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Lowell D. Jones, Secretary

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Brother High was a faithful servant of the Lord Jesus Christ. Mrs. High now lives at Hyattsville, Maryland.

EDWARD MAGILL

Edward Magill, son of William Henry and Florence A. Magill, was born in Fort Laramie, Wyoming, May 8, 1874, and departed this life on May 1, 1949 at the age of 74 years, 11 months and 23 days.

About the age of six he came with his parents to Brown County, Nebraska, where he grew to manhood. On November 3, 1894, he was united in marriage to Clara Ann Gould at Ainsworth, Nebraska. To this union four children were born, one of whom died in infancy.

At the age of eighteen he became a member of the Ainsworth Methodist Church and in 1905 entered the Methodist ministry. He was received on trial into the conference in 1906 and into full membership in 1912. He served charges in the Nebraska Conference for 35 years. After his retirement in 1939 he and Mrs. Magill returned to Ainsworth where they have since made their home.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Clara of Ainsworth, Nebraska; three children, Mrs. Maude Nelson of Billings, Montana; Mrs. Florence Ovind of Salt Lake City, Utah, and the Rev. E. Allen Magill of Keosauqua, Iowa; one sister, Mrs. Lillie Necessary of Lee's Summit, Missouri; several grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, May 4th, at the Ainsworth Methodist Church with Rev. M. R. Willis in charge. Interment was made in Park Cemetery at Ainsworth.

EDWARD LEWIS PETERSON

Edward Lewis Peterson was born January 15, 1874. He passed to his reward October 14, 1948, at Elm Creek, Nebraska.

Brother Peterson did his college work at Morningside College in Sioux City, Iowa, and at once entered upon his ministry in the Methodist Church. He was a ready servant of his Master and gave freely of time and talent in a busy ministry.

On March 6, 1901, he was united in marriage to Naomi Farrow. She was indeed a true companion in the work of the church giving much of her time to youth activities.

Brother Peterson served these churches in Nebraska: Springview, Atkinson, Ainsworth, Long Pine, Oshkosh, Pilger, Wakefield, Carroll, Oakdale, St. Edward, Arapahoe-Gosper, and Holbrook.

He retired in 1946. Soon after the Conference he was called back into service and became pastor at Elm Creek.

On the afternoon of October 14, 1948, he was given his last call. It was, "Come up higher. Well done good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

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The funeral service was held in the Elm Creek Methodist Church
with Dr. R. N. Spooner officiating. The burial was in the Kearney,
Nebraska Cemetery.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Naomi Peterson, and five
children, Mrs. Maurice Rolson, Wakefield, Nebraska; Donald and Paul
L. Peterson, Denver, Colorado; the Rev. E. E. Peterson, Orville, Cali-
fornia, and Mrs. Donald Gates, Juanita, Nebraska.

NEWTON MARION SOMMERVILLE

Newton Marion Sommerville was born January 29, 1860 at West
Milford, West Virginia. In the following year his father was accident-
ally killed and the boy was reared and trained by his mother. He at-
tended the public schools in his home town and was graduated there.
In Nebraska he graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan.

He began his ministry in West Virginia, but transferred to the
Nebraska Conference in 1887, and served the Methodist Churches in
these towns: Sargent, Lowell, Arizona, Loretto, Plainview, Ewing,
Erickson, Emerick and Bartlett. He retired from active duty in 1917
when he was 57 years of age.

Brother Sommerville was never married. His mother lived with
him until her death. They were deeply devoted to each other. After
his retirement he lived in Lincoln where he died, January 18, 1949.

The funeral service was held at the First Methodist Church with
Dr. Lloyd H. Rising officiating. The burial was in Wyuka Cemetery.

CARL FREDERICK STEINER

Carl Frederick Steiner was born in Denmark, April 6, 1874. He
died at his home in Wausa, Nebraska, February 14, 1949, being 74 years,
10 months and 8 days old.

He came to America with his parents in 1875 and settled at New-
man Grove, Nebraska, where he grew to manhood. Here he attended
school and later studied at Nebraska Wesleyan.

On June 6, 1896, he was united in marriage with Miss Hannah
Clang at Palestine, Nebraska.

He was converted in his youth and united with the Methodist
Church and was consistent in his religious experience and practice. He
entered the ministry in 1909 and served as pastor at Niobrara two
years. Thorough 1911 to 1916 he attended Garrett Biblical Institute,
Chicago Theological Seminary and Wheaton College. He returned to
this Conference in 1916 and then served these churches (all in the Ne-
braska Conference): Oakdale, Schuyler, Eagle, O'Neill, Wynot, Silver
Creek, Belden, Carroll, Omaha (Ames Avenue, Deitz, Jennings, Dun-
dee). He retired from the active ministry in 1942 and moved to Wausa
where he had built a home. From Wausa, Brother Steiner served as
pastor for Hurst-Stafford and Magnet.

- Water, 1925; Hooper, 1932; Utica-Tamora, 1936; Alvo-Eagle, 1942; Retired, 1946.
- Murphy, C. Edwin:** Nebraska, St., 1940; Crawford Valley-Stark Valley, 1942.
- Neth, Walter E.:** Nebraska, Ithaca, 1927; Rising City, 1930; Second, Lincoln, 1934; Goehner-Salem, 1936; Cedar Hill-Memphis, 1939.
- Norlin, Charles A.:** West Nebraska, Hendley, 1898; Indianola, 1900; Upland, 1902; Norman, 1905; Lowell, 1906; Culbertson, 1907; Bartley, 1909; Indianola, 1910; Oxford, 1912; Upland, 1914; Sutton, 1917; Unadilla, 1919; Alvo, 1923; Utica, 1925; Surprise, 1929; Pleasant Dale, 1932; St. James, Lincoln, 1935; Retired, 1938.
- Norlin, C. Curtis:** Nebraska, Decatur, 1922; St., 1924; Herrman, 1927; Whitney, 1935; Shelby-Wesley Chapel, 1939; Stuart-Newport, 1942; Chadron-Whitney-Bethel, 1944; Hemingford, 1947.
- Nutt, Richard W.:** New York East, Grace, Waterbury, Conn., 1945; Nebraska, Uni. of Nebr. Pastor, Wesley Found., 1948.
- Olson, T. G.:** Retired.
- Pardun, W. B.:** From Cong. Church, Nebraska, Crete, 1927; Pawnee City, 1928; Blair, 1930; Dundee, Omaha, 1931; Oshkosh, 1933; Gordon, 1936; Geneva, 1940; Supt., Crowell Memorial Home, 1944.
- Park, Dawson J.:** Nebraska, St., Drew, 1935; Madrid-Blanche-Elsie, 1937; Beaver City-Hendley-Spring Green, 1940; O'Neill, 1942; O'Neill-Chambers, 1943; Neligh-Oakdale, 1945; Central City-Fairview, 1948.
- Parker, William M.:** Wilmington, Millington, Maryland, 1935; Nebraska, Columbus, 1938; Nebraska City, 1940; Nebraska-City-Wyoming, 1943; Chaplain, U. S. Army, 1944; St., 1946; Hebron, 1948.
- Pearson, Nels W.:** Swedish, Ong, 1903; Davey, 1905; Sioux City, 1908; Keokuk-Melrose, 1908; Stratford-S. Marion, 1912; Harcourt, 1917; Denver, 1919; Burlington, 1923; Lindstrom, Minn., 1934; Salem-Holdrege, Nebr., 1937; Nebraska, Salem-Holdrege Swedish, 1940; Retired, 1941.
- Pengelly, Ernest E.:** North Nebraska, Jamaica, 1914; Sprague, 1915; St., 1919; Diller, 1923; Raymond, 1924; Sprague, 1927; Shelby, 1930; Polk, 1935; Benkelman, 1939; Friend, 1941; Friend-Dorchester, 1944; Supt., W. Nebr. Hosp., 1945.
- Percival, Roy G.:** N. Texas, Dallas, First, 1924; Wichita Falls, Floral Hts., 1925; Howe, 1927; Texas, Houston, First, 1929; Central Texas, Ft. Worth, First, 1933; De Leon Station, 1935; New Mex., Colorado Springs, 1936; Tulsa, Boston Ave., 1939; Tulsa, Associate, 1940; Nebraska, Omaha, First, Associate, 1946.
- Perry, E. Wesley:** Wisconsin, St., 1924; Amherst, 1925; Footville, 1926; Racine, North Side, 1927; Milwaukee, Moss Memorial, 1931; Niagara, 1932; Neenah, 1934; North Minnesota, Minneapolis, North, 1936; Minneapolis, North-Harmon, 1938; Upper Iowa, Davenport, St. John's, 1940; Nebraska, Omaha, First, 1945.
- Peterson, Edward L.:** Northwest Nebraska, Springview, 1916; Atkinson, 1920; Ainsworth, 1925; Long Pine, 1926; Oshkosh, 1928; Pilger, 1929; Wakefield, 1933; Carroll, 1934; Oakdale, 1935; St. Edward, 1938; Arapahoe-Gosper, 1941; Arapahoe-Holbrook, 1942; Retired, 1946.
- Pfeiffer, Charles C.:** Nebraska, Springview, 1941; St. Madison, N. J., 1942; Chaplain, U. S. Navy, 1945; Springview, 1947.
- Pfoutz, Frank E.:** Iowa, Barnes City, 1908; Lynnville, 1909; Deep River, 1911; Nebraska, Milford, 1913; Bennett, 1916; St., 1918; Gresham, 1919; Plattsmouth, 1923; Fremont, 1926; Albion, 1930; North Platte, 1931; D. S. Hastings Dist., 1937; Lincoln, Grace, 1941; Dist., Lincoln, 1945.
- Phillip, Paul L.:** Central German, Auburn, Ind., 1911; Spencerville, Ohio, 1913; New Knoxville, 1915; Pittsburgh, Penn., 1922; Nebraska, Eustis, 1927; Holdrege, 1934; Gothenburg-Banner, 1936; Fremont, 1938; York, 1941; Kimball, 1943; Retired, 1948.
- Picciotti, Francesco:** Italy, Lanciano, 1923; Northeast Ohio, Italian Mission, Youngstown, O., 1926; Nebraska, 11th St., Bilingual Mission, Omaha, 1931; Omaha, St. Luke's, 1942; Sabbatical Leave, 1943; Supernumerary, 1944; Retired, 1947.
- Powell, Clarence V.:** Missouri, Galt, 1910; North Nebraska, Creston, 1912; Northwest Nebraska, Stuart, 1913; Mitchell, 1914; Chadron, 1916; Nebraska, Pierce, 1918; Wausa, 1921; Stockham, 1923; Stromsburg, 1928; Waverly, 1933; Martel, 1938; Martel-Wesley Chapel, 1941; Nelson-Oak, 1942; Nelson, 1947; Hooper-Bethel, 1948.
- Price, Edgar V.:** Nebraska, Lawrence, 1907; Phillips, 1908; Charleston, 1909; Tamora, 1911; Sy., 1913; Eff., Roca, 1914; Lincoln Heights, 1915; Paxton, 1917; Litchfield, 1923; Scotia, 1925; Havelock, 1926; Republican City, 1928; Gresham, 1930; Allen, 1932; Sprague, 1935; Hooper-Bethel, 1936; Table Rock, 1938; Douglas-Burr, 1941; Sabbatical Leave, 1942; Supernumerary, 1943; Crab Orchard-Vesta, 1944; Retired, 1945.
- Price, Elliott W.:** Nebraska, Phillips, 1898; Garrison, 1901; Surprise, 1904; Humboldt, 1907; Nelson, 1908; Sy., 1909; Eff., Thayer, 1910; Retired, 1917; Beaver Crossing, 1945; Rising City, 1946.
- Prouty, Carroll H.:** New England, Essex, E. Hamilton, 1926; Nebraska, Brock, 1928; Warren Memorial, Lincoln, 1929; Seward, 1932; D. S., Northwest Dist., 1937; McCook, 1943.
- Quaife, Otto A.:** Nebraska, Westerville, 1925; Walnut Grove, 1926; Pleasant Dale, 1927; Roseland, 1929; Giltner, 1933; Giltner-Doniphan, 1936; Springfield, 1938; Potter, 1940; Big Springs, 1943; Eustis, 1947.
- Randall, George A.:** Nebraska, Union, 1915; Waverly, 1918; Havelock, 1923; Scotia, 1926; Ravenna, 1931; Omaha, Grace, 1936; Osceola-Stromsburg, 1942; Stromsburg, 1948.
- Rasmussen, Ralph P.:** Nebraska, Morse Bluffs, 1928; Nickerson-Ames, 1930; St., 1930; Arli North Platt, 1944; Hasti
- Rasmusson, S. Amelia,** 1911; 1924; Atkinchester, 1911; Plymouth, 1911
- Read, Edgar,** 1911; Phillips, 1911; 1905; Kene Wymore, 1911; 1917; Falls; Fullerton, 1911; 1933; Craig;
- Rich, Almer,** 1911; Beaver City, Nelson-Oak,
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- Rising, Lloyd,** 1911; Farm D., 1918; M St. Paul, 191940.
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- Roe, John B.,** Silver Cree Greely, 1911; 1913; Surpr ses, 1920; C Eff., Gandy, Riverdale, Ceighton-W Winnetoon, 1941; Retir
- Rogers, Cloyd,** Tenn., 1937; Co. Parish, York, Tobey braska Exer try Com., 1
- Rose, Milo W.,** 1909; Wee 1915; Sarge Pawnee Cit ing, 1933; 1936; Gord Retired, 194
- Rosentrater,** Church, Ne Uni., 1944.
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