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AN OLD SETTLER DIES

George E. Sayles of Cedar Creek Passes Away Early This Morning.

George E. Sayles, one of the leading characters of Cedar Creek, an old settler of that vicinity died at his home in that village at 8 o'clock this morning. Mr. Sayles had resided in Cass county ever since 1857, having come to this county from Ill., with his parents, and lived with them on a farm in Eight Mile Grove precinct until he began business for himself. In 1880 he opened a store of general merchandise at Cedar Creek which he conducted for many years. He was also postmaster at Cedar Creek and a member of the school board.

Afterward he was engaged in the grain business at the same place and later at Plattsburgh. The deceased was born in Dover N. H., April 21, 1848, and was in his sixty-second year at the time of his death. On July 4th, 1870, he was married to Miss Frances A. Cooley, who with one son and four daughters survive him.

Their son, George R. Sayles, is a resident of this city. The daughters are: Mrs. Andrew Fudge of Virginia, Mrs. W. H. Seybert and Miss Ruth Sayles of Cedar Creek and Miss Eva E. Sayles, of Omaha.

The funeral will occur at 1 p. m. Thursday. Rev. J. H. Salsbury will conduct the service.

Thrall Bound Over.

Saturday morning County Attorney Ramsey filed complaint against Fred Thrall, Jr., charging him with assault with intent to kill and assault with intent to great bodily injury. The accused was immediately brought into court where he waived preliminary examination and was bound over to the district court, his bond being placed at \$1,000. The prisoner was unable to furnish bond Saturday and again remanded to jail. He will be tried at the May term of court.

Died in the Hospital.

Georgia Smith Cline died last Friday at the hospital at Lincoln after undergoing an operation. Her remains were brought to Plattsburgh and interred in Oakwood Cemetery yesterday. The deceased was born February 9, 1891 and was a granddaughter of Mrs. Dr. Schildknecht, and had resided in Plattsburgh for a long time.

Plattsburgh Boy Promoted.

The dispatches Saturday announced the appointment of George W. Vallery, for many years general agent of the Burlington at Denver, as general manager of the Colorado Midland. This company operates a line from Denver to Colorado Springs and Pueblo, west to Ogden with several branches running north and south to Utah points. Mr. Vallery is an old Plattsburgh boy, and his many friends in this part of the country will rejoice with him in his promotion.

Taft and Sherman.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—With simple, but impression, ceremonies the counting of the electoral vote for president occurred today at a joint session of the senate and house of representatives held in the chamber of the lower body.

Promptly at 1 p. m. Doorkeeper Lyon announced the arrival of the vice president and the senate of the United States. The procession moved slowly down the center aisle, and the seats assigned were at once occupied, the vice president mounting the rostrum and taking position to the right of the speaker. The entire joint body stood until Vice President Fairbanks brought his gavel down. He then announced that the houses were assembled pursuant to the requirements of the constitution and the laws of the United States. Senators Burrows of Michigan and Bailey of Texas and Representatives Gaines of West Virginia and Rucker of Missouri acted as tellers.

The count consumed exactly forty minutes' time.

The tellers then reported that William H. Taft and James S. Sherman had received 321 votes and that William J. Bryan and John W. Kern had received 162 votes. Only 242 votes were necessary to elect. The vice president announced that Taft and Sherman had received more than the requisite majority and that "this announcement should be deemed a sufficient declaration of the persons elected president and vice president of the United States, each for the term beginning March 4, 1909, and shall be entered together with a list of the votes on the journals of the senate and house of representatives.

Dies at Weeping Water.

The State Journal of Saturday gives the following account of the death of Josiah Timblin one of the early settlers of the vicinity of Weeping Water:

Josiah Timblin, one of the old settlers of Cass county died here Friday. He was seventy-seven years old, but a few days before his death. He had resided near and in Weeping Water forty-two years. He is survived by three sons, five daughters, three brothers and four sisters and his wife. The sons are George and William, living near here, and Jasper, a student at Wesleyan university. The daughters are Mrs. Zelma Pickett of Pender, Mrs. M. Dwinell of Palmyra, Mrs. C. R. Gilmore, Samantha, and Viola of Weeping Water. Mr. Timblin was for more than fifty years a member of the M. E. church. The funeral will be held from the church on Monday afternoon, conducted by the pastor, Rev. H. W. Cope. Mr. Timblin is a brother of F. M. Timblin of Weeping Water.

Asks for New Guardian.

In the county court Saturday, J. E. Douglass as attorney for Leona Edgerton, a minor, filed a petition asking that Mrs. Mary Edgerton be removed as guardian of said minor and that she be allowed to name a guardian for herself. A hearing will be had on February 27.

Don't overlook the commercial club meeting tomorrow night.

TWO RAILROAD WRECKS

Burlington and Missouri Pacific Each Have Serious Smash-Up Doing Considerable Damage.

Fatal Wreck Near Union.

Passenger train No. 104 southbound on the M. P. yesterday morning, met with a wreck near Union which cost P. T. Barnum his life. Mr. Barnum, familiarly called "Tom" was riding in the smoker when the accident occurred, and was seated by the side of Mr. McEnemy when the car left the track, and grasped the seat in front and tried to save himself but the impact from the chair car in the rear was so strong that he was hurled against the iron base of the water tank with such force that his skull was crushed, and he died shortly after being taken from wreck.

The accident occurred just south of the first bridge north of Union, and was caused by the baggage car leaving the track shortly before the "Y" was reached and when the wheels struck the "Y" the car broke loose from the engine and followed the "Y" overturning the baggage and smoking car. Many passengers were more or less injured.

Effect of a Bottle of Wine a Day.

Kurtz and Kraeplin estimated that after consuming eighty grams of alcohol to a man for twelve successive days the working capacity of that individual's mind was lessened from 25 per cent to 40 per cent. Smith found that after the same period the power to memorize was reduced 70 per cent, and the power to add was impaired 40 per cent. Forty to eighty grams of alcohol are equal to a half-bottle or a bottle of ordinary wine. Professor Aschaffenburg, referring to these experiments, points the obvious moral:

The so-called moderate drinker, who consumes his bottle of wine as a matter of course each day with his dinner, — and who doubtless would declare that he is never under the influence of liquor — is in reality never actually sober from one week's end to another.

England Wants the Best.

The English government has signed a contract with the Armour Packing Company for 3,000,000 pounds of corned beef. This is the first order from across the water since the big sanitary scandal in Chicago, and the packers are consequently feeling quite jubilant. While most of this meat will be canned in Chicago, it will be slaughtered and cured in South Omaha, and will doubtless give a great stimulus to trade in this section. It will take upwards of 20,000 cattle to fill the order, and they must be good stock.

Commercial Club.

Regular meeting Tuesday evening, Feb. 16th at 8 o'clock at Coates' hall. Special feature — Address by John Steinhart of Nebraska City.

PURELY PERSONAL

Items of Interest Concerning the Going and Coming of People You Know.

H. E. Coleman, of Greenwood was a Plattsburgh visitor yesterday.

Dick Osburn is entertaining his cousin R. R. Knight of Centralia, Kan.

Mrs. Dr. Elster has been spending a few days with friends at Auburn.

G. J. Halmes and wife are spending a few days with friends at Plainview.

A. W. Neihart of Elmwood, was a Plattsburgh visitor at the end of week.

J. P. Cross of Union was in the city on jury duty the forepart of the week.

W. N. Minford returned to his duties a member of the special panel yesterday.

E. E. Craig, Constable of the village of Greenwood was in the city yesterday.

Miss Lillian Bookmeyer spent Sunday with her mother and sisters in this city.

Mrs. Emily Morrison and daughter, Edna, spent Saturday in the metropolis.

Miss Lillian Fitch was in the city Saturday looking after the interests of her pupils.

J. G. Richey went to Lincoln yesterday and will spend a few weeks with his family.

Chancellor Phillips left Thursday for Denver where he will visit friends for a short time.

Misses Ella and Anna Carlson went to Havelock Saturday to visit relatives for a few days.

George M. Porter, the general representative of the Omaha Bee, was in the city Saturday.

William Stohlmeyer, of Center precinct was attending to business matters in this city yesterday.

C. H. Baily of Elmwood arrived yesterday to take up his duties as jurymen at the present term of court.

Martin B. Houk of Omaha was in the city last week long enough to close out his real estate interests here.

Miss Addie Stokes of Murray, manager of the independent phone was a Plattsburgh visitor Thursday.

Mrs. J. M. Leek returned from Missouri yesterday where she was attending the bed side of a sick friend.

John T. Coleman of St. Joe, Mo. came in Thursday evening to visit his parents, J. C. Coleman and wife.

Alcohol Plant for Lincoln.

Senator Burkett has introduced an amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill appropriating \$30,000 for an experimental denatured alcohol factory at Lincoln. It was thought the department had funds at its command, without a new appropriation, to put in such a plant, but Secretary Wilson on investigation informs Senator Burkett that it has no such available cash. Accordingly effort will be made for a special appropriation, of which \$20,000 will go into machinery and \$10,000 into building; the site to be provided by the Nebraska agricultural experiment station authorities. This would produce a plant of ten times the capacity of the small one in Washington, or 1,000 gallons of alcohol a day, and would give opportunity to test the value of the by-products secured incident to making alcohol.

Call and See the Piano.

The public is cordially invited to call at the sales room of the Plattsburgh Music Company in the Riley Block south of the postoffice and see the fine Howard piano which the News-Herald will give away on the 3d of April. This is an instrument which Mr. Becker has been regularly selling at \$300, the price in Omaha being \$325. The manufacturers have been making pianos for over fifty years and the experience gained in that length of time is embodied in this fine instrument. Mr. Becker will take pleasure in exhibiting it to anyone calling at his store. Never before has a piano of this grade been offered in any contest anywhere.

Something to Laugh At.

Next to a kiss a laugh is the most popular thing in the world. The supply of kisses is limited, being largely controlled by a fair but capricious trust. The supply of laughs, however, is practically unlimited so long as you don't get too grumpy to look for them. One reason for the remarkable success of THE CHICAGO RECORD-HERALD is its daily recognition of the value of kindly, wholesome fun. The "Alternating Currents" column of S. E. Kiser, the humorist and poet, is one of the brightest things in American journalism. There is always a smile or a good laugh in Ralph Wilder's cartoons, bringing a cherry greeting as you pick up the paper each morning.

But it is in THE SUNDAY RECORD-HERALD that one finds the most chuckles. The colored comic section is full of laughter for young and old, and these amusing illustrations are free from the vulgarity and mischievous suggestions that have barred so many comic sections from refined homes. Then there is always a lot of high-class humor in the Sunday Magazine of THE RECORD-HERALD, led by Swell Ford's inimitable Shorty McCabe stories. The delectable Shorty, we understand, is to appear every other Sunday throughout the present year. No other character in fiction, unless it be Mr. Dooley, can match him as a funmaker. As long as Shorty and his devoted Sadie are on deck there will be something worth living for.

THE RECORD HERALD has the right idea. Clean humor doubles the welcome of a good newspaper.

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ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Conference to the Herald in Lincoln March Second and Third Next.

There has arisen within the Sunday school the past few years, one of the mightiest forces that has yet been seen in this important field of religious education. The organized Adult Bible Class movement at first sporadic in its growth, finally adopted as a part of the international Sunday School Association work, has attained a growth not heretofore known of any other movement in so short a time. In 1905 only two State Associations had an Organized Adult department, but today there are few states which do not have a live and flourishing Adult department. Nebraska was one of the first states to incorporate this department, after its formal adoption by the International Association, and it is therefore fitting that Nebraska should be one of the states in which there is to be held within a few weeks, an Institute or Conference on Adult Bible Class Work, led by the International Superintendent, W. C. Pearce of Chicago. Mr. Pearce is on a tour including some of the largest eastern cities, coming to Nebraska from Des Moines, and going from here to Denver. The Conference dates have been set for March 2 and 3 in Lincoln. The subjects to be considered embrace practically all the questions and problems met in the organization and maintenance of the Organized Bible Class work. It is one meeting during 1909 which Sunday School and other religious workers should not miss, for the interchange of ideas will be especially helpful to all delegates. It is hoped that many of the denominational leaders be present, and especially is it desired that organized classes throughout the state be represented by at least one delegate. Full information may be secured by writing to the State Sunday School Association office in Lincoln.

Make the Goats do the Work.

Three thousand angora goats herded out on the brushcovered foothills of California are going to do some hard work for Uncle Sam during the coming two years beginning this spring. The experiment will be unique both as a stock raising proposition and as an engineering and tree culture problem.

The little white animals whose long wool is of such great value are going to be put to no less a task than constructing a mile after mile of fire line through the bushy chaparral growth in the National Forests, saving much labor by the United States Forest Service engineers and making way for forestation by merchantable trees. Not the least important feature of the experiment, which for the first two years will be confined to the Lassen Forest, is the fact that the task will be performed during the regular grazing by the goats which will not even realize they are doing a valuable work.

Union Hotel Burned.

About 2:30 o'clock Friday morning fire destroyed the hotel at Union. It was a two story frame structure and had served for hotel purposes many years. The loss is placed at \$2,000.

Wise Talks by the Office Boy



You can take my word for it—whatever a fellow hopes to be, he will be, unless he gets on the wrong car. Whenever I hear one those worldly wise chaps using that expression, "Where do I get off?" I always feel like edging up and saying, "Put him off at Plattsburgh because he will then know just where he is going to get off and we will all know where he is getting off. We know that he will get off better than he expected for the simple reason that we are primed

to the muzzle with new goods and we don't care how soon the people know it. Times are improving, business is improving, people are improving, everything is improving except the weather and you can't improve that because it isn't made to be bossed. Have you tried our Plattsburgh brand of M & J coffee? Then you can't go wrong on.

H. M. SOENNICHSEN

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