

LABORER WAS BADLY HURT

Burlington Bridge Carpenter Severely Injured This Morning.

KNOCKED FROM BRIDGE BY CHUNK OF COAL

Axel Kron Felled From "Curve Bridge" in Iowa by Fuel From No. 15.

(From Thursday's Daily)
Axel Kron, an employee of the Burlington, was very badly hurt this morning by a fall from a bridge between here and Pacific Junction.

Kron has been with the company but three days, having come last Sunday from New York. He is a single man about twenty four years of age and has a brother who is also a Burlington man. The ill fated man was at work with the bridge gang under K. W. Zavgren this morning on bridge number four a short ways from Pacific Junction. The bridge is undergoing some slight repairs and he was one of the "caps" at the side of it, engaged in some carpenter work when No. 15 passed over. It was heavily laden with coal and just as it went over the bridge a large piece of the fuel fell in the back, knocking Kron in the back, knocking him off of his narrow perch. He fell about ten feet and struck the hard ground below.

The crew of the passing passenger train were not aware of the mishap and proceeded unconscious of the man they had so seriously injured. The members of the gang hurried to the distressed man and finding his condition to be so grave, they placed him on a hand car and rushed him over to this city.

He was taken to a doctor's office where it was found that two ribs on the right side had been broken. At first it was thought that his lungs had been punctured but it is now thought that the broken ribs are the only serious injuries. His condition is by no means fatal, but it will be three or four weeks before he is able to be out.

SOUTH BEND.

Mrs. M. E. Lansing and Miss Hamilton went to Murdock Friday evening to visit Mrs. E. N. Green.

Mrs. Charles Hill and brother Basil went to Lincoln Saturday evening where Mrs. Hill will spend the week visiting her people.

George Vogle and Walter Towle were Murdock visitors Saturday morning.

Mr. T. J. Fountain is reported to be very much better this week after his severe attack of last week.

Drs. Kikpatrick of Ashland and Jones of Murdock made several professional calls in the berg last week.

Mrs. Vandervort and children went to her people at Malvern, Ia., the first of the week.

Tessie Woolsey of Louisville spent Sunday with friends in the Bend.

South Bend will have new teachers for next year in that the present force have decided not to stay. Miss Smith accepting a position in the Ashland school while Miss Hamilton will attend the state normal at Peru.

Wm. Kitrell bought the H. R. Neitzel building last week and expects to reside in it—the old Walker building formerly.

E. Sturzenegger spent Monday and Tuesday in Omaha transacting business.

W. D. Ihl is having his house repainted. E. N. Green of Murdock is doing the work.

Miss Birdie Smith was a passenger to Murdock Tuesday evening to visit her sister.

Josie Kaneff was a passenger to Louisville Tuesday morning where she will visit her sister Mrs. H. C. Hansen.

Ella Timm had the misfortune Saturday to fall from a wagon and break both bones in the lower part of the arm. Dr. Jones was hastily summoned and relieved the suffering, somewhat.

County Attorney Ramsay was called to Lincoln last night to look after some legal matters in that city.

Mrs. S. Erick started this morning for her home in Page, Nebraska after being in town three months the guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dora Johnson. Mrs. Erick was accompanied by Mrs. Henry Rothman and children who will visit at the Erick home in Page.

REVIVAL MEETINGS ON IN FULL FORCE

Evangelist F. A. Campbell a Former Pastor Here at Methodist Church.

(From Friday's Daily)
The revival meetings at the Methodist church are drawing out a large attendance every evening and the leaders are well satisfied with the results they are securing. The song services are continuing to be one of the strong features of the evening services and Mr. Alva Campbell's solos are greatly appreciated.

The preaching evangelist F. A. Campbell lived in Plattsmouth for some time a number of years ago coming to the state in 1881. He was one of the most successful ministers the Methodist church ever had. Coming here in 1896 he found the church occupying the building where the Hild furniture store is now located. The church was then under an indebtedness of \$12,000, which Mr. Campbell succeeded in paying off in his three years time in the city and at an enormous church meeting, the mortgage was burned in the street before the building. The year '96 when most of the money was raised was one of the worst hard time years of the state. Mr. Campbell remembers that the best of horses were selling for about \$50, people in some localities were giving away their hogs for they could get no corn for food, and yet the church fund steadily increased with great rapidity during the entire year.

On leaving Plattsmouth in 1899 Mr. Campbell's health was in such bad condition that many physicians stated there was but small hope for him. He went to Denver for a year or so and his health greatly improved and today he is feeling better than he has for years. Since his work here he has been engaged in the evangelistic line, and making his home at University Place.

Quite a Fish Story.

"Bill" Grebe had an experience the other night with a big fish of the Jonah Whale calibre when he went down to the big Muddy to look at his set lines. He goes out in a boat every night after dark to see if any of the water's inhabitants have taken a special fancy to his brand of bait and this evening he had just reached his line and was pulling it in when the cord must have touched a big fish under the gills, any way it was so tickled that it jumped right into the boat. "Bill" proceeded to land the creature and found he had a forty-pound spoon bill cat fish. He hasn't been able to figure out just what the attracting power of his boat was, but he says that was the easiest catch he every made. The story sounds a little briny however there were witnesses of the peculiar event not far from the boat at the time.

Comet Due in East Today.

(From Friday's Daily)
Halley's Comet is now visible to the naked eye today being the first time in seventy five years. A person must rise long before the chickens however to get a glimpse of it for it is now visible about an hour and a half before sunrise. This is at forty-three and it appears in the eastern sky a few degrees north of east. It may be seen for but a few days in a couple of weeks time it will be so nearly in line with the sun that it cannot be observed. It has the general appearance of a star at present and can hardly be discerned by a person not familiar with astronomy. The cloudy morning today disappointed a number of people who arose early to see it.

After May 17 it will be visible in the west in the evening as soon as darkness comes on.

Normal Training Examinations.

The regular monthly teachers' examination for the High school pupils taking the Normal training course was held today in the district court room of the Cass County building. An examination is given by the county superintendent to the pupils in this class every month until the course is completed. Those taking today's examination were Misses Lenora Henderson, and Elsie Boyce and Ralph Uhley of Elmwood. Misses Elizabeth Kerr, Mattie Larson, Villa Gopen McElroy, Mary McGuire Jeroushek, Ina Hatt, Jennie Batten and Ethel Schneider.

Still After Those Arcs.

The prospect for the new street lights on Main street seem to be very encouraging. The proposition has been started and framed up by the Nebraska lighting Company for the stationing and operating three flaming arcs on the business streets like the one now in use on Sixth and Main streets. The company is not making any active campaign, not wishing to force the proposition on the business men, but the papers are in possession of the men at the office and any interested in the lights will have no trouble in finding it.

PRESIDENT TAFT PITCHES FIRST BALL

President Inaugurates Opening Season in Base Ball by Pitching First Ball.

LARGE CROWD WITNESSES THE EVENT

Season Opened in Washington and Home Team Shuts Out the Philadelphia Club.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—President Taft today enjoyed the novel experience of seeing the Washington American league team win a ball game. Last year he saw Washington play Boston late in the season, but the local players got stage fright when the president arrived and threw away the game. Mr. Taft remarked that he must be a "hoodoo" and remained away from the ball park the rest of the season. This morning President Noyes of the Washington Club went to the White house and presented Mr. Taft with base ball pass No. 1. Mr. Taft showed his appreciation by using it later in the day.

Accompanied by Mrs. Taft and his military aide, Captain Archie Butt, the president squeezed his way through the jam of base ball enthusiasts who had gathered at the park for the opening game of the season between Washington and Philadelphia.

Mr. Taft took an active part in the game. Just before play was started Umpire "Billy" Evans made his way to the Taft box in the right wing of the grand stand and presented the president with a new ball. The president took the sphere in his gloved hand as though he were at a loss what to do with it, until Evans told him he was expected to throw it over the plate when he gave the signal. He handed the ball to Mrs. Taft, who weighed it carefully in her hand while

the president was doffing his bright new kid gloves in preparation for his debut as a base ball pitcher.

The president watched the players warm up and a few minutes later shook hands with the managers, McAleer and Mack.

When the bell rang for the beginning of the game, the president shifted uneasily in his seat, the umpire gave the signal and the president raised his arm. Catcher Street stood at the home plate ready to receive the ball, but the president knew that the pitcher was the man who usually began business operations with it, so he threw it straight to Pitcher Walter Johnson. The throw was a little low, but the pitcher stuck out his long arm and grabbed the ball before it struck the ground. The ball was never actually put into play, as it is to be retained as a souvenir of the occasion.

As the game progressed and Washington maintained the lead it took at the outset, the president became as enthusiastic as the others and applauded the brilliant work of the young Washington pitcher. He insisted on remaining until the last Philadelphia had been retired.

Vice President Sherman who rarely misses a game when he can get out of the job of running the senate, witnessed the contest from another boy and seemed to get as much satisfaction out of the victory as did the president.

High School Accredited

For the first time in the history of Plattsmouth, the High school now stands on the list of accredited institutions of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. This has considerable meaning, for it shows that the city's knowledge factory now ranks among the best in the country. The application was made several months ago by Superintendent Gamble and announcement of its acceptance on the honorable list was received today. To be entered on this list, the school has to maintain a very high standing, have good standing, certain courses of study and foreign languages.

This new honor means quite a help for the graduates who enter colleges throughout this part of the country, for now they are not required to pass the college entrance examination that was formerly necessary. There are, of course, a few colleges in the east that are not included in the lists of these schools, as Boston Technical School, Princeton, etc., but no examination is now required for Minnesota, Colorado, Michigan and most of the western schools. This new acquisition of the Plattsmouth High school is quite an honor for the city, thanks to the efforts of the superintendent, principal and faculty.

Heavy on the Time Killers.

(From Friday's Daily)

Today is a strong one in the amusement line for Plattsmouth. There is something doing for every amusement seeker, according to his individual fancy. This afternoon the fans at the ball park exercising their lungs for the base ball season which started today. The Glenwood team was imported from Iowa for the occasion to meet the Plattsmouth sluggers.

This evening a good debate is promised the people who are interested in the topics of the day. The Plattsmouth High school will chew the rag with the delegation from around the river who hail from the town of Blair.

The contest is scheduled for eight o'clock at the High School building. The William Grew Company holds the boards at the Parmele, putting on the comedy "The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown."

Still Having Troubles.

The civil engineer who came down from Papillion the first of the week to lay the stakes on Chicago avenue ran into all kinds of difficulties. At the west end of the avenue they found the creek running down in the middle of what was the original street. The telephone poles were set in some places nearly in the center of the road and the street was in pretty bad condition.

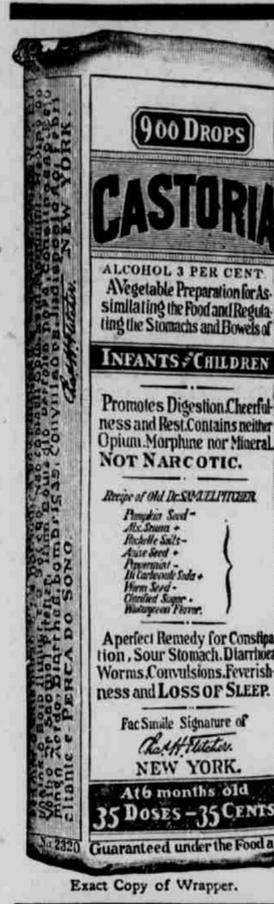
Arrangements are now being made to purchase a small strip of land from the owners of the property adjoining the avenue near the west end, so the macadam may be laid the proper width. It has not been stated whether the land can be secured from the owners, but is hoped that when a permanent improvement to the city like this is contemplated, the owners will not begrudge the loss of a few feet of their front yard for the beautifying of the city's streets.

After establishing the grade for a number of new walks in the city the engineer returned to his home. He will be back the first of the week to finish up the surveying of the avenue as soon as the arrangements have been completed for the purchase of the necessary land.

Looks Over Shop Drainage.

(From Friday's Daily)

F. T. Darrow, chief engineer of the Burlington, was in the city today for a short time looking over the new drainage system proposed for the Burlington shops. He and Mr. Baird the local superintendent, went over the ground together and the plan that has been talked of, of straightening and widening the creek that borders the shops, seemed to impress the visitor as being very feasible. An engineer will be sent to get the topography and make a cross section of the proposed work when it will be possible to tell more definitely the cost of the cuts and fills. It is probably that the work will be pushed through and the creek banks cemented up in preparation for the summer's rains.



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