

JOHN HOFRICHTER

John, son of Max and Mary Hofrichter, was born in Woodford county, Illinois, July 26, 1863, and died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harry Bergstrand of Fairmont, Nebr., August 2, 1928; aged 65 years and 8 days.

He came from Illinois with his parents, brothers and sisters in 1884, locating at Bellwood, Nebr. After a few years the parents removed to Colorado where they homesteaded. After proving up on the land the family again returned to Nebraska, residing near Bellwood. About twenty years ago the boys moved to Bruning vicinity. John never married and came and made his home with his brothers, Robert, Ben and Edward, until about eight years ago when he went to live with his sister, Mrs. Harry Bergstrand.

Early in life deceased became affiliated with the Methodist church at Bellwood and kept that faith until his death. His parents, a brother, Ben, and a sister, Mrs. Josephine Napp, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are his sisters and brothers, Mrs. John Suddarth of Rising City, Mrs. Charles Watson and Mrs. Harry Bergstrand of Fairmont and Mrs. George Law of Sedgwick, Colo., Edward of Wood River and Robert of Bruning, and many other relatives and friends.

A coincident in the passing of John was that he followed his brother, Ben, into eternity on the same day of the same month just twelve years later.

Funeral services were held from the Bergstrand home and Fairmont M. E. church Saturday afternoon, August 4, in charge of Rev. A. G. Swanson, pastor. Burial was made in Bruning public cemetery later with short services.

Crete.

(Special to The Star.)

Crete, Neb., Dec. 13.—Thomas Menenga, a farmer about 35 years old, living several miles north of here, died early Sunday morning. He had been confined to the house for a few days only, but had been indisposed for some time. He is survived by a wife and two young children.

material are expected to attend.

Carter Named Judge.

Lincoln, April 26.—E. P. Carter of Bayard has been appointed by Governor McMullen as district judge in Scottsbluff district to succeed the late Judge P. J. Barron, who died a month ago.

McCurry and son, all of Tobias.

Mr. and Mrs. John Overacker and Mrs. Edw. Snyder visited Monday afternoon at the Harry Bowman home with Mrs. Martha Hofrichter, who has been very ill there. She is improving slowly, sitting up for the first time, Monday.

OBITUARY.

Benjamin Hoffrichter was born in Livingston Co., Illinois, June 10, 1870.

Died at Hebron, Nebraska, August 2, 1916, age 46 years, 1 month and 23 days.

He came with his parents, brothers and sisters to Butler Co., Neb., in 1884 and in January 1897 was united in marriage to Martha Mennega at Hastings, Neb. To this union three children were born, Vera, Everett and Helen, who are all at home.

Mr. Hoffrichter professed faith in Christ and united with the Evangelical Lutheran church of Bruning in April 1910, since which time he has lived an earnest Christian life, bringing his children up in the nature and admonition of the Lord.

In his death the community has lost one of its best citizens, the church has lost a faithful member and the family has lost a kind and loving husband and father.

He leaves besides his wife and children, three brothers, Robert, John and Edd, all of whom live near Bruning, and five sisters, Mrs. Knapp of Chicago, Mrs. Suddarth of Rising City, Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Bergstrand of Fairmont, Neb., and Mrs. Law of Colorado, all were present except Mrs. Knapp of Chicago.

The funeral service was held at the Evangelical Lutheran church of Bruning, Friday afternoon, conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Miller. Music was furnished by Mr. Ervin Wilkins, John Redelfs, Ed Trapp and Fred Trapp with Mrs. Tracy Keim at the organ. Interment was made at Bruning. The pall bearers were Mr. Wm. Hewitt, Geo. Grone, Louie Frese, H. R. Park, R. L. Parnell and John Caldwell.

Mr. Hoffrichter was a member of Bruning Camp 1560 M. W. A.

and numerous relatives and friends, but five small children.

Mrs. B. M. Menenga.

HASTINGS, Neb., Nov. 26.—Mrs. B. M. Mennenga, who has been suffering with cancer of the stomach for several months, died at her home in West Blue township at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The deceased was seventy-two years, five months and eight days old and was among the older residents of the county. Since the death of her husband, a little over ten years ago, she has resided in the neighborhood just northeast of the city, surrounded by many relatives, friends and neighbors.

She leaves nine children, five sons and four daughters, as well as three brothers and three sisters. One brother, Henry Conrad, resides in this city.

The funeral will be conducted from the home at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Burial will be at the Hansen cemetery.

F. I. Fowler.

*Father of Vera Hoffrichter*

*Butler Co. of Martha Mennenga Hoffrichter*

*Father of Vera Hoffrichter*  
*Mother of Benjamin Hoffrichter*

*Wife of Thomas Menenga*

*Mother of Clara*

**OBITUARY**

Mrs. Emma Mennenga-Van Weston was born on May 9, 1864, in Woodford county, Ill. She came to Crete, Nebr., in 1883. There, on April 19, 1884, she entered in the state of wedlock with Mr. John Rothaus. They made their home on a farm near Crete. Their union was blessed with six children. Two of the children died in their infancy, and the husband and father passed away in 1895, leaving the mother and four young children. She spent a number of years on the farm managing her affairs and raising her children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Later she came to Bruning and in 1920 entered in wedlock with Mr. Bernd VanWeston.

The deceased suffered a long siege of illness a year ago, and it was thought that she was recovering. But God had willed otherwise. Last Wednesday she took sick with pneumonia, and died peacefully and in the Faith Saturday afternoon, December 15th, at the age of 64 years, 7 months and 6 days.

Her departure is deeply felt by her loving husband, Bernd Van Weston, her children: Herman Rothaus of Long Beach, Calif., Harry Rothaus and Mrs. Bertha Kalkwar of Crete, Nebr., and Annie Pahlman of Vassar, Kans., eleven grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Martha Jones of Bruning and Mrs. J. T. Andres of Haigler, Nebr., and four brothers: John and Frank Mennenga of Hastings, Nebr., Henry Mennenga of Aurora, Colo., and Dick Mennenga of Startup, Wash., and a large circle of more distant relatives and friends.

Services were held at the home and Trinity Lutheran church on Tuesday, December 18, at 10:00 a. m. Burial was made in Crete cemetery Tuesday afternoon.

"Asleep in Jesus! Far from thee Thy kindred and their graves may be;

But there is still a blessed sleep From which none ever wakes to weep."

*Sister of Martha Mennenga*

**OBITUARY—MRS. CASPER**

Mrs. Teda Conrad Casper was born on January 26th, 1841, at Morhusen, Germany, and was baptised in her infancy in the name of the Triune God.

She came to America in 1857, together with her parents, brothers and sisters, making their home in Peoria, Ill. There, after due instructions in the teaching of the Bible, she renewed her baptismal vows by the solem rite of Confirmation in the Evangelical Lutheran church. On October 22, 1859, she entered into holy wedlock with Garrett J. Casper. Until 1877 the newly wed couple resided near Benson, Wodford County, Ill., when they moved to Iroquis County, Ill. Their unoin was blessed with 10 children



MRS. TEDA CONRAD "GRANDMA" CASPER.

5 of which, three sons and two daughters, preceded their parents in the realms of eternity. Mr. Casper died on June 24, 1901, and in 1910 Mrs. Casper came to Bruning.

The deceased was a true follower of Christ, and an active member in his Church. She was a faithful wife, a loving mother and a good neighbor.

Two years ago Mrs. Casper suffered a slight stroke of paralysis but he recovered speedily and completely. Again last winter she suffered through illness, but was well on the way to recovery when Tuesday, March 19, she had the misfortune of falling and breaking her hip-bone. Being informed that she might be confined to bed for a long time, she had but the one desire, that the Lord God might take her soon from this earth, being confident that the Savior had prepared for her a home above, and that by His grace she would be received in heaven. This wish was granted unto her. It pleased the Lord God to take her from this earth. She died peacefully and in the Faith on Tuesday, March 26, shortly before noon, just a week after the accident. She attained the ripe age of 88 years and 2 month.

Her demise is deeply felt by her children: J. H. Casper and Mrs. Grace Hofrichter of Bruning, Mrs. Anna Lucht of Crescent City, Ill., Herman Casper of Geneva, Nebr., John Casper of Milford, Ill., her brother, I. T. Conrad of Hastings, Nebraska., and her sister, Mrs. G. Marti of Long Beach, Calif., 45 grandchildren, 108 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

May her mortal body rest unto believers in Christ Jesus.

The funeral service will be conducted on Friday at 3 p. m. from the Lutheran church, 2:40 p. m. from the house. Interment in the church cemetery.

*Aunt of Martha Mennenga (Hofrichter)*

*Mother in law of Helen / prof. Bowman*

**OBITUARY.**

Mrs. Catherine Redelfs-Bowman, wife of Mr. John F. Bowman, daughter of Mr. Lammert Redelfs and Jana, nee Benders, was born on December 30, 1874, at Minonk, Woodford County, Illinois, and was baptized there in her infancy. Both the deceased and her husband, were in the same class attending instructions in religion and were confirmed in Trinity Lutheran church in Bruning in 1888. Thirty-three years ago, on March 8, 1894, they were married in the same church.

Mrs. Bowman was a faithful church member, and was particularly active in the Ladies' Aid.

About three weeks ago she took sick with an attack of quinsy which later developed into diphtheria. It pleased the Lord of life and death to call her hence on Friday evening April 29, at 10 p. m., at the age of 52 years, 3 months and 29 days.

Her demise is keenly felt by her sorrowing husband, Mr. John F. Bowman, her aged mother, Mrs. Jana Redelfs, her sons, Lammert and Martin of California, and Folley and Harry of Bruning, her daughters, Mrs. Arthur Risor of Chapman, Nebr., and Miss Lola-may; also three brothers: Herman Redelfs of Minnesota, John Redelfs of Bruning and Lammert Redelfs, and one sister, Mrs. Wm. Bowman of Hebron, beside many other more distant relatives and a host of friends.

It was a shock to the community when the news spread that Mrs. Bowman had passed away, and the mourners have the sympathy of all. But the Lord God alone can comfort them in this their sorrow. They who turn to Him have the promise that He will not cast out.

"I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord. thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end."—Jer. 29:11.

Funeral services were held privately in the home yard Sunday afternoon, and burial was made in Bruning public cemetery.

**CARD OF THANKS.**

We desire to express our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses extended to her during the illness of our loved one, and for the many words and deeds of kindness extended to us during our bereavement. Though our burden of sorrow is heavy each kind word and act tends to lighten the load.

JOHN F. BOWMAN  
and CHILDREN  
MRS. JANA REDELS  
and FAMILY

**LIES INJURED AT  
BOTTOM OF BANK**

George J. Monk Hurt Four Hours  
Before Help Arrives  
(Lincoln Star)

Lying at the bottom of a 20-foot embankment for more than four hours before aid came, George J. Monk, 51, suffered severe effects from injuries he sustained when his car overturned on a highway between Louisville and Weeping Water Monday.

Monk, who lives at 619 East Fifteenth street, University Place, told his story to hospital attendants here Monday night. He said he was driving down a hill, at the bottom of which was a bridge, when he lost control of the car. It shot over the 20-foot embankment and stopped with its wheels in the air and Monk pinned beneath.

Despite the pain of a fractured rib and internal injuries Monk later wormed his way out from under the automobile. No one, however, saw the accident and he remained at the bottom of the embankment unnoticed until children on their way home from school at 4:30 p. m. found the man. The accident occurred about noon.

Monk was attended by a doctor in Weeping Water and then removed to the Lincoln General hospital, where he is under the care of Dr. Sidney O. Reese. He spent a fair night Monday, but was still in a serious condition Tuesday evening because of internal injuries.

Note—Relatives here received a message yesterday announcing his death. Deceased was a cousin to Mrs. Robert Hofrichter, Mrs. Henry Uden, H. G. and J. H. Casper and was known to many Banner readers. Funeral services will be held in Hastings tomorrow.

JOHN... son of former Gov. Arthur J. Weaver and brother of Arthur J. Weaver, jr., Lincoln city councilman. 7:30  
Lyle Carter, son of Judge and Mrs. E. F. Carter, was promoted to first lieutenant early in May, he writes his parents. Overseas since last November, he was a battalion adjutant with the Seventh army in the drive to Berlin. He writes that he is now in Bavaria. Bet picnic Fir  
Gerald H. Johns, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Johns, Elgin, Neb., was re-promoted from first lieutenant to ary A

*Quest of Martha Hoffmeyer*

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Conrad, planning to celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary quietly and alone at their home on Thursday, Jan. 29, were happily surprised when near the noon hour their four daughters and their families arrived with well-filled baskets to spend the day with them. Mr. and Mrs. Conrad received several bouquets of beautiful flowers, several gifts appropriate to the day, and 130 postcards from their numerous friends. Mrs. Conrad, who does not get out to meet her friends so often of late, greatly appreciated the shower of cards and the messages they bore. At the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jones of Juniata, Mr. and Mrs. David Ross of Stockham, Mr. and Mrs. George Fergus and daughter, Thelma, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hensman and daughter, Wilma. Mr. and Mrs. Conrad are 78 and 74 years of age respectively and enjoy good health for those of their age.

### Former West Point Mayor and Elevator Manager Is Dead



*F. D. Sharrar*  
BETHSCHEIDER PHOTO



Above is a picture of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hawks, Sr., ten several years ago. Mrs. Hawks passed away early Saturday.

*Farmer east of Perry*

ed by Dr. B. Hubbard of the University of Wisconsin seems to be the nearest to a real solution. Dr. Hubbard would set apart a portion of the revenues from the tariff on imports and use them as a bounty on agricultural goods exported. The bounty would apply only on agricultural products that had fallen below the commodity level. The cost of operation would fall on the general public instead of on the farmer as proposed in the McNary-Haugen bill. But Dr. Hubbard points out that price enforcements, as the result of protective tariff, falls heaviest on the farmer. Under this plan, the suggestion is made that in no case should the total amount expended be more than one half of the total receipts from the tariff. The plan has the merit of being definite in maximum cost of operation. It would be specific in operation.

It would be strange indeed but in line with Calvin Coolidge's good luck, if his refusal to take up with some of the half baked schemes proposed would after all be a great boon to the farmer by resulting in something practical, something economically sound and an imaginary aid to agriculture. Coolidge refused to meddle in the anthracite coal strike and his wisdom is now demonstrated. He has refused to be stampered by farm aid measures that were economically unsound. If the Hubbard principle should be enacted into law he would score again.—Sena

*Everett Hofrichter & Helen Graul  
wedding at Beatrice  
Hofrichter  
Graul  
Carter*

**HOFRICHTER - BOWMAN  
GRAUL - HOFRICHTER**

Four Bruning young people figured in a double wedding ceremony at Beatrice last Saturday afternoon when Helen L. Hofrichter, daughter of Mrs. Martha ~~Hofrichter~~ became the bride of Harry T. Bowman, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bowman, and Helen M. Graul, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Graul, became the bride of Everett F. Hofrichter, son of Mrs. Martha ~~Hofrichter~~

The only attendant was Mrs. Graul mother of Mrs. Hofrichter. They were married by the county judge of Gage county. Immediately after the ceremony the young folks returned to Bruning where a sumptuous wedding dinner was served at 7:00 at the Hofrichter farm home east of Bruning.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowman departed Sunday for Bayard, Nebr., where they will spend their honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. Hofrichter departed for Lincoln and Wood River, where they will honeymoon for the next three weeks.

Everett and bride will occupy the Hofrichter farm east of Bruning, while Harry and bride have leased the Dr. Burdick farm southwest of Bruning.

The newly-weds are all products of this community and are popular young folks who will have the well wishes of the community as they launch their matrimonial barge.

Who are there among us who would see a young man leave his farm on his honeymoon and then approach the farm in his absence and steal his flock. At least some mean man entered the roosts of Everett Hofrichter last week and purloined sixteen big fat hens. Everett had cooped his thirty-five hens before he departed for Beatrice to be married and had planned on marketing them. In the rush and excitement of the all important event they became liberated. Mr. and Mrs. Hofrichter departed on a ten-days' honeymoon and thought no more of the chickens. Upon their return Everett decided to again capture the hens. Then lo and behold, the number had diminished to but nineteen; and the place was scoured for a natural marauder. He then came to the conclusion that human hands had removed the missing birds and is endeavoring to identify the culprit who would take advantage of his absence.

Watson—Miss Matilda Watson, 1701 South Seventeenth street, died at a local hospital at 12 a. m. Sunday. She is survived by three sisters, Rebekah Watson, Miss Julia Watson and Miss Ella Watson, all living at 1701 South Seventeenth street, and a brother, Charles Watson of Fairmont. The funeral will be held at the Trinity Methodist church, Sixteenth and A street, Tuesday at 10:30 a. m. Rev. H. B. Rhodes will conduct the services. The body will be taken to Geneva for interment.

twice a day. Be sure that the wound heals from the bottom first.

Bellwood, Neb., Jan. 1.—To the Veterinary Editor of the World-Herald: I have some hogs that are getting lame in the back and hind legs, but eat well and look well, have been that way for two months. Please answer through the columns of the World-Herald and oblige a subscriber. B. H.

Answer—The kidney worm will cause lameness. Give five grains of santonin rolled in butter to each hog affected. Feed on empty stomach.

I suggested the other day in the columns of the weekly the necessity of a mixed diet for hogs. I firmly believe that if you farmers who raise large quantities of hogs would try and raise some barley and roots, such as rutabagas, etc., and vary your feed. Pork raised from such food is sweeter, more wholesome and should command a higher price on the market. A steady diet of corn is enough to ruin the stomach of any hog, I care not how strong a constitution he has.

**OCTOBER 3, 1919**

**DOUBLE WEDDING  
IN BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Two Sisters Married at Noon  
Thursday—Other  
Weddings**

An interesting double wedding took place in the Fifth Baptist Church, Eighteenth and Spring Garden streets, yesterday at noon, when Miss Mildred M. Krips and Miss Florence M. Krips, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William Krips, of 2315 Green street, were married, the former to Mr. Henry D. Ward, of Tiffin, O., and Miss Florence M. Krips to Mr. Frederick J. Trapp, of 1433 North Seventeenth street. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Herbert M. Peck. Miss Ruth Krips was maid of honor for her sisters. Miss Mildred Krips had for bridesmaid, Miss Louise Haeseler, while her sister's bridesmaid was Mrs. Horace Dougherty.

Mr. Lloyd Krips, brother of the brides, was best man for Mr. Ward, and Lieutenant Horace Dougherty performed similar duties for Mr. Trapp. Mr. and Mrs. Ward upon their return from their wedding trip will be at home in Tiffin, O., and Mr and Mrs. Trapp will return to Philadelphia and will be at home during the winter at 2315 Green street.

# B. VANWESTON DROPS DEAD

Bernd VanWeston, Stricken With  
Apoplexy While Visiting at  
Grain Office

Friends and relatives Bernd VanWeston were greatly shocked by his sudden death which occurred, Wednesday afternoon about 3:15 while he was visiting friends at the Farmers Grain office.

Mr. VanWeston was a little past 72 years of age and has made his home in the Bruning vicinity for the past 35 years moving to town nine years ago.

Funeral arrangements have not been made as we go to press.

It will be remembered that Mrs. VanWeston died about a year ago.

Sad news has reached relatives here and at Juniata of the death of Alfred Jones, nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jones of Kansas City, formerly of Hastings until three years ago, when they moved from their home on West Third street to Kansas City. Alfred passed away on Saturday, his death came from diphtheria and he will be buried this afternoon. His father is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jones of Juniata and a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Conrad of this city. The father and another son Donald, with a daughter, Mildred, are in the hospital, suffering with the same malady. The children are slightly improved but the father very ill, was the last news received. Mrs. Fred Jones with the baby is under quarantine in the home in Kansas City. Sympathy goes out to this family from their many friends here.

## BEN VANWESTON LAID TO REST, SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Death claimed an old settler of this community when, without a warning, it summoned Benjamin VanWeston from this world in the presence of his Maker and Redeemer.

Mr. VanWeston, son of Albert Van Weston, sr., and his wife Gretje, nee Baumann, was born November 18th, 1857, at East Friesland, Germany. He came to America as a young boy and spent his years of adolescence in Flanagan, Livingston County, Ill., receiving instructions in the teachings of God's Word, and vowing allegiance to God in the solemn rite of Confirmation. Some years later he entered into holy wedlock with Miss Amka Grussing. Their conjugal life was blessed with 5 children, two girls and three boys.

In the spring of 1890 the family moved to Thayer County, Nebraska, and engaged in farming. Mrs. Van Weston died October 9th, 1914. Mr. VanWeston remained a widower for six years. He then married Mrs. Emma Rothhaus taking up his residence in Bruning, Nebr. The second Mrs. Van Weston died one year ago. One daughter, Mrs. Katherine Duis also preceded years ago her father in the eternal realms.

Mr. VanWeston was taken seriously ill about a year ago. He recovered from that illness, but his health remained somewhat delicate. He died suddenly of apoplexy last Wednesday afternoon, April 2, while visiting with friends at the Farmers Grain Office, attaining the age of 72 years, 5 months and 14 days.

The immediate mourners are his his children, one daughter, Mrs. Ufe Edzards, three sons, Albert, Lehnert and Martin, 6 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, one brother in Minnesota and 2 sisters in Illinois, and a large number of more distant relatives.

The deceased was a quiet, christian and church member, a good father and a helpful neighbor.

May the God and Savior whom he served in this life receive him graciously in the inheritance of the saints.

*Re-subst. of 27 March 1915*

# BOY FALLS UNDER WHEELS OF WAGON LOADED WITH CORN AND KILLED

*Reported by Mrs. Mennenga*

There is great sorrow in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Mennenga, one and one-half miles south of Hastings, today. Their youngest boy, Floyd, about one and a half years old, accidentally fell under the wheels of a wagon loaded with corn and was killed. The details as far as the Republican was able to obtain them were to the effect the father had returned home from his farm five and one-half miles northeast of Hastings with a load of corn. He had driven into the dooryard a little after 11:00 o'clock. The little boy was on the porch at the time and as soon as he saw his papa he ran toward the wagon. The father was sitting on the opposite side of the wagon with his

back to the boy and was not aware of the little fellow's approach or intentions. It seems that Floyd either grabbed the spokes in one of the wheels or was knocked down in such a way as to fall between the wheels, one of the wheels running over the little fellow's head, horribly crushing it.

Neighbors state the grief of the father on realizing what had happened was something pitiful to witness. Both father and mother are almost crazed with grief. Floyd is the youngest of five children—all boys—and was the favorite of his father. Kind neighbors are doing everything in their power to comfort the grief-stricken parents. Mr. and Mrs. Mennenga are highly respected residents.

## IN MEMORIAM

Whereas, the Lord in his allwise wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our sister and co-worker, Mrs. J. R. Elliott; we the the Sunday School and especially the Bible class, feel deeply bereaved by the death of our dear teacher who for so many years has been in this work with such zeal, and while our hearts are overflowing with such sympathy for our brother and his family, in this their sad beravement; be it

Resolved, That while expressing our sympathy and sorrow, we commend them to Him, that doeth all all things well, and while their loss and sorrow is great, their mother's gain is infinitely greater, and be it further Resolved, That a copy of these resolution be sent to our bereaved brother and family and a copy spread upon the minutes of the Sunday School.

Of earthly friends she was the best,  
A mother kind and true;  
But it was God that gave us her,  
And Him that took her too.

But may we humbly bow, and pray  
Submissions to God's will,  
And in our inmost spirit say,  
The Lord is righteous still.

How blessed is the spirit bereft  
Of all that could buuden the mind  
How easy the soul that has left  
This wearisome body behind.

Our mother dear has left us all,  
How desolate our home,  
There's not a spot where'r we go,  
But speaks 'She's gone, She's gone'.

MRS. W. J. STROHECKER  
MRS. HARRISON KEIM  
MRS. ROBERT HOFRICHTER

## MRS. H. E. BOWMAN DEAD

Mrs. Effie M. Bowman, wife of Councilman H. E. Bowman, 723 north California avenue, passed away about 9:30 o'clock last night after a lingering illness of several months.

In early December her health began to fail but her condition was not regarded grave until about four weeks ago.

Funeral services will be held at the Methodist Church at 1:30 o'clock Saturday conducted by the Rev. C. W. McCaskill. Burial at Parkview.

Mrs. Bowman was very active in church circles and Sunday School work during her ten years of residence here. The family formerly lived at Lawrence, Neb., coming here in 1916. She was 56 years old.

Her mother, Mrs. J. E. Fitch of St. Paul, and two sisters, Mrs. John G. Maddox of St. Paul and Mrs. Carry Purdy of Central City, were present when death came.

J. C. Fitch, brother, of Exeter, Calif., who was here last week, was called home on account of sickness in his family and will be unable to attend the funeral.

## Mrs. Ray Markham Entertains Brides

Mrs. Ray Markham entertained at quite a large party on Saturday afternoon honoring her husband's sisters, Misses Mabel and Myrtle Markham, well-known rural school teachers, who will both be brides in early June. Miss Mabel has taught in Cherry and Hall counties and for the past three years in the village of Hansen. She will be the bride of Ray Mennenga. Miss Myrtle taught for two years in Hall county and for the past several years in Adams, just completing a year in district No. 31. She will become the bride of Millard Hollister.

The affair was in form of a miscellaneous shower and attended by thirty-eight close friends of both young women. Mrs. Markham used pink and white as her color scheme in decorating. The gifts were presented in huge May baskets decorated in those colors and carried to the bride's-to-be by three little girls, Doris Markham, Gwendolyn McWhirter and Margaret Haggard. Mrs. Elmer Haggard made the presentation and each guest of honor responded in a few well chosen remarks.

A mock wedding caused a lot of merriment with Mrs. Gene McWhirter as the bride, Mrs. John Mennenga as the groom, Mrs. Clifford McWhirter as the best-man, Miss Lavetta Hollister as the bride's maid, Murtle McWhirter as the ring bearer and Miss Helen Dominy playing the wedding march which was, "The Prisoner's Song." Mrs. Markham served a delightful two-course lunch.

## Keith Buell

Keith Buell, 30, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Buell, prominent Bayard residents, died yesterday morning at Bayard. He had been ill for some time.

Funeral arrangements have not been made, his father, who has been an undertaker at Bayard for many years, said last night.

One son, Donald, and his widow, from whom he is separated, survives.

Keith was well-known at Bayard, and was active in Boy Scout work and

## Mr. and Mrs. Philippi Married Fifty Years



BRUNING, Neb.—Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Philippi celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Feb. 18 at the home of their eldest son, William. They were married at Bloomington, Ill., and their first home was in the country near El-paso. In 1885 they came to Nebraska, settling on a farm. In 1890 they removed to the farm now occupied by their youngest son, Theodore. Eleven years ago they came into town. They have five children, William, Fred and Theodore Philippi, Mrs. H. W. Bruning and Mrs. Herman Springer. The late Mrs. August E. Dagefoerde was a daughter.

The program Tuesday afternoon included music by two quartets, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Springer and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Philippi, and the three Philippi sons and Herman Springer; a hymn by the crowd and a short talk by Rev. J. B. Cronek. The bride and groom and the pastor and his wife were photographed. Gold and white was the color scheme for decorations, and a large wedding cake was in the center of the dining room. Mr. and Mrs. Philippi were presented with signet rings by their children, and many other gifts. Trinity brotherhood serenaded them in the evening.

*Bruning  
people*

## Hostesses at Party

Dr. Ann Scott, Mrs. Harry C. Barton and Mrs. Francis Wood were hostesses at a bridge "brunch" held at the Scott home in Gering, yesterday morning. There were four tables arranged for play with Mrs. V. I. Daniels winning high score, Mrs. John Herstead, second high and low awarded to Mrs. J. W. Bayer. Guest prizes were given to Miss Carrie Savage of Wilbur; Mrs. V. Hofrieter, Bruening.



*Neighbors of Ben & Mauley Hopfuchla at Bellwood Neb.*

—Fred Clark Ellis was born on a farm near Linesville, Crawford county, Pennsylvania, Dec. 18, 1865. In 1872, accompanied by his parents, he moved to Butler county, Nebraska where he resided until March 3rd, 1889 when he was married to Ida May Wands and after their marriage he and his wife moved to their present location, where they have lived ever since. To this union four children were born, all of whom are living. Deceased was stricken with typhoid fever about three weeks ago. His condition gradually became worse and death came to him at 4 o'clock Saturday morning, January 13. He was a man of extremely good character, being a loving and dutiful husband as well as a kind and thoughtful father. His greatest ambition was not of a personal nature, but on the other hand, one which pertained to the welfare of others. He has left this earthly home, but his memory still lingers a beautiful inspiration to those who are left to mourn the loss of a prince among men. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife, three daughters, Mrs. Ed Gans of Bellwood, Mrs. Arthur Bartholemew of Columbus, and Helen Ellis who resides at home; and one son, T. W. Ellis living near Duncan, Nebraska. Also a father, T. M. Ellis and a brother, C. C. Ellis, who both reside in this vicinity, besides numerous other relatives and friends. He was 51 years of age and 26 days. Funeral was held Monday afternoon at the M. E. church, conducted by the pastor. The attendance was very large. From the church his body was taken to the Bellwood cemetery and laid to rest. The pall bearers were Jesse D. Bell, Geo. Cady, O. E. Wade, Frank Steiner, Tom Branigan and Geo. Taylor. Thus friend after friend is called to the great beyond.

—Card of Thanks—We wish to express our sincere thanks to our kind neighbors and friends for their kindly assistance and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our beloved husband, father, son and brother. Also for the beautiful flowers.

Mrs. Ida Ellis and family,  
T. M. Ellis,  
C. C. Ellis.

*Neighbors of Ben & Mauley at Bellwood*

—Mrs. Frank Nicolas, who was operated on at the hospital in David City Sunday evening before last, died Thursday evening, Oct. 22, 1914, aged 55 years, 10 months and 4 days. Deceased was born at Spring Bay, Woodford county, Illinois, December 18, 1858. She was married to Frank Nicolas July 30, 1878. To this union were born five sons and three daughters, two of the daughters having preceded their mother to the grave. The children are Frank W., George L., Peter F., Joseph C., and Louis O. Nicolas, all of Butler county and Mrs. Harold Cockson of Polk county, Neb. She also leaves a brother, John Fisher of Polk county, Nebraska. She was conscious up to the last few moments of her life and was able to recognize her husband and children, who all surrounded her bedside at the closing moments of her life. Funeral was held Saturday morning at ten o'clock at St. Peter's Catholic church in Bellwood, conducted by Rev. J. B. Hoffman, the pastor and her body laid to rest in Luxemburg cemetery, east of Bellwood. The attendance of sympathizing friends of the family was very large. Mrs. Nicolas was a woman who was loved and respected by a large circle of friends in Alexis and Savannah townships and where ever she was known. She was always jolly, had a good word for everybody and her funeral was a sad one. The bereft family have the sympathy of of this entire community. The pall bearers were Matt Besch, Herman Markus, Henry Shields, Neal Smith, Peter Powers and John Kirchner.

**MANY PEOPLE ATTEND  
ROBERT HOFRICHTER FUNERAL**

The funeral of Robert Hofrichter was one of the largest funerals in Bruning. There being a great number of out of town people coming to pay their last respects to a dear and beloved friend.

Following is a list of relatives and friends who came from a distance.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hofrichter and family, Wood River; Mrs. John Suddarth, Rising City; Mrs. Geo. Law, Sedgwick, Colo; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Watson, Fairmont; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bergstrand and daughter, Florence, Fairmont; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Casper, Geneva; I. T. Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Geo Fergus, Mrs. Boyd Hensman, Mr. and Mrs. John Menega, Frank Menega, Mrs. Frank Conrad al of Hastings; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Taylor, Polk; Mr. and Mrs. Frnak Watson, Fairmont; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Watson, Ewing; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Trapp, Shickley; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lucht, Stoddard; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arasmith, Grafton; L. R. McAlpin, Exeter; Geo. Penwith, Belvidere; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lewis, Belvidere; Ernest Suddarth, Rising City; Mrs. Robert Steel, Rising City; Miss Wilda Bates, Davenport; Mrs. Henry Gawecka, Botavia, Ill.

**ROBERT HOFRICHTER DIES  
AT AGE OF SIXTY-FIVE**

Robert Hofrichter, son of Max and Mary Hofrichter, was born in Woodford county, Illionis, April 28, 1865 and died at his home in Bruning, Nebraska, June 15, 1929, age 64 years, 1 month, and 17 days.

Mr. Hofrichter came west with his parents in 1884 who settled at Bellwood Nebraska, February 22, 1894. He was united in marriage to Miss Grace Casper and to this home five children were born, three daughters and two sons.

In 1905 Mr. and Mrs. Hofrichter and family moved from Bellwood to a farm near Bruning, Nebr., where they resided until retiring from the farm to make their home in Bruning in the spring of 1923.

Mr. Hofrichter responded to the call of the Gospel for Christ and His Kingdom early in life uniting with the Methodist Episcopal church at Bellwood where he was active in the Church and community interests until he came to Bruning. There being no Methodist church here at that time he became a charter member in the organization of the English Lutheran church where he served as an official member of the same until the English Lutheran and Methodist federated their services for worship at which time he and his family transfered their membership back to the Methodist church. Again he was called to serve on the official board until health would not permit but in recognition of his vital interest and his faithful support of the church through the years past his name was retained as trustee and custodian emeritus.

He was highly esteemed by his neighbors and fellow townsmen as he has been voiced by a number since his decease "I never heard a word against 'Bob' Hofrichter."

To the very last he was cheerful, uncomplaining and thoughtful of others. The testimony of his faith found expression in his clean life, an affiable and congenial personality and his faithful and loyal support of the church.

His parents, one sister, Mrs. Josephine Knapp and two brothers Benjamin and John have preceeded him in death. He leaves to cherish the memory of his devoted fatherhood, companionship and labor of love among us, his wife, Mrs. Grace Hofrichter, his daughters, Mrs. Ed Snyder, Mrs. Ella Reichert, Mrs. Frieda Carter, his sons, Roy and Walter all of Bruning, Nebr. His sisters, Mrs. John Suddarth of Rising City; Mrs. Harry Bergstrand and Mrs. Chas. Watson of Fairmont, Mrs. Geo. Law of Sedgwick, Colo. One brother, Edward of Woodriver, Nebr., all of which were present at the funeral. Six grand children and other relatives and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 p. m. from the house and the church. In charge of Rev. B. D. Brooks and Rev. A. C. Bates of Davenport. Burial in the Bruning Public cemetery.

*Pratt &  
Ben Hofrichter*

## WANTS \$15,000 ALIMONY OUT OF \$50,000 ESTATE WITH DIVORCE

In her petition for divorce filed at the office of the district clerk here today Mrs. Ena Loucks, wife of Homer Loucks, a prominent farmer living near Hansen, accuses her husband of extreme cruelty and asks for \$15,000 alimony and the custody of her two boys, aged 13 and 8 years.

Mrs. Loucks asserts that during their 15 years of married life her husband has constantly used vile language and has constantly and persistently ridiculed her concerning her na-

last child Mr. Louck beat and choked her unmercifully and that twice since they were married she has been compelled to go to a hospital as the result of his treatment of her.

She alleges also that despite the fact that the Loucks estate is estimated at about \$50,000 she has been compelled to make her own clothes since she was first married.

Mr. and Mrs. Louck are well known among the people of Adams county, having lived on their farm near Hansen during the past fifteen years.

### Obituary

Mary Agnes Mower was born in Jefferson county, Ind., April 15, 1850, and departed this life April 12, 1913 at her home near Bruning, Neb., after a sickness of only three days. She was married Mar. 9, 1871 to John R. Elliott of Jefferson county, Ind. To this union were born seven children, five of whom together with the husband survive her, Mrs. Harry Miller, Almena, Kans. Chas. Elliott, Kenesaw, Neb., Fred Elliott, Ohio, Neb., Mrs. Harry Vining, Mahaska, Kans., and Colbert Elliott of Shelton, Neb., ten grand-children also survive her. She was converted at an early age and united with the M. E. Church since which time she has been identified with the Presbyterians, Congregationalists and at the time of her death was a member of the English Lutheran Church of Bruning Neb. She leaves a host of friends to mourn her death and will be greatly missed by the community in which she lived. The funeral services were held at the church in Bruning conducted by her Pastor, Rev. Bixler. The text taken from 1 Sam. 20:18 was very appropriate. Floral offerings were beautiful.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their sympathy and aid during the sickness and death of our loved one.  
John R. Elliott and Family.

Again our community was shocked and many hearts sorrowed when the news came Saturday, of the death of another pioneer settler Mrs. John Elliott. Few there are, indeed, so well known thru out the county and so universally loved and respected as was the deceased, for to know her was to love her. She was a woman of more than ordinary ability mentally and her life was uplifting to humanity wherever her influence was felt, and yet withal a soul of wit was hers and to be in her presence was a pleasure. This old world has need of more such sunny natures and beautiful lives and we bow in sympathy with the sorrowing husband and children as they 'pass under the rod'. May they turn to Him in whom their loved one trusted and find solace in their hour of sorrow.

Mr. Elliott will sell his farm and household effects and live with his son, Fred, at Ohio.

*Uncle of  
Marti  
Hofrichter* →

**GODFREY MARTI DIED  
AT LONG BEACH, CAL.**

Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Henry Uden, who recently moved from this vicinity to Long Beach, Calif., that her father, Godfrey Marti, passed away in that city December 19 at the age of 81 years.

Mr. Marti was well known to many residents of Bruning. His wife, who survives him, is a sister of the late Mrs. Teda Casper, and thus related to the Casper, Mennenga and Hofrichter families hereabouts.

Godfrey Marti was born in the Canton Bern, Switzerland, October 11, 1884, the son of Frederick and Rosa Bruner Marti. When he was 7 years of age, he accompanied his parents to America, first locating at Hannibal, Mo., later moving to Indiana and finally to Illinois.

He was united in marriage to Miss Rosa G. Conrad January 29, 1875, and they with their one child moved to Nebraska, two years later, locating at Belwood, Butler county, at about the time that town was laid out and the railroad put through. Land was then worth a few dollars an acre, most of the country being in a virgin state.

The Marti's endured all the vicissitudes and privations of the early settler. However, through many years of hard work, patience and thrift, the prospered to a degree. In 1894 the family moved to a farm purchased near Hastings, from which farm they retired in 1907. It was at this farm that Henry Uden and Lucy Marti were married in 1903 and where they lived from 1905 to 1913 when they came to their own home southwest of Bruning.

In 1913, Mr. and Mrs. Marti went to Long Beach, Cal., which place has been their home continually since. In 1925 they celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Ipe G. Conrad of Hastings who had been married at the same time. Mr. Conrad is Mrs. Marti's brother. The Conrad's are also well known by Bruning people.

Besides the widow and daughter mentioned, Mr. Marti leaves two sons, David, residing in Lincoln and John who lives in Long Beach, Cal., six grandchildren and one great-grandchild besides a host of friends.

Funeral services were conducted at Long Beach, December 23, the body being laid to rest in the Sunnyside Mausoleum there.

# AUTO ACCIDENT FATAL TO MONK

## Lincoln Man Dead From Injuries Sustained When Car Overturned.

### Auto Falls Down Embankment; Driver Not Found For Four Hours.

George J. Monk, 50, died at the Lincoln General hospital at 1:45 Tuesday afternoon from injuries and shock he received when his car overturned and fell down a 20-foot embankment on a road between Weeping Water and Louisville Monday afternoon.

Monk, whose home was 619 East Fifteenth street, University Place, lay at the bottom of the embankment for four hours before aid came, and it was this exposure together with the lack of medical attention that resulted in death.

Dr. Sidney O. Reese said Tuesday noon the man had little chance for recovery. He was suffering from severe internal injuries, several fractured ribs and fractured pelvis.

According to the story pieced together by relatives and hospital attendants, Monk was driving his light roadster down a hill between Louisville and Weeping Water. The car evidently struck loose gravel near a bridge at the bottom, and it turned over and fell down the embankment into a 20-foot ravine.

#### Found By School Children.

Monk's watch stopped at 11:45, and this is thought to be the time of the accident. It was after 4 o'clock before school children passing along the road discovered the injured man and ran for help. Cars had passed all afternoon without being attracted by the man's weak calls for help.

The man said he was caught beneath the overturned car after the dash down the embankment. Despite the pain of his injuries he wormed his way out, but could not climb to the level of the road.

He was taken to Weeping Water and attended by Dr. Johnson, who brought him later to the Lincoln General hospital. Dr. S. O. Reese then took over the case.

Monk was a traveling salesman for the S. S. Baker company, an Iowa firm, and he was on a business trip at the time of the accident. He was alone in his car.

He and his family had lived in University Place for about six years, coming here from Hastings, where Monk spent the greater part of his life. There are six children: Cecil, now attending the University of Illinois at Urbana; Leslie, Ethel, Frances, Fred and Helen Josephine.

**Salter's Charges**

A gloom of sorrow spread over our beautiful little village Saturday morning when it was announced that Mrs. Royal Judevine was dead. She died at 1 a. m. after a sickness of but four days duration with peritonitis. Monday she did her washing and in the evening was seen in our stores trading Catharine Amelia Reichwein, which was her maiden name, was born May 11, 1879 at Spring Bay, Illinois and moved with her parents to Butler county, Nebraska, in 1884, where she has since resided. She was baptized and united with the Baptist church in May 1897 and was a member when death called her to her heavenly home. She was united in marriage to Royal F. Judevine on Feb. 21, 1903, and was 24 years, 11 months and 12 days old. She leaves a husband and baby, a mother, one brother and four sisters to mourn their loss. Her father preceeded her to the grave only a few weeks. Funeral was held Sunday afternoon in the M. E. church conducted by Rev. J. T. Roberts and Rev. Smith of David City. On the platform, on the casket and around the altar of the church, was a beautiful display of lilies and cut flowers contributed by Henry and Anna Jacobs, Miss Elizabeth Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Grisinger, Mrs. Geo. Sudarth, Kreizinger and Kerschner families, Mrs. J. Casper, Misses Lillie Paige and Emma McCulley, the children and friends of the Baptist Sunday school, the Royal Highlanders, and Royal Neighbors, while the interior of the grave was beautifully lined with muslin, trimmed with evergreens, by the members of the Epworth League. The attendance at the church was very large and the ceremony throughout was so solemn and touching that scarcely a dry eye was seen in the church. From the church her remains were taken to the Belwood cemetery for interment followed by a very large number of sorrowing relatives and friends. Deceased was a young woman who was loved and respected by everybody who became acquainted with her and as she was cut down in the bloom of life, leaving behind her a young husband and an infant baby, her demise is more deeply deplored. We learn that the baby will be cared for by Royal's mother and sisters who now have it under their care.

*Uncle's mailbag / Hoffmeyer*

*blind press*

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Conrad celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary at their home on East Third Street on Wednesday by holding open house for their friends during the afternoon from 2 until 5, when 30 or more called, and by giving a family dinner at night at which there were covers for 12. The floral centerpiece was lovely with jonquils predominating. The only out-of-town guests were neices of the Conrads, Mrs. Robert Hosrichter and Mrs. Martha Jones, of Bruning. Mr. and Mrs. Conrad were married in Gilman, Ills., Jan. 29, 1875, coming to Nebraska in 1879 and to Hastings in 1899. They celebrated their golden wedding day in California just five years ago at the home of Mr. Conrad's sister, Mrs. Godfrey Marti, who with Mr. Marti, were celebrating their 50th anniversary also on that day, as the wedding of so many years ago had been a double one. Mr. Marti passed away last autumn. The children of the Conrads who attended Wednesday's celebration were Mrs. Harvey Jones of Juniata, Mrs. George Fergus and Mrs. Boyd Hensman, both of this city. Another daughter, Mrs. David Ross, and family of Stockham, were guests over the week-end of her parents and a son who resides in Wyoming, was unable to be here. Mr. Conrad is 77 years of age, while Mrs. Conrad is 73. Both are in quite good health other than Mrs. Conrad suffers some with rheumatism, keeping her at home much of the time.

nis family soon

Miss Pansy May Suddarth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gec. Suddarth, was united in marriage to Mr. Louis G. Lamberti, son of Mrs. G. Lamberti of Beatrice, at Lincoln on Tuesday, the ceremony being performed by County Judge Robin R. Reid. The bride was dressed in Alice blue georgette with hat to match and black pumps. Mr. and Mrs. Lamberti will make their home in Beatrice. The happy couple have the well wishes of their Bellwood friends.

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A LETTER FROM UDEN'S.

Long Beach, Calif., Nov. 29, 1929.  
Dear Editor: We would like to inform our friends that we had a very enjoyable trip to California. After the first day the weather was fine. The roads are very well improved. It may be of interest to know that we only had about 35 miles of dirt roads, the rest being paved or graveled.

Among the most interesting sights were the oil fields, cotton fields, cotton gins, the Indian Reservations, the Coolidge Dam, which was completed only a year ago and which is a marvelous feat of engineering, the mountains, deserts and the irrigation projects of apparently desert land.

A few punctures was the only car trouble that we encountered.

Data of trip: Number of miles, 2260; cost of gas, \$22.33; number of gallons, 105 1/2; miles per gallon, 21 1/2; average cost per gallon, 21c; cost of food, \$11.73; cost of cabins, \$10.25; cost of oil and grease, \$5.50; Total cost of trip, \$49.81.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Uden, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Uden.

WOMAN'S

Mr. and Mrs. Tollie Bowman entertained several friends at a party Tuesday evening. The guests were Misses Virgie Garrels, Mildred Kelly and Lolamae Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Art Risor, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. E. Hofrichter, Lavada Garrels, Miss Laura Combs of Friend, Louis Sanaers and Emery Bowman.

*Camin. of My mother Mr. Hofrichter*

### RALLY DAY SUCCESSFUL.

The second annual rally day held under the auspices of the Bruning Commercial club was a success from every point of view. The day was not one that would encourage attendance from any distance but the opera house was comfortably filled at each session.

The afternoon session was given as advertised and was very pleasing. Each number should very careful study and patient drilling. In addition to the advertised program, Prof. Chas. Taylor of the state university gave a very instructive address. He knows the educational game from the ground up and gave the audience much food for thought.

While the program was going on in the main room the writing contest was being conducted in the west room. The order of standing was as follows: 7th and 8th grades, Willie Hallman, Vernon Bruning, Frank Dirks, Mollie Rippe, Hilda Bruning, Fred Johnson, Walter Schultz; 5th and 6th grades, Laura Haak, Hendricka Bax, Tony Martin, Geo. Glenn; 3rd and 4th grades, Leona Guthrie, Leroy Bowman, Harry Hulse, Gladys Franzen, Marion Lietsch. The first mentioned in each grade received a pound box of O'Brien bonbons, the gift of W. J. Strohecker, at the evening session.

The display of school work was very interesting indeed. It consisted of map drawing, penmanship, clay work, weaving with both yarn and paper, painting, sewing, paper cutting, etc. Among the most prominent of this display was a large picture made of corn, wheat and oats, representing a boy feeding goats. It was the production of district 72 and elicited much favorable comment.

The moving pictures in the evening were certainly a pleasing feature of the program. The first reel was views of the state university, including the grounds, laboratories, green house, the state farm, prize cattle, dairy barn, etc. The second reel showed very vividly the changes made in the western part of the state since irrigation was introduced—a change that people look upon as marvelous. The third was the better baby picture, showing the proceedings at the baby show held during the state fair last year. It finished by showing the perfect babies and could not have been more interesting.

After the pictures came the real contest—the spelling match. The first to spell was the 3rd and 4th grade spellers. Those who entered were Laura Martin, Helen Hofrichter, Roland Wessel, Frank Frederick, Harry Hulse, Alvin Bruning, Ida Schultz, Elsie Harms and Martin Johnson. At the finish Laura Martin and Roland

Wessel, both of district 94, were both standing, thus giving the pennant to the Bruning school. The words missed were Appearance, Bathe, Carcass, Choose, Lease, Octagon, Fane. Helen Hofrichter, however, gave the winners a run for their money and deserves especial mention.

The 5th and 6th grade contest was no less interesting. Those contesting were Esther Johnson, Frank Dirks, Theodore Leenerts, Alfred Harms, Martin Bowman, Walter Hofrichter, Lee Ulm, Lynn Mennenga, Theo. Wilhelms, Edward Bruning, Laura Haak, Dale Grone, Chester Park, Virgil Orth. Chester Park of district 94 brought the pennant to his school in this contest, with Theodore Wilhelms a close second. The words that put contestants down were Abscess, Absolute, Cannibal, Cannonade, Collar, Harass, Imbecile, Liable, Paralysis, Quandary, Stratum, Telescope.

The supreme test came when the contestants in the 7th and 8th grades lined up. They were Walter Schultz, Austin Leach, Lena Knutzen, Lizzie Philippi, Irene Bowman, Herman Kleen, Roy Hofrichter, Neoma Mennenga, Faey Wilhelms, Henry Norder, Lizzie Rippe, Lucy Smith, Walter Frederick. It was a battle royal until 1:30 a. m. when the battle was called off to be settled at some future date. Lena Knutzen, Lizzie Philippi and Herman Kleen were the stubborn ones and refused to be conquered. The words that conquered the balance

were Agitation, Attendance, Tedious, Bronchial, Colonel, Medicine, Pharynx, Propagate, Scallop, Imminent.

A large number of the audience stayed until the finish, too interested to leave, despite the late hour.

## Obituary.

Frank Diedrich Bruening son of Herman and Ida Bruening was born August 30, 1899, at Bruning, Nebraska. He was only a lad of a little over 15 years of age, when he lost his father, and he has ever since done his part manly in helping ease the heavy duties of his mother.

He attended school in his native town and finished his last year of high school at Geneva with the class of 1916.

He was confirmed Dec. 7, 1913, at the Evangelical Lutheran Church of his home town, of which he remained an interested member.

From his boyhood years he manifested a great love for music and to further his talent became a member for three years of the Fifth Regimental Band, Nebraska Militia, joining the regiment at the age of only fourteen years.

It had been his ambition to complete his education at a higher place of learning and since the time of his graduation from high school he found various employment to obtain the means with which to continue his studies.

With the outbreak of the great war and especially after his brother, Herman, had answered the call to the colors, his impatience to offer himself to his country became more and more apparrant. When the Students

Army Training Corps was organized his mind was made up, for now he could not only serve his country but gain what he so much desired, an easy access to the acquirements of a higher education. The last week in September he left with high hopes, army life was not altogether new to him, and in his new duties as student and soldier he was proud and happy. He also became a faithful attendant of the religious services at the camp and hardly ever missed a prayer meeting or Y. M. C. A. convention, But a higher wisdom brought this promising carrier to a sudden stop.

On a cold and rainy day, Saturday November 16, he was out marching with the band. He caught a cold, but paid no attention

to it other than some ready private treatment. His complaint grew worse and occasioned his taking to the army hospital the following Friday November 22, whence he was removed to the Lincoln Sanatorium Monday, Nov. 25. His nearest relatives went to see him Sunday, Nov. 24. That his illness was of a very serious nature soon grew upon their anxious thoughts. Friday morning Frank himself expressed his conviction that he was not going to get well. He desired to be given the comforts of the gospel. Rev. Allenbach, who happened to be in town was called to his bedside. He called

twice the same day and upon the urgent request manifest desire of the patient administered to him the Lord's supper. Before his voice had become so weak that he could barely whisper the deceased repeated verses of two of his favorite hymns: "My Faith Looks up to Thee" and "Just as I am." He also later tried to say The Lord's Prayer, but then his voice failed him. He showed his grateful love and deep affection for his mother repeatedly and would not suffer her to move from his bedside.

Frank Bruening has been a dutiful son, he was a promising young man and, if saved for the opportunity would undoubtedly have served his country with honors.

He died at the Lincoln Sanatorium Saturday Nov. 30 at eight o'clock in the evening at the age of 19 years and 3 months.

The deceased leaves to mourn his loss his mother, one sister, Mrs. Louis Bunting, and two brothers, Herman and Edward, Herman being somewhere in France, and a great many other relatives.

J. C. F.

"While we bring him to his eternal rest,  
The dawn of a new and wonderful world  
peace is growing on the horizon,  
May the peace of God smile upon our lost  
brother."

Short funeral services were held at the home at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. C. Fitting assisted by the Belvidere and Bruening Home Guards, after which services were held at the English Lutheran church.

*Bruning's people.*



The floral offering was very beautiful and expressive of the high esteem in which Frank was held by his friends and associates, and were presented by the S. A. T. C. Band, of which he was a member, his S. A. T. C. Company the Bruning High School, the Class of 1916 of the Geneva High School, of which he was a member the Bruning Home Guards and the Bruning Community, besides the individual offerings. He was laid to rest in the Bruning Public Cemetery beside his father.

The following was written by one of his most intimate friends:

When the guns of war have silenced and machines of death refused to belch their hail of fire, when nations pause to reckon the mighty cost of conflicts and all earth is buried in a hush while toll the bells of peace, even then must the grim harvester strike, and with his stroke cut off a comrade.

The God of war and God of peace, God of the present, and the hereafter, the Giver and Receiver of the lives of men has called to his throne the companion whom

we so loved.

Why, in the bloom of life when earth and its holdings were most to him, he should be called, we can never know nor understand, but let this be our consolation, that beyond the Great Divide he saw the gleaming of a never-ending happiness before the throne of his Savior.

True, peace has come to the earth once more, but his is a peace that shall not be broken.

The stars and stripes that fold above his lifeless body bear evidence to the world and to posterity, that while he lived he was an American and his words during his lifetime and especially in his illness, are unswerving convictions to us, who knew his thots best, that in life unto its end, he was a Christian that saw in God his refuge.

So while he leaves us to mounre his death here, somehow we feel that blest assurance, that our pal and comrade has found life's only and final reward, and that his spirit waits beyond that we may follow him at last, to that eternal rest.

*Bruning Help People*

## IN MEMORY OF FRANK D. BRUNING

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WRITTEN BY A FRIEND  
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"A holy quiet fills our hearts, as we realize the power  
Of the Angel of Death and his mighty arm, in this our  
saddest hour;

We need not be on distant shores 'mid scenes of black despair  
'Mid shot and shell or safe at home, for Death is everywhere,  
Another star will wear its crown, for service freely given,  
The soul, we trust, is crowned with peace; and at rest in  
Heaven.

His youth and smiles and care-free ways, had won him many  
friends

Who mourn his loss and will miss him here, but God His love  
intends.

Beyond all sorrows, pain and sin; beyond the battle's cry,  
The soul its rest, has found at last; it is not Death to die."

"Tis the Mothers of America who should wear the crown today,  
For the grief and pain, the sacrifice, the loss no debt can pay;  
The Mothers who freely gave their all, give as the widow's mite  
And trust to God to guide their boys through the right.

Oh, broken hearted Mother! Your cup of sorrow filled,  
What can we say to sympathize, except that God so willed?  
And though you've made the sacrifice, there is One who loved  
him more,

And He has not forsaken you; He is watching at your door  
To comfort, love and bless you, to hear your humble cry,  
For the soul its rest has found at last; it is not Death to die."

## Helen McCrummen Wed at Virginia to Wesley Grissinger

Miss Helen McCrummen of El Paso, Texas, a former Long Beach girl, and J. Wesley Grissinger of Long Beach were wed at 9 o'clock Monday morning at Hotel Virginia. Only relatives and close friends were bidden to the ceremony, at which Dr. Henry Kendall Booth, pastor of First Congregational Church, officiated.

Periwinkle blue chiffon made with a jacket of chiffon velvet in matching hue was the charming costume of the bride. She wore a hat of pink horsehair braid and accessories of pink, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses, orchids and sweet peas. Her bridal gown was brought from Paris on her return from a trip to Europe this Spring.

Miss Eva Alexander of El Paso was maid of honor, wearing a gown of cream lace and a Nile green hat and matching accessories, and having a bouquet of pink and lavender sweet peas. Charles Watkins of Los Angeles was best man. Music was furnished by Edward Grissinger, brother of the bridegroom, who sang "O Promise Me," with Mrs. Alice Bathurst as accompanist. After the ceremony a breakfast was served at a table adorned with roses and gladioli.

The bride, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther McCrummen of El Paso, formerly attended Long Beach Polytechnic High School and Chouinard's Art School. She is a fashion artist and worker in fine arts. Mr. Grissinger also attended Poly High. He was a student at University of Southern California and has attained his bachelor of law degree this June at Loyola College of Law. He is a member of Elta Sigma Phi social fraternity and Psi Delta Phi law fraternity.

Following a wedding tour of Oregon and Washington, and a trip into the Canadian Rockies, Mr. and Mrs. Grissinger will reside here at 1054 East Second Street.

## Attractive Bride



### MRS. J. W. GRISSINGER.

Intimate Friends and Relatives Witnessed the Ceremony Performed by Dr. Henry Kendall Booth Monday Uniting Miss Helen McCrummen and J. Wesley Grissinger. The Event Took Place at Hotel Virginia, Where a Wedding Breakfast Was Served Following the Service.

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# ELSIE MEESTER DIES RESULT OF SHOOTING

Wounds Inflicted Several Years Ago by Fred Stellers Fatal to Hastings Girl.

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 17.—(UP)—Elsie Meester, twenty, one of four members of the Meester family shot two and one-half years ago by Fred Stellers when he ran amuck with a shotgun at the Meester farm, died at a hospital here today where she had been bedridden with paralysis as a result of her wounds.

Stellers is serving a sentence of from five to ten years in the penitentiary for assault with intent to kill Wiert Meester, father of the girl, who for weeks lay at the point of death with shot strewn thru his body. He recovered, however. Two sisters of Elsie, one older and one younger, also were shot by Stellers, but recovered.

Death of Miss Meester was attributed to kidney infection. She was said by doctors to have but a year to live when the extent of her wounds was learned.

Stellers went to the Meester home at midnight to collect some money he charged was due him. When ordered off the place he started shooting.

## Elsie Meester Victim of Wounds of Years Ago



Miss Meester, one of the four members of the Wiert Meester family who were shot by Fred Stellers, Mrch 22, 1925, succumbed to her wounds at a hospital in Hastings Monday.

Friends of 1890s

## STELLERS ACTED WILD

Following the binding over of Fred Stellers late Tuesday afternoon to the district court for trial on a complaint of assault to kill against Lena Meester, he was bound over also to answer to a complaint charging him with shooting the girl's father, Wiert J. Meester.

In the second complaint Stellers is charged on two counts—shooting with intent to kill, and shooting with intent to wound.

Dr. L. K. Strate testified that the bullet entered Meester's body just under the heart and was extracted from the back. The witness produced the bullet in evidence.

Stellers paid practically no attention to any of the proceedings, but sat with head bowed, supported by his hand, which rested on the arm of his chair.

### Trembled All Over.

When he stood up for the reading of the complaint, Stellers supported himself against the table and trembled from head to foot.

Opposite him, across the table, sat Lena Meester, obviously indignant as she watched the former hired man, who, she testified, shot her father, her sister Elsie, and wounded her sister Alice and herself.

"Did you recognize the man who fired the shots?" the county attorney inquired, when Lena was called to the stand.

"It was that old fool over there," she accused, indicating the stricken Stellers.

### Hadn't Been Drinking.

Cross-examined by J. E. Willits, counsel for Stellers, Miss Meester said that Stellers acted and looked wild on the night of the shooting.

"Do you think he had been drinking?" counsel asked.

"No, I don't think so." Stellers, she said, had not spoken at all that night. This, she admitted, was different from his customary habit of talking freely.

The defense offered no testimony.

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## MRS. MINNIE BURCH DIES

Church Leader Was Former Bellwood Postmistress.

Mrs. Minnie C. Burch of Bellwood, 70, died Sunday in Lincoln. She leaves her husband, Daniel P., to whom she would have been married 50 years next June 30;



Mrs. Minnie Burch.

five daughters, Mrs. Adeline Fenstermaker and Mrs. Lizabeth Davis of Bellwood, Mrs. Gladys Newkirk of Morrilton, Ark., Mrs. Ruth Smith and Mrs. Pearl Newkirk of Lincoln; two brothers, William and Edward Mahey; two sisters, Mrs. Nettie Voris and Mrs.

Lizzie Rice, all of Springfield, Ore., and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 o'clock Wednesday in the Methodist church at Bellwood.

Mrs. Burch was postmistress at Bellwood from 1923 to 1935 and was active in the Methodist church and its various societies.

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## Galt Wilhelms Dies Monday After Year's Illness

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. J. B. Cronek, were held at the Trinity Lutheran church Wednesday afternoon for Galt Wilhelms, who passed away at his home here Monday morning at the age of 77 years. He had been in failing health for about a year.

Mr. Wilhelms was born in Germany. He came to this county in 1890 and settled at Bruning where he had since resided. He retired from the farm in 1921.

Surviving are his wife, three daughters, one son and a sister.

Interment was in Trinity Lutheran cemetery.

### Obituary—

Galt Inken Wilhelms, son of Galt I. Wilhelms and his wife, Trientje Margaret, nee Eringa, was born March 23, 1862 at Thunum, Essen, East Friesland, Germany, and was received into the household of God by infant baptism. In the rite of Confirmation he confessed the Faith, and was received into full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran church in which he remained a faithful active member to his end.

On November 23, 1886, he was united in holy wedlock with Miss Margaretha Hinrichs. Their union was blessed with five children. The marriage was solemnized at Essen, Germany. They left Germany four years after the marriage, came to America, settled here at Bruning and engaged in farming. In 1921, Mr. Wilhelms retired from active farming and moved in the town of Bruning. Two years later, February 14, 1923, his wife died.

On November 18, 1925, he again entered into holy wedlock. This time with Mrs. Maggie Gerdes of Bruning.

About a year ago it was noticed that his health was failing. Medical advice was sought, but it benefited little. The Lord called him hence Monday, August 28, 1939, at the age of 77 years, 5 months and 5 days.

The immediate mourners are his wife, and his children, Mrs. Albert Reemts of Hebron, Nebr., Mrs. John Edzards of Sidney, Nebr., George T. Wilhelms and Mrs. Frederick M. Bruning, both of Bruning; a sister in Germany; 7 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren, and a host of more distant relatives and friends. One of his children, a daughter, died in infancy.

"Exalt, O dust and ashes!  
The Lord shall be thy part;  
His only, His forever,  
Thou shalt be and thou art!  
Who art, with God the Father  
And Spirit ever blest!"



### Obituary—

#### S. B. SNYDER

Samuel Benton Snyder, son of Franklin Pierce and Mary Lois Snyder, was born January 3, 1877, on the family homestead three and one-half miles southeast of Peru, Nebraska, and died at his home in Bruning, Nebraska, Sunday, September 5, 1937, at the age of 60 years, 8 months and 2 days.

He received his early education at the Honey Creek district school and was graduated from the Peru State Normal in 1899.

He worked on his father's farm until 1907 at which time he began working as station agent for the Burlington Railroad at Peru, Nebraska, then at Iowa Point, Kansas, and the past 19 years at Bruning, Nebraska.

As a young man, he was organizer for the Honey Creek and Walnut Grove Sunday schools, and later for the Peru Methodist church and Sunday school while he attended college.

At 26, he united with the Peru Methodist church and remained a member there.

He was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason, September 15, 1909; Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft Mason, December 22, 1909; and Raised to the Sublime degree of a Master Mason on January 19, 1910 at White Cloud, Kansas. He was also a member of the Eastern Star Chapter of Ohioa, Nebraska.

In 1911, Mr. Snyder was united in marriage to Miss Cena B. Phillips of Dutton, Arkansas. To this union two children were born—a son, Samuel Franklin; a daughter, Mary Helen Snyder.

He leaves to mourn his death, his wife, son and daughter, granddaughter, Gwen Lynn Snyder, all of Bruning, Nebraska; one sister, Mrs. George A. Medsker, of Bellevue, Nebraska, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services at the home and at the Bruning Methodist church Wednesday morning were in charge of Rev. W. H. Merrill; and at the Peru, Nebraska Methodist church in charge of Rev. Merrill and the White Cloud, Kansas and Peru, Nebraska Masonic lodges.

# Series of Tornadoes Hits Near Bruning

Last Night about 8 o'clock a series of tornadoes hit the farming district north and west of Bruning. No lives are reported lost. First Estimated damage is \$250,000.00 to \$300,000.00. Tornado takes path through country about three Miles wide and 8 or 10 miles long.

Hundreds of people from Bruning respond with their cars to aid the people in the devastated area.

Bruning property damage small. Telephone wires and lines a complete loss making communication with the surrounding points impossible.

Between 7:30 and 8:30 Wednesday night a series of tornadoes struck in the vicinity 6 miles west and 5 miles north covering a strip about 4 miles wide taking with them all the barns, chicken houses windmills graineries and outhouses.

The estimated damage is set at \$250,000 but this is a very vague estimate perhaps will run \$400,000 taking in telephone company and power companies loses. The crops are spotted some farms not having a thing left in the field. It was a lucky storm in that no lives were lost. One or two cases were reported having a broken rib and cuts about the head and hands.

It was reported by the different people in the storm area that there were several funnels that dropped from the heavy clouds altho there was one large one that did the most damage. It traveled along a strip about 3 or 4 miles wide starting 6 miles west of Bruning and 5 miles north extending in width to the edge of Bruning.

The extent of damage in the city direct was the breaking of tree limbs and turning over outhouses and demolishing the old service board near the Roland & Goodman Implement store.

Not in the whole path of the tornadoes was there a barn left untouched and many of the houses were damaged.

Frank Block has nothing on his place everything being tore to pieces. everything being blown to pieces. The people were in the cellar when the house blew off. His boy, Elwin had his head cut with flying debris.

Henry Robohm's place was also a complete wreck. This place will suffer the most damage having the most and best equipment of the two. The Block and Robohm places were the two most damaged altho we will try to give a more complete report next week of the surrounding farms.

Very little live stock was reported missing or damaged.

S. R. Parker was brought in late Wednesday night to have some cuts and bruises dressed. Nothing of a very serious nature developed. Mr. Parker was milking at the time the storm struck throwing him several feet against a barn and then to the ground. Mr. Parker said he lost one shoe and was unable to find it after the tornado passed.

## ROSS E. HODGSON DIES HERE TUESDAY

President of Glass and Paint  
Company Victim of  
Heart Disease.

Ross E. Hodgson, 51, president of Western Glass & Paint company for the past five years, died Tuesday morning of heart disease. His home was at 2710 Ryons. He had been in hospital for a week.



ROSS E. HODGSON

Born in Linn county, Kas., Mr. Hodgson went to Kansas City as a boy, and for 33 years was associated with the Devoe-Reynolds company in Kansas City and in Tulsa. He came here from Tulsa five years ago to take the presidency of the paint and glass company.

Mr. Hodgson belonged to the Masonic order in Kansas City, to the Lincoln chamber of commerce and to Westminster church. His home and family were his prime interests, and he was a devoted gardener.

Surviving are his wife, Hildred; three daughters, Madeline in university, Betty Lou in high school and Mrs. Alice Louise Phipp of San Francisco; a brother, Ray, in Kansas City, and two sisters, Mrs. Florence Thompson of Galesburg and Mrs. Della Dorn of Chicago. Funeral services will be at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning at Hodgman's, Rev. Paul C. Johnston officiating. Burial in Kansas City.

*Survivor of the man*

Obituary—

### Mrs. S. J. Fitzsimons

Anna Florissa Sheets-Fitzsimons, eldest daughter of Elizabeth and John Sheets, was born in Fillmore county, near Preston, Minnesota, on September 2, 1874, and departed this life at the family home at Hebron, Nebraska, August 17, 1939, aged 64 years, 11 months and 15 days.

She was educated and grew to womanhood in York county, Nebr.

At Bruning, Nebraska, she met Samuel J. Fitzsimons to whom she was united in marriage in the Trinity Episcopal church at Geneva, Nebraska, on December 24, 1895. To this union were born four children: Esther Marie, Ethel Mildred, Velma Doris and Ralph Eugene.

Mrs. Fitzsimons united with the First Christian church of Bradshaw, Nebraska, on May 15, 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitzsimons lived in Thayer county throughout their married life, spending sixteen years at Bruning, where they were both active in the work of the Community church, and twenty-eight years at Hebron where the family regularly attended the First Presbyterian church.

Surviving are the mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Bice; the husband, S. J. Fitzsimons; the daughters, Miss Ethel Fitzsimons of Cedar Falls, Ia., Mrs. Velma Riller of Kansas City, Mo., and son, Ralph Fitzsimons of Denver, Colo.

Mrs. Fitzsimons was a refined, gentle personality, and bore her long illness with fortitude. She was a fine home maker, devoted to her family, and a good neighbor. Her activities in church and community circles will be long remembered by the friends who held her in highest esteem.

## Mrs. Fred H. Kerl Passes Away Here Last Friday

Funeral services were held at the Trinity Lutheran church here Monday afternoon for Mrs. Fred H. Kerl, who passed away at her home Friday at the age of 72 years. She was born in Germany and came to America when 13 years of age, settling in Indiana. In 1932, she and Mr. Kerl were united in marriage.

Becoming ill early this spring, Mrs. Kerl gradually grew weaker and was confined to her bed since July.

Surviving are her husband, a sister, two step-sons and two step-daughters.

Interment was in Trinity Lutheran cemetery. Rev. J. B. Cronek conducted the funeral services.

### Obituary—

Mrs. Margaret Susanna Kerl, wife of Fred H. Kerl, daughter of John Harms and his wife, Antje, nee Hansen, was born June 7th, 1867, in Holstein, near Hamburg, Germany, and was baptized in her infancy. At the age of 13 years she and her parents came to America and made their home at Valparaiso, Indiana. There she was duly instructed in the teachings of God's Word and, by the rite of Confirmation, she was received into full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran church, and to her end she remained a faithful member of the church.

In 1889, she entered into holy wedlock with Fred Jentzen of Valparaiso, Ind. Mr. Jentzen died in 1923 and, nine years later, on February 18, 1932, she entered into wedlock with Mr. Fred H. Kerl of Bruning, Nebr.

Early this spring her health began to fail, and since July of this year she was confined in bed. Day after day her strength decreased visibly, and that in spite of the care given her by her husband and her step-children. In these days the deceased turned more and more to God and her Savior Christ, and committed herself to His grace and His keeping. She departed peacefully and in the Faith last Friday, August 25, 1939, at the age of 72 years, 2 months and 18 days.

The immediate mourners are her husband; her sister, Mrs. Mehnert of Chicago, Ill.; her sons by marriage, William and Herman Kerl; her daughters by marriage, Mrs. Lucy Norder and Mrs. Nora Hannah; a number of cousins, and a large number of more distant relatives and friends. Her two brothers and an adopted daughter have preceded her in death.

"So leave this poor earth if you  
home thou wouldst see,  
The home of the sainted from sor-  
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Jerusalem yonder, resplendent in  
gold,

Wilt thou to the soul all thy beau-  
ties unfold?

Truly, truly no more to roam  
My soul with the Savior shall  
there be at home."



Obituary—

THOMAS LAHNERS

Thomas Lahners, son of Oltman Lahners and Luke Anna, nee Hoefling, was born December 17, 1860, at Golden, Ill., and was baptized in the name of the Tribune God. He was duly instructed in the teachings of the Word of God, and renewed his Baptismal vow in the solemn rite of Confirmation.

He entered into holy wedlock with Miss Anna Bowman. The marriage was solemnized on November 25th, 1883, at Flanagan, Ill., the Rev. H. Dagefoerde officiating. Their union was blessed with four sons and one daughter. The family came to Nebraska in 1890 and located on the farm two miles north of Belvidere. It has been their home up to the present time. Three years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Lahners observed their golden wedding jubilee in good health, and received the congratulations of their children and their many friends.

Last spring, Mrs. Lahners became seriously sick and, though seemingly recovering somewhat, it was thought best to put her in the care of her son, Doctor Thomas Lahners, of Decatur, Ill. The physical condition of his wife worried Mr. Lahners much and, no doubt, affected his health. Last Sunday morning he attended our church services, and in the afternoon the Pioneers' Picnic. The next day he suffered a stroke of paralysis and died in the Faith Wednesday, August 25, 1937, at high noon at the hospital in Geneva, at the age of 76 years, 8 months and 8 days.

The deceased took much interest in public affairs and served in this state two terms as representative, two terms as state senator, and one term as member of the State Constitution.

His demise is keenly felt by his wife, now sick at Decatur, Ill.; his sons, Oltman of Bruning, Doctor Thomas of Decatur, Ill., George of Grand Island; his daughter, Mrs. Carrie Hinkle of Geneva, and one brother in Webster, Wis.; eight grandchildren, Roland of Bruning, Imogene of Los Angeles, Calif. and Lyle, Donald, Ardath, Howard, Stanley and Ronald Dean, all of Grand Island, and two great grandchildren. They experience the truth expressed in the words:

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WEALTHY PIONEER OF STATE DIES

Mrs. Maria Williams Was Reputed One of Nebraska's Wealthiest Women.

CAME TO STATE 40 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Williams, 72, reputed one of the wealthiest women in Nebraska, died at the home of her brother, Ben F. Marti, 2602 Dewey avenue, yesterday. Mrs. Williams came to Nebraska forty years ago with her husband, Louis Williams, who became wealthy through investments in Butler county land.

Mrs. Williams had been married to Fred Henfling, who was killed in the civil war. Her only son, Louis Henfling, died last summer. Mr. Williams has been dead several years.



Mrs. Maria Williams.

Louis Henfling and his mother owned Butler county real estate to the value of nearly \$2,000,000. At his death his property was equally divided between his wife and his mother.

Prior to the death of her son Mrs. Williams resided with him and his wife near Bellwood, Butler county. Many noted persons, including W. J. Bryan, have been entertained at the Bellwood home.

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One son, Folkert, two brothers and two sisters have preceded the deceased into the realm of eternity.

It is of true comfort to all concerned to know that in the days of his trial the deceased placed his trust in the mercy of God and the love of the Savior, humbly submitting to God's will, and was ready to say:

What God ordains is always good;  
And though the cup selected  
So bitter to my taste may seem,  
Must not be rejected.  
For in the end  
God help will send,  
He will dispel all sadness,  
And fill my soul with gladness."

May his body rest in peace unto the Day of Resurrection.

Funeral services were held on Friday, August 27th, at the home of Trinity Lutheran church. Interment was in the Bruning Public Cemetery.

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# COUPLES CELEBRATE OLD JOINT WEDDING AT GOLDEN JUBILEE

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and so were not able to give their children the pleasures and advantages they would like to have given them. As I contrast succumbed at Omaha, Neb., after only a few days' illness of pneumonia. The grief of his passing was increased by the fact that the parents, then already living in California, were physically unable to attend the funeral services. This son's widow was before marriage Lovina Healy; her father now lives in Long Beach, and her mother died there only a few months ago.

Three Marti children are now living: David, Lucy and John. The eldest is David Marti, Lincoln, Neb., whose wife was Hettie Brown. It so happens that Mrs. Marti's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Brown of Hastings, Neb., are now sojourning in California and are in attendance at the anniversary celebration. There are two sons in the David Marti family, Lloyd, aged 24, and Paul, aged 18. Lucy, the only daughter, is now Mrs. Henry Uden, whose home is near Bruning, Neb. She and her husband have two children, Helen, aged 20, and Harold, aged 15. Another son of the Udens, named Alvin, died in 1921, at the age of 14 years. John Marti is the youngest son, and resides in Long Beach. His wife was Elizabeth Kelly, and they have one son, David Jr., aged 7.

The Conrads have five children living: John; Emma, now Mrs. Harvey Jones; Fredericka, now Mrs. George Fergus; Clara, now Mrs. David Ross, and Ida, now Mrs. Boyd Hensman. These all reside in Hastings, Neb., except Mrs. Ross, whose home is at Stockham, Neb., and John, who lives at West Plains, Mo. There are thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Lucy Uden and John Marti are the only Marti children present at this celebration, but David Marti could not arrange to attend; nor could any of the Conrad children. It is regrettable that there could not have been at this time a complete family reunion of these grandparents and their descendants. There are a few relatives, however, who are present to share the joy of the celebrations. A brother of Godfrey Marti, Benjamin F. Marti and wife of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs. Ross Ren, a sister, living in Long Beach. Also several nephews and nieces who live in Long Beach.

In 1894 the Marti family removed from Bellwood, Butler County, to Hastings, Adams County, Nebraska. The farm at Bellwood had been sold and a half-section of land a few miles northeast of Hastings was bought. This they proceeded to improve, and it is one of the fine home farms of that community; of this original tract they still own 160 acres, together with other land in the same vicinity.

In 1907 they retired from the farm and took up their residence in the city of Hastings. In the meantime the Conrads, after several removals, also retired to Hastings, where they still make their home. Thus these four people who had been jointly wedded in 1875 were again living as neighbors; and it was their great pleasure to observe their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary together at Hastings in 1900.

Yet another move was made by the Martis, still westward, this time to the Pacific Coast in 1912. As the years grew upon them, they felt the unkind rigors of the Nebraska Winters;

SUNDAY

These years have been eventful with strenuous labors, many disappointments, and some griefs — yet these two aged couples may feel the satisfaction of knowing that they have lived useful and helpful lives, and that they are leaving to their children and children's children a rich heritage that will always be cherished by them.

Godfrey Marti is now 76 years of age; his wife, 68 years. Ippe Conrad is 72, and his wife 63. It is the prayer of their relatives and hundreds of friends that God may continue to bless them with good health and "gemuthlichkeit," and to add many more years of abundant life; but may they never really grow old in the sense of having outlived their usefulness as the "salt of the earth." We can only hope that when we shall have arrived at their age, we may be as well-beloved as they are.

There are between two and three hundred former residents of Hastings and Adams County, Neb., now permanent residents of Long Beach, quite a number of whom were prominently identified with the founding and development of Adams County. Mr. and Mrs. Marti are well known to all these former Nebraska people who rejoice with them that Time has permitted them to live to enjoy the Golden Jubilee of married life.

part of this week

More than fifteen varieties of late summer and fall flowers are in full bloom in the garden of Mrs. John Mennenga who lives across the road and north of the Prairie Glenn school house in West Blue township. The flowers are so closely planted that the blossoms seem to be touching over the entire area. The result is a bewildering mass of color combinations as brilliant mari-golds crowd against morning glories, cosmos, cox-comb and others. The garden is situated in the south yard of the Mennenga's hill-side cottage and being visible from a considerable distance from the south, elicits much comment from passers-by on the road.

NEWS NOTES

Three Marti children are now living: David, Lucy and John. The eldest is David Marti, Lincoln, Neb., whose wife was Hettie Brown. It so happens that Mrs. Marti's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Brown of Hastings, Neb., are now sojourning in California and are in attendance at the anniversary celebration. There are two sons in the David Marti family, Lloyd, aged 24, and Paul, aged 18. Lucy, the only daughter, is now Mrs. Henry Uden, whose home is near Bruning, Neb. She and her husband have two children, Helen, aged 20, and Harold, aged 15. Another son of the Udens, named Alvin, died in 1921, at the age of 14 years. John Marti is the youngest son and resides in Long Beach. His wife was Elizabeth Kelly, and they have one son, David Jr., aged 7.

The Conrads have five children living: John; Emma, now Mrs. Harvey Jones; Fredericka, now Mrs. George Fergus; Clara, now Mrs. David Ross, and Ida, now Mrs. Boyd Hensman. These all reside in Hastings, Neb., except Mrs. Ross, whose home is at Stockham, Neb., and John, who lives at West Plains, Mo. There are thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Lucy Uden and John Marti are the only Marti children present at this celebration, but David Marti could not arrange to attend; nor could any of the Conrad children. It is regrettable that there could not have been at this time a complete family reunion of these grandparents and their descendants. There are a few relatives, however, who are present to share the joy of the celebrations. A brother of Godfrey Marti, Benjamin F. Marti and wife of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs. Ross Ren, a sister, living in Long Beach. Also several nephews and nieces who live in Long Beach.

In 1894 the Marti family removed from Bellwood, Butler County, to Hastings, Adams County, Nebraska. The farm at Bellwood had been sold and a half-section of land a few miles northeast of Hastings was bought. This they proceeded to improve, and it is one of the fine home farms of that community; of this original tract they still own 160 acres, together with other land in the same vicinity.

In 1907 they retired from the farm and took up their residence in the city of Hastings. In the meantime the Conrads, after several removals, also retired to Hastings, where they still make their home. Thus these four people who had been jointly wedded in 1875 were again living as neighbors; and it was their great pleasure to observe their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary together at Hastings in 1900.

Yet another move was made by the Martis, still westward, this time to the Pacific Coast in 1913. As the years grew upon them, they felt the unkind rigors of the Nebraska Winters; and so, like thousands of others who were financially able to do so, they sought the milder clime of Southern California. This last move has without doubt added many years to their lives; it is the writer's judgment that if they had remained in the Middle West, one or both would not have survived to enjoy the memorable day. They say it is their last move; that they will rest where they now live in the quiet and comfort of their flower-bordered bungalow, until the God whom they love and serve, and Who has been generous and good to them, welcomes them to their final home.

And now, once more the Conrads have joined them for a while, so that together they might celebrate the day which marks for them the rounding out of fifty years of wedded life.

nte; but may they never really grow old in the sense of having outlived their usefulness as the "salt of the earth." We can only hope that when we shall have arrived at their age, we may be as well-beloved as they are."

There are between two and three hundred former residents of Hastings and Adams County, Neb., now permanent residents of Long Beach, quite a number of whom were prominently identified with the founding and development of Adams County. Mr. and Mrs. Marti are well known to all these former Nebraska people who rejoice with them that Time has permitted them to live to enjoy the golden Jubilee of married life.

part of this week.

More than fifteen varieties of late summer and fall flowers are in full bloom in the garden of Mrs. John Mennenga who lives across the road and north of the Prarie Glenn school house in West Blue township. The flowers are so closely planted that the blossoms seem to be touching over the entire area. The result is a bewildering mass of color combinations as brilliant mari-golds crowd against morning glories, cosmos, cox-comb and others. The garden is situated in the south yard of the Mennenga's hill-side cottage and being visible from a considerable distance from the south, elicits much comment from passers-by on the road.

AND NEWS NOTES

**Mrs. Lena Conrad**

Mrs. Lena Conrad was born in Germany in 1856, and came to this country at the age of ten years.

On January 29, 1875 she was married to I. T. Conrad at Gilman, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Conrad moved to Nebraska in 1879, locating on a farm near Crete. Here they made their home for a period of about 20 years.

In 1899 they moved to Adams county and in 1905 retired from active farm life, making their home in Hastings. Mr. Conrad died here January 1, 1933. Mrs. Conrad was a member of the Congregational Church at Crete.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Emma Jones of Juniata, Mrs. Frederica Fergus and Mrs. Ida Hensman of Hastings, and Mrs. Clara Ross of Stockham; one son, John F. Conrad of Clagstone, Ida.; thirteen grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

Those from a distance who attended her funeral Friday included E. M. Uphoff and son Ed, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Uphoff of Hebron, Mrs. Charles Brettman and Mrs. L. Shultz of Deshler; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Casper and daughters Ruth and Barbara Jean and Mrs. J. Wilkens of Bruning.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heyen, Mr. and Mrs. John Heyen, Mr. and Mrs. Claus Heyen and daughter of Milford; Mrs. Frederica Johnson and son Waldo and Mr. Turner of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Feeken and son, Carl, and Mrs. Fred Feeken of Crete.

Mrs. Cooney Ross and daughter Irma, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chaffie of Stockham, Mr. and Mrs. Will Prehm of Harvard, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heeren and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Heeren and daughter of Wood River.

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**MRS. JENSEN DIES AS RESULT OF AUTO ACCIDENT**

Mrs. A. C. Jensen, 25, died at the hospital in North Platte Friday following an operation for internal injuries received in an auto accident Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jensen were returning to Chappell after a visit with his parents in eastern Nebraska, when they met with the accident at a point on the Lincoln highway three miles east of North Platte. They met a car head on that was traveling at an excessive rate of speed. Mrs. Jensen was driving and the impact of the collision threw her against the steering wheel causing fatal internal injuries. Mr. Jensen received a fractured skull and possibly internal injuries from which he has not regained consciousness for a few minutes at a time. They were taken to the hospital at North Platte where Mrs. Jensen was operated on Thursday. She died Friday without having ever regain consciousness.

Mrs. Jensen was raised at Chappell and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson of that city. She had taught school at Chappell and other towns until a year ago when she was united in marriage to A. C. Jensen and immediately moved to Gurley where Mr. Jensen was school superintendent for the past year. Mr. Jensen had secured the superintendency of the Chappell school and they had only moved back there a couple of weeks ago.

Funeral services were held at Chappell Monday afternoon and interment was made in the family lot there. Many Gurley friends attended the funeral to pay a last tribute to Mrs. Jensen.

Word from North Platte states that Mr. Jensen is still in a very critical condition.

The driver of the other car, Wilbur Hard, 25, of Longmont, Colorado, is held in jail at North Platte on a charge of causing the death of Mrs. Jensen while operating a motor vehicle in an intoxicated condition.

### OBITUARY.

#### Anna Marie Bergstrand.

Anna Marie Hofrichter was born in Iroquois county, Ill., April 11, 1874. After an illness lasting six days she died March 14, 1938. She came to Butler county with her



Anna Bergstrand.

parents in 1884. After the death of her parents she made her home with her sister, Mrs. Charles Watson of Fairmont for several years. Here she met and married Harry Bergstrand on Sept. 8, 1909. Two children were born to them, one dying in infancy. They had resided near Fairmont for the past 29 years. She was always exceptionally fond of children and was a favorite aunt of the 27 nephews and nieces. She gave her heart to God when a small girl and remained a faithful and devout Christian. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Left to mourn her passing are her husband, Harry Bergstrand, and daughter, Florence; three sisters and one brother, Mrs. John Suddarth, Rising City; Mrs. Charles Watson, Fairmont; Mrs. Carrie Law, Sedgwick, Colo., and Ed Hofrichter, Wood River.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church of Fairmont Thursday, Rev. Robert Embree in charge with former pastors, Rev. V. C. Wright of Ashland and Rev. J. Henry Stitt of Central City, assisting.

*Sister of Rev. Hofrichter*

#### Funeral Services for Mrs. Gartner Thursday

Funeral services for Mrs. Grace Gartner, 52, wife of W. H. Gartner, who died at their home 17 miles south of Hastings Friday, will be held Tuesday at the Lutheran church in Glenvil at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Services will be conducted by the Rev. C. Meyers, and burial will be in the Glenvil cemetery under the direction of Livingston Brothers.

Mrs. Gartner is survived by her husband, and by five children: Norris and Roy, who are at home, Harvey, who lives in Idaho, Ervin, who lives in California, and Miss Alma, who also lives at home.

*Head of family*

## ANNE STUART LOVER OF LIFE AND BEAUTY

### Rev. R. A. McConnell Praises Her at Funeral Rites in the Home.

"Anne Stuart was a lover of life and beauty," said Rev. Raymond A. McConnell, pastor of First Plymouth Congregational church, at funeral services Friday in the home at 1906 D. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. McConnell and by Rev. L. W. McMillin, rector of University Episcopal church.

"Few who knew her," said Rev. Mr. McConnell, "will forget her gentle love of birds and animals. Her yard and trees were sanctuary and feeding ground. She was a lover of the beautiful. Her chief cultural attainment, of course, was in music. She was a superior pianist especially accomplished as an accompanist, where perhaps more than elsewhere is needed the understanding spirit and the power of subordinating self.

"In human relations she was no less the person of culture and kindness. For nearly 25 years she directed the kindergarten work of First Congregational church and First-Plymouth. Here was an intelligent as well as kindly ministry. Her children's books which she gave to me last year for the church were the kind that revealed that intelligence. In all relations with those who worked for and with her there was that same gentleness. True culture knows no condescension.

#### Saw People's Value.

"Anne Stuart treated people as persons of value. Here too was the artist who always sees beyond the surface to the spirit within. She was generous in her philanthropies where human values could be served.

"She was religious in her reserved way, loyal to her faith, to her church, and to her own heart's devotion. She loved the liturgy and the beauty of form and spirit in the Episcopal church. Here was a broad and tolerant faith and it sustained her in her hours of trial and bereavement.

Now, sooner than she thought, she joins her brother and sister. So our friend at last is free to rejoice in beauty and kindness and truth, in the temple of all the ultimate arts of life, in the soul's most stately mansion: God rest her and God keep her ever more."

**Harry Bergstrand.**

Harry Bergstrand was born in Butler county, Illinois, April 11, 1884. After an illness lasting six weeks he went to be with her Maker on March 14, 1938.

She came to Butler county, Nebraska, with her parents in 1884. After the death of her parents she made her home with her sister, Mrs. Charles Watson of Fairmont, Neb., for several years. Here she met and married Harry Bergstrand September 8, 1909.

Two children were born to this union, one dying in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Bergstrand resided near Fairmont twenty-nine years. Her passing will be keenly felt by her many friends and by her devoted and loving husband and daughter, Florence.

She was always exceptionally fond of children. She was a favorite aunt of the twenty-seven nephews and nieces. They always went to Aunt Anna with their joys and with their sorrows and she shared them equally with them. She gave her heart to God when a small girl and remained a faithful and devout Christian. Her interest in other people and her concern for community welfare was evidenced by her membership in the church, ladies' aid society and Order of the Eastern Star.

Those left to mourn her passing are her devoted husband, Harry Bergstrand, and daughter Florence; three sisters and one brother, Mrs. John Suddarth of Rising City, Mrs. Charles Watson of Fairmont, Mrs. Carrie Law of Sedgwick, Col., and Ed Hofrichter of Wood River, Neb. There are also twenty-seven nephews and nieces and a host of other relatives and friends. Three brothers and one sister preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church of Fairmont Thursday, March 17, at 2:30 p. m. The pastor, Rev. Robert L. Embree, was in charge with former pastors, Rev. V. C. Wright of Ashland and Rev. J. Henry Stitt of Central City, assisting. Music was furnished by a mixed quartet consisting of Oliver Moul, Mrs. Charles McFadden, Mrs. Mable Quinlan and W. E. Black, with Mrs. A. A. Ashby at the piano. Miss Phyllis Williams of Exeter sang a solo with Mrs. E. Williams of Exeter accompanying. Pallbearers were Lyle Cumberland of Geneva, Harry Smith, A. P. Stewart, Ross Dorrance, Lou Real and William Nedrow of Fairmont. Interment was in the Fairmont cemetery.

Relatives in attendance from a

distance were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hofrichter of Wood River, Mrs. George Law of Sedgwick, Col., Mr. and Mrs. John Suddarth, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Suddarth, Mr. and Mrs. Max Suddarth and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Suddarth of Rising City.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Watson, Judge and Mrs. Edward Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hoagland, Mrs. Martha Hofrichter, Miss Wilma Bergstrand and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Aspergren of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. William Bergstrand, Joe Bergstrand and Mr. and Mrs. E. Kahm of York.

Miss Vera Kahm of Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bolton of Benedict, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Godfred Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Benson and Mr. and Mrs. Sederstine of Saronville, Mr. and Mrs. J. Overacker of Clifton, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watson of Red Cloud.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hofrichter, Roy Hofrichter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Snyder and Evelyn, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reichert and Ardath, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Carter, Lois and Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bowman and Beth Ellen and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hofrichter of Bruning and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Swanson and Dorothy of Clay Center.

Among the friends from out of town present were Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Stitt of Central City, Rev. V. C. Wright of Ashland, Dr. and Mrs. William H. Morton, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Shickley, Miss Virginia Willis, Miss Ella M. Watson, Mrs. Tress Fink, Mrs. Hazel Chrestensen, Mrs. Blanche Wells, Mrs. Emma Schemel, Mrs. Frank Owens and Edward Malsbary and Faye of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Cumberland of Geneva, George Iredale of Grand Island, Dr. J. N. Plumb, Miss Roxy Ammerman and Mr. and Mrs. John DeBoer of York, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peterson of Hastings, Miss Phyllis Gordon, Mrs. Ed Mitchell and Dr. Claire Owens of Exeter, Mrs. Tom Hawks and Charles Casper of Bruning.

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### A June Wedding.

Under a beautiful wedding bell in the home of the bride's mother promptly at 6:30 Wednesday evening Rev. J. D. Kemper of Carleton pronounced the words that made Vera Marie Hofrichter the bride of Edward F. Carter. The home was beautifully decorated with a pink and white color scheme and a profusion of flowers. Only relatives of the contracting parties were privileged to witness the ceremony.

The beautiful and impressive ring ceremony was used with Marguerite Carter as ring bearer. The happy young people were led to the altar by little Florence Bergstrand, of Fairmont, in the capacity of flower girl, Helen Hofrichter playing the wedding march. The bride was attended by Miss Laura Muth, of Odell while the groom's attendant was Justin Woodruff, of Beaver City.

The bride was gowned in a beautiful creation of white silk georgette and carried a bouquet of bride's roses. The bridesmaid wore a gown of pink silk jersey trimmed with georgette.

Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party and guests partook of a sumptuous wedding dinner prepared by the bride's mother.

The bride is the oldest daughter of Mrs. Martha Hofrichter and has spent most of her life in this vicinity. She is a likeable young lady with many accomplishments and is popular with the younger set.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Carter and is a young man of sterling worth. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska Law School and has established a substantial law practice at Bayard, Neb., where the newlyweds will go immediately to make their future home.

Their many Bruning friends wish them well on their journey together.

Out-of-town guests in attendance at the Hofrichter-Carter wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bergstrand and daughter, Florence, of Fairmont; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson and family of Fairmont; Mr. and Mrs. John Mennenga and family of Hastings; Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Carter and daughters, Edith and Adeline, Hebron; Robert Bruce, Geneva; Mrs. George Ferguson and daughter, Thelma, and Maxine Larkin, Hastings.

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T. H. Carter and his daughter, Mrs. Will Long attended the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Carter at Woodriver last Tuesday. A dinner was served to the brothers and sister, the children and a few nieces and nephews of the honored couple at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Jessie Paulk. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Schafer and Mrs. Art Neihart of Grand Island, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and son of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ayres of Lincoln; Hon. Judge Ed Carter and wife and two sons from Lincoln; Mrs. Edward Carter from Geneva; Mr. T. H. Carter and Mrs. Wm. Long of Hebron; Mr. and Mrs. John Carter, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Carter and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Paulk of Woodriver. The youngest daughter who lives in California was unable to be present for the occasion.

Mrs. Harry Ferguson and her

Opal Rose Meyers is one of the soloists from Hastings, who will sing this evening over KHAS. She plans to come home this week end and spend the remainder of the summer, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Myers. She will return to her school work the first of September.

# Honored On 50th Wedding Anniversary

**Eight Children Of Mr.  
and Mrs. E. C. Carter  
Present for the Occasion**

Observing their fiftieth wedding anniversary Tuesday, April 9, were Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Carter of Middlebranch, former residents of Bruning. Ninety-one friends and relatives attended the celebration.

Following a family dinner at which a three-tier gold and white wedding cake centered the table, a program was presented honoring the Carters. The couple were married in a house just a few rods from the one in which they are now residing. Since that time they have lived in several Nebraska communities including Geneva, Beaver City and Bruning.

Among those attending were three of the original wedding party, Roy Waring of Middlebranch, Mrs. Truman Jenny of Lamont, Ia., and William Bruce of Geneva. The leader of the charivari party, Charles Grimm of Middlebranch, was also present.

One son of the Carters, Russell Carter, USN, is stationed in China and was unable to attend the celebration. The other eight children of Mr. and Mrs. Carter were present. They are: Judge and Mrs. E. F. Carter and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Birchard Carter and family and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Delaney and family, all of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter and daughters of Bruning; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carter and sons of Geneva; Mr. and Mrs. Norris Carter and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carter of Seattle, Wash.; and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Carter of Vinita, Okla. **MARTHA H. OF HATHWAY**

Others attending were Mrs. Mrs. Gerald Ough, Neosho, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Don Lutton and son, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Dud Lutton and children, Sioux City, Ia.; Mrs. Ursula Carter, Seattle, Wash.; Dr. and Mrs. William Graham, Chicago, Ill.; Lt. Lyle Carter, Ft. Lewis, Wash; Glenn Conant, Lamont, Ia.; Mr. Carter's brother, John Carter and daughter of Wood River; Mrs. Musa Haak, Compton, Calif.; Mr.

# James Fergus Is Dead

**He Was Widely  
Known Retired  
Rural Mail Carrier**

James C. Fergus, pioneer rural mail carrier and a resident of Hastings for 60 years, died at 12:45 noon today at his home, 600 south Elm.

Mr. Fergus' health had been failing for the past year, but with his wife he was able to enjoy the observation of their 63rd wedding anniversary, celebrated by a family reunion last February.

A native of Nebraska, Fergus was born in August, 1857, at Brownville, where his pioneer parents had settled on a farm after coming to Nebraska, then still a territory, in 1852 from Indiana. In 1884, three years after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Fergus came to Hastings.

## CARRIED MAIL IN 1904

In 1904, Mr. Fergus started carrying mail out of Hastings on the rural routes, using a horse-drawn vehicle until 1912 when he started using his first automobile. He served on the rural route for 28 years, finally retiring in 1930 when he was 73 years old. He could have retired when he was 65 but he served four 2-year extensions, his physical fitness and mental alertness bringing comments from postal authorities each time he reappeared for examinations for extensions. Two hundred persons on his route attended a surprise picnic in his honor when he retired.

He was a former president of the Adams County Letter Carriers Association and was prominent in the state organization.

Mr. Fergus had resided at the 600 south Elm home for 56 years.

Surviving him are his wife; five sons, George, Harrison, Cloyd, Earl and Walter, and one daughter, Mrs. Harry Davenport, all of Hastings; eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements today were incomplete. The body is at the Brand Funeral Home.

and Mrs. Wallace Lutton, Beaver City; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hathaway, Hebron; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sothan, Geneva; and Victor Goodman, Bruning.

The honored couple was presented with a \$50.00 silver purse by the immediate family, and were also the recipients of many cards and gifts in honor of the occasion.

*Parents of E. C. Carter (Judge)*

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Obituary—

Mrs. Augusta Casper

Mrs. Augusta Helena Casper, daughter of Robert Taddiken and Margaret, nee Sechtjen, was born August 12, 1861, at Weddersward, Oldenburg, Germany, was baptized in her infancy and, at the proper age and after due instruction, she renewed her baptismal vows in the solemn rite of Confirmation. With her brother and two of her sisters she came to these United States in 1882, and made her home at Milford, Illinois. A year after her coming to this country, she moved to Butler county, Nebraska, and entered into holy wedlock with J. H. Casper. The marriage was solemnized on February 15, 1883. Their union was blessed with five sons and two daughters.

In 1905, twenty-two years later, the family moved on a farm in this neighborhood, and three years later, in 1908, took up their residence in the town of Bruning. Mr. Casper died in 1932. Mrs. Casper's health demanded considerable care, and all her children were married and gone from home. So, after her husband's death, she made her home the greater part of the time with her children, or her sister, mostly with her son, Charles.

Early this spring, after an illness of some duration, she decided to make another visit with her daughter, Mrs. Theresa Kreizinger, of Bellwood, Nebr. While there she suffered another siege of sickness, and last Wednesday, November 8 (1939), it pleased the Lord to take her from this earth. She died in the Faith at the age of 78 years, 2 months and 26 days.

The deceased was a life-long faithful member of the Church, being active in this congregation, particularly in and through the Ladies' Aid, as long as her health permitted it. Therefore she became honorary member of this congregation. Her Christian life made her a faithful wife, a loving mother, a helpful neighbor. Tho' in the late years her physical condition caused her considerable suffering, she bore her afflictions with patience, putting her trust in the Savior, and waiting for His call to leave this earth.

The immediate mourners are her children: Charles of Bruning, Robert of Belvidere, John of Santa Ana, Calif., Henry of Giltner, Nebr., Mrs. Theresa Kreizinger of Bellwood, Nebr.; her sisters, Mrs. Meta Lucht of St. Paul, Nebr., Mrs. Sadie Kuhl of Rising City, Nebr., and Mrs. Mary Lewis of Central City, Nebr.; 17 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; a number of more distant relatives, and a host of friends.

"How blessed to be  
Where from sin we are free,  
Where all that decayed in new  
glory shall bloom,  
Where all that was ruined shall  
rise from the tomb,  
Where we are received by the  
Savior above  
Embraced in His love."

Funeral services were held on Friday, November 10th, at 1:30 p.m., at the residence of her son, Charles, and at 2 p.m. at the Trinity Lutheran church. Interment was made in the Bruning public cemetery beside her deceased husband.

*Casper of March 14.*

Among those from a distance who attended the funeral of Mrs. Augusta Casper last Friday were Frank Kriezinger, Tracy Kriezinger, Harold Kriezinger, Mrs. Louis Moel and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zimmer of Bellwood; Mrs. Sadie Kuhl, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kuhl and Mr. and Mrs. Hintz and baby of Rising City; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tadiken, Irvin Tadiken and Mrs. Laura Tadiken of Shelby; Otto Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hoffman, August Carmen, Robert Carmen, Ed Carmen, John Carmen and Harry Carmen of Pleasanton; Mr. and Mrs. George Fergus, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hensman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mennenga, Thelma Casper and Mrs. John Mennenga of Hastings; Mr. and Mrs. McDonald and Herman Lucht of St. Paul; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Casper, Mrs. Don Walker and Floyd Patraw of Giltner; Mr. and Mrs. Ross and two daughters of Stockham; Mrs. Janouch and Mrs. Speldie of Wilber; and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Johansen and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johansen of Friend.

REACHES 86TH YEAR



Mrs. Harm Bierman, 837 north Burlington avenue, a resident of Adams county since 1876, celebrated her 86th birthday anniversary on Friday, March 16. Mrs. Bierman is shown in the accompanying picture. She was born in Germany in 1848 and came to America at the age of three years, settling with her parents at Peoria, Ill. In 1876 she came with her husband to a farm three and a half miles east of Hastings. There they lived until 1901, when they removed to Hastings. Mr. Bierman died in 1919.



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### Wait Flohr, 70, Dies Monday Afternoon

Wait Flohr, 70-year-old former Glenvil resident, died suddenly from heart attack at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Millard Cornelius, 227 east Park, about 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Flohr, in seemingly good health, collapsed in the kitchen and died within a short time. His daughter was at home at the time.

He was born at Benson, Ill., on February 27, 1869. He lived in the Glenvil community for many years before coming to Hastings to live with his daughter three years ago.

He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Cornelius; a son, Ernest

### Deaths and Funerals

FLOHR, Wait—Died 5:30 p. m. December 18, 1939, 227 East Park, of heart attack; age 70; survived by daughter, Mrs. Millard Cornelius, Hastings; son, Ernest Flohr, Marshalltown, Ia., one grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. Heye Hinrichs and Mrs. Onna Hinrichs, both of Glenvil; and one brother, Dick Flohr, Glenvil; prayer service at Livingston Chapel 1:30 p. m., December 21; funeral at Glenvil Lutheran Church conducted by Rev. Eric Meyer; 2:00 p. m., December 21; burial Zion Lutheran Church northeast of Glenvil.

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Flohr of Marshalltown, Ia.; two sisters, Mrs. Heye Hinrichs and Mrs. Onna Hinrichs, both of Glenvil; a brother, Dick Flohr, also of Glenvil; and one grandchild.

The body is at the Livingston Funeral home. Funeral announcements will be made later pending word from the son.

### Harvey Rufus Park

Harvey Rufus Park, was born near Viola, Mercer county, Ill., Jan. 2, 1869, and died at his home in Bruning, Neb., Nov. 3, 1941, after an illness of more than three years.



H. R. Park.

He came to Nebraska with his parents in 1887. Ambitious to be a builder in the new country, he returned to Rock Island, Ill., to become an apprentice. After learning his trade, in 1890, Mr. Park began work in Bruning with O. P. Harrison. In 1895, he estab-

lished a business for himself. Nov. 26, 1891, H. R. Park mar-

ried Ida N. Wolford. Two children were born to this union: One daughter, Bernice, and a son, Erwin. After a lingering illness, Mrs. Park passed away.

Dec. 20, 1900, he married Phoebe C. Wolford. To this union were born five children: Chester E., Mildred L., Lyle K., H. Dale, and H. R., jr.

H. R. Park helped organize the Artificial Stone company of Nebraska, with headquarters at Bruning. For 28 years, he was a member of the school board; a trustee of the village board; also a member of the Business Men's club for many years. He was a charter member and officer of the Belle Prairie Cemetery association; a past member of the I. O. O. F., and an active member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

He served as president of the Midwest Cement Users association for three years. At one time, Mr. Park operated several Nebraska highway road and bridge building crews. Some of the principal roads of the state of Nebraska were made under his direction.

In 1925, he became a member of the Methodist church at Bruning, which he attended regularly until his health failed. For the last three years, he had been confined to his home.

Final tributes for H. R. Park were held at the family home in Bruning, Nov. 6. Rev. E. G. Whale, of the Methodist church,

officiated. A public service was conducted in the Methodist church.

He leaves his wife, Phoebe; seven children: Mrs. O. C. Petersen, Omaha; Erwin H., Los Angeles, Calif.; Chester E., Bruning; Mrs. O. V. Eide, Kingston, Ill.; Lyle K., Hastings; H. Dale, Omaha; H. R., jr., Red Cloud; ten grandchildren; two brothers, Rev. Charles A., Lincoln, and Clyde L., Danner, Ore.; two sisters, Mrs. C. H. Kimmel, Belleville, Kas., and Mrs. M. T. Barlow, Baltimore, Md. Interment was at Bruning.

### FORMER BRUNING WOMAN SUFFERS STROKE

In renewing her subscription to the Banner, Mrs. Martha Hofrichter writes that she has been called to Wood River to care for her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. C. Hofrichter, who suffered a stroke a few weeks ago. The E. C. Hofrichters' formerly lived at Bruning and have many friends and relatives here.

# Ill Health Given as Reason for Suicide Of Cheyenne Resident

Worry over ill health and inability to find steady employment were given as the reasons for the suicide Tuesday night of Arthur B. Monk, 55, 2623 Bent, Coroner Paul H. Worland announced Wednesday.

Monk's body was found about 9:30 Tuesday night in the garage at the rear of the Monk home, slumped against a wall of the building with the weapon, a .22-caliber revolver, between his legs. He had fired one shot into his head, according to Undersheriff E. D. Brown and Deputy Sheriff George Smith, who investigated the case.

Worland announced that funeral services will be held Thursday at 3 p. m. at the Worland chapel. The Rev. E. T. Caldwell will officiate.

Pallbearers will be W. L. Baker, Jesse Elsworth, Francis Seals, Gay E. Mathewson, William J. Crosby and J. R. Monroe.

Relatives of the man stated that Monk had been despondent for the past week and had several times threatened to take his life, Brown said.

His wife reported that she had last seen Monk about 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon as she was leaving for work. When he failed to return to his home for dinner, his sister telephoned several

friends. Monk's revolver was then found to be missing and after a search of several hours the body was discovered in the garage.

Officers estimated that he had been dead for about four hours.

The bullet entered the right temple and emerged at the upper left side of the head, the officers' report stated.

Monk is survived by his wife, Eva, two brothers and two sisters.

## ELLA M. WATSON WILL IS FILED FOR PROBATE

**Executors Frank H., Charles Lee Watson; Estate to Be Held in Trust.**

Probate of the will of Ella M. Watson, who died April 24, was filed in county court Tuesday. Frank H. and Charles Lee Watson, both of Fairmont, are named executors. The will leaves the estate to Frank H. and Charles Lee Watson in trust, the trusteeship to continue until two of three beneficiaries named have died.

Two-thirds of the net income is to go to a brother, Charles J. Watson of Fairmont, and to his wife Laura, jointly, or to their survivors during the time the estate is held in trust. One-third is to go to a sister-in-law, Mildred Watson, until termination of the trusteeship.

When two of the three above named have died, the trusteeship will be terminated and the estate will be distributed as follows:

Should the survivor be either Charles J. or Laura Watson, that one shall receive a two-thirds life interest in the estate. If Mildred Watson is the survivor, she shall receive a one-third life interest in the estate. The residue is to be divided as follows:

One-fourth each to Frank H. Watson, Charles Lee Watson, Clarence J. Watson of Holbrook and to the two children, Laura Jane and Martha Lee, of Ruth Watson Taylor, deceased. In the case of Frank H. Watson, the income only is to be used until the children come of age, and then they are to receive the principal. The same arrangement is to hold in the case of the children of Ruth Watson Taylor.

## A LITTLE HAND

(By Arnold Saare Erickson in The Lincoln Star)

This is a true Nebraska story about two men. It is not a happy story.

The one man was a very young man—he was only eight. Yet he was a man for all that and a very fine little man too. The other man in the story is much older. His hair is graying and his eyes are full of that soft kindness of understanding which comes to one who is close to sadness and sorrow and death.

For the older man is an undertaker in a little Nebraska town. He has lived there many years. In the faithful performance of his duty his is the sad and tender task of preparing the bodies of his friends and neighbors and associates for their final sleep.

Now in this little town there was no one who did not know the other man of whom we speak. For he was one of those lovable youngsters who was everyone's intimate friend.

And as our fine little man would bounce merrily up the street he would often see the older man, the undertaker, across the way. Whereupon he would stretch his arm skyward, waggle his fingers affectionately and shout "Halloo" with great affection.

Our little man was life personi-

fied. He constantly bubbled over with pep and good cheer.

But one day our little man did not feel well enough to go to school. Before the day had passed he was gone. There was a sudden, unpredictable stoppage through which we breathe and death came with terrifying and stupefying suddenness.

Everyone in that little community told themselves that it could not be true, that such a thing simply could not be. Yet it was true and there was no one to fathom why except the Maker who had taken this child into his heavenly fold.

Now the older man in our story was called and he made his sad journey to the home where the still body of his little friend rested. With great courage he managed to remain calm and to speak words of comfort to the family.

He returned to his parlors with the last mortal remains of our little man. There he prepared to perform his mournful duty. He reached out and gently picked up the lad's hand. It was too much. He could see that arm stretched skyward, could picture those fingers wagging, could hear the gleeful "Halloo!"

The older man broke down and wept like a child.

An undertaker from a nearby town had to be called.

**MRS. JOE WARNER  
BURIED AT HILDRETH**

Mrs. Joe Warner who passed away at her home here late Thursday of last week, was a pioneer resident of Dundy county. She had come to Red Willow county in 1907 with her children and first husband who died there in 1908. The next year she moved to the ranch 14 miles north of Haigler where she and her boys lived until 1914.

Shortly after her marriage to Mr. Warner, they operated the Haigler hotel during 1915-16 in the building now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Munson.

Funeral services were held for her at her home in Haigler last Saturday morning with Rev. Edwin Egybroad preaching the sermon. The body was taken to Hildreth, Nebraska, in the Roach hearse where another service was held before burial in the Plainview cemetery near Hildreth.

Christina Abbie Collins was born April 28th, 1868, in Tama Co., Iowa, and passed away August 18th, 1938, at the age of 70 years, 3 months and 20 days.

In early childhood she came with her parents to Minden, Nebraska. She was united in marriage to Thomas D. Watson February 15th, 1887. To this union was born six sons; Lewis T., Charles B., Ray O., Edwin H., Grover C. and Lester A. Her husband preceeded her in death April 3rd, 1908, also one son, Lewis T.

On April 28th, 1914, she was united in marriage to Joseph Warner. She leaves to mourn her death, her husband; one sister, Mrs. L. A. Wood, of Miles, Iowa; three brothers, John, William and Milton Collins, who reside at North Platte; five sons and their wives; twenty-one grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends. She will long be remembered as a faithful wife, mother and friend.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our appreciation for the kind expressions of sympathy and the many acts of helpfulness at the time of the death and burial of our wife and mother. We also wish to thank those who helped toward the care and comfort of Mrs. Warner during her illness.

Joe Warner  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson  
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Watson  
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Watson  
Mr. and Mrs. Grover Watson  
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Watson

Mrs. Della Carter of Franklin, left on Wednesday of last week for her home after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McBee.

new cemetery.

**Mrs. Emma Kerkow**

Mrs. Emma Caroline Kerkow, 83, died suddenly Friday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. V. S. Ramsey, 2522 Broadway. She had been in good health, considering her age, until she was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage Friday, Mrs. Ramsey said.

She was born at Sheboygan, Wis., on Sept. 21, 1857 but had

lived most of her life at Fremont, Nebr., where her family made their home when she was nine. She was married at Fremont in 1877 and her husband died there in 1910. After Mr. Kerkow's death she lived for a time at Omaha, then returned to Fremont, and 12 years ago came to Scottsbluff to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey.

She was a member of the Episcopal church at Fremont and regularly attended the Gering church, becoming a regular member of the congregation there during the time that Mr. Ramsey served as sheriff of Scotts Bluff county and made his home in Gering.

Funeral services will be held today (Saturday) at Knights at 10 a. m., with the Rev. William P. Anna, rector of the Episcopal church, officiating. The body will be taken to Fremont for services there on Monday and then to Omaha for cremation.

Surviving, besides Mrs. Ramsey, is another daughter, Frances Kerkow, who also makes her home with the Ramseys.

**WAVERLY WOMAN DIES.**

Mrs. Lena B. Carter, 36, Waverly, died at her home Thursday night. She was born at Waverly and had lived in Lancaster county all her life. She was a member of the Eastern Star of Greenwood and the Methodist church at Waverly. She was graduated from Lincoln high school in 1920 and from the university here in 1925. Surviving is her husband, Carrol, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bainbridge, all of Waverly.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 Sunday afternoon at the Waverly Methodist church, Rev. Ray F. Magnuson officiating. Burial in Waverly.

*Wife of Carroll Carter.  
Buried in town by  
Ed Carter (Judge)*

OBITUARY OF  
MRS. ERNEST ERDMAN

Blanche Orena Stamper, the daughter of Thomas B. and Ella Stamper, was born March 23, 1881, at Everton, in Dade county, Missouri, and passed away at a hospital in Benkelman, Nebraska, April 15, 1943.

In the year 1917, her parents brought her with them to Colorado, when they settled in the Amherst community. Three years later they moved to Longmont, Colorado.

On February 11, 1923, she was united in marriage to Ernest Erdman at Longmont. Since that time they have made their home on their ranch north of Haigler, Nebraska. This happy union was blessed with three sons and one daughter.

Mrs. Erdman took sick with the flu during the first week in January and was taken to a Benkelman hospital for treatment for several days. She seemed to have recovered from this ailment, but after being at home for only about a week, she had developed acute ulcerative endocarditis, a heart ailment from which few persons recover. However, after about ten weeks of patient suffering, during which time the Lord seemed to have blessed the efforts of physicians and the means they were using to bring her on the way to recovery, her condition suddenly became worse, and her end came within a short time. She passed away early Thursday morning of last week at the age of

She leaves to mourn her departure her husband, three sons, Paul, Dean, and Earl; one daughter, Esther Mae; her parents, living in San Jose, California; one sister, Mrs. Lillian Gehring of San Jose, California; and one brother Ralph H. Stamper, of Parma, Idaho, and a host of friends and acquaintances.

A short funeral service was conducted at the Roach Funeral Home, Monday morning, so that the many Haigler friends of Mrs. Erdman might attend. The Legion Auxiliary of which she was a member, attended in a body, and went to Amherst, Colorado, where a longer service was held at the Lutheran church. Interment was in the cemetery near Amherst.

Besides the great number of floral offerings, several memorial cash contributions were given to different Lutheran organizations.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to our neighbors and many friends for the many acts of kindness and words of sympathy extended to us during the illness and at the time of the death of our beloved wife and mother. Also for the many beautiful floral offerings. We also wish to extend thanks for the cheering cards and flowers sent to the hospital during her long illness. Words are inadequate to express our deep appreciation.—Ernest Erdman, Paul, Dean, Earl and Esther Mae.

# G. C. Bruning Death Shocks Community

## President Of Local Bank Passes Away Suddenly Last Sunday Morning

George C. Bruning, 57, president of the Bruning State Bank for the past 17 years, passed away at his farm home east of town Sunday morning. Death was attributed to heart failure.

Mr. Bruning's death came as a shock to the community. He had been in ill health for the past few months, but recently recovery had seemed apparent. He had spent Saturday in Bruning attending to business matters and visiting with friends.

Surviving are his wife and son, Paul. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at their town home and followed by services at the Methodist church, in charge of Rev. Merrill. Interment was in the Bruning public cemetery.

### Obituary—

George C. Bruning, son of Frederick and Helena Bruning, was born at Gridley, in McLean county, Illinois on October 8, 1881, and died at Bruning, Nebraska on January 29, 1939, at the age of 57 years, 3 months and 21 days. He was baptized January 15, 1882, and confirmed in the Lutheran church in Elpaso, Ill., April 4, 1897.

Mr. Bruning came to Nebraska with his parents in 1898. On February 28, 1906, he was united in marriage to Miss Margaretha Reichert of O'Neill, Nebraska.

Surviving are his wife and only son, Paul; one brother, William M. Bruning of Bruning; and one sister, Mrs. William Wessel of Manson, Iowa. One sister and three brothers preceded him in death.

Mr. Bruning was well-known in this community, having been president of the Bruning State Bank for the past 17 years, and active in civic and community interests. He will be greatly missed by his relatives and many friends.

No time for a last farewell,  
No time for the shock of fear,  
Scarcely a moment's halt on the shore,

With the guide and the boatman near—  
How surprised you were to go,  
With little to suffer, little to know.

Only a moment of dark,  
A dream of the fleeting night,  
And then the beautiful break of day

And the quiet peace of Light;  
And you found yourself where  
you longed to stand,  
In the repose of the fatherland.

## Club Leaders Classes Are Scheduled

Leaders classes for Home Dem-

# George Long Dies Today

Was Local Manager  
For Lumber Company;  
Came Here in 1919

George W. Long, local manager for the Byers Lumber Company for more than 17 years, died suddenly at 8:20 o'clock this morning at the family home, 603 east Sixth.



Geo. Long

Death was caused by a heart attack. He was 62 years old.

Funeral arrangements today were incomplete.

Mr. Long had been ill since Tuesday when he suffered a heart attack while at the Brown-McDonald Company store. He had been home since that time.

He was born October 10, 1879, at Avalon, Mo. On March 30, 1902, he and Miss Nancy Bruce were married at Hale, Mo. In September, 1904, they moved to a farm near Juniata and in 1919 the family came to Hastings.

He had been local manager for the Byers Lumber Company since June, 1924.

A genial person, Mr. Long was

a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Dokeys, Odd Fellows, Eagles and the Rotary.

He had been a member of the Methodist Church since childhood.

Surviving him are his wife; two daughters, Mrs. William Gustafson and Mrs. Herschel Robinson, both of Seattle, Wash.; one son, George Bruce Long, of the 10th field artillery, stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. J. L. Fullerton of North Platte; and three grandchildren.

The body is at the Volland Funeral Home.

## Dolores Jean Carter Weds Medical Student

Judge and Mrs. Edward F. Carter of Lincoln have announced the marriage of their daughter, Dolores Jean, to William E. Graham. The ceremony was performed at Rockport, Mo., on May 2, 1942, and was kept secret until the present time.

Mr. Graham is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Graham, Norfolk, and is a student at the University of Nebraska school of medicine.

*Daughter of Judge & Ed Carter*

## Bruning Those

"Nun of the Opera House This is a thing Sal Mayo M others.

To be Bruning, new equipment portable projectors reels, arrangement, screen, frame, effect o

*Bruning People*

## Twins Enter, Leave Army Together



Harry, left, and Harvey Mennenga, twin brothers, with near parallel service records, were discharged at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., this month.

There are many of those who look alike, who dress alike and there are those who delight in the same occupations. However, Harvey and Harry Mennenga, twin brothers and sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Mennenga, 1505 west Third, have gone one step further. The similarity of their appearance and activities has followed them in and out of civilian life, all through their military service careers and back into civilian life again.

Harvey a mechanic with the Andrew Murphy Company in Omaha and Harry also a mechanic for Fortner and Laud in Pasadena, Calif., started their careers with the Army of the United States by enlisting together at Grand Island March 4, 1942. Both were inducted at the same time at Fork Crook five days later. The two brothers remained together for training at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., before they were separated for basic training at different fields.

### ON DIFFERENT SHIPS

Harvey was sent to Camp Roberts to complete his basic work before being sent to Fort Ord where he entered field artillery June 15, 1942. Harry, completing his basic work at Camp Cook (both camps are in California) joined the Fifth Armored Division there. Each left his camp in California taking advanced work with their different outfits and were sent to Camp Kilmer, N. J., in February 1944. Although they were both in the camp at the

same time, they did not see each other until they reached their port of embarkation at New York. They left New York from the same port on the same day, February 11, and in the same convoy but on different ships.

Harvey arrived in Swannsee, Whales February 25, 1944 and Harry arrived in Liverpool, England the day before. Although overseas and in different ports, the two service careers did not cease to run parallel. Harvey joined the 195th Field Artillery Battalion of the Seventh Corps of the First Army and after training for three months at a camp in Southampton area, crossed the English Channel and arrived in Normandy June 15. Harry remained in Camp Chiselton near Swindon, England for a longer period of time, arrived in Normandy July 24 and joined the First Army. It was here the combat service of the twin brothers began.

Still in two very different outfits, the Mennengas served in identical campaigns, those of Normandy, northern France, Rhineland, the Ardennes and central Europe. Each was awarded the European-African-Middle-Eastern theater ribbon, five bronze battle stars and the Good Conduct Ribbon. The brothers saw each other once while overseas, at Nordshausen, Germany.

### RETURN TO STATES

Following their participation in the European campaigns, Harvey was stationed at Frankfurt, Germany with his outfit until he left France from LeHavre September 3, 1945 and arrived in New York September 12. He was in Fort Leavenworth September 15, went on a 30-day terminal leave and returned to Leavenworth to be discharged October 22.

Harry was stationed at Es-wedge, Germany and sent to Le Havre for embarkation to the United States. He arrived in Boston October 8 and was sent to Leavenworth. The brothers again met there. Harry was discharged October 21, the day before his twin brother and at the same camp. They returned to Hastings together October 23. They held technician (4g) ratings, and wear three overseas service bars. They spent 20 months on overseas duty.

Harvey, the husband of the former Verna Smith of Hastings, is joining his wife in Portland, Ore., this week. Harry, unmarried, will remain in Hastings. The plans of both are indefinite they said.

*Courtesy Daily Populist Leader*

Obituary—

Edward F. Uphoff

Edward F. Uphoff, son of E. M. Uphoff and his wife, Ida, nee Heyen, was born August 20, 1889, at Kramer, Nebr., and was received by God in infant baptism. Later, being duly instructed in the Christian religion, he confessed the Faith and by the rite of Confirmation was received into communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Kramer, Nebr.

He and his parents came to Bruning in 1909, residing here about two years. Then the family moved to Deshler and engaged in business.

On November 26, 1911, the deceased was united in marriage with Miss Clara Elizabeth Hessheimer. Their union was blessed with two sons. Six years later, in 1917, they moved on a farm northeast of Belvidere.

Mrs. Uphoff died in 1932, and in 1936 Mr. Uphoff entered into wedlock with Miss Anna Wagner.

Mr. Uphoff sold the farm last spring and took up residence in Belvidere to engage in business. He had been enjoying good health until last Saturday. Then he was taken sick suddenly, and was placed under medical care in the hospital at Hebron. He died there Sunday evening, July 21, 1940 at the age of 50 years, 11 months and 1 day.

The immediate mourners are his widow; two sons, Paul and Carl of Hebron; foster son, Paul Reiss of Belvidere; one grandchild; his brother, Ernest of Hebron; his sisters, Mrs. Friedericka Johnson of Lincoln, Mrs. Charles Brettmen of Hebron, Mrs. Louis Schultz of Deshler, Mrs. Theo. Sagehorn of Kramer and Miss Amanda Uphoff of Lincoln; many more distant relatives, and a number of friends.

Peace to his ashes!

"To Christ I now stretch out my arms,  
And gladly hence betake me;  
I sleep at peace from all alarms,  
No human voice can wake me.  
But Christ is with me through the strife,  
And He will bear into life,  
And open heaven before me."

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, July 24th at 9:30 a.m. at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Bruning, conducted by Rev. J. B. Cronek. Interment was in the Church cemetery.

# Funeral Rites Held Here For Geo. Bruning

### Came To This Community 61 Years Ago, Before Bruning Was a Town

George Bruning, 66, pioneer Bruning farmer and chairman of the Thayer County Agricultural Conservation Association, passed away at his farm home here Saturday morning, July 20.

Born in Nebraska, Mr. Bruning came to this community with his parents at the age of five where he resided for 61 years. At that time the town of Bruning had not been founded and the post office was known as Prairie Star. He had always been active in community affairs and on several occasions had prepared articles dealing with pioneer life and history of the early days. Many have been published and are preserved in the files of The Banner.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock and then at Trinity Lutheran church, conducted by Rev. J. B. Cronek, when large numbers came to pay tribute to a man respected by all. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Obituary—

George Bruning, son of Herman Bruning and his wife, Margaret, nee Carstens, was born June 15, 1874, near Milford, Seward county, Nebraska, and by infant baptism was made a member of God's Household.

He was five years of age when his parents came here, then known as Prairie Star (the town of Bruning was not yet located), and acquired the farm on which the deceased resided up to the time of his death—sixty-one years. He received his secular and religious education in Bruning, and was confirmed in this church (Trinity Lutheran of Bruning) during the pastorate of the Rev. G. F. Stuecklin.

On May 14, 1903 he entered into holy wedlock with Miss Louise Reichert. The marriage was solemnized in this church, the Rev. C. Dagefoerde officiating. Two sons were born to this union.

In January of this year, Mr. Bruning suffered an attack of influenza. Seemingly recovering from the illness, he carried on his work until June 20th, when the state of his health confined him to his home. It pleased God to call him home peacefully and in the Faith last Saturday morning, July 20th (1940), at the age of 66 years, 1 month and 5 days.

The deceased was a Christian whose counsel was much sought and respected. He was an active member of his church throughout his life, and a member of the Church Council for 17 years. He also served on Public School Boards for nearly 20 years, and was active in numerous public and civic affairs.

During the last few years he gave up active farming to serve as Chairman of the Agricultural Conservation Association of Thayer county.

His demise is deeply felt by his loving wife; his two sons, Alvin H. of Salix, Iowa and Leon G. of Bruning; two grandchildren; two brothers, F. W. Bruning of Botha, Alberta, Canada, and John H. Bruning of Bruning; his sister, Mrs. Fred Hinkle of Bruning; many more distant relatives, and a host of friends. His father, mother, three sisters and a brother have preceded him in death.

Peace to his ashes!

"How good to hear my Savior calling,  
To see Him even face to face!  
What bliss, before Him prostrate falling,  
To find with Him a resting place,  
And with the saints in sweet accord  
To sing the praise of Christ my Lord"

*Bruning people*



## SNYDER—HASSELBRING

Before a satin draped altar banked with greenery, pedestal baskets of white peonies and orange blossoms and branched candelabras, Miss Evelyn Snyder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Snyder of Bruning, and Harley Hasselbring, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hasselbring of Bruning, were united in marriage at the Methodist Church of Bruning at eight o'clock Sunday evening, on June 1.

Rev. W. H. Merrill read the lines of the marriage service before 100 guests.

Miss Lois Carter, cousin of the bride, sang "The Lord's Prayer" and "At Dawning" preceding the ceremony. Mrs. Roy Carter, aunt of the bride, pianist, played the Lohengrin's processional.

The bridal party approached the altar, down a white aisle. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a white velvety-ray marquisette gown made with a sweetheart neckline and long sleeves which were puffed at the shoulder and came to a point at the wrist. The fitted midriff had self-trimmed buttons. The full skirt fell in graceful folds to tip-toe length and ended in an aisle-wide train. Her veil was made of sheer illusion net with lace trim. The tiera was of lace and orange blossoms. She carried an arm bouquet of white carnations.

The maid of honor, Miss Lillian Hasselbring, sister of the groom, wore a blue chiffon dress with a lace trim bodice, a sweetheart neckline and a full skirt. She wore a corsage of ping carnations.

The bridesmaid, Miss Maxine Carter, cousin of the bride, wore a pink chiffon dress with a shirred bodice and sleeves, a sweetheart neckline and full skirt. She wore a corsage of white carnations.

Howard Martin of Quinter, Kansas, served the bridegroom as best man.

The ushers were Dean Messman, Walter Hofrichter and Virgil Wilhelms. Phyllis Reichert, cousin of the bride, lit the candles.

A reception was held at the bride's home immediately following the ceremony.

Mrs. W. J. Strohecker of Lincoln invited the guests into the dining room. Miss Lola Strohecker and Miss Bernice Casper of Lincoln, served at the table. Miss Florence Bergstrand of Fairmont had charge of the guest book.

Assisting in the dining room were Mrs. C. E. Park and Mrs. N. R. Collison. Mrs. Howard Martin of Quinter, Kansas served at the punch table.

Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Paul Tymnick and Mrs. Anna Jacobsen of Racine, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Overacker of Clifton, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eppler of Ohiowa, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Northrup and Merlie Lou, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Martin of Quinter, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bergstrand and Florence of Fairmont, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kellermeier of Hebron, Charles Watson, Mrs. Martha Hofrichter and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Strohecker and Lola of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. George Fergus and Thelma and Thelma Casper of Hastings, and Miss Janet Jennings of Davenport.

After a short honeymoon, the couple will live in Hebron, where Mr. Hasselbring has employment.

—Bruning Banner.

## FIRE DESTROYS MENNENGA HOME

### Wednesday Blaze Completely Ruins Modern Farm Residence North- east of Hastings.

Fire Wednesday afternoon completely destroyed one of the finest farm homes in Adams county when the modern two-story residence of John Mennenga, six and one-half miles north and one and one-half miles east of Hastings, burned to the ground.

The origin of the fire has not been determined, as no one was at home at the time. Mrs. Mennenga was in Hastings and Mr. Mennenga was working in a nearby field. Mrs. Mennenga left the house at about 1 o'clock. There was no fire in the kitchen range or the furnace.

### Neighbors Turn In Call

Neighbors turned in the call to the Hastings fire department when smoke and flames were shooting out the upper windows. When the truck reached the scene the house was beyond recovery. Water pumped from a cistern by the fire truck saved a shed near the house.

A few chairs, a table, and a small number of household goods were all that was salvaged from the fire by neighbors who hurried to the scene.

The house was modern in every respect, being equipped with an expensive heating system, lights, and water facilities. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

### Built in 1911

The house, built in 1911 by George Munroe, contained the finest oak flooring and fixtures.

A forty-five foot chimney pointed like a blackened finger from the ruins after the fire burned itself out Wednesday and refused to tumble under pressure of water shot from the fire hose.

*mother of Annd's cousin of  
Aunt Hofrichter's Carls*

*Brother of Maxine W. Mennenga  
Aunt Hofrichter's Carls*

## J. T. Andres Dies At Home Tuesday

J. T. Andres died at his home in Haigler, Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 after enduring a second stroke since last Saturday evening. Three weeks ago Mr. Andres suffered his first stroke which held him to his bed most of the time, but last Saturday morning he decided that the only way to gain his strength was to get up and about the place. He enjoyed that day immensely but was stricken with the second stroke at the supper table Saturday evening.

He did not rally to any extent following this second attack, and the doctors despaired of any hope of saving his life. Much of the time since last Saturday, he was unconscious but the family was assured by physicians that he had no physical suffering. He sank fast Tuesday afternoon and the end came as the family were gathered around the bedside.

This quiet and friendly old gentleman had the respect of everyone who knew him, and no one ever heard him speak unkindly of his acquaintances. His honesty was never questioned and he was happy in whatever assistance he could lend a neighbor or friend.

John Terril Andres was born at Sparta, Grayson county, Virginia, February 14, 1886, and died at his home in Haigler, Nebraska, February 14, 1939, at the age of 73 years and 10 days.

He settled with his parents in Madison county, Nebraska, in 1884 and in 1891 was united in marriage to Tena Mennenga at Columbus, Nebraska, and later moved to Haigler where he lived with his wife and family for the last twenty years. To this union were born six children; one son, Roy, having preceded him in death in May, 1932.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife and five children: Mrs. Rosa Hoffman, and Melvord and Emory Andres of Haigler; Vern Andres of East Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Edna Vining of Cheyenne, Wyo.; two grandsons, four granddaughters, and three brothers, Robert of Omaha, David of Haigler and George of Alma, Nebraska. One sister, Mrs. Rosie Dixon of Idaho Falls, Idaho also survives.

The funeral in charge of Rev. J. E. Stayton was held at the Andres home Thursday afternoon at 2:30. Music was furnished by Mrs. Stayton, Mrs. Samples and Don and Ray Harford. Interment was made in the Haigler cemetery with the Roach Funeral Home in charge of arrangements and Vern Mendenhall, Frank Carlock, Glen Kuhns, Ted Long, Ira Long and Pete Christensen acting as pallbearers.

## Last Rites Held On Wednesday For Mrs. Saylor

Passed Away Suddenly  
Early Sunday; Resident  
Here For 42 Years

Bruning and community was very much saddened Sunday morning on learning that Mrs. Mintie Saylor, wife of Dr. H. W. Saylor, had slipped away into Eternity at 12:45 that morning.

Mrs. Saylor had been in fair health all summer and enjoyed her domestic duties as well as social. She was down town Saturday afternoon doing her Saturday's trading and visiting with friends, as usual; but at 10:30 she suffered a severe stroke that claimed her life.

Mrs. Saylor loved her many friends, especially the children of the community. She was a loyal and active member of the Methodist church and all of its branches. She was a member of the Eastern Star of Ohioa; chairman of the Bruning Red Cross from 1917 to 1937; was a charter member of the Federated Woman's Club of Bruning, and served a term as County President of the Woman's Club.

Minte Miller was born June 1, 1873, near Engles Mills, Garrett county, Maryland, and departed this life September 27, 1942, in her home, where she resided so long, at Bruning, Nebraska. She came to Kansas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Miller, when a child of twelve years and received her education at Sabetha, Kansas.

At the age of eighteen, Mintie was united in marriage to Harvey W. Saylor. To this union was born two children: Alva, who passed away in infancy, and Gladys Irene Saylor Parsons of Long Beach, California.

Mrs. Saylor leaves to mourn her departure, her husband, Dr. Saylor; her daughter, Gladys; one sister, Amanda Green of White Cloud, Kans.; and four brothers, William J. Miller of Abilene, Ks., Franklin B. Miller of Omaha, Nebr., Charles B. Miller of Hiawatha, Kans., and Asa F. Miller of Sabetha, Kans. Four sisters preceded her in death: Mrs. Anna Moats, Mrs. Ella Lindeman, Nora and Hattie.

Funeral services were held at the Bruning Methodist church, Wednesday, Sept. 30th, at 2:30 p.m., preceded by a short service at the home, conducted by her pastor, the Rev. E. G. Whale, and assisted by Rev. W. H. Merrill of Table Rock, Nebr., a former pastor of the Bruning church.

The music was furnished by a trio composed of Valeria Merrill, Maxine Carter and Mrs. Thos. Hawks, Jr., with Mrs. Roy Carter at the piano.

Pall-bearers were Martin H. Philippi, Fred H. Bruning, Chas. J. Casper, W. Wayne Thompson, Chester E. Park and Edw. Snyder. Interment was in the Bruning public cemetery.

*husband of  
Mintie Saylor  
twin sister*

*Bruning lady - wife of Dr. Saylor*

## Glen D. Suddarth Passed Away Wednesday, May 2

Rising City—Glen. D. Suddarth, son of John D. and Lucella Suddarth, was born Oct. 6, 1900, near Rising City. He was educated in the Rising City schools and grew to manhood in this community. He was married to Kathryn Simpson June 5, 1931, and has made Rising City his home ever since. On Sept. 6, 1937, Mr. and Mrs. Suddarth took Sammie Gorsuch into their home and have loved and cared for him as if he were their own child.

Glen was in the plumbing business in Rising City for 15 years, and for the past 2½ years had been employed in the ordnance plant at Mead. He was at his work as usual Tuesday, coming home in the evening, retired at an early hour Tuesday night, and passed away about 2 o'clock Wednesday morning. His going was so quiet and unexpected that the community was shocked and saddened to learn of his death.

He was a quiet man, of a cheerful disposition, very considerate of his friends and never too busy to lend a helping hand or do a kind act. He was a devoted husband, and his love and care for the little boy in his home merited the admiration of all who knew him. Besides his wife and Sammie, he leaves his parents, three brothers and one sister, Mrs. Francis Steele of Pomona, Calif., who was unable to attend the funeral services. His brothers, Clyde of Brule and Max and Olin of Shelby, were present.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. Shirck, were held in the First Lutheran church Friday afternoon, attended by a large concourse of friends, and the floral offerings were expressive of the high esteem in which he was held by those who knew him best. Naomi Glock presided at the piano and Mrs. W. Stephens accompanied the quartet, M. C. Stephens, Mrs. J. F. Bates, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Treadway, who sang "Under His Wings," and "Sweet Peace the Gift of God's Love." Pallbearers were Lloyd Moser, Thomas Sanley, Jusuts Kubik, Art Struebing and Herschal Garhan. Burial was in Circle Mound cemetery.

Among those from out of town in attendance were Max Suddarth and family and Olin Suddarth of Shelby; Clyde Suddarth of Brule; Mrs. Lloyd Huffstutter of Omaha; Joe Justus and family of Shelby; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bergstrand, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Watson and Mrs. John Drommond of Fairmont; Mr. and Mrs. John Overacher, Mrs. Ed Snyder, Mrs. Roy Carter, Mrs. Paul Richert and Walter Hofrichter of Bruning; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hofrichter of Wood River; Mrs. George Suddarth of Bellwood; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson of David City; Mrs. Cora Gorsuch of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Will Campaign of

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## Onno Hinrichs Dies Suddenly

ONNO Hinrichs, long-time resident of the Glenvil community and residing in Hastings for the past two years, died suddenly at 9:30 Friday night at his home, 315 north Kerr.

Employed at the Swift and Company plant here, he had worked Friday. He was 60 years old.

Born in Germany, he came to the United States and the Glenvil community as a boy four years old.

Surviving him are his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Walter Harms of Edgar, Mrs. H. John Fisher of Hastings and Miss Hinrichs, at home; two sons, Weert Hinrichs of Hastings and Lloyd Hinrichs of Trumbull; seven grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Barney Bruntz of Hastings, and one brother, Heye Hinrichs of Glenvil.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Zion Lutheran Church here at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, preceded by prayer services at the home at 2 o'clock. The Rev. W. F. Peters will officiate. Burial will be at the Glenvil cemetery. The body, at the Volland Funeral Home, will be taken to the family home Sunday afternoon.

## MRS. ED. PIERSON ANSWERS DEATH CALL

Mrs. Ed Pierson died at 6 p. m. Tuesday evening, April 20th in a Denver hospital where she had gone last Thursday for a medical checkup. Her daughter, Lt. Dora Pierson, obtained an extension of furlough in order to remain longer with her mother and her daughters, Mrs. Dee Bell and Mrs. Willard Gallusha, were also with her. Mrs. Lynn Martin had gone to Denver but had returned. When she received news Tuesday of her mother's critical condition, she and Mr. Martin drove to Denver as rapidly as possible and reached there in time to find her mother still alive. However, news had not reached the husband, Mr. Ed Pierson, at Vancouver, Washington, or the son, Dale, in Camp at San Antonio, Texas, in time to arrive before her death.

The Pierson's had lived in Haigler for twenty-six years, but moved to Vancouver, Wash., in December. Mrs. Pierson had not been in good health for several years and in her condition the shock of her mother's recent death and the long trip from Washington weakened her considerably, and she grew steadily worse.

Mrs. Pierson was a member of the W.S.C.S. from almost the beginning when it was known as the Ladies Aid and she was an exceptionally faithful worker.

Although not a member, Mrs. Pierson was an almost constant attendant at the M. E. Church.

She was also a Charter member of the Royal Neighbors. Of Mrs. Pierson, it can be truthfully said: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Sunday at the Methodist church. Interment will be in the Haigler cemetery.

*Cancer of Lung (Follicular type)*

## Double Tragedy Near Bruning Saturday Leaves Two Dead

### Mrs. Carl Dagefoerde Is Murdered, Geo. Wilhelms Suicide, Inquest Shows

Residents of this community were shocked last Saturday when they learned of a tragedy that had occurred at the George Wilhelms home one mile east and a quarter-mile north of Bruning. Mrs. Carl (Fern) Dagefoerde, 23, was found with a gunshot wound in the breast, and George Wilhelms, widower, 47, also found dead with a gunshot wound in the abdomen.

Quoting from the Hebron Register, whose reporter covered the inquest, and a few points the Banner gathered here, we bring the following story of the murder and suicide:

The double tragedy occurred Saturday morning at about eleven o'clock. No one else was in the house. Carl Dagefoerde and a neighbor, Henry Norder, were in the yard. Sheriff Coffendaffer was called to the scene of the tragedy immediately. After the investigation by the Sheriff and Deputy Osborn had been completed, a coroner's inquest on each of the bodies was called for nine o'clock Monday morning before W. O. Baldwin, county coroner.

The coroner's jury as called was composed of E. L. Dankenbring, R. J. Lilledoll and M. H. Philippi of Bruning and Louis Ortquist, Joe Henderson and Albert Nacke of Hebron. Mr. Philippi was excused because he was distantly related to both deceased man and woman. Ed Wulfkoetter of ed woman. Ed Wulfkoetter of Hebron was substituted for Philippi. Witnesses who were called and testified were Thos. J. W. Bruning, Fred H. Bruning, Dr. H.

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The inquest adjourned about noon to the Hinrichs Funeral Parlors in Bruning where the bodies were viewed and to the Wilhelms home where the premises were examined.

The verdicts of the jury were as follows: "We, the undersigned coroner's jury, do hereby find that said Fern Dagefoerde, did come to her death by the hands of George Wilhelms, the instrument of death being a 12-gauge shotgun, feloniously used by said George Wilhelms on February 15, 1941;" and "We, the undersigned, do hereby find that said George Wilhelms did come to his death by his own hand by the use of said weapon, a 12-gauge shotgun, on February 15, 1941."

The facts disclosed at the inquest, upon which the verdicts were based, indicated that Mrs. Dagefoerde left her husband about three months ago and lived at the George Wilhelms home, where she was employed as a housekeeper. Dagefoerde, on several occasions, had tried to effect a reconciliation with his wife, but without success. Last Friday, after Rev. Cronck, their minister, had called on Mrs. Dagefoerde and Mr. Wilhelms and had arranged for a meeting between Mr. and Mrs. Dagefoerde; Mr. Dagefoerde and his wife did meet at Deshler and did arrange to again take up their married life together.

Friday night they went to Carl's home at Friedensau, and at about one o'clock Mr. Wilhelms and his son, Norris, called at the Dagefoerde home and asked to get Mr. Wilhelms' car, which Mrs. Dagefoerde had been driving. The car was turned over to them, and Mr. Wilhelms was told by Mr. Dagefoerde that his wife was going to stay with him and that they would call for her clothes the following morning.

Norris Wilhelms stayed with his father at home, and the next morning he returned Emery Bowman's car, which he and his father had borrowed the night before. While he was gone Fred H. Bruning and Henry Norder called at the Wilhelms place. Mr. Bruning got no response to a knock on the door and left without seeing Mr. Wilhelms. Mr. Norder, who had called to get a binder on the place that he had bought previously at Wilhelms' public sale, after some effort got Mr. Wilhelms to the door and went in and visited a short time with him. Mr. Wilhelms appeared to be "wild."

In a few moments Carl Dagefoerde and his wife, Fern, drove into the yard, and Mr. Norder and Mr. Wilhelms stepped out on the porch. Mr. Wilhelms asked Mrs. Dagefoerde to come into the house and he and she went in and locked the door. In a few minutes they came out of the house with the clothing and belongings of Mrs. Dagefoerde. They then returned to the house, apparently for the purpose of getting other clothing. The door was again locked and in a minute or two three shots were heard coming from the upstairs portion of the house. Mr. Dagefoerde ran up and broke down the door, then ran back to pick up a hammer in case he needed it for protection, ran upstairs and found his wife and Mr. Wilhelms dying from gunshot wounds, with the gun laying across his wife's still form. It was apparent the first shot missed its intended mark and struck the wall in the northeast corner of the room. Dagefoerde carried his wife downstairs, placed her in his car and he and Norder started for town. The car mired in the mud before getting out of the yard, so Norder jumped out and started for the Emery Bowman place to get help. In the

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## Mrs. Tom Turpin Dies At Fort Morgan Home

With all of her family near her except a son with the armed forces in Tokyo, Mrs. Tom Turpin slipped into the Beyond very suddenly at her home in Fort Morgan, Colo., last Sunday morning at about 9 o'clock. Mrs. Turpin had been afflicted with a heart ailment for many years, and has had what her husband described as very narrow escapes from previous attacks, but her death still came as a shock and surprise even to those who were nearest her.

The Turpin family moved from Haigler to Fort Morgan three years ago after living here many years, Mamie, as she was known, having been born here forty-six years ago. People of Haigler were unaware of the sorrow at the Turpin home all day Sunday and knew of the situation only when Tom called Chas. Roach on the phone Monday and informed him that he would be down to make funeral arrangements for his wife. The news and sorrow among their many friends spread rapidly.

Candlelight services were held at the Mortuary at Fort Morgan on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. A large number of friends were present to pay their last respects to the deceased and to offer whatever comfort possible to the bereaved family.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Haigler at 1:30 p. m., Wednesday. With Mrs. Anna Miller at the piano, Mrs. Otto Clegg and Mrs. Harry Faylor sang "Abide With Me", "God Will Take Care of You" and "Ivory Palaces". Rev. Robert Jeffries brought the comforting message. The pall bearers were; John Kamla, Henry Gies, Wm Wall, Elliott West, Hugh McKay and Ernest Erdman.

Surviving Mrs. Turpin and attending the services were her husband, daughter Donna and little son, Tommy; her mother, Mrs. Lela Armstrong, who with her aunt, Mrs. Inez Bryant, were at the Turpin home in Fort Morgan at the time of Mrs. Turpin's death. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker Wentz, of Ft. Morgan, Mr. W. J. Snyder and Mr. Werthy Snyder, of Denver, also came down. The Turpin's elder son, Billie, with the Army, was not present, but his wife of Denver came, as did Roy W. Belz, of Philadelphia. Mrs. Belz, Mrs. Turpin's only sister, being under the doctor's care, was unable to make the trip.

## Last Rites Held For J. G. Goodman

The business life of Bruning lost one of its members in the death of J. G. Goodman, long-time implement and harness dealer here, who passed away Saturday following a stroke suffered recently. In final tribute, local business houses closed during the funeral services Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Goodman had been in business here since 1909, and during that time had made innumerable friends through business dealings and the rare personality he possessed. One of his great hobbies was active interest in the local fire department, of which he served as president for over 15 years. His faithful and untiring efforts in this organization, as well as other interests in community welfare, will be greatly missed.

John George Goodman, son of John Allen Goodman and Abenia Goodman, was born at Alton, Ill., October 8, 1884, and died at his home in Bruning, Nebr., March 20, 1943, at the age of 58 years, 6 months and 12 days.

At the age of four years, he came with his parents to Nebraska, locating on a farm near Ohio-wa.

In June, 1910, he united in marriage with Miss Julia Theimer of Bruning. To this union two sons were born: Oscar Allen of Carleton, now in Civil Service at Boulder, Colo., and Victor Leland who is at home.

In 1909, Mr. Goodman entered business with his father in the Goodman Harness Co., until his father's death. Later he was associated for three years in the Roland and Goodman Implement Co. He enjoyed good health and continued in business for 34 years.

At the age of 15 years, he was converted and baptized, confessing his faith in Christ as his Redeemer. He was united with the English Lutheran church and later with the Methodist church in Bruning.

He was a member of the Bruning volunteer fire department for 29 continuous years—the oldest member in service here and chairman of the department for over 15 years.

On February 6th, he suffered a light stroke which was not considered serious at the time but he gradually grew weaker and in spite of all efforts, departed this life Saturday evening, March 20, secure in his faith and trusting in Christ as his personal Savior.

He leaves to mourn his death: his loving wife and two sons; three grandchildren; three brothers, G. M. Goodman of Seattle, Wash, Lloyd of Hebron, and Lester of Ohio; four sisters, Mrs. W. W. Stone of Belvidere, Mrs. Will Eppler of Ohio, Mrs. Herman Garrels of Bruning, and Mrs.

Oscar Theobald of Hebron; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforteth us in all our tribulation that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at the Goodman home and at the Methodist church, conducted by Rev. E. G. Whale. Interment was in the Bruning public cemetery. Members of the Bruning fire department served as pallbearers.

Obituary—

**Edward Stetina**

Edward Stetina, youngest son of the deceased Benjamin and Josephine Stetina, was born near Exeter, Nebraska, December 10, 1896, and passed away Sunday morning, May 12, 1946, at his home near Bruning, Nebraska, at the age of 49 years, 5 months and 2 days.

He lived with his parents until the age of 19, and then was inducted into the Armed Forces of the United States in World War I. He served 18 months overseas and took part in five major battles and the occupation of Germany, holding the rank of Corporal. He was discharged August 29, 1919, and spent the remaining years of his life on his farm near Bruning.

He was married October 10, 1923, to Ruth Irene Lovegrove of Fairmont, Nebr., who preceded him in death July 5, 1944.

He leaves to mourn his death, three daughters and one son, Mrs. Irvin Slepicka of Geneva, and Shirley, Arlene and Dale at home; one grandson, Gary Dale Slepicka; one brother, Frank Stetina of Exeter; four sisters, Mrs. Lou Kubicek of Milligan, Mrs. Joe Bedlan of Carleton, Mrs. Victor Kovanda of North Platte and Mrs. John Kuska Sr., of Exeter; one half-sister, Mrs. Joe Sluka of Ohio; besides a host of other relatives and friends. One sister and one brother preceded him in death.

He was a kind and loving father and always willing to lend a helping hand where needed. He was a member of The American Legion Loyalty Post No. 194 of Alexandria.

Funeral rites were held at the home followed by services at the Milligan Auditorium at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon, May 14, Rev. Max McCamely of Western officiating. Military honors were accorded by the Alexandria Legion Post, assisted by the firing squad of the Bruning Legion Post. Singers were Mrs. Tony Havel and Mrs. Sylvia Hamouz, with Vingie Lee Havel at the organ. Pallbearers were W. A. Hawks, Fred Jackson, Herman Harms, Ed Eden, Arthur Strothman and Roy Meyers.

Sunset and evening star  
And one clear call for me,  
And may there be no moaning  
at the bar,  
When I put out to sea.

The mourners express their many thanks to all that have shown their sympathy in their bereavement.

Obituary—

**DR. H. W. SAYLOR**

Dr. Harvey W. Saylor was born February 25th, 1871 near Lanark, Ill. He passed away on September 22nd, 1943, aged 72 years, 6 months and 27 days.

On Oct. 9, 1891, he was united in marriage with Araminta Miller of Sabetha, Kansas. To this union, two children were born, Alvin, who died in infancy and Gladys.

In his youth, he was affiliated with the Progressive Brethren Church of Morrill, Kansas. He obtained his medical education at the Kansas City Medical

College, graduating in 1897. His first practice was at Fairview, Neb. In 1900 he came to Bruning where he practiced medicine until his death. He was active in public life—acting as a member of the town board, helped organize the Bruning Volunteer Fire Department of which he was a member, and served as its chief for 18 years. He also served as county coroner, chairman of the Thayer County Medical Ass'n. and was also a member of Volunteer Medical Corps during World War I. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Carleton and the Eastern Star Chapter at Ohio.

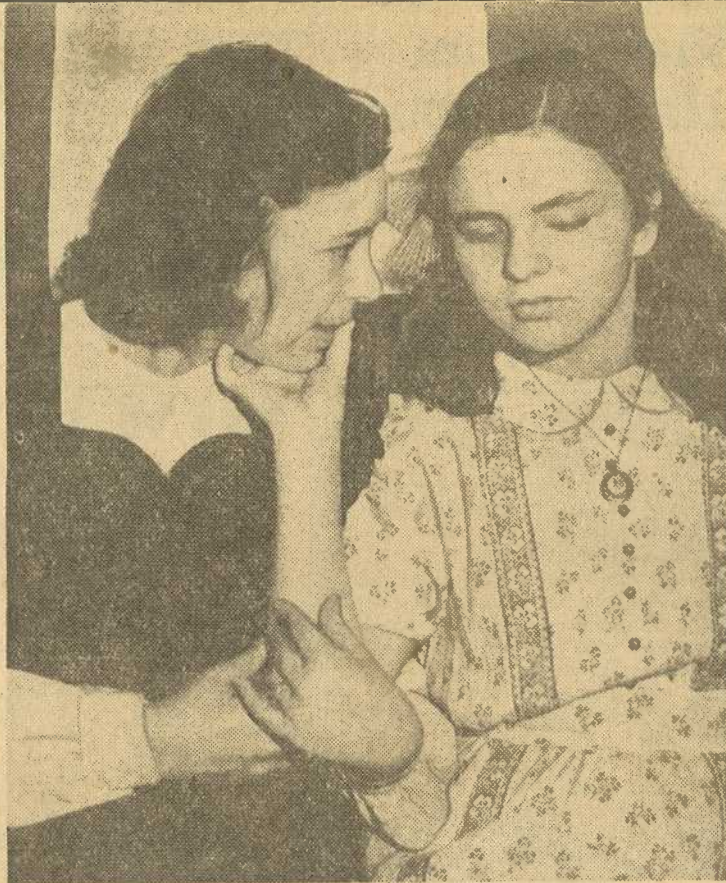
Surviving him besides his daughter, Gladys of Long Beach, California, is his brother, Milton of Fresno, California and many more distant relatives and a host of friends of Bruning and surrounding territory.

Funeral services were held Sunday, September 26, 1943 at three o'clock P. M. from the Methodist Church at Bruning, conducted by his former pastor, the Rev. W. H. Merrill of Table Rock, Nebr.

The Masonic Order of Carleton had charge of the burial in the Bruning cemetery where the doctor was laid to rest beside his loving wife who preceded him one year ago—September 27, 1942.

The body bearers were close friends of the doctor, namely: Edward Snyder, Martin H. Philippi, Ufe Edzards, Fred H. Bruning and Leonard Dankenbring. Music was furnished by a male quartette, composed of Gaylord Johnson, Dale Bruning, Richard Middendorf, and Victor Goodman with Mrs. Ray A. Carter at the piano.

Those from a distance who attended the funeral were the Rev. W. H. Merrill, his wife and his daughter of Table Rock, Nebr., also F. B. Miller and wife of Omaha, Nebr., and Chas. B. Miller and wife of Hiawatha, Kansas—brothers of the late Mrs. Araminta Saylor.



Helen Siefert (right) . . . chats with her teacher on train here.

## Helen Siefert, Deaf and Blind, Attends First Social Dance

Deaf and blind Helen Seifert, who went to her first social dance two weeks ago, was in Omaha Saturday afternoon. She was on the train carrying her and her teacher, Miss Margaret Hoshor, home after a year's study in New York.

Miss Hoshor said Helen, 10 years ago a prisoner in a dark and silent world, was very popular at the dance, given by older students at the New York Institute for the Education of the Blind, where Helen is a student, Miss Hoshor, head of the deaf-blind department.

Helen was amused because a conductor accidentally put some soldier's luggage in their compartment, in the belief she and Miss Hoshor were getting off a Omaha instead of Columbus, from where they will go to Miss Hoshor's home at Belwood for the summer.

The blind-deaf girl, whose vo-

cabulary is steadily increasing, knows the war is on, but doesn't realize its horror, her teacher says. She knows there are service men, most of all she knows there is rationing, because she can have just one pair of shoes every three months.

Helen was carrying a leather-work purse she made at school. Her instructor called it best in the class. In it was a list of groceries she had written out. Having had little opportunity to cook at school, she looks forward to being in the kitchen with Miss Hoshor in the summers.

Helen holds a certificate of honor for her basketry work at school, and had in her suitcase a red jumper which she made herself. She even picked out its style on day in Macy's store in New York.

Jeffers Boomlet

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## Mildred Smith weds Earl Bates

At a ceremony at the Wesley Foundation Miss Mildred L. Smith, daughter of Mrs. Lynn Smith of Silver Creek, became the bride of Earl G. Bates, son of Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Bates of Polk, Friday evening. The bridegroom's father officiated at the ceremony and guests included members of the immediate families and close friends. Musical selections were played by the bridegroom's brother, Arthur. The bride wore a spruce tip green wool two piece daytime dress with brown accessories and a corsage of talisman roses. Mrs. Billy G. Ray of Lincoln, the bride's only attendant, wore a daytime dress of fortress tan with brown accented of souvenir roses. Mr. Ray served as best man. A reception followed the ceremony at 1345 H. Misses Nell Lucas, Merle Krabel, Zelma Reigel and K. Patricia Rock assisted with the serving. Mr. and Mrs. Bates, both Lincoln residents for several years, will reside at 1742 K. Among the out of town guests attending the ceremony were the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Smith of Silver Creek; the bridegroom's sister, Jean, of Polk, and Miss Jerry High of Washington, D. C.

in town.

## TWINS CELEBRATE 70TH BIRTHDAY

On Monday night, Mrs. Tena Andres and Mrs. Martha Hofrichter gave a dinner at the home of Mrs. Andres, to celebrate their 70th birthday. It was a twin birthday party, and Mrs. Melford Andres brought a beautiful twin cake decorated with candles. People who know Mrs. Andres and Mrs. Hofrichter quite well, sometimes have a hard time to tell which is which. Guests at the party were Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Bryan, and Mr. and Mrs. Melford Andres, Shirley Ruth and Kay.

## Mrs. H. W. Saylor dies

BRUNING.—Funeral services were held at the Methodist church here Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Araminta Saylor, 68, wife of Dr. H. W. Saylor who died Sunday morning. Her only child, Mrs. Gladys Parsons, is on her way here from Long Beach, Calif. Mrs. Saylor lived here 42 years.

*Hofrichter family  
Hostess*

## California Girl Is Bride Of Ensign Ralph Rotthaus

### MISS RUTH STRIEBY,

daughter of Mrs. Loyal Ames Strieby and the late Mr. Strieby of Alta Loma, Cal., became the bride of Ensign Ralph Willard Rotthaus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Rotthaus, on Friday, December 14, at the home of the bride's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McLennan, in Alta Loma, Cal. Pedestal baskets of white gladioli, chrysanthemums and greenery, and white tapers burning in branched candelabra, formed the background for the candlelight service, the lines of which were read by the Rev. Arthur Schuck, pastor of the Cucamonga church.

Preceding the ceremony, Miss Nancy Belden, cousin of the bride, sang, "Oh Promise Me."

Miss Hope Strieby was her twin sister's only attendant, and was frocked in blue and white brocaded satin, fashioned with a full gathered skirt. Her arm bouquet was of pink carnations and sweetpeas.

The bride, who was given in

marriage by her brother-in-law, R. H. McLennan, chose a gown of white brocaded satin for her wedding. A coronet of white sweetpeas held to the head her finger tip veil of illusion, and she carried a shower bouquet of white carnations and sweetpeas, centered with a white orchid.

The best man was James D. Strieby, brother of the bride.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception for fifty guests was held, after which Ensign Rotthaus and his bride left for a wedding trip to Lincoln, where they will visit Ensign's Rotthaus' parents.

Mrs. Rotthaus is a graduate of Chaffee Junior college and Santa Barbara state college, Santa Barbara, Cal. Ensign Rotthaus is a graduate of Doane college in Crete, and has recently returned after thirteen months active duty overseas.

The couple will make their home temporarily in San Diego, Cal., where Ensign Rotthaus is stationed.

Mrs. Webster Hostess To  
Member of G. C. U.

# Last Rites For Mrs. Liliedoll Held Tuesday

Passed Away At Her  
Home Here Saturday;  
Resident Here 25 Years

This community was saddened to learn of the death of Mrs. R. J. Liliedoll late Saturday afternoon, Dec. 20. She had suffered a stroke several weeks ago from which she rallied for a time, but again became ill and rapidly grew weaker. Funeral services were held on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at the Bruning Mortuary, followed by services at the Methodist church. The body was taken to Auburn where services were held in the afternoon. Rev. E. G. Whale officiated. Interment was in the Auburn cemetery.

Music was furnished by a trio composed of Mesdames Thos. Hawks, Jr., Edward Snyder and J. G. Goodman, with Mrs. Roy Carter at the piano. Pallbearers were Carl Wennersten of Shickley, F. W. Bowman of Davenport, Fred H. Bruning, D. G. Redelfs, M. H. Philippi and J. Fred Henkel.

## Obituary—

Mabel Shafer Liliedoll was born October 9, 1886, the only daughter of Horace and Anna McDonald Shafer who resided at Stella, Nebraska, in Nemaha county.

She moved with her parents to Auburn, Nebraska, where she attended Auburn public schools and spent most of her girlhood life.

In the year of 1912 she was united in marriage to Raymond J. Liliedoll of Neleigh, Nebraska.

Later in 1916 they located in Bruning, Nebraska, in Thayer county where they have

# Fred Kerl Of Bruning Dies Friday

Frederick Henry Kerl, son of Heinrich Justus Kerl and Lucie nee Bartau, was born May 30, 1867, at Rockstadt, Hanover Germany, and was received in the fold of Christ by infant baptism. Nine years later his parents moved to Barnsdorf, Germany, where the deceased was duly instructed in the teachings of the Holy Writ, and upon confession of the Faith was confirmed in the Evangelical Lutheran Church. He remained faithful throughout life to his baptismal and Confirmation vow.

He was 19 years of age when he left Germany and came to the United States. He came directly to Bruning and made his home with new sainted Frederick Middendorf. On February 25, 1892, he entered into holy wedlock with Wilhelmina Kohlmann, and settled on a farm south of Bruning. Their wedlock was blessed with four children, two sons and two daughters. Mrs. Kerl died in 1925, and three years later Mr. Kerl retired from active farming and took up residence in the town of Bruning. In 1932, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Margaret Jentzen of Valparaiso, Ind. She died in 1938.

Two year ago Mr. Kerl suffered a stroke of paralysis while visiting with his brother, the Rev. W. F. H. Kerl in St. Paul, Minn. He recuperated speedily, and came home as soon as he was able to make the trip back. But to have the necessary care for his complete recovery he gave up his residence in town, and made his home on the farm with his daughter, Mrs. George Norder. And soon he was up and around as usual. On July 7th, of this year he had another cerebral hemorrhage which confined him to bed until his death. For a time it seemed as though he might again recover. But it was not God's will. He died peacefully and in the Faith last Friday morning, September 1st, at the age of 77 years, 3 months and 1 day.

He is survived by his sons, William H., and Herman, his daughters, Mrs. Lucie Norder, all of Bruning, and Mrs. Nora Guffey of Kansas City, Mo., ten grandchildren, two great grandchildren, his sisters, Mrs. Wilhelmina Bruning and Mrs. Sophie Middendorf, and his brothers, the Rev. W. H. F. Kerl of St. Paul, Minn. and Louis Kerl of Botha Alberta, Canada. One of his brothers has preceded him in the realms of eternity.

Since coming to this country the deceased spent all his years in this community, and was a highly respected citizen. He was active in political circles and his home church as well as in the Church at large. For a number of years and up to his death he was a member of the Hebron College and Academy Board of Directors. Peace to his ashes.  
"Exalt, o dust and ashes!  
The Lord shall be thy part:  
His only, His forever  
Thou shalt be and thou art!  
Jesus in mercy brings us  
Into the land of rest:  
To be with God the Father  
And Spirit ever blest."

The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon, September 5 at the home and in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Bruning. Interment was made on the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.

Telephone Your News to 100

Bruning

# Bruning Man Victim Of Elevator Bin Collapse

## MRS. LOUIS BUNTING, A BRUNING RESIDENT FOR ALMOST 30 YEARS, DIES

72-Year Old Mother Survived By Husband, 2 Sons, a Daughter And Other Relatives

### CAME FROM GERMANY IN 1874

Many Out of Town Relatives And Friends Attend Funeral

Mrs. Louis Bunting, a resident of the Bruning community for nearly thirty years, passed away quietly at her home here Friday following an illness of three months. She was 72 years of age.

Funeral services were held Monday, September 16, at the Trinity Lutheran church, with Rev. J. B. Cronek in charge. Interment was made in the Bruning public cemetery.

Mrs. Bunting is survived by her husband; two sons, Tobe of Hershey, Nebr., and George of Belvidere; a daughter, Mrs. Fred H. Bruning; two sisters; one brother; eleven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Her eldest son, Reinie, died nearly two years ago.

Mrs. Bunting's maiden name was Trintje Tobe Schroeder. She was born on March 3, 1863, at Theene, East Friesland, Germany, the daughter of Tobe Schroeder and his wife, Franke.

She, with her parents and brothers and sisters, came to America in 1874, residing first at Peoria, Ill., and later at Danforth, Ill.

She was confirmed in the Evangelical Lutheran church of Danforth.

In 1881 she married Louis Bunting, the marriage being solemnized at Danforth.

The family came to Nebraska in 1892 and engaged in farming near Bellwood. Later, in 1906, they moved to Belvidere.

Mr. Bunting and his wife retired from the farm in 1917, and since then have resided in Bruning.

Mrs. Bunting took sick about three months ago. The last two months she was confined to bed and was cared for by Mrs. J. D. Wilken and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Elsie Bunting of Hastings.

"The deceased was one of Christ's loyal followers," said Rev. Cronek in his funeral sermon. "She was a good church member, a loving wife and a good mother. Her faith in Christ enabled her to await the last summons with patience and Christian fortitude."

Among those from out of town who attended the funeral were: T. C. Bunting of Hershey, Nebr., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Kennard Bunting, Mr. and Mrs. George Hoffman and John Theisen of Hastings, Louis Bunting of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Eimen of Danforth, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. John Overacker of Clifton, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bruning and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Danekas of Milford, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bruning and Mr. and Mrs. George Wilken of Hebron, Mr. and Mrs. John Kock of Shickley, Mr. and Mrs. William Philippi of Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Morrison, Mrs. Lillian Saxton, Mrs. Carl Moore and Mrs. H. E. Caples of Belvidere and Mr. and Mrs. F. Hawks of Davenport.

## Roy Carter, Two Others Killed At Martland Saturday

Sixty thousand bushels of newly-stored wheat spilled from its bins at the elevator in Martland bringing sudden death to Roy A. Carter of Bruning last Saturday. Also killed were Fred Worthington, Sr., elevator owner and operator, and Glen Richards, Martland farmer.

Two grain bins on the west side of the elevator collapsed, trapping the three men. Carter was hit by flying debris and buried under seven feet of wheat, and Worthington and Richards were crushed to death against a wall.

Weakened condition of the elevator is blamed by investigating officers for the accident.

Virgil Steffins, Martland farmer, discovered the tragedy when he noticed the grain spilling outside the elevator as he drove by the building. Time of the accident was placed between 11:15 and 11:30 that morning.

Carter and Richards had gone to the elevator on business and were conferring with Worthington when the bins suddenly gave way without warning.

Funeral services for Mr. Carter were held Tuesday morning at 10:30 at the Methodist church here. The body laid in state at the church for an hour preceding the service. Interment was in the Bruning public cemetery. Services were conducted by Rev. Lynn Lee, assisted by Rev. W. H. Merrill of Alvo.

Pall-bearers were six brothers—Carroll, Harry, Norris, Burchard, Richard and Russell. Music was furnished by a quartet—Gaylord Johnson, Duane Messman, L. J. Damm and Darrell Messman—and a solo by Mrs. Wayne Thompson. Mrs. Harold Uden accompanied at the piano.

*Brother of E. J. Carter (Judge)*



RISING CITY—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Suddarth of Rising City celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home Sunday, April 4.

John D. Suddarth of Garrison and Luella Hofrichter of Bellwood were married in David City April 5, 1893, by the Rev. D. T. Kline, Methodist minister at Garrison.

The couple lived at Bellwood until 1901 when they moved to Rising City where they have resided ever since. Mr. Suddarth is by trade a blacksmith.

The Suddarths are the parents of six children: Clyde, Ogallala, Neb.; Max, Shelby, Neb.; Glen, Rising City, Neb.; Olen, Fresno, Cal.; Francis Steele, Pomona, Cal.; and Ernest, deceased.

*Mrs. Suddarth visits of Ben Higels*

## Interesting Letter From California

The Banner is in receipt of the following letter from Mrs. Ben Higel who with her husband went to California a few weeks ago:

Santa Ana, Calif.,  
Dec. 18, 1941.

"I will just write a few lines this lovely morning. Temperature here this morning at 8 o'clock is 75 degrees. It is so warm in the afternoon's that you can't stand to wear a light coat. Have had some rain here last week, 2 inches. But ooo! the fogs we have! Some mornings they last till about 9 o'clock.

"We are fine and enjoying the beautiful weather here, in spite of these pesky Japs. Believe you me they do get on our nerves once in a while. Ben is working and likes his work better everyday. He is working at Bay Shores at Bal-Boa—a very beautiful city located out in the ocean on an island. He took us down to the Bay Sunday and showed us thru some of the cruisers and yachting boats. They are simply grand. They cost from \$4500 to \$8000 apiece. Sunday we are invited to go yachting and deep sea fishing in one of them. So hold your breath till you hear the outcome.

"I am sending a clipping from a Santa Ana paper about air raid warnings. These blackouts are very serious and dangerous. You will note one accident in this clipping what happens if you don't observe the black out rules perfectly. There were very many people killed the first night of the black out, as no one knows when there will be one and people driving 40 to 50 miles per hour on these 4-way boulevards and a black out signal there is bound to

John F. Conrads died very suddenly from a heart attack on June 8. Funeral services were conducted on June 10 at the Danforth Lutheran church, and interment was in the Danforth Lutheran cemetery. He attained an age of 70 years.

Memorial wreaths in memory of Mr. Conrads were paid into the Church Building

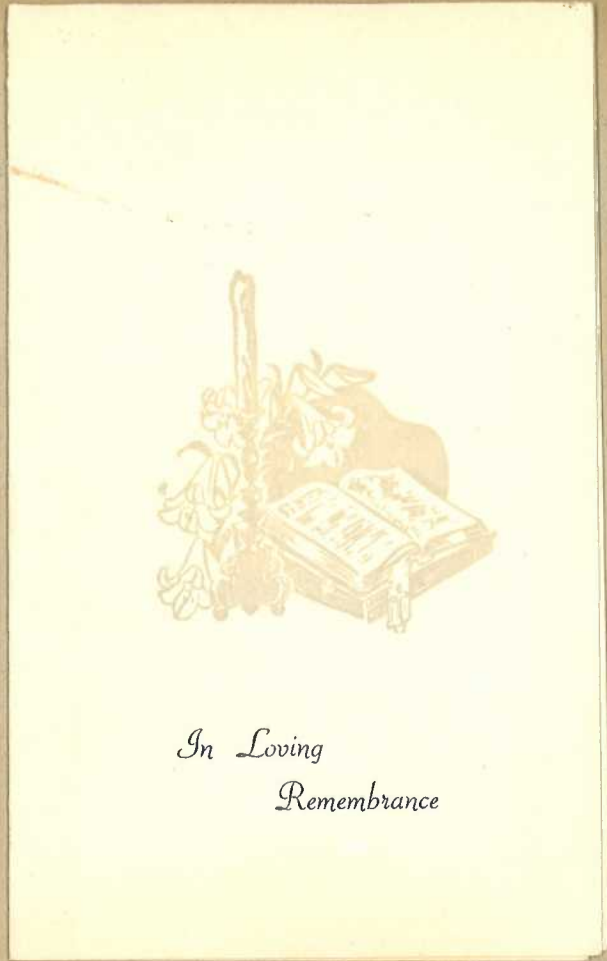
Fund by Mr. and Mrs. Anton Tammen, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stemke, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Siemons, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Marion Merkle, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilken, \$2.00; John Henrichs family, \$1.00; George Lenz family, \$2.00; John Krefting, \$5.00. For the Lutheran Homes memorials were paid by Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Brockman, \$2.00; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. John Gahwiler, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kimmel and Harold Hanson, \$1.50; Mr. Dedric Wilken, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Henrichs, Sr., Mrs. Johanna Wilken and Mrs. Minnie Kramer, \$4.00.

The Frauen Verein will not meet during the month of July. Sometimes extreme hot weather makes it rather difficult for some of our older members to serve, so it is quite natural that we drop this meeting.

At our summer school we had 16 pupils. Most of them were from our town. However, some rode their bicycles from the country and attended every day.

A family gathering was held Sunday in the Legion hall honoring Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hofrichter of Woodriver and their family of ten daughters and one son. After a cooperative dinner this talented family entertained the group with a program during the afternoon. Others present were Ed Hofrichter and Mrs. Harold Hofrichter of Woodriver, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Suddarth of Brule, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hofrichter and son of Macks Creek, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carter and Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hoagland and Mr. and Mrs. Rob Heffelfinger and family of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. Max Suddarth and Olin Suddarth of Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. John Mennenga, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fergus and Thelma of Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Young of Strasburg, Colo., Mr. and Mrs. Lee Watson, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Josephine Kahn and Harry Bergstrand of Fairmont, Mr. and Mrs. John Ough and family of Aurora, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hasselbring and sons of Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Muir and Pamela and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watson of Fairbury, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Smith of Bellwood, Walter Buller of Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hofrichter of Hedron, Frank Graul of Belvidere, Mrs. Martha Hofrichter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hofrichter and Jerry, Mrs. Paul Reichert and Eldon, Mrs. Roy Carter and Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Uden, Vance and Cheryl, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wilhelms and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. O'Dale Hermann and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Snyder, J. W. Overacker, Mrs. Anna Wilken, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Wilken, Shirley Norder and Lowell Bahe.

*Hofrichter relatives,*



*In Loving  
Remembrance*

**HOFRICHTER**—Martha, 92, 1615 Skyline Drive. Widow of Benjamin. Lifetime resident of Nebraska. Survivors: daughters, Mrs. Edward F. Carter Sr. of Lincoln, Mrs. Harry Bowmann of Bruning; son, Everett of Hubbell. Six grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren.  
**Services:** 2 p.m. Thursday, Methodist, Bruning. Burial: Bruning. The Rev. Waldo Greer.

*Martha - mother of  
Doris Hojo Carter*

**RICHARD MENNEGAR**

Richard Mennegar, 92, a resident of Startup for the past 57 years, died Tuesday in a Monroe hospital. Mr. Mennegar was born in Illinois March 9, 1865. He moved to Startup in 1900. He was a member of the Startup Baptist Church. Surviving are his widow, Amelia, at the family home; five daughters, Mrs. Anna Scholz, Mrs. Louise Norlin and Mrs. Eva

*Remember to Martha  
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The Lord is my shepherd:  
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in  
green pastures: He leadeth me  
beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul. He leadeth  
me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death, I  
will fear no evil: for Thou art  
with me: Thy rod and Thy staff  
they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me  
in the presence of mine enemies:  
Thou anointest my head with oil:  
my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall  
follow me all the days of my life  
and I will dwell in the house of  
the Lord for ever.

IN MEMORY OF

**Martha Hofrichter**

May 8, 1872

March 29, 1965

SERVICES CONDUCTED FROM

Bruning Methodist Church

Bruning, Nebraska

2 p. m., Thursday, April 1, 1965

CLERGYMAN

Rev. Waldo Greer

INTERMENT

Bruning Public Cemetery

Bruning, Nebraska

KRITNER-FARMER FUNERAL HOME

Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Everett  
Hofrichter of Hebron, Frank  
Graul of Belvidere, Mrs. Mar-  
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Mr. Casper had been always exceptional robust in health. It was, therefore, with deep concern that a year ago his family and friends noted a sudden falling away of his usual strength and vitality. Mr. Casper himself was inclined at first to take his condition lightly, ascribing it to a tenacious cold and some accompanying slight physical derangement, persistently hoping for a speedy and complete recovery. But the malady persisted. Finally, yielding to the insistent pleadings of his family, he sought medical advice and aid. But God had willed to end his days on earth. He died in the faith, after a few days confinement in bed, last Tuesday afternoon, January 26th, on his sainted mother's birthday, at the age of 71 years and 20 days having committed his soul in prayer to God his creator and Redeemer.

His departure from earth is deeply mourned by his wife who faithfully shared with him the joys and sorrows of life for 49 years, his children, Charles Casper of Bruning, Robert and John of Belvidere, Nebr., Henry of Longmont Colo., his daughter, Mrs. Theresa Kreizinger of Bellwood, Nebr., 17 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild, his brothers, Herman of Geneva, Nebr., and John of Milford, Ill., his sisters, Mrs. Antje Lucht of Crescent City Ill., and Mrs. Grace Hofrichter of Bruning, the Brotherhood of this church, of which the deceased was an ardently active member, beside many more distant relatives and a host of friends. We all will miss his friendly smile and hearty hand-clasp.

May his mortal body rest in peace unto the day of resurrection, and may his soul rejoice in heaven.

Funeral on Thursday afternoon services at 2 o'clock at the house and church.



## OLD DINNER BELL PUT TO GOOD USE



Mrs. John Mennenga calls the "men folks" to their meals or to the telephone by ringing an old fashioned dinner bell located conveniently by the kitchen door of the Mennenga home, six miles north and one mile east of Hastings. The bell was in the fire which destroyed the Mennenga home on September 8, 1932. After it was taken from the ruins, remounted and put into use again, it was found that the tone qualities had not been affected, according to Mrs. Mennenga.

## Mrs. Mennenga Dies Late Monday

Mrs. John Mennenga, a resident of Good Samaritan Village, died late Monday, having been in frail health for several years.

She was born October 31, 1879, in Austria and had been a resident of Nebraska for about 65 years, coming to the Hastings community 58 years ago. She and her husband observed their 57th wedding anniversary in September of this year.

Survivors are her husband; sons, Lloyd of Hastings, Raymond of San Diego, Calif., Harvey of San Gabriel, Calif., and Harry and Roy of Pasadena, Calif., six grandchildren and three great grandchildren and her brothers and sisters, Rudolph Rohrick of Aurora, Ludwig Rohrick of Bellwood, Richard Rohrick and Mrs. Louis Brix of Columbus and Mrs. George Mais of Randall, Minn.

Announcement of plans for services awaits arrival of her sons from California. The Butler-Volland Funeral Home is in charge.

*wife of John  
Mennenga  
sister in law of  
Martha Hoffstedt*

## Obituary . . .

### MR. & MRS. HARRY BOWMAN

Harry Thomas Bowman was born in Bruning, on Sept. 11, 1903, the son of John Bowman and Dathrine Redelfs Bowman. Helen I. Bowman was born in Belwood, on Sept. 10, 1904, the daughter of Benjamin Hofrichter and Martha Mennenga Hofrichter. They passed away Saturday, January 11, 1969, as the result of an automobile-train accident near Belvidere.

They were lifetime residents of the Bruning-Belvidere area.

They were united in marriage on July 24, 1926, in Beatrice. One daughter Beth was born to their union.

He spent his adult life engaged in farming. They were both members of the Belvidere Congregational Church, and active in their community.

They were preceded in death by their parents, and one granddaughter. Harry was also preceded in death by two brothers.

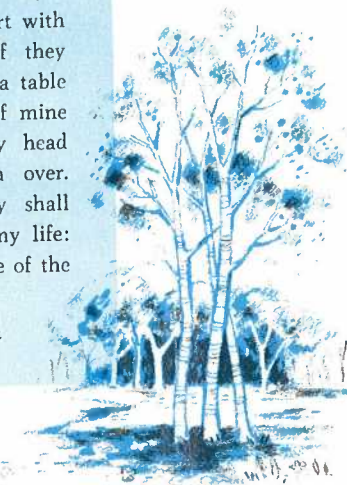
They are survived by their daughter and son-in-law, Beth and Norman Wright, of Lexington and their four grandchildren, Susan, Diana, George and Mike. Harry is also survived by his brother, Follie Bowman of Friend; and his sisters, Mrs. Art Risor of Davenport and Mrs. C. C. Bowman of El Cajon, Calif. Helen is also survived by her brother, Everett Hofrichter of Hubbell and her sister, Mrs. Edward Carter of Lincoln.

Funeral services were held in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Bruning on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 1969, with the Rev. Jay Schmidt officiating. Pallbearers were Earl Hawks, Harry Schoenholz, Fred Hinrichs, Lollen Schoenholz, Ed Langhorst, Charles Nedza, Harley Priefert, Earl Kutscher, Carl Nystrom, Alvie Dow, Albert Braun and Leonard Habrich. Interment was in the Bruning Public Cemetery.

*Sister in Law  
of Martha Hofrichter*

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23rd Psalm



### Fannie B. Mennenga

Passed Away  
July 10, 1963

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Services  
Drawing Room — East Colfax at Magnolia  
Saturday, July 13, 1963  
1:00 o'clock

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Officiating  
The Reverend Stanley Brewer

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Soloist  
Mr. John Replogle  
Organist  
Mrs. Faye Roswell

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Crown Hill Cemetery

The Cortege forms on Magnolia Street facing north between Colfax and 16th Avenues. Please drive with headlights on until arrival at the cemetery.

The Twenty-Third Psalm  
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Bruning, Nebraska  
2 p. m., Tuesday, January 14, 1969

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MUSIC

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PALLBEARERS

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INTERMENT

Bruning Public Cemetery  
Bruning, Nebraska

ARRANGEMENTS

Montgomery-Tibbetts-Cotter Mortuary  
Hebron, Nebraska

*Brother of Martha Hofrichter*

In Memory of

FRANK M. MENNENGA

January 25, 1870 January 18, 1953

SERVICES

First St. Paul's Lutheran Church

CLERGYMAN

Rev. Paul M. DeFreese

ORGANIST

Mrs. Carl Grothen

SINGER

Mrs. LaVern Hartman

PALLBEARERS

Lonis Hoagland Lloyd Mennenga  
David Hoagland Roy Mennenga  
Ivan Hoagland Harry Mennenga

INTERMENT

Glennil Cemetery

Arrangements By

BRAND MORTUARY

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