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SUIT AGAINST RAILROAD

Atkinson Woman Asks Damages of the Northwestern.

CLAIMS \$5,000 IN HER PETITION

Sent Over Wrong Routes, Delayed in Transit, Bruised and Bleeding From Riding on Freight.

On October 5 suit was begun in district court against the Chicago & Northwestern Railway company by Paulina Bocian of Atkinson for the recovery of \$5,000 alleged to be due her for various causes set up in the petition. W. E. Scott is the plaintiff's attorney of record.

The petition is somewhat voluminous. From this it is learned that sometime last May the plaintiff, who is a foreigner and understands the English language but little and American railroader's ways less, started from Chicago with her five children, the oldest of whom was 12 years, to go to Atkinson, Neb. It appears she was directed by the railroad men to take the wrong train on changing cars at Fremont, this state, and was taken off in some direction unknown to her. The conductor of the train which she boarded at Fremont had her leave the train three or four stations out and then she was put aboard a freight train to be conveyed to a point where she could take a train for Atkinson.

It was while riding this freight train the plaintiff alleges she and her children sustained injuries which constitute the principal reason for claiming damages, although the delays, annoyances and hardships occasioned by the circuitous route are further grounds for damages. She says she spent three or four hours on this freight train, during which time she had to constantly hold her 3-months-old baby in her arms, while herself and other children were jammed and thrown about by the roughly handled freight train. When at last they arrived at their destination all were suffering from "wounds and bruises and nervous shocks."

She was again put aboard a passenger train and this time landed in Plainview, Neb. Thence she was hauled back to Norfolk and thence to Atkinson, being forty-six hours on the road, whereas the usual time from Chicago to Atkinson is twenty-two hours.

The plaintiff claims that as a result of these hardships she was physically disabled so as not to be able to care for her children and do her household work for a period of time for which she claims \$200. Further, she claims as a result of having to hold her baby for so long a time on the freight train her left arm was partially paralyzed and has resulted in permanent varicose veins. For all of these annoyances, afflictions and hardships the plaintiff asks for \$5,000.

Errors in Session Laws.

Ainsworth Star-Journal: Judge James Morris, the republican nominee for county judge, has written a letter to the World-Herald in which he points out numerous errors in the publication of the last volume of the session laws. He made a careful examination of the volume and found 519. The judge thinks that a state having the intelligence of our people should take a pride in such work and should see to it that such glaring errors do not appear again. One of these errors is somewhat amusing. It makes the law say that Senate File No. 7 was introduced by Mrs. Sheldon, the wife of the senator from Cass, and in indexing it puts it on page 529. Everyone will agree that the judge is right in his criticisms.

Advertised Letters.

The following letters remain unclaimed for in the O'Neill postoffice for the week ending Sept. 9, 1905:

Mrs. F. W. Bowen, Charles Cottin, S. S. All Clarks, Geo. W. Felts, Mrs. Lizzie Garn, G. W. Hagerman, Mina Harkins, Bob Hilly, Wm. H. Jack, Florence Mullaly, Lillie Miller, Mark H. Bathburn, Lerie Frulinger, Walter Rasburn, Henry Alberts, Gottlieb Albrecht, Mrs. McDonnell.

In calling for the above please say "advertised." If not called for in two weeks will be sent to dead letter office D. H. Cronin, Postmaster.

Grattan Township Convention.

The republican electors of Grattan township are hereby called to meet in convention at the court house in O'Neill on Saturday, Oct. 14, 1905, to place in nomination a full township ticket and to transact such other business as may come before the convention. M. F. Cronin, Committeeman.

Laundry agency at Brennan's store.

LOCAL MATTERS.

For farm loans see Lyman Waterman, O'Neill. 45-tf

John Skirving went to Iowa Tuesday on land business.

Strayed—Hereford heifer calf. Information rewarded. J. N. Caldwell, O'Neill. 1tpd

E. E. Dillon was a passenger Tuesday for Meadow Grove, to be gone a few days.

Wanted—A married couple to work on a farm. Without children preferred.—J. N. Caldwell. 1t-pd

John McCafferty Jr., started Tuesday for Omaha, where he expects to hew out fame and fortune.

Bishop Scannell was here the fore part of the week looking after matters pertaining to the Catholic church.

J. T. O'Malley left for Monowi, Neb., Monday, where he goes to accept a position with Nye, Schneider & Co.

C. E. Lockwood, a ranchman from Boone county, was in O'Neill the forepart of the week on a land deal.

Entertainment and dance given by the Degree of Honor Ladies, Wednesday eve, Oct. 18. Admission 25c. 1w

Samuel and Mrs. Beavers arrived home Tuesday from a protracted and pleasant visit in Indiana, Illinois and Ohio.

The thrilling melo-drama "A Noble Outcast," will be presented by local talent at the opera house Thursday evening, Oct. 19.

Lost—Black boar hog, weight about 250 pounds, from my place 5 miles west of O'Neill. Liberal reward. Address, James B. Ryan, O'Neill. 16tf

What ails you? I have the best lot of flour in O'Neill, to sell cheap for cash; grain and stock food; louse killer half price.—Con Keys. 16-1pd

George Hohman of Ewing, and Emma Pearson of Middle Branch, were married at O'Neill by Rev. T. W. Bowen of the Presbyterian church on Friday last.

Sick headache is caused by a disordered condition of the stomach and is quickly cured by Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by P. C. Corrigan.

Lyman Waterman has begun action in county court against J. E. Candee to recover \$165, fees claimed to be due for the sale of real estate under contract. The hearing is set for Saturday.

Neligh contributed a jolly crowd of twenty-five or thirty young folks to the dancing halls here the second night of the carnival. They came up on the 10:20 train and returned on the early train Friday morning.

The Brennan corner south of the First National is undergoing the improvement of having the old plank walk replaced with cement. The stretch of bad walk along the street by Horisky's grocery is also giving way to cement.

Calcina, the 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Herick living in Emmet township, died on Friday last. The funeral was held at the Presbyterian church in O'Neill on Saturday and the remains interred in the Protestant cemetery.

Mr. Timmis, an extensive stock and meat dealer of Ohio, accompanied by his wife and daughter, stopped in O'Neill over Monday and Tuesday on their way home from California. A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timmis' is a sister in the convent here.

The Ewing band furnished the music during the fair and they have received many compliments. The fair management are especially pleased. The Ewing boys were always on deck to toot their horns whenever and wherever wanted, and they are good musicians.

Harry Coffey, who attended the convent here for some time and will be remembered because of his troublesome and mischievous pranks, but who was not a bad boy, met a tragic death at Casper, Wyoming, Tuesday, by being cut in two by a railroad train. The boy's parents live at Chadron.

Two former O'Neill citizens are on the republican ticket for county offices in Boyd county. C. A. Manville, the present efficient incumbent, is again in the race for superintendent. G. A. McCutcheon, long a resident of Holt county, and for a number of years of O'Neill, is the republican candidate for county judge.

The simple announcement that the great musical prodigy, Blind Boone, is coming is quite sufficient to insure an overflow audience in O'Neill. Boone has visited this city on several occasions and he always captivates the town with his marvelous piano playing. The company consists of six people, John Lange, Manager, Blind Boone, pianist, Miss Emma Smith, soprano, and Miss Josephine Huggard, accompanist, and Mrs. Lange

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and Mrs. Boone. They will be at the O'Neill opera house on Saturday evening, October 28.

Don't miss the first show of the season at the opera house next Thursday night.

C. E. Stout is in Omaha taking in the horse show and incidentally purchasing a large line of holiday goods.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Corrigan are in Omaha this week purchasing their holiday goods and attending the horse show.

Miss Bee McGinnis departed Monday evening for Cody, Wyo., where she expects to spend several months visiting relatives.

Sam Berge is putting some improvements to his residence west of town, building another story to the main part of the house.

Congressman Kinkaid wishes all residents of the Sixth congressional district who desire garden seeds to be sent to them for next year to notify him by postal card soon. Address O'Neill, Neb.

John J. Boyle, who has been an employee of the First National bank here the past two years, left for the west Tuesday evening to look over the country with a view to locating and engaging in the banking business. John has many friends in O'Neill who wish him abundant success.

Mayor Hoffman and B. J. Ryan were among the large number of Neligh people to attend the races last week and like all of our visitors they spoke very highly of the efforts of the fair association and our citizens in general in looking after the comfort and amusement of the visitors.

Dr. Trueblood drove to Boyd county Tuesday to attend to some professional duties. The doctor has closed up his affairs here and from Boyd county he goes to Lincoln to join his family. Dr. Trueblood has been a resident of O'Neill some fourteen years and had built up an extensive practice. His successor, Dr. E. T. Wilson, comes here well recommended as a physician and citizen and steps into a good practice with promise of continuing a flourishing business.

Miss Florence Zink, republican candidate and next superintendent of Holt county, was in the city from Thursday last until Monday when she went to the eastern part of the county. Miss Zink is making a thorough canvass and makes many votes wherever she meets with the people. Miss Zink has more than ordinary capabilities and is impressing the voters that she is the person needed just now to take the supervision of the schools of the county. Her visit in O'Neill made her many votes.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Snyder and daughters, Misses Bessie and Mabel, and son Dee, returned last week from their four week's sojourn in Philadelphia, Washington, New York, Atlantic City and other eastern cities of note and grandeur. Mr. Snyder believes that Washington, D. C., and Atlantic City, N. J., are the greatest cities in this country viewed through the optics of the sight seer. Through the kindness of a friend occupying a prominent position in the treasury department they were escorted through the White House and speak in glowing terms of the residence of the ruler of this vast country of ours. The weather was delightful during the journey and all enjoyed a pleasant trip.

Will Not File Nominations. County Clerk Gilmour is notifying the nominees for supervisors and township officers that their names will not be placed on the ballots.

Attorney General Brown has been notifying county officers over the state that there will be no election of supervisors and township officers this year. It seems that the invalidity of the biennial election law relates only to county officers.

Supervisors and township officers will, therefore, hold over.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

The chemistry class, comprising the junior and senior classes, has taken up systematic laboratory work in inductive chemistry, under the direction of Miss Kay. The system is the same as that used in the university and normal schools, and is a great improvement over the method heretofore taught in our school.

By the hearty cooperation of the pupils and teachers, a permanent athletic association has recently been organized in the high school. The election of officers resulted as follows: John McCarthy, president; Fannie Millard, vice-president; Lucile Meredith, secretary; Will Biglin, treasurer.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to witness a foot ball game on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 14, when the O'Neill team will meet the Neligh team on the fair grounds in the first game of the season. Our boys are in constant training, and an exciting game is promised.

The athletic association will give a reception at the high school building on Saturday evening in honor of the Neligh foot ball team. The two literary societies of the school will render a short program, light refreshments will be served and instructive games played.

A piano has been rented by the members of the high school for the use of the literary societies during the year. By the addition of vocal and instrumental music, the societies hope to raise the standard of their entertainments.

Superintendent Dwyer is making arrangements with the state normal at Peru whereby a graduate of the O'Neill school, after a two year's course at the normal, will receive a life state certificate.

The sophomore class is taking up, along with its rhetoric work, all forms of letter writing, business, social, etc., under the able and comprehensive instruction of Miss Kay.

The high school this year has a much larger enrollment than usual. The freshmen number thirty-six, the largest class on record.

Half Rates to Los Angeles, Cal.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at one fare for the round trip, from all stations to Los Angeles, October 17 to 21, inclusive, with favorable return limits, on account of W. C. T. U. Convention. Three fast trains to the Pacific coast daily. "The Overland Limited" (electric lighted throughout), less than three days enroute. Another fast train is "The California Express" with drawing room and tourist sleeping cars. The best of everything. For rates, tickets, etc., apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

Mistook the Town.

Of course O'Neill is making rapid strides, but none of us thought we were getting big enough to be mistaken for a town like Chicago.

When the 9:42 Northwestern passenger train pulled in from the west Tuesday morning an innocent looking stranger got off the train and stepped to the side of The Frontier news collector and enquired: "Is this Chicago, the place where I change cars for New York?"

If all the mints in the United States began to coin today and kept it up at the rate at which they have worked since 1792, making double eagles, eagles, half eagles, quarter eagles, silver dollars, halves, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies, they would complete \$1,000,000,000 on August 20, 2016, A. D.

Judge and Mrs. B. S. Gillespie are down from their Sheridan county claim this week disposing of their personal belongings here preparatory to leaving permanently.

The city treasury was enriched \$20 Monday, fines imposed on a bunch of country and city boys for fighting.

POP-DEMO NUPTIALS.

Atkinson Editor's View of Late Democratic Convention at O'Neill.

(From The Atkinson Graphic.) Atkinson, Neb., Sept. 30.—Editor Graphic—Dear Sir: Will you please publish in your next issue what action the democrats took at their convention at O'Neill on the 16th of last month? I am a reader of the Independent and expected to find some record of it in that publication, but so far the democrats have been ignored. I found a full page record of the pop convention and a third of a column devoted to a roast on Limburger cheese, in its issue of the 22nd, but not a word about the democrats. It said there was fusion but it does not say who with. If it is not asking too much of your space would like to have you publish what you know about the convention and the democratic platform adopted. By complying with the above you will confer a favor on several of your democratic readers of Sheridan township.

A Democrat. We were present at the democratic convention and will answer your question in an impartial manner as follows:

A. W. Miller, a stalwart, was made chairman, and J. J. McCafferty, a pop, secretary. The following committees were appointed: J. P. McNichols, stalwart, J. F. O'Donnell and Mr. Fisher, pops, on credentials; F. X. Rehberg, stalwart, and John Harmon, half and half, on order of business and permanent organization. The chair reserved the right to select the conference committee, then they adjourned to the Midway for refreshments.

Upon reconvening the chair announced that F. X. Rehberg, J. P. McNichols, Grant Smith, stalwarts, and J. F. O'Donnell and Mr. Fisher, pops, were selected on the conference committee. The reports of the other committees were adopted. Chairman Smith of the conference committee, then reported that they could not come to any agreement with the pops. O'Donnell moved to accept the pop proposition to give coroner, sheriff and judge to the democrats. Tony Murry said "to hell with fusion." Art Mullen came over as a committee of one from the pops and conferred with Dick Johnson. Dick then put his hands in his pockets and seconded the motion. Pop Wheelhorse Shanner made a few remarks which confused Tony Murry and he cast Grattan's eight votes for fusion. Dick Johnson cast Stuart's seven votes for the motion and it prevailed.

Several of the stalwarts had business down town. Former Pop Central Committeeman Mike McCarthy, was made assistant secretary and a few more stalwarts went down town.

Will Purdy was nominated by acclamation for sheriff. J. J. McCafferty made a flourishing speech nominating Sheridan Simmons for county judge; Townsend's name was presented to the convention as was also Frank Campbell who refused to make the race and Simmons was nominated on the third ballot by getting Grattan's eight votes because Tony forgot the other fellows name. Dr. Flynn was nominated by acclamation for coroner. Bill Fallon was a spectator to all this.

Mayor Doyle came into the room. Mike McCarthy moved to select delegates to the state convention. This was more than the mayor could stand. He and a few more stalwarts hastened from the room.

Bill Fallon was made county chairman and then they adjourned without adopting any platform, as the remaining delegates said the other pops would take care of that in their convention.

We cannot give any more as the rest was fixed up by Dick Johnson and Art Mullen in a star chamber session to which we were not invited.

FAIR A GREAT SUCCESS

Association Much Gratified Over the Result of Races.

TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCEED \$1,100

Universal Satisfaction Felt and People Surprised at the Class of Races Pulled Off.

Not a note of discord or dissatisfaction is heard, but only universal satisfaction is expressed over the events at the race meeting last week. People generally were not expecting as good races as they were given. Very few race meetings in the state this year put up as good races as were run on the O'Neill track.

Members of the fair association are much gratified over the success of their initial attempt and also for the liberal patronage accorded them. The gross receipts for the three days was \$1,100 plus the entry fees in the races. Of this sum, \$912.65 was gate receipts, the balance being for concessions. The association had made provision for meeting a deficit of \$600 if necessary, pledges to that amount being made by the business men. Secretary Weekes says he can not tell at present just how they will come out as the bills are not all in, but thinks they will not need more than \$200 of the \$600 pledged.

Business Chances.

See McNichols for flour, feed and grain. 11-3mo

Do not sell your grain until you see McNichols. 11-3mo

Loans on farm and city property.—E. H. Benedict. 44-tf

During the fall and winter I will give lessons on violin or piano. Terms reasonable. William LaViolette. 11-2

Well! Did you ever see things that went so fast as the fine large galvanized water tanks at Brennan's. No hoops to be bothered with.

For Exchange—Stocks of goods, hotels, livery barns and cattle and horses for Holt county land and O'Neill property. 6-tf Lyman Waterman, O'Neill, Neb.

Wants and for Sale.

FOR RENT—Six room cottage in good condition. 52-tf Belle Ryan.

For Rent—Eighty acres of extra fine hay land. Enquire at this office.

To Lease—A few quarters of good hay land Lyman Waterman, 6tf O'Neill, Neb.

For Sale—Thoroughbred Poland China boars.—G. D. Janzing, 8 miles northwest of O'Neill. 12-4p

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