MEISINGER BURIED WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Last rites for the late Rozina Wegener Meisinger, wife of Ralph Meisinger, were conducted yesterday afternoon. Rev. A. Lentz, pastor of the Christ Lutheran church, officiated at the short prayer service at the Stander & Stander mortuary, Louisville, at 1:20 p. m., and at the church at 2 o'clock. The church was filled to its capacity with the large number of relatives, old friends and close neighbors of the family. Many from Plattsmouth attended the funeral.

A quartet composed of Betty and Kathleen Schafer, Arthur Hill and Glen Kraeger sang two of the old and loved hymns: "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere." Mrs. A. Lentz was at the organ.

In eulogizing the life of this young woman, who was only 47 years old at the time of her death, Rev. Lentz used as his subject for his discourse "If God is for You Who Can Be Against You."

Interment took place at the Glendale cemetery and the pallbearers comprised Frank Salsberg, Ernest Reed, Irvin Meisinger, Lloyd Schneider, Floyd Gauer, Lester Wagener.

BIRTH OF SON

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Adkins are the proud parents of a nine-pound boy, born August 4 at the home of the grandmother, Mrs. John Adkins, of this city. The mother was formerly Miss Anna Austin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Austin of Weeping Water.

CAFETERIA LUNCH AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Saturday, Aug. 16, at St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed church parlor. Chicken and ham sandwiches, potato salad, baked beans, sliced tomatoes, cake, pie, ice cream, coffee, lemonade. Each article 5c. Serving starts at 5 p. m.

FIND MARKET RISING

Miss Mathilde Soennichsen of the H. M. Soennichsen Co., with Miss Anna Palecek, long time clerk of the company, have returned home from Kansas City, Missouri, where they have been at the wholesale marts for a short time.

They were making selections of stocks for the dry goods and ready to wear departments of the store, finding many attractive lines on display at the various houses.

One of the most noticeable trends was that of rising prices in all lines on the wholesale market due to the curtailment by defense work of many materials.

Kansas City was holding their annual trade week and many hundreds were present from the trade territory to look over the stocks.

State Auditor Pays a Visit to County Officials

Ray Johnson, Auditor, Has High Praise for Excellent Conduct of County Officials.

Ray C. Johnson, state auditor, was in the city Thursday to make a visit at the court house and bringing with him the report of the state auditors who have in recent weeks completed their general audit of all of the county offices.

The state auditor was very loud in his praise of the manner in which the handling of the county business has been carried out, the strict, modern and business-like methods in each and every one of the offices had been conducted by the officials and their staff of employees.

Auditor Johnson was especially commendatory of the collection of taxes made in the period of the audit that covered from July 1, 1939 to December 31, 1940. The office of the treasurer and the sheriff showed that 86 8/10 per cent of the 1939 taxes had been collected by the treasurer and the sheriff. This was one of the best showings of any of the counties of the state. Mr. Johnson informed the staff of officials at the meeting held at the room of the board of county commissioners.

The report of the auditor showed that close check had been made of all monies collected and the expenditures made through the offices, all being in perfect condition.

The check of the office of the county treasurer showed that on the date of the start of the audit period there had been a balance on hand of \$165,353.69, that receipts since had been \$1,250,640.99, the disbursements made through the claims approved had been \$1,244,638.84. The balance at the completion of the audit had been \$171,355.84.

STEAL CAR AND FIND BABY

From Downey, California, comes the story of a car theft and the apparent unknown kidnaping of a baby girl, Barbara Ann Hutton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil G. Hutton, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hutton, of this city.

The Huttons, residents of Lennox, had gone to Downey to visit with friends and had left the baby asleep in the car as had been their custom. Later as they sought the car it was missing and with it Barbara Ann. The frantic parents reported the theft and apparent kidnaping and soon the story was flashed on the police radio with all of the law forces on the outlook for the car and the supposed kidnapers.

Three hours after the disappearance of the car it was found parked a block from the spot where it was stolen—Barbara Ann still asleep and unaware of the excitement that she had caused.

VETERAN RAILROADER HERE

Thursday afternoon C. J. Rohwitz, for many years the passenger manager of the Burlington at Omaha, was in the city. Mr. Rohwitz, one of the veterans of the "Q," is now the assistant freight traffic manager at Omaha. He is traveling over the state visiting the various communities served by the Burlington, making Plattsmouth the home of the Burlington, the first place to be visited.

Shrader Family Meets in Reunion at Homestead

One of the Old and Large Families of Cass County Gather at the Old Home.

On Sunday, August 3rd the annual reunion of the members of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. George W. Shrader, was held at the old homestead, south of Plattsmouth, now occupied by Mrs. Lulu Wolfe, a daughter of these pioneers.

It was a pleasant time for all those who could attend while a number were unable to reach the home for the festive day. Despite the warm day the members of the group came with well laden baskets of the good things to make an ideal dinner. The dinner was served on the long tables beneath the grateful shade of the large trees to temper the heat. Following the dinner ice cream and ice water was served to the party.

The business session was opened with the singing of "America." Mrs. Lulu Wolfe, secretary, then gave the minutes and records of the past year of activity in the family.

The births in the family showed a girl to Mr. and Mrs. John Christwiser, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Mont Shrader, a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Shrader, Jr., a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Shrader, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rea, a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gauer.

One death was reported, that of Mrs. Dora Shrader of Murray. The election of officers was then held, the following then being chosen:

President—Mrs. Lulu Wolfe.
Vice President—Lester Shrader.
Secretary-Treasurer—John Christwiser.

Social Committee Chairman—Mrs. Grace Bell, with Leone Mayfield and Dortha Ehlers as assistants. The meeting closed with the singing of "God Bless America" and was then turned over to the social committee, the members having arranged a very fine program that everyone enjoyed.

The 1942 reunion will be on the first Sunday in August at the home of Mrs. Wolfe.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ehlers and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Shrader, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Christwiser and son, Mr. and Mrs. John Christwiser and family, Mrs. R. H. Christwiser, Mr. and Mrs. V. Gish and family, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Shrader, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rea, Mr. and Mrs. Shrader Rhoden, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Shrader, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Forest Shrader and family, Mrs. Georgia Creamer, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Rhoden, Mrs. Alma Yardley, Mrs. Lulu Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gauer, Mr. and Mrs. Omer Yardley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Yardley and family, Mrs. Harry Albin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Kaffenberger and family, Mrs. F. K. Moore and family, Mrs. Greeley Bell and son, Forest, Miss Ann Caralletta, guest, Mrs. Kuzig, guest, Mr. and Mrs. John Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Will Carey and family.

GREAT CROWD AT EAGLE

The attendance at the Eagle street carnival and picnic Wednesday was one of the largest that has been received at any of the western Cass county town's annual festival.

County Treasurer John E. Turner stopped there on his way home from Lincoln and found a great crowd that filled the streets, the shows, the various attractions doing a big business and old friends meeting each other.

Sheriff Joe Mrasek and Deputy Sheriff Emery Doody were also at the picnic and report perfect order and a good time enjoyed by the large number.

AN APPRECIATION

We wish to thank our many friends, neighbors and relatives for the beautiful floral offerings, words of kindness and sympathy shown during the illness and death of our beloved wife, mother, daughter and sister.—Mr. Ralph Meisinger and family, Mrs. Fred Wegener and family. d&w