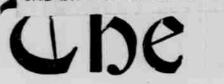
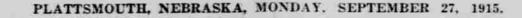
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## **FRIGHTFUL WRECK ON** train were bruised and injured in the wreck by being thrown from their seats, and among these were E. E. Ed-THE MISSOURI PACIFIC

Passenger Train Coming South and Freight Train mony of the members of the train **Going North Collide Some Three Miles** North of Plattsmouth.

# ENGINEER, FIREMAN AND BRAKEMAN KILLED

The Two Engines Completely Wrecked and Baggage Car and Several Freight Cars Entirely Demolished.

From Friday's Dally. expecting the passenger and the train This morning at 8:30 a terrible was proceeding at a leisurely rate of head-on collision occurred on the Mis- speed on the down grade, and it is

souri Pacific, northwest of this city, probably due to this fact that there were practically demolished and the City, where they have families. side of the track.

senger train at La Platte and were block when the mixup took place.

wards of Omaha, a salesman for the M. E. Smith Co., who had his right arm sprained in the general mix-up. Coroner J. F. Brendel of Murray was notified of the wreck and came to this city and impanneled the following jury: C. A. Rosencrans, Ben Windham, T. S. Barrows, Lee Nickels, The Groom a Young Man Born and H. C. Creamer and W. H. Puls, who viewed the bodies and took the testicrews of both trains, and returning to this city brought in a verdict that the three men came to their death in a wreck caused by passenger train No. 104 on the Missouri Pacific leaving the station of La Platte contrary to

orders. The three dead men will be prepared for burial and the remains sent to their families at Kansas City.



**RINGLING BROTHERS** 

From Friday's Daily. Yesterday while in Nebraska City which resulted in the death of En- was not more deaths among the pas- Attorney Matthew Gering, for Wilgineer Mike Sherlock and Fireman W. sengers when the two trains met. The liam Rinker of this city, filed an at-R. Goodman of passenger train No. head brakeman, Wilson, was sitting tachment against the property of the 104, and Head Brakeman Wilson of on the seat in the cab of the freight Ringling Brothers circus to cover a north-bound freight train No. 53, as train, and when the trains came to- damage suit for \$25,000 which Mr. well as the serious injury of George gether was hurled into the midst of Rinker has against the circus com-Cotton, baggageman of the passenger the wreckage and was instantly killed. pany for injuries which he alleges train. The locomotives of both trains All the dead men reside at Kansas were sustained last year in Omaha as the result of a runaway of one of the baggage car of the passenger train It was stated that after the wreck horses belonging to the defendant

was completely torn to pieces when that the block was set on the freight ccompany. The representatives of the the two locomotives hurled themselves train by some of the passengers on circus at once signed up a bond for together and were scattered on both No. 104, but if this was set before the \$16,000 for their appearance and the wreck occurred it was ignored or over- matter will be taken up later in court.

The freight crew had received looked by the freight crew, as their Mr. Rinker was injured a year ago orders at this city to meet the pas- train was ten car lengths past the when the Ringling shows were in Omaha, when he was standing on the unaware of the approach of the pas- As soon as the report of the wreck street watching the parade of the senger train until, when coming down was telephoned in the citizens pro- circus and the accident occurred when the hill toward the crossing of the ceeded to the scene of the terrible ac- one of the horses became frightened Burlington, they saw the passenger cident and every physician in the city and started to run away, and in so train coming around the bend and hastened to the scene to volunteer doing struck Mr. Rinker down, and his running at a high rate of speed. En- their services to care for the wounded, head struck on the curb, and which Cotton, the baggageman, and Mc- later caused paralysis, and for several ing from his cab window, saw the Coy, a mail clerk, were suffering from weeks his life was despaired of, but passenger approaching, and realizing the most serious injuries, but these he is now able to be around, but is a that a collision could not be avoided, were not dangerous, while the colored permanent cripple as a result of the shut down the brakes and calling to cook, with his injured right arm, was accident and unable to perform labor Fireman Wyeth to jump, leaped from looked after. Charles White of Kan- of any kind or provide for the care of the cab as the two trains came to- sas City suffered a severe bruising his family. and his hands and arms were lacerat-In a few seconds from the time the ed quite badly. Mrs. Arthur Baker of two men jumped the two locomotives Murray suffered a severe shaking up ANOTHER PATENT **ISSUED TO LEE C.** C. L. Stull, who was working in his SHARP OF THIS CITY of the passenger train, which was torn air as they met, and descending were From Friday's Datly. A patent issued to Lee C. Sharp of reduced to a mere scrap of iron. The The engineer and fireman of the tender of the passenger engine was ing to reports from Washington, to passenger train were killed at their thrown clear of the track on the east the firm of Bremer & Bruckman of post of duty and their bodies were side of the right-of-way, while that of found lying in the midst of the wreck the freight engine flew to the left side. of their engine and broken and lacer- There were five freight cars demolishon which Mr. Sharp has been working ated in a terribel manner. The fire- ed in the mix-up, and their contents for a long time, and its efficiency and man, Goodman, was found lying head strewn over the ground for a great usefulness has been recognized by those who have looked the machine The wrecking crews were summonover, but it seems that it is to become putting in coal when the crash came, ed from Falls City and Omaha, reachthe property of a foreign country and while the engineer was at his station ing the scene of the accident shortly will be manufactured there. Mr. Sharp on the right-hand side of the cab, after noon, and it will require until tohas devoted much time to the workwhich probably accounted for his not morrrow morning to remove the ing of the machine, and with his seeing the approaching freight train wreckage and clear the track of the usual skill in this line has turned out until too late, as a grove of trees shut debris of the wrecked cars and the a machine that can meet the requirements of the trade, and the new form-



Reared in Cass County and Well Known Here.

From Friday's Daily. The following from the Falls City Journal of Wednesday gives an account of the wedding of Mr. Maurice McHugh and Miss Angela Mead in

that city and will be most interesting, as the groom is a former Plattsmouth as the groom is a former Plattsmouth boy and was born and brought up in CHARLES D. GRIMES this city, where the news of his marriage will be very pleasing to his friends. Mr. and Mrs McHugh have been spending a part of their honeymoon here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walling:

A very pretty, quiet wedding was celebrated this morning at nine

when Miss Nina Angela Mead, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cass Mead, with his many old friends and acwas married to Mr. Maurice McHugh. The service was read by Father Hoffsung during the service by Miss Irene New York City, Buffalo, Cleveland and work of this paper. Mead, among them the Ava Maria.

Chicago, and while in Cleveland was The bride wore her going away gown, a handsome suit of dark brown J. A. Gutsche, where they are now broadcloth, with picture hat of white. Miss Margaret McKeiver and Mr. Virgie Johnson attended the bride and groom and the wedding march and special musical program was played by Miss Julia Frederick.

After the ceremony a delicious meeting the old acquaintances was a wedding breakfast of five courses was most pleasant occasion. served at the Mead home, 20th and Chase streets. The bridal table was

**RAYMOND MAUR-**W. B. WISE, FORMER PLATTSMOUTH PRINT-ER, HERE VISITING

From Fridav's Dativ. Willard B. Wise of Price, Utah, a former Plattsmouth man, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Jesse L. Root, of Omaha, was in the city today for a few hours visiting with friends and renewing old acquaintances. This is the first time in several years that Mr. Wise has been here in the old home,

very much meeting the old familiar stant death of Maurer. faces of those with whom he spent so

o'clock at St. Peter and Paul's church Texas, was in the city for a few hours afternoon for Omaha and will leave boat stooped over adjusting some of last evening and this morning visiting from there for his home in the west. the equipment when the accident ocquaintances here in the old home. He is en route home from a short vaca- changes that have occurred since he port of the discharged gun came to man. Special musical numbers were tion trip east, in which he visited at was one of the force handling the his ears. Maurer took hold of the two

#### a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. **TRESPASSING AC**living. Charley is engaged in the sail-**CIDENTS 60 PER CENT** road business and this is the first time in three years that he has been able **GF ALL FATALITIES** to get up north to see the old home, and while the visit here was limited to hours, it was one much enjoyed, and

From Friday's Daily. ways are increasing so much faster tore into the lungs of the young man. than accidents to other persons that As soon as the accident occurred

While Taking Gun From Bost Trigger Strikes Seat of the Boat and Both Loads Discharged.

**ER ACCIDENTALLY** 

SHOT AND KILLED

A tragedy came yesterday to mar where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. the peace of the Sabbath day, when Wise, made their home for years, and Raymond Maurer was accidentally his appearance was the source of shot and killed yesterday morning much pleasure to his old friends. Mr. when returning from a hunting trip Wise is engaged in the newspaper on the Missouri river. Young Maurer, business at Price, and was formerly in company with Harry Forbes, had with W. C. Benfer, also an old Platts- been out on the river for several hours mouth newspaper man, there, and is and shortly after 10 o'clock came in meeting with much success in the new their boat to the landing near the location. Mr. Wise has been east on Burlington bridge, where the accident a trip to Chicago and also at Kansas that resulted so seriously took place, City with his relatives, and enjoys and which resulted in the almost in-

From Friday's Dally. Charles D. Grimes of Fort Worth, many happy years. He departed this right and Harry was in one end of the While here Mr. Wise was a caller at curred, and was not aware of the the Journal office and noted the danger of his companion until the reshotguns by the barrels and started to drag them after him, when the trigger or hammer of his gun caught on the seat of the boat and in an instant was discharged and the charge from the gun buried itself in the left breast of the young man, inflicting a fatal wound. As the gun was discharged the palm of the left hand which was holding the gun barrel was torn off and the discharge, following Accidents to trespassers on rail- the left arm, lodged in the breast and

gineer Reed of the freight train, lookgether.

met and in an instant were hurled to and was bruised somewhat about the either side of the track and practical- face. ly stripping each other, while the

baggage car was smashed to splinters field near the scene of the wreck, was within a few minutes, with the result an eve witness of the collision, and that the contents of the car were scat- states that as the two locomotives tered over the remains of the engine came together they reared high in the off of the trucks.

down from the wreck of the engine distance. cab and had evidently been engaged in

off the view along the track until locomotives. within a short distance of the spot where the two trains met.

The passengers on the train were a half after the accident, to take care not any of them seriously injured, al- of the passengers and remove them though the cook in the cafe car re- from the scene of the wreck, and on ceived rather severe cuts on his right their way to their destination. arm from the splintered glass, and a While the loss of the trainmen is greater part were bruised about the hands and face, as the sudden shock the death list was not greater and SUIT FOR DIVORCE FILED threw them out of their seats in all that the passengers escaped pracdirections and piled the occupants up tically uninjured. in the aisles of the coaches.

It was stated by passengers on No. injured baggageman, is very serious

104 that they had met a freight at La and he may not recover from the ef- From Friday's Datty. Platte and that the engineer and fire- fect of his injuries, which seem to be Yesterday afternoon a suit was filed man had understood that it was the of an internal nature. Mr. Cotton in the district court entitled Eugene freight they were supposed to meet at was taken from the midst of the R. Warner vs. Nora Warner, and in that place, and at once started at a debris of the demolished baggage car, which the plaintiff asks that a decree rate of speed to make the hill leading fered the breaking of the right leg in the petition is desertion. into this city when the wreck oc- and was taken to the hospital at Omacurred. ha for treatment.

The freight train crew had not been Almost all the passengers on the Phone 36.

A special train was run from Falls ing and soldering machine is one that City, reaching here about an hour and will be found to be a great improvement over other machines of a similar nature that have been placed on the market.

# IN THE DISTRICT COURT

The condition of George, Cotton, the

Paints and Oils. Gering & Co. Copenhaver, formerly Cass county citizens.

adorned with a wreath of smilax and white roses and dainty appointments. From the chandelier above a wedding bell of white flowers was suspended and ropes of smilax reached to the corners of the table. The guests were imited to the closest relatives, the friends serving during the ceremony From Friday's Daily. One of Plattsmouth's former citiat the church and Father Hoffman. . The house was decorated throughout in white and green with a pro-

fusion of cut flowers. many splendid womanly qualities. Mr. McHugh has lived here for sevward characteristics. The happy couple

many friends. York, where he remained for some a collision. They left this afternoon for a short visit in Omaha and will return here to time until the Lake Shore and Michithis city has been transferred, accord- make their home, Mr. McHugh having gangan Southern opened a new founa fine position in the M. P. offices.

Brunswick, Germany. This is a patent for a forming and soldering machine BADLY BITTEN BY LAW-**RENCE STULL'S WATCHDOG** 

## From Friday's Daily.

This morning while Byron Arries the Ohio city and here the family are was out at the Stull farm inspecting enjoying themselves in their well dethe wreck he came in contact with a served success, and both Mr. and Mrs. watchdog belonging to C. L. Stull, and Gutsche are lovers of Cleveland and severe laceration on his left leg just Gutsche's sons-in-law, Messrs. Hugh \$14.20 from the Burlington shop boys, o'clock at the home of his brother, Ed as a result Byron received a very delighted with their surroundings. Mr. above the knee, where the teeth of the Roberts and McFadden, with their as well as \$2 from Dr. Livingston, Maurer, in South Park. dog inflicted quite a nasty wound. It families, are also living at Cleveland which is to be added to the \$36.43 balwas fortunate that the surgeons from and doing very nicely in their new this city were on the ground, and the home. The success of this worthy faminjury was dressed at once by Dr. E. ily will be most pleasing to their season. Now that the cool weather is W. Cook and the young man returned friends in this city, and it is to be here and the work of conducting any home with a rather sore limb, but it is hoped that they will live long to enjoy open air amusements is out of ques-

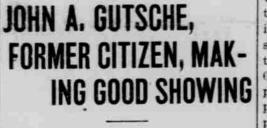
seriously The dog was watching the horses of Mr. Stull at the time of the accident and was very much annoyed DEATH OF FORMER LADY

ing through the field where he was guarding the property of Mr. Stull.

Visitors Come From Union.

From Friday's Dally. This morning D. B. Porter, C. L. Shramm, which occurred September good rate of speed on to Plattsmouth, and how he escaped instant death of divorce be granted to him from the Graves and W. H. Brown of the Union 13th. Mrs. Shramm was a former resiand the first intimation of danger was seems strange, as there was not defendant. The plaintiff, in his peti- Ledger motored up from their homes dent of this city and at the time she when a number on the right-hand side enough of the car left to make a tion, states that they were married at in Mr. Porter's new Overland car to resided here made her home with Mrs. daughter, Mrs. W. K. Fox, came in ness session the ladies spent some of the train, glancing out, saw the ap- showing, and to the fact of the bag- Sturgess, S D., April 27, 1908, and view the wreck, and while here Mr. Peter Mumm on Vine street. Mrs. from Monticello, Arkansas, where they very happy moments with their fancy proaching freight. The crew of the gage car being demolished may be laid that the present residence of the de- Porter called at the Journal office, in Shramm was a dressmaker and at the have been residing on the farm of Mr. work and in conversation. At the propassenger train state that the block the fact that the remaining five cars fendant is unknown, but was last company with Mr. Brown, and renew- time she resided here was engaged in Knapp, near that city, and will remain per time dainty refreshments were was not set against them at the cross- on the passenger train were not dam- heard of in Montana. The plaintiff is ed his subscription to the Semi-Week- this work. Those who remember Mrs. in this city, as Mr. Knapp has rented provided by the hostesses, which were ing and they were running at a good aged. The mail clerk on the train suf- a resident of this city and the charges ly. Mr. Porter has just returned home Shramm and who knew her at the his farm. They have been in Arkan- likewise most thoroughly enjoyed. On from Minnesota, where he visited with time she made her home here, will re- sas for the past ten months and are their departure the ladies declared the

John Porter, John Snavely and S. W. gret to learn of her death. Read the want ads in the Journal. Nebraska.



THAN IN NEBRASKA.

There may be homes as dear,

There may be skies as clear,

Than in Nebraska.

There may be days as rare,

There may be lands as fair,

Than in Nebraska.

There may be skies as blue,

There may be hearts as true,

Than in Nebraska.

**VISITS OLD FRIENDS** 

-William Reed Dunroy.

IN PLATTSMOUTH

But none are bluer,

But none are truer,

But none are dearer,

But none are clearer,

But none are rarer.

But none are fairer.

in the last six months for which the help was summoned and Raymond statistics are available the number of hurried to the city, but before they trespassers killed amounted to nearly could reach the Burlington station ING GOOD SHOWING 60 per cent of the total number of with the injured boy he died from the persons killed by railways. For the effect of his injuries and was taken to 60 per cent of the total number of with the injured boy he died from the preceding ten years fatalities to tres- the Streight undertaking establishpassers had constituted only 53 per ment to be prepared for burial. The victim of this most regrettable cent of the total.

These facts are brought out by the tragedy was the youngest son of Mr. zens who is making a most notable Railway Age Gazette in an analysis and Mrs. John Maurer, who reside showing in the big world outside is of the accident bulletin just issued south of this city on a farm, and he John A. Gutsche, who was for several by the interstate commerce commis- had spent a greater part of his ninein this city, where she is well known years foreman of the Burlington brass sion for January, February and March teen years in this locality with the exand greatly esteemed by a large cir- foundry, and for two years mayor of of this year, together with the bulletin ception of a few years in New Mexico, cle of friends who admire her for her this city. Mr. Gutsche is at present for the preceding quarter. During the where the family resided on a ranch, superintendent of foundries of the same period only two passengers were and he was a young man to whom his New York Central lines and has a killed in collisions. In other words, associates were warmly attached, and eral years and has made a host of splendid position, with the full super- the chances of an accident of this to his friends the news of his death friends by his manly, straight-for- vision of this line of work, in which he kind were so small that the average was a most profound shock, as it is most proficient. He, with his fam- passenger could travel continuously came without warning, and in its have the hearty good wishes of their ily, left Plattsmouth thirteen years at a speed of sixty miles per hour for sharpness was stunning, as he had ago, going to Schenectady, New 16,770 years before meeting death in been so full of life and fun when de-

parting on the trip, and to return home cold and still, the victim of the most distressing accident. It is thought that the boy, supposing the guns to be empty, had not watched closely when taking them from the boat, and as a result was caught unawares when the gun poured forth its leaden message of death.

Besides the parents the unfortunate young man leaves three brothers, Edward, John and Eugene, all of this Since the report of the amusement city, and one sister, Miss Lottie Maurer, of Glenwood, to mourn his untimely death.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon at 2:30

**ANTLY ENTERTAINED AT CHURCH PARLORS** 

From Friday's Daily. The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church and their friends were very county. It is well worth considering pleasantly entertained in the church and the Commercial club and citizens parlors yesterday afternoon, Mesades Brady being the hostesses on this occasion. The ladies held their regular business session, at which time various plans and the work of the so-

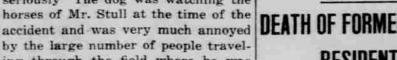
This morning Grovernor Knapp and ciety were discussed. After the busiwell pleased with the country there, hostesses to be splendid entertainers but enjoy very much being back in and were very much indebted to thm

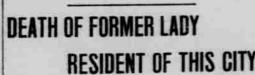
for the delightful afternoon.

From Friday's Daily. Friends in this city have received should get busy without delay. word of the death of Mrs. Dora

has built himself an elegant home in receipts and expenditures, there has been turned over to them the sum of

not thought that the wound will result their happiness.





fully discuss and determine the prac-RESIDENT OF THIS CITY tical ideas of a home-coming day for the former residents of this city and

## **Returns From Arkansas.**

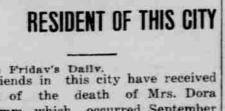
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tion, it will be a mighty fine time to

start in to plan for the work next sea-

son and to prepare a program of

special events for next summer and to



dry at Collinwood, Ohio, a suburb of LET'S PREPARE FOR Cleveland, and he was transferred to that place to take full charge. After A "HOME COMING declining several offers from private corporations, he was made superin-DAY" NEXT SEASON tendent of foundries and placed in charge of all foundries on the system with headquarters at Cleveland. He committee of the Commercial club a few days ago, giving a total of their