



# Eastern Nebraska Genealogical Society Newsletter

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SORRY FOLKS, NO REGULAR MEETING IN OCTOBER  
CLAIRE WILL BE OUT OF THE COUNTRY!

*None too!!*

BROWSE NITE WILL BE OBSERVED ON OCTOBER 26<sup>th</sup>.

Sigaria Square

Forum

Basilica

Coliseum

The Show and Tell September meeting went very well. Lots of new ideas were discussed.

Lemay Anderson attended a two day session on Land Records in Lincoln.

Dr Underwood shared his use of the digital camera on old church records and civil records, and how well they turned out.

Nona is busy inventorying all of the items in the Musbach Museum, along with stories about the item, if known.

Lorene is working on a family from Denmark, and her many programs in locating the family.

Ruth Anne brought an old photo of the Vasholz Band 1913, and some high school grad photos from 1927 and 1928.

Charlotte is beginning her cataloging of her families. Attended an Argo cemetery family union.

Margie Davis told of the old stereoptic photos that had been printed off on family records.

Jeff told of Swiss Church records he ordered from LDS and is reading them at Omaha.

Jeanne Loewe is still searching for her proof of a Tuberculosis Hospital in the west part of Fremont. They own the building but cannot prove it was the hospital.

There were many good ideas given and how to make them useful for your own use.



### Miss Christensen's Affair

One of the most delightful of the Hallowe'en affairs was given Tuesday by Miss Mabel Christensen in honor of Miss Walker. The invitations were pen-sketched designs of grimalkins and bats and bore these words of summons:

On Hallowe'en eve at seven o'clock  
Thrice upon our portal knock  
The door will ope and you will see  
The awful shapes of things to be.

The guests on being admitted faced four large jack-o-lanterns which supplied the only light in the corridor. There were other things during the evening to give them a suggestion of the weirdness of the occasion. In an upstairs room Miss Elizabeth Hansen assumed the role of a gypsy and told fortunes by sailing nutshell boats in a tub of water. Each boat wore a tiny candle which was lighted.

The men cards were in the shape of Solomon's seal and on each point was pensketched symbolic designs. The menu was as follows:

Demon's broth    Witch brains    Ghost fires    Fortune's wheel  
Magicians' wands    Sandwiches    Dragon's teeth  
Goblin shells    Prophecy cups

The salted peanut cases were suspended from small tripods, and a red table cloth and red decorations were used. The decorations through the house were pumpkins and jack-o-lanterns. A mass of asparagus-fern on the sideboard partially concealed several small skeletons and goblin heads. All the electric lights shone through paper pumpkins, giving a pleasant glow to the scene.

After supper the guests participated in a riddle contest, the riddles being written and folded into nutshells which were distributed. The answers were written in small nut booklets. Miss Mamie Carroll won the prize, a box of bonbons.

Guests were Misses Dorothea Walker, Mamie Carroll, Emma Reynolds, Eleanor English Stella Crabbs, Nellie Biles(Hastings), Elizabeth Hansen; Messrs Bert Keene, Brouck Richards, Roy Gage, Carroll Courtright, Eugene Shumaker and Harold Sanderson.

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HOOPER, Nov 6. Hallowe'en brought out most of the boys last Tuesday evening and the next morning there was considerable evidence of their activity although no damage was reported. The usual number of gates and signs were misplaced and on Main street was accumulated all the wagons and buggies that could be found as well as a traction engine and pile driver which had been especially chained down for the occasion.

from Fremont Tri-Weekly Tribune 7 Nov 1905 page 5.



**DODGE COUNTY NEBRASKA MARRIAGES**  
100 Years Ago October 1909

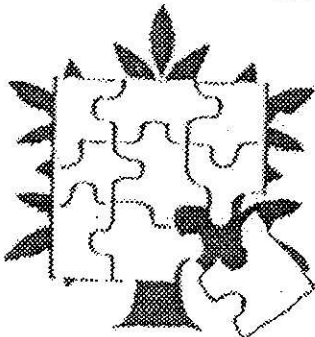
James H Brott to Annie L Nelson on 09 Oct  
Andrew Jewell to Matilda Henricksen on 11 Oct  
John Rex Bell to Amanda L Murrell on 12 Oct  
John H Lyon to Francis M Vitamvas on 12 Oct  
Henry O Schlemmer to Hulda M Blumm on 12 Oct  
Emil E Wolf to Stella Pepley on 12 Oct  
Nicholas J Keating to Gertrude A Finegan on 19 Oct  
Herman J N Klug to Amana C Warney on 20 Oct  
Clyde W Cairns to Clara C Groesbeck on 20 Oct  
Ira D Reed to Eva Trayer on 20 Oct  
John H Haefker to Louisa Walthers on 24 Oct  
John W Lhotak to Katie Walla on 26 Oct  
John A Strickland to Frances A Winklebauer on 28 Oct  
Ohio Johnston to Mrs Mary E Peters on 28 Oct  
Barthold P Spies to Bertha R Fahk on 31 Oct

Church Wedding This afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Congregational church Miss Stella Pepley and Emil E Wolf were married,, Rev W H Buss officiating. The young couple with a party of their Friends came to Fremont from Clarkson, Nebra., on the noon train today. They took dinner at the New York hotel and immediately afterwards went to the church. Mrs A F Plambeck, organist, rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march just preceding the ceremony. The young couple are connected with prominent families and the groom is assistance cashier of the Beemer State bank. The party accompanying them to Fremont included: Emil E Pepley, Frank Memec, Mary A Pepley, Miss Anna Nykdem, Miss Anna J Blach, all of Clarkson, and Andrew O Huff of Beemer.  
from Fremont Daily Tribune 13 Oct 1909

Married at Noon Miss Leota Murrell and Dr John Rex Bell, the latter of Shelby Nebr, were married at the bride's home, 442 East Tenth at high noon today. Rev Dr Bithell of the Methodist church officiating. The young couple will go to Shelby to make their home. They will leave this evening for a brief honeymoon trip to the east.  
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MARRIED Mr Barthold Spies and Miss Bertha Fahk were married Sunday, October 31, at Fremont.

The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's aunt, Miss Minnie Buttner, the pastor of the Lutheran church of Fremont officiating. The young couple left on the afternoon train for Germany where they will spend their honeymoon.

They were given a good "send off" by their friends who labeled their baggage after the usual manner on such occasions. The groom made an attempt to remove them which was temporarily successful but more were put on.

These young people are well known in North Bend which has been the home of the groom for most of his life. The bride has lived here two or three years and has made many friends. Those who were present at the wedding were Mrs Spies, mother of the groom, Mr & Mrs Henry Spies, Gus Spies, Henry Fahk, Miss Nannie Fahk and Miss Minnie Buttner.

from North Bend Eagle 4 Nov 1909 4:2



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