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For Goodness Sake!



"Goodness" to the housewife, with pride of cooking, signifies materials that will make appetizing, palatable food--the kind that brings praise from family or guest

Only the care we have devoted to purchasing groceries that give the most satisfying results, can assure you absolutely of this goodness. When you buy from us you know that "goodness" is the first point that we look for when renewing our stock. "Goodness" is as necessary to our business as it is to you and your cooking. On it depends your future custom with this store.

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Jensen Makes Confession.

Louis Jensen, who was arrested at Maxwell last Thursday as the suspected murderer of Stephen Frazer and brought to jail in this city, made a full confession to Sheriff Miltonberger Friday afternoon. The story of the murder as told by Jensen was the cold blooded act of a degenerate, and that Jensen is such is attested by the fact that he has not as yet shown any regret over the act--he sleeps soundly and eats well. Jensen and Frazer had for some time been working in the Ben Layton hay camp, which is located about four miles southeast of Maxwell. On Sunday of last week the two men started to drive twenty miles south to look at some cattle which they talked of buying. Their route lay through Box Elder canyon, and when they had gone some fifteen miles they drove off the road into a pocket, and getting out of the buggy took a drink of the liquor they had with them. In the buggy was a shot gun, and Jensen says there flashed through his mind the thought that it would be easy for him to kill Frazer and obtain possession of the team. He instantly carried the thought into execution, and stealthily picking up the gun while Frazer's back was to him, he fired and Frazer fell dead without a struggle, the charge entering the rear of the head. Jensen then drove back to the road and proceeded to the home of a sister in law, the widow of his brother who mysteriously disappeared several years ago, and remained there until eight o'clock when he drove back to the scene of the murder and loading the body of his victim into the buggy drove north to the North Platte river bank. Scooping out a hole he deposited the body therein, covering it with sand and placing Russian thistles over the grave. He then drove to the hay camp where he was employed, and when questioned as to the whereabouts of Frazer stated that he remained with a man over south and would return later. When Frazer failed to return the following day, Jensen was more closely questioned and his remarks became contradictory, and furthermore spots of blood were found on the front part of the buggy. Frazer failing to return by Thursday, the men at the hay camp concluded it was time some investigation was made and phoned Sheriff Miltonberger. Deputy Knapp was sent down, placed Jensen under arrest, brought him to jail and confession followed. In the confession Jensen indicated where the body could be found, and Friday evening Coroner Longley and the deputy sheriff went down and securing the aid of others were not long in finding the spot. There was nothing on the surface to indicate that body had been buried; Jensen had in some way obliterated his tracks, and those of the searching party say the body could never have been found had Jensen not confessed. A corner's inquest was held on the spot, a verdict rendered finding that Frazer had been murdered by Jensen. The body was taken to Maxwell, prepared for burial and shipped to this city. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, the I. O. O. F. attending in a body.

Frazier's family consisting of a wife and one child had been making their home in this city for several months, and they were expecting a visit from him the day he was murdered. The murdered man was about fifty-five years of age and came to the county last Spring. Jensen has the appearance of a degenerate, an idiotic looking fellow of about thirty years. He is suspected of knowing something of his brother's sudden disappearance several years ago, and not long since was found guilty of forging a check, but he made good the money and prosecution was dropped. He has lived in the Maxwell section for seven or eight years.

Jensen was arraigned in the county court yesterday and pleaded guilty in accordance with his confession. He was told that his pleading might result in death or imprisonment for life. He said he realized this, but had no desire to change the pleading. He declined to accept the services of an attorney for his defense.

For Sale.

Pure Bred male and female Duroc Jersey Hogs. All eligible to registry. Also pure bred Barred Plymouth Rock Cockerels. Inquire of or address, Blankenburg Bros., North Platte, Neb. 96-4

Julius Pizer, who was vice-president of the Platte Valley Bank, disposed of his interests to M. E. Scott, the cashier, and Mrs. J. G. Beeler. Mr. Pizer held seven thousand dollars' worth of stock.

The most efficient and up-to-date repair department in Western Nebraska. This means the best results when you leave your watch with us for repairs. DIXON, U. P. Watch Inspector.

The Strike Now On.

The threatened strike of the allied trades employed in the shops of the Union Pacific, Southern Pacific and Illinois Central, together with the car repairers, is now on, the men having walked out Saturday forenoon at ten o'clock. The number of men participating in the strike is not definitely known, but the aggregate is around 20,000, practically all the union men walking out at the terminals. The unions affected are the machinists, boiler-makers, blacksmiths and the helpers of those three trades, and the car men.

The strike is the result of a long drawn controversy between the federation of the above shop crafts and the Harriman system of railroads. The federated employees asked the railroad company to recognize them as a federated body, and not as individual unions as heretofore. This the company refused to do, saying that they were willing to treat with the unions separately but positively refused to recognize them as a unit. The employees claim that the unit system of federation of working crafts is the highest attainment of the labor world at the present time, and that this strike promises to be a fight for life or death of the working man and the labor union. If the men win their point, then the company will treat with the federated board in matters pertaining to the above employees, and if the men lose the struggle the result and the future is uncertain. That the movement is one of utmost importance in the labor world is admitted by prominent labor leaders all over the country. Much depends on the outcome, and both sides are evidently preparing for a long battle.

Here in North Platte the members of the unions responded to the strike call to a man, the total aggregating about 130, divided as follows: Machinists and helpers 32, boiler-makers and helpers 44, blacksmiths and helpers 8, car men 43; also several men from other departments who were not called upon to go out, but quit work in sympathy with those who walked out.

The following employees--members of the unions--were given permission to remain at work by reason of their age and their near approach to the pension list: Machinists Geo. W. Finn, J. M. Rannie, Fred Barracough and probably J. B. Murphy; Andy Slader, boiler-maker; Chris Tagader, car repairer. Machinists Robert Armstrong, W. P. Collins and R. C. Wood are not union men and did not walk out.

The strikers have established headquarters in the First National Bank hall. The men say they are perfectly satisfied with the trend of affairs, and give assurance that the strike will be conducted in an orderly manner and that they will not contenance any violence of any sort. They are receiving reports from the various points on the system and are keeping well in touch with the situation over the entire system.

Local officials of the company said this morning that no attempt will be made this week to import strike breakers to take the places of the men who walked out. The places will be left open so that if the men can return they will be given an opportunity to do so. However, arrangements are being made to house and feed strike-breakers in the big warehouse constructed last spring, carpenters now being engaged in fitting up the quarters with bunks and tables. This would indicate that men would be imported here.

Sunday evening two cars of strike-breakers were attached to the fast mail train and were being hurried through to points on the Southern Pacific.

The company introduced Greeks and Japs Sunday to do the work of the car gang, but the latter have refused to do certain parts of the work.

Practically all trains were late Sunday and yesterday, but this was not due, officials said, to the strike, which up to that time had not been on long enough to effect the service.

There are many contradictory statements as to the number of men who have gone out. At Omaha the Union Pacific officials report that only a small number of men responded to the strike call in that city. The entire boiler force and two-thirds of the balance of the forces in the shops remained in. The total number of men remaining is 775 out of a total of 1,168. At Council Bluffs the force in the round house there none of the men are out. The men here did not vote on the proposition to strike or not to strike.

Vice-President Kruittschmitt, of the Harriman lines, yesterday declared that less than 25 per cent of the shopmen on the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific have struck, and Vice-President Park, of the Illinois Central, said that less than half of 7,000 on his line had obeyed the order. President Franklin, of the boiler-makers' union, asserted that 20,

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000 had quit work Saturday and that more would go out today.

Striking machinists draw pay from the union for every day they are not working and the same is probably true with the unions of the other branches of striking employes. Machinists who are married get \$8 per week and those who are single \$4 per week.

OWLS

We have the official Owl emblems. See our Owl window today.

DIXON, The Jeweler.

Terrence McGovern, of Sidney, is visiting his mother this week.

Low Deane will leave the last of the week for New York where it is rumored he will be married next week.

Mrs. Stiff of Gothenburg returned home yesterday morning after a pleasant visit with her niece Mrs. Ray Raynor.

The Presbyterian aid society will be entertained Thursday afternoon at the church parlors by Mesdames Eahlemen, York and Elder.

Charles Newman the Sixth street shoe repairer left the last of the week for Lakeview, Ore., to look after his land interest there for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Buchanan left this morning for Omaha where they will visit friends and witness the Ak-Sar-Ben parades. Mr. Buchanan will also attend the abstractor's convention which meets there this week.

The Willow Island, Brady, Maxwell, Gandy and Gothenburg Catholic parishes which have been attended by the Lexington priests, have been transferred to the North Platte district and will be in charge of Rev. McDaid and his assistant, Father Johnen, recently of Lexington, who arrived here Sunday and will be stationed in this city in the future.

For Sale

Angus bulls ranging from ten months to two years old; a fine Duroc boar. Inquire of Frank Ebele, North Platte.

Statement from Streit.

The statement in The Tribune of the 29th obtained from our sheriff that I had refused on behalf of the county to pay the expenses of the investigation of the alleged crime south of Maxwell is absolutely false, in fact I told him how to proceed by train to Maxwell, then get a team and work out the pockets of Box Elder canyon thoroughly. This could not only be done cheaper but in a much better manner than by the automobile and chauffeur asked for by our sheriff at 8:30 a. m. An automobile would be unable to leave the beat-track and go where such a crime was evidently committed.

As a matter of fact he had time enough after the prisoner was safe in our jail to have taken the early local and proceed as I had said and could have been on the ground at work the time he was asking for his joy ride. In last evening's Telegraph our sheriff fails to deny that he gave the Tribune fake information September 29. He asks a few questions in behalf of the public. During 1910 the commissioners used an auto a few times, generally saving one or two days, and as they are paid by the day the saving to the county usually offset the extra expense. Since January 1, 1911, whenever an auto was used they paid for it personally and collected their mileage, which I trust all county officials will do in the future. No one is entitled to more than the statutes allow. Keep on digging sheriff, I will cheerfully help you, and trust that you will help me. A. F. STREITZ, Co. Com.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

Dr. Charles Parks has returned from a two weeks visit in Portland, Ore.

O. E. Elder left to day for Omaha to attend the abstractor's convention this week.

S. A. Tripp, of the Landgraf barber shop is combining business and pleasure in Omaha this week.

H. E. Smith has taken a position with the Standard Oil Company and began work the last of the week.

M. J. Donaldson of Paxton will succeed D. C. Fowler as herdsman at the Sub Station two weeks hence.

Mrs. D. C. Fowler and children went to Orleans yesterday morning to spend a week with her mother.

Mesdames Henry Waltham, Ernest Tramp and Fred Waltham left to day for Chappell to attend the funeral of the late Henry Sudman.

Miss Pearl Tagader returned from Gibbon where she visited relatives. After spending a week or so with her parents in this city she will take a position in the National Bank at Gibbon.

Mrs. D. Kenner and daughter Emily of Haley, Idaho, arrived the last of the week and are guest of Mrs. F. F. Redmond. They may decide to locate if conditions prove favorable to them.

Mrs. E. F. Henderson entertained a number of young people Friday evening in favor of Miss Fae McDermitt, of Sioux City, who is her guest. The evening was devoted to games and music. An enjoyable luncheon was served.

Bert Whitmore of Wallace, Idaho, arrived yesterday morning and will visit for some time with his sister Mrs. Rosa Nichols.

Miss Harriet Beyerle will return tomorrow from Denver where she spent the past six weeks taking instructions in hair dressing.

The Lutheran Aid Society will be entertained Tuesday afternoon by Mesdames Bird, Breternitz, Winburg and Friberg at the home of the former.

Mrs. Andrew Yost returned Saturday evening from a month's pleasant visit with relatives in Chicago and Mankato, Kans. She resumed work in the Bratt and Goodman office yesterday.

Helen, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Facker of Overland, Kansas, who are visiting in town was taken ill last week and died Sunday at the Lake home on south Dewey. The remains were taken to Overland Sunday.

C. J. Bowen, late of Canon City, Colo., arrived here yesterday and will remain here for some time visiting friends and in hopes that the climate will benefit his weakened physical condition. Mr. Bowen resided in this city in the early days and for two score years managed the Keith Pawnee ranch. He is the father of Mrs. H. V. Hilliker of Denver.

Saturday evening Miss Laura Peters was the guest of honor at a china show given by Miss Pearl Beliel and Mrs. Peters at the home of the latter. The evening was spent in games and music. At 10.30 a delightful two course lunch was served. Miss Peters was the recipient of many beautiful pieces of china and at a late hour the guests all departed declaring they had spent a very pleasant evening.

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