

DAILY PERSONAL NEWS

Short Items of Interest, From Saturday Evening's Daily Journal

John Halstrom and son went to Omaha today to visit friends.

G. E. Barker and T. H. Meisinger were visitors in Omaha this morning.

Miss Maude Hamilton of South Bend is visiting with friends in the city.

A. W. Dawson, wife and son, Fred, went to Omaha today for a visit.

Byron Reed was a visitor in the city this morning from near Murray.

Mrs. Anna Goos of south of this city way a visitor in Omaha this afternoon.

S. H. Atwood came in this morning from Lincoln and is looking after some business in the city.

Mrs. W. S. Scotten, returned last evening from a few days visit with friends in Lincoln.

W. H. Puls and William Puls of west of Murray were transacting business in the city this morning.

Joseph Fetzer was a overnight visitor in Cedar Creek last evening returned home this morning.

A. Rouse was a visitor in Omaha today, going to accompany Sidney Miner home from the hospital.

Mrs. Henry Miller was a passenger to Omaha this morning, where she will visit with friends for the day.

Mrs. A. Peistrup departed this morning for Council Bluffs, where she will visit over Sunday with relatives.

Miss Lillian Fitch was a brief business visitor in the city this morning from Omaha.

W. P. Sitzman of the Evening News, and his brother, Paul, were visiting with friends in Omaha today.

Mrs. H. J. Helps and Mrs. D. O. Dwyer were visitors in Omaha going on the fast mail this afternoon.

George Foster came over this morning from Glenwood, where he is engaged and will visit with his parents over Sunday.

W. S. Copenhaver of near Murray was a visitor in the county seat this morning, looking after some business matters.

Mrs. C. S. Forbes was a passenger to Omaha this morning, where she will visit for the day with her son, Clarence and family.

John M. Thompson and wife were visitors in Omaha this morning, where they will spend the day with relatives and friends.

U. S. Craig returned home to Afton, Iowa, this morning after visiting in the city, a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. Miles Allen.

Brad White is visiting friends and transacting business in the metropolis today, having gone up on the early Burlington train.

Mrs. Otto Wurl departed for her home at Quincy, Illinois, this morning, after a two week's visit with relatives and friends in the city.

George E. Barker will depart next Thursday for Perry, Oklahoma, where he goes to make his home, having purchased a farm near that place.

Mrs. W. B. Richards departed for her home in Omaha this morning, after having visited for some days at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Wm. Ballance.

Last evening John vonderon departed for New Washington, Ohio, where his father died yesterday morning, and where he will attend the funeral.

J. C. York returned this morning from Watson, Mo., where he went to attend the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth York, who died Thursday evening.

Mrs. H. S. Barthold and daughter, Muriel were passengers to Council Bluffs this afternoon on the fast mail, where they will visit with relatives and friends for a few days.

Miss Freda Herold departed this morning for Lincoln, called there by the sudden illness of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Skinner, who was visiting in the city a short time since.

Wm. Shea and wife returned this morning from Galesburg, Ill., where they were called by the death of a nephew, Master Merideth Shea, who died there a few days ago.

Mrs. L. W. Barger departed for Davenport, Iowa, this morning, going by the way of Burlington, after a months visit with her parents, J. C. Peterson and wife and friends in this city.

Edward Brantner, wife and daughter, Janette, returned home last evening from their visit at Omaha, and with Janette much improved, a fact well pleasing to their many friends.

Mrs. Nick Todd, Mrs. W. M. Thomas and Miss Evelyn Taylor, came home last evening and will spend Sunday with their folks, returned to their work Monday morning, where they are taking a course in Boyles Business college at Omaha.

Adam Kafferberger, sr., and wife were visitors in Omaha today.

Fred Lorenz and John Kata were visitors in Omaha this afternoon.

Mrs. Ed. Fitzgerald and daughter, Marie, were visitors in Omaha today.

Mrs. C. E. Streight of South Bend was a visitor in the city this afternoon.

Gid Archer was a business visitor in Omaha and Council Bluffs this afternoon.

Mrs. Harry Poisal returned this morning from a few days visit with friends in Omaha.

John Hallas and Thim Kahoutek returned home last evening, after a short visit with friends in Omaha.

Miss Nellie Tinney returned this morning from Omaha, where she has been visiting for some time.

Robert B. Windham returned home last evening from a trip to Lincoln, where he was called on business.

Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Bennett Christwiser were visitors in Omaha this morning to see Ray, who is reported slightly better.

Mrs. Elmer Yonkers and children came in this afternoon and are visiting at the home of the lady's parents, G. J. Jones and wife.

Mrs. J. H. Johnson and daughter, Margaret, departed for their home at Glenwood, Ia., today after a visit with friends in this city.

P. A. Hild and Geo. Hild, from west of Mynard, were visitors in the city this morning, looking after some business matters.

Miss Emma Schultz departed for her home this morning at Balfour, Iowa, after a visit of some time with her sister, Mrs. John Wynn.

Mrs. L. A. Newcomer departed this morning from Glenwood, where she goes to see her son Guy, who suffered a severe fall at that place.

J. H. Ferrid came in this morning from Nehawka, and is renewing acquaintances and looking after some business in the county seat.

Mrs. Alva Godwin, returned home last evening on the Burlington train from Lincoln, where she has been visiting with friends for the past few days.

Mrs. Sam Buckingham of Cullom and children came in this morning, and are visiting in the city, the guests of Mrs. Buckingham's parents, Ben Brooks and wife.

Frank Sivey and family departed today for Englewood, S. D., where they will visit for about thirty days, in the hope of an improvement of Mr. Sivey's health.

F. A. Gencher, wife and children returned home this afternoon from a visit at St. Joseph, Missouri, with the parents of the lady, George Welderness and wife.

Mrs. W. R. Adams, senior matron of the Masonic home, and her sister, both from Omaha, were visitors at the institution this morning, returning home this afternoon.

Philip Rhin came in last evening on the Burlington train from Omaha, and will visit over Sunday with the folks. Philip is attending school at the Boyle Business College.

Mrs. O. D. Marks and children of Murray came in this morning from South Bend, where they have been visiting for some time with relatives, and departed for their home this afternoon.

Mrs. Fred Stadlerman is reported as being very sick, having been kept to her bed for some two weeks past. Meanwhile Uncle Fred is suffering from rheumatism.

Walter H. Haines, an operator, formerly engaged in the shops here, was a visitor with relatives and friends in the city this morning. He went on to Ft. Crook where he has entered the army service as a member of the United States signal corps.

Del Billings and wife came in last night on the midnight train by the way of the Missouri Pacific from Council Bluffs, called there by the sudden death of their little grandchild, Gladys, who died last evening from accidentally taking laudanum.

Mrs. Ernest Lee, after a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Nickels, for about two weeks, departed for home at Bloomfield this state on the fast mail this afternoon. Before going they all stopped at the Leonard art gallery and had a family group taken.

Barnett Wampler came in last evening from Omaha where he has been for some two weeks past, having gone there from his home at Burlington, Iowa where he has made his home for some time past, and will visit with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wampler this city, and attend the funeral of his sister Mrs. Edward Klaus.

SLEEPS HER LAST SLEEP

Little Gladys Billings Takes Laudnum While Playing and Dies

Yesterday afternoon while her mother was attending to her household duties, little Gladys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Billings, secured a bottle of laudanum, which was kept for medicinal purposes, and liking the taste of it took a quantity of the narcotic. Her mother who had stepped out of the room for a moment, returned to find the bottle overturned on the table with a quantity of the medicine spilled on the table, and wiping it up, thought the little one had only spilled the contents. Gladys went on playing, entirely unconscious of the death dealing drug which was so soon to do its awful work, her mother as much in the dark as to the child having taken the drug, went on with her work, while little Gladys ran out and to the neighbors, J. C. Brittain's where she engaged in play with the Brittain children.

After a short time she tired of play as the effect of the drug asserted its influence, and then Gladys curled herself up on a sofa and dropped into a sleep that was to be never ending for this world. After she had gone to sleep the Brittain children called their mother's attention to the fact that Gladys had gone to sleep. Mrs. Brittain stepped into the room where the child was sleeping, and thinking probably there might be something wrong, called the mother, the families living very close, who endeavored to awaken the child but without avail. It then dawned upon the sorrowing mother that the child had taken some of the medicine, and immediately physicians were summoned. Drs. Livingston and Martin arriving in a very short time, but the deadly drug had so far gotten in its work that nothing could be done to arouse her. Little Gladys, from her play with her little friends only a short time before, in the peaceful sleep, has slipped away from this world, with its sins, its sorrows, sickness and pain, to a land brighter, to awake where none of the cares of this life ever come. In their sorrow, the bereaved parents have the sympathy of the whole community.

CASS COUNTY BOY MAKES GOOD

Tiring of the Farm, He Starts Out for Himself at Seventeen and Meets Success

James W. Furlong, son of S. L. Furlong and wife of Rock Bluffs, came in this morning from Denver, where he has been making his home for the past seven years. In 1897 James became tired of the farm and concluded he would change his occupation. He went to Syracuse where he found employment, staying there about a year. He saved his money and went to Omaha to take a course in the Omaha Commercial college. Not having sufficient funds to complete the course he was compelled to relinquish his studies for a time and go to work. Finally in the early part of 1900 he graduated from that institution having fought his way to the front in acquiring a business education. He went to Salt Lake City where he worked for a year and then went to Denver.

Here he accepted a position with a hardware company with which he stayed, and after some time was made a member of the firm, now doing a good volume of business.

James will visit with the folks for awhile, not having been at home for a number of years. He is a member of the Garrett-Elliott Hardware and Heating company, carrying everything in the hardware line. We congratulate the young man on his well deserved success.

Will Make Kansas His Home.

E. G. Laughlin of Greenwood was in the city yesterday and on departing for home last evening said that he expected to remove from this county and state and locate in Rush county, Kansas, near Lacrosse, where he has purchased a fine farm. We did not like to lose our old friend from this county, but believe in each one doing the best for himself possible, and we hope and trust he will find the situation to his liking in the sunflower state.

Sidney Miner Comes Home.

Sidney Miner, who has been in the hospital at Omaha for some time, where he first underwent an operation, and was stricken with pneumonia, of which he is now about well, returned home this afternoon. His many friends will be pleased to know his condition is such that he is able to return home.

In Honor of Mrs. Otto Wurl.

At the home of her father, Judge A. N. Sullivan, Mrs. T. S. Becker gave a six o'clock tea to a number of her friends in honor of Mrs. Otto Wurl, who has been visiting in the city for the past two weeks, and departed for her home at Quincy, Illinois, this morning. A very enjoyable time was had, and a very happy and safe journey was wished the departing member of the circle of friends to Mrs. Wurl. Those present and to add to the occasion were: The guest of honor, Mrs. Otto Wurl, Mesdames, Frank Dickson, C. M. Parker, W. B. Elster and T. S. Beaker, the Misses Anna Heisel and Janette Morgan.

FALLS DOWN ELEVATOR SHAFT

Guy Newcomer is Seriously Injured by a Fall at the Institute for Feeble Minded

Guy Newcomer, the 19-year-old son of L. A. Newcomer, foreman at the Burlington lumber yard, who is visiting at Glenwood, Iowa, and was a guest of friends at the Institute for Feeble Minded, met with an unfortunate mishap Friday evening. With a party of friends he was looking over the new building in process of erection, known as the New Custodia, in which are kept the worst cases of the inmates. In one unfinished room was an elevator opening through which were hoisted the building materials. Guy failed to see the opening as he passed through the room, as it was very dark, and stepped into the hole, falling to the basement 35 feet below, striking on a wheelbarrow upon his side and hip. The edge of the wheelbarrow came in contact with his side, extending from the hip bone to the fifth rib.

The unfortunate young man was immediately taken to the Commercial house and Dr. Benson summoned. In the examination the physician found no broken bones, but discovered some internal injuries, which it is hoped will not prove serious. L. A. Newcomer, the young man's father, had gone to Silver City, which is about seven miles from Glenwood, on business yesterday. He secured a rig and drove to Glenwood where he is looking after the welfare of his son. The physician in charge says that removal cannot be made for some time, and the young man will remain at the hotel until he shall have improved sufficiently to be brought home.

THE BOHEMIAN MASQUE BALL

A Very Enjoyable Affair and Attended by a Happy Crowd.

At the Bohemian hall last evening, was held an event long be remembered by those who attended, as being one which provoked much mirth and was productive of a good many outbursts of uproarious laughter. There was a large crowd in attendance, the weather ideal, and the people out for a good time, having an idea that it was due. The many characters represented were a continual source of fun and merriment during the entire evening. The music was inspiring, and the light fantastic toe was shaken to the heart's content of all the dancers. The first prize for the ladies was won by Miss Mary Blatzen, while the first comic one was won by Mrs. Mary Biley. The gentleman's first prize was won by Roy Holly and the comic by Fred Billstein. The judges selected to pass on the one presenting the best representation of the character carried were Val Burkell, F. G. Egenberger and Harry Meisinger.

Comma Causes Trouble

Proper punctuation makes all kinds of writing easily read and understood. Writers who do not understand punctuation should use it sparingly, because it not only makes their production ridiculous at times, but may get them into trouble. An editor had to stand a lawsuit because a careless compositor "misplaced a comma in an article which described the acts of two ladies and their escorts. Here is the offending paragraph in the article:

"The two young men went with their girls to attend a lecture and after they left, the girls got drunk." If the comma had been placed after the word "girls," it would not have given cause for a lawsuit. The punctuation showed that the girls got drunk, whereas it was the boys got drunk. From this it will be seen that sometimes the small comma may be dangerous.

SEVERING PARTY LINES IN 1908

The Good American of Any Party Can See the Hope of Good Americanism in Either Party Though at Times They Blunder.

In one sense, the history of party lines in America goes back to Anglo-Saxon and Norman times in England. In that sense, as in others, it is full of interest. As we are most concerned with it in 1908, it begins in the foundation of the Union itself, and almost disappears for a time under the first administration of Washington, who dreaded party spirit as a source of danger.

Reappearing under the second administration of Washington and drawn before 1800 almost as they are now, party lines slackened under the administrations of Jefferson, Madison and Monroe, until under the administration of John Quincy Adams and Jackson they appeared again in full strength. The names which best represent their history from 1788 to 1896 are Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Lincoln, Hayes and Cleveland, not taken as representing private character or political policies, but as they stand for decisive periods of rest or unrest in party activities and party alignment. Even with their sweeping changes in the votes of States, the twenty years between 1876 and 1896 may now be looked upon as a time of marked rest in what Washington thought of as party spirit, which may be raised higher and higher at a time when party lines seem to bind least.

Through all the changes which belong to the history of party lines, showing itself in party spirit or in spite of it, American hope of improvement has

worked until there is no period of twenty years in which it does not appear, turning into means of advance even the disasters which seemed to defeat it. Of this country during the Nineteenth Century the future historian may say that no other nation invited more disaster unnecessarily or redeemed it more heroically and successfully than it was redeemed in making the history of party lines which is to be continued this year.

Without giving away in the least on his own ground, the good American of any party can see the hope of the good Americanism in every other party, working even through blunders and disasters until the worst crimes of party politics are defeated by the higher purpose which makes parties possible and beneficial until what is worst in any party drives what is best out of it. When lines go down in that way the hope of changing the worst for the better and of improving on even the best of the present is always rising, as American history shows results from it.

As a whole, the American history is the history of increasing millions of Americans hoping and attempting to do their best through party or in spite of party. Their hope has never been defeated, and as it appears from generation to generation in high results of improvement, developed in spite of cost to repay the cost beyond expectation, it has become a faith that its results can never be defeated.

TRADE IS GETTING BETTER

Progression Slow, But Improvement Day by Day—Further Easing in Financial Situation.

A special from New York under date of January 18, says that Bradstreet will say today:

A further easing in the financial situation and very general reports of improvement in collections are the leading features this week. In trade lines colder weather and snow have helped retail distributions somewhat, but price reduction sales are generally credited with responsibility for whatever expansion has been shown in that branch as a whole. Wholesale dealers and jobbers report sentiment improved, collections benefited by the return to normal in the domestic money market, but trade demands are below normal and in some sections a late and small shipping trade is predicted.

Weather conditions are against the fullest development of trade in coal and winter wear goods, clothing, shoes, rubbers, etc., there is less than ordinary business moving. Accompanying the greater ease of money at all centers seems to have come a tendency to pay up something on old accounts and some long standing bills have been settled. On the other hand, the general slowness of trade, whether due to mild weather or at the south to holding of cotton, leaves something to be hoped for as regards collections. Complaints of many extensions being asked for and perforce granted come from the south.

All indications point to trade despite the improvement over December, below the normal for this season. Jobbing business is quiet and revisions in price of prints, gingham and plain and fancy cottons have not as yet evoked much buying at leading centers.

There is a disposition to long for small, frequent and perhaps late buying and perhaps a later than normal opening of spring trade. More life is shown in pig iron markets, the principal demand coming from makers of cast iron pipe. Most of the business went to the south and the basis on which the tonnage was booked appears to be \$13 per ton for No. 2 at Birmingham. At the same time there has been some increase in blast furnace capacity. The price situation seems to be steady.

Business failures in the United States for the week ending January 16, number 431, against 435 last week, and 235 in the like week of 1907; 279 in 1896; 304 in 1905, and 266 in 1904.

Canadian failures for the week number 44, as against 63 last week, and 23 in this week a year ago.

Wheat, including flour, exports from the United States and Canada for the week ending January 16, aggregated 5,421,867 bushels, against 6,804,273 bushels last week, 2,636,460 bushels this week last year, and 4,690,202 bushels in 1902.

IN JUSTICE TO THE LINCOLN NEWS

The Item Referred to Appeared in the Lincoln Evening Star.

The Journal's article in reference to the Lincoln News and the number of men "laid off" at the Burlington shops in this city and at Havelock is thus explained. The article appeared in the Lincoln Star instead of the News, and our informant hustled around and secured a copy of the Star, in which it appeared, as follows:

"Word was received this morning at the Havelock shops, to the effect that the Burlington has laid off 500 men at its shops at Aurora, Ill. The men who are still employed in the Aurora shops are working eight hours a day and only four days in the week. Word was also received that at least half of the working force at the Burlington shops at Plattsmouth has been laid off. Two hundred out of 300 men have been laid off at the Alliance shops, and a 15 per cent reduction in the working force at the Wymore shops has been made.

It would seem that the Havelock shops are held in favor by the Burlington, judging from the fact that only eight men were laid off this morning, and that no more reductions probably will be made. At present there are more men employed at the Havelock shops than at any other shops on the Burlington system, and the monthly pay roll at Havelock is expected to remain at about \$45,000 during the entire winter."

Called Away By Illness of Relative.

Last evening C. A. Harvey living about five miles south of the city received a message telling of the very serious illness of E. L. Bradley the husband of his youngest sister living in Newton, Iowa. The brief information did not say as to the cause of the illness or its character. Mrs. Bradley is well along in years being 68. Mr. Harvey departed last evening on the late Burlington train for the bedside of his brother-in-law.

Mrs. Hinz Improving.

Mrs. J. V. Egenberger and daughter, Miss Ida, departed for Omaha this morning, where they will visit for the day with Mrs. John Hinz, a sister of Mrs. Egenberger, who is at the St. Joseph Hospital, where she was removed last Saturday. Mrs. Hinz is receiving treatment for a tumor, and improving every day.