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PLACE OF BY-GONE DAYS IS ROCK BLUFFS

ONCE METROPOLIS OF FRONTIER AND BATTLEGROUND OF IMPORTANT POLITICAL FIGHTS

IMPORTANT PART IN POLITICS

Waving Cornfields Mark Spot Where Once Was City Believed to Be Destined to Great Things.

From Tuesday's Daily.

There is little to remind the visitor amid the pleasant country surroundings of old Rock Bluffs, that once this spot marked one of the progressive cities of the western frontier and that in this place was enacted many of the stirring events of the pioneer days when the law of might was the only appeal made by the hardy frontiersman.

Where once the thriving little city stood in now only the fields of corn and over the landscape only the quiet of the great countryside prevails. Gone are the days when the streets were busy with the traffic of frontier days and where once the busy steamboat landing steered the mighty waters of the Missouri, calm and triumphant over the years, laid its surface carrying to the west the provisions and supplies from the markets of the east and returning with the corn and wheat of the plainsmen.

The greater part of those who resided there when the city was in existence have gone forth into their other life as the gravestones in the cemetery high on the hill overlooking the scene of the vanished city, attest to the burial ground are those who came to Nebraska in the early days of its existence and whose sleep amid the scenes of their life is undisturbed by the changes that have transpired since their going. The names of Patterson, Shera, Smith, Towner, White, and others, mark a great part in the life of the early days can be found here.

The spot selected for the last resting place of the pioneers is one of great beauty as from its elevation a wonderful view is found, the silent river flowing peacefully at the foot of the hills whose sides are green with the forests of many years growth and from this spot the not far distant King hill lifts its head majestically as it stands the sentinel of the range of hills that dot that portion of Cass county.

Not alone from the associations of this spot in the history of Nebraska but from its great natural beauty it is a spot well worth visiting and the ride to that neighborhood is well worth the time.

PLEASANT FAMILY GATHERING AT EMMONS PTAK HOME

From Tuesday's Daily.

The pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmons Ptak on west Pearl street, was the scene of a very pleasant gathering on Sunday when the members of the Clodt family gathered to spend the day with their sister and family and to enjoy the delights of the big chicken dinner that had been prepared for the occasion. The time was most delightfully spent and it was late in the afternoon when the members of the party returned to their homes. Those to enjoy the occasion were: Messrs and Mesdames John Bejcek and family, John and family, Clodt and family, Frank A. Clodt and family, August W. Clodt and family, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Livingston and Mr. and Mrs. Emmons Ptak and family.

MAY FILE FOR CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT

Petitions Being Circulated in Behalf of Clarence L. Beal for This Position at Fall Election.

From Tuesday's Daily.

For several weeks past, there has been some discussion of the placing of the name of Clarence L. Beal on the ballot at the November election as a candidate for the office of Clerk of the District Court, and petitions requesting the placing of his name on the ballot are now being circulated by his friends over the county.

Mr. Beal was a candidate at the primary election against James M. Robertson for the republican nomination and was defeated for the office by some 325 votes. Since the primary election Mr. Beal has suffered a severe accident that has deprived him of his right foot and his friends are seeking to have him make the race as an independent at the November election.

The democratic party has not made any selection for the position since

Frank J. Libershal notified the committee of his withdrawal and just what they will do or whom they will select remains in doubt as there is no one seeking the nomination.

If the friends of Mr. Beal make their filing of his name, it will place two republicans in the race for the office, and what position the Bourbons will take in the matter is very doubtful, as many believe the party should have a nominee, while others favor the endorsement of one of the other candidates.

SELLING MANY MACHINES

From Tuesday's Daily.

The firm of Wevrich & Madaba, the local representatives of the Edison phonograph, which has become one of the leading features of the musical life of the nation, have just sold and delivered one of their high class machines to one of the prominent residents of west of Louisville, where the Edison will be installed in the home. Their sales have covered the greater part of the eastern and northern portion of the country and many homes are enjoying the pleasures of the "phonograph with a soul" through the efforts of this firm.

YOUNG LAD HAS HIS ARM BADLY CRUSHED

Leonard, 14-Year-Old Son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Born, Meets with Painful Accident Today.

From Tuesday's Daily.

A very serious accident occurred this morning at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Born, west of the city and in which their fourteen-year-old son, Leonard, sustained a very serious accident to his left arm. The young lad was preparing to start the pump to secure some water for use on the farm and had the gasoline engine running while he was putting the belt on the pulley that connected up the pump.

While he was so engaged, his arm was caught in the belt and drawn to the pulley, resulting in a very serious fracture of the left wrist. As soon as the accident occurred, Dr. P. J. Flynn was called and it was found that the bones of the wrist were badly crushed and the fracture a serious one.

The injured arm was dressed and the young lad will be taken to Omaha for a further examination and to have an X-ray made of the injured arm to fully determine the extent of the injury. Leonard suffered a great deal from the accident and the full extent of the injury to the arm cannot be determined until the examination is made at Omaha.

LITTLE BOY BITTEN BY DOG YESTERDAY

Willie, Little Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wetenkamp, Bitten as Playing with Animal.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wetenkamp, while he was engaged in playing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Carey, near Myriad, yesterday afternoon, was bitten by a small dog with which the boy was playing. The animal has been rather quarrelsome and has frequently snapped at the owners as well as visitors, but had never before bitten anyone and he was not considered dangerous.

Mrs. Wetenkamp and children were visiting at the Carey home and the little boy, Willie, had gone out into the yard and started to play with the dog and a few minutes later his cries led to the discovery that the dog had bitten him on the left side of the forehead, inflicting several teeth marks and which were bleeding profusely.

The injured boy was hurried to the office of a physician and the wounds dressed while the animal was killed by the owner. The head of the dog will be sent to the state laboratory at Lincoln for tests as to rabies but it is thought that the dog was free from the malady, being merely of a rather cross temperament and was annoyed by the child while playing. The examination of the head of the animal will be made however as a matter of precaution in case the animal might have had the rabies and not fully developed them.

NOW DOING NICELY

From Tuesday's Daily.

Reports from Union state that Attorney Charles L. Graves of that city who was taken quite ill the latter part of last week is now feeling much improved and is able to be back on the job arranging for the Old Settlers picnic that is to be held there on Friday and Saturday of this week. Mrs. Harry Graves, the daughter-in-law of Attorney Graves, who has been very seriously ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mark at Union, has improved sufficiently to permit her being sent to the hospital in Omaha where she will remain until she is able to return to her home at Central City.

W. C. T. U. SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS

Meeting at Home of Mrs. John F. Gorder is Well Attended and Splendid Afternoon Enjoyed

From Tuesday's Daily.

The W. C. T. U. society held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. John F. Gorder yesterday afternoon and a very large number of the ladies were in attendance to enjoy the occasion.

One of the chief matters to come before the meeting was that of the election of officers of the society for the year and the membership were unanimous in the desire that the present officers continue in office for the coming year and the following were re-elected:

Mrs. Charles A. Troop, president; Mrs. J. F. Gorder, vice president; Mrs. J. E. Wiles, secretary; Miss Elizabeth Spangler, treasurer.

At the close of the regular business session very delicious refreshments were served by the hostess that added to the delight of the members of the party.

PLEASANT BIRTHDAY PARTY

From Tuesday's Daily.

Saturday, August 14th, being the 21st birthday anniversary of Miss Freda Sattler, a few of her friends decided to help her celebrate.

After spending a few hours dancing at Coates hall they went to the home of Mrs. Jess Wurga, where they spent the remainder of the evening in games, music, etc.

During the evening they were invited into the dining room where they enjoyed a two-course lunch. Before their departure they enjoyed a watermelon feast on the lawn.

Miss Freda received many useful and pretty gifts and at a late hour the guests departed wishing her many happy birthdays.

Those present were: Misses Emma Wilson, Hazel Bateman, Lillian Schiesel, Maxine Draper, Katherine Sattler, Anna Lohman, Messrs. Albert Miller, Ed Pullerton, Robert Priddy, Frank Marshall, Lawrence Sprecher, Mr. and Mrs. Will Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lohman, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wurga, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Sattler.

DEPART FOR HOME ON PACIFIC COAST

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Waybright Return to Los Angeles After Visit Here.

From Tuesday's Daily.

This morning Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Waybright, who have been spending several weeks here at "Clover Lodge," the country home of Judge and Mrs. A. J. Beeson, departed for their home at Los Angeles, California, and enroute will stop at Edison, Neb., near where Mr. Waybright has some land interests.

The visit back in the old home of these two estimable people has been the source of much pleasure to the many friends with whom they have lived some of their brightest and happiest years and with the Beeson family to whom the visits of the loved grandparents are occasions of the greatest joy. While here Mr. and Mrs. Waybright observed their fifty-fourth wedding anniversary which was quietly celebrated yesterday with a family dinner.

A VERITABLE JUNGLE RIGHT IN OUR MIDST

From Tuesday's Daily.

The residents out along Chicago avenue where the weeds are growing to rank profusion claim they have a real jungle that for the wealth of the famed African lairs of the wild animals. As one of the residents along that thoroughfare remarked to a Journal representative they are thinking of organizing a hunting party to see if they can scare up any game from the depth of the jungle but the fear of getting lost in the depths of the vegetation is the only thing holding them back.

FARM HOME IS DESTROYED

From Tuesday's Daily.

The farm home of R. Kettelhut, between Murray and Nehawka was destroyed at an early hour yesterday morning by fire and the structure is an entire loss. The fire originated in the wash room of the house and when discovered the flames had gained such headway that it was impossible to check them from spreading. The owner of the house was engaged in assisting Charles and Will Troop in threshing at the time and only by the efforts of the neighbors was a small portion of the household goods saved from the effects of the flames. Whether or not the building was covered by insurance is not known.

Fine line of stationery and correspondence paper at the Journal

A HAPPY GRANDPA

From Tuesday's Daily.

The employees of the Burlington blacksmith shop have wondered today at the force with which A. F. Seybert put in his blows as he worked away and the pleasant smile that would come over his countenance even though he was kept busy all the while, but the facts and the cause for the exhibition of joy have come to light.

Andy is now a proud and happy grandpa, as a fine little daughter arrived on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don H. Selvers at Madrid, Mrs. A. F. Seybert, the happy grandmother, is at the Selvers home and assisted in greeting the little granddaughter, who has been christened Shirley Elizabeth.

HAS AN ENCOUNTER WITH VICIOUS SNAKE

Mrs. M. S. Briggs Bitten by Serpent While on Fishing Trip Last Saturday Afternoon.

From Monday's Daily.

Last Saturday Mrs. M. S. Briggs and her mother, Mrs. E. E. Osburn, went out to "Blackman" creek, which empties into the Platte river near Orepolis, where they spent the afternoon fishing, and as both ladies are expert anglers, they succeeded in stringing a nice catch.

They had arranged for a car to come for them about sundown, that they might get home before dark, but the car did not appear and as Grandma Osburn is over eighty years of age, they did not desire to walk home, and waited, thinking the car would come any time, but it did not.

After it had grown dark and as they were waiting at the gate which enters the old Otto place, they were attacked by a large snake which coiled and struck at them. It was then too dark to see what species it was, but it kept hissing all the time and in a frantic endeavor by Mrs. Briggs to get her mother over the gate, which was locked and covered with barbed wire, she fell down and the snake struck her on the right side of her back, below the shoulder, inflicting a severe wound through her clothing.

The ladies succeeded in climbing over the gate, but not without many barbed wire cuts and scratches, and made haste to the house, where an examination of the wound was made. The man of the house hailed a passing car which brought them to town. Dr. Wuester examined the wound, which seems to be doing as well as could be expected. The ladies are both badly shaken by their experience.

In addition to the misfortune of Mrs. Briggs in getting bitten by the snake, the ladies in their fright and hurry forgot their string of fish and returned home empty handed.

MEAT HANDLERS GET AWAY WITH GAME

Morris Packing Co. of Omaha, Hang 7 to 1 Defeat on Red Sox After Six Fine Innings.

From Monday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon a good sized crowd of the fans gathered at the Red Sox park to enjoy the exhibition of the national pastime as given by the Red Sox, assisted by the Morris Packing Co. of Omaha, and up to the sixth inning she was some battle, but in that fateful session the visitors proceeded to puncture the dream of victory of the Sox and snatched three runs. Connors was hit freely in this inning, as well as in the eighth and ninth, but he will throw from left field to first gave the visitors a start in the sixth that led to the first of their scores.

The Red Sox drew first blood in the game as they secured their lonely tally in the second frame of the battle. Christie was walked by Mason, the slab artist of the visitors, and was sacrificed to second by Gradoville. William Harvey Mason, of the Sox, proceeded to register Christie with a safe blow to left and for the next few innings it seemed as though this would be the winning run of the game.

The work of the Sox in the opening innings was as good as has been seen on the local diamond as they made good on all chances and played a fast and peppy game, but in the blow up the battle became decidedly one-sided with the visitors hitting effectively.

The Morris Packers are undoubtedly the fastest organization that has appeared here this season and their lineup is composed of some of the heaviest hitters in Omaha amateur and semi-pro circles.

ARRIVAL OF LITTLE DAUGHTER

From Tuesday's Daily.

The stork this morning made a visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Boyd in the west portion of the city and left in their care a fine little nine pound daughter. The little one has brought much joy to the household and all parties are doing very nicely.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC HELD YESTERDAY

Primary Scholars of the Christian Church Wins Recent Contest and Given Picnic.

From Monday's Daily.

Yesterday the members of the Christian church Sunday school enjoyed a fine time at a picnic held on the J. E. Wiles farm on the Louisville road west of the city. The picnic was the result of a contest held by the Sunday school during the past few weeks, which was known as the auto contest, and in which the pupils of the primary department proved the most successful and were given the first honors.

One of the conditions of the contest was that the losers were to provide a picnic for the winners and accordingly yesterday the primary department was royally entertained by their associates.

The members of the party came with well filled baskets and proceeded to spend the day with joy and happiness. Games were enjoyed to the utmost and at the noon hour a sumptuous repast was spread on the lawn, to which all members of the party did ample justice.

DANCING CAMP IN HEART OF ROCKIES

Miss Mary Katherine Parmele of This City is Spending Summer at Camp of Miss Portia Mansfield Swett.

From Monday's Daily.

The Omaha News of Sunday contains a very interesting account of the camp of the Rocky Mountain Dancing school conducted by Portia Mansfield Swett, formerly of Omaha. Among those who are attending the summer session of the camp is Miss Mary Katherine Parmele of this city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Parmele and one of the gifted artists of the city, in the oldest of all the arts, that of the dance, a portrait of Miss Parmele accompanied the article. Miss Parmele is a student of Miss Swett, having studied with her at Omaha and for the last two seasons in the Colorado camp. With the beauties of nature as a setting for their art the group of young ladies, the greater part of whom are from Omaha, are learning to dance not only the technique of dancing, but a knowledge is gained of the marvelous harmony and myth of nature, a consciousness that comes through living day after day in the open woods.

The News has the following to say of the camp and its surroundings:

Under the fragrant pines the girls bend and sway with the breezes, for the huge dancing studios are in the open. Here the basic principles of the classic ballet, aerial and floor technique, and the Oriental, Rhapsody and Spanish dances are taught under the personal supervision of Miss Swett.

This gifted young woman is ably qualified for her position for she is the pupil of Andreas Pavley and Sergo Zakrainsky and has been a member of their companies at different times. Miss Swett has also studied in Paris with Madame Thidore and in Milan with Bavazzani of La Scala. She is a pupil of Dennis Shaw and Kate Worthington Simmons, and is a graduate of the "Club of Normal School." Her winter term devoted to travel and study in preparation for the summer school.

One of the greatest attractions of the camp is its unusual opportunities for outdoor sports. Horseback riding is one of the principal diversions, and all day trips are planned for those who enjoy this recreation. The tennis players delight in a concrete court in the center of a deep wood of pines and aspens, where the pleasant shade lingers all afternoon. Mammoth pools, surrounded by the wooded hills, find modern maidens splashing in their clear waters daily. Indoor pools are also a feature of the camp, and aquatic sports are enjoyed even when the weather is inclement.

The cozy bungalow, the camp home of the pupils, has a fireplace built in one end of the large living room, where a log fire crackles on snappy nights. An outdoor fireplace is an ideal place for the marshmallow roasts, which are in full sway many evenings.

Miss Pleasant Holyoke, an exceptionally talented dancer, who has appeared in many of the artistic pageants given for the benefit of various local charities, is an instructor at the camp this year. Three large ballets will be given in Denver early in the fall, under the auspices of the Omaha maids, who are spending the summer at Camp Swett, will be prominently featured. Miss Lillian Fitch of Chicago, who is now in Omaha, will leave shortly for Colorado to direct the productions. The younger girls, who will take part, include: Misses Dorothy Higgins, Martha R. Bradford, Bertha M. Bradford, Helen Robison, Frances Robison and Mary Katherine Parmele.

Worlan 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 \$1.25.

WILL LOCATE IN OMAHA

From Monday's Daily.

Miss Georgia White, who for the past two seasons has been engaged in trimming at one of the large wholesale millinery houses in Kansas City came up Sunday morning and visited over Sunday with her mother and brother and sisters. Miss White departed this morning for Omaha where she expects to take up the fall work at one of the large wholesale houses in the millinery department. Miss White has been very successful in her line of work and has the reputation of being one of the best designers and trimmers in the millinery trade in the large house in Kansas City in which she has been employed and her success will be the source of much pleasure to her large circle of friends in this city.

STATE CORN IS SAFE, SAYS THE BURLINGTON

From Monday's Daily.

Nebraska's corn is safe! At least the Burlington's weekly bulletin says so—published Monday morning. With the comment that "the time is past when the crop can be entirely spoiled," this bulletin gives the average as 100 per cent for the eastern and southwestern districts and 98 per cent each for the central and southeastern districts. The expert adds that these estimates are highly conservative.

Threshing of wheat continues toward an early end and the average for most of the acreage of the state is 22 7/10 bushels per acre, against twenty-two bushels estimated a week ago. The wheat is of the finest quality.

Difficulty is being experienced by the sugar beet raisers in handling their big crop this year, according to the Burlington report, for the reason that the Federal Reserve banks are refusing money for it in the manner previously done.

Full plowing is well under way, and the soil generally in good condition. In the Omaha district plowing is nearly completed.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

From Monday's Daily.

The county court was very busy this morning on hearings in several probate matters. The petition for the probate of the will of John M. Jackson was filed and William A. Cleghorn of Louisville named as the administrator. Attorney W. A. Robertson appeared for the estate.

Hearings were also had in the matter of the probate of the estates of Mrs. Anna Jahn and Mrs. Nancy Hollenbeck, both estates coming from near Elmwood. Attorney J. A. Capwell appeared in the actions for the petitioners.

In the office of the clerk of the district court August Klemme of Greenwood, made application for his citizenship papers Mr. Klemme has been a resident of the United States since 187 and the greater part of this time in Cass county.

In the county court a hearing on the estate of Emily A. Latta, deceased was held and the final accounting of the administrator, Samuel G. Latta made and the administrator discharged and the estate closed.

County Attorney A. G. Cole, who has been sitting in the western part of the state for several days looking after some legal matters is expected home Tuesday.

Clerk of the District Court James M. Robertson has not been in the best of health for several days and a part of the time has been confined to his home but is now able to be around as usual.

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SHERIFF SURPRISES LOUISVILLE PARTIES

SHERIFF QUINTON DROPS OUT ON SATURDAY EVENING AND MAKES DISCOVERY.

ONE QUART FOUND ON PARTIES

Matter Will be Taken Up with County Attorney—Action May Be Brought Later On.

From Monday's Daily.

Sheriff C. D. Quinton motored out to Louisville Saturday evening and made an unexpected call on some of the residents of that community that resulted in discovering that there was some traffic in that community in the far famed "white mule," the kick of which far surpasseth that of the old time rye and bourbon of the ante-bellum days when Nebraska was a sparkling green oasis.

On his arrival at the scene of action, the sheriff sought a shallow ditch near the place where it had been suspected that there might be a chance to reach the handlers of the prohibition whiskey and he remained there only a short time until a car containing four young men drove up and parked just a few feet from the sheriff and had the parties belong to Virgil Delezene and a few minutes later the members of the party proceeded up to the building.

Shortly after this they returned and started to get in the car when the sheriff stepped up and remarked, "Boys, I guess I'll ride up town with you." The parties did not at first discover who the sheriff was and one of the members was in possession of a quart jar of the fiery liquid that was evidently intended to quell the thirst of the young men.

As the man holding the jar discovered the sheriff, he hurriedly threw the jar from the car, and the other members of the party were unpleasantly surprised at the appearance of the officer.

Sheriff Quinton then visited the house and the owner insisted on a search of the place but no liquor was found. The sheriff notified the members of the party that they might be called upon in a few days to answer as to their possession of the liquor, but no arrests were made in the case.

CHANGE IN BUSINESS AT CEDAR CREEK

From Monday's Daily.

John True, who has conducted the soft drink and ice cream parlor at Cedar Creek in connection with his other business, which consisted of lunches and short orders and the dance platform which he ran on Saturday evenings, has sold the same to Henry Larson, who has taken charge of the business and is conducting it in a very satisfactory manner. Mr. Larson is a young man with many friends and will make a success of the business. Mr. True and wife, who have conducted the place with success, found the work too much for their advancing years and concluded to give the matter up. Mr. True has accepted a position with the Burlington at Cedar Creek and the family will continue to make Cedar Creek their home.

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