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PROMINENT FARMER RECEIVES INJURIES THAT MAY PROVE FATAL

James Fleshman, of Near Avoca, Meets With Terrible Accident While Working on His Farm.

From Wednesday's Daily.

James Fleshman, a prominent farmer residing a mile and a half southeast of Avoca, met with an accident yesterday morning between 8 and 9 o'clock, which may result in his death. Mr. Fleshman and his hired man were pulling stumps on a farm which he purchased last year, some three miles from his home, when the distressing accident occurred. To the stump puller he had hitched a big team of horses by a steel cable and was having the team make a pull, Mr. Fleshman himself driving the team, when the double-tree broke releasing the lever, which came back with all of the force that the two horses were pulling in the opposite direction, striking Mr. Fleshman in the bowels, rendering him unconscious. The hired man got him into the wagon and drove him to his home, when Dr. J. W. Brendel was called, who decided that an operation would be necessary, and that the

injured man was too badly injured to take to Omaha, so that Dr. Allison was wired to come to Avoca on the afternoon train. The doctor's partner, Dr. Dwyer, went in his place and an operation was performed last evening, the result of which has not been learned by the Journal. Mr. William Betts, who resides in the vicinity, was in the city today and said Mr. Fleshman's chance of recovery was slight, as the blow he received was of great force. It was at first thought Mr. Fleshman's bowels were burst, so powerful was the blow, and it was for the purpose of ascertaining where or not this was the case that an operation was had. The injured man was only conscious at intervals of short duration prior to the operation.

The accident is deplorable, as the victim is a young man who stands high in the vicinity in which he lives, being one of the leading citizens in that community.

WILL DALLES DERINER A PRACTICAL JOKER

From Thursday's Daily.

Ever since the loss of his valuable 30-year-old family nag last summer, Commissioner Fredrich has felt the necessity of economizing wherever it could be done. He conceived the idea of having his ten dollar Stetson hat, which has been out of repair lately, cleaned and shaped up and thus save the commission to the clothier on a new one. The commissioner had planned to take his hat to Omaha today, and dropped a remark in the hearing of the Elmwood lawyer, which put Dalles Dernier wise to Mr. Fredrich's plans. Dalles then got busy and learned that the hat had been left with Clothier Holly for safe keeping and he found where the package was left and substituted for the hat a bundle of paper. He then learned that Judge Beeson and D. O. Dwyer were going to Omaha on the same train with Mr. Fredrich, and requested those gentlemen to go with Mr. Fredrich and pilot him to the latter's establishment and keep an eye on Mr. Fredrich's facial contortions and note his oral expressions when he unwraps the package and report the same at the next meeting of the commissioners.

POLICE SECURE BAD CHECK MEN

Pass Worthless Check at Ed. Donat's and Try It at Several Other Places.

From Thursday's Daily.

Chief of Police Ben Rainey made an important catch last evening when he landed Tom Davis, of Mexico, Roy Peabody, of Canada, and another, behind the bars.

The man who gave his name as Tom Davis passed a worthless check at Ed. Donat's saloon amounting to \$5.90, purporting to have been made by Herman Leefer. This occurred during the afternoon, and when after trying to perform the same stunt at R. Sherwood's shoe store, and at A. Geise's and McDaniel's saloons suspicion was aroused and the police put on their trail. Chief Rainey found the trio at Heinrich's restaurant, where they were getting supper, and he waited on the outside expecting they would try to pass the check offered at the other places here. But one of the M. E. Smith operators inquired of Mrs. Heinrich in the hearing of the men, "what the police were waiting for outside?"

Chief Rainey thinks the remark may have prompted the men to not offer the check to Mr. Heinrich. As soon as the men came out the police nabbed them and took them to jail. In searching the men the chief found a check on Davis purporting to be signed by the same party that the one passed at Donat's was signed by, and was for the amount of \$5.60. The matter was reported to the county attorney this morning and a complaint charging Davis with uttering forged paper was prepared, and the other men with being accessories.

The men will probably be arraigned before Judge Archer or Judge Beeson tomorrow for their preliminary hearing, and as the district court is in session a trial can be had at this term and the trio put to work for the state before the first of the year.

M. P. STRIKE MAY BE CALLED OFF NOW

A special from St. Louis, under date of December 14, if true, will be glad news to the people living along the line of the Missouri Pacific railroad. The special says:

"The strike of the Missouri Pacific machinists, boiler-makers and blacksmiths, which has been in progress for nearly seven months, probably will be called off tomorrow, according to a statement of James O'Connell, president of the International Association of Machinists, here tonight.

"Mr. O'Connell arrived from Washington today, and held conferences with A. W. Sullivan, general manager of the Missouri Pacific; J. A. Franklin, of Kansas City, president of the boiler-makers; J. M. Bray, of Kansas City, general secretary of the sheet metal workers, and J. W. Kline, of Chicago, president of the blacksmiths.

"Another conference will be held tomorrow. President O'Connell said that the unions would not withdraw their demands, but would insist upon an eight-hour day, re-arrangement of hours in round-houses, an increase of 3 cents per hour, and the immediate re-instatement of all men and foremen. He believes that the conference will result in an agreement covering these points.

"General Manager Sullivan, on the other hand was noncommittal regarding any possible change in the attitude of his companies, which has been that of resistance to the demands of the men."

Box Social at Becker School.

The pupils of the Becker school in District No. 41 and their teacher, Miss Marie Hiber, are going to give a box social at the school house on Friday evening, December 23rd, to which they most cordially invite everybody. A fine program is being arranged, which will be given at 8 o'clock sharp. Proceeds from the sale of the boxes will be used for school supplies. 12-15-3td3w.

Mrs. C. M. Parker went to Omaha on the morning train today, where she looked after some items of business.

JURY DECIDES IN FAVOR OF THE DEFENDANT, C. F. ROYAL

In the Case of Harshman vs. Royal—Case of Earl R. Blish vs. the Burlington Relief Being Heard by Judge Travis.

From Friday's Daily.

In the case on trial in the district court yesterday and the day before in which G. W. Harshman was plaintiff and his son-in-law, F. C. Royal, defendant, after listening to arguments on motions filed by each side to take the case from the jury, the court declined to take it from the jury, and the jury was called into the room and the case argued and submitted on instructions by the court. After being out two or three hours the jury brought in a verdict of "not guilty" as the case is of quasi-criminal nature. The verdict seemed to meet with the approval of most people who heard the evidence.

It is not known what turn the case will take, as the plaintiff has the right to appeal should he see fit to do so. The defendant is a bright, clever young man and has a host of friends in the community in which he lives, while the plaintiff is one of the old time and highly respected citizens, having lived in the commu-

nity for years, until recently, when he has spent most of his time in Kansas, where he has large real estate interests. It is hoped that the litigation will end with this trial, as the parties are related by ties of kindred.

The case of Earl R. Blish against the Burlington relief department of the Burlington Railway company in which the plaintiff seeks to recover from the relief department the sum of \$2,000 for the loss of his foot.

A jury was waived in the suit and the point involved being one purely of law, the case was tried to the court.

Mr. Blish has, at a former term of the district court, recovered a judgment against the Burlington Railway company for \$10,000, and the contention of the relief department in the present suit is that under the terms of plaintiff's contract for the relief insurance he would not be entitled to benefits from the relief department and also to recover for his injury from the company.

MAGUIRE HAS OTHER FISH TO FRY

Too Busy to Talk of Booming Candidates for President.

The Washington correspondent of the World-Herald, under date of December 18, says: "It developed today that Representative Harrison, of New York, who gave a luncheon at the Metropolitan club last Saturday in honor of Governor Harmon, of Ohio, was not successful in having all of his invitations accepted. Representative Maguire, of Nebraska, was one of the members of the house who refused to participate in the function on the ground that it was an occasion formally arranged for the purpose of launching a boom for the Ohio governor for the democratic presidential nomination of 1912.

"Mr. Maguire admitted today that he was one of the members who refused to attend the luncheon, but refused to enter into a detailed discussion of the matter beyond stating that he understood the gathering to be a movement on the part of Harmon's friends to commit the guests to a Harmon presidential boom.

"I understand," said Mr. Maguire, "that I was elected and sent here for the purpose of legislating and to that work I am going to devote myself instead of assisting representatives in naming a candidate for president. Let presidential candidates stand in the light of public examination until the proper time for selection and then the country can take the measure of the men who are aspirants. It is useless for the party to waste its energies in selecting presidential candidates when its representatives here have an abundance of work that they have solemnly promised to do. I am one of the representatives who were elected as a result of the new public conscience and I am in favor of getting down to legislative business and do something for the country, enact remedial laws in the interest of the masses and give relief to existing conditions."

M. W. A. Hold Interesting Meeting.

The M. W. A. held a very interesting meeting at their hall last night, the occasion being the annual election of officers. After the usual course of business, the band played a few choice selections, and a smoker was indulged in a good social time. District Deputy W. C. James, of Omaha, was present and made a pleasant talk on the good of the order.

The following officers were elected: George Lushinsky, Consul; Oliver C. Hudson, Worthy Advisor; Wm. Hassler, Banker; H. F. Goos, Clerk; J. W. Peters, Manager for three years; J. D. Parker, Watchman; C. A. Davis, Sentry; Drs. J. S. Livingston and E. D. Cummins, Physicians. H. F. Goos was selected as local deputy.

PREDICTS LOWER PRICES FOR HOGS

In speaking of the hog market, General Manager R. C. Howe, of the Armour Packing company of South Omaha, said yesterday that he was amused when he read the story emanating from Chicago that hogs had soared there Saturday to \$10. He was more than amused as he knew that the actual closing figures for that market that day were \$8 and the absurdity of the story was more apparent to him than many others when he knew that his firm could buy all the hogs they wanted at even a lower figure than \$8. Yesterday in South Omaha markets the firm purchased 3,200 at \$7, and the conviction of Manager Howe is that between now and June, next, we will see hogs a good deal cheaper. Commission men think that a break will come earlier than that, but this is what Mr. Howe says: "My opinion is that this hog market is too high. With this great big crop of corn selling from 30 to 40 cents in the country, these farmers are making more money today out of 7-cent hogs than they made last year out of hogs selling a good deal higher, as corn at this time last year was selling around 60 cents a bushel. I, personally, think we will see a good deal cheaper hogs between now and the first of June."

In the South Omaha market yesterday the price of hogs ranged from \$7.35 to \$7.55, 15 cents lower than Monday and in the Chicago market the top figure was \$7.85.

Health Rules.

To enjoy good health, our forefathers used to say: "Keep the head cool, the feet warm and the digestion regular." To this we add: Keep both the outside and inside of your body clean. The principal rule is, to keep the digestion regular. Nearly everybody has the disposition to give the stomach more work than it can comfortably perform. This causes various disturbances, the most common of them being loss of appetite, a sense of heaviness after meals, flatulence and constipation. In such cases use at once Triner's American Elixir of Bitter Wine. It will clean out the stomach and the intestines and give new strength to these organs. It works excellently in all irregularities of the digestion, in nervousness, habitual headache, rheumatic pains, acute and chronic constipation. At drug stores. Jos. Triner, 1333-1339 South Ashland avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Time Extended to Close Charter.

Mr. L. A. Hellig, state organizer of the O. O. O's, returned from Hamburg this afternoon. Mr. Hellig received from the national headquarters a dispensation holding the charter of the Plattsmouth nest open for 90 days longer. Mr. Hellig also has orders to proceed to Fremont and Grand Island and organize nests in those cities.

Don't fail to see the 25c quality stationery at the Journal office. It is a splendid grade of paper.

RAILROAD MEN HOLD MEETING

All of the Heads of the Various Departments of the Burlington System.

From Thursday's Daily.

Mr. F. H. Clark, general superintendent of motive power of all Burlington lines; Mr. F. A. Torrey, superintendent of motive power of all Burlington lines east of the Missouri river; Mr. Thomas Roope, superintendent of all Burlington lines west of the Missouri river; Mr. C. B. Young, mechanical engineer for the Burlington system; twelve or fifteen master mechanics and car foremen, of lines east, and twelve or fifteen master mechanics and car foremen of the lines west, met in Superintendent of Shops William Baird's office today for the purpose of deliberating and discussing methods and economies in the handling and moving of trains. There were in all thirty-five men in the meeting. Mr. Clark and the men from the lines east arrived from Chicago on No. 15 this morning, while many came in a special attached to No. 4 from the west. The men went directly from the train to the shops, where the meeting was held. They took dinner at the Riley.

There was no special significance in the meeting at this point, the reason being that Plattsmouth is centrally located and the men from the east and those from the west could conveniently meet here and none of them have to be away from home for any great length of time.

Through the courtesy of Superintendent Baird, a reporter for the Journal had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Clark, who was not at all reticent as to the purpose of the meeting here.

The object, he said, was to discuss freight car repairs, with the view to reducing the expense and at the same time have better repairs. Mr. Clark thought that a great deal could be said on the subject of economy in the mechanical department of a railroad. That the movement had started with his company long before Mr. Brandies had been heard of. This meeting was to last but the day, there were thirty-five present.

Mr. Roope, superintendent of motive power west of the Missouri river, could not be present, all of the other gentlemen mentioned above were here.

A Plum For Cass County.

The announcement is made this morning in a special dispatch from David City, the home of the governor-elect, that Monte Robb, of Mynard, will be steward of the penitentiary under the new administration. While it was destined that the position would go to a republican, we don't know of anyone that we would rather see get it. Monte is a dyed-in-the-wool republican, and a good, clever gentleman. His qualifications are first-class in every particular. Accept the Journal's congratulations, Monte.

LEE FICKLER WINS WRESTLING MATCH

Quite an Interested Audience Attended the Bout at the Parmele Last Night

From Thursday's Daily.

The wrestling match pulled off at the Parmele last evening between Lee Fickler and Kid Parker, of Alliance, brought out a good house, as the opera house was fairly well filled with interested spectators. The match was for a wager of \$50, which the visitor offered to put up against a like sum furnished by Fickler or his friends, that Kid Parker would, within thirty minutes, throw Fickler two "pin falls." William Heinrichsen refereed the match in a very satisfactory manner to all parties concerned. The money was easily won by Fickler. During the first few minutes of the half hour in which the two falls were to have been given, the "Kid" threw Fickler, but did not make the fall required in the wager. Although Fickler was forty pounds lighter than Parker, his superior strength and wind were much to his advantage, and at no time was Fickler in danger of losing.

The onlookers cheered Fickler's dexterous foot work, and at the end of the match gave him an ovation. Lee has been in training but a short time, but his friends claim that he is able to go against any athlete of his weight, and another match may be arranged soon.

Laying Fourth Street Paving.

Mr. C. F. Harkness, of the Ford Paving company and two expert paving block men were the center of an interested crowd of spectators this morning, when he began laying the blocks on Fourth street.

It required several carriers to take the blocks from the piles on the pavement and get them to the two colored men who put them in place.

Mr. Harkness completed Vine street Wednesday night and did not attempt to lay any blocks yesterday, but rolled and sanded the work already completed. Yesterday the blocks for Fourth street were commenced to be unloaded from the cars, and the most of this block will be completed by six o'clock this evening.

The weather has been ideal and the work is nearing completion as there will remain but the one block on Fifth street to lay after today's work is finished.

Mr. Clark Welliver Here.

Mr. Clark Welliver, of Lexington, Nebraska, who has been in the vicinity of Murray visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. D. A. Young, for a few days, made the Journal office a pleasant call today. Mr. Welliver has been visiting relatives in Iowa and stopped off here en route to his home. Mr. Welliver left for his home this afternoon.

LET THEM MAKE A MOVE AFTER HOLIDAYS

Otoe county has just closed a most successful exhibit of poultry at Nebraska City. These exhibits take place annually, and under the management of local breeders of poultry. These annual shows have proved very beneficial to all interested in fine chickens and have improved the breed of all kinds of poultry in Otoe county. Naturally the farmers' wives are interested in fine chickens, and such exhibits as was held at Nebraska City last week interest them as it does those who make a specialty of breeding any special variety. A show of this character brings all the special variety of chickens together and gives the farmer's wife an opportunity to select the kind she would desire to breed. Cass county can have an interesting poultry show, and as there are a number in the vicinity of Plattsmouth who make a specialty of the poultry business, we suggest that as soon as the holidays are over they get together and start the ball to rolling in the direction of a poultry exhibit in Plattsmouth. The business men will help. All that is needed is a starter.

A Big Sweet Potato.

From Friday's Daily.

Our old friend, Miles Standish, who lived so many years in Cass county, but is now a resident of Kansas, owning a large tract of land near Garnett, was in the city last evening, and while here called and renewed his subscription to the Journal, and also that of his son, Ivers. Miles had in his possession a sample of the sweet potatoes they raise in his vicinity, which weighed seven pounds and very solid, to show his friends what they could do down there in the way of raising this crop. He says other crops are good accordingly, and he is well pleased with his surroundings. We were pleased to meet our old friend, and also pleased to learn that he was prosperous and happy.

In County Court.

From Friday's Daily. A petition for administration was filed in Judge Beeson's court today, in the estate of D. Henry Grafe, deceased. The deceased in his life time resided in the south part of the county, and the petition was filed by County Attorney Bishoff, of Otoe county. It is alleged that the real estate of the deceased is of about the value of \$15,000 and his personal property worth probably \$1,100.

Almost Enclosed.

The machine shop of the new foundry building is almost enclosed. Mr. Boyd and his force of men got the rafters and the sheeting boards of the roof up today. The building is progressing in fine shape, the good weather of the past few days has been most acceptable to the contractor, as it has enabled him to work rapidly.