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## SATURDAY WAS DAY OF WAR AND BLOODSHED IN PLATTSMOUTH

### Chief of Police Rainey Attacked by Gang While Attempting to Quiet Disturbance in Saloon.

Last Saturday evening the Hotel Riley bar was the scene of a disgraceful riot and fight in which a gang tried to beat up Chief of Police Rainey and in a measure succeeded, although they did him no serious injury. The chief was called down into the saloon by some vulgar talk and profanity which one of the members of the crowd was indulging in and when he told the man to stop the talk, he was assaulted with a torrent of abuse and profanity. The upshot of the matter was a free-for-all fight in which a number of men jumped on the chief with the intent to beat him or possibly cripple him. The crowd which was doing the fighting consisted of Harry Poissall, John Jones, John (Pup) Egan, Peter Herold and several others. Herold's offense consisted of interference with Rainey in the discharge of his duties, as he grasped the chief about the arms and held him while the other men administered blow after blow to the chief. The latter finally disentangled one of his arms and reached for

his club which he drew. This he could not use, however, as the crowd closed in on him and disarmed him. Eventually the chief was thrown to the floor and several blows were struck him in the face and about the head. Chief Rainey finally pulled his revolver and fired a shot which is not believed to have taken effect, although Jones was reported to have been shot through the leg. The shooting had the effect of scaring out the crowd and they fled. The chief regained his feet and started in pursuit of two members of the crowd but they out-distanced him and escaped. Later in the evening he captured Egan and lodged him in jail where he is held pending the filing of the charge against him. Herold was in police court this morning where his share in the trouble was related to Judge Archer. The latter fined him \$25 and costs and committed him to jail until the fine and costs are paid. Rainey was not seriously hurt and was about town Saturday evening and yesterday and today.

## ENJOY PLEASANT DAYS' OUTING

### Party of Fishermen Journey Out to Cedar Creek Yesterday.

From Monday's Daily.  
It is a question which suffered the most, the grasshoppers or the fish yesterday. There was a party of gentlemen from this city who sought to escape the heat of the day and enjoy life in the wilderness who played all this havoc with the finny tribe and the hopper family. They went out to Cedar Creek and spent the entire day in wooing the finny tribe and in laying under the cool shady trees enjoying the breeze which was mighty refreshing at that place. The party took something like 100 fish all told as they bit well. John Bauer, Sr., astonishing the natives by a haul of bass. He got two mighty fine specimens of the fish, one of them being a big fellow who made a great fight and whose landing came near costing Mr. Bauer his pole. This fish was so strong and lively in fact, that Mr. Bauer had to call for help and he was landed with the aid of James Johns who was one of the party. Henry Jess also made a great record, although in another field. He proved himself the champion grasshopper catcher of Nebraska and the other fishermen found that there was no shortage of bait as Henry ran the grasshoppers down with an agility which was more than surprising. The remainder of the crowd only had fair success but the whole outfit enjoyed the picnic lunch which was provided for the occasion.

The party consisted of Messrs. John Bauer, Sr., Robert B. Hayes, James Johns, T. S. Clifford and Henry Jess and it surely had a fine time. They returned in the evening thoroughly tired but having had a mighty good, cool trip.

### Handsomely Entertained.

From Monday's Daily.  
Fred Guenther yesterday afternoon entertained a number of his good friends at his home west of the city, putting in the time in such a manner that everyone who was there enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Fred is some entertainer when it comes down to showing the boys how to live and he did himself proud yesterday as he had everything he wanted to eat on hand and, in addition, he had plenty of refreshments of other sorts. The boys put in the day in the shade and it was mighty delightful out there in the country away from the city and the crowd. Those who enjoyed the outing were Fred B. and Albert Egenberger, Henry Tims, Frank Svoboda and Jacob W. Vallery and when night came and they returned to the city they were loud in their expressions of appreciation for the good time which they had been shown.

George S. Ray, one of Murray's energetic Democrats, was in the city Saturday attending the Democratic convention and visiting friends.

## MAKES A SHORT VISIT AT UNION

### Outlook for Corn in That Section Very Poor

Charles Grimes of the Journal spent Sunday with Claud Everett and wife near Union, going down on the midnight M. P. train Saturday. He drove over several different roads to and from Union and saw a great deal of the country to the north and east of that pretty village. The country is very dry and rain is commencing to be needed badly for corn. Many fields are commencing to spot and the dark green of several weeks ago is turning yellow. Unless rain comes within a week or so the damage looks to be heavy. Corn is very backward in its growth although it has sprung up wonderfully in the past several weeks. From the car window corn along the road between Plattsmouth and Union seems small and some yellow is commencing to show, although there are many fields which look strong and healthy with the dark, rich green foliage. Low land corn is far better than corn on the upland and has the right color to it while it seems farther along than the other. The writer noticed several fields of corn in bottom land belonging to John Clarence east of Union, which was particularly fine. Most of the fields are clean and clear of weeds which helps a lot. The heavy snows of last winter and the rain which fell in January all soaked in to the ground which has done much toward holding the corn up during the dry spell. Wheat throughout that section is fine. The heads are well filled and heavy and there is every prospect of a fine crop and heavy yield. Fall wheat is not up to the high standard or yield of spring wheat but even it is much better than was thought some time ago while spring wheat is as good as it ever was. A great deal of Canadian wheat and oats have been planted throughout that section and these grains seem to be showing up best of all. The oats crop is spotted with good fields here and poor ones right along side them. The general indications are for a good yield, however. On the whole, conditions are fairly satisfactory and with rain in the near future there is every indication of good yields all along the line. There will be no bumper corn crop in this region, however, but there is prospect for a fair to middling crop of this cereal.

One thing which impressed the writer very much was the immense improvement in the town of Union. The fires which seared it and left their imprint visible in the form of charred timbers and piles of debris have been made way to a large extent and handsome brick structures now house the firms which were unfortunate enough to have been burned out. Union has a hotel—a real hotel—and its name is Wegota—significant and trite. And it is some hotel. For a hostelry in a small town it is good as one will meet in many a day's journey. The rooms are clean and well kept and the table is a rival to many a more pretentious one. The meal which the writer took—breakfast—was excellently prepared and served and the general arrangements around the hotel are to be commended. Next door to this establishment is the hardware and furniture store of L. R. Upton and Mr. Upton has a fine establishment for a place the size of Union and one which will compare favorably with many large cities. The Woodman building is substantial two story brick which would be a credit to this or any other city. Banning Bros., also recently erected a fine two story building which is filled with stocks of goods, the drug store of Alva Sittes being a neat and attractive little store with an excellent soda fountain in connection.

Taken all around Union is a pleasant little place with good people living there and a mighty nice place to visit in. The writer met the affable Charley Graves and his son Harry, the enterprising editor of the Ledger while there and had a pleasant chat of a few moments with them.

William Holshuh came in Saturday on an extended trip over the southern country visiting Oklahoma and Texas among other states. He reports things throughout the south as very good in general with plenty of rain and good crops. Mr. Holshuh expects to remain about here for several days and will visit with old time friends in this vicinity.

### In Love With Plattsmouth.

From Monday's Daily.  
Colonel John Franklin Swezey, the land salesman extraordinary to the Union Pacific Land company, returned to the city this morning from Omaha after spending the week end at home with his parents. Colonel J. F. wants to buy Plattsmouth property and he has several good pieces of land in sight which just suits his purpose. Incidentally, the colonel still maintains Colorado land is best for all purposes but his aged parents will have Nebraska land.

Colonel Swezey is a great admirer of Plattsmouth as a place to live in because he can do better here in the way of buying things to eat and wear. The colonel today ordered an overcoat and a suit of clothes from a local clothing firm because he finds he can do better with them than he can in Omaha or elsewhere. The quality of the goods is what he takes into consideration and for the same amount of money he cannot commence to buy so good goods elsewhere as he can right in this man's town. This is a boost for Plattsmouth merchants which they should appreciate. The clothes purchased by the colonel runs up close to the one hundred dollar mark which is some help.

### Nebraska City Races.

Tomorrow Nebraska City opens its four days race meet and this promises to be the best thing seen in this section for a long time to come. The sport loving element of the people from this city are invited to attend and are assured that no pains will be spared to make their visit a good one. The meeting runs on July 19, 20, 21 and 22, and each day there will be a card of fine races. Over 150 horses are entered for this event and they will be hotly contested. The horses have just finished at Auburn and they did fine work there. They will do as well or better at Nebraska City. \$6,100 in purses is hung up and this insures good horses and good races. There will be a guileless pacing match each day that will be worth seeing as an exhibition of animal sagacity. The Nebraska Mine League Base Ball team will play at home with good competitors and they are playing fast ball which is an added attraction worth seeing. There will also be plenty of good music and everything else which will be worth hearing or seeing. Nebraska City is a good town to go to and Plattsmouth ought to help it along.

### Fine Shetland Ponies.

William Gilmour was in the city Saturday afternoon from his home in Rock Bluffs precinct, bringing with him several fine Shetland ponies which he was taking to pasture. Among them was one very fine dwarf Shetland which Mr. Gilmour recently brought home after some time in the pasture. This little animal is coal black and very small but it is a perfect specimen of the breed and one of the finest of all he has raised. He values it particularly high and is willing to have it examined by any horse expert. The animal attracted much attention while it was on the street and was universally admired. Mr. Gilmour also had a sorrel Shetland which was considerably larger and which is also a fine animal. His animals are rapidly forging to the front as fine specimens of their kind and are well worthy looking over by anyone who wants this breed of animals for his home or farm. For the little folks there is nothing better than a Shetland and Mr. Gilmour has them on hand in all sizes.

### Services at Methodist Church.

At the Methodist church yesterday there was a handsome attendance despite the heat and a most interesting service had. The services were baptismal in their nature and six children entered the fold by immersion. In addition twenty-nine members were added to the church rolls of whom fourteen entered by letter, two by transfer and thirteen by confession of faith. This is a remarkably good showing and speaks volumes for the work of Rev. Austin. The services were also marked by a great deal of good singing and music and on the whole were highly enjoyable.

### Well Represented.

Union and Liberty precinct was represented in the Democratic county convention by all their delegates and they were a mighty fine crowd of men too. The delegation included Senator W. B. Banning, James Reynolds, C. C. Frans, Charles Reynolds, Ray Frans, George Saxton, M. Lynde, Joe Banning, John Hansell, L. G. Todd and that is a pretty representative delegation.

## STULL DENIES MONROE'S STORY

### Claims Mrs. Monroe Fell and Injured Herself.

Lawrence Stull who is charged by his sister, Mrs. O. P. Monroe with having assaulted her with intent to do her great bodily injury, was in the city Saturday and called upon the Journal to protest against what he claims to have been an unjust attack upon him in connection with this case. He states that the story as told in the Journal was incorrect and denies that he assaulted his sister but that he acted in defense of himself against her. Mr. Stull relates that on the day the trouble took place he was at Monroe's store when Monroe was there and that everything seemed all right. There was a lot of good natured bantering going on between Monroe and himself and that Monroe told him, (Stull) that he owed Monroe four dollars for what he called a "senate" seat, although Mr. Stull states he did not know and does not now know what a "senate" seat is. He took Monroe to be in fun and when the latter said he would cut it down to \$3.50 an account of Stull delivering the chair to himself, he still did not grasp what was meant. There was considerable more conversation after which Monroe left and Mrs. Monroe and Stull were alone.

As he tells it the conversation between them turned upon the same "senate" seat again and Mrs. Monroe waxed abusive and turned loose upon him a torrent of profanity and vulgarity of the most pronounced sort. She accused Stull of driving up to the store one day and setting in the "senate" seat until things were closed up at noon when he loaded the seat into his wagon and drove home. In plain language, she accused him of stealing the seat and this led to the trouble. Mrs. Monroe's language to him during this talk was extremely vile according to Stull, she accusing him of being the lowest possible kind of an animal. He states he took this abuse for some time and that he tried his best to make her stop that line of talk but with no success. Finally, after a particularly vile accusation had been made against him, he lost his temper and told her that if she didn't stop he would slap her. This seemed to set her crazy and she opened a showcase and tried to get hold of a revolver which was in it. According to Stull, her intention was to use the revolver on him. He stepped around the end of the counter and grasped her wrists and a struggle ensued during which she continued to shout vituperation and abuse at him. Finally she slapped her across the mouth and nose with the open hand which he claims is every blow he dealt her. After he slapped her she screamed and he loosened his hold on her and let her go. She started to run around behind the counter and in doing so caught her foot in some iron rods which were lying on the floor and was hurled forward, striking her head and face against the corner of the counter. He then left and he is positive he did not use his fist and he denies, indignantly, that he kicked her. He maintains that the serious damage done her was when she fell over the rods and that he was not in the least responsible for the condition she now is in.

Mr. Stull states that he is firmly of the opinion that this trouble is made solely for forming a basis for a damage suit against him as he knows that Monroe has retained a lawyer for that purpose. He blames the entire trouble on old matters which have existed in the past. As an evidence of his good feeling toward Monroe and his wife, he asserts that when they wanted to go into the second hand business they came and asked him to go their security for \$500 at a bank in this city. He did this and when the time came for the note to be paid the bank called upon him for payment. This he insisted Monroe should do and he took steps to collect the money by a threatened levy upon their property. From that time on he asserts the trouble was brewing. Monroe and his wife had the note to pay and did pay it as Stull claims he compelled them to. Mr. Stull denies further that he never told his mother of the trouble but states he did not at first when he went home out of consideration for her feelings. Later he did tell her what happened and just how it happened as stated above.

As to settling the matter and stopping prosecution, Mr. Stull denies any such intention and states he intends to fight the case through. He states further that he never had any feeling toward the Monroes over their buying hay from other people or other markets and states that he could not sell hay at present if they wanted it. He also denies that there was any ground for many of the statements made as to why the trouble came up and he especially denies in toto the story told of the spade trouble. He states it is entirely unreasonable to suppose he would fight over a spade. All his tools are branded in the steel and he could identify them anywhere he found them.

He was much incensed over the story told by the Monroes' and denounces it as a fabrication. He asked that the public be permitted to hear of his side of the story and this is cheerfully done so that both sides may be heard. Mr. Stull stated that he had been unfortunate in having a lot of litigation in the courts here in times past but he never had been accused of stealing anything and he had always paid his debts. He hopes for a speedy trial and is confident he will be acquitted when a jury can hear the facts as told on the stand.

Plattsmouth Youths Entertained.  
From Monday's Daily.  
J. M. Meisinger and wife yesterday entertained a company of Plattsmouth young men who drove out to their beautiful farm near Cedar Creek who spent a mighty pleasant time. The party consisted of Messrs. Frank and Joseph Libershal and Anton H. Koubek. There was the usual magnificent Sunday dinner than which no better is put up than Mrs. Meisinger is capable of. Everything which an abundant nature could bestow was upon the table and the day was made a most pleasant one. When the boys had finished they felt that the Meisingers were really their worst friends for they had eaten altogether too much to be comfortable. One feature of the jolly party was a grand exhibition stunt put on by each of the members in shocking wheat. This was just to show what they could do and they certainly made them some how. Whether they will make real farmers or not is up to Mr. Meisinger to tell as he was the judge of the show. It was a nice pleasant day in the wheat field, too. The party returned to the city in the late evening, having thoroughly enjoyed the day and especially gratified at the splendid hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Meisinger, two of Cass county's finest people.

A Long Preserved Relic.  
Several days since Benton Kinkaid resuscitated an old trunk which he had brought with him from his old Kentucky home many years ago and he turned it over to his folks who wanted to use it for some domestic purpose. In cleaning it out they ran across an old invitation which had been given to Mr. Kinkaid's father back in Kentucky in 1826. The document is still in a fine state of preservation and the ink looks almost as fresh as when it was first laid on the paper. The invitation reads as follows: "The company of Mr. Isaac Kinkade is solicited at a ball on Thursday evening, 28th inst, at the home of Mrs. James Pain.  
Dec. 17, 1826. Doct. Gaston, Doct. Carlisle, Wm. Dawson, P. A. Cooney, managers."

The Doct. Carlisle spoken of above was the father of former secretary of the treasury, John G. Carlisle. The document is an interesting one and a relic worthy of preservation.

Makes a Hit.  
Charles Grimes of the Journal is in receipt of a post card from G. R. Olson, dated, Milwaukee, July 16, in which Gus says that he has been having a good time at the photographers' convention with all kinds of prospects of business. The Olson Photo Machine is the hit of the convention. His encouraging words will be good news to the many people in this city who have been so confident of the success of this invention and they are glad to know that the printing machine is going to make good. There has never been any doubt of the success of the institution and there is no doubt but that the orders for the same will swamp the factory as soon as the merits of it are known.

Dr. B. F. Brendel and wife of Murray were in the city this morning, the former looking after business matters and the lady making a brief visit in the city. They returned this morning.