

KENNETH PRIEST DIES SATURDAY

Young Son of Rev. Priest Passes Away After Two Months Illness

APPENDICITIS CAUSES DEATH

Beautiful Character and Beloved By All Who Knew Him. Was in His Twelfth Year

Joseph Kenneth Priest, the only son of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Priest, passed away at his parents home on Gratiot avenue, Saturday evening at seven o'clock, following an illness of eight weeks' duration, caused by appendicitis. At the beginning of that period he became suddenly ill and was immediately taken to Saginaw General Hospital in Saginaw, for an operation. Despite all that medical skill could do to offset the unfavorable conditions which were found upon operation, it was seen that it would be impossible to save the lad's life. Five years previously the boy had been seriously ill and it is now evident that it was an attack of appendicitis. The last attack was an outgrowth of that. When all had been done at the hospital to save Kenneth's life he was brought home and though the parents' hope of saving him was not strong, his own optimism never failed him and to the end he exhibited a steady courage and cheerful disposition remarkable in degree. Except for two or three days he was never in severe pain and until the last ten minutes before death he was clearly conscious.

The death of Kenneth Priest was unusually sad. His Christian faith was well founded. Eleven years in a beautiful home could not fail to have much to do with the moulding of a beautiful character; but on his own initiative, with divine guidance, he had made a public confession of his faith, having been baptized and become a member of the church of which his father was pastor, the First Baptist church of this city. Intellectually, the lad was nothing short of a genius. At nine years of age he had already written several musical compositions worthy of the mind of a master in music. He had a wonderful command of language, devoting the hours, usually employed by his comrades in play to the writing of original articles, poems etc. He professed a great desire to write a history of the world. He submitted to his father a most complete outline for such a work. It was to consist of five volumes. Boylike he had planned to take in the whole scope of the world's events. Ordinary boys of eleven years of age do not give such undertakings serious thought. He read works on history by the hour and had a fund of information worthy of a much more mature mind. Though a rugged boy he did not devote much time to play with other boys, much preferring to delve into a book of history or poetry. His future as an intellectual genius seemed unusually bright. This September he would have entered the seventh grade. A source of deep consolation to the parents was the assurance expressed in the funeral addresses of Rev. Jackson and Mason, that called at such an early period, his life had yet wielded a wide influence upon the church of which he is a member, upon the community and upon whomever he met—that God had called him to a higher enterprise.

Kenneth Priest was born in Fenton, Michigan, March 18th, 1905. In 1911 he moved with his parents to Alma. The funeral services were held in the Baptist church Monday afternoon at one thirty o'clock.

The services were opened by prayer by Rev. William H. Mason. This was followed by a very beautiful solo by Miss Mary Sharp, accompanied by Miss Velma Sharp who sang "O Saviour, hear me." An address by Rev. J. Frank Jackson followed. With well expressed words he dwelt upon the fact that though the life had been so short and seemingly cut off at such an unseasonable time yet it had not been lived in vain. Even in the hospital in which he was confined the effect of his strong character was noted. A quartette composed of Mr. L. A. Sharp, John Chick, Mrs. John Becker and Miss Velma Sharp sang two hymns which had been favorites of the lad, "Day is Dying in the West" and "Lead, Kindly Light." Rev. Mason then gave a short address emphasizing the fact that although it seemed that such a life would have been such a strong factor later, that God needed him for a higher work. Rev. (Continued on Page 8)

ALEX McMILLAN PASSES AWAY

J. Alexander McMillan was born at Jamestown, Hardin County, Ohio, June 29th, 1859, and died at his home August 5th 1915 after an illness of nearly two years.

When he was nine years old he moved with his parents to Pewamo, Ionia county, Mich., later moving to Carson City where he has since made his home.

He spent his early manhood in the Pine woods of this section of the state learning the barber trade by doing work for the lumber jacks.

In 1886 he was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Sanders and to this union were born one son and a daughter. Cloyd A. McMillan of Greenville, and Mrs. Gale Adams of Houghton.

Twenty seven years ago the deceased opened a barber shop in the basement of the building occupied by the Carson City Mercantile Co. on the South side of Main street. Later he bought out a shop on the north side of Main street and continued in business there until the building was destroyed by fire in 1904. He then moved his shop into the hotel block, where in December 1912 on account of failing health he sold the shop to Mr. Kirby.

He has gradually failed in health until August 5th when death called him to the great beyond.

The deceased leaves a wife, two children and three grandchildren to mourn their loss. He also leaves four brothers and two sisters, Frank of Crystal Falls, Albert of Seattle, Washington, Elmer of Chicago, Charles of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Mrs. J. A. Sallisbury of Kalamazoo and Mrs. F. S. Resseguie of this place.

The funeral services were held at the home, Sunday at 2:00 p.m., conducted by Rev. H. V. Wade, and the body was laid to rest in the cemetery.

The deceased was a member of the L. O. O. F., No. 262 of this place, and the members attended in a body to pay their last tribute to their departed brother.

Considerable improvement has been made in the appearance of the old Union school building by the redecoration of the walls and the replacing of the old stairway. About two hundred dollars has been spent in this way and about eighteen hundred dollars in the new heating system which is being installed.

DELUXE CANDY STORE HERE

Up to Date Confectionery And Ice Cream Parlors Will Soon Be Ready For Business

The DeLuxe Candy company has leased the Pollasky building just back of the Pollasky block on State Street and will be ready for business within a short time. The management of the new concern will be cared for by Nick Frenstos, a candy maker of sixteen years experience. In connection with his brother he ran the famous 'Sugar Bowl' in Ann Arbor, for a number of years.

He will make a lot of improvements in the interior of the building. Plated glass mirrors 4 by 4 ft. will be placed around the entire room. Large showcases will run the entire length of the room on the north side.

Mr. Frenstos will serve ice cream and candies of every sort. His electric ice cream freezer is of ten gallon capacity and capable of freezing a new supply every fifteen minutes.

The feature policy of the new company is to make the best and cleanest candies on the market and to make at least one new kind every day. The date for their opening will be announced later.

DEFAUCING "BUY IT IN ALMA" SIGNS

The Alma Commercial Men's Association under the direction of John Chick, have placed about two hundred "Buy It In Alma" signs throughout this part of the county. These are being used by other parties for advertising purposes and in many cases the signs which were by no means unattractive have been defaced in other ways also. Unless this is stopped immediately the Association will proceed to prosecute the offending parties.

ISSUES WORTHLESS CHECK

Sheriff Bradford recently arrested A. J. Charron at Frederick, Crawford county, on the charge of issuing a check to J. L. Cornwell of Ashley, on the Frederick bank, when he had no money on deposit there. Charron waived examination, before Justice Salter. His bail was fixed at \$500 which he has been unable to furnish, hence he languishes in jail.

WILL ELECT OFFICERS

The Order of Owls will elect officers Saturday evening at seven thirty p.m. in the Vaudette Hall. The charter closes with this meeting. This will be the last opportunity to join as a charter member.

Lowell J. Green of Vermontville, Mich., a graduate of Ferris Institute of Big Rapids, is the new stenographer at the Alma plant of the Mich. Sugar Company.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPEN SEPT. 7TH

Repairs on Interior of Union School Building Made During Vacation

EXPECT LARGE ENROLLMENT

Strong Corps of Teachers Secured For Coming School Year

The "ol' swimmin' hole" and other haunts of the small boys' idle summer hours will soon be lost to him, for it has been decreed by the powers that be that the doleful notes of the school house bell shall ring out the sad tidings for the opening of the school year Monday morning, September 7th. So much for the small boy's view of the matter. Perhaps the mother will interpret the sound of the school bell differently. But at any rate Alma's public schools will be opened at that time with the prospect of the largest attendance they have ever had.

An announcement was recently sent out to each one of the one hundred eighty five eighth grade graduates of the rural schools by Superintendent Schultz and it is expected that a large enrollment will be made of rural students. With those from the graduating class of the eighth grades of this city the high school will undoubtedly be larger in numbers than ever before. Last year's roll of two hundred twenty five was the high water mark in point of attendance.

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A. F. Schultz, Superintendent; E. B. Killian, Principal; Olive J. Smith, English; G. S. Crisp, Commercial; Alva Welch, History; A. C. Luchtmann, German and Mathematics; Julia P. Munger, Physical Science; Ella M. Clark, Natural Science; F. M. Maxwell, Manual Training; Eleanor Bittner, Latin; Mae Hamilton, Domestic Science and Art; Mae Jones, Vocal music and Drawing.

Intermediate Department Cora Dunlap, Principal; Margaret H. Winn, Grades 7 and 8; Departmental plan, Laura B. Soule, Edna B. Brown; Bertha M. McLaren, Grade 6; Winifred G. Trapp, Grade 6; Frances M. Stitt, Grade 5; Edith Cockerton, Grade 5; Agnes M. Buckham, Grade 4.

Primary Department Annette McLaren, Principal, Grade 4; Janet Strong, Grade 3; Marguerite A. Myers, Grade 3B-2A; Lena C. Johnson, Grade 2B-1A; Minna Greer, Grade 1; Della J. Corey, A-Subprimary; Maude Garrity, B-Subprimary; Grace L. Kramer, Kindergarten.

High School—Bert Wells; Union school—Charles Hatch; Primary—George Hutcheson.

AUTO RACES AT ITHACA SEPT. 6

Arrangements have been made for a big auto racing carnival on the fair grounds half mile track on Monday afternoon, September 6th, which is Labor Day. A half dozen of the best drivers in the country have been secured to compete in a program of eight events which will furnish two and one hours of dizzy whirls about the track. Secretary McCall will have the track in grand shape through sprinkling it with calcium chloride to lay all of the dust. Arrangements will be made to police the spectators away from the fence for fear of accidents. One of the feature attractions will be the presence of the champion woman driver of the world, who will compete against any lady that appears on the track and wager a substantial sum that she can defeat all such comers one to one hundred miles.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sullivan, Jesse Crossett, Mr. and Mrs. William Vanderbeek and son Carl, left Tuesday afternoon in two Studebaker cars for a three months' trip to the Pacific coast. The parties expect to spend about six weeks going and the same time coming back. The remainder of the time will be spent in visiting points of interest in the west, such as the expositions at San Francisco, San Diego etc.

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WILL TOUR BY AUTO TO CALIFORNIA

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SLATER & GOODES

Fred Slater has sold a half interest in his Men's Furnishings store to his uncle, F. W. Goodes of St. Johns, the deal having been consummated the fore part of this week. Mr. Slater has been in business in Alma for about two years and has made a fine record both as a business man and as a citizen.

Mr. Goodes brings to the partnership a business experience covering over fourteen years in the retail work and two years in the wholesale business. He will move to Alma with his wife and two daughters the latter part of this week or the early part of next week.

SHOWER FOR MISS HAYWARD

Nearly forty young ladies were present at a miscellaneous shower given in honor of Miss Ina Hayward, Monday afternoon. Many very beautiful gifts were presented to the popular young lady, among them being some cut glass articles.

ILLINOIS PICNIC SATURDAY

300 to 400 Farmers Expected to Attend Annual Roundup in Wright Park.

Saturday, August 21st, the big annual Illinois picnic will be held in Wright Park. Plans are being made for the entertainment of three and four hundred. It will be the biggest picnic of its kind that has ever been held in Alma. In case of inclement weather it will be held in Vaudette Hall. Nothing short of a tornado will prevent the holding of this big affair—and tornadoes are very scarce in Central Michigan. The following is the program: Instrumental Music—Mr. and Mrs. Nelson. Prayer—Rev. Hershey. Vocal Solo—Mrs. Joe McKenzie. Recitation—Eleanor Putman. Vocal Solo—Mrs. Hershey. Talk—Prof. Barnhart of the University of Illinois. Recitation—Alphus Rayborn. Instrumental Solo—Harry Metters. Address—Rev. Hershey. Vocal Solo—Howard Hanley. Recitation—Claude Punnell. Election of officers.

ATHLETIC PROGRAM

Free for all race—100yd., 1st \$1.00, 2nd 50c. Potato race (boys under 14) 1st \$1, second 50c. Fat man's race—1st prize \$1.00, 2nd 50c. Ladies race (free for all) 1st prize \$1.00, 2nd 50c. Girls race (girls under 14) 1st prize \$1.00, 2nd 50c. Tug of war north side vs. south side. Ball game at Davis Field.

FAMILY REUNION

A very pleasant reunion occurred at the farm of Mrs. Orpha R. Gee, west of Summerton, Sunday, August 15, 1915.

Both son and daughter of Mrs. Gee were present, they being Zean Wilson of Saginaw, and Burton Gee of Sumner township.

All of the grandchildren and great grand children were present, there being twelve grandchildren and six great grand children. All enjoyed a bountiful dinner under the trees, after which Otto Sanderhoff presented to Mrs. Orpha R. Gee, a beautiful casserole, a gift from the relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sanderhoff and children; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Goggin and children; Mr. and Mrs. Max Church and son Hubert, of Alma; Mr. and Mrs. Burton I. Gee and sons Lynn, Loral, Hubert, Buel, Leonard Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gee and daughter Francis, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gee and daughter Lucille; Mr. and Mrs. James B. Gargett and family of Sumner township; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Foster and children; Mrs. Eva Mells and daughter Ruth of Mt. Pleasant, were present for the reunion.

TWO PRE-NUPTIAL SHOWERS

Mrs. A. B. Scattergood and Mrs. W. H. Parr gave a miscellaneous shower for Miss Laura Brown, Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Scattergood. A dainty three course luncheon was served. Among the gifts was a book dedicated to Miss Brown in which each girl friend illustrated and wrote two leaves.

Last Friday afternoon, Mrs. E. B. Macdonald, formerly Miss Lois Frazer, gave a picnic shower in honor of Miss Brown, on the college campus with about twenty guests present. Miss Lola Duff of St. Louis and Mrs. Carrie Rowland Armstrong of Saginaw, were the out of town guests present. Delightful refreshments were served.

Dramatic Lecture.

Thomas Brooks Fletcher delivered his famous dramatic lecture, "The Martyrdom of Fools," yesterday afternoon before a deeply interested audience. He is a speaker that is different and unafraid. From witty, biting sarcasm he changed to pathos and serious things. He went from the ordinary conversational tone to oratory, and covered a number of important questions of the day. He argued strongly for suffrage, and he hit right and left at those objects which he believed should be wiped out by civilization.

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NIELSON RECITAL SCORES SUCCESS

Large Crowd Hears Leading American Prima Donna Tuesday Night

CLOSES CHAUTAUQUA WEEK

125 Guarantors for 1916 Week Secured by Committee Making It a Certainty

Alma's 1915 Chautauqua was brought to a successful close last night with a fitting finale for the splendid week's program, Miss Alice Nielsen, the American prima donna, who has gained world-wide fame appearing in an excellent song recital before a crowd that taxed the accommodations of the large tent. She was ably assisted by Karel Havlicek, violinist, and the fine accompaniments were played by William Reddick.

Preceding the recital last night, Mr. L. A. Sharp aroused the enthusiasm of the audience by announcing that the Chautauqua would be given in Alma, again next year.

Gracious and charming, Miss Nielsen delighted her hundreds of auditors last night not alone with her superb singing but also with her pleasant personality. Her husband won her audience with her voice and her manner. Hers is a lyric soprano voice that has no equal in America. Clear and sweet and strong, her vocal ability seems to have no limitations. Although she has been singing night after night in the open for several months her voice has not been affected, and she has established a record for great singers. Her enunciation is clear and distinct and her tones are beautiful. Her program was of a popular nature and she rendered many of the old familiar songs that met with unanimous approval. Her selections were also sufficiently varied as to bring out all the wonderful qualities of her voice and to gratify the desires of all present.

Excellent Program She opened the program with four delightful numbers, "The Spirit Flower" by Campbell-Tipton, "Will of the Wisp" by Spross, "I Came With A Song" by LaForge, and "Love Has Wings" by Rogers. She next rendered several foreign compositions, "Si Mes Vers Avaient Des Ailes" by Hahn "Vergeliches Standchen" by Brahms, "L'heure Exquise" by Hahn, and "Komm Lass Uns Spielen" by Bieschmann. Her third group of songs consisted of well known selections, beginning with that ever popular composition, "Love's Old Sweet Song" by Malloy, given as only Miss Nielsen can render it.

Mr. Havlicek shared honors with Miss Nielsen, his violin selections being splendid. He has taken a foremost place among the violinists and he won an audience of admirers last night. His technique, his perfect understanding of his instrument, his masterful playing, and the tones of his violin all combined to make his contributions to the evening's recital unusually enjoyable and appreciated. His opening number was the "Symphonie Espagnole" by Lalo, and he next gave a group of three selections—"Meditation" from the opera "Thais" by Massenet, "Wiegelielied" by Schubert, and "Dance of the Goblins" by Popper, and for an encore he played "Traumerel" by Schumann. His final offering was the beautiful and popular "Humoresque" by Dvorak, and it was superbly rendered. He responded to several encores during the evening.

The program was brought to a close with the aria, "Vissi d'arte" from the opera "Tosca" by Puccini, sung by Miss Nielsen with violin obligato by Mr. Havlicek.

A feature that contributed much to the success of the recital was the excellent piano accompaniment furnished by Mr. Reddick. Difficult indeed it would be to improve upon his work and both artists were greatly aided last night by his playing. As an accompanist he could not well be surpassed.

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CAMP MEETING CHURCH OF GOD

The annual camp meeting of the Church of God, will be held at their camp ground, two miles east of St. Louis, from August 19 to 29th. A very successful meeting is expected. Among the ministers to attend will be Elder F. G. Smith and wife, returned Missionaries from Syria and James Turner from Scotland.

Mr. Smith is a widely known Evangelist and writer. Among his books are the following: "What the Bible Teaches;" Mr. Turner is also an able speaker. Besides these there will be many other ministers and Gospel workers in attendance.

The camp ground has recently been improved by a new auditorium which will seat nearly 1000 persons. This with the grounds and buildings are gas lighted. During the past summer additional sleeping rooms to accommodate 75 persons, have been erected. A boarding house on the grounds. Horse feed and abundance of tying space for those who come with teams, also parking place for automobiles. Excellent water supply from new, deep wells. No gate or admission fee will be charged, but a cordial invitation is extended to all to come and bring your family and neighbors for a pleasant time and to hear the full Gospel preached.

In a new, 1916 Maxwell touring car, F. H. Craft, enroute from Detroit to his home at Aberdeen, S. D., covered the 130 miles between Kalamazoo, Mich. and South Bend, Ind., on exactly four gallons of gasoline, an average of 32.5 miles to the gallon. The car's tank was filled at both start and finish of the run. An even speed of about 20 miles an hour was maintained throughout.

MAXWELL ECONOMY FEAT

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GLADIOLI SHOW AUGUST 26

Annual Affair to Be Held at Lancashire Home Next Thursday Afternoon.

Premium List of the Third Annual "Gladioli Show" of the Garden Club of Alma, afternoon and evening of Thursday August 26th on the porch of Mrs. J. H. Lancashire's house on State Street.

Class I

By—Madison Cooper, editor Gladioli Magazine. Largest display of named Gladioli grown by one person (labeled) The Gladioli Magazine for 3 yrs Second largest— The Gladioli Magazine for 2 yrs Third largest— The Gladioli Magazine for 1 yr.

Class II

By—Raymond Swett, (Saxonyville, Mass.) Best arrangements of named Gladioli with other flowers and foliage. \$3.00 worth of Glad. bulbs. Second best arrangement— \$2.00 worth Glad. bulbs.

Class III

By—Roy Miller (Alma) Best display of unnamed Gladioli 2 lb can of Chase & Sanborn Coffee. Second best display— Purple ribbons.

Class IV

By—Mrs. Francis King. Best two or more spikes of a novelty not before exhibited, a copy of her late book: "A Well Considered Garden"

Class V

By—Garden Club. Best display of "America" 50 Darwin tulip bulbs. Second best— 25 Darwin tulip bulbs.

Class VI

By—"Gladioli Group" Best display "Mrs. Francis King" 75 green cane stakes. Second best display— 25 green cane stakes.

Class VII

By—Mrs. Ezra Smith (chairman of Group) Best display of "Niagara" Spool of Tying raffia. Second best— Blue ribbon.

Class VIII

By—Hira Moore. Best display "Mrs. Frank Pendleton" A book. Second Best— Red ribbon.

Class IX

By—Mrs. Nellie Scattergood. Best display "Hally" Pair of Candlesticks. Second best— Green ribbon.

All entries must be in by 9:00 a.m. and arrangements completed at 11:00 o'clock, at which time the judging begins. Any one residing in Alma, may enter any class or all classes, and all are cordially invited. Mrs. Ezra Smith, Chairman of Gladioli Group.

FRANCIS PALMER PASSES AWAY

Alma Attorney for 42 Years Succumbs at Age of 89 Monday Evening.

1ST LIEUTENANT IN CIVIL WAR

Death Calls Prominent Member of Baptist Church and Masonic Lodge After Most Useful Career.

Francis Palmer, for the past forty nine years a resident of this city died at his home on Wright avenue, late Monday evening following an illness lasting over five years, the last one of which was spent in bed. For thirty six years he was an attorney in Alma, for two years being Circuit Court Commissioner. During all that time he was leader in all the interests for civic and religious betterment.

Mr. Palmer was born in Centerville, New York, June 25th, 1826 being at death over eighty nine years of age. In 1850 he graduated from Colgate college with the degree of bachelor of arts. His further collegiate studies were later interrupted by the outbreak of the Civil War. He enlisted in 1861, following a year of teaching, and remained in constant service until the battle of Antietam. In this bloody conflict he suffered a wound which forced him to remain in the hospital for thirteen months. At the close of the war he was first lieutenant in the 104th New York Volunteers.

In 1867 he graduated from the Albany Law College, with high honors, in the same class with William McKinley, who was later elected to the presidency of the United States. He was an intimate friend of President McKinley and followed his rise in the political world with keen interest. He treasured very much a book containing an autograph by the President.

In 1868 he moved to Stanton, Michigan, where he began the practice of law. Two years later he was elected Circuit Court Commissioner of Montcalm county. He held this office for two years. After a stay of five years in Stanton, he moved to Alma. In 1878 he was elected to the same office to which he had been elected in Montcalm county. In his attorneyship he specialized in pensions.

He was married in 1879 to Miss Frances S. Pritchard. The last years of his life were made very pleasant by her loving and constant care. She was at his bedside caring for all his wants with great devotion. A brother, ninety three years of age living on a farm near Stanton, a sister Mrs. Bailey, eighty four years of age, living in Owosso, remain with his wife to mourn their loss.

Funeral services are to be held this afternoon. Rev. Priest will officiate. The Masonic lodge of which Mr. Palmer was a most respected member will have charge of the services.

Mr. Palmer was a member of the Baptist church and by his strong and beautiful Christian character he furthered the interests of the church, constantly making it a living reality.

BIG CROWD AT BRECKENRIDGE

Between five and six thousand people attended the big field day celebration at Breckenridge Wednesday, McGee, the Saginaw aeronaut, made three successful flights with his machine and at six o'clock flew from Breckenridge to Saginaw. The crowds were entertained with field day sports in the afternoon.

The Breckenridge band played throughout the day. Several Alma people went over to see the celebration.

BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

B. Counsellor of Newark township, passed his eighty first birthday, August fourteenth and was given a party by his children and grandchildren. The day was enjoyably spent with a picnic dinner in the orchard nearby and a general social time in the afternoon.

Those of the immediate family who were unable to be present were Mrs. E. Drew of Cadillac, Mrs. A. A. McBride of Merrill, Mrs. A. M. Weatherby of St. Louis, and Frank Counsellor of Midland county.

THREE BIRTHS

The stork has been a busy bird lately. Dr. Thornburgh reports that the stork brought a girl to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Frost on Eastward street last Monday, a boy to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burr Thompson who have been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Rockwell, and a boy to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dayton on N. 2nd avenue, Monday.