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YOUNG MAN LIVING NEAR GREENWOOD TRIES TO END LIFE

Lester Wright, Ties Rope Around Neck and Leaps From the Barn Loft, But Father and Brother Rescue Him at Once.

From Monday's Daily.
Lester Wright, a young farmer of near Greenwood, attempted suicide Saturday afternoon, and the deed was frustrated only by the timely appearance of the father and brother of the young man, who saw him make the leap from the barn loft with a rope about his neck. As soon as it could be done, the father, Amos Wright, and his son, a brother of Lester, cut him down. The young man was about all in and it took some time to bring him back to consciousness. The county attorney and sheriff were notified of what had been done, and Sheriff Quinton departed for the scene of the attempted suicide Saturday afternoon on the Schuyler and brought young Wright to Plattsouth and lodged him in jail.

This morning Deputy Sheriff Manspeaker took the would-be suicide before the county attorney so that official could ascertain what his reasons were for trying to slay himself.

Lester informed the county attorney, upon inquiry, as to what took place at the Wright home Saturday afternoon. He said that he had gone over to his father's to see about a wagon which he had offered to sell to his father for \$25, but his father had said he did not need. He expected to take the wagon over to a sale not far away and put it up at auction and get the money out of it. That he and his father were drawn into a conversation relative to Lester's little 4-year-old daughter, which had been staying with Jacob Miller and wife during the last year. That he had worked for Miller last season and his little girl stayed there during that time and had been there since. Young Wright's wife has been

FARMERS NEAR CEDAR CREEK WORKING ROADS

The rural mail carrier said the other night, after making his daily rounds, "Well, there is one man on the route who knows what the carrier has to contend with in the way of bad roads, and set a good example to his neighbors by getting out with a harrow and harrowing the road along his farm. And, my! what an improvement! You would hardly believe such a transformation could take place, and the the patron who did the good work and knew when to do it was no less than Henry Horn." Two days later the carrier came in all smiles. Well, Mr. Horn's example has surely born fruit, as Adam Kaffenberger, George Wiles, Andrew Benson and J. G. Meisinger have all been out and used harrows and drags. J. G. Meisinger made a drag and that certainly does the work in grand style.

When the farmers all begin to see the benefit done the roads by the use of harrows and drags and use them at the proper time, immediately after rains and at times when they are cut up, as they now are, caused by the frost coming out, it will save an immense amount of work on the roads and expense in the way of taxes, and the time required to drag them don't amount to anything, you might say, and usually at a time when there is no urgent work at hand, and it would show them to be up-to-date and progressive farmers and all would derive benefit from such work, and those loyal to a good cause of this kind deserve much praise and credit for starting the ball rolling in this direction. May the good work go on, and when they all put their shoulders to the wheel and push together we will have good roads, and without the aid of a good roads congress.

Boost.

Buys Half Interest in Ferry.

Jesse Blunt this morning completed a deal whereby he becomes the owner of a half interest in the ferry. He, with Ed. Snodgrass, will operate the same as soon as the river is navigable.

HELD INTERESTING SESSION SUNDAY

Christian Endeavors Give Delightful Program.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held an interesting session last evening, it being the regular monthly missionary session.

The mountain whites and the negro questions were thoroughly discussed. Miss Johnston, president of the society, had an array of figures on the board touching the colored race, which indicated the progress made by the race in the past forty years, or since their freedom had been declared in this country. The amount of money raised and contributed by the colored race alone for their uplift was the sum of \$600,000,000, and there were among them 4,000,000 church members, with several thousand churches, some sixty homes for old people and twelve hospitals.

In the order of discussion the mountain whites had first attention and a very interesting paper was read on this topic by Miss Helen Chapman.

The solution of the negro question was discussed by Evan Noble on the one side and Elmer Halstrom on the other, both giving interesting talks, which was followed by a few remarks by Miss Johnston and Rev. Gade. Rev. Gade's belief was that the colored people were working out the problem of their race themselves. That the northern people would like to help them if they knew how to do so, but the speaker feared that the southern whites were not trying to solve the problem. A very pretty duet was sung by Blanche Sayles and Abbie Brown. The meeting was largely attended and much interest manifested in the program.

SMALL BLAZE AT THE HOME OF J. G. RICHIEY

From Monday's Daily.

Shortly after 9 o'clock this morning the fire alarms, the shop whistle and the fire bell notified the fire boys that their services were badly needed in the Third ward. On inquiry the fire was located in the J. G. Richiey residence on South Eleventh street. The Zuckweiler & Lutz delivery team was quickly driven to the hose house and a cart was soon on the run for the scene of the fire.

The boys from the shops answered the call at once and were on hand. The fire was discovered by Mr. Vallery, who chanced to be passing just as the blaze was coming through the kitchen roof. He immediately gave the alarm and procured a ladder and a pail and by prompt action had the fire extinguished when the department arrived.

Quite a hole was burned in the roof before the flames were extinguished. The origin of the fire is mysterious, as no one was about the house at the time. The house was locked when Mr. Vallery reached the place. It is very fortunate that the blaze was discovered before acquiring much headway, as it would have been hard to have saved the residence.

Old Settler Very Ill.

Mrs. Lewis H. Young, who lives in Carroll, Wayne county, Nebraska, and who has been very ill for the past few weeks, is failing very rapidly.

Mrs. Lewis was born February 22, 1825, making her 86 years old. She is the mother of J. M. Young, the Mynard mail carrier, and came to Nebraska in 1855, and settled on a farm three miles south of Rock Bluffs, where she lived until a few years ago. She has many friends in this part of the country among the old settlers, who will regret to learn of her illness.

Old Settlers' Ball.

The Old Settlers' dance, given at the Sokol hall last Saturday evening by our Bohemian friends, was one of the most enjoyable occasions of the season. There were some rich costumes, when age of the style is considered. It was fun from the word go and not a minute of the time was allowed to go to waste. A good attendance was present, the music was excellent and the dancing was kept up until a very late hour. Refreshments were served, consisting of Bohemian biscuits and coffee.

Dr. J. B. Martin was called to Omaha this morning on professional business, returning on No. 24.

Rynott Case Continued.
From Monday's Daily.

The case of the state against Edward Rynott, charged with the illegal sale of whisky, which was to have been heard before Judge Archer this morning, on the affidavit of the defendant that he could not safely proceed to trial, for want of material testimony which he expects to procure, was continued until March 28. Matthew Gering appeared for the defendant.

Mail Carrier Sick.

J. M. Young, the Mynard mail carrier, has been off duty for a few days the past week suffering with the grippe, but we are informed that he will commence work again this morning, and the patrons of his route will be supplied with their daily papers again. Mr. Young is usually pretty regular in his trips, with nothing to prevent him from making the rounds but sickness.

MISS ELSIE GAPEN SURPRISED BY FRIENDS

The pleasant country home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gopen, south of this city, was the scene of a more than pleasant surprise party Friday evening and rang with much merriment and hilarity. The victim was their daughter, Miss Elsie, and when the large number of friends came in on her she was completely overcome with surprise, but soon recovered and proceeded to assist her friends in making the occasion one long to be remembered.

Social games and various amusements were entered into with interest and enthusiasm, which made the short time of frolic simply fly. Then, too, the jolly company had brought many good things to eat, and during the evening a most delicious luncheon was prepared and which was served just previous to the close of this most delightful entertainment. It was in the wee small hours when the guests departed for their homes, voting Miss Elsie a splendid entertainer and the occasion one of the best they had participated in for some time.

YOUNG COUPLE NEAR MURDOCK ARE MARRIED

Otto E. Rickman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rickman, and Miss Mary Schlueter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Schlueter, were married Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents near Murdock, Rev. Goetz, pastor of the German Evangelical church at this place, officiating. William Stock and Miss Minnie Schlueter were the attendants. The ceremony was witnessed by only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties.

Mr. and Mrs. Rickman are from two of Cass county's most prominent German families. They assume the duties of married life with the best wishes of a host of friends. This paper extends hearty congratulations.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

Money Grows on Bushes.

Jesse Blunt has found a shrub over near the pump house which is of rare kind. As he was going to his work Saturday afternoon he made the discovery of the shrub and plucked from it a check ripe and yellow with age. The check was drawn September 1, 1908, on one of the banks of this city in the sum of \$4 in favor of a wholesale firm in Omaha and signed by one of the leading firms of the city. Mr. Blunt left the check at the Journal office, where it can be identified by the owner, as it has the appearance of having never been presented for payment.

New Girl in Town.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tuey, at a very early hour yesterday morning, the stork made a call, leaving a lovely little girl babe, which will receive the best of care until she reaches her eighteenth birthday. Beside her fond parents the little miss has two grandpas, two grandmas and a large number of uncles and aunts.

Returns From Denver.

Harry White returned from Denver on the morning train today, where he went January first to engage in business occupation, but the strike among the miners about Denver has made the outlook rather dull and Harry has returned to go into something here. He reports five inches of snow had just fallen in that locality when he boarded the train.

Mr. J. H. Bailey and two sons, Alva and Marzel Bailey, returned to their homes at Grinnell, Iowa, this morning, having been called here to attend the funeral of Mrs. R. C. Bailey, near Muray, last Friday. Mr. O. V. Bailey drove them to the Burlington station from his home this morning in time to catch No. 15.

BIBLE STOPS BULLET AND SAVES

LIFE OF SOLDIER IN BATTLE

Glenwood Veteran Would Like to Regain Book That His Mother Gave Him When He Left for the Front.

Samuel H. Wireman, the well known civil war veteran of Glenwood, says there is a bible somewhere down in Dixie land that he would like mighty well to possess once more. It saved his life, and as he has the murderous rebel bullet that plowed through many of its sacred pages, he would give much to have it again.

His mother gave him the bible when he left his home, during the civil war, a member of Company D of the Ninth Ohio cavalry. His name, company and regiment are written in the back.

Mr. Wireman lost possession of his bible when he was captured on September 24, 1864, at Athens, Alabama. The union soldiers were surprised one day by the Third Tennessee regiment under command of General Forrest, and he, with others, was made a prisoner.

The rebel attack was sudden, and Mr. Wireman states that in the haste of packing his effects he found that he had left the bible outside his saddle bags. He hurriedly placed the book in the left hand pocket on the outside of his jacket or blouse, an act that enables him, forty-seven years later, to be alive and relate the incident.

A few moments later the Ohio cav-

BUSINESS VERY LIGHT SO RAILROAD MEN SAY

Railroads in Nebraska are moving a very light business. The slump in freight traffic has been continuous for several weeks and the light business is beginning to tell on the size of the pay checks earned by train and enginemen. A less number of trains are run and men on the "extra list" are getting very little work.

The slump began with the drop in the price of wheat and corn on the Chicago market. Farmers quit offering their surplus for sale and the grain loading dropped. Then through business began to show a falling off and has now reached a rather low level for transcontinental traffic at this time of year. Very little stock is moving on long hauls, although the marketing of feeder stuff has been fairly regular.

Passenger business has grown in volume considerably since the first of the year, and the usual spring increase in this line of transportation seems fairly certain.

REDS AND THE BLUES FINISH LONG CONTEST

From Monday's Daily.
The long journey of the M. E. Sunday school, in which two contending sides, the Reds, led by Mrs. Gobelman, and the Blues, led by Don York, came in under the wire with colors flying, the Reds winning by 424 miles. Up until last Sunday the Blues had set the pace and were 1,200 miles in the lead at the opening of the throttles yesterday morning. The excitement of the voyagers at the close was something handsome to behold, and nothing like it has been witnessed in Sunday schools in Nebraska; in fact, the impatient crews stood on tiptoe and waved handkerchiefs and shouted as the finishing touches were put on the 2,500-mile journey.

The Blues touched land at San Francisco, says Commodore Westcott, little in advance of the Reds, and were making great promise of winning, as they had been steadily in the lead the entire distance across the Pacific, but in chartering their special train at San Francisco the Blues were routed to the south, coming over the Missouri Pacific from Kansas City, while the Reds were routed via Salt Lake, connecting with the Burlington at Denver.

Earl Hassler and Raymond Travis, who were in the city over Sunday, returned to Omaha last evening on the Missouri Pacific.

Card of Thanks.

To the kind friends, neighbors and members of the Royal Neighbors who so kindly assisted and tendered sympathy and flowers during the sickness and death of our beloved wife and mother, we wish to extend our sincere thanks.

R. C. Bailey and Children.