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A Letter From Miss Meroe Outhouse in Answer to Squib in Last Week's Paper in Regards to Teachers Attending State Association.

ARTICLE PROBABLY TOO SWEEPING.

In this week's Northwestern we publish a letter from Miss Meroe Outhouse, in answer to the squib in last week's paper to the effect that teachers attend the state association meetings for the purpose of getting an outing, rather than for the purpose of getting intellectual food out of the association program. In reading the squib, we find that we made the assertion in too sweeping a character, including the teachers as a whole instead as we really meant, which was to the effect that a number of those going to these meetings, say one-third, go merely to get away from the grind and for the purpose of having a good time only. We still insist that a large number go for the purpose of having a jolly time away from all cares, but would not infer that they comprise the bulk of the number attending or that the good of the association meetings is thereby brought down to a minimum, or that they should be discontinued. Nor that the teachers in this regard are any more direct than those attending meetings of other associations, not excepting even the State Editorial Association meetings, of which the editor and writer is a member. But we do insist that large numbers of those attending the meetings of all associations take advantage of these meetings to get away from business cares simply for the fun and good time they may have, without intending to receive nor absorb any special good from the same. For instance, at Omaha last June, not one-half of the attendants on the association sessions were to be found in their seats during all the sessions, nor any considerable part thereof, but roamed the city streets for the major part of the time, seeming to take little or no interest in the proceedings, nor could have given any succinct account of the proceedings thereof, merely making of the association meet an excuse for getting away for a good time. All honor to those who attend the state meets of all kinds for the benefit that may accrue by reason thereof, nor do we harbor any scold for those who just go to have a pleasurable vacation, as even if they do not attend any of the meetings they gain to some extent by reason of getting away from dull care and mixing with the big world, which is an education of itself to a certain extent, as you know the old and ever true maxim is "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." The following is Miss Outhouse's letter:

Loup City, Nebr., 15, 1913.—Ed. Northwestern.—Dear Sir: Believing you are willing to hear both sides of every question, I desire to question the statement regarding attendance of the Nebraska State Teachers' Association in your publication of Nov. 13.

During four years' residence in Lincoln, I attended four annual meetings of the organization referred to in your editorial, as a resident of the city, ample opportunity was afforded me to observe closely the attitude of out-of-town visitors. In the case of the great majority of teachers, surprising professional interest was displayed and attendance upon the sessions was constant.

As the program planned by those in charge of the affairs of the association provides always not only for sectional meetings which touch upon purely technical matters, but also for general meetings, to which the public are invited, and pleasure trips, sightsee-

ing outings, school rallies, etc., it seems reasonable that a teacher would often be seen "sightseeing over the city." Surely the poor teacher may be allowed a little recreation, some escape from eternal duty.

The idea of educators in such arrangements is that there is something outside of books of value to the average teacher and that such educational matter should not be neglected. Take, for instance, the securing of Madame Gadski for the recent meeting at Omaha, and the excursions to be made to the great packing house plants of the city. It would seem that even a teacher might be both entertained and improved by taking advantage of such arrangements.

If any school board is obsessed by the idea that a teacher is merely "getting away for an outing," let them ask for a report of the sessions attended and then listen to the report when given. They can then easily decide whether the teacher has been benefited, or not.

Finally, the average teacher is to be commended for displaying enough professional interest to care to go to a state teachers' meeting. In Illinois, teachers have to be paid for attending the county institutes, which Nebraska teachers all attend at their own expense. And the live teachers and live schools of Nebraska universally attend the meetings of the State Teachers' Association. It adds to the status of the school, advertises the "liveness" of the governing school board, and let it be hoped, stimulates the teachers to better work.

Thanking you for your consideration of the matter, I am
Yours sincerely,
MEROE J. OUTHOUSE.

Furniture House Changes Hands

On Friday on last week, H. Krebs, junior member of the furniture and undertaking firm of Daily & Krebs, disposed of his interest in that store to his senior partner, E. P. Daily, and leaves with his wife the early part of next month for Boise City, Idaho, where he will re-enter the same business. The Northwestern had known of the possible change for a week or more, but through courtesy to Mr. Krebs did not

YOUNG MCCARTHY IS MAKING GOOD

Tom McCarthy seems to be striking his gait out in Montana, of late, and has been cleaning up everything he has gone up against. He has had two bouts recently, one on the 26th of October, at Great Falls, which he won in one round, and on Thursday, November 6th, he fought a man named Uvanna, putting him out in the sixth round. Soon after McCarthy went to Montana he fought a draw with "Spider" Kelly, a Montana celebrity, and from reports that have drifted to Ravenna, it was one of the hardest fights McCarthy has ever had. The police stopped it in the fourth or fifth round. McCarthy did not attempt to do any more fighting for some months, a period necessary for him to accustom himself to the climate. Recently he has been getting into the game

again, and as stated, his won readily enough. It is reported that on Thanksgiving day he is to have another bout with "Spider" Kelly, who the sports say is one of the eminent men in the business, and if McCarthy bests him in the forthcoming match he will take a very decided step upwards in the fistie world.—Ravenna News.

WEDDING BELLS AT GIBBON, NEB.

Young Loup City Couple United in Wedlock Last Week.

HENRY—DOMGARD

Last week we mentioned that Miss Iva Henry was visiting at the home of her brother, Rev. W. E. Henry, at Gibbon, but no one would infer thereby that any more interesting news could be taken from the simple announcement. However, we have now interesting sequel to the incident. "Later, our young friend, Mr. Chris. Domgard, who had been paying rather close attention to the popular Loup City girl, bade adieu to the city, without assuring his friends of his proposed destination, but hid himself to Gibbon, where the lady of his choice was visiting, and on Tuesday of last week, Nov. 11, 1913, was united in the bonds of wedlock with the lady, the ceremony being performed by the bride's brother, Rev. W. E. Henry, thus taking snap judgment on their many friends, who had been expecting such denouncement, but not in the least in such expectant manner. The bride is the second daughter of County Treasurer and Mrs. F. M. Henry of this city, and one of our very best young ladies, to whom to know is to love and respect, while the groom is one of our most enterprising and appreciated young business men, owner of the Crystal Bottling works, and correspondingly well liked. May the kindest of fortunes attend them through life.

Mr. and Mrs. Domgard returned Saturday evening and are at present busy receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

TWO TRAINLOAD OF BUICK CARS

About the largest consignment of automobiles that ever went west passed through Omaha Thursday night when the Rock Island carried on two trains and aggregated 300 machines.

Think of it. Can you tell of any other car shipped in such large quantities? Looks as if the western coast was as good judges of cars as is Nebraska, and the Buick is one of the general favorites in every part of the state.

REST AFTER LONG ILLNESS

After Patiently Suffering for the Past Two Years Mrs. James Burnett Passes Away.

DIED SUNDAY EVENING.

On last Sunday, Nov. 16, 1913, at about 5 o'clock in the afternoon, died the death of Mrs. James Burnett, in this city, after an illness lasting more than two years. The illness of Mrs. Burnett, which had been accompanied by intense suffering for the past two years, causing her to be a confirmed invalid, and for the past three months being in a state of life and death, had awakened over the entire city the utmost sympathy over her condition, so much so that each day the entire population had expected to hear of the end of her sufferings, which had permitted of no hopes for her ultimate recovery, and when finally death came to her relief, the people's as a whole breathed a sigh of relief that her more than human sufferings were at an end and she was at rest. Mrs. Burnett was a wonderfully good woman, and during her months and years of agony no word of complaint ever escaped her lips, or anything but the sweetest words and patient acceptance of her condition to husband and all most dear, came from her. Deceased, whose maiden name was Catherine McDonald, was born in Churro, Canada, Nov. 6, 1850. She yet a small child, she came with her parents to Batavia, Ill., and later, in 1882, to Nebraska. She was married to James A. Burnett on Feb. 22, 1887. She leaves to mourn her demise the loving husband, James Burnett, of Loup City, two sons, S. E. Reynolds of this city and Mrs. Esther Dewitt, of Jefferson, Iowa, and four brothers, Valentine McDonald of this city, John McDonald of Waterloo, Iowa, James McDonald of Edgewood, Iowa, and George McDonald of Wells, Nevada. Her Christian faith and assurance proved a source of deep comfort and a well spring of joy to her during her years of suffering.

The funeral occurred from the home Monday afternoon, a large circle of friends being present, Rev. Tourtelot of the Presbyterian church in charge of the services, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Evergreen cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many kind friends and neighbors for their kindness shown to us during the long and painful suffering of our loved one, the many friends who always stood ready to assist us in time of trouble.

James A. Burnett,
Mrs. Libbie Reynolds,
V. McDonald and family.

MARVIN TRICH GETS HIS PICK

Declaring that he has never obtained any government land and that his claim to the first choice of the United States holdings in the abandoned Fort Niobrara military reservation is legal, Marvin Trich of Kirville, Mo., has selected section 34, township 34, range 27, Cherry county, containing 640 acres.

Trich's new home is situated two miles east of this city, on the Niobrara river. It contains eighty acres of fine timber land, 200 acres of farm land, one mile of river front, nine springs, good grazing land and is plentiful with game. Trich values his claim at \$15,000. The Yellowstone and Omaha automobile road runs directly north of this section, the state farm joins on the east, and it has rural mail delivery and telephone at the door.

Arthur Stromsburg of Stromsburg, Neb., whose right to the second selection was challenged at the same time that Trich's privilege of proving up on his claim was questioned, contends that under the laws governing land drawing he is eligible to a claim, and will select his claim at once.

CANNOT DO WITHOUT THE NORTHWESTERN

In a letter received a few days ago from Roy T. Fisher, at Lockport, Ill., who will be remembered as being united in wedlock some three years since to Miss Schneider and moving to Lockport, he remits for another year of Northwestern reading, saying, "We cannot do without the paper." He says they are getting along nicely, their baby big enough to run around and get into all kinds of mischief, every parents knows what that is, and also says the weather has plenty of snow one week and sunshine and clear weather the next, with work so plentiful that he and his gang of men have lots to carry over till next season. Success to Roy, wife and the big joy of their household.

And now Mrs. Pankhurst, the great English militant suffragist who is here in this country stirring, or trying to stir up the suffrage movement, is mad and mad all over. She has received an offer of marriage from Dr. Tanner, the man who made himself noted some years ago by fasting, and she terms the proposal from the noted faster as an insult. Gosh!

SCOTIA MAN MURDERED

Body of R. N. Woodward a Contractor from Scotia found at Denver.

IS KNOWN TO HAVE HAD \$700.

A special telegram to the Daily Bee from Denver, under date of Tuesday of this week states that a policeman that morning stumbled over the dead body of a man afterward identified as R. N. Woodward, a contractor of Scotia, Neb. From circumstances attendant upon the case it was believed he was murdered for \$700, which it is known he carried with him. A telegram was also received the same day at Scotia by the wife of the murdered man from Denver that her husband had been found dead in that city, having been shot. Robert Woodward, a young farmer, had resided in Scotia about four years. Two weeks ago he made a sale of his personal property, and a week ago he started out to look up a location, taking quite a sum of money with him. He leaves a wife and one child. He was well known to Messrs. Daily, Krebs and Bredthauer, Loup City's former residents of Scotia.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

By Supt. L. H. Currier.

The record of school attendance in this county is better this year than it has ever been before. This is due to a great extent, no doubt, to the special effort of the teachers and parents along this line. The county superintendent and teachers wish to urge upon the parents the necessity of encouraging regular attendance. To many outside interests should be carefully restrained by parents.

What would you do in case you saw some person with their clothing afire?

What would you do in case you saw someone apparently dead from suffocation?

What would you do to revive a drowning person?

These and many such questions which every boy and girl, man and woman should ask himself and decide upon a definite plan of action. To have such a plan may some day save the life of some dear friend.

Teachers should teach their children and drill them by practical demonstrations along this line that each one will have a definite plan of action in case accidents happen in his presence.

Within the last few months there have been many serious, several fatal accidents from burning, in the state. Most of these accidents were probably the result of ignorance or carelessness and should not have occurred. It is the duty of teachers and parents to teach their children that, fire, kerosene, and gasoline are very dangerous things.

Some few weeks ago, the Northwestern recorded the runaway of a team near the school house one Friday evening and the narrow escape of the McIlravy and Ling children, who had started for their respective homes after the week's school was over, when the team was frightened ran away and demolished the rig without injuring the children materially.

This week, we have to record the second runaway by the same team, which belonged to Mr. Ling, and with about the same results. After school, the children went to the J. P. Leininger barn near the school house and attempted to hitch up the team, but the horses becoming restive from the noise and actions of boys in the neighborhood, the little girls were unable to do so and a couple of boys volunteered to help. After the team was ready to start, the boys and girls got into the rig and started, with the boys driving, when again the horses became frightened at the football players and started on a run, circling in south of the school house and near the W. T. Owens residence, the vehicle turned over throwing out the occupants, making kindling wood of one wheel, the horses making a getaway from the buggy and caught at a distance, without further harm. Of all the crowd no one was seriously hurt. It is an unfortunate affair and wonderful that one more were not badly injured or killed in the mix-up.

CHURCH NOTES.

Methodist—10 a. m. class meeting. 10:30 Preaching Service, Subject, "Home." 11:45 Sunday school. 6:30 p. m. Epworth League. 7:30 Preaching Service Subject, "Stones in the way of Spiritual Progress."

The doors of the church will be thrown open for admission to membership both morning and evening. Communion Services, Nov. 30th.

Baptist—Morning Service "The Sin of Backsliding." The evening service, "The Determination of Ruth." Sunday school at 11:45 a. m. Preaching in the afternoon at the Dead Horse school house.

A VERY UNIQUE WEDDING PARTY

Mrs. Chris. Domgard Entertained by a Bunch of Girl Friends in a Novel Way at the Home of John W. Long.

AN EVENING OF FUN AND FROLIC.

A bunch of the intimate girl friends of Mrs. Chris Domgard, (nee Iva Henry), entertained her in an evening of fun and frolic at the home of John W. Long, Monday evening of this week, roasting and toasting the delinquent guest of honor, for her recent misdeeds and shortcomings in deserting their ranks, and to show her just how impressive and serious her actions had been. The girls rehearsed with solemn mein, but amid uproarious laughter, a proper wedding ceremony for her benefit. The text of the ceremony was full of wit and wisdom. The bride, Miss Ruby Johnson, alias Caroline O'Connor, was resplendent in white, with peekaboo embroidery and lace curtain veil attachments. The groom, Miss Freda Ohlsen, alias Patrick O'Sullivan, was dressed in conventional black, with swallow tail coat, bright green necktie and a smile. Father O'Connor, who, amid weeping and wailing, gave away the bride, was represented by Miss Sigrid Rasmussen, and Miss Olive McCray, alias Mother O'Connor, with many misgivings, admonitions, motherly advice and some good healthy roasts—launched her eldest daughter on the Sea of Matrimony. Miss Mable Barnes, alias Parson Jokes, arrayed in his latest Prince Albert coat, with trousers to match, with solemn grandeur pronounced the words most of which would be unpronounceable on such occasions, which united in happy bonds Caroline O'Connor and Patrick O'Sullivan, until the roses bloom again. Miss Winnie Parsley was Caroline's kid sister and made life a burden for Patrick and his bride, and kept Mother O'Connor busy

subduing the obstreperous youngster. After the ceremony was concluded and all present had duly and properly saluted the bride and groom, they repaired to the dining room and partook of the good things the young ladies had prepared. The place cards were roasts on the "Newlyweds" and especially for the guest of honor of the evening. And all present voted it one of the funniest events they ever attended.

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Plenty of babies are "well-bred" in one sense, of course, but they are not eugenically bred; nothing particular is done to bring the best possible babies into this best possible of worlds.

But the eugenicists—Bernard Shaw, Jerome K. Jerome, Prof. Karl Pearson and Metchnikoff ("the sour milk cure" man), and Sir James Crichton-Browne are among them, and their number is increasing by leaps and bounds—want to change all this. They want:

Only healthy people to marry each other, and These people to do everything possibly, scientifically and medically, during the pre-natal period in order to insure healthy children being born. It is an accepted fact that the feeding, the amusement, the environment of a mother-to-be all have their effect, in some mysterious way, on the mind and character of her child before it comes into the world. A woman who is worried or bored or improperly fed will not have so fine a child as otherwise might; if she does not give her baby a proper chance.

"Keep yourself fit and your spirits up" is what the eugenicists say to mothers—expectant. Sir Francis Galton, the scientist, was the father of Eugenics. Six years ago at Oxford he set people thinking furiously about his new theory of race-culture. This is how he defined eugenics: "The study of agencies under social control that may improve or impair the social qualities of future generations, either physically or mentally."

Eugenics, therefore, aims at so educating public opinion that reproduction by the unfit will cease. But it doesn't on this account, attempt to force marriage only upon approved persons and forbid it to those not approved. The supreme value of human love between man and woman is recognized fully in eugenics, but where one—or both—of the parties of a marriage is lacking in moral responsibility and social sense or is physically unfit in any way, it suggested that parenthood should be avoided for the good of the rest of the race.

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Eugenics is, in fact, the elimination of the unfit and the encouragement of the fit to reproduce their stock. It aims at improving the race mentally, morally and physically.