

A STREAK OF BAD LUCK

Nebraska City Bicycle Rider Loses a \$25 Wager.

Had Made a Bet With a Friend That He Could Cover the Distance Between That Place and Plattsmouth in Two Hours—A Punctured Tire Causes No End of Trouble.

A Nebraska City cyclist had a whole lot of bad luck last Sunday morning. He made a \$25 wager with one of his friends that he could ride the distance between that city and Plattsmouth in two hours. He left Nebraska City shortly before 10 o'clock and it was agreed that the party with whom he made the wager was to meet him at the Missouri Pacific station in this city when the 11:55 train arrived.

The train arrived on time, but when the Nebraska City man alighted, expecting to greet his friend, he was agreeably disappointed—the cyclist had not reached the station. The gentleman waited at the depot an hour or more and finally decided to come down town.

About 2 o'clock in the afternoon the cyclist reached Plattsmouth, feeling about as disgusted with things in general as he had ever felt in his life. He had a weary, forlorn look on his face as he explained his experience. Everything had gone well with him until he reached a point five or six miles south of Plattsmouth, and then he had gotten switched off on a "blasted" cross road, and for a time it kept him guessing where he was "at." However, after considerable delay, he succeeded in again striking the right road, but about this time one of the tires became punctured—something which he was entirely unprepared for—and his hopes of winning the \$25 stake vanished instantly. He was compelled to walk the rest of the distance, and was doubtless able to secure an excellent view of Cass county's growing crops.

As the cyclist was settling his bill he remarked that the next time he made a like wager it would be a mighty cold day.

Janitor is Re-elected.

At the regular meeting of the board of education last evening J. W. Mullis was re-elected janitor of the central building. The question of closing the Mercerville school and transporting the pupils to the central building was discussed at length and it was finally decided that the school would be operated there again next year, being less expensive than transporting the pupils.

Superintendent McHugh stated what repairs he thought should be made during vacation and the same were ordered to be made. After allowing a few bills the board adjourned.

Remembered By His Friends.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Campbell, in the Fifth ward, was the scene last evening of a very pleasant party in honor of William Hutson's twenty-sixth birthday anniversary. Various social amusements were indulged in, and a portion of the evening was spent eating ice cream and cake.

Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames J. C. Peterson, L. Peterson, A. J. Graves, D. A. Wellman, Harry Johnson, G. C. Covalt, J. W. Campbell and William Hutson.

BANQUET NEW OFFICERS

Members of Local Cigarmakers' Union Spend an Enjoyable Evening.

At the regular meeting of the local cigarmakers' union No. 276 at the G. A. R. hall last evening the following officers were elected:

President—Jacob Koch.
Vice President—George Anderson.
Financial Secretary—Frank Eokies.
Recording and Corresponding Secretary—J. I. Sanders.
Treasurer—Bernard Wurl.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Jack Bennett.
Trustees—John Bajek, Jack Bennett and George Anderson.

Financial Committee—Anton Bajek, Clyde Lester and William Hamilton.

After the election the new officers were banqueted in a very fitting manner. Singing, speaking and various other amusements were indulged in, and the boys report a time such as they very seldom enjoy.

Preliminary Work in Progress.

A force of about thirty men have begun the preliminary work for using the big steam shovels in the cut near the Burlington bridge. Two of the shovels have already arrived and the work of placing them in position was in progress today. The contracting firm has two powerful locomotives, which have also arrived, together with other necessary machinery.

It is thought all the preliminary work will be finished today, and the work of loading the dirt onto cars and filling in the trestles on the east end of the bridge will commence tomorrow morning.

Notice.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to me will please call and settle. W. A. HUMPHREY.

Laid at Rest.

The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Louis Ottnat were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the residence in the Second ward, conducted by Rev. F. H. Freund of the Evangelical church. The floral offerings were very beautiful.

A large concourse of sympathizing friends followed the remains to their last resting place in Oak Hill cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Joe Droege, Philip Thierolf, Carl Kusman, William Hassler, John Lutz and Fred Ebinger.

A. W. Atwood's drug store is headquarters for wall paper.

NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

A. W. Atwood sells the best paint on earth.

Call at the Vienna bakery for fresh bread, cakes, pies, etc.

Doughnuts, cookies, buns, rolls, etc., at the Vienna bakery.

The county commissioners convened in regular session today.

J. C. Ptak, the leading tailor, makes fashionable suits of clothes.

Ice cream, sherbet and cake 10 cents Thursday afternoon and evening.

Have your trousers made to order. J. C. Ptak carries a fine stock of patterns.

The local cigarmakers have decided to challenge the B. & M. band boys for a game of base ball.

The King's Daughters will have an "unusual social" June 8 at the home of Mrs. Dr. Marshall.

If you want a new spring suit, made in the latest style, call on Hudecek & McElroy in Rockwood block.

The street commissioner and a force of men put in a new culvert on Lincoln avenue, near Bach's store, yesterday.

The T. B. club will serve ice cream and cake in the Coleman room, Riley block, Thursday afternoon and evening.

Have your suit cleaned and pressed. It will look like new. Hudecek & McElroy will be glad to do the work for you.

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A number of the members of the W. R. C. spent the day picnicing over on the Iowa side of the river. They drove over in Jones' carryall.

Small in size and great in results are DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills that cleanse the liver and bowels. They do not grip. F. G. Fricke & Co.

The Vienna bakery now has a bread wagon, and anyone wishing bread delivered at their homes can leave orders at the store or call up Nebraska telephone No. 216.

Dana Sleeth came in last evening from Lincoln, where he has been attending the state university. He may decide to remain in the city during the summer if he succeeds in securing employment.

Miss Mable Orr, a niece of Mrs. J. C. Peterson, was married in Denver on May 30 to Charles T. Walker of that place. Miss Orr is quite well known in this city, having spent the winter here with Mrs. Peterson several years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Holmes and son, Arthur, leave for Walton, Delaware county, New York, tomorrow, to be gone about six weeks. They will visit in Ohio and Indiana on their way home. THE NEWS wishes them a pleasant visit.

Eight acres of land, belonging to C. C. Parmelee, located east of the B. & M. lumber yard, was sold today at sheriff's sale—having been levied upon for taxes. The property was bought in by Mr. Parmelee, paying the sum of \$400 for the same. A lot in South Bend precinct was also up to be disposed of, but no purchaser could be found.

A Card of Thanks.

I wish to say that I feel under lasting obligations for what Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has done for our family. We have used it in so many cases of coughs, lung troubles and whooping cough, and it has always given the most perfect satisfaction. We feel greatly indebted to the manufacturers of this remedy and wish them to please accept our hearty thanks.—Respectfully, Mrs. S. Doty, Des Moines, Ia. For sale by all druggists.

Of Interest to Country Ladies.

There is an opportunity at the Department store that was never before offered to the ladies of this community. It is this: Produce can be exchanged for the latest style millinery and the best dry goods and groceries, at low prices. Just think of it! A beautiful hat formerly sold at from \$3 to \$4, we are selling at from 49 cents to \$1.25. Bring in your butter, eggs, lard or any produce and take advantage of this liberal offer. M. FANGER.

Public Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all persons that I have leased, for the purpose of pasture, and am in charge of the lot of land on Chicago avenue known as the old base ball park, and have stock running in the same. All persons are hereby notified, under penalty of law, not to trespass any further upon said premises. A. M. HOLMES.

List of Letters.

Remaining unclaimed for at the post-office at Plattsmouth, Neb., June 5, 1907:
Newton, L. I. Sims, Frank
Potter, H. E. Stober, Mrs. E. A.
When calling for any of the above letters please say "advertised."
C. H. SMITH, Postmaster.

J. C. Ptak, the leading tailor, has a process to clean your suit that no one else has.

Fractured His Arm.

Lynn, the nine-year-old son of William Cook, was "playing driver" in an old spring near his home in the Second ward this morning, when he met with a very painful accident. There were no horses hitched to the vehicle, but in some way the lad fell from the seat, striking the ground in such a manner as to fracture the bones of his right arm in two places—below and above the elbow.

A physician was quickly summoned and the broken parts set and dressed, but it is perhaps safe to say that the first month of Lynn's summer vacation will have to be spent nursing the arm.

I. P. Melford and wife of Greenwood were county seat visitors today.

ENJOY A SOCIAL TIME

Young People Entertained at the Home of George Dovey.

Affair in Honor of Miss Edith Patterson and Professor J. G. McHugh—A Farewell Party at the Home of Miss Minnie Herold Saturday Evening—Other News of Local Interest.

Mrs. George E. Dovey delightfully entertained about twenty young people Saturday evening in honor of Miss Edith Patterson and Superintendent J. G. McHugh. The evening was most pleasantly spent in games and music. Cards headed "a penny for your thoughts" were passed and each was required to represent by a drawing what was uppermost in their mind. No two had been thinking the same thought, as was evident from the drawing. The "musical romance," in which the guests had to answer a series of twenty questions by giving titles of popular songs, was very interesting. The musicians, however, had a decided advantage over some others.

During the course of the evening delicious refreshments in the form of ice cream and cake were served.

Those present were Misses Edith Patterson, Mathilda Vallery, Dora Fricke, Louise White, Barbara Gerinz, Mabel Hayes, Ella Clark, Margaret Farley, Nellie Hopping, Myrtle Meredith and Edith Snyder, and Messrs. J. G. McHugh, T. E. Parmele, C. G. Fricke, H. B. Groves, Paul Hayes, W. Stadelman, E. Hervey, Omaha; Ray Patterson, Frank Cummins, Albert Fricke and George L. Farley.

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GRUESEL ESTATE SETTLED.

Widow Relinquishes All Claims on Being Paid the Sum of \$1,250.

Settlement was made this week in the Gruesel estate matter that takes the case out of court. By its terms the widow, the deceased's second wife, makes full settlement with the other heirs and turns over all property on the payment of \$1,250. Out of this she pays \$250 attorneys' fees and about \$500 of personal debts left by the deceased, and relinquishes her possession of the homestead by September 1. This outcome cannot fail to be most satisfactory to all concerned and is certainly a big relief to the friends, who feared the matter would drag through the courts until the costs and attorneys' fees would rob the children of all income from the estate.

Papers in full settlement are signed and all controversy between the children by the first marriage and the second wife.—Havelock Times.

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