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Social and Literary Items

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Boyle will entertain the J. O. C. club this evening.

The Research club met with Mrs. L. E. Hanford, Monday afternoon, reading and studying the 3rd and 4th acts of King John.

The members of the 1904 card club were guests of Mrs. O. M. Knipple, Monday night, Mrs. A. Barnett and Mrs. Walter Stokes being special guests. Two-course luncheon was a detail.

Mrs. J. Raymond McCarl presided at the Kaffa Klatch meeting of Wednesday afternoon, when fancy work and a two-course luncheon were absorbing features. Mrs. A. Barnett assisted.

Mr. and Mrs. Marin Mattson entertained a company of a dozen friends at progressive whist, Wednesday evening. A dainty two-course luncheon was served. Mrs. Frank Hassler was the winner of honors.

Mrs. W. B. Mills and Mrs. J. C. Stone entertained the O. E. S. Kensington, yesterday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Mills. Carnations were in profuse decoration over the house and each lady received one of the pretty tokens. The usual refreshments were served.

The Shakespeare club will study the second act of Twelfth Night at the home of Mrs. W. B. Whittaker, on Tuesday afternoon March 12th.

Mrs. F. W. Bosworth entertained the Entre Nous at home of Mrs. J. G. Stokes, Tuesday afternoon. A luncheon in two courses was served. Mrs. Stokes assisting. Special guests were Mrs. H. P. Waite, Mrs. O. M. Knipple, Mrs. Clarence Stokes.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wood entertained the Young Married People's club, Tuesday evening. Mrs. Walter Stokes, Mrs. LeRoy Kleven and Miss Addie Dean assisted in serving the 7 o'clock dinner. Guests of the club were Dr. and Mrs. W. E. McDévit, Mrs. LeRoy Kleven, Miss Edna Waite, Mrs. Walter Stokes, Scott Deane and Dave Cobb.

The "odds" of the Young Ladies' Bridge-Whist club were the guests of the "evens" at the home of Miss Lona Phelps, last evening. The hostesses were Misses Lona Phelps, Martha Abel, Jeanne Thorndyke, Maud McMillen, Amy Kautz, Edna Waite; the winners: Misses Nellie Smith, Lena Williams, Laura McMillen, Esther Bailey, Claire Thursby, Edith Waite. The 7 o'clock dinner was served in three courses at a large table at which ferns were used in decoration.

Derailed at Diller.

Passenger train No. 14 was derailed, Wednesday morning, at Diller in Jefferson county, about 25 miles west of Wymore. The engine and three cars left the track, but at headquarters here it was announced that there were no fatalities or serious injuries—though there was a severe shaking up and more or less sustained minor hurts. Traffic was badly delayed over the Kansas City main line—No. 13 being 9 or 10 hours late in reaching McCook. A special was made up at Superior, however, and sent west, reaching McCook at about three o'clock in the afternoon.

Wymore, Neb., March 6.—Burlington passenger No. 14, went into the ditch, a mile and a half this side of Shea, twenty miles west of here at 4:30 this morning. The train was traveling 46 miles an hour when the accident occurred. No one was injured aside from minor bruises, and it is no less than a miracle that there was no one killed or severely injured. The engine went off the track to the left, and the rest of the train went on past, the cars went off on the right hand side of the track. The engine lies against a low bank which prevented it from tipping over. The machine ran entirely over the front trucks, which rest on under the gang way. Engineer P. T. Temple and Fireman G. E. Johnson of this city were uninjured. The accident occurred on a straight stretch of track, and was probably due to a broken rail or spreading rails. The track was completely destroyed for a distance of over a hundred yards and it will probably be impossible to determine the exact cause of the wreck. The mail car, stripped of trucks rests seventy feet from the track, in a field. It is upright. The baggage car rests in a field by the right of way fence. This car and the mail car were turned end for end, from their position in the train. The smoker badly damaged, is several feet from the track. The chair car lays side ways with one end on the track. The observation car and sleeper are on the track. All the cars are badly damaged, trucks torn entirely away. A truck was forced through the side of the smoker. Passengers and crew say they cannot understand how every one escaped injury. A wrecker from here and one from Lincoln are at work on the wreck and expect to have a temporary track built by late this afternoon. A stub from here brought in 14's passengers, and an extra took them on east about nine o'clock. Passenger No. 13, which was to have met 14 at Odell, went by way of Crete.

Banana Car On Fire.

Wymore, Neb., March 5.—A heater in a car of bananas on the local Burlington tracks set fire to the car about 11 o'clock last night. The end of the car was burned out, and the inside badly damaged. Those who responded to the fire alarm made a big hole in the bananas, which were being sold out at retail.—Lincoln Journal.

RAILROAD NEWS NOTES.

—Fred Schlect continues very sick.
—Mrs. A. F. Irwin was on the sick list first of week.
—J. W. Chase is on the sick list with a badly sprained foot.
—Brakeman C. J. Wood went down to Hastings, Tuesday night.
—Conductor C. M. Kent is off duty on account of illness in the family.
—A baby boy was born to Dispatcher and Mrs. T. J. Cain, Monday.
—Brakeman B. O. Dickey and G. O. McQuistin are in Alma on local business.
—Brakeman W. M. Burns of the Orleans branch was in town between trains Tuesday.
—Engineer and Mrs. I. L. Rodstrom arrived home, Monday from their visit in Missouri.
—Fireman E. C. Strand went up to Denver, Wednesday night, to take a turn out of that place.
—The Galesburg rush is about over and the men sent there from this division will be back by the 15th of this month.
—Mrs. Albert F. Buck departed, Monday night on 3, for Salt Lake City, Utah, called by the serious illness of her mother.
—Brakeman F. A. Denton went on the sick list at Denver, Tuesday. Brakeman C. W. Price of Denver came down in his place.
—Train No. 13 arrived at 7:30 last evening, nine hours late going around by Wymore, Crete, Hastings and Red Cloud to McCook.



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—Some western fruit is beginning to come over the Burlington.
—I. N. Biggs is in a hospital in Beatrice for a minor operation.
—Brakeman G. T. M. Foster transferred to Lincoln first of the week.
—Conductor J. W. Ridenour is in charge of the east local during Fisk's absence.
—John Hunt was in Orleans, yesterday, doing some air work on a car at that point.
—Trainmaster J. E. Johnson's family arrived, Wednesday evening from Lincoln, and will make their home at 906 Main street.
—Private car No. 83 brought Sup't Flynn in from Excelsior Springs on No. 15, Tuesday, and took him east behind No. 2, this morning.
—Mrs. Wilber Fisk went up to Wray, Wednesday on No. 1, to be with Conductor Fisk, at the funeral of his mother, who passed away early on Wednesday morning.
—General Superintendent L. B. Allen has returned from Chicago where he attended the meeting of the Burlington safety committee, of which he is a member. He says much interest is shown by employees of the road in this new move.—Lincoln Journal.

—The annual meeting of Burlington operating offices, to have been held in Chicago during the past week, was postponed until April, because of operating officers are too busy with the rush of business and storm troubles to attend.—Lincoln Journal.

MARION.

Burr Hinton of Danbury was a business visitor in town on last Saturday.
The W. C. T. U. doings last week were largely attended and all report a splendid time.
Mrs. S. E. Boyer and daughter returned to their home at Danbury Saturday night from their visit at the T. F. Gockley home.
Patrick and Dennis Plumb went to Ashland last week to work on a section of the Burlington.
Mrs. C. M. Dodge and children visited her sister Mrs. C. S. Van Pelt at Cedar Bluffs the past week.
Mrs. Mary Brott of Steubenville Ohio, is visiting her daughter Mrs. F. E. Lafferty and family.
J. E. Dodge was an Oberlin, Kansas, business visitor a few days last week.
The entertainment at Fairview was well attended in spite of the stormy night and all report a good time.
Mrs. Bartholomew and children visited relatives at Lebanon over Sunday.
Neta Stigeboer visited with Elsie Weyeneth from Friday until Sunday evening.
Miss Maudie Macy and Floyd A. Lafferty were married by County Judge Colfer at McCook, Wednesday, February 28, 1912.

We are sure getting our share of snow and cold weather this winter as it has been snowing and drifting the snow a little about four days the past week and about six inches of snow fell.
The M. B. A. lodge are contemplating a program and oyster supper in the near future.
Charivaris seem to be the order of the day as we have had four of them in the past six weeks.

Ivan Korb moved from near Indianola to the Wm. Allen place northwest of town last mid-week and Vere Angell moved north of Cedar Bluffs.
Mrs. J. G. Parker was called to Hartford, Kansas, close of last week by the serious illness of her mother.
L. D. Newberry and family visited at the parental home in the Laurel Dell neighborhood Sunday afternoon.

INDIANOLA.

Henry Crabtree, a pioneer of Red Willow county, Nebraska, passed away at his home in Indianola, March 2nd, after a prolonged illness and was buried from his home March 4th. The funeral services being conducted by the Masons of which lodge he was an honored member. Uncle Henry, as he was familiarly termed, was born in Licken county, Ohio in 1833, and was married to Miss Daphne A. Baker July 7, 1859, to which union 11 children were born, 8 of whom, with his wife, survive him. Leaving Ohio he came to Polk county, Iowa, where he resided until 1878, when he came to Red Willow county and took up a homestead. After proving up he resided in Indianola where he engaged in the manufacturing of brick supplying the brick for all of the brick buildings in this vicinity for 25 years. He served the county for a number of years as county commissioner and as deputy sheriff and held other minor offices. Served his country during the war as first sergeant of company B, 23d Iowa volunteers, receiving severe wounds which affected his health the remainder of his life.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crabtree, Jr., came in from Colorado to attend their father's funeral.
Frank Suiter left Monday on No. 13 for Lakeview, Ore., where he has an interest in some land.
Lewis M. Howard, a Nebraska pioneer, died at his home in Indianola, Neb., March 1st. He was born in Frankfort village, N. Y., in 1829, moved with his parents to Wisconsin where he was married to Miss Harriet M. Crouch, making his home in Minnesota until he came to Cedar county, Neb., in 1870; was elected to the legislature in 1872. Served Cedar county as county superintendent six years and county treasurer four years. Served during the war in the 2nd Minnesota cavalry. Came to Red Willow county in 1891 living on his homestead until 1904 when he moved to Indianola. The deceased leaves an aged wife and three children, all living in Red Willow county. Services Sunday at 2 p. m. at the Christian church conducted by Rev. Mitchell. Interment in the Indianola cemetery.

DANBURY.

Miss Turla Young is the guest of Miss Glayds Woods this week.
The freight train came up the branch Sunday instead of Saturday owing to the stormy weather.

Miss Esther Dolph invited a few friends out to her house Saturday for dinner.
A. B. Bagby and family have moved from near town up in the Laurel Dell district.
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Springer were called to Indianola Saturday owing to the death of Mrs. Springer's grandfather.
The rural route men could not make their trips around their routes Saturday.

J. L. Sims received his 45 h. p. farming engine Monday. He expects to have a demonstration with it in a few days.
M. J. Walters expects to start a newspaper at Lebanon in the near future.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Knott are the proud parents of a baby boy, born March 5, 1912.



Telephone Talking

The wonderfully rapid growth of the telephone has made its use universal and its misuse a matter of keen public concern.

When you talk over the telephone, speak in a slow, distinct and even tone, with your lips about one inch from the mouthpiece, talking directly into the transmitter.

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When your telephone rings, do not reply "Hello!" Answer by giving your name as "Brown speaking," or "Jones & Company, Brown talking." That method saves useless words and is both courteous and direct.

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For example, in calling "Black 140," when "Central" asks for the number, say "Black one-four-oh."

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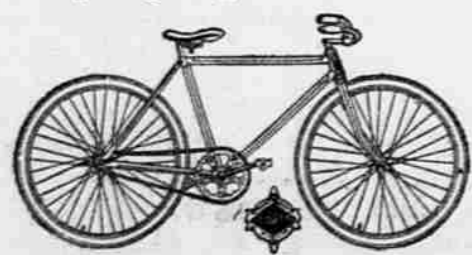
Railroads in both eastern and western territory have taken steps to further safeguard themselves against fraudulent claims for loss or damage to shipments.

It is alleged that in many instances claims of a questionable nature have been presented, and for that reason the following rule has been adopted:

"Claims for concealed loss or damage should not be paid where the consignee has failed to give the delivering agent notice immediately upon discovery and within a reasonable time after delivery of the loss or damage and where the railroads' investigation fails to develop any irregularity in handling the shipment."

—S. D. Hughes has gone up to the Scottsbluff neighborhood to arrange for the building of a house on his irrigated land in that section. He left yesterday.

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LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA MUNICIPALITIES.

Semi-Annual Convention, March 20 and 21, 1912, at McCook Nebraska—Program Given at the Court House.

Wednesday Afternoon.

Address of Welcome, Hon. James McAdams, Mayor, McCook.

Municipal Ownership of Lighting Plants, Hon. Geo. F. Welz, Mayor of Fremont.

Discussion opened by S. A. D. Henline, Councilman, Kearney.

The Commercial Club and City Officials, A. Barnett, ex-Mayor, McCook.

Discussion open to convention.

The Work of the League of Nebraska Municipalities, Roscoe C. Ozman, Sec'y Neb. League, Lincoln.

Public Health and Quarantine Laws, Dr. H. B. Cummins, Vice President State Board of Health, Seward.

Evening.

The Operation of Municipal Water Plants, Hon. C. J. Miles, Mayor, Hastings.

Discussion to be opened by delegates from North Platte and Alma.

Thursday Morning.

Expenditure of Public Money, Chas. F. Sturtevant, Holdrege.

Discussion opened by delegates from Scottsbluff and Central City.

Needed Laws, Second Class Cities and Villages, J. R. Stansberry, Councilman, McCook.

Discussion opened by delegates from Benkelman and Chadron.

Fire Dangers and How to Prevent Them, Hon. Charles Randall State Fire Warden.

Afternoon.

Paving and Sewer Laying, Adna Dobson, City Engineer, Lincoln.

Discussion opened by Hon. F. W. Harris, Mayor Alliance; and Hon. E. H. Bishop, Mayor, Central City.

Opening of Question Box.