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## GIVES LIFE IN PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTY

EDGAR JOHNSON, WELL KNOWN LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER, ON TRAIN NO. SIX.

## SAFETY-FIRST WEEK FATALITY

Leaned from Gangway When Thot Engine Running Hot—Caught by Mail Pouch Crane.

From Tuesday's Daily. A peculiar fatal accident occurred this morning about 6 o'clock, at Waverly, when Edgar Johnson, one of the oldest and best engineers on the Burlington system and a son of Mrs. J. W. Johnson, of this city, lost his life by being knocked from his swiftly moving train when his body came in contact with a mail pouch crane set to deliver a mail bag to the mail car of this same train.

Mr. Johnson, who lives in Lincoln and runs on numbers six and three between there and Creston, passing through Plattsmouth every other morning east bound at 7:42, was on duty as usual this morning, and when coming into Waverly, he thought his engine was running hot. Accordingly he left his seat on the right hand side of the cab and going around to the fireman's side he stepped into the gangway and hung out alongside the tender to get a good look at the drivers. It was while he was scrutinizing the working parts to allay or confirm his suspicions that he was caught by the crane alongside the track, and from which was suspended a pouch. The train was running some 45 or 50 miles an hour. Just how the accident occurred will never be known, other than that he was thrown to the ground and his train continued on its way. It was not until the train neared Greenwood that the fireman took notice he did not reappear and the train was stopped and backed up to the scene of the accident. Mr. Johnson was picked up, but found to be so badly injured he was unconscious. He was taken to Lincoln with the intention of rushing him to the hospital but by the time of arrival there, about 7:30, he passed away. This was but a few minutes before his accustomed time of reaching here.

This is Safety First week with the Burlington, but even that couldn't prevent the fatality of this morning. Had he stopped his train to learn if his engine was or was not running hot, it would have thrown him late and then a report a mile long would have been necessary to account for the delay. So, his desire to bring the train in on time and at the same time determine whether or not his engine was running hot caused him to take a chance common among railroad men, with the result that he paid by giving up his life.

Mr. Johnson has been with the Burlington for more than twenty-five years, and leaves a wife and four children, a mother, three brothers and one sister.

## CUTS HIS WRIST VERY BADLY.

From Monday's Daily. Yesterday while assisting his children in making some play propellers James Yellick had the misfortune to get a gash on his left wrist which severed a small artery and which bled profusely and was difficult to control for some time. He finally succeeded in stopping the flow of blood, and will be kept from his work for some time.

## ANOTHER SHUT-OUT GAME

From Monday's Daily. The Murphy-Dids are prelude their eastern ball playing trip with the playing of some excellent games. "Butch" Hay, who has pitched numerous games for Plattsmouth and who faced the local team as the opposing pitcher when the Dids played here two weeks ago, pitched another shutout game at Green-

wood Sunday. This is Hay's fifth or sixth straight shutout game and if he is able to hold up nearly so well while on the eastern trip the Dids should come home with new victories to their credit. Hay recently accepted an offer to play amateur league ball in South Dakota, but has been prevailed upon to remain in Omaha and accompany the Murphys east. The team will leave Saturday of this week and play the amateur champions of several large eastern cities, being themselves the amateur champions of Omaha.

## WERE CATCHING FISH AND WADING THE CREEK

From Tuesday's Daily. Last Sunday the postoffice force, or as much of it as could ride in one car with the side boards on, Miles M. Allen, wife and children, Antone Hasen, Mrs. W. H. Pickard and Misses Bessie Shea and Gerda Petersen took the day for a little outing and went to the four mile creek, where they waded in the brook, screamed when they saw a snake, were bitten by crawdads, and mosquitoes, sun burned a little and had a general good time. We do not blame them either.

## BIRTHDAY APPROPRIATELY CELEBRATED

Little Emily Johanna Lorenz Celebrates Her Fifth Birthday Yesterday.

From Tuesday's Daily. Yesterday being the fifth birthday of little Emily Johanna Lorenz, the little daughter of E. A. Lorenz and wife, many little friends appropriately celebrated the event by a party at her home where they made merry in the afternoon, and which was spent with appropriate games and a delightful luncheon, which was served. Many useful and appropriate presents were given the little lady and the best wishes extended for her happiness and prosperity in the years to come. Those present and to enjoy the occasion were Miss Emily Johanna Lorenz, Misses Margaret Shallenbarger, Alice Crabill, Elizabeth Hatt, Margaret Prohaska, Marian Rosencrans, Nadine Cloidt, Catherine Snyder, Verona Rose Propst, Vesta Robertson, Alice Lorenz and Masters Wilber Dutton, Joseph Padinos, Carroll Shallenbarger, Robert Livingston, Edward Lorenz, Ladies present, Mesdames H. A. Schneider, B. A. Rosencrans, A. W. Cloidt, Caroline Propst, Mrs. Padinos of Omaha and Miss Rose Prohaska.

## SHORT STOP STOPPED SHORT

From Monday's Daily. Hillard Grassman who is the efficient short stop of the Red Sox, was among the missing yesterday when the game was called and no doubt many did not get the pleasure out of the game which was their custom, but that will have to go for this time, as there was a call for the worthy short stop elsewhere. A message was received from his storkship, that he would call upon Mr. Grassman and wife with a very precious gift and it proved the daintiest of a little blue-eyed baby girl and who would go play ball under the circumstances? The little miss and her parents are all getting along nicely.

## DR. E. W. COOK AT HOME AGAIN.

From Monday's Daily. Dr. E. W. Cook who has been in Chicago at the Presbyterian hospital for some time is so far improved that he is enabled to return to his home at Rock Island, Ill. The doctor is still very weak, and reduced in flesh from his continued spell of sickness, but is on the road to recovery. The intense heat which they are experiencing at his town, makes the recovery rather slower than it would be expected to be otherwise. It is hoped that he may be able to be about again in a short time.

## WANTED.

Party with car or horse and buggy to work in west end of county. Work congenial with good pay and no trouble to make \$10.00 per day. If interested, address R. T. W. Mynard, Nebr. 16-2wks

## DOUBLE WEDDING AT OMAHA YESTERDAY

PLATTSMOUTH AND IOWA PEOPLE ARE UNITED IN HOLY WEDLOCK THERE AT

## HIGH NOON ON JUNE 23RD

Major I. Hall, and Miss Blanche Sayles, Miss Elizabeth Hall and Fred Mendenhall.

From Tuesday's Daily. Major I. Hall, Jr. came to Plattsmouth bright and early Monday morning and on his return home was accompanied by Miss Blanche Sayles who had agreed that it was a fine morning for an automobile ride.

At Mr. M. A. Hall's farm home near Pacific Junction, Iowa, this couple were joined by Mr. Fred Mendenhall and Miss Elizabeth Hall and the party of young people motored to Omaha, where a double wedding took place at high noon, on June 23rd, 1919, which united the respective couples in the holy bonds of matrimony.

Major I. Hall is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hall who are well known to people of Cass county, Nebr., especially in the vicinity of Plattsmouth, the family but a few years ago having moved to Iowa where the senior and junior Messrs. Hall are extensively engaged in farming.

The young man is a graduate of the Plattsmouth High School and his education and practical knowledge of farming fully equips him for a successful and substantial career in his chosen work.

Miss Blanche is the eldest daughter of County Clerk Geo. R. Sayles and wife of this city and a young lady well known and admired by a large circle of friends for personality and attainments.

She is a graduate of the Plattsmouth High School and has been engaged in teaching in the public schools of Cass county, Nebr., for the past three years.

Mr. Fred Mendenhall is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mendenhall of Pacific Junction, Iowa, and is the owner and proprietor of a grocery and meat market in that thriving village, conducting the business with system, modern methods and equipment and will doubtless meet with the success which is deserved by his energy and foresight.

Fred is a graduate engineer and was for several years engaged in work as a bridge contractor, but the H. C. of L. attracted his attention to the business of buying and selling and he could not resist getting into the game.

Miss Elizabeth Hall is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hall and her accomplishments and friendly disposition have endeared her to a large number of Cass county people as well as many recent friends in her later home near Pacific Junction, Iowa.

Miss Elizabeth is also a graduate of the Plattsmouth High School and this spring closed her third term of successful teaching in the public schools of Cass county, Nebraska, and Mills county, Iowa.

The two young married couples will motor to northern Iowa, where the honeymoon will be enjoyed at Lake Okoboji, Iowa's cool and very pleasant summer resort.

The newlyweds will be at home to their friends upon their return at Pacific Junction, Iowa, where the bridegrooms have cotaxes prepared and ready for the homecoming.

The Journal in common with their many friends here and in Iowa, where they will reside extend to them best wishes for a prosperous and happy journey through life, and may they experience their greatest dream of happiness. And may all who shall know them be blessed with the association.

## DEPARTED FOR LINCOLN TODAY

From Tuesday's Daily. F. H. Johnson who had heard of the death of his brother Edgar this morning, while on his farm

near Weeping Water, hastened to this city to extend comfort and aid to his mother in her suffering of the loss of her son. Mr. Johnson, wife and mother departed via automobile for Lincoln, to comfort Mrs. Johnson widow of the unfortunate man who lost his life. They also went to assist in the arrangements for the funeral, as the shock is great for all, the kindred sympathy will assist in the amelioration of the tenacity of the suffering.

## WILL VISIT THE LITTLE STRANGER

From Tuesday's Daily. This morning Mrs. Inez Stenner departed for Lincoln where she went to visit at the home of her daughter Mrs. E. B. Chappell and husband, and especially to visit the little granddaughter Miss True Louise, who has just come to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Chappell. Everybody concerned are doing nicely, and the gladness of the grandmother could be seen emanating from her eyes as she awaited the train this morning to depart to Lincoln to visit the little one.

## SHERIFF WON A NINE MILE RACE SUNDAY

WITH BLOCKADE RUNNER, WHO WAS OVERTAKEN NEAR FORT CROOK.

## BOOZE MAN'S CAR IN CUSTODY

Again Proven That Anyone Who Can Outrun Cass Co. Sheriff is a Speed King.

From Monday's Daily. In one of the most spirited races he has ever run, Sheriff Quinton yesterday overhauled a booze car after a nine mile chase extending from here to near Fort Crook.

It is always a spirited race when any one attempts to outrun the sheriff of this county, as it has been proven, politically and otherwise, that he is a runner.

The speed limit is entirely obliterated when Sheriff Quinton gives chase, as we can testify, for we were riding with him one time ourselves and considered we were fortunate when the car stopped and we could feel that the ground was not moving.

A booze car—a King 8 cylinder—driven by a man who gave his name as James Thomas, essayed to put one over on the officers and the car had gotten past the city limits when the sheriff scented the law breaker. The race began just outside of the city limits, with the blockade runner slightly in advance, and as he passed down on the farther side of one hill, the sheriff was climbing the one behind him.

They passed the river bridge, with the blockade runner having to pay his fare, and the sheriff having charged. So the race went furiously on through La Platte, up and down hill, until it seemed the gasoline in the sheriff's car worked best, or there was a science in his driving, for as they neared Fort Crook, the sheriff's car nosed ahead of the one carrying the cargo of booze and at the command of Mr. Quinton to halt, the driver concluded it was about time for the race to be over. Accordingly he returned to Plattsmouth with Sheriff Quinton, paid a fine of \$200 and costs amounting to \$9, surrendered his car and departed on his way—no, not rejoicing—but anyhow, he went.

## RETURNING HOME TODAY.

Mrs. M. E. DeHart of Norfolk, who has been visiting in this city for some time, the guest at the home of her daughter Mrs. R. A. James and husband, this morning after having had an excellent time while here, departed for her home, and was accompanied as far as Omaha by her daughter and family, where they will visit for the day, and will also look after some business matters.

## SEVENTH ANNUAL REUNION HELD SUNDAY

AT THE HOME OF MR. AND MRS. C. E. COOK, SOUTH OF THIS CITY.

## OVER 100 GUESTS PRESENT

"Cooks" Prepared the Dinner By Emptying the Baskets and Setting the Tables.

From Tuesday's Daily. Sunday at the hospitable country home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cook, south of this city, occurred the seventh annual reunion of the Cook family, when over 100 members of the family assembled to take part in this joyous occasion.

Mr. Cook had provided tables and benches under the wide-spreading trees which made a lovely setting for this delightful gathering.

About noon after all the guests had arrived, the "cooks" busied themselves emptying the baskets of picnic refreshes, and placing them on one long table from which every one filled his own plate to his "heart's" desire, and passed on to one of the other tables to enjoy his repast in the cool breeze, which was abundant under the wealth of shade.

After dinner the crowd was treated to several readings by Rev. E. H. Pontius and also musical numbers by members of the family. The remainder of the day was spent in visiting among themselves and at a late hour they departed to await another occasion when they might have the pleasure of meeting again in the future. Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cook, Ord, Nebr.; George Cook, Alvo; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cook and Raymond; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Vallery and Margery; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wheeler and Percy; Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Cook Jr. and Nita; Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Cole and Opal; Mr. and Mrs. Will A. Cook, Wilma, Clarice and LeRoy of Elmwood; Samuel Hubner, Burlington, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stone, Alvo, Neb.; Mrs. Ida Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wheeler, Pawnee City; Mr. and Mrs. Roy O. Cole; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dremmer, Ruth and Stanton, Lincoln; Mrs. Tom Tilson and Alvador; Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Elliott, Elmwood; Nell Dremmer, Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Orest P. Cook, Alvo, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wheeler and Robert; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Cook, Opal, Homer, Howard, Maynard and Marion of Alvo; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Barnard; Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cole; Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Pontius, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Doerr, Beardstown, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wiles, Delores, Chester and Alice; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vallery, Violet and Velma; Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Patterson; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kitzel, Alvo, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Vallery, Helen, Marie and Gertrude; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kitzel, George and Clarice, Alvo; Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Cashner, University Place; Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Cook, Alice and Wesley, Alvo; Mr. and Mrs. Sherman W. Cole and son Willis; Mr. and Mrs. Estas Williams; Edna Lewis; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Weichel, Fern and June, Elmwood; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kitzel, Kendall and Corinne, Alvo, Nebr.; Charley Vallery, Murray, Nebr.

## MRS. ADOLPH GIESE DIES TODAY

Was Sick But For a Week When Death Came Suddenly At Noon.

From Monday's Daily. Mrs. Ora E. Giese wife of Adolph Giese, died this noon at her home at the corner of Fifth and Pearl streets after an illness of about a week. She was taken sick about a week since with a peculiar malady wherein the capillaries are ruptured and the results are internal bleeding. Mrs. Giese had been pretty sick but it was not thought she would pass away. Mrs. Giese who was an orphan, named Ora E. Wycoff, was adopted by a family by the name of Durlan, then living in Kansas, but since removing and

making their home at Humeston, Iowa. Mrs. Giese was 49 years of age on Jan. 30th last, was united in marriage on February 4th, 1902 to Adolph Giese and with him came to live in Plattsmouth some thirteen years ago. There were no children and Mrs. Giese had but one sister, the wife of a Methodist minister, living somewhere in Kansas. Mrs. Giese was a member of the Presbyterian church, having joined early in life.

The funeral will occur from the late home on Wednesday afternoon and will be conducted by Rev. J. H. Steger of the St. Paul's church. The interment will be in Oak Hill cemetery west of the city.

## "GERMANY'S SPIRIT AS UGLY AS EVER"

Baltimore, June 23.—Germany's spirit is as ugly as ever, according to Dr. Raney, librarian of Johns Hopkins university, who has just returned from a trip to Europe.

The Teutons, Dr. Raney declares, have not repented or reformed. Instead, they are talking of revenge on their enemies in the next 10 or 15 years.

Dr. Raney does not believe that the acceptance of the treaty terms by the new government implies any sincere intention to abide by them.

## VICTIM OF A MOST PECULIAR ACCIDENT

Jesse York Injured Yesterday While Engaged in Work for Electric Light Company

From Tuesday's Daily. While Luther Turner and Jesse York were at their work yesterday for the Plattsmouth Gas and Electric company they were victims of a most peculiar accident. In the pursuance of their work they found it necessary to trim some trees, the branches of which protruded into the company's service line, and while engaged in trimming the offending limbs, Mr. Turner, who was in the tree slipped and capitated towards the ground. As he fell his climbers caught Mr. York, one spur striking against his breast and inflicting a small cut, while the other caught in the flesh of his left thigh, cutting a severe gash fully two inches in length. Mr. Turner was not injured beyond a little shaking up, but the injuries to Mr. York were so severe that he can get around only with the aid of crutches and very poorly even that way. It will be some time before he is able to take up his duties again.

The groom arrived in the city a few days ago. After a short visit at the home of the bride's parents, at Louisville, and with relatives at other places hereabouts, the happy couple will be at home on the farm of the groom near Cambridge, Ind.

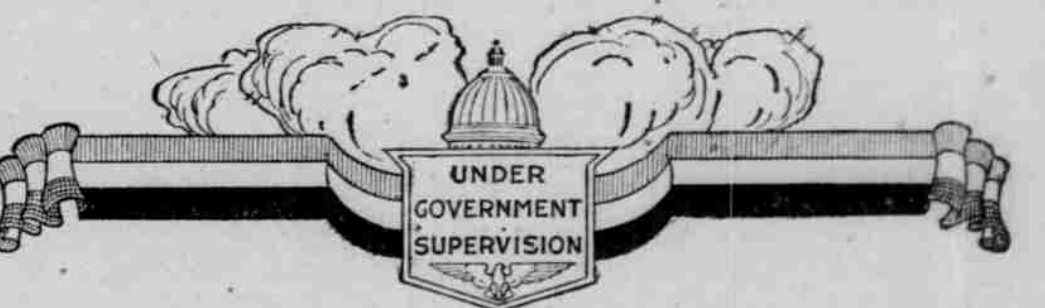
The Journal is pleased to extend congratulations and with these young people a long and pleasant journey through life together.

## ARRIVED IN U. S. RECENTLY

From Monday's Daily. A message was received by Mrs. Tabitha Thacker, mother of Herbert Thacker, telling of his arrival at the port of New York Thursday of last week. Herbert has been in the hospital for some time, but is getting along pretty fair at this time. He went over early last summer, and was there for a great portion of the severest fighting of last year. He has been sent to an eastern camp for a short time, but expects to come to Camp Dodge for discharge at an early date.

## URGE WILSON TO RECOGNIZE OFFICIALLY IRISH REPUBLIC

Chicago, June 22.—The Irish Fellowship club adopted resolutions urging the president and congress "to accord official recognition of the Irish republic as has been done in the case of Czechoslovak and Polish republics.



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