

SCHMIDT-JOOS NUPTIALS

A Pretty Wedding Service at the Reform Church Saturday. Followed by a Reception

Saturday afternoon, Dec. 1, a pretty wedding service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Alfred Funck at the German Reform church, when Miss Katie Schmidt and John M. Joos were united in the holy bonds of matrimony.

In response to invitations, a large company of friends of the contracting couple, assembled at the church and a few minutes after 3 o'clock the bride and groom arrived and to the sweet strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march were escorted to the front by H. Knecht as best man and Miss Carrie Joos as bridesmaid. The pastor welcomed the large number of friends of the couple to the church, in a few well chosen words spoken in English.

Following a hymn sung by the congregation, the pastor read a chapter from the Bible and singing by a childrens choir opened the services. A vocal duet by two ladies of the German choir rendered valuable assistance and was highly pleasing to all.

The pastor then preached a very impressive sermon using for his text a portion of 1-Cor., 1-3 verses. This part of the service being in German.

The bridal pair and attendants then stepped forward to the altar and in accordance with the custom of the church the marriage vows were taken. This part of the service was also conducted in English, by request. The singing of a hymn followed by the benediction brought the services to a close and the happy couple received the hearty congratulations of those present.

Following the service at the church a reception was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Joos Sr., parents of the groom, to which relatives and a few intimate friends were invited. A bountiful wedding dinner was served at six o'clock, and later in the evening the young people enjoyed dancing for a few hours.

The bride and groom were recipients of many beautiful and costly presents, evidence of the high esteem in which they are held by their many friends. The NEWS joins with numerous friends of the happy couple in extending best wishes for a long, happy and prosperous life.