

Prominent Men of State And City Who Died in 1917

OMAHA AND VICINITY.

January.

1—Timothy O'Connor, 64, pioneer railroad man.

2—Carl E. Pein, 61, retired contractor and builder; Captain John J. Long, 57, veteran of civil war and pioneer settler.

3—Edward L. Dwyer, 48, noted educator and undertaker; Mrs. D. M. Dwyer, 55, pioneer school teacher.

4—W. A. Maxwell, 70, Council Bluffs, pioneer, died in auto accident.

5—Mrs. Louise Jones, 80, mother of E. C. Jones, mutual savings bank president; David H. Shipley, 70, pioneer of W. Nebraska; Mrs. L. M. Jones, 70, pioneer of W. Nebraska.

6—Lee Fletcher, 45, retired farmer, pioneer of Washington county.

7—J. D. Hoyt, 74, veteran of the civil war; George J. Palmer, 60, pioneer of W. Nebraska; John G. Carter, pioneer and school teacher.

8—Augustine Kozma, 53, pioneer of 1850 and member of 18 children; Mrs. J. G. Carter, 48, civil war veteran and pioneer of W. Nebraska; Mrs. John H. Hild, 65, pioneer of 1841 noted church woman; John Hild, 75, pioneer, member of the Omaha area for 40 years in civil war.

9—Gilbert W. Hanna, 69, at O'Neill; Omaha optician; Mrs. J. H. Hanna, 70, prominent in Baptist church work.

10—Mrs. Sarah Hild, 74, pioneer of 1824.

11—George T. White, 70, retired lawyer.

February.

1—Captain J. P. Perry, 71, Moberly, Mo.; Grand Army leader and pioneer; Mrs. J. H. Hanna, 70, pioneer of 1824.

2—Mrs. Wilhelmina Shepley, 78, territorial pioneer, widow of John J. Shepley, owner of first brick house in Omaha.

3—Mrs. Martha H. Beebe, 78, pioneer of 1839; Mrs. Alice Van Dusen, 80, pioneer of 1827; Frank T. Lewis, 81, member Live Stock exchange.

4—James C. Woodman, 80, pioneer insurance man; J. H. Palmer, 80, pioneer agent Standard Oil company; Lewis Hamner, 85, pioneer banker of Council Bluffs.

5—Mrs. Ruth Dunn, 75, prominent in Grand Army; William A. Kindred, foreman Florence water works.

6—Edward McEachron, 68, coal merchant.

7—Marcellus Hildon, 75, pioneer insurance man.

8—Robert E. Morris, 69, locomotive engineer Omaha road.

9—Michael Connolly, 73, pioneer blacksmith.

10—Moss Howard, 75, pioneer live stock dealer; William Cahill, 81, Los Angeles, formerly superintendent of Union Pacific; M. M. Parrish, 67, prominent newspaper man.

March.

1—Otto Henningsen, 54, Kansas City, former Omaha flour merchant.

2—Mrs. Ann Agnew Chambers, 80, pioneer of Council Bluffs; Lawrence S. Stagner, 84, building contractor.

3—Mrs. Mary H. Hutchinson, 86, prominent in church and charitable work.

4—Oran B. Holman, 64, pioneer of Omaha, shot at Excelsior Springs, Mo.

5—H. P. Jensen, 70, pioneer of 1847.

6—Dennis Palmer, local manager Greater Viagraph Film company; Fred Brown, 65, civil war veteran and pioneer.

7—Millard P. Funkhouser, 66, farmer, stockman and insurance man; Max Bell Sharrar, 61, pioneer school teacher.

8—Harry J. Hackett, 58, prominent in civic affairs; V. J. Yoder, 75, Burlington railroad land agent and pioneer Bohemian publisher.

9—Rufus B. Parker, 44, old-time printer.

10—O. L. Selabury, 51, pioneer barber.

11—John Werminghoff, 80, prominent contractor.

12—Mrs. Sophie Cleveland, 80, charter member of First Presbyterian church.

13—George F. Copper, deputy commissioner of public lands and buildings; Elmer H. Wood, 62, Lombard St., retired freight traffic manager, Union Pacific, Omaha.

April.

1—Justin B. Parter, pioneer business man.

2—Ernest Young, 71, former general auditor of the Harriman line; Frank H. Chickering, 65, pioneer piano dealer.

3—William Mulhain, 74, pioneer railroad shipman; Morris J. Fleming, 65, retired city policeman.

4—Charles Norton, 77, pioneer railroad conductor; Rev. Abel M. Perry, 64, noted Methodist preacher.

5—Fred K. Dellone, 78, pioneer contractor and builder.

6—Thomas F. Maloney, 71, retired farmer and capitalist.

7—Major John E. Burke, 74, Washington, formerly of Omaha, associate of Buffalo Bill in Wild West show.

8—Michael Leary, 60, former councilman and state legislator.

9—Dr. Henry T. Godfrey, 76, pioneer physician.

10—Timothy J. Mahoney, 61, distinguished member of the Omaha bar.

11—W. H. Bucholtz, 61, noted banker and active in civic affairs.

12—Mrs. Margaret Lange, 80, pioneer and resident of Omaha for 50 years.

May.

1—Charles Kitchan, 82, Seattle, Wash., one of the founders of Paxton hotel, Omaha.

2—Frank McCreary, native son and cement block manufacturer.

3—Frank A. Shalida, 78, pioneer tailor.

4—Dr. Horace Ludington, 85, civil war surgeon and resident of Omaha 35 years.

5—E. Gilbert Jackson, 75, civil war veteran and civil engineer.

6—Anton Rohrer, 88, pioneer retail shoeman.

7—J. R. Perkins, 81, pioneer insurance man.

8—Michael Byrne, 84, pioneer Union Pacific shopman.

9—William Rochford, 65, building contractor.

10—John N. Campton, 65, bookkeeper Woodmen of the World.

11—Joseph Wells Edwards, Council Bluffs, stricken with heart disease in undertaking strike after giving measure for coffin.

12—Dr. A. T. Wilbers, 59, pioneer dentist.

13—Frederick C. Dellone, 48, son of Omaha pioneer.

14—Robert F. McNeil, 80, superintendent of railroad department, Bellevue, 87, resident of Sarpy county 43 years.

15—Mrs. Lucy Deuel, 83, widow of pioneer railroad man.

16—Frank J. Bleick, 68, Omaha pioneer of 1856, freighter and farmer.

17—Rev. Ferdinand Lechtner, 78, for 25 years pastor of various Catholic churches in the state.

18—Miss Frances Gilbert, pioneer daughter of Omaha.

July.

1—Morgan J. Healey, 56, South Side undertaker.

2—Albert Wilczek, 71, pioneer baker.

3—Dr. J. A. Rieder, 64, physician and dentist, pioneer of 1856.

4—Gordon Kelly, 35, South Side stockman.

5—Lucy Ellen Rogers, school teacher for 30 years.

August.

1—George Hotel, 76, retired business man, pioneer of 1815.

2—Mrs. Grace Singer, 68, widow of Charles Singer and sister of the late Edward Resawater.

3—Captain Henry V. Ripley, 75, veteran of the civil war.

4—Edward Dickstein, 64, Kansas City, noted railroad man of Omaha.

5—Charles L. Shook, 59, jewelry manufacturer.

6—Mrs. Anna M. Kennedy, 73, pioneer of 1870.

7—Harry Egegal, 55, manager of grocery and meat market; Frank J. Sutcliffe, 55, prominent court reporter.

8—Captain N. T. Spear, 88, New York, pioneer of Omaha and Council Bluffs.

9—W. C. Urick, 84, head of the Urick Construction company.

10—William H. Thomas, 66, prominent real estate dealer; Major John McLaughlin, 71, veteran of civil and Indian wars.

September.

1—Lafayette E. Sawyer for Union outfitting company; W. H. Parrish, 66, building contractor.

2—Jefferson W. Bedford, 79, county commissioner, legislator and civil war veteran.

3—Dennis Cunningham, 75, pioneer burser.

4—George F. Gilmore, 33, founder of Co-operative Savings and Loan association.

5—Mrs. Lida M. Stout, 64, prominent in church and charitable activities.

6—Samuel Ruse, 74, pioneer printer of Omaha.

7—Henry Homanly, 78, pioneer government printer.

8—George Heister, Jr., Hanover, Germany, Omaha born son of pioneer family.

October.

1—E. A. Searle, 63, well known attorney.

2—Mrs. Martin Walsh, 49, pioneer South Side resident.

3—Mrs. Luther L. Robert, 74, Chicago, formerly prominent in Omaha church work.

4—Mrs. Kate Root, 62, daughter of Omaha.

5—Faith Hovel, 54, newspaper reporter, organizer of Omaha Women's Press club.

6—L. E. Doty, prominent automobile dealer.

7—Westley H. De France, 37, well known attorney.

8—John W. Austin, 37, auditing clerk Union Pacific; Private Henry C. Peary, 24, Camp Taylor, Ky., member Omaha ambulance company.

9—Roberta G. Gentiana, 75, Platte county pioneer farmer, retired.

10—Asher J. Hurlbert, 59, prominent farmer and stockman of Sholes.

11—Robert Mellor, Wayne, retired capitalist and land owner.

12—Mrs. J. E. Miner, Red Cloud, early settler of Webster county; Mrs. Nancy Jane Purdy, Pleasant Valley, pioneer settler.

13—Smith A. Hartwell, 74, Table Rock, civil war veteran and pioneer of 1847.

14—Mrs. Anna E. Bush, 70, Beatrice, pioneer resident.

15—Hans Manahar B. Reese, 78, Lincoln, former judge of the supreme court.

November.

1—Charles J. McKinnon, agricultural Union Pacific agent; local manager Ben Williams; Hildner, local manager Ben Williams; Hildner, local manager Ben Williams.

2—Mrs. W. H. Hildner, 75, president of Mutual Aid Society, Council Bluffs; Mrs. J. Hildner, 75, wife of Henry A. Hildner, pioneer settler; Mrs. W. H. Hildner, 75, wife of Henry A. Hildner, pioneer settler.

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THE STATE AT LARGE.

January.

1—John S. Thompson, 80, civil war veteran, pioneer landholder of Johnson county; Mrs. Anna John, 80, settler, pioneer of 1847.

2—John T. Taylor, 70, Los Angeles, former resident of Red Cloud, politician, Burlington land agent and traveler.

3—Fred Bachus, 76, and Mrs. Bachus, Cedar Bluffs, pioneers of 1874.

4—Con J. Kelley, 85, O'Neill, one of the pioneer colonists of Holt county.

5—William Kemp, 45, West Point, prominent farmer of Cummins county.

6—Henry Livingston, 65, Tecumseh, pioneer farmer of Holt; Joshua Murray, 84, Pender, pioneer of 1844; John P. Heavner, 85, Burchard, civil war veteran and pioneer of 1848.

7—Mrs. M. F. Smith, 80, Leigh, Colfax county, pioneer of 1875; Mrs. Elizabeth Winn, 81, Plattsmouth, pioneer resident; John Dingman, 90, Stella, patriot of the town.

8—Johann P. Wickert, 86, West Point, veteran of the German revolutionary war.

9—W. J. Halderman, president of First State bank of Pawnee City, prominent in public affairs.

February.

1—John S. Balsbury, 73, Ravenna, civil war veteran, pioneer of Buffalo county.

2—Prof. O. D. Howe, 85, Table Rock, superintendent of school, Pawnee county; Mrs. Margaret Ryan, 69, Fremont, pioneer of Washington county; Spangler Brugh, 84, Fremont, pioneer of 1840.

3—Herman Conrad, 78, West Point, pioneer farmer of 1849.

4—P. K. Hayden, hardware merchant of Hastings, died of heart failure in Omaha.

5—Mrs. Carl Menan, 75, Papillion, pioneer of Sarpy county.

6—Mrs. Joseph Meyer, 84, Beatrice, oldest resident of Sage county.

7—Patrick J. Hatt, pioneer merchant of Fremont.

8—Charles Hill, 60, Norfolk, locomotive engineer, Chicago & Northwestern railroad.

9—Joseph C. March, 60, Lincoln, last surviving veteran of Seminoles war.

10—George W. Pleasant, 90, Lincoln, noted negro preacher.

11—Frank Ruse, 68, West Point, retired business man.

12—William G. Traub, 49, Norfolk, prominent lumber dealer.

13—J. K. May, 72, pioneer wholesale grocer of Fremont.

14—James P. Shaw, 81, western pioneer settler and leader in Jefferson county.

15—A. P. Reger, 70, pioneer of February.

16—John W. Bizler, pioneer lawyer and politician of North Platte, later in law branch of interior department, Washington.

17—William Talbot, 85, pioneer of Table Rock.

18—John P. Morgan, 45, Table Rock, locomotive engineer and city councilman.

March.

1—Mrs. Sarah Faith, 85, Fremont, pioneer member of Women's Relief corps, Grand Army of the Republic.

2—Ralph W. Stary, 66, Pawnee City, pioneer lawyer and politician; William Bichof, Nebraska City, leading hardware merchant.

3—Edward Ryan, 85, Lincoln, secretary of state banking board for 16 years.

4—Peter McCurdy, 75, Fairbury, pioneer of Jefferson county.

5—James B. Fumo, 66, leading business man of Madison; J. Stultz, 67, Eckerman, veteran of civil war.

6—Mrs. Lydia Pettigrew, 88, Fremont, oldest resident of Dodge county.

7—William L. Berry, 81, Madison farmer judge, county clerk and postmaster.

8—C. D. Stoner, Osceola, pioneer homesteader of Polk county.

9—Ray W. Holst, 27, West Point business man.

10—Mrs. William W. Dirs, North Platte, niece of Sidney Dillon, railroad magnate, pioneer educator and home maker.

11—Emil S. Palmer, 65, Louisville, pioneer merchant and leader in public affairs.

12—Daniel Flores, 74, West Point, pioneer settler of Cummins county; Mrs. Julia Thomas, Plattsmouth, pioneer of 1847.

13—Fred Meyer, 72, Oakley, Kan., pioneer merchant of Fremont.

14—O. M. Enlow, 70, leading lawyer and politician of Beatrice; John Shrivine, O'Neill, civil war veteran and pioneer of Holt county.

15—D. W. Balzer, 77, North Platte, pioneer railroad man and rancher.

April.

1—Bar. John E. English, 45, Hubbard, pioneer Catholic priest of Omaha diocese; Robert Moore, 80, Ocean Park, Cal., civil war veteran, pioneer druggist of Harvard.

2—Richard Brooke, 80, pioneer settler of York.

3—R. Cooper, postmaster and editor of Holdrege Progress; D. J. Edgington, 75, Egan, pioneer of Clay and Nuckolls counties, teacher and mill carrier.

4—L. P. Brown, 84, Beatrice, pioneer settler and land owner.

5—John Ringe, Rushville, first sheriff of Sheridan county.

6—Peter Peterson, 68, pioneer, wagon maker of Fremont.

7—Christina Enoch, 73, Lincoln, noted German artist.

8—C. W. Morrow, 74, Cambridge, civil war veteran and land holding citizen.

May.

1—Charles H. Nino, 75, Humboldt, civil war veteran and former mayor.

2—Daniel B. Ray, 64, Tecumseh, pioneer of 1849.

3—Elmer A. Van Dyke, 82, Beatrice, leader of church of the Rockers.

4—Geo. H. Nelson, 88, leading business man of Greely.

5—J. W. Stevens, 89, Beatrice, state pioneer of 1847.

6—W. C. Walton, 75, Blair, leading lawyer of Washington county.

7—W. H. Roman, Peru, veteran of the civil war.

June.

1—Charles H. Tait, 60, Attanora, widely known stockman.

2—Mrs. R. N. Wolbach, Grand Island, prominent in charity and charitable work.

3—J. H. Reider, 74, pioneer of Cass county.

4—E. Kreidler, leading business man of Chatterton.

July.

1—John H. Hughes, 60, pioneer business man of Ravenna.

2—John Wesley Sprink, Central City, pioneer in the development of Merrick county.

3—George J. White, 78, Decatur, veteran of the civil war.

4—H. B. Drake, 61, Broken Bow, clothing merchant.

5—John A. Rayner, 82, Milford, veteran of the civil war and Nebraska pioneer.

August.

1—Grandma Major, 86, Peru, noted Nebraska pioneer.

2—Prof. J. S. Brown, Crete, member of Doane college faculty.

3—William Stauffer, 76, West Point, pioneer of 1843 and active in public affairs.

4—Dwight A. Lumbard, 66, Lewistown, former banker of Fremont.

5—John P. Allen, Brainard, well known editor of the Clipper.

6—Edgar F. Fawcett, 61, Atlington, publisher of the Haverhill Herald.

7—Rev. Peter B. Ruch, 85, Shubert, pioneer Methodist organizer and preacher.

8—Mrs. Y. Wallace, 47, Gretna, pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic church.

September.

1—James Akshay, 77, Oakland, pioneer homesteader of Burr county.

Bank Clearings

Omaha bank clearings for 1917 broke all records in the history of the Omaha Clearing house.

Bank clearings for the year just closed totaled \$1,873,581,133, just a little more than \$100,000,000 less than the two billion mark.

In 1916 the clearings for the year were \$1,279,178,591, so the gain 1917 marked up over 1916 is more than \$600,000,000, or almost 50 per cent, the largest gain in history.

Not one single month of 1917 fell below the \$100,000,000 mark. February, the slimmest month of the year, registered \$123,858,808. In addition, for the first time in history, a mark of more than \$200,000,000 was made. Both October and November surpassed this figure.

Year.	Amount.	1902
1887	\$27,441,069	392,880,920
1888	332,041,006	398,985,212
1889	402,500,332	442,285,685
1890	490,124,013	504,388,764
1891	442,257,190	567,515,738
1892	455,879,384	602,525,867
1893	682,833,745	735,225,568
1894	483,472,168	832,971,607
1895	381,286,477	753,107,353
1896	420,282,668	860,881,557
1897	243,338,798	908,947,578
1898	319,461,528	882,717,101
1899	297,432,370	982,670,880
1900	315,785,196	1,279,158,591
1901	329,043,688	1,873,581,133

Monthly Record.

1916	1917	
January	\$ 93,088,721	\$142,344,432
February	91,246,279	123,858,808
March	114,298,714	164,058,917
April	92,440,913	141,205,601
May	97,091,862	152,677,898
June	95,378,541	146,215,044
July	88,012,376	131,357,130
August	111,471,722	136,650,213
September	113,995,009	149,976,259
October	132,240,393	203,149,223
November	124,461,108	202,808,617
December	125,452,953	179,278,987
Totals	\$1,279,178,591	\$1,873,581,133

OMAHA PROUD OF NEW RESERVE BANK

Federal Institution of Tenth District Was Acquired Only After Fight; Serves Big Territory.

One of the things of which the financial interests of Omaha are proud is the Omaha branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of the Tenth district, acquired during the year. It was not acquired without a fight, for many cities wanted this branch. Omaha was chosen, however, and was given all of the territory of Nebraska and Wyoming.

For a time there was a fight for Wyoming, for Denver wanted this rich territory attached to its branch. The matter was finally put to a referendum vote of the banks of Wyoming and the government abided by the decision there reached. The vote favored Omaha, and Omaha today has the bank located in the Farnam building (formerly First National bank building) at Thirteenth and Farnam streets.

Officials of Bank.

O. T. Eastman is manager and E. D. McAllister is cashier. There are five directors, Luther Drake, Omaha; O. T. Eastman, Omaha; Dr. P. L. Hall, Lincoln; J. C. McNish, Omaha, and R. O. Marnell, Nebraska City.

The capital of the reserve bank is based on 3 per cent of the total capital and surplus of the member banks. Thus the capital necessarily fluctuates somewhat with the fluctuations of the capital and surplus of the member banks. At the present time the capital of the Omaha branch of the Federal Reserve bank is \$783,550.

Affiliated with Many Banks.

There are 192 national banks in Nebraska and 36 in Wyoming, making a total of 228 national banks doing business with the reserve bank in Omaha. Besides these, there is one state bank in Nebraska, which has elected to come under the federal reserve system. This is the Bank of Lewellyn. This bank had come under the federal reserve system more than a year ago, though it is not required that state banks do so. It has been their privilege from the start, however, and recently by an amendment to the federal reserve act it has been made more easy and desirable for them to put themselves under this system.

Big Reserve Here.

These Nebraska banks carry approximately \$14,000,000 of their reserve in the Omaha branch of the Federal Reserve bank. This is based on not less than 7 per cent of the net deposits of country banks and 10 per cent of the net deposits of the city banks. The Wyoming banks carry reserve in this bank totaling about \$2,000,000. The total reserve deposits of the Wyoming and Nebraska banks in the Omaha branch amount to \$16,000,000.

The Omaha branch bank has practically all the powers of the head office at Kansas City and all the dealings with the member banks of these two states are handled by the Omaha branch. The federal reserve banks do business only with member banks. They have no dealings with the public.

Functions of Bank.

The main functions of the Federal Reserve bank are, first, the gradual taking over of the money-issuing power, which since 1863 has been largely done by the issuance of national bank notes. The notes issued by the new banks are known as federal reserve notes. These come in denominations of \$5 and up. The \$1 and \$2 bills are still issued by the United States Treasury department, largely against deposits of silver.

The Omaha branch now has a force of 17 employees. There are two officers, a manager and a cashier.

Building Operations Show Big Gain for 1917

Building operations for 11 years for Omaha.

Year.	Permit Amount.	Year.	Permit Amount.
1907	\$1,100,445,000	1912	\$4,110,700
1908	1,225,450,000	1913	4,611,400
1909	1,026,720,000	1914	5,318,000
1910	1,644,620,000	1915	4,542,100
1911	1,878,426,000	1916	7,781,000
1912	1,379,470,000		

THE OMAHA BEE

Went "OVER THE TOP" in 1917 With Over Twice the Gains In DISPLAY ADVERTISING Of the Other Two Omaha Dailies Combined

Here Are the Figures for the Twelve Months Past

	Warfield Agency Measurements			INCHES OF DISPLAY ADVERTISING		
	1916	World-Herald	News	1917	World-Herald	News
January	22,568	26,753	23,516	22,319	22,372	22,608
February	24,149	26,290	25,046	25,285	26,160	25,394
March	25,337	30,096	27,988	29,281	31,256	26,599
April	29,638	35,923	28,233	32,294	33,738	28,600
May	26,510	46,820	24,807	28,306	35,496	28,537
June	25,960	31,566	23,910	29,466	30,659	26,643
July	21,071	24,621	19,367	23,210	27,772	22,274
August	18,475	19,611	16,735	25,176	27,486	20,324
September	16,735	28,628	24,922	29,734	31,705	28,168
October	27,437	36,354	29,663	27,413	34,786	26,676
November	29,220	31,878	27,840	29,184	33,606	27,891
December	25,745	30,168	24,860	31,187	35,636	29,246
Totals	292,845	368,708	296,887	332,855	370,672	312,960

THE BEE GAINED 40,010 INCHES

World-Herald Gained 1,864 Inches
News Gained 16,073 Inches

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE BEE

It'll Improve Every Day During 1918