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**Safe in Store at Moorfield Robbed**

FARNAM, Neb., Dec. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The store of Henry Martin of Moorfield was broken into last night and the safe blown open. The thief secured \$50 of Mr. Baker's money and some money of the Degree of Honor, variously reported from \$10 to \$50. No merchandise was taken. The burglars gained entrance through the back window and left by way of the rear door. Mrs. Robert Lawrence, residing two doors away, stated that she was up until 12 o'clock and she was certain that the robbery must have occurred later, as she was awakened by a noise during the night.

**Hastings Children Sing Xmas Carols**

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Nearly 300 school children sang Christmas carols when an enormous crowd gathered at Hastings' first municipal Christmas tree tonight. The program of music by trumpeters and an instrumental quartet. The same ceremony will be repeated tomorrow night.

**RAMSEY WILL NOT ESCAPE PROSECUTION AT HASTINGS**

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Rev. John J. Ramsey of the United Brethren church, held on the charge of disorderly conduct, today offered to leave the city at once and pay no further attention to his accuser, Miss May Tittel, if given the opportunity. The offer was refused and instead the county attorney has laid the evidence before the United States district attorney.

If white slave proceedings are not instituted in the United States court, the county attorney will prosecute Ramsey on a statutory charge. An effort is being made to locate Ramsey's undivorced wife.

**Reibel-Daeschner.**

FALLS CITY, Neb., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Miss Sadies Daeschner of Preston and Mr. Elmer Reibel of Detroit, Mich., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Daeschner, Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Reibel, father of the groom, performed the ceremony. The couple was attended by Miss Alma Daeschner, the bride's sister, and Rev. Mr. Kirk of Oklahoma.

**Former Falls City Woman Dead.**

FALLS CITY, Neb., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Mrs. Saer, a former resident of Falls City, died at the home of her son, Charles Saer, at Mound City, Mo., at 2 p. m. Thursday. The funeral will take place in that city on Saturday. She has a daughter, Mrs. Pointer, living at Virginia, Idaho, a son at Salida, Colo., a daughter, Mrs. Grant Sperry, of Falls City and son, Charles, who were with her when death came. Mrs. Saer was one of the early settlers of this city.

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**Loomis Has New Postmaster.**

LOOMIS, Neb., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Gust F. Carlson, who has been in the harness business here for several years, has received the appointment of postmaster at Loomis, vice D. Z. Miner, deceased. This is a fourth-class postmastership, the compensation amounting to between \$500 and \$600 annually.

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**Omaha Office Will Care for Business of Horace Plunkett**

During the recent visit to Omaha by Sir Horace Plunkett all the papers necessary for the merging of his Omaha and western properties into corporate form were perfected by his counsel, Warren Switzer, including articles of incorporation, which have been placed on file with the secretary of state and county clerk. Though the corporation, under the name of Nebraska and Wyoming Investment Company, will have assets in excess of \$1,000,000, the actual capital is fixed at only \$500,000, which is fully paid and non-assessable.

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**Two Tons of Turkeys.**

Friday morning 4,000 pounds of turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens and other perishable things, went through the office. This material is kept in a cold room in the basement, with the windows open, until it is ready to go out. The amount handled exceeds by several hundred per cent the amount handled last year.

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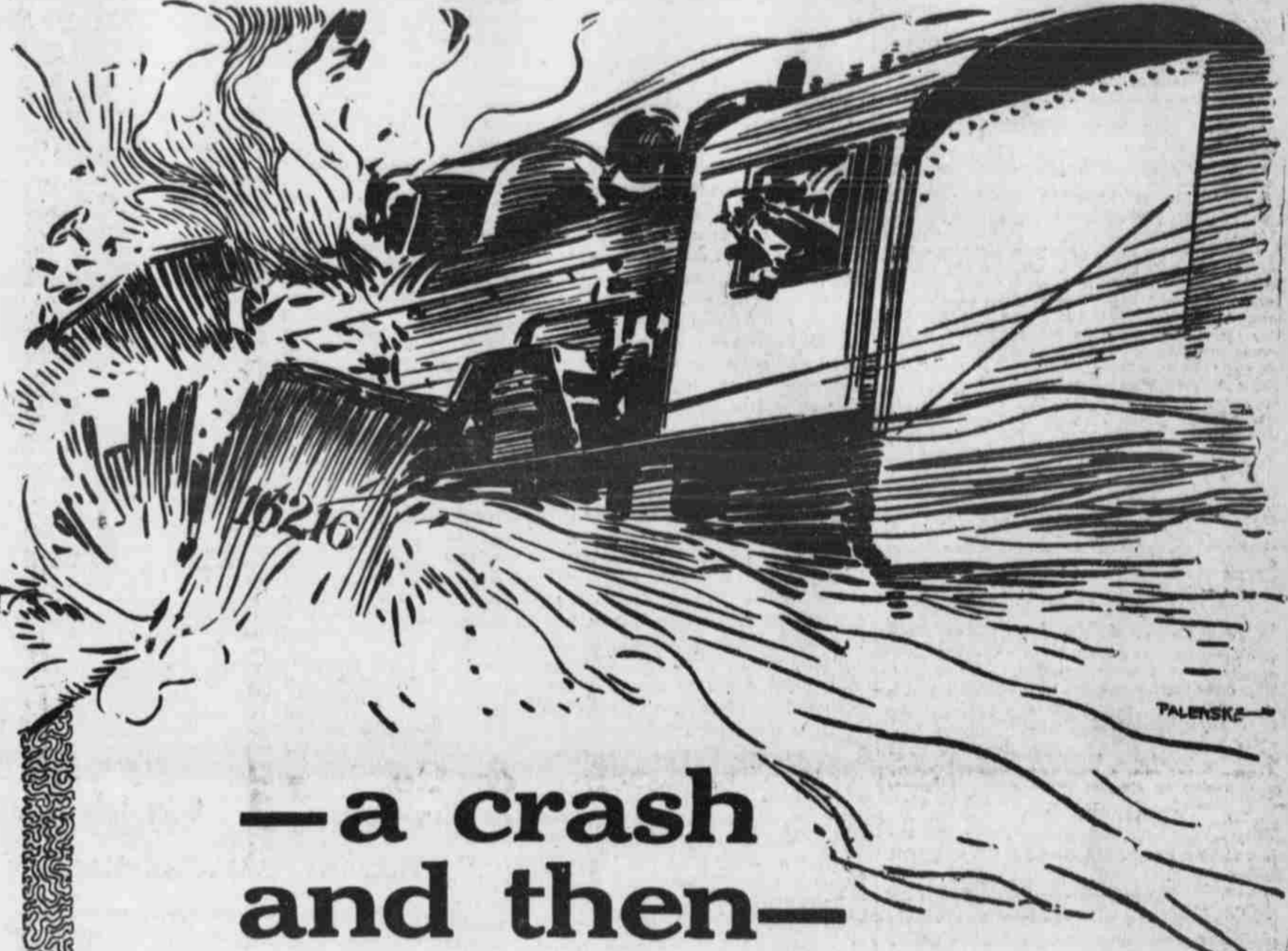
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