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YOUNG LAD GETS HOLD OF LIVE WIRE

Donald Pitman, Son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pitman Has Experience He'll Not Soon Forget.

From Monday's Daily. Donald, the ten-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pitman, had a very painful experience this morning with a live wire while playing near his home on west Pearl street. There has been for some time a mass of disused telephone wires lying in an old tree near the abandoned bridge on Maiden Lane and the residents there have grown so accustomed to them that little or no attention was paid to them. Last night during the storm of "Moonshine" the electric light line was broken off and a wire fell into the tree where the telephone wires were and the wet branches of the tree furnished a carrier for the electric juice and charged the old telephone wires. A number of the old wires lying on the bridge and it was these that the lad picked up or stepped on. It is stated that the neighbors noticed the live wires on the bridge and when the boy was approaching the bridge he was warned of the danger but did not heed the warning and had evidently gone onto the bridge and either picked up or stepped on the wires. The current fortunately was not strong enough to inflict serious injury aside from burns on the fingers and toes of the boy but these proved very painful to him.

After the accident occurred the lad was able to release himself from the wires and walked a short distance toward his home and met one of the neighbors to whom he related the incident and while talking fell into a faint and had to be carried to the home. Dr. P. P. Livingston was called and looked after the injured boy who is not thought however to be in serious shape.

This is another case where it is shown that trees near the electric lines should be kept trimmed up so that hanging branches will have no chance to cause a short in the current and create a danger for the passerby. The light company has frequently urged this on the people but the effort of the company to trim up trees have usually met with greater or less opposition from the property owners and consequently there are many places over the city that are very dangerous and in case of a storm might cause a great deal of injury to some of the passerby.

Another safety first move that should be heeded is that of keeping away from all loose electric or telephone wires as they have been the cause of a great many injuries at different times over the city.

PLATTSMOUTH GIRL STUDIES RETAILING

Miss Mathilde Soennichsen Now in New York Taking Summer Course at N. Y. U.

New York, July 15.—Miss Mathilde Soennichsen of Plattsmouth is one of a class of men and women representing fourteen states, taking the summer course in retail selling at New York University under the direction of Professor Norris A. Briscoe. This course, unique among the universities of the country, has the endorsement and practical support of the big New York department stores, and part of the work of the class is conducted in these stores.

The course includes instruction in retail selling, a study of non-textiles, methods for teachers and training directors, color and design as applied to textiles, the selling points of textiles, a study of employment management and a course in store organization, a feature of this course being lectures by department heads of big New York retail stores and other commercial and industrial houses.

HAS BAD FALL

From Monday's Daily. Yesterday, John Waterman, one of the old and highly respected residents of the city suffered a very serious fall at his home in the north part of the city and which for a time caused a great deal of apprehension to the members of the family. Mr. Waterman had stepped out on the rear porch of his home and was carrying an earthenware cuspidor in his hand and as he started to descend the steps he fell, the cuspidor breaking and the aged gentleman fell on the jagged fragments of the broken china, with the result that a large gash was cut on the side of his head.

The cut bled very profusely and caused the family a great deal of apprehension for a time, but the arrival of the family physician to dress the wound eased their fears at it was found the injury was merely a flesh wound. Owing to the advanced years of Mr. Waterman the injury was at first feared to be very serious, but he is now resting easily.

FOR SALE

Two high grade Red Polled bulls for sale. C. C. Barnard, Myard, Neb., telephone 4622.

DRAWS STIFF FINE

From Monday's Daily. This morning the city treasury was enriched in the sum of \$100 which was secured as the result of the finding of a quart of "Moonshine" on the person of Sam Beverage. The discovery was made last night by Sheriff Quinton and Officer Chandler and this morning Judge Archer was the arbiter of the matter. After hearing the evidence in the case the court found Mr. Beverage guilty of the offense and assessed a fine of \$100 and costs on him.

BURLINGTON SUFFERS A VERY BAD WASHOUT

Pony Creek, Near Pacific Junction, Swollen by Heavy Rain Damages C. B. & Q. Track.

From Monday's Daily. The Burlington line through this city was out of commission this morning as a result of the overflowing of Pony creek just west of Pacific Junction, causing the washing out of some trackage as well as a small bridge on the main line. This creek is usually a very peaceful little stream and seldom has a large amount of water but last night a very heavy rain in the vicinity of the Junction caused the stream to approach the dimensions of a river and the flood water did a great deal of damage in washing out trackage and the small bridge just west of the "Y" in the Junction railroad yards. As a result of the washout all trains between this city and the Junction were annulled and Nos. 5 and 15 west bound were sent by way of Council Bluffs into Omaha and No. 6 east bound was also detoured over the Kansas City line into the Junction.

The washout caused a great inconvenience to the traveling public and especially those who had figured on going to Omaha for the day and they were compelled to either take the auto route or remain at home.

The rain storm was much more severe last night on the east side of the river than it was here and the damage was proportionately greater in that locality.

CARS SMASH UP IN WRECK NEAR MURRAY

Velie of Charles Herren and Paige of Sherman Taylor Meet on Hill West of There.

The hill just west of the town of Murray on the state aid highway was the scene of what might have been a very serious accident Saturday evening for the occupants of two autos that met there in a head-on collision, but which while resulting in a great deal of damage to the cars fortunately did no serious damage to the occupants.

The Paige car of Sherman Taylor of Beatrice was coming east and in the car were Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Joe McMahon, Jr., and Mrs. Henry McMaken and children of this city. Just as the car of Mr. Taylor came over the hill on the west approach the large Velie car driven by Charles Herren, of near Murray came over the hill from the east and the lights of the two cars made it difficult for the drivers to distinguish the road, although the car of Mr. Taylor crowded the south side of the road as much as possible, the two machines crashed into each other and the front wheels that came together were both torn off, the fenders being badly bent and other serious damage done to the autos.

The occupants of the cars were all shaken up and badly bruised but no injury of a serious nature sustained, which is most fortunate as the accident was of the kind that might easily have caused injuries to every member of the party or even death.

MANY ON THE "BUM"

The trains passing through this city are well packed with the travelers who are making their way via the box car route. No. 75 going west this afternoon over the Burlington was loaded with men who were headed for the west and the greater part of them seemed to young lads of age. One of the travelers was a former service man and on his uniform bore the French Croix de Guerre, evidencing that he had been engaged in some notable feat during the war, and was not receiving his reward in tramping over the country.

A BOLD HOLDUP

A message was received here at noon by Sheriff Quinton from Chief of Police Dempsey of Omaha, asking that a watch be kept for two men who had pulled off a daring holdup in that city this morning. The robbery occurred on one of the main streets of the metropolis and the man stuck up was relieved of \$1,200 in money and the robbers also took the Ford car that he was driving and made their escape. No trace of the robbers had been found at the time the message was sent out by the chief.

SKETCH OF LIFE OF THE LATE FRANK COLE

Brother of County Attorney A. G. Cole of This City and Well Known to Many Here.

The following account of the funeral services of the late Frank Cole, together with a brief sketch of his life is reprinted from the Barnesville, (Ohio) Enterprise. The deceased gentleman was well known to a number of the residents of this city and was a brother of County Attorney A. G. Cole:

Funeral services for Prof. Frank Cole was held at the M. E. church at Spield, near this place, last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Cole was a son of Archibald and Lydia Cole, deceased. He died in San Francisco, Cal., where he was a prominent leader in school work. He lived about twenty-four hours after an operation for gonorrhea. Rev. J. W. H. Brown, of Belmont, led the services in a thirty minute talk in which he spoke highly of the clean life and excellent character of Mr. Cole. The deceased was a member of the Masonic Lodge and about twenty of the members from this city then took charge of the services at the church and followed this with final services at the grave. Music for the occasion was furnished by the church choir. Mr. A. George Cole, of Plattsmouth, Neb., went to San Francisco and accompanied the body to this place, their old home. Miss Metzger also of Plattsmouth, came for the funeral services. Mr. Cole and Miss Metzger had plans made for their marriage within thirty days. Mrs. Hattie Cole Lingo arrived from Holyoke, Col. on Saturday, besides Mrs. Lingo there are five other sisters and the two brothers living. Atty. A. George Cole, of Plattsmouth, Neb., and Ben Cole of Cal. Miss Aveline Cole (Grace) Mrs. Ed Seunt of this city, now visiting at Holyoke, Col. (Sadie) Mrs. Walter Bryant and (Anna) Mrs. James Shipley, both of Holyoke; also (Mary) Mrs. Nicholson, wife of Rev. Nicholas, of Meadville, Ohio.

SUNDAY PLEASURE SEEKERS.

From Monday's Daily. The inviting roads yesterday called those who had autos at their disposal out into the open for the day and the larger part of the population of the city were out from early in the morning until evening, motorizing over the surrounding country and enjoying the fresh breezes as well as the dust that the many autos on the roads had raised. The highways were in excellent shape and everyone took the fullest advantage of the opportunity of enjoying them.

ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE

The announcement has been received here by Mrs. Eliza Beeson, of the marriage of her son, Charles G. Beeson, of Cleveland, Ohio, to Miss Ella Diehm of Akron, Ohio. The wedding occurred at Cleveland on Wednesday, July 13th, and the young people will make their home in that city in the future, as Mr. Beeson has a very fine position there as one of the heads of a large advertising concern.

Mr. and Mrs. Beeson are now enjoying their honeymoon and will visit here late in the fall with the relatives and friends in the old home of the groom.

The many friends of the groom here will be pleased to learn of his new happiness and extend their best wishes for his future success and happiness.

DEATH OF MRS. SCHAFFER

From Monday's Daily. Last evening Mrs. Charles Schaffer, residing on west Rock street, passed away after an illness of some duration, and the funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning from the late residence.

The deceased lady was fifty years of age and leaves to mourn her passing the husband and one son, Clifford and one daughter, Sattie. The Schaffer family has resided in this city for the past three years, coming here from Red Willow county, where they made their home for many years.

MARRIED BY JUDGE BEESON

On Saturday County Judge Beeson was called upon to unite in the bonds of wedlock, Roy Marshall and Miss Genevieve May Miller, both of Silver City, Iowa, and the ceremony witnessed by County Treasurer Mike Trisch and Morgay Wright, and following the wedding the parties returned to their home in the Iowa city.

LOOKING OVER THE RECORDS.

From Tuesday's Daily. Yesterday Oliver Stevenson, county clerk and Henry Heesch, chairman of the board of county commissioners of Otoe county, were here to spend a few hours at the office of County Clerk George B. Sayles, checking up the tax records for comparison with those of Otoe county. Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Heesch are among the most popular county officials in our neighboring county and both gentlemen are well qualified county officials and among the most efficient in the state.

SUPREME COURT AFFIRMS LINDEMAN CASE

Sustains Decision of the District Court in Granting Injunction Covering Bottom Land

The state supreme court has just handed down a decision in the case of John C. Lindeman, et al vs Jess W. Bashus, appealed by the defendant from Cass County, and in which the action of the district court in granting a permanent injunction against the defendant trespassing on the land claimed by the plaintiff on the river bottom north of the pumping station.

The defendant in the appeal contended that the plaintiff had an adequate remedy at law without the injunction proceedings and that the injunction should not be granted. The supreme court found that the facts in the case were that the land was without improvements until 1907, having been formed by accretion from the Platte and Missouri rivers and in that year the plaintiff had caused the land to be cleared off and fenced, plowed and crops raised and in 1913 had caused the land to be platted and placed on the tax list of the county. The defendant had on February 7, 1920 erected a shack on the land of Mr. Lindeman and at that time the poer of injunction had been asked to prevent trespass on the land by Mr. Bashus.

The supreme court held that the evidence of threat of further trespass made by the plaintiff was sufficient ground to warrant the asking of the injunction and further sustained the action of the district court in making the injunction permanent. Attorney W. A. Robertson appeared in the action for Mr. Lindeman both in the district and supreme court.

BURLINGTON EMPLOYES BUSY.

A large number of the members of the storekeeping department of the Burlington railroad have in the last few days been summoned to Chicago, where they are to assist in the work of making the inventory of the stocks on hand and which will be conducted during the period of government control.

E. H. Brady and W. H. Shopp, of the local force are among those from the middle west territory who have been ordered to the windy city to assist in the checking up which it is estimated will require three months at least to complete. Harry McCoy of the store department force here has also been sent to South Omaha, where he goes to relieve the storekeeper there who has been called on to Chicago to assist in the inventory work of the road.

HERE FROM LOUISIANA

From Tuesday's Daily. Yesterday afternoon Geo. Schantz and family of Vinton, Louisiana, arrived in the city to visit here with the parents of Mr. Schantz, Mr. and Mrs. George Schantz, Sr. This is the first visit north for some time for the family and the occasion is one that all are enjoying to the utmost and the aged parents feel the greatest of pleasure in the occasion. Mr. Schantz is a former Plattsmouth boy who has made a marked success in the southland, having located first at Jennings, where he conducted a large blacksmith shop for some time and later moving to Vinton, where he is now a member of a large machine manufacturing company. The old friends here are much pleased to meet him and the family and their visit will be one of the greatest of pleasure.

DEATH OF AN UNCLE

From Tuesday's Daily. Col. Bates received a message about four o'clock Monday afternoon from Clearmont, Nodaway County, Mo., that Mrs. Bates' uncle, William Pence, was dead and would be buried today (Tuesday) at two o'clock. He was about 75 years of age and one of the wealthiest men in the county. Mrs. Bates regretted very much that on account of the short notice and the condition of the running of the trains, and also the heavy rain fall Sunday night, she could not possibly reach her uncle's home in time for the funeral, but will make a trip to the old home sometime this fall, when conditions are more favorable.

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FRANK FOREMAN RECEIVES GOOD NEWS

Parents, Brothers and Sisters From Poland to Reach Here After Long Journey

From Tuesday's Daily. Frank Foreman of this city has received a piece of very pleasing news from New York that announces the fact that his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Foreman and their four children would reach Plattsmouth by Wednesday morning and the family ties long broken would be reunited. Mr. and Mrs. Foreman are natives of Poland have suffered untold miseries and hardships during the long months of warfare that swept over their country and the oppression of the long years of Russian rule was succeeded by the worst conditions of the war times when the Russian and German armies rendered Poland a practical waste. The family were finally able to communicate with the son and brother in this city and he was able to furnish them the funds that has delivered them from the land of want and misery. The fare for the family and their care during the past ten months that they have been endeavoring to reach America has cost Mr. Foreman \$3,500, but in securing the happiness and safety of the aged parents and his brothers and sisters he feels well paid.

David Szejdfeld, a brother-in-law of Mr. Foreman with his wife and children are not coming as yet as the family have the measles at the hospital at Ellis Island.

SHORT BUT SNAPPY MEETING OF LEGION COMMITTEE

From Tuesday's Daily. The special meeting of the Legion executive committee held last night at the Legion club rooms was short but snappy. The intense heat made it desirable to get out as quickly as possible and there was no undue display of words pro or con.

It was voted that the post would cooperate with the reunion committee in making the opening day of the old settlers' reunion at Union also the occasion of a reunion of world war veterans and would contribute some entertainment features to the day's events. The post commander will name a committee at once to look after this matter.

It was also voted to purchase 100 auto name plates bearing the name of Plattsmouth, which will be furnished at a nominal cost, the profit on such sales to be added to the post's club home fund.

It was voted to send John Palecek, who will be offered in charge of the Edward Ripple funeral in the near future to Glidden, Iowa, Sunday, to attend the funeral of Merle Hay, one of the first three men killed in action, and which will be conducted by a number of northern Iowa posts and attended by some of the nation's notable military men. It is possible the local post will also motor to Glidden to attend this funeral.

The matter of securing a steel flagpole for the memorial plot in the local cemetery was left in the hands of the post commander and arrangements looking toward the installation of a shower bath in the club rooms were also made prior to adjournment just thirty minutes from the time of opening.

PASSING OF OLD RESIDENT.

George Washington Ingwerson, of near Nelawaka, who died last Friday, July 15th, was born July 12, 1845, thus being 56 years and 3 days old at his death.

Deceased was united in marriage to Miss Anna Stoll October 31, 1894. To this union one son was born. The wife departed this life six years ago and now with the death of the father, the son, Elva, is left alone.

Mr. Ingwerson was one of a large family, consisting of seven brothers and two sisters. They are William R. Henry A. Edwin, Louis W. Raymond F. and Otto J., brothers and Lottie M. Dodson and Annie E. Fleming, (now deceased) sisters.

A follower of the Master, the funeral of this good man was held Sunday at 2 o'clock from the Nelawaka U. B. church, conducted by Rev. W. A. Taylor, of Union. Interment was in St. John's cemetery.

VISITORS IN CITY

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Pickett entertained a number of friends over Sunday at their home in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Elva Barker of Omaha, Miss Winnie Pickett of Auburn, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Finnigan of Hamburg, Ia., comprising the guests. Mr. and Mrs. Finnigan were accompanied by Miss Ruth Pickett who has been spending the summer at Hamburg.

KING DID NOT INTERVENE

London, July 18.—King George did not intervene in negotiations with the United States regarding questions arising in the Pacific. Lloyd George told the house of commons today.

Replying to questions the premier declared the report was without foundation.

ASKS FOR SEPARATION

From Tuesday's Daily. Yesterday a petition was filed in the office of Clerk of the District Court James M. Robertson by Mrs. Grace McCardie, in which she asks that the law dissolve the matrimonial bonds between herself and Ray W. McCardie. The grounds of the action are given as desertion. The parties were married in this city some two years ago and have since made their home here.

JUDGE RAMSEY IS GROWING WORSE

Message from Immanuel Hospital, States Pioneer Plattsmouth Man Fast Sinking.

From Tuesday's Daily. A message was received from the Immanuel hospital in Omaha this morning announcing that former District Judge Basil S. Ramsey, of this city, who is at the hospital taking treatment, was very much worse.

The condition of Judge Ramsey has been very serious since he was first stricken in the first days of July and he gradually grew weaker so it was deemed best to have him taken to the Immanuel hospital for treatment in the hope that he might be strengthened but without avail as he has suffered a great deal during the warm weather and showed no improvement that would give the family the smallest hope of his recovery.

The news of the serious condition of Mr. Ramsey will be greatly regretted by the host of friends over Cass county and these friends will anxiously await word from his bedside, trusting that he may be able to rally, but the present conditions are far from favorable.

VERY HAPPY EVENT

Our old friends, James H. Short in the last few days has had something happen in his family circle that has banished all thought of the affairs of cantonments and Odd-fellowship with which Mr. Short is usually occupied when not at his work, and this event is the arrival of a fine little son and heir at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl M. Short, Saturday night. The little son is fine and husky and his strenuous disposition has caused the happy parents to confer the name "Teddy" on him. Both mother and little one are doing nicely and it is a close contest between the happy father and the grandfather as to who is the proudest.

FANS TO KEEP YOU COOL.

The Eagles have recently installed additional fans in their ball room in Eagles hall and with the aid of which they can keep the air stirred up and constantly in motion, providing cool breezes to all quarters of the room. No longer is it necessary to brave the sweltering heat, but one may dance there as strenuously as he likes without danger of even melting his linen collar. The Eagles believe in keeping up with the times and they have spared no expense in providing the necessary fans in their dance hall.

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