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## LOCAL NEWS

From Tuesday's Daily.

Misses Katie McHugh and Mary Margaret Walling boarded the early train for Omaha this morning, where they spent the day.

Dave Young returned from Omaha last evening, where he had been called on account of the death of his brother, F. M. Young.

Mrs. A. L. Tidd and her niece, Miss Ursula Herold, departed for Lincoln last evening on No. 33, where they will visit relatives for a few days.

John A. Hennings of near Louisville and George Heil, Jr., and son, Herbert, came down to the county seat on No. 4 this morning and looked after business matters for a few hours.

Mrs. E. Newman of Tacoma, Washington, who had been visiting his sister, Mrs. W. P. Rice, for two weeks, departed for Rock Island, Illinois, this morning, where she will visit relatives for a time.

J. H. Ehresman and wife of Nehawka, who have been visiting lowa friends for the past four weeks, were in the city this morning for a short time between trains, as they were enroute to their home.

Mrs. Handley was a passenger to Omaha on the afternoon train yesterday, where she went on both business and pleasure. Mrs. Handley has just closed a deal whereby she becomes the owner of the Julyan residence property on North Tenth street.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Mr. A. Johnson and Miss Lottie Vallery spent Thursday with Florence Vallery.

H. Dettman and Ben Dettman of Elmwood were Plattsmouth visit-

ors yesterday and dined at the Riley.

Chris Stoehr of Cedar Creek arrived on No. 4 this morning and visited Plattsmouth friends for the day.

George M. Hild and wife of Mt. Pleasant arrived in the city this morning doing some trading with the merchants.

John Gorder drove in from the farm this morning and boarded the early train for Omaha, where he was called on business.

Misses Mary and Alice Sheely of South Omaha returned home Wednesday, after a two weeks' visit at the J. R. Vallery home.

S. Crader of Waverly arrived yesterday and will take the place of Andy Moore, third trick man at the dispatcher's office, during his vacation.

Henry Boeck and wife drove to Murray today to attend the funeral of Mrs. Boeck's brother, F. M. Young, who died in Omaha Monday morning.

Mrs. J. H. Becker and daughter, Miss Carrie, departed for Omaha on the morning train today, where they looked after business matters for a few hours.

Mrs. W. R. Murray, who has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Parker, for a time, returned to her home at Omaha on the morning train today.

Miss Margie Walker of Murray and Miss Lousetta Patterson of Omaha arrived this morning to be guests of the H. N. Dovey home over the Fourth.

Mrs. George Schoeman went to Cedar Creek yesterday afternoon on No. 33, where she will visit her sons for a few days and assist in cooking for the harvesters.

W. M. Taylor and wife, from south of the city, drove in this morning and boarded the morning train to Hamburg, Iowa, where

they will spend the Fourth with their daughter.

John Vallery, superintendent of the Colorado Midland Railway company, arrived in his special car, attached to No. 2, last evening, accompanied by Mrs. Vallery, and will visit Plattsmouth relatives for a few days.

Mrs. W. P. Sitzman and daughters, Margaret, Elizabeth and Ruth, arrived from Weeping Water last evening and visited with Plattsmouth friends over night, departing for Omaha to spend the Fourth with her parents. Mr. Sitzman will arrive this afternoon and go on to Omaha tomorrow.

### Enjoys Floriculture.

Rev. Father John Vleck has one of the most beautiful lawns in the city and it would well repay anyone to walk out to his residence on West Pearl street and observe the beauty with which Father Vleck has surrounded himself. The lawn is fresh and here and there dotted about are the rarest of flowers. There are beautiful lilies and imported blossoms pleasing to the eye. Between his residence and the yard fence are two mounds, almost square, elevated perhaps a foot above the surrounding surface, and on these, at regular intervals, are rows of beautiful foliage plants of different hues and tints, bearing such colors as nature herself alone can paint. Many of these are imported and are rare plants, even in green-houses. Anyone wishing to beautify their lawns can well afford to interview Father Vleck, and the city officials need not send to Lincoln or anywhere else for an expert to advise them on beautifying the cemetery, as Father Vleck is an expert in that line, and no doubt would gladly assist occasionally with a word of advice on lawn gardening.

### M. W. A. Holds Meeting.

The local lodge of the M. W. A. held its regular meeting last night at the lodge rooms in the Coates block. The meeting was well attended and much interest was manifested in the lecture given by State Deputy Kester, which was illustrated by stereopticon views of the sanitarium of the order at Colorado Springs, Colorado. Mr. Kester also illustrated his talk on the rate question with the stereopticon. District Deputies James and Woodley were also present and occupied chairs in the reception of candidates. Twelve new applications were received and acted upon, and initiation was had on applications heretofore acted upon. After the regular order of business was carried out lemonade and cigars regaled the membership present.

Eczema spreads rapidly; itching almost drives you mad. For quick relief, oDan's Ointment is well recommended. 50c at all stores.

### Herman Dettman in Town.

Herman Dettman, one of the leading merchants of Elmwood, accompanied by his son, Ben, were Plattsmouth visitors over last night, visiting with W. E. Rosenrands and other friends of the county seat. The trip was made in the automobile, and Mr. Dettman is positive that the run was made in forty minutes, or that they could have made it in forty minutes should they have eliminated the stop at Louisville. The Journal acknowledges a brief but very pleasant call from Mr. Dettman while in the city. They returned home today.

The day of harsh physics is gone. People want mild, easy laxatives. Doan's Regulets have satisfied thousands. 25c at all drug stores.

### Return From Baltimore.

William D. Wheeler, George Snyder and Judge M. Archer returned from Baltimore on the morning train today. Mr. Wheeler and Mr. Snyder left Baltimore Monday morning and Judge Archer left last Thursday morning, going to New York, and returning passed through Baltimore Sunday evening and stopped off to visit friends in Ohio for a day, and happened to get on the same train that Mr. Wheeler and Mr. Snyder were on, Tuesday, but did not know it until he was nearing Chicago. The three travelers were well and happy, though somewhat travel-stained and weary.

Woman loves a clear, rosy complexion. Burdock Blood Bitters is splendid for purifying the blood, clearing the skin, restoring sound digestion. All druggists sell it. Price, \$1.00.

## WILSON HEARS THE NEWS

On the Veranda When Report of His Nomination Comes.

HAD RELEASED HIS DELEGATES

Town People and Neighbors Gather and Pay Respects, Brass Band Joining in and Tendering Serenade to Nominee.

Seagirt, N. J., July 3.—Governor Wilson was seated on the veranda of the "little white house" with Mrs. Wilson and his daughters when he received the news of his nomination as the Democratic candidate for president from his managers.

"The honor is as great as can come to any man by the nomination of a party," he said, "especially under the circumstances. I hope I appreciate it at its true value; but, just at this moment, I feel the tremendous responsibility it involves even more than I feel the honor.

"I hope with all my heart that the party will never have reason to regret it."

Governor Wilson said that at one time during the convention he completely despaired of receiving the nomination. That was Friday evening, when Speaker Clark received a majority of the total vote. Wilson then wired to his manager at Baltimore, William F. McCombs, to release the Wilson delegates. McCombs, according to Governor Wilson, told the delegates they were released, but they refused to change their vote.

### Congratulate the Governor.

During the time immediately preceding his nomination the governor walked back and forth on the lawn, chatting informally with newspaper men and residents of the town who came to be on hand for a celebration. Mrs. Wilson and her daughters had been keeping tally of the steadily increasing vote for the governor.

When the nomination was officially announced, friends and neighbors, both Republicans and Democrats, came to offer their congratulations and an impromptu reception was held on the lawn.

Militia officers at the state rifle range near here deserted their practice and came over to shake the nominee's hand.

A mile away a brass band had been held in readiness at Mansquan, and it was immediately dispatched to the Wilson cottage when news came of the governor's nomination.

### BRYAN PREDICTS VICTORY

Turning Point in Wilson's Campaign Was Stand Against Parker.

Baltimore, July 3.—William J. Bryan, in a statement, said that the nomination of Woodrow Wilson on a progressive platform meant an overwhelming victory for the Democratic ticket next fall. Mr. Bryan said:

"I feel sure that the action of the convention thus far will appeal to the country. I had no choice among progressive candidates, but from the first included Governor Wilson in every list I had occasion to make. His action in coming out strongly against Mr. Parker for temporary chairman was the turning point in his campaign. The country is progressive. Nearly all of the Democratic party and more than half of the Republican party are progressive.

"The paramount question before the convention was whether we would take sides with the reactionaries and thus encourage the organization of a third party and give to the third party the hope of defeating the reactionaries, divided into two parties, or whether we would nominate a ticket that would so appeal to the progressive element of the nation as to make a third party improbable.

"I am satisfied that with Mr. Wilson running for president on the platform which has been prepared, there will be comparatively few progressive Republicans who will not feel justified in supporting the Democratic ticket. If I were to make an estimate, I would say that we ought to have not less than 2,000,000 majority of the popular vote and enough of the electoral vote to give us an overwhelming majority in the electoral college.

"The action of the convention in adopting the anti-Morgan-Ryan-Belmont resolution has demonstrated that the Democratic party is not only progressive, but is bold enough to throw down the gauntlet to the predatory interests. It is fortunate that Mr. Wilson's nomination was made without the aid of Mr. Murphy."

### IOWA CROP REPORT

Harvesting Will Begin During the Coming Week.

Des Moines, July 3.—Dr. Chappel, in his crop bulletin for the week says: "The high temperatures and bright sunshine have been favorable for the rapid advancement of corn and curing clover hay. Corn has made very rapid growth, but it is still uneven in height. Some of it has been laid by, and all of the fields are clean. Some of the late planted corn is beginning to show the effect of the dry weather, but if rain comes within the next week or ten days it will continue to make good progress. Early corn is in fine condition, the root system being sufficiently developed to reach moist soil.

## A CAN OF PEACHES

By EDWARD L. HICKS

When I was warden of the penitentiary a young man was sent up to the institution to serve a term for burglary. To look at him no one would take him for a burglar, for he had as honest a face as any man I ever saw, and I believe that I can tell an honest man from his expression. A young girl came to see him soon after his imprisonment who seemed completely broken down on his account. She asked me to let her see him, and when I inquired as to their relationship she said she was his betrothed.

Those who call to see prisoners always assume that the latter are innocent, but from the story this girl told me about her lover I made up my mind that he had been victimized. He had fallen in with a couple of rogues who intended to "crack a crib." Working on the young man's sympathies by telling him a yarn about a girl held in a certain house against her will, they proposed a rescue. Thompson—that was his name—yielded to their solicitations to assist them and consented to watch while they effected an entrance into the house for the purpose.

On the night when they proposed to do the job they stationed Thompson on a balcony to give the alarm if any one came. Then, raising a window with a jimmy, they entered the house and got away with a lot of valuables, leaving Thompson to be caught. Of course the story he had been told about the rescue had no weight with the jury, and despite this being his first offense he was convicted. I would not have believed the young man capable of being thus victimized had it not been, as I have said, for his honest expression and for a knowledge of his character, which was childlike and sympathetic. Convinced of his innocence, I felt sorry for him and for the girl, who was devoted to him.

One day Agnes—she was Agnes Brown—came to me with a can of preserved peaches that she asked to be permitted to give her lover. I told her that all I could do in the premises would be to have the can opened, take out the peaches and let him have them in that way. But she said that he couldn't eat them all at once and begged that he might be permitted to receive them as she had brought them. She would open them before me to show me that the can contained nothing but what she claimed it contained.

I didn't see what a prisoner could do to effect an escape with a tin can if there were no instruments inside to enable him to do so. I brought a can opener, cut the top of the can and poured the contents out into a dish. I proposed to the girl to let the prisoner have them in the dish, but she said she had brought some wax with her with which he could seal the lid after using a part of the preserves, and—well, I did something I never did before or since; I consented that he should have the peaches in the can.

But before sending the gift to the prisoner I scrutinized it. There were preserved peaches, can and label—that was all. The label bore the name of the concern that canned the goods and a picture of a fine ripe peach. A man might make a saw out of the tin to cut wood, but he could not get out of his cell without cutting iron. Besides, he could not make a saw even out of tin without a file.

I mention these minutiae as the reasons why I permitted a tin can to go into a prisoner and to show that there did not appear to be any harm in my doing so. I soon had occasion to state them to my superiors as I have stated them here, for that can of peaches was the first and main feature in one of the most ingenious and well carried out plans of escape I have ever known or heard of. On the morning after the gift had been given Thompson his cell was found empty and two bars at his window sawed through. He had for some time been making a rope of his bedclothing, by which he let himself to the ground. A confederate, probably Agnes Brown, who had by frequent visits become familiar with the premises, had thrown a rope over the wall, by which he had climbed to the top, where he found a ladder on which to go down on the other side. There he had found a bicycle and on this scrooped away.

I lost my position as warden of the prison, though those who deprived me of it could not explain how a can of peaches had anything to do with a prisoner's escape. But, on the whole, I was glad he had regained his liberty, being assured that he was innocent of the crime for which he had been imprisoned. There was no evidence by which Miss Brown could be convicted of assisting him to escape, and since she did not go away with him I sought her, and on my promise to take no action against her she told me the secret. She had removed the label on the can of peaches, put several very thin highly tempered saws under it, the ends attached to the can by bits of solder, put strips of paper in position to bring the whole to the same level and replaced the label. She must have done her work very deftly.

Some months after the episode I received cards to the wedding. Since I was not now in the government service I accepted. I not only accepted, but sent a wedding present. More than this, I congratulated the groom on his escape.

## GUYE RETURNS FROM HIS TRIP

Labor Commissioner Back From Look Over Homestead Lands.

MUCH HAS BEEN TAKEN UP.

Still Goodly Amount in Sandhill Section That is Subject to Entry. Teachers Go to Chicago—Action in Long Pine License Case.

Lincoln, July 3.—Commissioner Guye returned from a trip through Cherry, Thomas, Hooker, Grant, Box Butte, Dawson and Sheridan counties, where he investigated the matter of vacant government lands open to homestead entry.

He says that in visiting the land offices he discovered that about 50 per cent of the land which was open at the time of the last report has been taken up, but that there is plenty of good land left.

"When one first alights from the train in the section where this land is located," said Guye, "he is struck with the idea that he would not give 15 cents for all the vacant land in that part of the country. But as one gets out and sees what is being done he is convinced that those who have settled upon this land are the ones who have solved the problem of making a living easily. They depend upon the increase in their cattle and horses for the profits on the farm. They have plenty of fine water, easily accessible, plenty of grass for feed at all seasons of the year and they seem to be in a most prosperous condition, for failure of crops does not affect them. If the general public knew the real facts in regard to homesteads on this land I do not believe very much of it would remain untaken very long."

Mr. Guye is intensely interested in seeing settlers on this vacant land, and in his letter, which he will soon publish, he hopes that those interested will take advantage of the facts in the case which will be shown therein and hasten to possess themselves of a home of their own.

### Long Pine License Case.

The supreme court issued an alternative writ, returnable Sept. 3, at which time the village board of Long Pine must show cause why the writ of mandamus should not be issued to compel the village board to reconvene and cancel the liquor license issued to H. M. Descher and to set a hearing to take testimony on the remonstrance filed by Charles Lanning of that village. Lanning, in his petition, charges Descher with selling liquor on election day before 7 o'clock a. m. and to habitual drunkards.

### National Teachers Meet.

Reservations are rapidly being taken for sleeper accommodations, both Pullman and tourist, for the annual meeting of the National Teachers' association, which will convene in Chicago this week. The official train will leave Lincoln over the Burlington, July 5, at 4:30 in the evening, leaving Omaha at 6:30. Professor G. W. A. Luckey of the state university will have charge of the party. Among the principal speakers on the program is State Superintendent Delzell of Nebraska. Professor E. T. Fairchild of Kansas, state superintendent of the Sunflower state, is a prominent candidate for president of the association and will have the backing of the Nebraska contingent.

### Capital Appointments.

Dr. James S. Pierce of Lincoln has been reappointed as a member of the state dental board by the governor.

The industrial school at Kearney has been without a steward for over a year and as a consequence the governor has appointed C. R. Knowles of McCook to fill the position.

About 2 per cent of the births in Nebraska were illegitimate, according to a report issued by Dr. Wilson of the state board of health, covering the first six months of 1912. To be exact, there were just ninety-two of the unfortunate.

### FIGHTING PHONE RAISE

Wymore Subscribers Sign Agreement to Drop Service.

Wymore, Neb., July 3.—At a mass meeting of telephone subscribers, sixty-four signed an agreement to discontinue renting phones if the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company attempted to raise the rates from those embodied in the franchise under which the New Home Telephone company did business in Wymore. The meeting was attended by over 150. Many more telephone subscribers will sign the agreement. The action was taken following a report that the Lincoln company, which recently bought the Bell, New Home and Gage County independent systems in Wymore, had made application to the state railway commission for permission to raise its rental rates here.

At the meeting it was decided that Wymore should work with other towns in the state which are fighting a raise in telephone rates where the Lincoln company has bought all competing companies.

Ohio Republicans Nominate Dillon. Columbus, O., July 3.—E. B. Dillon, common pleas judge of Columbus, was nominated for governor on the fifth ballot at the Republican state convention. The platform adopted was declared to be a compromise.

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