

DANBURY.

Ray Ryan and wife came in Thursday on the passenger. They were married in Iowa.

There are revival meetings at the M. E. church for two weeks.

H. L. Goodenberger and family were McCook visitors Wednesday.

Some of the members of the Masonic lodge went down to Beaver City Wednesday night.

C. W. Rogers and family from south of Marion were Danbury visitors on Wednesday.

J. L. Hughes of Lincoln was a business visitor Thursday.

A Chicago young woman who was engaged to a young man by the name of Carr, ran away with a street car conductor. In other words she changed cars.

It takes an awful lot of holding on to teach a pretty girl to ride a bicycle.

A number of Odd Fellows went to Wiltonville Thursday night to a lodge meeting at that place.

J. L. Sims and H. L. Ruby returned home Friday from Kansas City where they attended an implement exhibition.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hethcote are the proud parents of a baby girl born January 14th.

Sam Dolph was a McCook visitor Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Thomas arrived home on Saturday from Washington where they have been visiting the past three months.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierre MacFee arrived home on Monday from Beaver City where they had been visiting.

RED WILLOW.

Mrs. Taylor has been ill for some time.

Miss Baker, a trained nurse, who has been with relatives at Freedom, is nursing Mrs. Taylor.

Miss Hughes was taken ill and had to leave school on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Elmer slipped on the ice on his pond Friday morning and broke his ankle.

No school this week on account of the illness of the teacher.

Miss Oblinger made a hasty farewell call on friends Thursday evening.

Mrs. Louis Longnecker was with her father on Saturday and Sunday until Mrs. Elmer returned from Denver where she was visiting her daughter.

Mrs. Longnecker has a fine fireless cooker and her propensity for burning her hands when cooking is carried on with the fireless.

Mrs. Sexson is still quite sick.

GRANT.

Aug. Wesch and wife went to McCook Monday.

B. W. Benjamin, Chas. Wesch and James Bennett were McCook visitors Saturday.

Geo. Schreiber and Miss Etta Wesch visited relatives in Oberlin, Kansas, Sunday.

We understand that Miss Louisa Wesch is the Beaver Valley Booster news reporter now.

A number of young people from here attended the dance at John Thomas' near Perry last Saturday night.

Chas. R. Lee went to McCook on business Monday.

Buffalo McKenzie, the junk man, was around buying old iron and rubber last week.

The tenant on the Bamesford farm up in Frontier county, C. D. Ehlers, died on Sunday of last week. W. B. Whittaker was up first days of the week looking after his business affairs and arranging for his burial.

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Rural School Ruling.

"The State Department of Education will permit rural schools under certain conditions to offer ninth grade subjects and will recognize the grades earned as high school grades. In order to gain this recognition:

- "1. The teacher must hold a first grade certificate or must have completed the work of a twelve year school.
- "2. The school must be properly equipped.
- "3. The attendance must be small enough so as to allow ample time for recitations in the higher subjects.
- "4. The application for permission must be made by the county superintendent and recommended by him."

Real Estate Filings.

The following real estate filings have been made in the county clerk's office:

Fred Nelson and Arthur W. Single to O. R. Levine wd to n $\frac{1}{2}$ nw $\frac{1}{4}$ of 21-1-30 2000 0

John H. Thomas et ux to Eugene H. Grisby wd to 5 in 4 4th add to McCook 2500 00

Robert D. Mann et ux to J. J. Walter wd, se $\frac{1}{2}$ se $\frac{1}{4}$ 32-3-26 1 00

Ella Lee et cons to C. H. Boyle wd to 1 in 3-6th McCook 400 0

John F. Cordeal, trustee, to The City of McCook wd to 15 in 10 McCook 650 00

Association and Contest.

The county meeting of the Red Willow County Teachers' association will be held at Bartley, Saturday, February 25.

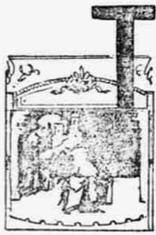
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Hagen, Leading Wonder Worker Of the Stage



THE illusions of stagecraft are constantly a marvel to those before the curtain. Despite newspaper and magazine articles showing the manufacture of thunder, galloping horses and other effects

that have been so plentifully exposed by illustrations the public still views them with awe and enthusiasm.

Probably the premier among stage illusions is Claude L. Hagen, who constructed the stage of the New theater, New York, and is technical director of all its effects. Mr. Hagen's career has been a long one, and a catalogue of his achievements reads like a procession of theatrical reminiscences to almost any playgoer of the present day.

For instance, Mr. Hagen was the inventor of many of the tricks and illusions used by Alexander Herrmann, the first of the celebrated trio of magicians of that name. Then there were the sumptuous productions of "Cleopatra" and "Gismonda" by Fanny Davenport. Afterward Mr. Hagen was connected with the theatrical syndicate that produced "Ben-Hur," for which he invented the world famous chariot race scene. Later Mr. Hagen produced this at the Drury Lane theater, in London, where it scored an immediate success. So great was the enthusiasm that Mr. Hagen was given the singular honor of being the only man in his line of business during the



CLAUDE L. HAGEN.

house's 140 years of history who had been forced to appear before the curtain in response to the demands of the audience to personally show their approval of the wonderful mechanism that spelled success for the Lew Wallace dramatization.

Then, being overworked, Mr. Hagen thought he would try something lighter and emigrated to Coney Island. As a result of this change of base the famous fire spectacle entitled "Fighting the Flames" appeared and has since been seen from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Then came the call to the New theater, the contribution of the artistic wealth to the cleansing of the drama, with its opportunity for struggling playwrights.

With such a theatrical record it would seem as if Mr. Hagen must have been literally born on the stage. Instead he is a native of Chicago and spent his boyhood in Minneapolis, Philadelphia and Kansas City, arriving at the Missouri burg in 1879, when, to use his own words, the town "was practically a brickyard." But he entered the theatrical business there and erected several theaters for capitalists during his stay. Then he began his wanderings, which have carried him all over the United States and into some foreign countries as well.

One of the best of the specimens of the Hagen handiwork at the New theater is the revolving stage, probably unsurpassed in America if not all other countries as well. The idea is not claimed as original by Mr. Hagen, who said in explaining its workings:

"The first revolving stage was in use during the sixteenth century by the Japanese. It was merely a round turntable. Since then various modifications have been devised. The stage of the New theater is a distinct type, inasmuch as it revolves, moves backward and forward or transversely and up and down, as a whole or in parts. It also permits sections of the transverse stage to be dropped and the rest of the sections to be opened so as to form sinks or cuts through which to lower whole sections.

"This stage enables us to reduce to a minimum the time between scenes."

WAS OBEYING ORDERS

HUMOROUS INCIDENT IN NEW YORK STREET CAR.

Twinkling-Eyed Old Irishwoman Got Her Transfer Regardless of the Company's Rules—What She Wanted It For.

When the street railway companies in New York posted notices that passengers desiring transfers must ask for them at the time of paying fare or otherwise forfeit right to receive them, of course people constantly forgot. The troubles of the street car employes were materially increased thereby—except in occasional instances. The conductor on an Amsterdam avenue car was one day accosted by a quaint little twinkling-eyed old woman, who demanded her "transfer."

"You should have asked me when you paid," he objected.

"Sure, but I tried to do it, me bhooy," she said, her innate friendliness overflowing in a smile, "but ye wuz that quick 'n' lovely ye'd shepped off before I cud say a wurrd!"

The conductors evidently reserved the right to make exceptions. This one was a good-natured looking young man; indeed, by this time every one about had begun to look good-natured.

"All right, grandma," he said, jovially, "I'll give you one this time. What other line do you want?"

"Whut line?" she repeated doubtfully. "I don't wan anny other line."

"Don't you know where you want to go?"

"Don't I know? Well, listen to the impudence of the bhooy, will ye!"

"You see," explained the 'bhooy,' laughing, "if you tell me where you want to go, I know what transfer to give you."

"Well, if ye must know, I'm goin' to git off at Wan Hundred 'n' Slivnth street and go straight to me home, wan block wist."

"Well, then, what do you want with a transfer?"

"Whut do I? 'Tis me own business that! Sure"—taking him fully into her confidence—"I'll be givin' it, mebbey, to me little grandson. Whin I git home, he'll be askin' whut grandma's got for him, the lamb!"

"But—"

"Now see here, wanst me bhooy, Danny, that's me son, he tould me pertickler to ask fer me transfer whin payin' me fare. 'Tis the comp'ny's ordhes," says he. An' that's whut I'm doin'—askin' fer me transfer. Ye've been givin' lvery wan else a transfer, an' ye can hand me out mine widout so many wurdds."

The conductor surrendered. He selected a red paper, remarking, "That color will please the little grandson, I guess!" Then he went on, made happier for the rest of the day.—Youth's Companion.

Raising Their Check.

"How is this for side?" said the photographer. "The other day I went into a crowded restaurant to take a noonday picture. While I was focusing the camera the leader of a party of men who had been sitting at a table that would show up plainest in the photograph asked the proprietor to make out a ten-dollar check in big figures. He did so. Their own check of \$4.65 for the bunch was hidden under a plate and the \$10 check was laid down, printed side up, for photographic purposes only.

"If the proprietor had not assured me to the contrary I should have set that down as the most flagrant instance of snobbery on record. He declared that every time the interior of a restaurant is photographed some patron whose ambition is bigger than his pocketbook asks for a check big enough to cover his eating expenses for a week."

How Machinery Breathes.

An English writer on engineering subjects, Mervyn O'Gorman, calls attention to the fact that a piece of machinery, such as an automobile, laid aside after being used, is in danger of internal rusting through a kind of respiration which affects cylinders, gear boxes, clutch chambers, interspaces in ball bearings, and so forth.

Every inclosed air space "breathes" by drawing in air when a fall of temperature contracts its walls, and expelling it when the walls expand through heat. The moisture introduced with the air is deposited in the cavities, and may produce serious damage through rust. The popular belief that oil will protect the inaccessible parts of unused machinery is fallacious, since nearly all oils take up about three per cent. of water in solution.—Youth's Companion.

Even That.

Representative Nye of Minnesota has much of the wit of his lamented brother, Bill Nye. Himself a lawyer, Representative Nye said at a lawyers' banquet in Minneapolis:

"Lawyers have grand reputations for energy and perseverance. A lad said to his father one day: "Father, do lawyers tell the truth?" "Yes, my boy," the father answered. "Lawyers will do anything to win a case."

Serviceable Topic.

"What is your opinion of the initiative and referendum?" "It is likely to prove very useful," replied Senator Sorghum, "in helping to take my constituents' minds off the tariff."

TESTING OF THE NEW BOY

An Important Informal Occasion at the Edge of the Old Swimming Hole.

The boys knew very well how to take the conceit or vanity out of their comrades. In the summer days all the boys of the village used to gather at a place on the river, known as Thayer's swimming place, about half a mile from the town pump, which was the center from which all distances were measured in those days. There was a little gravel beach where you could wade out a rod or two and then for a rod or two the water was over the boy's head. It then became shallow again from the opposite bank. So it was a capital place to learn to swim.

After they came out, the boys would sit on the bank and have a sort of boys' exchange, in which all matters of interest were talked over and a great deal of good natured chaff was exchanged. Any newcomer had to pass through an ordeal of this character, in which his temper and quality were thoroughly tried. I remember now an occasion which must have happened when I was not more than eight or ten years old, when a rather awkward looking individual had come down from New Hampshire and made his appearance at the swimming place. The boys, one after another, tried him by putting mocking questions or attempting to humbug him with some story. He received it all with patience and good nature until one remark seemed to sting him from his propriety. He turned with great dignity upon the offender and said: "Was that you that spoke, or was it a pumpkin busted?" We all thought that it was well said and took him into high favor.—Senator Hoar, in "Boyhood in Concord."

Making Musical Instruments.

As a large share of the \$1,350,000 import of musical instruments into the United States last year came from Austria, the following note on their manufacture may be of interest:

Musical instruments to the value of \$152,029 were shipped last year from the town of Graslitz, in the Carlsbad consular district, to the United States. In 1908 the shipments amounted to \$112,299 and in 1907 to \$178,910. A large proportion of the inhabitants of the village, numbering about 15,000, is engaged in the manufacture of brass horns, trumpets, bugles, cymbals, etc. There are 11 concerns, which employ 20 to 210 men in the factory, and for which hundreds of men, women and children work at home. In addition, there are 130 master makers of musical instruments, who employ 756 workmen. The total number engaged in the industry is about 4,000. The hours of labor in the factory are from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m., with half hour midmorning and midafternoon resting spells and an hour at noon for dinner. The wages range from \$2.43 to \$6.09 a week, depending on the skill of the workman.—Consular Report.

The Waste of the Wind.

Everyone who wants a cheap motive force has tried to harness the wind. Every child has made a paper propeller or a windmill. But can it be said that the possible uses of the wind have been as arduously investigated as such recently discovered forces as steam and electricity and gases? Is it not conceivable that the practical uses of the wind are underestimated just because they are so familiar?

We cannot help thinking that the wind will be more variously employed some day in the same way that probably the problem of laying under contribution the great physical fact of the tides will be solved. One would think that the wind could be used for electric lighting, yet there is no practical apparatus for the purpose. True, the wind is variable and occasionally absent; but as electricity can be stored, one might suppose that this was the very case in which variability did not particularly matter.

Latitude Screens for Inns.

Many quaint old inns are to be seen in King's Lynn and the sign of the Lattice Inn is one of the oldest in existence. In the olden times the windows of inns were kept open, and in order to hide the revelers within a lattice screen, painted red, was placed in the window. There is an old saying: "As well known by my wit as an alehouse by a red lattice." The lattices continued up to the beginning of the eighteenth century, and when they disappeared from the windows they were adopted as signs. The latter are getting very scarce and it is questionable whether half a dozen could be found in this country.—Cycling.

Aeroplanes.

It cannot be urged too strongly that no time should be lost in acquiring flying machines, dirigible balloons as well as aeroplanes, for the military service, and engaging instructors to teach aviation. France, Germany, England and Italy are rapidly training officers in the new means of reconnaissance, and the United States has not yet made a respectable beginning in the business or got beyond the experimental stage.

A Snake in the Grass.

Country Editor—I'm very sorry, Mr. Skinner, that such an error crept into our columns.

Mr. Skinner (warmly)—Crept nothing! Such a pisenous insinuation as that wuz must have wriggled in, by heck!

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