

DEFIANCE MAN DIES AT FT. RILEY

John Nilges, of the 35th Regiment of Infantry, Co. L, Dies at Ft. Riley, Kans. After Short Illness

LEAVES WIFE; MANY RELATIVES

Body Brought to Defiance and Laid to Rest in Defiance Cemetery, Rev. E. B. Scoggan Officiating

DEFIANCE, Nov. 27.—Special.—John Nilges was born in Osage county, Mo., March 11, 1895, and died at the base hospital, Ft. Riley, Kans., on Nov. 17, 1917, aged 22 years, 8 months and 16 days.

Mr. Nilges worked near Defiance the past three years. He was selected in the draft and left Defiance the 19th of last September for Linn, Mo., to join other young men and go with them to Camp Funston, Kans. He was mustered into the 35th regiment of infantry, Co. L. The company was about to start for New Mexico or Texas when Mr. Nilges took ill with spinal meningitis.

He was ill only three or four days. Mr. Nilges was married to Miss Cynthia Gaysinger, of Defiance, Sept. 10, 1917, at Harlan by J. D. Dunlavy. He leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Nilges, of Linn, Mo.; four sisters, six brothers and his young wife. The body was brought to Defiance and laid to rest in the Defiance cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. E. B. Scoggan in the presence of a number of sympathizing friends and companions.

The teachers' study center was held in Defiance Saturday. County Superintendent Mrs. Parker was present and also Misses Shanewise and Correll, of Cedar Falls, who gave interesting lectures on reading and mathematics.

The ladies of the Christian church will serve Thanksgiving dinner and supper November 29th in the basement of the Methodist church. Prices 25 and 35 cents.

Mrs. Yackey and daughter, Hattie, left Thursday for Blue Island, Ill., where they will spend Thanksgiving at the home of Harry Yackey and family. Mrs. Yackey will then go to Washington, D. C. to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Holmes, and Hattie will go to Washburn, N. D., where she will assist her brother, George, in the treasurer's office until spring.

Miss Alice Ruffcorn returned last Thursday evening from the Methodist hospital, Omaha, her health being very much improved. She left Monday evening with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Ruffcorn, for Sacramento, Cal., where they will make their future home. Mr. and Mrs. Ruffcorn moved to their farm two miles north of Defiance in 1883 or soon after the town was started, and it is needless to say that they have many friends who regret their leaving Defiance.

Their son, Olin, and wife will live on the farm next year. Nick Fiester is carrying his right arm in a sling as the result of too strenuous work while cranking his Ford recently. Both bones in the arm were broken.

Mrs. A. E. White is seriously ill with typhoid pneumonia and a trained nurse is caring for her. Charles Logge came up from Omaha Monday to take his children down to see their mother, who is in the Methodist hospital. She is recovering nicely from her recent operation for goitre.

Mr. and Mrs. Clode Reynolds visited friends in Oakland one day last week and L. Peterson, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Lufford, and family, returned to Defiance with them.

Mrs. Hiram Stevens and family, of Weir, Kans., arrived Wednesday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Gaysinger. Mrs. Scott and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Ruffcorn, were in Omaha Thursday to consult a physician as regard to the former's health.

Andrew Johnson returned last week from the Edmundson hospital in Council Bluffs, where he had been taking treatment for several weeks. John Schmeitgen is able to be up again after a long illness from pneumonia. The nurse who was caring for him returned to Omaha Sunday.

Mrs. Huddleston and children spent Wednesday and Thursday with relatives in Omaha. J. W. McBride shipped a car load of hogs to Omaha Friday and received within 5 cents of the top price. There were 82 head and they averaged 210 pounds.

Mrs. Ohlinger and baby, of Portsmouth, were over Sunday visitors at the home of her sister, Mrs. Phil McAndrews. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ray and the latter's mother, Mrs. George Harness, motored to Council Bluffs the latter part of the week, having received word that Mrs. Ed Crist was ill. Joe Dotzler has been in the southern part of Texas the past week on a business trip.

with the object of selling cheap lumber to the consumer and shareholder. The work of putting up the sheds will commence this week and they expect to be ready for business the first part of December. An amateur play entitled "Maidens All Forlorn," will be given at the Defiance auditorium Saturday evening, December 8th. The following is the cast of characters: Maude Meredith..... Ruth Knauss Elizabeth Lyndon..... Mrs. Fonda Bertha Banisdale..... Miss McKinney Above are all cousins. Louise Marston..... Mrs. Jenkins, aunt Mrs. Maloney, Miss Elias, landlady of Shoreley cottage. Jocelyn Denby..... M. D. There will be an orchestra and good specialties between acts. The proceeds will go to the Defiance Red Cross chapter so there should be a good attendance. Admission 25 and 35 cents.

SCHELSWIG ITEMS Mrs. Sarah Vickers and baby returned to their home near Ida Grove Wednesday after visiting here with Mrs. W. C. Carnes and other friends. Emil Maas and wife were business visitors in Ida Grove the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Louie Grill were doing some shopping in Denison Tuesday.

Mrs. Lou Herbsen and Mrs. Thos. Muenster were Schleswig callers from Ricketts Monday. Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Petersen went to Dow City last week to visit with old friends. Mrs. Frank Priebs went to Deloit Friday to visit her parents. John Stender, of Denison, came up Tuesday to spend a few hours visiting old friends.

Mrs. Andrew Hollander, Mrs. John Reimers and son, Willie, and Miss Minnie Stegemann spent Wednesday visiting friends near Ricketts. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Clausen and Mr. Claus Ruzich were business visitors at the county seat Monday. August Schultz, Sr. was in Sioux City the first of the week attending the annual meeting of the Consumers' Twine company.

Walter Nansen and Joan Stebbins left for their home at Clinton Monday, having spent the past few months at work here. Cyrenus Schmidt, who went to Omaha on Monday to take examination for wireless operator, passed and was accepted and went at once to the training camp at the Great Lakes. Later on he will go to Harvard university to complete the course. All friends wish him success.

E. A. Book and Chas. Jurgensen attended the convention of implement dealers in Omaha last week. Mr. and Mrs. John Clausen and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Hans Baeth on Monday attended the birthday celebration of Mr. Clausen's father, Mr. Henry Clausen, who lives at Ricketts. Mat Jacobsen, of Ida Grove, visited here Tuesday at the home of Hans Lohse.

John Holtorf and Walter Schroeder autored to Denison Thursday to transact business. Mrs. Wm. Stegemann and daughter, Tena and Hannah, and Mrs. Ludolph Mohr were called to Osmond, Neb., Saturday by the death of the former's sister, Mrs. Conrad Rosburg. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Reece went to Ida Grove Friday where Mrs. Reece had some dental work done. Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Jones went to there went to Omaha to spend the day.

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Miss Swearingen, a trained nurse from Omaha, came Saturday evening to help care for Honas Wulf, who has been very sick. Mr. and Mrs. Toby Christiansen had their baby boy baptized Sunday and he was christened Ben Henry. The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry

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Klotz was also baptized Sunday and given the name of Marlon Helen. Miss Kadock, of Denison, was a Sunday visitor with Mrs. W. C. Carnes and family. August Braase spent Friday in Ute helping the telephone men install a new switchboard. The new board is the same as the one used here.

Frank and Willie Stegemann attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Conrad Rosburg, at Osmond, Neb., on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. August Paulsen and daughters went to Denison Saturday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Paulsen.

The Puella club held a very enjoyable meeting with Miss Helma LaFrenz Tuesday evening. Mrs. W. C. Carnes entertained a few friends Sunday in honor of her little daughter, Donna Marie, who was one year old that day. Roy Naeve left on Friday for Denver, Colo., to join the coast artillery.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Klotz and daughter, Miss Alma, and son, Charles, were here from Holstein Sunday to visit in the Henry Klotz home. Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Christiansen were entertained at dinner Sunday at the John Braase home. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Witt, of Kingsley, were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Klotz.

GOODRICH ITEMS E. McNeal is putting in the cement work on a bridge across Otter creek west of Deloit this week. Carl Winey has put up a fine garage for his autos, Bert Darling doing the work. James McKim has been assisting in the carpenter work on the Jas. Jensen house this week.

Bert McKim and Johnnie Sachau have been plastering and building a chimney on the Jensen house the past week. Geo. Trager, the telephone man, has been having poles reset and wires fixed up and getting the phones in good order along the road in Goodrich township out on the Denison road.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson were Denison visitors Tuesday. Mrs. Hildreth Tucker and Mrs. Ben M. spent Wednesday at the John Anderson home. Mr. and Mrs. George Newcom were pleasant visitors at the A. D. Winey home Wednesday afternoon. Their car broke down and A. D. Winey drove to Denison for repairs for it.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Sachau and family were pleasant visitors at the Chas. Jensen home Sunday. Mrs. Henry Schmidt and son and daughter autored to Denison Saturday. Miss Lovice Morris spent Saturday in Denison shopping. E. McNeal and family were in Denison shopping Saturday. Mrs. Chas. Jensen and daughter were Deloit shoppers Monday.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES Side Lights on Next Sunday's Lesson for Teachers and Pupils Edited by Charles K. Meyers.

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December 2.—Nehemiah Rebuilds the Walls of Jerusalem, Neh. 4. Our lesson this week again takes us back to the days of five hundred years before Christ was born, and gives us information as to Jewish history of those times. Not that there needed added interest to the city of Jerusalem yet there is much talk as to the city on reading the press reports of the war which state the British forces are battling for supremacy in Palestine, that Joppa on the shore of the great sea has been taken and that Jerusalem may be in the near future.

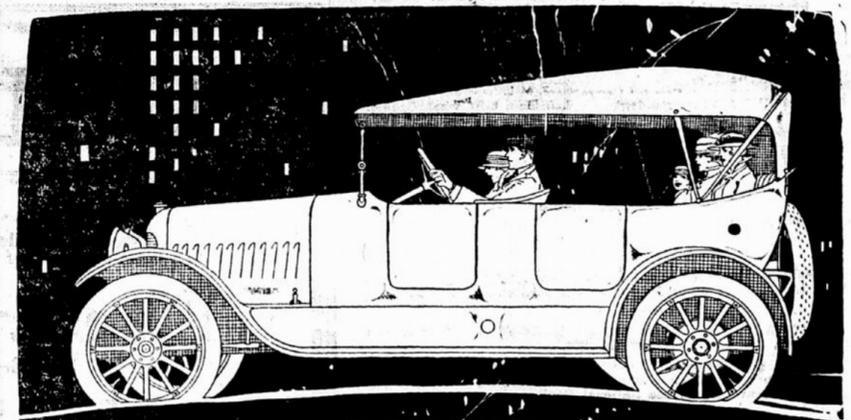
It will be recalled that the Jews lived in that country and it was to them the "Promised Land" in the days of long ago. Because of wickedness the land was taken, enemies came upon them, notably from Babylon, and there was captivity for many years. The sacred city was despoiled, the walls broken down, the temple sacked. In the course of time some Jews under Ezra came back and began a restoration but they did not do much along that line. Later Nehemiah, a court favorite of the Persian king, obtained permission to go to the city and with energy try to restore some of its ancient strength and splendor. Our lesson today relates the difficult

ness he had to encounter, how he met them, and as to his successes. The effort of Nehemiah and his friends to refortify the city met with opposition from the rulers and men of position in the country round about. In those days it was necessary for every large city of any pretensions to have a wall about it, as there was little law in the country except that of force. An unwalled city was as open country, while one with a wall was a fort ready to defend itself or serve as a rallying place for expeditions to prey on other cities and small towns. There was much jealousy therefore when the despised Jews actually began to rebuild the wall of their city and enemies made plans to defeat the enterprise. How they succeeded the lesson story tells.

Had Sanballat Tobiah and the Ammonites been dealing with any but God's chosen people at this time, their plans to surprise and capture the builders might have met with success, but now they were interfering with plans of the Almighty, and there was but one outcome—defeat. Their plans became known to Nehemiah and at once unusual vigilance was given to the situation. One of the strong verses of the lesson is the ninth wherein it is declared "We made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night. This was in line with the commands of the famous Cromwell, the reformer of England, "Trust in God and keep your powder dry." Many is the sermon which has been preached on this thought. It is pointed out that prayer is right, but that with it must go ones utmost to bring about the condition of things prayed for. It can well be noted that in so many instances of cures and aid given by Jesus, the person to be benefited was asked and expected to do all he or she could, the supernatural coming in when human powers gave out, or could not move. It is needless to dwell on the need for all to use their utmost endeavor to make the way natural for the things prayed for to come about. We pray for our sick, at the same time redoubling our care for the one in distress; we pray for the conversion of our friends and at the same time use what means we can control to cause the object of our solicitation to turn from paths of wrong doing to those of right. So the Jews at Jerusalem prayed and set a watch. Nehemiah did more than watch and

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pray, for he urged his people to work with diligence. The workers were put under military command. As they worked on the wall they carried in one hand tools for building and in the other weapons for defense. It is recorded, "The builders every one had his sword girded by his side and so builded." One with the trumpet was by the side of Nehemiah and it was arranged that at whatever place on the wall the trumpet sounded the men were to gather to defend. It is needless to say that such a company of people could not be defeated and good success crowned their efforts. Another great verse of the lesson recites the ringing admonition of Nehemiah to his people, "Be not afraid of them, remember the Lord, which is great and terrible and fight for your brethren, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes." With such a leader, such inspiration, based on divine aid, such cause for fighting, every man would be ready to die in defense of the undertaking. I think the noble soldiers of France feel that they are fighting for "their sons, daughters, wives, homes." In no other way can one account for the way they are fighting and their successes. It is ever a mistake to think that one can do true religious work, combat wrong in the world and not meet opposition. From one cause or another jealousies will be aroused, business interests injured, selfishness engendered. There is only one way to progress, and that of preparedness for the assaults of the enemies of God's work. Happily, He is on the side of His people in the eternal purposes that lead to final success, and triumph in the end awaits those who labor for Him. The golden text of the lesson says, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear." With this in mind I urge Christians to go forward for indeed God is back of them and they have nothing to fear of what man can do unto them.

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