

A QUICK SAND STORY ON PLATTE RIVER BOTTOM

Of Course It Reads Like "Going Away From Home to Get News," in Which There Is No Truth.

From Friday's Daily.

The reputation of the Platte river as a dangerous stream has often been recounted in newspapers and magazines throughout the country, but the river, as well as the roads leading to it, have just received a new thriller in a story published in a paper at Prescott, Arizona, and which was sent to this city by Mrs. W. M. Morrow to her brother, D. M. Graves. If such a place ever existed it was before the memory of the older residents here, some of whom have been here for half a century, and the story sounds greatly like it was woven out of pure imagination. We print the story as it appears in order that our readers can see the impression that the usually placid Platte river has abroad. While there is a great deal of quicksand in both the Platte and Missouri rivers, there has been very few persons who have been caught in them, and this was while swimming in the streams:

"You have all read about quicksand. Most of our boys and girls have seen it, and many of them have found out by sad experience how dangerous a trap it is.

"Some time ago we read a story about a quicksand in Nebraska. There is a road running along the River Platte, near Plattsmouth, which is extremely dangerous. In fact it is only safe for travel in the summer. In the spring and in the fall it is particularly perilous. A Nebraska newspaper says that all the people that live around there know about this dangerous road and will climb a hill and go a long way around in order to avoid it. For strangers there is a sign-board set up at the fork of the road with a warning.

"One time there was a man riding along this road on horseback. He was from Missouri, and of course was not going to be turned out of his road easily. It was near night, and he passed the warning board without reading it. He had been nearly all day in the saddle and thought he would like to walk a little way. So he dismounted and told his horse to follow him. This horse was an intelligent, docile animal and was very much of a pet.

"After the man had walked for some distance he sat down on the bank to wait for his horse to come up. The animal was hungry and had stopped to graze and was not in sight of his owner. The weary man fell into a doze, and on awakening he was surprised to find that his feet and legs had sunk in the sand up to his knees. When he tried to withdraw them he could not do so. Then he realized that he was in the quicksand.

"Thoroughly alarmed, for he knew the meaning of this, he threw himself upon his back and struggled to free himself, but the only result was to sink deeper. He shouted loudly for help, but none came. Slowly and pitilessly the sand drew him in up to his arms, and then he gave himself up for lost.

"It was now dark, and he groaned as he thought that he would never see the sun rise again. He thought of his horse, however, and wondered where he was. In his despair he gave the call which the horse always answered when he heard it. To his great joy he saw the faithful animal trotting up to the place where he lay, and the man reached up and grasped him firmly. Then he told him to move. The pain was terrible. It seemed as if the man's legs were being torn off. But he held on with a death grasp and in a minute or two the horse had drawn him safely out to firm ground. He lay on the ground for some time, exhausted from the terrible strain, but at length was able to mount and to ride away."

To Assist in Celebration.

From Saturday's Daily. This morning Miss Margaret Gibberson departed for her home at Weeping Water, where she will assist in the celebration of the ninety-second birthday of her grandmother, who is known throughout her community as "Grandma" Gibberson. The celebration of the natal day of this splendid lady occurs today, and the guest of honor will receive all day in honor of the event and be given the heartiest well wishes of her many friends. This is certainly a ripe old age and Mrs. Gibberson is as bright and active as one much younger in years.

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Entertains Foreign Missionary Society

From Friday's Daily. The Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the M. E. church held a very pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. Henry Spangler, on Rock street, yesterday afternoon. One of the interesting features of the afternoon's program was the report of the delegate, Mrs. E. C. Hill, of the district convention, which was held at Pawnee City on April 22 and 23, which was very much appreciated and greatly enjoyed by those fortunate enough to be present and hear it. Mrs. R. B. Hayes contributed a delightful vocal selection, after which the ladies spent the remainder of the afternoon in their study of "The Children in the Foreign Lands." There was about thirty ladies in attendance, who report a most profitable afternoon.

A ROTTEN BALL GAME YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

The Red Sox Defeat the Stars and Stripes of Omaha in a Very "Bum" Game.

Too much "Stars and Stripes" and not enough base ball ability yesterday afternoon spelled defeat for the South Omaha team. The game was one that dragged and was filled with a great many errors on both sides, but the visitors were more proficient in gathering in errors, having thirteen checked up to them, while the locals got away with only five, and the final result of the game was 7 to 5 in favor of the Red Sox.

In the opening inning the visitors were able to secure two runs, when, through a combination of a pass and timely hitting, as well as an error, but three of the South Omaha representatives were struck out by Stimpson during this period. The Sox were not active during the opening, as three strikeouts were registered against them, but in the second inning they proceeded to get busy and made a goat of Mr. Weimer and his teammates. Herold opened the fireworks with a hit to short that was juggled by Collins and the runner rested on first safely, and he was followed by Mason, who on an easy hit was safe through an error of the first sacker, while Arries was also given a base on the error of the third sacker of the visitors, and all three of these errors were costly, as the runners all registered at the plate, giving the Red Sox three to the visitors two.

In the third spasm of the game the visitors added one to their list of runs, but this did not count seriously, as the locals, who still had their batting eye working, combined with the nervousness of the visitors, who seemed unable to handle the ball with any degree of success, were able to get home with three more runs, which fattened their lead considerably and made the chances of the visitors seem decidedly poor. In the sixth the Red Sox again scored, when Beal, who was safe on an error, registered at the plate. This ended the scoring for the locals.

The Stars and Stripes, in the eighth inning, took on a new lease of life and were able to put their fifth run over the rubber, and after this the game was very mild, as in their last effort the visitors were held down, although they had several men on the bases, but were unable to get them across. The tabulated score of the contest was as follows:

Table with columns for AB, H, R, O, A, E for Red Sox and Stars and Stripes.

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ONE-SIDED BASE BALL CONFLICT IN LOCAL PARK

South Omaha Kids Whitewashed Our Kids to a Fare-You-Well, and With Considerable Ease.

From Saturday's Daily. The base ball team representing the South Omaha High school yesterday came down and engaged the High school boys of this city in a rather one-sided conflict at the ball park east of the city, and which resulted in a victory for the visitors by a score of 10 to 0.

The locals were handicapped in their efforts by the fact that they had not been in practice and were at the mercy of the boys from Fackington, who outclassed them at every point in the game and at no time were the home boys able to come near the point of winning. The visitors started out viciously by landing on the slants of Winscott, who was on the hill for the locals, and headed by McBride, the clever catcher of the Packers, the first to come to the bat in the opening spasm, they were able to annex two runs, while the locals in their half were unable to do business with Ruge, who was acting in the pitcher's box for the South Omaha aggregation. The visitors added four more to their list in the second spasm, which seemed to put the fixins' to the hopes of the boys from home, who when they were able to pull off a nice long hit would find some of the packing house talent on the job to dash their hopes, as long hits by Frank Marshall and Campbell were lost in the centerfield, where Corr for the Packers grabbed all chances and got away with them with ease. McBride for South Omaha, behind the bat, was all to the good and caught a good, consistent game. For the locals, Janda at second and Marshall at first played in good form, but the local team generally showed the lack of batting practice.

There were quite a number of the rooters for the home team present at the contest, including a number of the fair enthusiasts, but the efforts of these in their earnest efforts was not sufficient to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat, and we were accordingly humiliated by the score mentioned above. The High school boys will be given a severe practice in the future in an effort to whip them into shape for the next game they may have.

The box score was as follows:

Box score table for South Omaha vs Plattsmouth.

HOLE IN PAVEMENT FOR FIVE MONTHS NEVER REPAIRED

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Dance Draws Quite Well.

The ball at the German Home on Saturday evening was most successful in the attendance, which was quite large, and the time was passed most pleasantly in dancing until a late hour, when the home waltz bid the gathering disperse and return homeward. The Plattsmouth orchestra, under the leadership of Tom Svoboda, furnished the music for the occasion.

3 PLATTSMOUTH BOYS HAVE EXCITING EXPERIENCE

Returning From Nebraska City Saturday Evening Automobile Turns Turtle With Serious Consequences.

Three Plattsmouth young men had a rather exciting experience at Nebraska City on Saturday afternoon while en route home after a visit in the Otoe county metropolis with friends, and in which one of the party was injured in rather a painful manner, when the car they were driving turned over and spilled two of them over the landscape, while the third member of the party jumped before the car dumped and therefore escaped injury.

It is stated that the party left the city at the same time a north-bound train over the Missouri Pacific pulled out and they desired to beat the train to this city and in this they made a grievous error, as the M. P., while it may not be the fastest line in the world, generally sticks on the track and reaches its destination. The automobile in which the boys were riding was, as a consequence, running at a good rate of speed at the time of the accident. They were running along North Sixteenth street in Nebraska City and descending a very steep hill, when in some way one of the springs of the car was broken in going over a bump, throwing the steering gear out of commission, and the machine crashed to one side of the road, overturning and narrowly missed running into a telephone pole nearby. As the machine turned over the wind shield was splintered into small pieces and one of the party had his arm cut quite a little by the flying glass, and which necessitated the services of a physician to dress it. It is a wonder that some of the party were not seriously injured in the mix-up, as the place where the accident occurred is only a short distance from a very deep creek, and had the accident happened a few seconds later the whole party would have been hurled into the creek and probably killed.

After the accident the injured member of the party returned to this city, while the other remained to look after the righting of the car and bringing it back to this city, where it will be repaired and fixed up. While the affair was serious enough as it was, still it is very fortunate that more serious results were not sustained. Those who reside near the scene of the mix-up state that the car was coming down the steep hill at a very high rate of speed when the break of the spring threw the car over and spilled the members of the party. Parties passing the scene of the accident assisted the injured young man to town, where he caught the train for this city.

The following account of the accident is taken from the Nebraska City Press: "A big Velie touring car driven by L. S. Briggs and carrying as passengers Vern Long and Frank Marshall, all of Plattsmouth, turned turtle on North Sixteenth street yesterday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock, at a point about 100 yards south of the bridge across Table creek and on the steepest part of the hill. Marshall got a bruised arm, but the other two, although pinned under the steering gear, escaped, almost miraculously, without injury. "Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Crouch and children of Wyoming precinct were driving up the hill toward the city as the Velie plunged by them. Mr. Crouch could not estimate the speed of the car, but he thinks it was going as fast as gasoline could be fed the engine. It rocked from side to side of the road, he says, and narrowly missed his machine. Just after it passed his little daughter screamed that it had turned over. Mr. Crouch at once turned around and went back and helped the men get to their feet, expecting to find them badly injured and was surprised that they were not. It is reported that one of the young men said at the time that the driver was attempting to get into Plattsmouth before



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next fall to complete her course at the High school. Miss Friesel is also an excellent musician. Mr. and Mrs. Friesel are very proud of the splendid record their daughter has made in her school work during the past year.

ONLY THIRTEEN YEARS OLD AND A VERY BRIGHT FUTURE BEFORE HER

Miss Josephine Friesel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Friesel, residing on the A. D. Boedeker farm, one-half mile southeast of Weeping Water and six and one-half miles southwest of Nehawka, accompanied by Miss Blanche Philpot, motored to Weeping Water in the Philpot car Friday, where they took the final examination of the eighth grade. Miss Friesel is only 13 years old and is a very bright and industrious young lady. She has been attending school in District No. 80, near Nehawka, and has had Mr. Massie as her instructor. Her work has been most satisfactory and excellent and during the past year she has stood at the head of her class. Her parents and instructor are very anxious that she come to this city

CLOSE CALL FROM A VERY SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Myron Wiles had a very close call last evening from a most serious accident while he was driving in from his home to attend the concert at the Parnele. Mr. Wiles was driving a very spirited team of horses and came up Seventh street from Chicago avenue, not knowing the work being done there in the curb and gutter district. As he drove along in the darkness his team suddenly shied at a large pile of sand near the edge of the roadway, and this caused the buggy to slide into one of the excavations along the side of the street where the gutter is to be laid, and the buggy was completely turned over on its side, and it is a wonder that the occupants of the buggy were not seriously injured, as the horses, if they had not been under perfect control, would have completely demolished the buggy. If they had started to run there is no telling what serious results might have occurred, but as it was fortunately the coolness of Mr. Wiles saved the loss of the buggy and perhaps serious injury to himself and companion. This street is all ready for the curbing and guttering work and should be blocked up so that unwary travelers will not drive in there and perhaps be seriously injured.

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