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## JOTTINGS FOR THE JOLLY

Short Paragraphs Prepared and Parloined For the Readers of the Journal.

There's many an easy-going man Who does not fret and stew, Nor lie awake to scheme and plan, But sleeps the whole night through Who has no troubles, hopes and fears, No thirst for riches and renown; Content he lingers through the years And died—indebted to the town.

A full moon is more attractive than a full man.

Get ready for gardening. Spring has surely arrived.

But few girls are as homely as they sometimes act.

Yeast raises the bread, but the trust raises the price.

Plattsmouth is to have a first-class ball team this season.

When riches come in at the window friends flock to the door.

Marriage is never a failure, but often the contracting parties are.

No, Alonzo, a man isn't always a plug because he wears a plug hat.

When love wanders down the avenue common sense sneaks up the alley.

He who has no faith in himself is destined to become a successful failure.

A man is not justified in taking an eye-opener because he is blind in love.

Talk up the Fourth of July celebration. Let's have a whopper this year.

The "seventeen year locust" are due this season, so says a scientific bugologist.

A wise man doesn't attempt to pull himself out of trouble with a cork-screw.

If a man is unable to stand prosperity he should sit down and give his wife a chance.

It's easier for the average woman to preserve fruit than it is for her to preserve her good looks.

The suspicious man keeps one eye on his neighbor, but the wise man keeps both eyes on himself.

When half a dozen women get together they proceed to lay out their neighbors and cackle.

The average man displays a lot of enthusiasm when he gets a chance to talk about his troubles.

Next Sunday is Easter. If it rains on that day remember it will rain for seven successive Sundays.

Unless a man is willing to take chances he never takes anything else that happens to be lying around loose.

Those young men who made the night hideous Sunday evening by their yelling should have some feeling for sick people if they have no respect for themselves.

The new Easter bonnet will be in evidence next Sunday. If it doesn't rain the ladies will be out in full force to note which one has the most lovely bonnet or hat.

The people are getting awful tired of being robbed by the present lighting company, and there is considerable talk about granting a franchise to another company—a company of home people.

If some of our present officials would keep within the bounds of their authority they might appear as having common ordinary sense. But when they assume the tyrannical role they should be fired bodily. They are no good.

No man has a right to take the law into his own hands, no matter how aggravating the circumstances may be. The man who goes outside the limits of the law to avenge a wrong at once places himself at the mercy of the law. Sympathy cannot supersede law. If it could there would be no need of law.

The manager of the present lighting company done what little he could against Mayor Gering. While he showed this disposition, he is so confounded unpopular that he only controlled two votes—his own and a fellow that works for him. He should be removed from his present position or a new light company should be organized.

The people have endorsed Mayor Gering, now let him put a quietus on those hypocrites who have been assuming too much authority in municipal affairs. The mayor has full authority to guide the affairs of the city, and he is fully competent to do so without the interference of any "Meddlesome Matties."

The News' stated a day or two after the recent city election that the First ward is usually democratic by about forty majority. That's a lie and no one knows it better than the News editor. He also stated that the heaviest taxpayers in the city lived in that ward. That may be so too. But that "truthful" sheet failed to state that two of the heaviest taxpayers in the ward voted for Mayor Gering.

## United in Marriage.

Mr. Richard E. Schuelke of Greenwood and Miss Mary Audra Dimmick of Waverly were united in marriage at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. Caroline Schuelke, three miles south of Greenwood, on Wednesday, April 4, 1906, at 8 p. m., Rev. Wichmann of Elmwood, officiating. Misses Tena Wenzel and Alma Martin acted as bridesmaids and Alfred Anderson and Robert Dimmick were best men.

The bride was attired in a dress of cream silk, covered with white netting.

At the conclusion of the ceremony an elegant supper was served, about seventy-five guests partaking of the good things prepared.

The evening was spent in music, the graphophone adding much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

They were the recipients of a number of handsome and useful presents, of which a list was furnished us, but we are unable to print the list on account of lack of space.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

## DEATH OF MRS. CHAS. BLACK

An Estimable Lady Passes Away Thursday Night at 11 O'Clock at Her Home

We regret to have to record the death of Mrs. Charles Black, which occurred at her home on Eleventh and Elm streets, at 11:10 Thursday night. The deceased sustained a stroke of paralysis on Wednesday, and a cerebral hemorrhage, from which death resulted. Her maiden name was Marcella Cornelia Moore, being married to Charles Black on March 14, 1874, from which union four children were born to them, namely—Capitola, Hanna, George and Stacy, of whom the first two are living.

In spite of the rainy afternoon many loving friends assembled at the residence of Mr. Chas. Black Saturday at 2 o'clock to pay the last sad tributes to the sister, wife, mother and friend who has departed to the land of eternal peacefulness and rest. The high esteem in which she was held was evidenced by the beautiful floral offerings from sympathizing friends. The services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Salsbury, who after a short prayer delivered a sermon paying many beautiful and touching tributes to the deceased. After the singing of several appropriate hymns by the Presbyterian choir, the remains escorted by a large funeral cortege, were conveyed to the Oak Hill cemetery for interment.

In the city of Mansfield, O., Marcella Cornelia Moore was born on the 12th of May, 1852, and when six years of age she together with her parents removed to Plattsmouth, where she has since resided and won the love and respect of all who knew her. On the 14th day of March, 1874, she was united in marriage to Charles Black, from which union four children were born, only two of whom are living—Misses Capitola and Hanna of this city, who with the husband mourn the loss of a devoted wife and loving mother. Constant ill health has been her lot; afflictions have visited her, troubles hard to bear, but she has borne all things patiently for His sake whose follower she has ever been. The immediate cause of her death was a stroke of apoplexy which came to her suddenly Thursday morning, and from which she never rallied. Her many friends extend sympathy to the family so sadly bereft.

## Ashland's New Mayor.

Citizens of Ashland are now asking relative to Dr. G. W. Meredith's election as mayor, "Did the Burlington pass the word down the line?" Significant in the local campaign was the fact that the Burlington men, many of whom were formerly ardent republicans, gathered solidly to the new democratic mayor's support and were chief in making his campaign. A citizen of Ashland notes: "Dr. Meredith, as a democratic member of the state senate three years ago, repudiated his party pledges and was one of the foremost railroad legislators. On this account his party, and its organ, the World-Herald, intempestively repudiated him. The general conviction of political leaders of both parties in that city is that Dr. Meredith's elevation to the position of mayor is but the first step in the railroad's grooming process to have Saunders and Sarpy counties represented in the next legislature by a safe senator.—Lincoln Journal.

"Generally debilitated for years. Had sick headaches, lacked ambition, was worn-out and all run-down. Burdock Blood Bitters made me a well woman."—Mrs. Chas. Freitoy, Moosup Conn.

## FIRST DISTRICT WOMAN'S CLUB CONVENTION

A Large and Interesting Meeting Closed at Weeping Water Yesterday.

FIFTY-FIVE DELEGATES WERE PRESENT

The Visitors Were Most Delightfully Entertained by the Local Members of the Federation.

The Federated Woman's Club of the First congressional district of Nebraska met in convention at Weeping Water last Wednesday and continued in session for two days—Wednesday and Thursday. About fifty-five delegates were present. Opening at 2 o'clock, Mrs. I. N. Woodford of Weeping Water delivered the address of welcome in a very able manner, which was warmly responded to by Mrs. C. B. Letton of Lincoln.

The program had to do for the greater part with the reports of committees, intermixed with the musical numbers, which were enjoyed. Mrs. H. M. Bushnell, state president of Lincoln, conducted a round table, which was interesting. Prof. Rosa Boughton of the State university was present and delivered an address on "Domestic Science," which proved especially interesting.

The evening session, presided over by Mrs. Bushnell, drew a large audience, and the Congregational church, where the meetings were held, was well filled. The principal subject was "Pure Food," and entertaining papers were read by Mrs. Coddington of Syracuse and Mrs. H. D. Travis of Plattsmouth. Prof. Rosa Boughton also gave an interesting talk on "Food Adulterations," illustrating her address with practical tests and demonstrations. Prof. Rouse of Plattsmouth delivered an address, using for his subject "Is the Young One Safe?" A violin solo by Miss Hagenow of Lincoln was much enjoyed by these present, as also were local solos by Mrs. Charles Hoffman of Falls City and Miss Tyler of Lincoln and a piano solo by Miss Herriek of Lincoln.

Thursday morning at 8 o'clock a reception was tendered the delegation at the home of Mrs. I. W. Teegarden. At 10 o'clock the convention was called to order and a lesson in parliamentary law occupied the first part of the session. Miss Marion Kingsley of the Lincoln high school delivered a short address on "Ethical Education." She proved to be an interesting speaker and handled her subject admirably. Mrs. Wilson of Falls City spoke briefly on the "District Federation."

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the convention assembled for the closing session. The first paper was "Educational Advantages Gained From the Club," by Mrs. Wesley Davis of Weeping Water and showed much of the work and object of the clubs. "Country Clubs," by Mrs. Wortman of the Fairland Woman's club, showed how a prosperous club might be maintained in the country. A general discussion was had upon the "Good of the Federation." Vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Charles Hoffman of Falls City.

## Return of Judge Sullivan.

Judge A. N. Sullivan, who went to Stockton, Cal., one week ago Thursday to view the surroundings connected with the mysterious murder of his nephew, A. N. McVicar, returned home last night. Mr. Sullivan says it was one of the most sensational murders that ever occurred on the Pacific coast, and was for some time the theme of discussion on the streets, in the shops and the pulpits. Our readers will remember that the body was discovered in a trunk, and while the woman connected with the case does not confess her guilt, enough was drawn from her conversation to know that she is guilty of the crime, and is held in answer to that charge.

Emma Ledoux, the woman held for the crime, Judge Sullivan says, is most prepossessing, handsome, and from her general appearance she would be the last person one would take to be guilty of such a heinous crime. A brother of the murdered man accompanied the remains to Wichita, Kansas, his home; the judge parting with the brother at Cheyenne to return home.

## Miss Newell Entertains.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newell was the scene of a merry gathering Friday night, when Miss Bernice entertained in honor of Miss Josephine Bowen of Bellevue. The evening hours were very delightfully spent at various games, at which Miss Caroline Baird secured the first and Wade Miner the second prizes. At a late hour delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, and a social good time was enjoyed, until the guests, wishing their entertainers good-night, departed for their homes. Those participating in the occasion were Misses Estella Baird, Anna Hasler, Ruth Houseworth, Lillian Murphy, Helen Chapman, Caroline Baird, Mosses, Wade Miner, Barger, Case, Morris, T. L. Murphy, Rawls and Fricke.

## IT LOOKS THAT WAY

Plattsmouth is Now Assured of a Public Building—No Doubt About It.

## APPROPRIATION BILL PASSES SENATE

A Few More Preliminaries and Up Goes the Long Sought Structure.

There seems to be but little doubt that Plattsmouth will soon realize its long cherished hope—a postoffice building. A special from Washington, under date of Friday, says:

"Senator Burkett's bill appropriating \$40,000 for the purchase of a site and the erection of a federal building at Plattsmouth, Neb., passed the senate today."

This looks like it, don't it? Everything tends that way, and our readers need not be surprised at seeing dirt flying ere snows of another winter begins to fall upon us. For years the Plattsmouth people have been assured and reassured at the sitting of each congress that the matter would go through, and that we would soon have the building. But they have always been doomed to disappointment, until within the past few months.

That the advent of Hon. E. M. Pollard on the floor of the national house of representatives has had much to do in the way of securing the prize, no one has any reason to doubt. For several years an effort has been made, or a pretension to that effect, but never have former members of congress been able to get the least sort of a focus in that direction. As soon as Congressman Pollard went to Washington he went to work with a vim that meant success and he has been untiring in his efforts to secure the building. He deserves great credit, and more than that, in his campaign for a renomination and election he deserves the support of the taxpayers of Plattsmouth, irrespective of past party affiliations.

## INEQUALITY OF PENSIONS

Displayed Between the Veterans of the Civil War and Cuban Soldiers.

This has been a subject of much complaint in later years on the part of the veterans of the civil war—and very justly, too. A writer in the Fremont Herald makes the point that many young men who served briefly in the American army during the late trouble with Spain and drawing larger pensions than many of the old boys who wore the blue forty years ago. We are not contending that the pensions received by the young men who served in Cuba and the Philippines should be reduced, but we do insist that the awards made to the veterans of the civil war are shamefully small. Our position on the pension question is that every man who fought for the union during the days of rebellion and who does not have enough of this world's goods to keep him in good circumstances, should receive a pension of not less than fifty dollars per month. The four, six, eight or ten dollars per month which the government pays to many of the old soldiers is not far from offering insult to the men who offered themselves to the nation in its day of trouble. Of course it must be admitted that the pension rolls bear the names of some men unworthy the bounty of the government, but there are not many of that kind on the rolls—not many in comparison with the vast number of worthy men who draw pensions shamefully small. As to the apparent favoritism of the government toward the young soldiers in the war with Spain, we have no figures at hand to establish that favoritism, but from the evidence furnished by many of the survivors of the civil war, we must conclude that there is much merit in their complaints.

## WRECK NEAR RAVENNA

Terrible Wreck of the Burlington Flyer at Pierson's Ranch.

NO PERSONS ARE FATALLY INJURED

Eight Heavily Loaded Coaches a Perfect Mass of Debris.

No. 41, the fast Burlington flyer, was wrecked five miles east of Ravenna, Neb., Thursday morning about 7 o'clock. Eight cars went into the ditch, and marvelous as it may seem, no one was killed, and still more remarkable, no one was seriously injured. From an extra of the Ravenna News, published soon after the occurrence of the wreck, was brought to the Journal today by Rudolph Ransel, who was in Ravenna Thursday on his return home from Alliance:

"The wreck occurred almost in front of the home of E. G. Bursch, on the Pierson ranch. The wreck occurred on a straight piece of track where the grade was not over three feet high, and was caused by spreading rails. The train consisted of nine heavily loaded passenger coaches, two baggage cars and a mail car, and was pulled by two heavy engines. The train was more than two hours late and was at a very high rate of speed, possibly fifty miles an hour. The two engines passed over safely and did not leave the track, and the mail car immediately following, while off the rails, did not leave the embankment. The two baggage cars tipped over and lay on their sides, the outward ends being possibly forty feet from the track. A day coach and three chair cars behind the baggage car were torn from their trucks and lodged in the form of a huge letter 'W' to the south of the track. The wrecked cars 'backed up' with such tremendous force that the heavy iron frames were twisted like bits of paper, and the trucks are in some cases almost entirely buried in the loose soil.

"The job must have been something tremendous, for the car seats were wrenched loose from their fastenings and the heavy cast iron frames supporting them were broken into bits. Nearly every window in the wrecked cars was broken. The end of one chair car swung around and smashed in the side of a car following it, but with sufficient force only to splinter up the walls of the car, and the people who were sitting there were able to get out without any serious injury.

"As soon as the wreck occurred fire started from the gas storage tanks but fortunately there was plenty of water in the ditches near the track and the flames were quickly extinguished. One gas tank exploded, but no one was injured thereby.

"Every car in the train was crowded, the day coach immediately behind the baggage car, being filled with laborers on their way to Wyoming to work on railroad construction. It was in this car that the greatest number were injured, but none were of a serious nature, being mostly cuts and bruises.

"As soon as the wreck occurred the engine came to Ravenna and gave the alarm. It was assumed from the nature of the wreck that there would be many fatalities and a great many people injured. Drs. Bentley, Penn and Hale were quickly summoned, all the dry goods stores in town were raided for blankets, and a relief train was quickly equipped and pulled out for the scene of the wreck, but when they reached there the doctors found but little need for their services.

"The escape of the passengers from serious injury was almost miraculous. How the inmates of the crowded cars could have passed through the wreck which twisted, warped and tumbled the cars about in such a terrible manner, without getting seriously hurt, passes understanding.

"The passengers were transferred and brought to Ravenna, and a wrecking outfit was sent out from Lincoln to clear up the wreck. Traffic was necessarily delayed for several hours, and all eastbound trains were held here until the track was cleared."

## Missouri Cutting Iowa Shore.

The Missouri river is on another tear, a two-foot rise being reported during twenty-four hours, and is cutting into the shore on the Iowa side, opposite the depot. A force of men, under the supervision of D. C. Woodring, superintendent of bridges and buildings, was hastily summoned and riprap work commenced this afternoon. The river is cutting the banks for about a half of a mile, and it will necessitate about a mile of riprap to check it in its mad course and protect the Burlington bridge from danger.

## Old "Jim" is No More.

Mark White was here from Rock Bluffs Saturday, and informed the Journal that his old dog Jim was no more. He died very suddenly last Thursday, but previously seemed to be enjoying good health. Jim was a good dog, and was with Mr. White on his trip to Alaska, where he used him in hauling goods, and when Mark returned home he brought his faithful companion with him, refusing \$200.00 for him previous to his departure from that country. Jim was faithful to his master to the last, and it is no wonder that Mark regrets his death. He was about twelve years old.

## BURGLARS AT NEBRASKA CITY

They Visit Goldberg's Store and Steal Considerable Clothing.

Last week the News contained an account of an attempt to burglarize Sam Goldberg's large clothing store, but the men were frightened away before accomplishing their purpose. Wednesday they were much more fortunate, and Goldberg correspondingly unfortunate.

In the rear of the store in the alley are two areas ways to admit light into the cellar and these are covered with an iron grating. The burglars raised these gratings and with a crow bar pried open the window which had been strongly nailed and thus gained entrance to the cellar. They then pried open the door leading to the stairs, they being compelled to break a padlock in so doing. They then went up on the first floor and helped themselves to whatever they wanted. In the front part of the store the best suits are kept and they paid their attention to these. That they were well acquainted with the premises there can be no doubt. They selected the best goods and took just such goods as would fit them. They also took three overcoats and then went to the hat department and made an inspection there. Mr. Goldberg had left his overcoat hanging in the front part of the store but this morning it was found in the center of the store, and beside it was a hatchet that had been carried up from the cellar. When the burglars went away they left the crow bar in the cellar and also a small piece of candle. In their haste they dropped two pairs of pants in the cellar.

From the manner in which the work was done it is believed that it was done by local talent.

An investigation of the stock shows that eight suits of clothes, three overcoats and five neckties are missing. That the parties doing the robbing were well acquainted with the store is evidenced by the fact they selected coats and vests from one pile of clothing and then went to another pile to get the trousers. There was no haphazard stealing, as they only took what they wanted.—Nebraska City News.

The Journal was apprised Friday night of the capture of two negroes at Pacific Junction, as the burglars who entered Sam Goldberg's clothing store at Nebraska City, Wednesday night, and escaped with several suits of clothes and other articles of wearing apparel. The articles taken were found in their possession.

From Nebraska City the thieves came north to a point on the river east of Union, and by some means crossed the river and went direct to Bartlett where they boarded a train for the north and landed in Pacific Junction where they were immediately taken in charge by some of the local officials who were on the lookout for them. They were taken to Glenwood and placed in jail to await the arrival of the officers from Nebraska City.

Everyone of the articles found in their possession bore the trade mark of Sam Goldberg, and not any of the articles had been disposed of. The thieves are full blooded "colored gentlemen" but their looks deceive them in the fact that they have the appearance of being in prison before.

## Burglars in Hoek.

The Nebraska City News says that Robert Fleming and George Crockett, the two colored men who were arrested last Friday night charged with robbing the clothing store of Sam Goldberg, and placed in jail had their preliminary hearing before Judge Wilson late this afternoon. The News also adds that Goldberg recovered all of the clothing stolen from his store by the negro burglars on last Wednesday night save one suit of clothes, which he cannot locate and the negroes do not know to whom they sold it, the party being a stranger to them. The value of goods taken is \$200.00.