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UNUSUAL AND PITIABLE CASE

Mother Buries Body of Small Baby in Cornfield, Died While Father Was Away From Home.

THOUGHT THEY HAD DONE RIGHT

On the 16th day of July Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gebhart of near Cotesfield, became the parents of a baby boy, an Ashland physician being in attendance. The child appeared puny, did not nurse but was fed from a bottle upon cow's milk for some ten days when it refused food for the next four days. On July 30th F. Gebhart, the father, went to Cotesfield to get his plow shares sharpened, leaving home at seven o'clock. When he returned about eleven o'clock the baby was missing and he swears that he ask his wife where it was and was told that soon after he left the baby had died and that she had buried it in the corn field back of the house. Thus the matter stood for some time until yesterday, the 24th, when Sheriff Higley was notified that something was wrong and went out to investigate the matter. He finally found the grave about eighty rods from the house, out in the corn field, and during the night of August 24th called Undertaker Herman Hermansen of Elba, to come out and bring a casket and what was left of the remains were taken up and buried in the yard back of the house where the Gebharts live, the work being finished about four o'clock in the morning. The mother had been accompanied by two little nieces when she buried the infant. One is nine and the other twelve years of age. The ground was scooped out about two feet deep and the child was carried out rapped in a blanket, but was buried with simply a diaper and a little shirt on it. Of course after being there close to the ground for twenty-five days there was little to take up. This morning, when the Elba undertaker phoned Coroner C. J. Christensen what he had done the latter at once called upon the sheriff and County Attorney Dobry for an explanation of the matter. It seems that the attorney had been advised of the matter and had sent the sheriff to look after the matter, supposing that the coroner would be notified, he says. Why he didn't see that it was properly done, is a mystery.

At any rate the coroner took the county attorney and the sheriff and went to the Gebhart home and took the statement of the parents. The mother says that she relied upon what her father had told her, that it was customary to bury little babies in that way, and as her mental capacity is not great, the officers are satisfied that what she did was a result of ignorance. The father should have known better, but was very careless about the matter if he did. Both swore that they never had a doctor after the child was born and that it was sick for four days without eating and they never called a doctor or neighbor. No one ever saw it. The mother swore that it died about eight o'clock while she was sweeping the house and that she buried it at once. The affidavit of Sheriff Higley practically sustains the facts as stated above. The father shed tears and expressed grief while talking about the matter, but insists that he thought they had done right in the way they disposed of the body. The whole matter seems to be more a matter for sympathy than for censure.—Grand Island Independent.

Buys Half Interest in Bakery and Restaurant

Beginning with last Tuesday, Sept. 1st. Gus George becomes half owner in the Ideal Restaurant and Bakery, having purchased that interest in the business of Will Dolling. This should give a new impetus to that already popular business, which has kept Mr. Dolling altogether too much in the grind for health and happiness.

Willis Fulliton and wife left Saturday morning for the east, Mrs. Fulliton to visit in western Michigan and Mr. Fulliton to Detroit to attend the National G. A. R. Encampment. From Detroit Mr. Fulliton will go to Ohio on business, both to return home after a ten days absence.

Miss Ruby Charlton left this (Thursday) morning for Peru, where she will attend the nuptials of her brother, Dr. A. F. Charlton to Miss Hazel Beck and from there will return to her duties as assistant librarian at the beautiful city of Cedar Falls, Iowa. Success go with her.

Epidemic of Hog Cholera

The Northwestern regrets to chronicle severe losses the past number of days to owner of porkers in this section of the country. Among those reporting losses are Albert Fiebig, Albert Johnson, Herman Johansen, George Brill, Will Hancock and many others.

Mrs. A. L. Watson came up from Wood River last Saturday evening for an over-Sunday visit with her good mother, Mrs. Mary A. Gardner, returning home Monday morning. She found her mother though quite feeble yet about the same as she has been for the past number of months.

FRANK HELDT HANGS HIMSELF

Accused Murderer of Miss Mick Ends Own Life.

BODY FOUND BY JAILOR.

Schuyler, Nebr., Aug. 29.—(By United Press)—Frank Heldt, alleged murderer of Miss Louise Mick, hanged himself in the county jail during the night. His lifeless body was discovered by the jailer this morning hanging from a bar on the wall of his cell. In some unknown manner he had procured a piece of rope about three feet long. He had tied his feet to the cell cot with his suspenders and lifting himself to the wall, fastened the rope around his neck to the bar in the wall. Releasing his hold he thus hung suspended between his cot and the wall and strangled to death. So ended the tragedy begun when Miss Mick was abducted in her night clothing from her home about two weeks ago, after two women in the house had been bound to their beds by wire. The search for Miss Mick ended two days later when the girl's body was found buried in a hastily made grave in a cornfield. Heldt was arrested when he was found hiding in the bushes close by, a few hours later. How he obtained the rope is unknown. It was about three feet long soft in texture and not very heavy. Heldt's clothing had been changed twice since he was arraigned two days ago and he had been carefully searched. His cell had been carefully searched as it was believed that he might try to commit suicide. No one was permitted to see him except under supervision and how he obtained the rope is a mystery.

YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED

Dr. A. F. Charlton of Los Angeles to Miss Hazel Caroline Beck of Peru.

WILL LIVE IN LOS ANGELES.

Last week the Northwestern had an item of the visit of Dr. A. F. Charlton of Los Angeles to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Charlton, of Washington township, this county. Monday noon of this week, the doctor, accompanied by his brother, Don Charlton, left for Peru, Nebr., where he is to be married this evening, Sept. 3, 1914, to Miss Hazel Caroline Beck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Beck, of that city, at 8:30. Following the ceremony, a reception will be given in the church parlors. The doctor and his bride will then come up here for a few days visit with his parents, stopping off for a short visit with the bride's brother at Aurora. At the conclusion of their visit here, the happy couple will leave for Los Angeles, where the doctor has an extensive practice and where they will be at home to their friends after September 20th. The Northwestern with the many friends of Dr. Charlton here and at Ord, where he lived as a boy, will tender the heartiest congratulations to him and wish for them a pleasant voyage on the matrimonial seas of life together, with all that the good wishes imply.

Schools Open September Eighth

The time approaching for the opening of school. It is hoped that parents will make arrangements to have all pupils enter at the beginning, so that when the bell rings on the morning of Tuesday, September 8, all can come in to be enrolled.

By action of the school board all beginners must enter at the first of school. If a child opens, or if he will be five by the first of school. Parents should see that this is done, for the crowded condition of the schools will not allow pupils to enter at any and all times of the year.

Many school books were loaned to pupils last spring for study through the summer. Pupils must be sure to return these books when school begins. It is possible that some textbooks or library books may be borrowed in past years and never returned. All these should be brought in.

I will be at the office from 9:00 to 4:00 on Friday, September 4, for enrolling and registering high school pupils. Let all come in and register on that day, that all confusions may be arranged, if possible, before school opens. All teachers will meet at the office at 4:00 p. m., September 7th. The teachers for the coming year are as follows:

Supt., J. H. Burwell; Principal, W. C. Macky; History, Miss Addie Leininger; Mathematics, Miss Fairthrop, eighth grade, J. F. Nicolson, seventh grade, Madge Holmes, sixth grade, Eleanor Holmes, fifth grade, Lena Smith; fourth grade, Ada Smith; third grade, Flora Ohlsen; second grade, Miss Lang; first grade a, Miss Cruitt, first grade b, Olive McCray.

The sad news was received here last Saturday by Mr. Fred Schneider, of the death of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Fisher at their home in Lockport, Ill., which occurred the morning previous. The many friends of the bereaved parents will hear the distressing news with deep regret. Mrs. Fisher was formerly Miss Marie Schneider of this city.

FALLS FROM WINDMILL

Howard County Man Falls Forty Feet Lights on Hands and Knees.

BADLY HURT BUT WILL RECOVER.

Sunday H. Litton went out to the Ode Clark farm with Mr. Clark to do some work on the windmill and after taking the old machine head off he attempted to throw it down, and in some way the thing caught in his clothes and jerked him off the platform with it. The tower was a forty foot one and as Mr. Litton came down he lit on his hands and knees, and how he escaped being killed is a mystery to everyone. As it was one shoulder was dislocated and the wrist broken and the other shoulder was broken. He also had a severe cut on the head and his hips were terribly twisted and at first it was feared they were broken. It was also feared he was injured internally but such is not believed to be the case now. Dr. Nicholson was summoned at once and later the injured man was brought to town. Sunday night he suffered a good deal and Monday morning he was taken to the St. Francis hospital at Grand Island where he can have the best of care. While it is going to be some time before he will be around again unless something develops which the doctor does not expect he will recover.—St. Paul Republican.

Miss Winnie Outhouse left Monday morning for a few days visit at Lincoln, thence to Ravenna where she will teach in the public school this year.

TURKEY PREPARES TO AID GERMANY

Great Britain Calls for All Able Bodied Men to Join the Colors Declaring Country in Great Danger and Defeat Means Ruin, Shame and Slavery.

FRANCE CALLS FOR 200,000 VOLUNTEERS

Monday's war dispatches are to the effect that Turkey prepares to join Germany in its war on England and Russia. Great unrest of British Mohammedan subjects is reported. France calls for 200,000 more volunteers. Britain calls for all able-bodied men to join the colors, declaring the country is in great danger and defeat means ruin, shame and slavery, and says any man who will not join the army is a coward. German airship drops bombs into Paris. Big fight being waged between Russians and Austrians on the border of these countries been on for three days and Czar reported to have advanced twenty miles into the enemy's country. German army not being checked by French and British and rapidly nearing Paris. The great French city is rapidly making preparations for a siege and homes in fort zones being destroyed to make room for the forts. Dispatch to the Bee says, a London Times special tells of desperate fighting in the north of France revealing that the British were chewed up by the Germans. Tuesday's dispatches say that Turkey may declare war any moment, being on the side of Ger-

many and Austria. British raid U. S. vessels on the Pacific ocean and take therefrom recruits to the German and Austrian armies, which according to international laws is the privilege of belligerent powers. French are considering moving the capital from Paris to Bordeaux during the war. Terrific fighting continues on the Austro-Russian frontier, German army is making daily advances on Paris.

Wednesday's dispatches claim the German advance on Paris has been checked with terrible losses to the Germans. Berlin is in a panic over the approach of the Russian army and the citizens are fleeing to neutral countries. Berlin reports victory over the Russians at Allenstein; wireless says Czar's army has been annihilated and 70,000 prisoners taken. Turkish army is being mobilized of 200,000 Mohammedans, with 72 German officers in charge, which means in favor of Germany. This will undoubtedly make Italy get into the fray on the side of France and England.

"Your king and country need you, join the army today," appears in black-face type in the great newspapers of England. The body of the advertisement declares the empire to be on the brink of the greatest war in the history of the world, and all-able-bodied single men, between the ages of eighteen and thirty are urged to sign the roll and get into the game of death.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Stewart and children returned home to Ottawa, Kansas, yesterday after a visit at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Marcy, intending to stop off for short visits at Omaha and Kansas City.

Hon. C. W. Trumble was up from Hazard Tuesday looking after his candidacy for representative on the democratic ticket and enjoying the day with friends and acquaintances.

A. J. Johnson left for Lincoln yesterday morning, where he has his usual job at the State Fair this year.

District Court Now in Session

District court convened Tuesday morning of this week, his honor, Judge Hostetter presiding, and with Court Reporter Cook at his right hand. There were sixteen cases, making an usually light docket. It was a jury session, the principal case being State of Nebraska vs. Kornrumpf, which, however, was dismissed, the complaining witness in the case being absent and whereabouts unknown, hence the case was dismissed. Three other jury cases were up for trial, but not of a heavy character. Tuesday forenoon was taken up with civil cases, closing up all these and securing a jury in the Outhouse-Klimper case, with presentation of same by the attorneys that afternoon, continuing the same Wednesday morning to a finish. Of the outcome of the case, we will not be able to speak this week, going to press too early to get the result. Two other possible jury cases were to come up, when the docket would be finished. We will give the findings in the various cases next week.

Has Big Snake for Bed Companion

Hanc Badura and three of his boys and daughter Ann are spending most of their time west of Loup City on their new farm. They have the barn and henhouse completed and now they are busy on the dwelling house. Ben Badura is chief architect, which proves that Hanc will have his buildings put right. They report

an uninvited guest came and made his home with them in the tent but things got so unpleasant a search was made and a six foot long bull-snake was found in bed. Hanc says it takes nerve to lay and sleep when such a big thing is crawling over you. The snake was killed.—Paplin correspondence St. Paul Republican.

A marriage license was issued the 26th of last month to Francis Eugene Porkony of Valley county and Miss Ina Gwendolyn Mowery of Arcadia.

Secures Moving Picture Artist

J. W. Conger has secured the services of a moving picture photographer for Monday, Sept. 7, the day of his picnic, who will take a picture of the same. This will be quite an innovation to many of our people who have never seen a moving picture machine in operation, and it will no doubt be seen later at one of our moving picture shows, so if you want to see it or wish to see yourself on the screen later, get into the crowd.

Deputy County Clerk A. W. Boecking drove Sunday to Kearney by auto, taking with him for a visit there Mrs. Boecking and little son, and also Mrs. Boecking's sister and husband, who had been here on a visit. Mr. Boecking drove back home the following morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and two children, and the Misses Olive, May and Octavia Youngquest, all the ladies being sisters of Elmer and family, returning home Tuesday morning.

One of the surest methods to secure this end is to obtain publicity. The promoters of this wonderful Photo Drama, "Traffic in Souls," had this in view and with the cordial endorsement of the National Censor Board and all the leading Societies for the suppression of vice and the police department of New York as well as the Emmigration Commission. At Daddow Opera House, Saturday September 5th

Leslie Lyons came up from Aurora Monday to pack his household goods ready for shipment. Leslie will either go on a farm near Cairo, or take a position with a pop factory at Alliance, he has not definitely decided which.

Better Late Than Never

It took some two months and over for Anheiser-Beush, editor of the Times, and postmaster by the grace of Billy Bryan, to get up the necessary nerve to give Mr. Gardiner, the efficient manager of the Northwestern's mechanical departments, a side swipe, because the Northwestern spoke kindly of his candidacy for district clerk. It takes lots of bravery for an editor to use his columns to roast a private individual, who has not the same source with which to return a like courtesy.