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Falling Limb of Tree Kills Man Sunday

Cornelius Schmidts, Tyndall, South Dakota, Killed as He Lay Sleeping at "Jungle."

Cornelius Schmidts, 42, of Tyndall, South Dakota, was instantly killed Sunday near the noon hour when a large limb of a tree fell and crushed his skull.

Schmidts had been traveling over the country for several weeks looking for work and arrived here Saturday night and Sunday was with a number of others at the "Jungle" at the old stockyards south of the Burlington passenger station. He was lying on the ground and sleeping when the fatal accident that caused his death occurred. The heavy and intense wind that was blowing all Sunday forenoon, broke off one of the large limbs from a cottonwood tree near the "Jungle" and the limb fell, striking Schmidts on the left side of the face and head, causing almost instant death.

The blow of the limb which fell a considerable distance and was carried with added force by the high wind, crushed the skull at the back of the head as well as breaking the left jaw.

As soon as the accident occurred, other men who were at the scene, came up to the main part of the city and notified the authorities of the fatal accident and the body of Schmidts was taken to the Straight undertaking rooms to be cared for.

Deputy Sheriff Ray Becker was able to get in touch with the sheriff of the county where Tyndall is located and all effort was made to reach members of the family of the unfortunate man to learn as to their wishes in regard to the disposal of the body.

In the underwear of the man was found an honorable discharge that Schmidts had received from the army, he having been in service in the world war.

This morning a message was received from South Dakota, asking that the body of the unfortunate man be shipped to Morris, his former home for interment. Mr. Schmidts is survived by a wife and two children.

FIRE AT ROCK BLUFFS

Fire Sunday morning destroyed the farm residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall at Rock Bluffs, the fire occurring at 7:30 while the preparation for the morning meal was in progress. It is thought that the fire was caused by an overheated stove-pipe.

The family was able to remove the furniture from the lower floor of the house but the furniture of the sleeping rooms on the upper floor of the house was destroyed in the fire as the house was burned to the ground.

The residence occupied by the Hull family was formerly the Joseph Shera home and one of the old landmarks of the old river community and one of the few buildings occupied on the old townsite.

Mr. Hull had some \$1,000 insurance on the house but carried none on the furniture or contents.

VISIT IN THE CITY

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Pollock Parmele and children of Lincoln, with George O. Dovey, of Indianapolis, were here to spend a short time with Charles C. Parmele, who has been ill for the past two weeks. Mr. Parmele is improving but has been kept in bed the greater part of the time on the advice of his physician. Mr. Dovey was en route to Denver to look after some business matters and took advantage of the occasion to stop for a short visit with his father-in-law, Mr. Parmele.

REJOICE IN NEW DAUGHTER

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rhordanz, near Louisville, was made very happy on Saturday by the arrival of a fine little daughter. The mother and little one are doing nicely and the occasion has brought a great deal of happiness to all of the family circle.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Greeley Bell, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bell and Oscar Linville, motored to Omaha Sunday, where they went for the purpose of bringing home the four year old son, Forest Greeley, and his mother, from the Nicholas Schn hospital where the little man has been under observation, also taking treatment for the past week, having taken suddenly ill, being rushed to the hospital during last Monday night.

At this time he is much improved and seems to be well on the road to his former health, altho he will be under the care of the family physician, Dr. O. C. Hudson for some time.

Naturalization Ceremonies Held at Court House

Participated in by Members of the American Legion Auxiliary, W. R. C., D. A. R.

From Monday's Daily

The opening of the April term of the district court was marked today by the holding of hearings on the applications for citizenship from residents of the county.

Preceding the opening of the examinations a patriotic program was given in honor of the new citizens of the nation. Mrs. E. H. Westcott, state regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, presided and introduced the various numbers on the program.

Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans, state president of the American Legion Auxiliary gave a short talk to the new citizens and assured them of the whole hearted co-operation of the Legion and Auxiliary in any way that they could.

On behalf of the American Legion Auxiliary and the Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. F. R. Gobelman presented each of the applicants with a small American flag and the D. A. R. manual of citizenship.

Mrs. Robert Troop of the Woman's Relief Corps gave one of her beautiful and artistically rendered readings and which was enjoyed to the utmost by all of the audience.

The address of the program was given by Phil L. Hall, of Greenwood, state commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who spoke briefly of the condition of the nation, urging a patriotic response to the needs of the time. Mr. Hall stressed the need of the exercise of citizenship in the choosing of the servants of the public in high offices, the earnest study of the needs of the times and the men to fit the occasion. The address was one filled with earnest appeal and which was most impressive to all of the audience gathered in the district court room.

LOSES A FINGER

Charles Dasher is minus the first finger of the right hand as the result of an accident on Sunday at the home in this city. Mr. Dasher was engaged in helping move one of the small buildings at the home at the time of the accident. The building had been braced up and Mr. Dasher had his right hand under the building when the brace holding the building gave way, the building catching the first finger of the right hand. The finger was mashed flat by the force of the structure and was in such shape that it was found necessary to have the member amputated at the second joint of the finger. The injury was most painful and Mr. Dasher has suffered a great deal from the effects of the injury. The hand is healing very nicely, however, from the effects of the operation.

ASKS FOR INJUNCTION

From Wednesday's Daily

In the office of the clerk of the district court an application has been filed by Henry Shepherd against Clara Boom, et al., asking for an injunction. The plaintiff alleges that he is a lessee of the farm of the defendant who also resides on the farm, that he has been unable to get along with the defendants in the case. He asks that the defendants be restrained from interfering with him and his work on the farm and refrain from any annoyance in the future.

Death Comes to A. H. Bushnell, Old Resident

After Illness of Some Ten Days Aged Man Passes Away from Attack of Pneumonia.

Saturday night at the family home on South Sixth street, occurred the death of Arno H. Bushnell, a resident of Cass county for the past fifty-three years. Mr. Bushnell has been suffering from pneumonia and has gradually failed until death came to his relief.

Mr. Bushnell was born in Franklin county, New York, October 22, 1853, spending his earlier years in that state. In 1879, with his brother, M. E. Bushnell, he came west to Plattsmouth where another brother, H. M. Bushnell, was engaged in the publication of the Plattsmouth Enterprise. Mr. Bushnell after a short time here secured a farm in the vicinity of South Bend and spent his summers farming and in the winter months he was engaged in teaching in the schools of that part of Cass county. In the last few years the family have made their home in this city, Mr. Bushnell being engaged in work at the shop here until ten years ago when he quit this service to engage in other activities.

Mr. Bushnell was married at Omaha, Nebraska on December 25th 1905, to Miss Abbie Willis and since their wedding they have resided here and at South Bend since that time, locating here lastly in 1915 and have since made their home here.

Mr. Bushnell is survived by the widow and three children, Miss Gladys and Eugene and Donald Bushnell, all of whom are at home. There is also left to mourn the death of Mr. Bushnell, one brother, M. E. Bushnell, of South Bend, Nebraska.

The death of Mr. Bushnell removes a familiar and highly esteemed resident of the community, one who in his quiet and unassuming way took his daily course of life. He made many friends here who will share with the bereaved family the deep sorrow that the passing of this kindly man has brought.

OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

From Tuesday's Daily

The Young Men's Bible class of the First Methodist church last evening observed the twenty-sixth anniversary of their class organization at the rooms in the basement of the church.

The members of the class enjoyed a sing for some time and President Kick of the class called on the different members to give their most thrilling or humorous experiences, many very amusing incidents being related by the group.

The election of officers was then taken up and the following were selected:

President—John E. Turner.
Vice-President—Roy Schwinniker.
Secretary—W. L. Heinrich.
Treasurer—Ward Whalen.
Song Leader—E. C. Harris.
The class named as their teacher E. H. Westcott, who has been the teacher of the class since its organization and whose untiring work has served to keep closely allied the young men of the community who have belonged to the class in the passing years.

TO STAGE BALL GAME SUNDAY

The baseball team representing the Lyman-Richey Sand & Gravel Co. will open the season on next Sunday. Manager Clyde Jackson states, the team meeting the All Stars, composed of the young men residing in the district just west of the city. The game, it is expected, will be staged at the diamond on the Graham farm west of Plattsmouth.

MARRIED AT COURT HOUSE

Saturday afternoon at the office of Judge A. H. Duxbury in the court house occurred the marriage of Miss Zeltine Walker and Wayne C. Kinman, both of Franklin, Nebraska. Following the wedding the young people departed for Omaha and from where they will motor to their home in the southwest part of the state.

HERE FROM IOWA

Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Gradoville and children, Charles, Catherine, Bobbie, Norman and Paul, arrived here Saturday evening for a visit over the week end with the relatives and friends in this city. Dr. Gradoville and family made the trip in the new Oldsmobile which they purchased, coming via Omaha where they were guests of the relatives for a short time. They expect to return home tomorrow.

Wm. Carrodo Sentenced to Eight Years

Pleads Guilty to Breaking and Entering and Jail Breaking—Taken to Penitentiary.

William Carrodo, who was charged with breaking and entering as well as jail breaking, was sentenced Monday afternoon to eight years in the state penitentiary at Lincoln, Judge A. C. Thomsen of Omaha, sitting in the case pronouncing the sentence.

The prisoner entered the home of District Judge Begley several weeks ago while the family was absent from the city and took a large amount of clothing which was later recovered at Council Bluffs by the local officers. When first arrested Carrodo denied any part in the robbery but later decided to plead guilty to the charge as preferred.

While Carrodo was a prisoner in the county jail here he staged a daring escape on Sunday, March 20th, sawing the bars of a window at the jail and making his escape, but was recaptured the following day in Omaha.

The prisoner was taken to Lincoln immediately after the sentencing. Sheriff Thimman conveying him to Lincoln and turning him over to Warden Fenton at the state prison to start in on his sentence.

DEATH OF LITTLE CHILD

The death of Donald Paul Long, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Long, of near Mynard, occurred on Saturday evening at 6:45 at the St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha. The little one was taken ill several weeks ago with intestinal flu, but other complications arose, making it impossible for the little one to rally and death finally came to still its suffering.

The death has come as a great shock to the members of the family circle and leaves a place in their lives that will be hard to fill. The little one is survived by the parents, one infant sister, Mary Jane, his grandmothers, Mrs. Emma Long and Mrs. Ada Newton and the great grandfather, Claude Everett of this city.

The funeral was held this afternoon at 2:30 at the Sattler funeral home and was attended by the relatives of the little one, who share the sorrow of his death. Rev. C. O. Troy, pastor of the First Methodist church, gave words of comfort to the bereaved family and Mrs. Gilbert Hitz sang two of the loved hymns, "Precious Jewels" and "Sometime We'll Understand."

SURPRISE FRIENDS

From Tuesday's Daily

Last evening a large crowd of the members of the Christian church sprang a surprise on the Esper McCleary family, as they intend to leave here for Arcadia, Nebr., in the near future. The evening was spent in playing games, and then the younger members of the crowd gathered around the piano and had a song feast. A delicious lunch of sandwiches, pie, ice cream and coffee was served. The hour of mid-night came all too soon as those present wished Mr. and Mrs. Esper McCleary and two sons, Garland and Maynard, a safe journey to their new home. They will be greatly missed here where they have made their home for the past eight years, and the host of friends here regret very much to see them leave.

Democratic Ticket Sweeps to Victory

Mayor Sattler Returned and Carries with Him Remainder of Ticket—Webb Only Republican.

From Wednesday's Daily

The democratic city ticket sweeping through the first, second, third and fourth wards to roll up a large majority, found only the fifth ward to oppose the candidates led by the veteran mayor, John P. Sattler. The only one of the opposition candidates to survive the sweep of the democratic vote was E. A. Webb, councilman in the first ward, altho in the fourth ward the veteran democratic leader, C. A. Johnson, was elected by a small majority in a three cornered fight.

The vote in the city was as follows:

Mayor		
Sattler	Vote	Maj.
Lillie	349	357
Lillie	483	
Clerk		
Thomas	Vote	Maj.
Peterson	786	227
Peterson	661	
Treasurer		
Brown	Vote	Maj.
Schultz	710	67
Schultz	648	
Councilmen		
First Ward		
Bergman	Vote	Maj.
Webb	72	111
Second Ward		
Tulene	Vote	Maj.
Jasper	231	74
Jasper	157	
Third Ward		
Rebal	Vote	Maj.
Allen	201	64
Allen	137	
Fourth Ward		
Johnson	Vote	Maj.
Rice	89	2
Finnitrock	78	
Finnitrock	25	
Fifth Ward		
Marshall	Vote	Maj.
Patterson	103	30
Patterson	73	

The heaviest vote of the city was in the second ward where over 400 votes were registered when the polls closed at 7 o'clock and even then a number were too late to cast their votes. All wards of the city showed a heavy vote which had been attracted by the bitter fight waged on the matter of the board of education.

The result of the election will transfer the control of the city council politically to the democratic party with a six to four basis, reversing the present status of the majority. The vote of the various wards was as shown below:

Mayor					
Sattler	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Lillie	195	252	218	115	60
Lillie	58	139	168	70	117
Clerk					
Thomas	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Peterson	167	223	182	112	102
Peterson	89	167	157	77	71
Treasurer					
Brown	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Schultz	162	221	172	80	75
Schultz	92	169	166	111	105

LINCOLN VISITORS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Sherman, with Mrs. Theal, a sister of Mrs. Sherman, as well as a son of Mrs. Theal, were here Sunday for a few hours. The party had been at Omaha where they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Theal where a little daughter was born on Saturday night at 8:30. While here they were guests of the aunts of Mrs. Sherman and Mrs. Theal, Mrs. Robert Troop and Mrs. Mary Voodry. Mr. Sherman is sports editor of the Lincoln State Journal and a former resident of the city.

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The Journal will appreciate your phoning in news items. Call No. 6. Thanks!

ASKS FOR DIVORCE

From Wednesday's Daily
An action has been filed in the office of the clerk of the district court in which Mrs. Helen Sikora is the plaintiff and Joseph Sikora the defendant. The plaintiff charges the defendant with extreme cruelty toward the plaintiff and the children of the family, threatening them and on occasions whipping the children severely. A restraining order was granted in the case to prevent the defendant from visiting the premises occupied by the plaintiff and her children and from interfering with them in any way.

Old Members Returned to the School Board

Large Vote Polled for Frank A. Cloidt and Mrs. Etta Gorder in All Wards of City.

From Wednesday's Daily

The result of the vote for the board of education in the city was a sweep of the two retiring members, Frank A. Cloidt and Mrs. Etta Gorder, who had a great majority in all wards of the city.

There had been a large number of voters who had written in the names of candidates for the board of education, but which were not sufficient to in any way make it dangerous for the two members whose names had been printed on the ballot.

The vote in the city on the candidates were as follows:

Cloidt	937
Gorder	896
Schulhof	269
Gering	234

The interest shown in the battle for the board of education served to stimulate the interest in the general city election and brought out a much larger number than otherwise would have been at the polls.

MRS. FRANK McNEALY DIES AT OMAHA HOME

Mrs. Charles Masters received the sad news last Monday evening of the death of her mother, Mrs. Frank McNealy at her home at 4909 South 42d street, in Omaha. Mrs. Masters has been critically ill and was not able to be at her mother's bedside at her passing nor could the mother come to Mrs. Masters when she received word of the latter's serious illness.

We are pleased to report, however, that Mrs. Masters is now recovering and was able to make the trip to Omaha after her mother's death.

The funeral of Mrs. McNealy occurred Thursday afternoon from the M. E. church with interment in the family lot in River View cemetery. She was 60 years old.

Mrs. McNealy is survived by five sons and four daughters. They are: Byron, Roy, Glen and Frank, of Omaha; Charles of Louisville; Mrs. Anna Miller, Mrs. Agnes Mynster, of Omaha; Mrs. Stella Prella, Lusk, Wyoming, and Mrs. Masters, of Louisville.—Louisville Courier.

YOUNG PEOPLE ENTERTAIN

From Tuesday's Daily

The Rotary club at their luncheon today had the pleasure of a very interesting program which was arranged by a number of the young people of the community. The meeting was under the leadership of E. H. Spangler and who presented the various numbers on the program.

Miss Janet Vallery was heard in two very artistic readings which were much enjoyed, while Miss Nadine Cloidt favored the gathering with a vocal offering. Lawrence Leonard, of Mynard, one of the well known young men of that community as well as a talented vocalist, was presented in a number that reflected much credit on the young man.

John H. Becker, senior, and Marvin Tritsch, junior, were then presented as the high school honorary members of Rotary and received the club welcome from L. O. Minor in his usual pleasing manner.

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Board of Education Slashes All School Salaries

Saving of \$9,770 Is Estimated in Cutting of Expenses—Eliminate Four Teachers.

From Tuesday's Daily
The board of education at their meeting last evening decided on cuts in the salary list of the teachers and elimination of members of the force which it is expected will effect a saving of some \$9,770 in the cost of the operation of the schools.

In making this saving the board of education is making the consolidation of the work of several teachers by which means they will do away with two teachers in the high school and two in the grades, other members of the teaching force taking up the work.

In making the salary cuts all salaries over \$1,200 were cut ten per cent while those below the \$1,200 figure will be slashed five per cent, the cuts also applying to the janitor service as well as the secretary of the superintendent.

The position of head of the English department was eliminated by the board and the work of this department will be assigned to other of the teachers to handle at the next term of school. One of the positions in the commercial department will also be done away with, Miss Marie Kaufmann, present art and penmanship supervisor being assigned to take the vacant position and also look after the penmanship department. Two of the positions in the grades will be eliminated and the pupils will be consolidated in rooms of other teachers.

Fred A. Rothert was elected as the head of the athletic department and manual training, while all of the present force except those affected by the consolidations was also renamed if they care to accept the contracts at the reduced salary figure.

The salary reductions and changes in the school program was voted unanimously by the members of the board as a measure of economy for the ensuing year.

There has been no action taken on the selection of the superintendent for the city schools as yet by the board, this matter to be taken up at a later meeting.

CARS HAVE SMASHUP

From Monday's Daily

Shortly after the midnight hour an automobile collision occurred seven miles west of this city on the Louisville road, when the Ford touring car driven by Earl Newton of this city collided with the car of Cam Besack of Louisville. The car of Mr. Besack was hurled from the roadway and overturned and very badly damaged while the Ford remained standing in the roadway. Sheriff Thimman was notified of the accident and reaching the scene placed Mr. Newton under arrest for driving while intoxicated and he was brought on to this city and placed in jail to await further action in the case. It was claimed by Mr. Besack and his companion, C. W. Reese that Mr. Newton was driving on the wrong side of the road when the accident occurred. They also stated that a companion of Mr. Newton had made his escape from the scene and who is now being sought by the officers.

This morning the matter was brought up for hearing before Judge Duxbury, a complaint charging Mr. Newton with operating a car while intoxicated. The court gave a sentence of thirty days in jail and the revoking of the driver's license of the young man.

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The many friends of the H. J. Utter family in this city will regret to learn that Mr. Utter is quite ill at Alliance. He was transferred to the west Nebraska city several months ago by the Burlington, from Lincoln, his former location. After going to Alliance he contracted flu and has been quite poorly and is at this time in the hospital at Alliance.

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