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NO TYPHOID FEVER CASES IN THE CITY OF PLATTSMOUTH

Report Telegraphed to the Chicago Tribune From Omaha Entirely Without Foundation or Truth.

The Journal notes with surprise a statement in the Chicago Tribune of yesterday (Sunday) to the effect that there are many cases of typhoid fever in this city. The statement is in the course of an article telegraphed from Omaha and this city is included along with Omaha, Sioux City, Hamburg, Ia., Nebraska City, Falls City, Yankton, S. D., and others and being scourged by this disease. There is absolutely no truth in the report so far as Plattsmouth is concerned. The general health of the city is excellent and so far as a careful search of the city goes, there is not a case of typhoid in its limits. The water supply at present is pure and better than almost any city on the river.

The manner in which the city gets its water is such that it is almost impossible for typhoid in the river to affect the city. The water is drawn from wells drilled in the sand of the Missouri bottom which affords one of the finest natural filters in the world and the only way in which typhoid germs and bacteria can get into the

water is to have the settling basins become infected, something which has never yet happened.

While it is never amiss to boil the water, there is absolutely no typhoid in this city at present nor has there been any the past winter and spring. Omaha has been having an epidemic of the disease and other cities and towns are being ravaged by it. Up to date there has been nothing of the sort in this city and the correspondent who was responsible for the report evidently was using his imagination.

Plattsmouth is generally the healthiest city in the Missouri valley and this winter has been no exception. It has excellent water, superior natural drainage, a storm water sewer system which has proven capable of handling the drainage in fine shape and everything which will make for good health.

The commercial club will do well to take up the matter of correcting this report and let the fact that the health of Plattsmouth is excellent, be known far and wide.

A VISIT TO THE COUNTY FARM

The Visitors Highly Delighted With the Surroundings There.

From Monday's Daily

A large party of young men yesterday took advantage of the fine day to make a trip into the country and visit with J. H. Tams at the poor farm and with Fred Guenther west of the city. The party had a fine time at the poor farm, the genial keeper showing them over the premises and explaining in detail the keeping of the place. The granary filled with fine wheat and oats was examined and the little prison of the farm was also gone through after which the smoke house filled with fine smoked hams and sides of bacon made their mouths water. Mr. Tams explained that it took four weeks to smoke the meat for the institution. There certainly was a goodly supply on hand. Mr. Tams is erecting some new chicken houses on the farm and had the frame work up. He decided to make the crowd earn its passage, and in consequence he called for volunteers to raise the roof of the house. The entire crowd turned in and within a few moments the roofs were in place and the buildings were complete. The party came away highly pleased with their treatment at the hands of Mr. Tams and loud in praise of his excellent management. The state that the farm and grounds are in nice, neat shape, the machinery of the farm all under cover and stored from the weather, something which has not been practiced in years past and general conditions were past and good.

From the county farm the crowd drove to Fred Guenther's where they spent the remainder of the day and had a fine time. They had a great feast while at this place. Chris Metzger acted as chief cook and they all agree that he is some chef. The way he cooked the meat and potatoes made their mouths water. He was assisted in the task by Henry Likewise and Geo. Volk and they did themselves proud. Dinner was served promptly at one o'clock. Al Egenberger was chief waiter and Frank Koubek acted as an able assistant. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in songs, telling stories and a fine time generally.

Those comprising the crowd included Henry Likewise, George Volk, Albert Egenberger, William Tritsch, Frank Libershal, Nancy Schwind, Fred Egenberger, Joseph Libershal, Jake Luft, Ed. Becker, Louie Bekenbusch, Fred Guenther, A. H. Koubek.

C. B. S. Buggy Pole & Neck Yoke.

The C. B. S. buggy pole and neck yoke is the best there is just out. Insist on getting one. Manspeaker sells the poles and the hardware stores sell the neck yokes

Delightful Dinner Party.

A delightful little dinner party was given last Saturday evening by Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Schaulis to a small number of intimate friends. Those attending the party which was held in the rooms of Mr. and Mrs. Schaulis on Main street between Fourth and Fifth streets included Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gobelman, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Gould and Mr. and Mrs. John Hatt, Jr. The evening was spent very pleasantly in social conversation and this was followed by a luncheon which was a veritable course of good things.

YOUNG PEOPLE HAPPILY WEDDED

Conrad Edward Lohnes and Miss Mary Eva Meisinger United in Marriage.

A very quiet home wedding took place last Thursday at the home of Rev. Friedrich Spriegel near Weeping Water when Conrad Edward Lohnes, of Louisville, and Miss Mary Eva Meisinger of Mynard were united in marriage. There was present at the performance of the ceremony only the brothers and sisters of the contracting parties. Immediately following the ceremony the happy couple were driven to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Meisinger where a splendid wedding dinner was served. There were also a very large number of useful and beautiful gifts, presents tendered the young people by their many friends. After the dinner the happy couple drove to their future home, where the groom is engaged in farming some ten miles west of this city near the Hell school house.

The young couple are among the best known and well liked people of the county. They have a host of good friends who unite in offering them their congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy wedded life.

The bride is the charming and handsome daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Meisinger, two of Cass county's most highly respected citizens living near Mynard. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lohnes, a young man of much worth and ability and a steady and industrious worker. He has an excellent reputation as a farmer and, like his charming wife, has a world of good friends.

Delightful Surprise Party.

On Tuesday afternoon last, a delightful surprise party was tendered Willie Macy at the home of Phillip Tritsch, a large number of the school-mate friends of the young man gathering and having a fine afternoon. There was a great, big dinner arranged by Mrs. Tritsch for the occasion and twenty-eight of the young people were seated at one table where they did full justice to a fine meal such as Mrs. Tritsch knows so well how to prepare. In addition to the large number of schoolmates there were a number of outside parties invited and the table was set for forty-one covers. The afternoon was a splendid one and the little folks put in the time with many interesting and happy games. When the time came to go home they left with their best wishes for the return of many more anniversaries of the young man and the best wishes for him.

In Justice Court.

In justice court this morning before Justice Archer Noah B. Swacker charged with drunkenness, assault and battery and resisting an officer from Greenwood, plead guilty and received a fine and costs, the total amounting to \$21.31. Louis Dalby arrested for assault and battery and drunkenness, plead guilty also and got off with a fine and costs amounting to \$15.31. Both men were brought down from Greenwood Saturday evening by Sheriff Quinton, they having been mixed up in a drunken row several days ago at that point and having resisted the constable, Jerome Andrus as well as having hit one Sol Peraman. Sam Thomas charged with drunkenness on this same occasion fled the country and has not yet been apprehended.

Chris Iske and wife and Miss Kate Tombrink of Omaha, were passengers for that city this morning. Miss Tombrink has been spending several days in the city making a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Iske and returns to her home while Mr. and Mrs. Iske will spend the day in the metropolis.

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY

A Large Number of Neighbors and Friends Assist in Celebrating Event.

From Tuesday's Daily

Yesterday was the sixty-eighth anniversary of Uncle Ben Beckman, the well known citizen of Rock Bluffs precinct and his numerous friends for miles around gathered at his home to pay their respects to the worthy citizen. The afternoon was spent in the most pleasant manner possible, there being a very fine feast prepared for the many guests and everything necessary to regale the inner man both solid and liquid, was present in a great abundance. The task of serving the luncheon and looking after the refreshments was left to Louie Reinhackel and those who were fortunate enough to attend, state that he acquitted himself splendidly. He was at his best and he proceeded to make everyone enjoy their fill of the good things which Uncle Ben had provided for the occasion. Altogether the afternoon was a red-letter day for Uncle Ben and all his guests. Uncle Ben stands very high in his home community and everyone who was present took great delight in paying their respects to so good a man and to express their wish that he would live to see a great many more anniversaries and that they could all be present to celebrate them with him. It was a late hour when the happy gathering broke up and the final merry song was sung. The afternoon's program included music of various kinds, story-telling, social conversation and just such things as a crowd of right, royal good people indulge in when they get together.

Those who attended this meeting and enjoyed the hospitality of Uncle Ben included John Campbell, Fritz Tigner, J. B. Seybolt, Bert Thomas, Louis E. Reinhackel, D. C. Rhoden, Geo. Ray, T. G. Kimm, Aug. Graf, W. D. Wheeler, Doc. Long, Mark White, Geo. S. Smith, Wm. Troop, Wm. Sporer, G. A. Murray, James Campbell, J. E. Baldwin, Herman Hohlsehuh, John Boetal, M. Kimm, Frank Graf, Ben Beckman and family.

Candidate For Councilman.

The Journal learns with gratification that L. W. Lorenz is in the field as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for councilman in the Second ward. Mr. Lorenz last spring was a candidate for member of the school board and polled a fine vote, especially in the second ward where he resides. He carried that ward by a handsome majority and there is small doubt but he can do the trick for councilman. He is an up-to-date, energetic and reliable business man and a fine citizen. If elected he will make an enviable record in the council. He is live and full of business while at the same time conservative and safe in his dealings. That he will conserve the best interests of the city cannot be doubted. He is a member of the commercial club, and during the time he has been connected as a member of that organization he has put in some hard efforts in the city's behalf. He intends if elected to maintain his present position of pushing Plattsmouth and if there is anything the council can do for a greater and better Plattsmouth, Mr. Lorenz will favor it. He asks the suffrages of all regardless of party affiliations and will do his best to deserve them.

Class Confirmed.

A large class of fourteen members was confirmed last evening at St. Luke's Episcopal church. The services were most impressively given by light Rev. Arthur L. Williams, bishop of Nebraska, who came down from Omaha for that purpose. There was a very large attendance and the bishop's sermon was most impressively delivered. He is an able, polished and brilliant speaker and he made a most excellent impression upon all who attended. The class which was confirmed was one of the largest taken into the church in this city for some time past and reflects great credit upon Canon H. B. Burgess who was justly proud of his new parishioners. As is usual at this church there was some excellent music which was greatly appreciated by all attending.

George Kaffenberger and family spent Saturday afternoon in the city driving in from their home.

Departs for Illinois.

Mrs. J. H. Wallinger came down this morning from Cedar Creek and stopped over in the city until this evening when she departs for Pekin, Ill., where she will make her future home. While here Mrs. Wallinger called on the Journal and renewed her subscription to the paper, asking that it be sent to her new home. She is a most estimable lady and will make a charming addition to the good people of the Pekin neighborhood. Her many friends in this locality regret to have her leave here and her change of residence is a distinct loss to the community where she has lived so long.

FINDS HER MISSING CHICKENS

The Theft Traced to a Boy Only Thirteen Years of Age

For some days past Mrs. H. Gartleman living in the southern part of the city has been missing chickens and last Saturday she got on the trail of the party who was getting away with them. Neighbors who had been watching about the place saw a boy named Thomas, enter the chicken house and come out again with a sack filled with something slung over his shoulder. They informed Mrs. Gartleman of their suspicions and she came down town locating some of the missing chickens at a meat market here. During her absence on this mission, the boy again entered the house and secured some more chickens which he brought down to the meat market, entering the shop just as the lady was inspecting the chickens. In the sack which he had this time he had four more of her chickens which she immediately confiscated. She at once consulted County Attorney Ramsey who took the matter up with the boy's mother. It is not probable that a complaint will be filed against the lad who is but fourteen years of age but his mother has been given to understand that she must settle for the missing chickens and see that the boy reform and behaves himself, otherwise steps will be taken to have him sent to the reform school. The mother states that she was unaware of his thievish practices and she was much surprised and shocked when told of what he had done.

In Service Many Years.

Agent W. L. Pickett of the Burlington today received a copy of the Burlington seniority list for the Omaha division. Mr. Pickett is justly proud of this as he heads the list of men in the station service, being the oldest employe in this line of work on the Omaha division. According to the list he entered the service of the company on June 1, 1881, although he states that he really entered the service in the year 1879, and has now served 30 years. R. W. Clement is another of the leaders in point of length of service, having entered the Burlington station service on September 18, 1887. He ranks sixth on the seniority list. Mr. Clement like Mr. Pickett really entered the service a couple of years earlier than the list shows, having first taken work with the company in the year 1881, he left the service for a couple of years, however, but only to go to the C. B. & Q. lines east of the Missouri river. These two old and faithful employes of the Burlington have passed through many changes on the road and in each case their superior work has received the merit it was entitled to and they have remained.

Hay Destroyed by Fire.

Last Saturday afternoon C. Lawrence Stull lost some ten tons of hay by fire, the flames being set by sparks from a locomotive on the M. P. road. The fire took place about 2:15 p. m., the train which set fire being a south bound freight train. The engine was dragging its train up the heavy grade which runs through Mr. Stull's farm and was throwing sparks for some distance according to Stull and his employes, all of whom were at work in a corn field husking corn when the fire was set. The stack which was burned contained about ten tons as nearly as Mr. Stull could estimate Saturday afternoon. Before the men could get to the hay stack after the flames were discovered, it had burned up. At the present price of hay the ten tons amount to quite a tidy sum. Mr. Stull claims that he has many orders for hay on hand now which he has been unable to fill and he regrets the loss of this stack exceedingly.

LETTER FROM SENATOR THOMAS

Our Old Friend Writes Pleasant and Entertaining Letter from Long Beach, California.

The Journal is in receipt of the following letter from former Senator S. L. Thomas, who recently visited this city, and who has only recently arrived at his new home at Long Beach, Cal. It is a pleasant and entertaining letter and the paper takes only too much delight in printing it. The letter is as follows:

Long Beach, Cal., March 9, 1910. The Daily Journal, Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:— I arrived home yesterday morning and had just gotten through the hubbub of my arrival when the mailman handed me the Journal with other mail. When I tore the wrapper off, I found that it had been printed three days after I left the Plattsmouth boosters. As I passed through Okla., I failed to give my friends much news from Plattsmouth as they were all taking the Journal and those who were not would send for it soon.

Yes, I read with sadness the words which I could plainly feel came from the pen of my dear friend, Mr. Grimes who is always up to the emergency which causes the suggestion to his fertile brain to place his pen in the inkstand.

Yes, E. R. Todd and I were close friends for over half a century. A short time before I started to Nebraska I received a letter from him which I think was the last he ever wrote—in fact, he said he felt he was nearer heaven than ever before as it was hard for him to write. I expected to be with him much when I left for Nebraska but one day was all.

Two years ago quite a large number of his old friends went to his residence on his 57th birthday and he was well pleased, an enjoyable evening being had. When the time came for us to leave for our homes, our old friend rose from his seat with a few vibrations of deep emotions, he steadily commenced to talk expressing in every word his deep appreciation of our visit.

Judge Root was the first to respond, expressing the feeling of the crowd in such fitting terms as he always has been able to do. I was the next and expressed then, that we might have many more happy meetings on future birthdays. Our friendship commenced in 1857, when his father, Rev. Thos. Jefferson Todd began to preach in one large room of my father's house which was left for these services and Sunday school. The room was 18 by 20 feet in size, and the house stood about twenty rods of where Fred Nolting now lives and about six or eight rods north of this point. At these Sunday services E. R. Todd and his sister, did the singing, both being sopranos and I chimed in with the bass. The sister is now the wife of Rev. G. W. Mayfield of Louisville. And I went to say here that Mrs. Mayfield is the mother of more sons who use the editorial pen than any other lady in Nebraska.

Now, I shall close for this time and I send my good feelings to the Journal and my old Cass county friends.

Yours truly,
S. L. Thomas.

Once More on Native Soil.

Nelson Murray who has been living for some time past in Colorado and Washington, has returned to Plattsmouth and Cass county and he states that he is back to stay. He loves his Washington, but oh! you Nebraska. Nelson states that there is no land like Nebraska after all. He has tried many lands and many climates but when he got back to Nebraska it was like being once more on native soil. He states that for general all around productiveness, good climate and good people Nebraska can't be beat. His many good friends are glad to note that he is in good health and is enjoying life and that this country is too good for him to stay away from.

Pleasant Home Affair.

A pleasant home affair took place yesterday at the farm of C. A. Harvey several miles south of this city, when a family reunion was held of the Harvey family. The day was passed very pleasantly there being a meeting of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey with their parents. As is always the case with the Harveys there was plenty to eat and a mighty fine time had. Among those who were present were S. L. Tyler and wife and babies of Havelock; Mrs. Henry Beins of Beaver City, Neb., John Meisinger and wife and George Goodman and wife of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler returned to their home at Havelock this morning.

Claudius Everett, a brother-in-law to Chas. Grimes of the Journal, drove up this morning from his home near Union to attend to some business matters in the city and to visit with his relatives.