

JAMES HIGLEY, JR., ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF AIDING "WHITE SLAVERS"

Young Higley Came to Plattsmouth the First of the Week With a Young Woman Who He Claimed Was His Wife and Yesterday They Were Arrested by Government Officials.

From Friday's Daily.

James Higley, the 17-year-old son of James Higley, sr., of this city, came home from Omaha last Sunday night on the midnight M. P. train, bringing with him a 16-year-old girl whom he claimed to be his wife. To his parents he stated that he and the maiden were married in St. Joseph, Missouri, last week, and the girl confirmed the statement, saying that her parents had given their consent for her marriage and that "Jim" had made affidavit for himself that he was above the age of 21. Yesterday afternoon the girl went to Omaha on No. 23, where she was at once taken into custody by the authorities, who had arrested two soldiers, charging them with "white slavery."

Officers of the government came to Plattsmouth yesterday afternoon and arrested young Higley for complicity in the "white slave traffic," and took him to Omaha on the M. P. afternoon train, and the entire party are now in the Douglas county jail.

James Higley, sr., phoned the Journal today that he had written to the name of the parents of the girl at St. Joseph to know if the statement made by the girl and his son is correct, but has had no reply. He will sign a statement to be published of what "Jim," jr., and the girl stated to him, and he is willing to go to Omaha if necessary and testify in the case. If his son has been guilty of violating the law, as the Omaha authorities seem to think he has, Mr. Higley thinks he should be punished accordingly, and he will do nothing to shield him.

The following appeared in the morning Bee, and the young farmer mentioned should read Jim instead of Joe Higley.

Following the arrest of Michael Albert and Harry Allen for induc-

ing two girls under age, Ida Miller and Emma Walsh, to come from Chicago for immoral purposes, William Darwin, a soldier of the Fort Omaha signal corps, yesterday declared he wished to marry the Miller girl and save her from confinement in the county jail. She is being held as a witness against Albert.

Albert and Allen confessed upon their arrest Tuesday evening of having bought the girls from a "white slave" syndicate which is operating in different western cities.

Howell told the young man that because Ida was under age, the consent of her parents must first be granted. If he could get the parents to do this he could make Ida his bride.

When arraigned before United States Commissioner Daniel yesterday afternoon the two young men waived hearing and were held to the grand jury. Bail was fixed at \$5,000 each, but neither was able to give bond.

Last night Detectives Fleming and Dunn learned that the Groth girl was in hiding at Plattsmouth in the home of Joe Higley, a young farmer, and she was arrested there and brought to Omaha. Higley came to Omaha last night and he too was arrested. Now the entire crowd concerned are being held pending action of the United States attorney.

According to a statement made in their confession, Albert and Allen paid \$45 for the Miller girl and \$50 for Emma Groth, the purchase being made for the purpose of speculation.

When they were brought to Omaha, the two slavers had a hard time placing the girls because of the Albert law and it was their persistent efforts to rid themselves of the women that led to their arrest.

Musicals at Troop Home.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Troop was the scene of a delightful musicale last evening. This musicale was under the auspices of the C. E. society of the Presbyterian church and was very well attended. A small admission fee of 10 cents was charged, which the members of this society will use to defray various expenses. A program of instrumental and vocal music and readings was the principal and very pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment and was most thoroughly enjoyed by those fortunate enough to be present. Misses Mathilde Vallery and Lucile Bates contributed some very charming vocal solos, while Misses Helen Chapman and Estelle Baird furnished a pretty vocal duet. Excellent piano selections were given by Misses Verna Cole and Blanche Sayles. These vocal and instrumental numbers were interspersed with splendid readings by Misses Anderson and Bernese Newell. Following this program delicious wafers and punch were served by the members of the committee in charge. A few moments devoted to a social time, after which all departed for their homes, very much indebted to Mrs. Troop for her kind hospitality and the enjoyable evening afforded them.

Eye Knocked Out by Ball.

A Union correspondent says: The baseball team from McPaul, Iowa, crossed the Missouri river Sunday morning prepared to play the Mount Hope baseball team. At the close of the game the score stood 6 to 4 in favor of Mount Hope. While at bat one of the McPaul men had a serious accident. An in-curve struck the bat of Joe Howray, glanced and followed up his arm, striking him in the right eye, knocking the eye out. The accident will result in the entire loss of the eye. Mr. Howray consulted one of the local doctors, who sent him at once to Omaha to consult a specialist.

Mr. Russell, Sr., Very Sick.

From Friday's Daily.

Mrs. L. J. Russell and children left for Lincoln this morning to join her husband, who went to the bedside of his father yesterday. Mr. Russell, sr., has been critically ill for several days. He is about 90 years of age and it is feared he will not recover.

Grandparents Happy.

News has been received in the city that Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sheehan of Galesburg, Illinois, are the proud parents of a bouncing baby girl and the little stranger has been christened Nell in honor of its maternal grandmother, Mrs. C. H. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Sheehan's other child is a son, 5 years old, and was named Chester in honor of its grandfather, Chester H. Smith. Chester and Nell, named for Grandpa Chester and Grandma Nell; surely Dame Fortune is kind to Grandpa and Grandma Smith. Long may the little one flourish to be a source of comfort and joy to their esteemed parents and grandparents, is the wish of the Journal.

PREPARING FOR A BIG ENCAMPMENT

Extensive Preparations for G. A. R. State Encampment at Beatrice.

Mr. Edwin Bates, commandant of McConhite Post No. 45 of the G. A. R., has received notice that the thirty-sixth annual encampment of the Nebraska department of the Grand Army and Relief Corps will be held in Beatrice this year, May 14, 15 and 16.

Extensive preparations have been made to insure the success of this meeting. General Sickles and General Black and Hon. Church Howe and other notables are on the program, and the people of Beatrice are planning to make the encampment the best ever held by these patriotic organizations.

The fact that the ranks of the veterans of '61 to '65 are rapidly thinning emphasizes the importance of each gathering of the survivors, and a large attendance at this year's encampment at Beatrice is being worked for.

Improvement Nears Completion.

The fine new front at the C. E. Wescott clothing store is nearing completion. The mosaic marble man was here the first of the week and laid the mosaic floor in the entrance, which is a pretty piece of work. Inlaid in the marble in colors are the words, "Established in 1879." In the window has been placed a life-like photograph of the founder of the establishment, Mr. C. E. Wescott, and the date of the founding of the store inscribed on a bronze tablet appears below the picture. The steel ceiling of the entrance-way has been artistically painted and primrose plate glass, gorgeously decorated appears on either side of the door to brighten and beautify the windows. The entire window has begun to take on the appearance it will have when completed and ready to be turned over to the decorator and presents a view most pleasing to the eye. This corner will undoubtedly be the most attractive in the city and reflects great credit on the members of the firm which caused the improvement to be made.

A Silver Offering.

The large double parlors of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wiles were filled to overflowing Wednesday afternoon with members and friends of the Christian church; their object being social and financial, and both were entirely successful. The music, vocal and instrumental, was contributed by Miss Margaret Thomas, Miss Myra Stenner and Miss Mae Morgan. White lilacs and lilies of the valley graced the center-table, and nearly \$5 in silver graced the contribution plate, which soon is to be transmitted from silver to lead and wall paper to grace the church and do honor to the new pastor and old-time friends, Mr. and Mrs. Rev. A. Zink. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Wiles, consisting of ice cream and several varieties of cake. We were all glad we went.

The brick workers began laying brick yesterday afternoon on the front of the M. W. A. building. The quality of the last shipment was most excellent and no criticism can be made of the wall laid with such material.

SOCIAL DANCE GIVEN AT COATES' HALL

Officialness of Night Policeman Marred the Pleasure of Event for a Short Time.

From Friday's Daily.

The social hop given at Coates' hall last night by Messrs. Livingston Riehey, Glen Rawls, John Falter, Matthew Herold and others, was one of the most pleasant events of the season. The hall was gotten up by the enterprising young gentlemen named wholly as a social affair, with no thought of making money. The music was furnished by an orchestra just from Rome and was of the rare Italian quality that compels one to trip the dance whether they know how or not. The harpist, violinist and flutist were finished musicians and familiar with all the latest thrillers.

Not a thing occurred to mar the pleasure of the dancers until the night policeman obstructed his presence into the hall about 10:30 and demanded that the dancers "make less noise, as they could be heard down by the depot." Just what reason this official of the city elected to be disturbed at this particular time is hard to conjecture, as the dancers were making no more noise than usual; singing with the music as they danced, it is true, but not louder than the orchestral instruments. The sons and daughters of the best families in the city were present and it is thought that the officious interruption of the night police was entirely uncalled for.

In County Court.

From Friday's Daily.

A petition was filed in the probate court this morning by Amelia Behrens, widow of Henry J. Behrens, who died at his home near Avoca on May 8, praying special administration of his estate. The petition alleges that the deceased was possessed of a half interest in the stock of bonds in the store of Maseman & Behrens at Avoca, his interest being \$4,000 and ask that special administration be granted to Joseph H. Zimmerman. The prayer of the petition was granted and the appointment of the special administrator was set at \$10,000. The deceased left his widow and two children, one daughter, the oldest being 10, the younger 3, and a son 8 years of age.

Work on

From Friday's Daily.

Work was commenced on the ball grounds yesterday by a force of men having been employed by work removing the grubs from the plat east of the Burlington viaduct. It is the purpose of the committee in charge to erect an amphitheater and enclose the ground with a fence and make all proper arrangements for the comfort and convenience of the public. Several new names were added to the list of subscriptions as follows: W. R. Egenberger, \$1; A. L. Tidd, \$1; Hatt & Son, \$5; H. F. Goos, \$5; N. W. Crissinger, \$4; Bauer & Son, \$2; Falter & Thierolf, \$3; Edward Rynott & Co., \$1; Adolph Geise, \$5; A. J. Trility, \$1.

Kensington Met Yesterday.

From Friday's Daily.

The W. Y. T. of the Christian Scientist church gave a kensington yesterday at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. S. Burton. After the regular routine business was disposed of Mrs. Burton, with the assistance of Mr. Burton, served a two-course lunch. As the afternoon was so pleasant the lunch was served on the lawn. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent by the ladies in attendance. Twelve members were present and also three visitors.

Tom Gradoville Improving.

From Friday's Daily.

Tom Gradoville, who was injured a week ago today by a piece of steel being knocked off of an anvil by one of the steam hammers and striking his left leg a terrific blow, is improving gradually, but is not able to go without his crutches.

BUSINESS MEN SHOULD AWAKEN TO DANGER OF CHEAP ADVERTISING

The Newspaper Should Be Fair With All the People and That Is Impossible When Any One Man or Set of Men Attempt to Dictate the Policy and Advertising of a Paper.

All over this country business men far from newspaper work have realized during the last few years that method, stoppage of business leaks, through organization and prompt collection would change a losing business into a prosperous concern. Thousands of local newspapers throughout the country, it is to be hoped, will soon make the same discovery for themselves. If they stop the biggest of all leaks—free and fraudulent advertising; if they organize to protect themselves, to fix a rate for fair advertising and stick to it; if they make themselves the power in the community that they should be, instead of being bullied by some storekeeper, or dictated to by some railroad, or patronized by some second-rate politician, they will have the influence and the standing and the prosperity that they deserve.

Next to the public itself, there should be nothing in a community equaling in power the newspaper that the public reads. That newspaper should represent the public and nothing else. And any man, politician, storekeeper, national advertiser or other, anxious to communicate with the public should be compelled to go to that publisher and deal with him on a fair basis. As it is now the small storekeeper thinks he can tell the editor what he ought to think and

what he ought to say. And the congressman undertakes to supply the local editor with his national opinions, and the express companies, acting directly through the storekeeper, undertake to supply him with their views in regard to the parcels post. The big advertisers are finding out that they should spend their money to build up the local publisher, instead of spending their money to irritate and to rob him. That is one good thing.

Now, if the editors will get together, form an organization to protect themselves, establish rates, uniform, and never change, so much per inch per hundred circulation; if they will see to it that not one inch of advertising is printed except at that price, and if they will fight to get a complete parcels post, so that the national advertiser may be able to distribute the goods that he advertises, the problem of the local publisher, so far as material prosperity goes, will be solved. After that will come the good hard fight as to which editors shall do the best work for the public gratitude. That is the fight that will and that ought to go on indefinitely. But there should be no other fight among editors—organization and co-operation—and let the advertisers compete on an even basis in the advertising columns.—Arthur Brisbane.

Goes to the Jury Today.

From Friday's Daily.

The case of Jesse F. Blunt against the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company in the federal court will probably be given to the jury sometime today. Judge T. C. Munger yesterday afternoon sustained a motion of the defense for a directed verdict with regard to one of the injuries received by Blunt, but overruled the motion relative to the other injury, and the defense then introduced its testimony which was completed before the conclusion of the afternoon session. Blunt received one injury on March 21, 1908, when he fell from the engine in which he was the fireman, and a second injury was received on the same leg in a second fall on March 20, 1909. The court held that there was no evidence to show that the second injury was the result of negligence on the part of the company, so a motion for a directed verdict relative to it was sustained. Blunt is suing for \$15,000 damages and costs of the suit. The case is the first on the docket of the May term, and has been occupying the attention of the court since Tuesday.—Lincoln Journal.

Married in Omaha.

On last Wednesday, May 8, Herman Matchulatt of Chicago and Miss M. M. Haynie of Omaha were married in Omaha. Mr. Matchulatt was formerly a Plattsmouth young man, having attended commercial college here, and has a large number of friends in this city who will be pleased to know of his marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Matchulatt will reside in Chicago, where he has a position with the Cudahy Packing company.

A Runaway Last Night.

From Friday's Daily.

Last night about 9:30 John Meisinger's team, attached to a carriage, got loose from the hitch-rack on South Fifth street, and running west on the alley, collided with a telephone pole. The carriage was reduced to kindling wood. The collision checked the frightened team and Chief of Police Ben Rainey caught them and put them in a livery barn.

For Sale.

New piano. Cash or payments. Must sell. Going away. Mrs. E. Emmet, Plattsmouth, Neb. 5-9-21-wkly.

School Term Closed.

From Friday's Daily.

Miss Bessie Edwards, teacher in District 12, closed the term in that district last Friday, the principal part of the day being devoted to a picnic and a general good time, the dinner and games being held near the school house. A number of the patrons and others participated in the splendid feast and sports and it was an afternoon of pleasure for all, the only thing that appeared to cause regret being the fact that the pupils and patrons were to bid good-bye to such a popular teacher as Miss Edwards has been. The term has been very successful and the pupils made splendid progress under Miss Edwards' direction. Her ability is proven by the fact that she has been elected to a position in the Plattsmouth schools for the coming year.—Union Ledger.

Ball Team Officers Chosen.

Tom Walling has been elected president and H. N. Doyce secretary and treasurer of the Plattsmouth baseball team, which is a wise selection and the affairs of the club will be managed in a business-like way. The election of these gentlemen to the responsible positions just named will inspire confidence among the business men of the city and the subscriptions will now be pushed along until sufficient funds are raised to finance the club.

Load Breaks Wheel.

From Friday's Daily.

While drawing a four-horse load of crushed stone, intended for the new road north of the city, over the pavement at Third and Main streets yesterday afternoon, George Poissal had the misfortune to break the tire of his left hind wheel. After the tire gave way the fellow and spokes also began to crumble. The team was stopped and a delay of some time occurred while another wheel was secured and the broken one replaced with a sound one.

Prolific Crop.

The dandelion crop is the most prolific this season we have known in many years. Down in Sedalia the citizens had "Dandelion day" and everybody got busy in cutting the plant out of their yards. The result was ten tons of dandelion plants piled in one heap. This is no dandy lying, but an actual dandelion occurrence.