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## ESCAPES DEATH BY A MIRACLE

### Brakeman at Pacific Junction Is Dragged Under Train and Suffers Only Minor Injuries.

From Friday's Daily.  
The Glenwood Tribune of Thursday gives the following account of a miraculous escape from death of a Burlington brakeman at Pacific Junction Sunday afternoon:

Caught under a freight train while attaching an air brake hose, dragged the length of ten cars and losing the most of his clothing, which was cut to pieces under the train, E. L. Cary of Lincoln, a brakeman, escaped death in the Pacific Junction railroad yards Sunday afternoon by almost a miracle. His coat collar and part of a sleeve caught on a bar and kept him from being ground under the wheels. His wounds, a deep cut across the top of the head, another cut over the left ear, badly sprained and bruised wrists, besides a number of minor cuts and bruises, were dressed by Dr. Bacon of Pacific Junction.

Cary had gone between two cars to join the air brake hose. A Plattsmouth engine, switching cars across the yards, pushed a string of cars onto the switch where Cary's train was standing. The cars were pushed with such force that the train was shoved ten car lengths. Cary was knocked under the train. His clothing caught under the car and he was dragged, rolling over and over. Nearly all his clothes, with the exception of his coat collar and a part of the coat sleeve, were torn off and ground under the wheels. The shreds of clothes remaining on Cary caught underneath the car and held, dragging him helplessly along until the cars came to a standstill. While he was being rolled over and over he passed beneath two cars and was dragged the length of ten cars.

As soon as the doctor was through caring for his wounds he was hurried to Lincoln, his home, on the passenger train that had waited forty minutes to take him. Instead of taking him uptown in Lincoln, the train stopped at the outskirts, near Cary's home, and he was carried to the house.

Trainmen at Pacific Junction say they have heard of few escapes more miraculous than that of Cary. Robert Daly, a tramp near the scene, was the first to call attention to the accident. He saw a sleeve from Cary's coat being flung about under a wheel and thought it was a man's arm.

## THE SCHOOL BOND ELECTION IN UNION IS VOID

The school bond election held here November 26 to vote \$7,000 bonds to aid in constructing a new school building, proved to be "trouble for nothing," for the simple reason that under the law \$5,000 is the limit of bond issue for building purposes in this district. The question was raised before the election, but for some reason no definite conclusion was reached as to the validity of a \$7,000 bond issue, and the proposition carried by a vote of 72 to 5, but a few days later the school board called upon the state auditor and received the information that the bond proposition had traveled in a circle and landed where it started. However, the auditor outlined the plans and procedure for another election to vote the limit—\$5,000—and notices have been posted for an election to be held on Monday, December 23, at 7:30 p. m., in Woodman hall. At this election the "short plan" will be followed by using blank slips for voting, and the collecting and counting will probably require only a short time.—Union Ledger.

Watch for our Xmas ad. You will stay at home and buy at Eastwood's.

## D. of H. Elects Officers.

From Friday's Daily.  
The members of the Degree of Honor lodge met at their lodge rooms in the A. O. U. W. hall on Chicago avenue last evening. During their regular business session they held their annual election of officers, and the following were elected: P. C. of H., Mrs. E. Ptak; C. of H., Mrs. M. E. Manspeaker; L. H., Mrs. Hermia Svoboda; L. of C., Mrs. John Bauer, sr.; recorder, Mrs. Val Burkel; treasurer, Mrs. J. E. McDaniel; financier, Mrs. Jennie Johnson; usher, Mrs. Carl Kunsman; L. W., Mrs. L. B. Egenberger; O. W., Mrs. J. C. Petersen; trustee, Mrs. Fred Ramge.

## BASTARD CASE FILED IN JUDGE ARCHER'S COURT

### Both Parties Come From Greenwood, and Case Will Be Tried Next Tuesday.

From Friday's Daily.  
A very sensational case was filed in Justice Archer's court yesterday from the vicinity of Greenwood, in which Miss Martha Wozel charged Fred Ethredge of that place with being the father of her unborn child. Deputy Sheriff Manspeaker went to Greenwood yesterday afternoon and brought Ethredge in last evening on No. 13, and after consulting with his attorney, Justice Archer was roused from his slumbers about 11 o'clock and the prisoner was released under \$1,000 bond for his appearance Tuesday morning in court.

The plaintiff in the case claims that they kept company for several years and that finally, under promise of marriage, she submitted to the attentions of the defendant, with very serious results to both, and when Mr. Ethredge was married about a week ago she decided to appeal to the law.

Mr. Ethredge denies the charges made by Miss Wozel and claims to have never been keeping company with her or having any relations whatever with her. The defendant is a mail carrier on one of the rural routes at Greenwood, and has always borne a good reputation in the locality in which he resides. The case will doubtless prove very interesting to the lovers of the sensational if it is carried farther into the courts.

## IMPROVED ORDER OF RED MEN ELECT THEIR OFFICERS

From Friday's Daily.  
Missouri Tribe No. 69, Improved Order of Redmen, held their annual election of officers for the ensuing year at their hall on lower Main street last evening, which resulted in the selection of the following gentlemen to guide the destinies of the lodge: Sachem, R. D. Dalton; senior saganore, Henry Lahoda; junior saganore, Frank Haekenberg; prophet, J. C. York; keeper of records, Emil Walters; keeper of waupman, John Cory; trustee, F. E. Schlater. Following the election of officers and the business meeting a sumptuous lunch was served to the members of the order, and a most pleasant social time enjoyed by the large number who had braved the stormy weather to be present. The local lodge of the Redmen have been very successful in the conduct of their lodge and has a very large membership, embracing members from every walk in life.

## Home From Stock Show.

From Friday's Daily.  
George Kaffenberger and Luke L. Wiles returned this morning from Chicago, where they have been attending the International Live Stock Show. They report that the exhibition was one of the finest that has been held and that the cattle on exhibition could not be beat. The herd of Galloway cattle owned by the Straub Bros. of Aveca carried away a great many prizes in their class and were the object of much admiration from the visitors.

## TASTEFULLY ARRANGED SHOW WINDOWS AT FRICKE & CO.'S

From Friday's Daily.  
The show windows of F. G. Fricke & Co.'s drug store have been very tastefully arranged with some very handsome displays of articles that the firm are carrying for their Christmas trade. One window contains manieure sets ranging in prices that will suit any purchaser, and they are very handsome and nothing would make a more appropriate gift than these. In the other window there is a very nice display of stationary suitable for gifts for Christmas. The week before Christmas the firm of Andrews & McDonald, the florists, will have a display of cut flowers in these windows, where the Christmas shoppers can find what they may desire in this line, and these gentlemen are making preparations to have as near a complete line of flowers as possible on hand.

## MRS. TRITSCH OPERATED UPON FOR PERITONITIS

From Friday's Daily.  
Yesterday afternoon Mrs. John P. Tritsch, residing west of the city, was operated on for peritonitis at her home and came out of the operation in good shape and will soon be on the highway to recovery unless unforeseen complications set in. Mrs. Tritsch has been sick for some time, and on the advice of her physician, underwent the operation to obtain relief from the sickness. The friends of this worthy lady will be greatly pleased to learn that she has stood the operation so well and hope in a short time she will have regained her usual health.

## CASS COUNTY COUPLE MARRIED IN OMAHA

From Friday's Daily.  
Wednesday afternoon in Omaha two Cass county young people were joined together in the holy bonds of wedlock. The contracting parties were Will Hirz and Miss Cora Meisinger, both members of very prominent families in this county and very highly esteemed by all who know them. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Meisinger and is a very charming young lady, who has a wide circle of friends. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hirz, who reside near this city, and who is a young man who commands the respect and esteem of a large number of friends who will congratulate him and his charming wife on their venture into the matrimonial field and extend their best wishes for their future happiness and welfare.

## FORMER CASS COUNTY GIRL MARRIED IN LINCOLN

From Friday's Daily.  
We note from the Union Ledger the marriage of a former Cass county young lady in Lincoln last Saturday, in the person of Miss Charlotte J. Wallace, a daughter of the late Dr. R. B. Wallace of Union, and Harold Smith Graham, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon G. Phelps. The marriage was to have taken place December 14, at the home of the bride's uncle, Hon. E. M. Pollard, at Nehawka, but on account of business matters it was necessary for Mr. Graham to leave for California, so the ceremony was held at once. The mother of the bride, Mrs. H. A. Hilborn, resides at Long Beach, California. The young people will make their future home in Los Angeles, California.

## Appeal Bond Filed.

From Friday's Daily.  
An appeal bond in the case of the last will and testament and revocation of Mary Miller, which was decided in the county court a short time ago, has been filed in the county court by Jane Worth, sister of the deceased woman. The case is to be taken to the district court.

## Miss Jeanette Palmer Married.

From Friday's Daily.  
Miss Jeanette Palmer was married to Mr. Hamilton Smith on Wednesday, November 27, at Denver, Colorado. Miss Palmer was a former resident of this city and was very popular among her young friends. She is a relative of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Dovey and after the removal of the Palmer family from this city visited at the Dovey home at various times. Her many friends here extend their best wishes and congratulations.

## SAUCE FOR GOOSE AND CANDER BOTH

### More Honest, Less Shoddy; and Honest Measurements and Weights.

Some Nebraska solon can have his name written high upon the scroll of honor in years to come if he will prepare and introduce a bill in the coming session of the legislature having for its object the placing of the dry goods dealer, the hardware manufacturer and lumber men upon an equal (?) footing with the farmer, miller, grocer and druggist. Under the pure food laws of our state the consumer of eggs, flour, canned goods, drugs and a few other articles in similar lines, is protected by statutes, but how about the man who buys an "all wool" suit or overcoat? And what about the fellow who starts in to build a home, a corner or other structure into which lumber enters?

Why not a law compelling the lumber dealers to sell 1,000 feet of lumber when they agree so to do? Do you ever get a piece of lumber that is not short in some way? Are what the dealers advertise as "inch boards" an inch thick? Or are 12-inch planks 12 inches wide? Not on your life. Let's have a law compelling these barons to stamp their wares as truthfully and carefully as do the grocers, farmers and druggists. It would be only fair to the consumer to know how much wood was contained in an "all wool" suit or other garment.

Did you ever know a contractor to finish a building for the first price made, and is it not possible that in figuring 1,000 feet of building material he fails to take into consideration the fact that he is "short changed" in measurements? Millions of dollars are annually added to the profit accounts of lumber manufacturers by short measurements. A law compelling them to charge for only as many feet of lumber as they furnish would redound to the benefit of the consumer, cause less kicking against contractors who often bring in bills for "extras," and besides it would be only justice between man and man.

The man who sells you an "all wool" article should be compelled to furnish goods according to agreement, and a law compelling the dealers to stamp upon each piece of goods the exact amount of wool contained, together with the amount of shoddy, would have a tendency to make for honesty. Why not treat everybody with fairness?

## A LECTURE BEFORE THE YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

From Friday's Daily.  
The Young Men's Bible class of the Methodist church has been very fortunate in securing the services of W. T. Graham, one of the leading real estate men of Omaha, for a lecture before the class next Monday evening at the rooms in the Methodist church. Mr. Graham is a very prominent man and is a pleasing speaker and the lecture will be well worth attending. The lecture will start at 8 o'clock, as Mr. Graham desires to catch the 9:45 train back to the metropolis. A cordial invitation is extended to all the young men of the city to attend and enjoy the lecture.

Journal for fancy Stationery.

## THE FIRST TOUCH OF OLD WINTER WEATHER

From Friday's Daily.  
The city was visited yesterday afternoon by its first real touch of winter and it had a very chilling effect upon the inhabitants, who have been enjoying warm, sunny weather up to this time. The cold was accompanied by a slight snowfall, which served to make walking a little better, as the sidewalks had been covered with sleet.

The country west of here was visited by a very heavy snowfall from Denver east, and reports from Walthill and the neighboring towns in that section indicate that the snow was quite heavy throughout that section. The residents here have no kick coming on the weather, as we have had a very pleasant fall and early winter and the thermometer has never been below 20 above zero at any time.

No. 2, the Denver-Chicago train over the Burlington, was forty minutes late last night, being caused by the snow and cold weather in Colorado. During the night the clouds lifted and this morning the weather was very clear and crisp, with every indication of becoming warmer before night.

## NOW IS THE PROPER TIME TO SELECT YOUR PRESENTS

Those citizens of Plattsmouth who contemplate making purchases for Christmas should begin to get busy and do their shopping while the stocks carried by the merchants are complete and fresh and not wait until the articles have all been picked over by those who were wise enough to do their shopping early. Waiting until the last day or two before Christmas not only does not give the shopper an opportunity to secure desirable presents, but it also forces the clerks in the stores to do a large amount of extra work, when it would be just as easy for them to drop down town in the afternoon or evening early in the season and pick out what is desired. Bear this matter in mind and get out and attend to your buying now and not wait until you have to take what has been rejected by the wiser shopper, who secured the pick of the stocks of goods that were displayed.

## REV. L. W. GADE WELL PLEASSED IN NEW HOME

Colonel J. H. Thrasher has just from Friday's Daily, received a letter from Rev. L. W. Gade, who is now located at Willmar, Minnesota. Rev. Gade states that he and his wife have been very busy getting straightened around in their new home and they both are well pleased with their location in the north. The weather in that region has been very fine and every day has been one of sunshine. Rev. Gade states that he has learned with great pleasure that the churches in this city have all been supplied with pastors and wishes them the best of success in their new fields in our splendid little city. Rev. Gade states that he has met with splendid success in his church work and has added twenty new members to his congregation. This will be pleasing news to the friends of the Gade family in this city.

## Moves Family Here.

From Friday's Daily.  
The family of Rev. Dunkleberger, the new pastor of the Christian church, has arrived in this city and they will make their home in the Sullivan property on Gospel Hill. The Dunkleberger family will add much to the social and religious life of the city and the members of the church and the citizens in general will extend them a most hearty welcome to our beautiful little city.

The Journal for Calling Cards.

## Very Pleasant Meeting.

From Friday's Daily.  
The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church held their usual meeting in the church parlors yesterday afternoon, and in spite of the inclemency of the weather, there was a very good attendance. The hostesses on this occasion were Mesdames John McNurlin, Alice Cowles and John Elliott, and they were most excellent entertainers and afforded the ladies a splendid afternoon's entertainment. The ladies held their regular business session, which proved an interesting feature. A short time was whiled away in social conversation and other amusements. The hostesses served some very delicious refreshments, which were likewise most thoroughly enjoyed.

## ANOTHER EARLY PIONEER PASSES TO HIS REWARD

From Saturday's Daily.  
One by one the rugged men and women who came to this community in the pioneer days and helped to make the community what it is, are being called away from the scenes of their early striving. This was illustrated last week when Mr. David Dudley, who has been identified with Weeping Water almost from its beginning, died at the home of his son, Fred, in Lincoln, Tuesday night, November 26.

David Dudley was born in Marion county, Ohio, October 8, 1838. He heard the call of his country in the time of her need and served for three years during the civil war.

In 1861 he was married to Miss Melinda Bryan and in 1869 he removed with his family to Cass county, Nebraska, and lived on a farm near Weeping Water for a number of years. Later he removed to the village of Weeping Water and made his home here until the time of his death. His first union in marriage being broken by the death of his wife, he was married in 1874 to Miss Ottelma Meyer. To him were born four children, Messrs. Fred, Frank and Miss Mabel Dudley and Mrs. J. R. Shannon, all of whom were present at the funeral service.

For a number of years failing health has forced Mr. Dudley to retire from active participation in the business and social life of the community, but the many years which he had spent here have made him a very well known and respected citizen and the entire community unites in extending expressions of sympathy to the bereaved family.—Weeping Water Republican.

## ANOTHER SURPRISE FOR MR. AND MRS. ROBERT NEWELL

From Friday's Daily.  
Last evening about thirty of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newell went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Mullis and proceeded to surprise the newly wedded couple, who, after recovering from the shock of the surprise, proceeded to show their visitors a royal good time. The evening passed very swiftly with music and games as the amusements, and at an appropriate hour delicious refreshments were served to the happy crowd, which added much to the pleasure of the evening. There were about thirty in the party and they made the Mullis home ring with their merriment until a late hour.

## Mrs. Snyder Improving.

From Friday's Daily.  
George W. Snyder was a passenger this morning on the early Burlington train for Omaha, where he will spend the day with his wife at the hospital. Mrs. Snyder is getting along in nice shape and will be able to return home in a couple of weeks, which will be pleasing news to her many friends.

## Wood Wanted.

Those of our subscribers who desire to pay their subscriptions in wood are requested to bring it in before the roads get bad, as we desire to place it in the dry. Come in with it, boys, right away.