

SOME EXCELLENT WORK

The Play, "A Gay Deceiver," Cleverly Rendered.

The sparkling and mirth-provoking comedy, and the second performance this evening should be well attended.

The unpropitious weather Thursday evening kept many away from the opera house who would have enjoyed the very clever rendition of "A Gay Deceiver" by Mr. Willard, assisted by local talent.

Mr. Willard, assisted by local talent, and sparkling and mirth-provoking in the extreme. Mr. Willard as a "cheerful liar" was immense, in fact his living capacity was colossal and he was aptly assisted by Roy Dodge, who possessed an elastic conscience and "backed him up" in all the dilemmas in which his unfortunate habits landed him.

Doumie Hiatt with his Peccadilly accent was too good to be classed as an amateur. His acting was decidedly of a star character. He should make the stage his vocation. James Nowell as stage coach was inimitable and his make-up was admirable. He looked and acted his part perfectly.

The three ladies, Misses Pette, Dovey and Levings, made a charming trio and acted their somewhat subordinate parts as well as possible. Miss Pette, with the soubriquet of Tootsy Woosty, was exceedingly comical. Her costume and general make-up calculated to give the appearance of juvenility to her supposed thirty summers.

The pretty gowns of the other ladies won the hearts of the feminine portion of the audience who declared them "too sweet for any use." The play as a whole is better than the average of light comedies and should be greeted with a crowded house this evening.

DELAYED THE MARRIAGE.

Cass County Couple Lacked a Signature to a Written Consent.

From Thursday's Daily.

Carl Oscar Larson of Nehawka and Miss Emma Catherine Stratton of Weeping Water were married shortly before 6 o'clock last evening by Judge Douglas.

The groom is a well known and prosperous young farmer, while the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Stratton, who reside in the vicinity of Weeping Water.

The happy young couple called at the judge's office about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and with a smiling countenance, the groom applied for a license. However, a little hitch occurred in the proceedings just then which delayed the ceremony for several hours.

It developed that the bride-to-be was only "sweet sixteen," and, although they produced a written consent from her parents, Judge Douglas quoted from the statutes to the effect that it required the signature of at least one competent witness in order to make the marriage legal.

This was a rather unexpected occurrence, and had a tendency to somewhat mar the happiness which the features of the twain betrayed.

After consultation, however, it was finally decided to call up the young lady's father by telephone. As her home is some miles south of Weeping Water it required several hours before the father could be summoned to the scene.

When the father arrived, he was finally notified of his coming shortly before its arrival. One of the cars contained a large megaphone, with a steam attachment, and the noise made by it could be heard for blocks away.

The train stopped in the upper yard long enough to permit the fast mail to pass. Vice President J. T. Bartholomew and Secretary George Parsons, together with several other officials of the Avery company, accompanied the train in a special coach.

Delivery Team Runs Away.

When the Avery special passed through town this afternoon the delivery team of A. Bach, which was tied in front of the store on Lower Main street, broke loose and started up the street at a lively gallop.

They turned north at the corner of Main and Sixth streets and were stopped near the post-office. No damage, however, resulted from the runaway.

The screeching noise made by the big megaphone on one of the cars of the special was entirely too much for the animals, and they made a dash to get out of the neighborhood.

Union Property Sold.

Donald McCaughey of Nebraska City was in town yesterday to buy some Cass county real estate. He made a deal whereby he becomes the owner of lots 12 and 13, block 1, in the village of Union, having purchased the same from Bernhard H. Nolting and wife. Consideration, \$600.

George P. Barton and wife also purchased lot 1, block 11, in Lyman's addition to the village of Union, from Henry F. Taylor. Consideration, \$45

NEWS TOLD.

A. W. Atwood sells the best paint on earth.

Plattsmouth 'phone No. 248 for ice cream.

Doughnuts, cookies, buns, rolls, etc., at the Vienna bakery.

A special line of flowers at reduced prices at Mrs. Street's.

Call at the Vienna bakery for fresh bread, cakes, pies, etc.

A. W. Atwood's drug store is headquarters for wall paper.

Order your ice cream of Miss Holloway—Plattsmouth 'phone 248.

Treat your friends at the ice cream social Tuesday night in the Riley block.

Mr. Cozad, the piano tuner, is again in the city. Headquarters at Perkins house.

A mothers' meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. William Cole Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

If you want a new spring suit, made in the latest style, call on Hudecek & McElroy in Hookwood block.

Mrs. Street's annual clearing sale of trimmed hats will begin Friday, May 18. Liberal discounts for cash.

A nice line of pattern hats just received at Mrs. Street's. Some nice bargains for those who come early.

All wall paper purchased from us will be hung for 9 cents per single roll. GERING & CO.

Have your suit cleaned and pressed. It will look like new. Hudecek & McElroy will be glad to do the work for you.

Public reading room of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Fitzgerald block, Tuesday and Friday, 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p. m.

Street Commissioner Peter J. Hansen had a force of men at work this morning flushing the pavement on Sixth street.

The teachers meeting of the Presbyterian Sunday school will be held at the home of Miss Margaret Hodgert this week.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Christian church will serve ice cream and ices Tuesday evening, May 22, in the Coleman building.

School was dismissed at 3 o'clock this afternoon and the regular teachers' meeting was held at the central building as usual.

Anyone wishing to buy a good top buggy and single harness can secure a bargain by calling at No. 109 North Fifth street, this city.

M. Fanger was a passenger for Omaha on the early train. He went to look at a stock of goods, which he is figuring on purchasing.

A telephone message received in the city today announced the fact that George Palmer of Omaha is the proud father of a bouncing boy baby.

H. R. Goring and N. Halmos started for Missouri this evening to look after their real estate interests in that state. They will be gone about ten days.

On account of the meeting of the Sunday school city union there will be no meeting of Mrs. Stoutenborough's Bible class next Sunday afternoon.

Prices count—we sell wall paper at the very lowest prices and hang it for 9 cents per single roll.

GERING & CO.

Wescott & Son have purchased John Coleman's big safe. Walter White and several assistants moved it from the Riley block to the Wescott building today.

The Vienna bakery now has a bread wagon, and anyone wishing bread delivered at their homes can leave orders at the store or call up Nebraska telephone No. 216.

J. W. McKinney, representing the Woodman of the World lodge, is in the city in the interests of that order. He will endeavor to increase the membership in the local camp.

A. H. Weckbach's fine St. Bernard dog disappeared from his premises Monday and since then the owner has been unable to find any trace of the animal.

Verna W. Price has filed a suit in Justice Archer's court against the Burlington Voluntary Relief department, claiming the sum of \$22 as disability fees. The case has been set for Tuesday, May 22.

Strayed or Stolen—A St. Bernard dog; weight, 140 pounds; color, white and brown. Has been missing since Monday. A liberal reward will be paid for the return of the animal to the owner, A. H. Weckbach.

The local clerk of the M. W. A. lodge today received a fine sword from the head camp. It will be carried by the chief forester of the team. New suits for the members of the team have also been ordered and are expected to arrive in a few days.

In speaking of the G. A. R. and W. K. C. encampment at Beatrice last week, the News of that place says: "After canvassing the matter pretty thoroughly yesterday, Colonel G. B. Pickett of Greenwood and Mr. McMahon of Plattsmouth succeeded in landing the next encampment at Plattsmouth."

The peculiar noise made by the megaphone on the special implement train this afternoon frightened quite a number of the women folks who heard it. One of them telephoned down town to her husband, telling him that she had heard a strange, screeching noise and that she was sure there was an insane person in the vicinity of her home.

J. I. Carson, Prothonotary, Washington, Pa., says: "I have found Kodol Dyspepsia cure an excellent remedy in case of stomach trouble, and have derived great benefit from its use." It digests what you eat and cannot fail to cure. F. G. Fricke & Co.

FAREWELL TO FRIENDS.

Turner Hall the Scene of a Very Jolly Gathering.

Party of Plattsmouth Citizens Who Expect to Visit Germany Entertain Their Friends in a Pleasant Manner—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Helps Prove Themselves Excellent Entertainers.

The members of the Turnverein who expect to make the trip to Germany invited a large number of their friends to the hall last evening to bid them farewell. It was a very jolly gathering—the evening being spent very pleasantly in dancing, games, partaking of refreshments, etc. A portion of the time was also spent in relating reminiscences of the old country, describing time-honored scenes and giving the "boys" messages to deliver to friends and relatives in different sections of Germany.

The party will consist of six—Messrs. H. M. Soennichsen, Peter Goos, John Buck, Gus Burmeister, George Shantz and George Klinger. The first four mentioned will leave on Burlington train No. 6 tomorrow morning for Chicago, where they will be joined Monday morning by the two latter, who leave here Sunday morning. Tuesday morning the entire party expects to go on to New York, and Thursday morning they will sail on the Hamburg-American liner "Augusta Victoria" for the old country. They expect to be gone about three months.

Young People Entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Helps delightfully entertained about twenty young people last evening at their home on South Sixth street.

While the rain kept a few from coming, the storm without only made it seem the more pleasant within. There being a number of our leading musicians in the company, music naturally became the feature of the evening's entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. Helps are royal entertainers and spare no pains in making their guests feel at home and have a jolly good time. Late in the evening refreshments, in the form of sandwiches, lemonade, ice cream and cake, were served and shortly before the electric lights were extinguished the guests departed, after thanking the host and hostess for their royal hospitality.

Those present were the Misses Ella Clark, Barbara and Min Gering, Dora Fricke, Antonia Kessler, Jessie Evans, Nettie Morgan, Rose Wintersteen, and Messrs. H. R. Gering, J. C. Thygeson, Ralph White, C. G. Fricke, Herman Kessler, Hill Wescott and George L. Farley.

PERSONAL MENTIONS.

Mrs. W. L. Pickett spent the day in Omaha.

Mrs. W. H. Newell spent the day in Omaha.

John A. Davies and wife visited in Omaha today.

Jay E. Worley came in this morning from Elmwood.

Will Stadelmann was in Omaha today for a few hours.

E. A. Oliver was a business visitor in Omaha this afternoon.

A. R. Bradley made a trip to Omaha this morning on business.

Postmaster Fred W. Crosser of Murray spent a few hours in the city today.

Rush O. Fellows of the Post was a passenger for Omaha on the fast mail.

H. E. Pankonin, the Louisville implement dealer, was a county seat visitor today.

Sam Shoemaker was in Council Bluffs today looking after some business matters.

William Ballance and daughter, Mrs. H. H. Tartsch, came in this morning from McCook.

Scott Davis and wife of Louisville came in on the Schuyler this morning, enroute to Omaha.

Mrs. G. W. Campbell and Mrs. William Hudson were passengers for Omaha on the early train.

John Sherman left this afternoon to resume his duties as a lineman for the Burlington near Holdrege.

Attorneys D. O. Dwyer and S. M. Chapman were looking after legal business in the metropolis today.

Miss Ella Clark and Miss Hopping were among the Plattsmouth people who visited in Omaha today.

Mrs. August Anderson and daughter, Ella, and Mrs. George Craig were visitors in the metropolis today.

Seward Graham, representing the firm of Graham Bros. of Hiawatha, Kan., was in town today interviewing the local clothing merchants.

Dr. C. A. Marshall returned this morning from Omaha, where he had been in attendance at a three-day session of the State Dental association.

Mrs. B. M. Stoutenborough returned from Oklahoma this morning, where she went to address the Territorial Federation of Women's clubs. She reports a very pleasant trip.

Asa Leo Willard departed this morning for Denver, where he expects to join a theatrical company. He thinks Plattsmouth is a first-class town and he may decide to favor his friends with another visit sometime in the future.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Chicago News.

Human nature sets a man up as a judge of his neighbors.

Many a man's prosperity is due to his having married a wealthy widow.

If a man is made of dust that may explain why so many men are always dry.

The public-spirited candidate is the one who opens kegs for the crowd.

If there is any pig in a man's nature it is sure to crop out when he travels.

MARRIED A COLORED MAN

Noble Attempt of a University Girl to Rescue a Fallen Sister.

The following article clipped from yesterday's Lincoln News will be of local interest:

"Had the two young university students known the destination of the charming girl, stylishly dressed, who left them on the library steps and walked down town, their feelings towards her would doubtless have been very different from the sentiments which welled over in their youthful hearts as the young lady moved away. She was indeed a very attractive, winking girl, and popular among boys and girls alike at the university; belonging to one of the ranking societies she was considerably in society and had many admirers and friends. Of the former class were the two youths with whom she had been talking. Not a trace of trouble, worry or anxiety showed in her features, and there was nothing about her in any way to indicate that she had anything more momentous in prospect than a few minutes' shopping. When one of the girls asked to go with her, however, she refused him on some slight pretext. Then, with a smile and a laugh, she tripped away."

"Five minutes later this same young lady walked up to the private door of Chief Hoagland's office, where she rapped. The door swung open and closed again. Half an hour later the girl emerged. She returned to the university by the roundabout way in which she had come and appeared as blithe and gay as usual. None of her friends ever knew what a terrible ordeal of shame and suffering she had been through."

"The astonishment of the young lady's student friends had they known, however, could not have exceeded that of Chief Hoagland as he was confronted by this airy vision in pink and white. And he was simply astounded when she had told him her mission. The story was brief. When she had left her home in one of the principal towns of the state a few months before an only sister, two years younger than herself and a charming, lovable girl, had remained at home with their parents. Two months ago this girl had disappeared and every effort to find her had been fruitless. The search had been conducted quietly, with the aid of private detectives, and to all the friends of the family the daughter's absence meant only a visit with relatives in the east."

"Meanwhile the parents had become fairly frantic with anxiety and grief and this was shared by the daughter at school in Lincoln, who knew all the particulars and was kept informed as to progress. Just this morning she had received a letter from her father saying that they had at last found trace of the other girl. But he would never go another step toward bringing her back, for she was living a life of shame in Lincoln."

"To the older girl her sister's shame seemed her own. The news was an absolute shock, as she had never for a moment entertained such a thought as the cause of her sister's absence. But she was not, as her parents, willing to give up the girl so soon. It had only been two months. It might still be possible to tear her away and, that done, the reconciliation would be easy. So this heroic young woman took upon herself this task, which seemed to her a duty, and she went into it absolutely alone, without even telling the stricken parents of her resolution."

"The next day found this girl again at the chief's office, according to agreement. In the meanwhile both night and day police had been searching the shady part of the city for the sister. And they had found her. But the chief had sadder, bitter news for this loyal girl than she had yet undergone. As gently as possible he told her that he had found her sister in such a place as she had expected, only worse a thousand fold. The girl had declared to him that she was happy and refused absolutely to return to her old life or even to see her sister. She was married to a negro."

Civil Service Examinations.

The civil service commission at Washington announces that on June 19, 20 and 21, examinations will be held in the large cities of the United States for the position of mechanical draftsman at a salary of \$1,200 a year, says the Bee. On June 19 examinations will be held for the position of lumberman at a salary of \$1,500 per year. Those who wish to take the examinations should write to the commission at Washington for application blanks and for information concerning the examinations may call on the local secretary of the board.

RAILROAD NOTES AND PERSONALS.

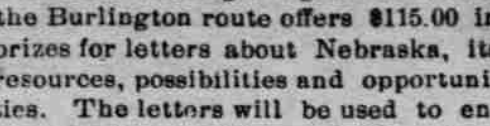
Roadmaster John Sullivan of the Burlington claims the world's long distance high speed record with a gasoline "spit car," says the Lincoln Journal. Mr. Sullivan is the proud possessor of a railroad velocipede fitted with a gasoline motor which he has named a "spit car." On this machine he makes high speed runs over his district between Aurora and Lincoln as rapidly as time card rules will permit. Wednesday he was in Hastings with his car and invited Roadmaster Hugh Wilson to accompany him on a trip to Lincoln. The invitation came as a result of a controversy between the two, Mr. Wilson claiming that he could run faster with his bicycle velocipede than Mr. Sullivan could with his "spit car." They left Hastings at 10 a. m. and at 12 m. were in Sutton. There they ate dinner, examined the machinery for hot boxes and killed two hours. Then they left for Lincoln. At 5 p. m. they ran into the yards at Lincoln, covering the ninety-seven miles in five hours, making the actual running time about twenty miles per hour. Mr. Sul-

IN THE FIELD..

We are in the field this week with an array of Spring and Summer Underwear that is incomparable. Everything from 25c to pure silk, including Combination Suits, Scriven's patent Drawers, etc.

THE LAST SHOT

of our \$10 Suit Sale will be fired Saturday night. Your chance to get an exceptional value is good if you come now.



WESCOTT & SON

The "Boss" Clothiers.

Advertisement for Wescott & Son, featuring a man in a suit and text about clothing and a suit sale.

Large advertisement for E. G. Dovey & Son, featuring various goods like carpets, rugs, corsets, lace curtains, and wash dress goods.

Advertisement for THE NEWS does Job Printing, including information and opinion.

Advertisement for FILE YOUR WANTS, including notices for lost items and services.

Advertisement for BALDUFF'S CANDIES and LEHNHOFF'S BOOK STORE.

Advertisement for F. G. Fricke & Co., featuring a special paint and other services.