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## TRAGEDY MARS HOLIDAY JOYS

Farmer's Wife Killed by Discharge of Shotgun in Hands of Her Husband—Frank Hobbs Accidentally Shoots His Wife.

### A SAD NEW YEAR'S DAY

As an unwelcome visitor, he came in peculiarly distressing to the home of Frank Hobbs, 14 miles south of Giltner. Tuesday morning when Mrs. Hobbs succumbed to injuries sustained two days before from accidental discharge of a shotgun in the hands of her husband. Shortly before noon Sunday Mr. Hobbs took his gun from the house and started toward the barnyard for the purpose shooting a sick hog that was suspected of having killed Mrs. Hobbs. Mrs. Hobbs accompanied him a part the way, but turned back when she saw the husband crawling through a fence. She was discharged in a manner that no one seems to be able to clearly explain and the entire charge entered the unfortunate woman's back just above the hips. She was so close that the shot had no chance to scatter and the wound could almost have been covered by a silver dollar.

The horrified husband summoned medical aid from Giltner, Au-

ror and Harvard as quickly as possible, but aside from dressing the wound nothing could be done for the stricken woman's relief. Several vertebrae of the backbone were badly shattered and the spinal column was affected in such a way that she was completely paralyzed from the hips downward. She retained consciousness except when under the influence of opiates given to relieve pain and recognized all the anxious faces at her bedside. Death occurred at a little after 5 o'clock Tuesday morning.—Aurora Republican.

Our Methodist friends commenced a series of revival meetings last Sunday evening the other churches abandoning their Sunday evening services and attending the revival exercises, and which we understand they will continue to do as long as they last. Rev. Slocumb will be his own evangelist, so far as the speaking is concerned but has secured the services of Mr. G. L. Waltz, a prominent singing evangelist of University Place, to conduct the singing and chorus work. The church was crowded to its utmost Sunday evening, with a choir of some 50 voices. An earnest invitation is extended to all to attend the services each evening.

### Along Rural Route One

Mrs. Frank Zwink has been quite sick the past week.

A. L. Zimmerman and family spent Sunday at the J. H. Bone home.

Rev. Dunn, wife and nephew visited with the Bone family Monday.

E. C. Kilpatrick and family spent New Year's day at the home of J. H. Bone.

W. B. Reynolds and wife of Litchfield visited at the S. S. Reynolds home from Sunday until Tuesday.

Will Engles has been putting the finishing touches on Fred Zwink's new house.

The roads drifted in, last Tuesday and were in worse condition than they have been before this winter.

The carrier wishes to the road overseers and patrons, who so kindly opened the roads after the wind storm Tuesday.

The first part of last week one broke open S. F. McPhearce's mail box. This is a very serious

offense, if the guilty party were discovered.

J. H. Lee and family, J. A. McIlravy and family and Tom McIlravy and wife spent New Year's day at the Marvin Lee home.

Fred Zwink has grown tired of leading a life of single blessedness so he and Miss Coral Daddow are to be wedded Thursday evening of this week.

When Dr. Bowman was called several miles west of Loup City, last Wednesday night, he was two hours getting three miles from home on account of bad roads.

W. R. McCullough came up from Geneva last Friday evening for a week's visit with his son, A. L. McCullough, and family. He leaves here today for Fremont, for a further visit with a daughter. He is looking well and feeling fine.

Miss Lois Steen gave a party for the Gleaner class of the Presbyterian church, on New Year's day from 2 to 5:30. All had a good time. A delicious supper was served. The rooms were prettily decorated for the occasion.

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Meetings at the Different Churches

Presbyterian—The pastor will preach Sunday morning at 10:30 from the subject: "The Possibilities and the Power of the Regenerative Life."

Christian Endeavor will meet at the usual hour, but there will be no evening service, because of the Revival at the M. E. church.

German—Sunday, January 10. Morning service, 10:30, Sunday school at 10:00.

German church at Rockville, Sunday, January, 10. German service, 3 p. m. English service, 8 p. m.

Baptist—10:30 a. m., sermon by Rev. Fred Berry of Lincoln, Superintendent of State Missions for the Nebraska State Convention. You will enjoy hearing him.

B. Y. P. U. service 6:30 sharp, led by the pastor.

O. A. Woods last week sold his livery barn to Joe Caddy, the transfer to take place as soon as Mr. Caddy returns from a visit he has been taking the past number of days in another part of the state.

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## MASKED BALL BIG SUCCESS

Big Crowd and One of the Most Successful Events Held in City.

PRIZE WINNERS GIVEN BELOW.

The masquerade ball given New Year's Eve at the opera house by our friends of the Germania Verein was, in point of numbers and excellence of entertainment, one of the very best ever held by that splendid organization in our city. The night was propitious and the opera house was filled with merry dancers who ushered the old year out and the new year in. The music was par excellence and the order could not have been better. The contest between the wearers of the various costumes was very spirited and the generous rivalry gave the judges difficult work in determining the winners, so many being especially good. Following are the winners:

First Prize, Ladies' Costume—Mrs. Ella Odendahl.

First Prize, Gents' Costume—John Jezewski.

Ladies' Comic Costume—Guy Martin.

Gents' Comic Costume—Cliff Rowe.

Fool's Prize Costume—Dan Bauman.

Prize Miscellaneous Costumes—Mrs. John McDonall, Mrs. Ike Kieth, Miss Alice Rufenacht, Mrs. Will Dolling, Mrs. Lizzie Shrove, Mrs. Cora Kinman and Mrs. Hiram Cramer.

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## LETTER FROM THOS BURTON

From His Letter We Take The Following Interesting News.

LOCATED AT WICHITA, KANSAS.

We received a few days ago a letter from our good friend, Thos. Burton, who is at Wichita, Kansas, enclosing remittance for another year of Northwestern visits. From his letter we take the following interesting news to his old friends:

"Maybe some of my Sherman county friends would like to know what I am doing. Well, I am yard foreman at the Sedgwick House Headquarters of the Associated Charities and Corrections Associations. They feed all the men who are out of money and work who call here. The said "down-and-outs" are supposed to work an hour for a meal and an hour for a bed. We have a wood yard where they can saw and split wood, and a rock pile, and two paper presses where we bale paper and other work. There are plenty of professional tramps who fade away without working, besides taking every thing they can get their hands on. Then there are poor men with families who are out of work in the winter. They are furnished work sawing wood and paid in groceries. I have all that part of the business to look after and see that all the wood sold is delivered as it should be. It is an interesting job. One gets acquainted with all kinds of human nature. Some people appreciate help and some don't. There is a free employment depot that furnishes a great many men and women with jobs. Every morning there is a crowd in the office looking for work. Some nights we have from eighty to ninety men here. They are not all hoboes. Some have a little money. They pay ten cents for a meal and ten cents for a bed. There are two large reading rooms where men can read and smoke. The women have all their rooms on second floor. The Sedgwick House is a three story fire-proof building. You will have to imagine the other things I could tell, as it would take up too much space to write it."

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## STECHEER TO MEET PIETRO

Joe Stecher to Wrestle the Austrian Husky in Lincoln.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 13.

Joe Stecher, the spectacular heavyweight wrestler from Dodge county, Nebraska, who is now under the management of Frank Gotch and Emil Klank, has been matched to clash in a finish match with Tony Pietro, the Austrian champion, Wednesday night, January 13, at the Oliver theater, Lincoln.

Pietro, who is a newcomer in America, recently sent a challenge to grapple with Stecher or any other American heavyweight. The challenge was forwarded to Emil Klank in Chicago, who responded yesterday by sending a wire accepting the defi. Klank also sent word that Gotch would try to arrange his affairs so as to be at the ringside and act as Stecher's second.

Stecher won a sensational victory New Year's day from George Turner, a 225-pound husky from South Dakota, by pinning Turner twice in twelve minutes. Klank is confident Stecher is championship material and the agreement between Stecher on one side and Gotch and Klank on the other provides that Stecher is to be the personal pupil of Gotch, who plans to tutor and develop the Nebraska phenom until the latter is the recognized heavyweight champion.

Herman and Albion Ohlsen left for Dwight, Neb., Monday morning, where they are engaged in constructing the new Catholic church.

## Large Number Attend Watch-Night Service

The union watch-night services at the Methodist church last Thursday night, New Year's Eve, brought out the largest number of people ever in attendance at such in the past history of the city. The early part of the evening was given over to social time, with coffee and doughnut attachments, up to about 10 o'clock, the church being crowded with people, coming and going. From that hour

up to the dawn of the New Year, the building was comfortably filled in the main part, listening to the songs, short addresses, etc., all of which proved most entertaining.

W. R. Mellor was up from Lincoln the latter part of last week for a day or so on business matters, returning home Sunday.

Tracy, Musser, Whitaker, Pritchard, Burrows, Gilbert, Foster, Coltrane, Zwink and Rowe.

When a newspaper gives you a lot of free advertising in order to boom some concert or entertainment in which you are interested, keep track of the lines that are printed week by week and multiply that number by the regular advertising rates of the paper. Compare the results with the actual money value of any favor that you get from any other business concern. Then take into consideration the fact that advertising and circulation are the only two things that a newspaper has to sell. Now, in these days of higher prices, how much do you think it ought to give away?—Aurora Republican.

Downing Charlton has been selected by the Nebraska senate as first assistant secretary of that body for the present session. Don will make good.

The Ladies' Industrial Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon (Jan. 13) at the home of Mrs. S. E. Galloway.

Banker Dwehus of Rockville was in this city on business, Monday.

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