

Family Documents
Feb 15 - 1949

- (Father)
1. John Svoboda Patent 4238
Jan 20 - 1823 Chester A. Kothler Pres
Born in Jaromerice, Moravia,
Dec 9th 1817 son of Dominik Svoboda & Maria
(mother) Anna Havelska
2. Maria, daughter of Tom Dobeš
of Boumor (Katherine ~~Pencochan~~
Pencochan
Aug 15 - 1829.)
Born Jan 10 - 18
3. certificat of marriage
married April 22 - 1845

1. Clementine - Nov 1, 18 - Feb. 1907.
2. married Peter Vacek
4. Maria, (duchá dcera) born
Jan 10 - 1852.

3. married
5. Maria Magdalena (third daughter)
was born July 19 - 1856
Godmother (John)
Teresa (Mrs. J. Kraus)

4. (Ceněk's third), Charles Vincent
son born Jan 17 - 1859
Godfather

7. Passport to America John Kraus
July 4 - 1874, No. 7409, Terezia (wife)
Franz Joseph I.

8. Passport to Charles V. States
No. 1197 June 23 - 1915
By Robert Lansing
Secy. State

5. Vlad's little brother
died as result of fall.
dropped by baby-sitter.

Note: Lead

The Phonograph, St. Paul, Nebraska

John Bell Says:

Last week Charles J. Humpal received two enlarged photographs of which he is very proud. One is of the Dulouth Symphony Orchestra and the other of the Virginia, Minn. High School band. His son Edwin is a member as first cornetist of the Dulouth orchestra and is the leader of the Virginia school band. Edwin was quite a player when he went to high school here a good many years ago, and he has played solos in the Presbyterian church on his occasional visits here. He has been director of music at Virginia for many years.

Ed Nevrivy is finally going to get married and we are wishing him and Mary Ann a happy wedded life together.

Albert and Verlin Rasmussen had some luck in fishing Sunday afternoon, but mercy what a dousing they got. They were just getting ready to come back to the cabin on Chads Lake when that cloud burst and high wind came. They got on the lee side of a shelterbelt, but it was no use - they just got soaking wet. And Vance rowed across the lake after them - first time I ever saw Vance doing any work in my life!

In the passing of Mr. C. V. Svoboda, St. Paul and Howard county has lost one of its leading citizens. Although in his 90s, Mr Svoboda's mind was always

keen and he was always interested in what was going on all over. No one knew as much about the early history of Howard county as he. His death is a great loss.

It really beats the band how so many people can be so careless as to throw empty cans and bottles on the streets and people' lawns. There should be a law "ag'in" such practices.

—John J H Bell



Charles V. Svoboda . . . this picture, by Jack Bailey, was taken on the occasion of his 91st birthday last January.

Charles V. Svoboda, Well Known St. Paul Man, Dies

ST. PAUL — Charles Vincent Svoboda, 91, a former member of the Nebraska Legislature, died Sunday.

A native of Moravia, Mr. Svoboda had lived in Nebraska since the 1880's, the family living at Warsaw, a Czech settlement between St. Paul and Farwell.

Mr. Svoboda helped organize the Grange, the Farmers Union, and the Farmers Grain and Supply Company. He was county clerk of Howard County from 1891 to 1897. In 1900 he ran for secretary of

state and was defeated. In 1919 he was a member of the state constitutional convention. In 1923 he was elected to the Legislature and served for three terms. He was a longtime Democratic leader in Howard County.

Mr. and Mrs. Svoboda were married Nov. 27, 1887. They had eight children, five sons and three daughters, all of them living. Only three are now in Howard County—Leona, William and Jerry.

Funeral services have tentatively been set for Friday.

Not by John Ball
Journal

GRAPH

Wednesday, June 10, 1953. NUMBER 39

C. V. Svoboda, 94, Dies A Distinguished Pioneer



C. V. SVOBODA . . . distinguished pioneer of Howard County, dies Sunday at the age of 94.

C. V. Svoboda died Sunday at the age of 94.

He had been in declining health for some time, and had entered the hospital here on May 22.

Mr. Svoboda, one of the oldest residents of the community, had made an outstanding record of public service. And is one of the truly outstanding citizens that St. Paul has produced.

He had extensive land holdings in the county, other parts of the country and Canada as well.

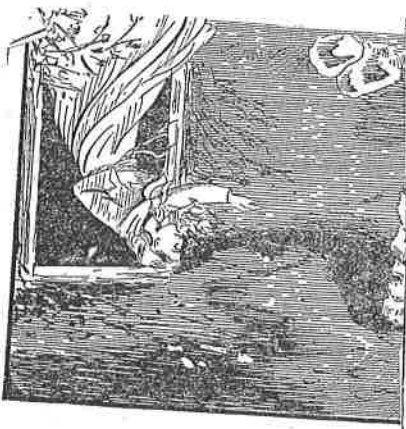
As a mark of respect to this distinguished citizen, Mayor A. A. Rohman issued a proclamation asking all business places to close from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. Friday during rites at Keating Mortuary.

Obituary

Charles Vincent Svoboda was born at Jaromerice, Moravia on January 19, 1859 to John F. and Mary Svoboda and died June 7 after an illness of two months.

He came to America with his parents in 1874 first settling at Schuyler and then coming to Howard county in 1875 where they farmed in the Farwell community.

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On November 22, 1887 he was married to Jane Sevcik at St. Wenceslaus church, which he helped build. The Rev. Father Stewart officiated. The family moved to St. Paul in 1893.

Mr. Svoboda became a naturalized citizen of the United States in 1880 and has always taken an interest in community, state and national affairs.

He served his community as assessor, road overseer, member of the St. Paul board of education and was county clerk from 1891 to 1897. He also helped organize the Farmers Grain & Supply Co. and served as secretary for many years. He was a member of the Nebraska Constitutional Convention 1919-20 and in 1923 was elected to the Nebraska Legislature. He was identified with and helped organize the Farmers Union and Farm Bureau of which he was secretary for 15 years.

Among other organizations he served were the Farmers Alliance, president of the Czech Historical Society of Nebraska, secretary of the Z.C.B.J. lodge and was Democratic county chairman a number of times.

Mr. Svoboda was a gifted writer and devoted much time to the writing of the History of Howard County. He was chosen as the Howard county historian of the book, WHO'S WHO in Nebraska. He also contributed many articles to papers and magazines. He has traveled extensively over the United States, Europe, Canada and Mexico.

Mr. Svoboda was a member of the Catholic church. His greatest interest was in St. Wenceslaus church and cemetery at Warsaw. Mr. and Mrs. Svoboda celebrated their golden wedding in 1937.

He was preceded in death by his wife, May 18, 1950, a daughter Anna and a son Stephen, who died in infancy his parents and three sisters Clementine Svoboda, Mrs. Mary Wacek and Mrs. Magdeline Welsh.

Surviving him are his children Carl F. Missouri Valley, Iowa, Mrs. Estella Puncochar, Hillsboro Ore; Clement V. of Ontario, California; Mrs. Blanche Francis, Compton, Calif., Alfred V. of Saskatoon, Canada; Leona E., Jerry E and William E all of St. Paul; 23 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday morning, 9:30 at the Keating Mortuary and at 10 o'clock at St. Wenceslaus Catholic church, Warsaw with the Rev. Robert Warner offering requiem high mass. Rosary will be recited Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. at the mortuary.

Alva Stone of Dix was entertained at a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stone Wednesday and was a guest of Walter Scott and daughter J. and Mrs. Phillip Duley and family were Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Duley of Lincoln and Mrs. David Duley who had spent several days at their home. They returned home the first of the week. Mrs. A. L. Ballman was hostess to the Two Table Pinch club Friday afternoon. Prize winners were Mrs. Hilred Mead, Mrs. Eva Mulloy and Mrs. Grace Barnes. A group of the Past Nobles Grand of the Rebekah lodge attended a Past Grands breakfast at Shelton Friday. Those attending were: Mrs. Buda Blanchard, Grace Barnes, Laura Southard, Olive Myers, John Sorrell, Sara Pierce, Min Becke and Miss Effie Jeffers. There were 66 present. In the old fashioned clothes contest Mrs. Blanchard, Mrs. Komal and Mrs. Barnes brought home prizes. The group accepted an invitation to meet with St. Paul folks next year. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dillard returned home recently from Carson, Iowa, where they had visited her mother Mrs. S. S. Dillinger several days.

Paul

BRATR C. V. SVOBODA V ST. PAUL, NEBR., VSTOUPIL DO DEVADESÁTÉHO PÁTÉHO ROKU SVÉHO VĚKU



Courtesy of "Phonograph", St. Paul, Nebr.

Bratr C. V. Svoboda, který se svou zesnulou manželkou byl zakládajícím členem řádu Kutná Hora, č. 167, v St. Paul, Nebraska, a je dobře znám našemu členstvu z účasti své takřka na všech hlavních sjezdech Západní Česko-Bratrské Jednoty, vstoupil před nedávným do devadesátého pátého roku svého věku. Při příležitosti jeho devadesátých a čtvrtých narozenin přinesl st. paulský časopis "Phonograph" jeho podobenku s životopisem z pera Mrs. Grace Barnes podle náčrtu, který sepsal jeho syn Clem V. Svoboda z Kalifornie. Životopis zní:

C. V. Svoboda, obyvatel Howard okresu v Nebrasce od roku 1875 a města St. Paul od roku 1893, slavil v pondělí (19. ledna 1953) svoje 94. narozeniny v přítomnosti svých dětí a vnučat. Mnoho starých jeho přátel přišlo, aby mu blahopřálo. Přespolním hostem byl jeho syn Clem V. Svoboda z Ontario, Calif.

Pan Svoboda narodil se dne 19. ledna 1859 v Jaroměřicích na Moravě jakožto syn Johna F. a Mary Svobodových. Do Ameriky přijel se svými rodiči v roce 1874, usadiv se nejprve ve Schuyler, Nebr., odkudž v roce 1875 přesídlil do Howard okresu, kde se rodina usadila v okolí Farwell. Obdařen příčinností a prozíravostí získal p. Svoboda koupí za svého života několik tisíc akrů znamenitých pozemků v Nebrasce, Texasu, New Mexiku a Kanadě.

Občanem Spojených Států stal se v roce 1880 a vždy jevil zájem o osadní, státní a národní záležitosti. Sloužil své osadě jako odhadčí daní, dozorce nad cestami a člen školní rady v St. Paul. Byl též okresním klerkem od r. 1891 do r. 1897. Byl nápomocen v zřízení Farmers Grain and Supply Co. v St. Paul a sloužil společnosti této po mnoho let jako tajemník. Byl členem ústavodárného shromáždění Nebrasky v letech 1919—1920 a v roce 1923 byl zvolen do zákonodárny státu Nebraska. Byl nápomocen v zřízení Farmers Union a Farm Bureau, kde byl po 15 let tajemníkem. Mezi ostatními organizacemi, jimž sloužil, lze jmenovati Farmers

Alliance, dále byl předsedou Českého historického klubu v Nebrasce, tajemníkem řádu Z.Č.B.J. a demokratickým okresním předsedou po několik lhůt.

Pan Svoboda jest schopným písmákem a mnoho svého času věnoval sepsání historie Howard okresu v Nebrasce. Byl též vyvolen za dějepisce knihy "Who's Who in Nebraska". Taktéž přispíval svými články do mnohých časopisů a sborníků českých i anglických. Hodně cestoval po Spojených Státech, Evropě, Kanadě a Mexiku.

Před několika roky zbudoval krásný, moderní cihelný dům v St. Paul, kde nyní přebývá se svou dcerou Leonou. Paní Svobodová zemřela před dvěma roky. Oslavili spolu zlatou veselku v roce 1937. Pan Svoboda těší se dosud dobrému zdraví a rád navštěvuje své staré přátele a známé.

K tomu p. Clem V. Svoboda poznamenal: Jako nejstarší syn mám několik dodatků k tomu, co výše uvedeno. Otec má neobyčejný dar trpělivosti pro podrobnosti a důkladnost. Jeho oddanost pokroku a zlepšení v zemědělství a zahradnictví vedla k mnohým dočasným zklamáním, avšak nikdy ho to neodradilo od nových pokusů.

Ti, kteří s ním měli jakékoliv jednání, nikdy se nemusili starat o jeho poctivost a ohleduplnost v rozhodování. Často u něho více platila snaha pomoci potřebným, než jakékoliv jiné ohledy. To byl důsledek pionýrských zkušeností, kdy každý byl pohotov pomoci méně šťastným, ač často takový se nepřičiňoval, aby sám si pomohl. Málo lidí, které znám, se tolik jako on věnovali dobrou adoptované země.

Bratr a sestra Henry a Emma Ševčíkovi ze St. Paul, Nebr., kteří poslali nám rytinu a ostatní údaje, k tomu dodávají: Řád Kutná Hora, č. 167, v St. Paul, Nebr., jehož br. a ses. Svobodovi byli zakládajícími členy, založen byl dne 28. března 1907. Bratr Svoboda byl jeho tajemníkem od založení až do doby před několika lety, kdy už se úřadu pro mnohé okolnosti věnovati nemohl. Byl zástupcem na všech hlavních sjezdech Jednoty, i v Omaze, Nebr. Vždy jel na svoje útraty, nechtěje řádu dělat výlohy. Vždy byl pro pokrok. Řád Kutná Hora má v St. Paul svou síň a br. Svoboda se stále o jeho činnost živě zajímá.

Známe br. Svobodu po dlouhou řadu let a víme, že byl vždy jedním z nejvěrnějších členů Z.Č.B.J., pro kterou má vždy vřelé místočko ve svém srdci. Přejeme mu z plna srdce, aby prožil ještě mnoho krásných a spokojených let u vědomí, že žil život vždy užitečný a vykonal mnoho dobrého a prospěšného, co má cenu trvalou.



Sté výročí narozenin českého básníka.

Z Austinu přichází zpráva, že se tam dne 17. února konala oslava stého výročí narozenin českého básníka Jaroslava Vrchlického. Pořádalo ji České Literární Sdružení při Texaské státní universitě. Bylo to právě dne 17. února roku 1853, kdy narodil se v Lounech v Čechách Jaroslav Vrchlický, vlastním jménem Emil Frida, přední básník moderní české literatury, kde otec jeho byl kupcem. Dětství trávil doma, pak u strýce Koláře, faráře v Ovcárech u Kolína. Studia gymnasiální konal nejprve ve Slaném a v Praze, pak v Klatovech. Zde spolužák jeho Thomayer dal mu jméno básnické po potoku Vrchlici u Kutné Hory. Pobyt na tu pll roku v pražském semináři, studoval na filosofické fakultě historii a moderní jazyky a literatury. Jako vychovatel dlel přes rok v Itálii. Potom vyučoval na učitelském ústavě v Praze a stal se tajemníkem vysoké školy technické v Praze. Oženiv se s dcerou spisovatelky Podlipské Ludmilou, podniknul několik cest. Pro literární zásluhy byl jmenován čestným doktorem filosofie a stal se profesorem moderních literatur na universitě pražské. Roku 1908 onemocněl těžkou chorobou nervovou, již podlehnul v Domažlicích roku 1912, kde hledal osvícení. Vrchlický zasluhuje, aby i v Americe bylo na něho vzpomínáno. Vyznačuje se neobyčejnou plodností, širokým rozhledem a bohatstvím myšlenek. Svými překlady otevřel bránu obrozujícímu vlivu literatur světových a vybavil nás ze závislosti na překladové literatuře německé. České Lite-

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Charles Vincent Svoboda.

Born at Jaromerice (Moravia), (province of Kingdom of Bohemia, provinces of the late Empire of Austria), republic of Czechoslovakia (since the world war.)

Jan. 19, 1857. Educated in the common schools German Technical and Bohemian Academic Imperial College at Trebis. Came to Schuyler Neb. in 1872 with his parents and to Howard county in 1875. Married Jane Sevcik in 1887. Five sons and three daughters. Catholic. Farmer and landowner and Director of Union State Bank of Omaha. (21 years)

Cast his first vote in 1880 as Democrat. Served as assessor six years, County Clerk six years, run for the office of Secretary of State as nominee and

The Fusion ticket in 1900, served
as member of Neb. constitutional
convention 1919-20 and as Representative
of sixth sub-district in 1923.
Was active in farm organizations as
county organizer for the Farmers Alliance
in the early nineties, as secretary of the
Farmers Grain and Supply Co. of St. Paul.
For the last twenty years, secretary
of Howard Co. Farmers Union for the last
ten years, President of Howard Co.
Farm Bureau for the last nine years
and President of the Harrow Farmers
Co-operative Grain Co.

He has been School director and
member of the Board of Education.
Has been a member of M. W. A. for
over 30 years, of the Western Bohemian
Brotherhood, J. C. B. F., for 20 years and is a

President of the Czech His-
torical Club of Nebraska.