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Brakeman Has Hand Cut Off by Freight Train

Albert Shields, of Creston, Iowa, Suffers Severe Injury in Local Railroad Yards.

From Monday's Daily—
Early this morning while Albert Shields, of Creston, Ia., a brakeman of the Burlington on the freight run from Omaha to Creston, was engaged in doing some switching in the local yards, he was the victim of a very severe accident that resulted in the severing of his right hand.

The freight arrived shortly after midnight and as the local switching crew was not on duty it was engaged for the crew of the freight train to look after the switching and Mr. Shields was called upon to push down the pin lifter between two of the moving cars, the lever came loose from the car and Mr. Shields fell near the rail with his arm lying across the rails and in the path of the moving cars. The brakeman was able to get all of his arm with the exception of the hand out of the way but the hand was caught and severed from the arm by the wheels of a box car.

Mr. J. S. Livingston was called and immediately cared for the wound and the injured man was then hurried to the hospital at Omaha, where he will be cared for until he is able to be cut again.

This is the first serious accident that has occurred in the local yards for some time.

The injured man is quite well known here, as he has been on the Creston-Omaha run for some time and his severe accident brings a great regret from his many friends in the train service, but Mr. Shields is fortunate that the accident was not more severe and that he did not lose the entire arm or receive fatal injuries.

SUFFERS INJURED KNEE

J. L. Stamp, one of the well known residents of the vicinity of Rock Bluffs, is suffering from the effects of an experience that he sustained Saturday from an unruly horse and which will make it very painful for Mr. Stamp to get around for a long time. Mr. Stamp was working around with the horses and was engaged in watering one of the animals which was rather unruly and the animal started to run away and in doing so threw Mr. Stamp down and caused his knee to be twisted very badly and which caused the victim of the accident a great deal of trouble.

The injury will keep Jack on the retired list for a few days and it is fortunate that Jack Poland, the uncle of Mrs. Stamp, is here on a visit from Fort Leavenworth, where he is engaged at the Soldiers home, as he can look after the work on the farm until Mr. Stamp recovers from his injury.

MARRIED IN OMAHA

From Monday's Daily—
The wedding of Mr. Frank Blotzer, Jr., of this city, and Miss Frances Birbach, of Omaha, occurred in the state metropolis Saturday morning and the happy young people returned here Saturday afternoon to receive the well wishes of their many friends. The bride is a number of the Plattsmouth people, as she has been here as a guest at the Blotzer home on a number of occasions.

GOES TO HOSPITAL

From Monday's Daily—
This morning Mr. and Mrs. Otto Luschinsky departed for Omaha, taking with them their little daughter, Edith, who has for the past several days been suffering with a very severe attack of pneumonia. The little one has been in very serious condition and it was decided to have her taken to the Methodist hospital for treatment in the hope of securing some permanent relief from her illness. The family was joined by the grandfather of the little one, George Luschinsky, in making the trip to Omaha this morning.

ASKS FOR DIVORCE

From Monday's Daily—
This morning an action was filed in the office of the clerk of the district court in which Aulie C. Hinkle is the plaintiff and Della A. Hinkle is the defendant. The action is one in which the plaintiff asks a decree of divorce on the grounds of cruelty. The parties, the petition states, were married at Denver in October, 1924 and the plaintiff has for the past two years been a resident of Cass county. Ralph Mosley of Lincoln, is the attorney in the case.

HOLD DISTRICT MEETING

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon the cabinet of the Omaha district of the Epworth League held their meeting at the First Methodist church in this city and with a number of representatives present from the societies at Omaha, Fremont, Arlington and Plattsmouth to take part in the meeting. Among those from Fremont here were Herman Crowell, Allen Locker and Miss Irene Pfoutz. Miss Pfoutz took advantage of the occasion to visit with a number of the old time friends in the city and on her return was accompanied by her sister, Miss Irene, home. Miss Irene having been here for a few days visit with friends.

Local Rotary Has a Part in District Meet

Plattsmouth Club Furnishes One of the Programs at the Luncheon at Council Bluffs.

From Wednesday's Daily—
The Plattsmouth Rotary club was one of those designated to furnish a program at the district convention luncheon held yesterday at Council Bluffs and with the usual spirit of the local organization they presented a program that ranked as one of the most pleasant and entertaining in the convention.

The luncheon at which the Plattsmouth entertainers appeared was staged at the large Y. M. C. A. auditorium where there was present some 600 of the Rotarians of Omaha, Sioux City and Plattsmouth to enjoy the event.

Seal S. Davis, past president of the local club introduced the various numbers in his usual pleasing manner and his clever introductions were not the least of the entertainment.

The Rotary Quartet composed of Frank A. Cloidt, I. O. Minor, H. G. McClusky and L. D. Hiatt, gave several selections that were received with the greatest of enthusiasm by all of the large audience.

Attorney W. A. Robertson was on the program with one of his pleasing Swedish stories for which the local attorney is justly noted and which brought a great laugh from the delighted Rotarians.

The solos numbers by Frank A. Cloidt and L. O. Minor were also much enjoyed and these two real songbirds filled the auditorium with the offering of Mr. Cloidt being two tenor solos while Mr. Minor was heard in a bass solo.

The offering of Edgar Wescott on the miramba was also one of the big hits of the program and the young man proved himself a real artist on the instrument. The accompaniment was played by E. H. Wescott, father of the young artist.

REPAIRING TELEPHONE LINES

From Monday's Daily—
The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company yesterday afternoon sent in a force of some thirty linemen who will be employed here in addition to the local force in getting the lines in this city back in shape following the heavy snow storm of the past week and which has caused a loss of several hundred thousand dollars to the telephone company in this part of the state.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

From Monday's Daily—
W. T. Smith, who has been at the hospital at Savannah, Missouri, for the past several weeks, has returned and while he was given successful treatment for the removal of the growth from the mouth, he is still very weak and confined to his home. Mr. Smith is seventy-nine years of age and has felt very much the effects of the treatment and which has made him very weak. The many friends will be pleased to learn that he is doing so well and trust that a few days at home will permit him to regain his strength and be able to resume his usual activity in a short time.

ON RECRUITING DUTY

From Tuesday's Daily—
H. P. Tucker, yeoman, first class, U. S. N., and Ben Witkowski, boatsman second class, U. S. N., were in the city today, visiting from the United States naval recruiting station at Omaha, to interview applicants for enlistment in the navy. Application literature may be obtained from the postmaster for anyone desiring to enlist or who desire information regarding opportunities offered young men in the navy.

Sub Station is Being Made a Beauty Spot

Grounds and Buildings Being Arranged to Present a Place of Charm and Beauty.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The sub station of the Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power Co., south of the city, is being made a place of real beauty and the fine \$25,000 station is one of the largest and best in this part of the state and also being given a fitting setting by the company that owns and operates it.

The whole grounds has been sown to grass that this summer should give an unbroken green setting to the switch house and the towers of the transformers and power conducting instruments.

The walks as well as the portion of the plant that is used in the care and upkeep of the transformers, is finished with crushed rock whose whiteness will be a vivid touch against the green of the grass that surrounds it.

The building that houses the switches valued at many thousands of dollars, is kept in the most spotless of condition and the whole structure is one that is a credit to the city, not only as a point of light and power distribution but as well as an object of beauty to the city.

At night the electrical sign illuminates the surrounding roadway and guides the passerby on his way to and from this city with its gleaming message of service and efficiency that the Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power company represents to this part of Nebraska and western Iowa and northern Missouri.

The plant is one that the city is proud to have located here in the heart of the territory that is served by this company and those who have never visited the plant should avail themselves of the opportunity.

RUNAWAY BOYS FOUND

From Tuesday's Daily—
This morning shortly before 5 o'clock, Officers Libersal and Pickering found two young lads wandering around the streets and well worn out from a bicycle ride from Omaha. The lads were thirteen and ten years of age and the youngest of the two was very much "all in" as the result of the eighteen mile bicycle trip. The boys were taken to the warmth and shelter of the police station and there they gave the story of the wanderings.

The boys gave the names of Edward and Donald Patterson and stated that their parents reside on Dewey avenue, but could not remember the address of their home.

The boys had left Omaha yesterday afternoon and took the precaution of taking with them a small handbag filled with eatables and which they had tapped quite freely when found by the police. The boys seemed wild to be taken back home and were left resting in the jail until the Omaha police department could get in touch with their parents.

CANNOT ATTEND MEETING

From Tuesday's Daily—
Edgar Wescott of the local high school, who was to have appeared at the first district oratorical contest at Falls City, was unable on account of illness to make the trip yesterday to the Richardson county city to appear in the contest for the local school. Mr. Wescott has been sick since Friday and Saturday and Sunday and was confined to his home and is still unable to resume his school work. The fact of his inability to attend the contest was a distinct disappointment to Mr. Wescott as well as his friends in the school and in the community who had been hoping for his success at the Falls City meet.

B. A. McELWAIN VERY LOW

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday B. A. McElwain, who has been in very serious condition for the past few weeks, was taken to Omaha and placed in the Lord Lister hospital, as he has been gradually failing in the past few days, and especially since the death of his brother, Myron McElwain, at Kansas City, ten days ago, has there been a very noticeable change in his condition.

A message from the hospital this morning stated that Mr. McElwain was in such serious shape that his recovery was given up and it was questioned whether he could live more than two days, as his illness has made such headway that it was impossible to give him any relief.

JUDGE WEBER ILL

From Monday's Daily—
Police Judge William Weber was confined to his home today suffering from another attack of illness with which he has been troubled for the past several months. The illness of the police judge made necessary the postponing of several cases which were pending in his court for infractions of the law.

GIVE FINE RECITAL

From Tuesday's Daily—
Last evening the piano pupils of Mrs. J. M. Roberts were heard in a very charming recital at the attractive Robert home on high school hill and which event was attended by a very large gathering of the relatives and friends to enjoy the delightful occasion and the wonderful artistic work of the young people who took part in the recital were: Joan Knorr, Betty Jane McKenzie, Wave Charlotte Smith, Stephen Davis, Mary Ann Rosencrans Eleanor Smetana, Estella Parkening, Catherine Meisinger, John H. Becker, Jean Hayes, Ellen Nora Meisinger, Catherine Hill, Alice Weyrich, Malinda Frederick, Leona Hudson, Mexine Cloidt, Hilda Frederick, Mildred Hall, Catherine McClusky.

Rules of International Beauty Contest Given

Entrance Open to Cass County for the Awards to be Made Here on Monday and Tuesday.

We are pleased to print herewith some of the important rules governing the international beauty contest to be held at Galveston, Texas, June 2, 3, 5 & 6th, 1928.

Contest is open to official representatives of any city or nation in the world except Galveston.

Entries must be selected by elimination contest in each city.

All contestants must be between 16 and 25 years of age and unmarried.

Contestants must be of good moral character and any unbecoming conduct upon the part of such contestants, during the life of the contest, will result in disbarment and forfeiture of all rights.

All contestants and their sponsors must agree that the present committee will retain exclusive rights to all pictures, both motion and still.

Contest is open to amateurs only. Any participant found to have had stage or motion picture or professional experience, will be disqualified.

Contestants must agree not to make public appearances, advertised in advance and to which an admission is charged, prior to the payment, unless by special permission of the pageant committee.

Previous participation in any Galveston pageant will render an entry ineligible.

The local contest will be held on April 23rd and 24th at the Parmelee theatre. All young ladies of Plattsmouth and vicinity (including Cass county) who are desirous of entering this contest are invited to register at the office of the Parmelee theatre as soon as they possibly can as there is a possibility of the registration being closed quite some time before the date of the contest.

Free Photograph for the Children of Cass County

Cream of the West Bakery Offers a Splendid Opportunity to the Little Ones Under 12.

To the Mothers of Cass County: Dear Madam: We have made arrangements with the McFarland studios in the Bekins building to make one 8"x10" Portrait Free of every child under twelve years of age who will deliver to him one hundred Cream of the West bread labels between the dates of April 20th and June 20th.

Anti-Saloon League Play Draws Many

Methodist Church Filled to Capacity Last Evening—Interesting Debate on Sunday.

From Tuesday's Daily—
Last evening the Anti-Saloon League closed a very successful inquest, which they have held in our city, Friday, Sunday and Monday, by giving the play, "Who Killed Earl Wright." It was given to a capacity house at the Methodist church and proved a rare treat to those who had the opportunity to be in attendance.

The trial is one that actually took place in Iowa and was given last night by our own townspeople taking the important roles. The trial is that of Frank Lloyd (Prof. R. F. Patterson) a boy of high character and one of the most influential boys of the community, who, while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, accidentally killed his best friend, Earl Wright.

The important witness in the case was Mrs. French (Mrs. R. B. Hayes) at whose home the accident occurred, and whose husband had gotten the liquor from Tony Meakins, a bootlegger (Mr. J. C. Bridgewater), the coroner, Geo. W. Cook, (Rev. H. G. McClusky) was also an important witness. Prof. R. E. Bailey as Judge proved a very strong character, and while the sympathy of the court was with Lloyd, he showed clearly in his decision that justice must be done, and though one is not wholly responsible for the act while intoxicated, the law does not excuse the act.

The lawyer for the state, Mr. R. E. Owen and the council for the defendant, Mr. Sam DeFur in their closing arguments were the high points of the case, and held the audience spellbound by their eloquence. The part of bailiff (J. A. Capwell), sheriff (C. A. Rawls) Mrs. Lloyd (Mrs. Charles Troop) and the court reporter (Helen Heinrich) were all well taken. The jury, composed of J. H. Graves, Herbert Nelson, Mrs. Ann, Mrs. Schme, Mrs. G. O. Schwesker, Justice Lillie, G. L. Farley, Mrs. Alpha Maury, Mrs. J. E. Wiles, Myron Beardley, Mrs. Coryell and Mrs. Gorder returned a verdict for the state.

The dramatic debate, "Can the Law Be Enforced," given by J. A. San DeFur and R. E. Owens at the Presbyterian church, Sunday, night brought out the fact that it takes the co-operation of the citizens and officers, to enforce the law and hat neither can do the work alone.

Taken as a whole, we feel that it has been a great privilege to the audience of Plattsmouth to enjoy this institute and we feel that great good to our community will be the outcome.

MOVES TO NEW HOME

From Tuesday's Daily—
L. F. Langhorst, well known Cass county man, who has moved here from Elmwood, is now getting settled as a permanent resident of this city and has moved into the Herman Hough residence on North 6th street, which will be the future residence of the family. Mr. and Mrs. Langhorst have resided so long in the county that they have a wide acquaintance here and are scarcely newcomers to the community, and the Plattsmouth residents are well pleased that they have decided to make this city their permanent home.

IS RECOVERING SLOWLY

From Monday's Daily—
The reports from the Wise Memorial hospital at Omaha state that Erman Galloway, who is there recovering from a fractured skull, is showing good physical gain, but his mental faculties and nervous system is suffering from the effects of the severe injury. He is able to sit up now, but cannot as yet concentrate his mind and write or clearly converse, but it is hoped that with the proper sort of treatment, this condition may be cleared up.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

From Monday's Daily—
Fred Smith of the firm of Smith & Berger, local Chevrolet dealers, who has been at the Methodist hospital at Omaha for the past two weeks, returned on Sunday. Mr. Smith was in quite serious condition for some time but has now improved very much under the course of treatment given at the hospital and is now believed to be well on the highway to permanent recovery although he still feels to some extent the effects of the severe attack of gall stones from which he has suffered.

ELECT NEW OFFICERS

From Wednesday's Daily—
Last evening at the meeting of Plattsmouth lodge No. 739 of the Elks, Dr. J. A. Griffin was elected to the office of esteemed lecturing knight, one of the important offices of the lodge which was left vacant at the annual election at the first meeting in April. Charles K. Bestor was also named as the tyler of the lodge, succeeding Dr. Griffin in this office.

WILL ASSIST SUPREME COURT

From Wednesday's Daily—
District Judge James T. Begley has been requested by the state supreme court to assist them in the hearing of cases before the court and will go to Lincoln May 23rd to hear a number of matters that come before the supreme court. The second district judge has been assisting the supreme court on a number of occasions and his decisions strengthening the compensation laws of the state in protecting the workers is one of the important matters on which he has established a precedent in his decisions while on the supreme bench.

Jury Gives Verdict for Julia Kratochvil

Find for Plaintiff in the Sum of \$4,800 After Several Hours of Deliberation.

From Wednesday's Daily—
The case of Julia Kratochvil vs. the Estate of John Koukal, deceased, was closed at noon Tuesday when the arguments to the jury were made by the counsel and the issues submitted to the jury for their judgment, they returned a verdict in favor of Mrs. Kratochvil in the sum of \$4,800.

The plaintiff had sued for the sum of \$10,000, which was asked as a claim for services that had been given by the plaintiff in the household of her father, John Koukal it being claimed by the plaintiff that she had returned from Wisconsin where she had gone to reside with an aunt and had then started in to care for the home, her mother being ill and later grew worse and lingered for over a year and was under the care of the plaintiff, it also being alleged in the petition of the plaintiff that she had the care of the entire household as well as the twin children that were born a year previous to the death of the other. For these services the plaintiff filed the claim of \$10,000.

It was contended by the defense that the plaintiff had shared the work of the home with the other members of the family and had agreed to the distribution of the estate as was arranged by the members of the family at a meeting and which had included the plaintiff receiving a share of \$500 more than the other members of the family.

LITTLE ONE OPERATED ON

From Monday's Daily—
The many friends over Cass county of Judge and Mrs. A. H. Duxbury, will be pleased to learn that their little daughter, Dorothea Mae, who was operated on at the Methodist hospital in Omaha late Saturday afternoon, is now doing nicely and has rallied from the operation for appendicitis. The little daughter was taken with a very severe attack on Saturday and on arriving at the hospital it was found that the appendix had ruptured and the operation was performed just in time as an infection had already settled in. Dr. C. R. Kennedy, prominent Omaha surgeon and former Plattsmouth young man, performed the operation.

IS SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

From Wednesday's Daily—
The many friends over Cass county of John Lahr, manager of the Plattsmouth district of the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co., will be interested in learning that Mr. Lahr is now showing the most pleasing progress at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha where he has been for the past several weeks taking treatment for the complications that followed a very severe case of pneumonia. Mr. Lahr employed a visit yesterday from a delegation of the Plattsmouth Rotarians who were in Council Bluffs to attend the district meeting and took advantage of the occasion to call at the hospital and visit with their ailing member and friend.

WINS BOWLING PRIZE

From Monday's Daily—
The Officers team of the local Knights of Columbus council, which participated in the recent K of C bowling tournament at Omaha, has been notified that they were the winners of the twenty-sixth Good Fellowship prize in the contest. The local K of C members are very much pleased that they have been able to bring away one of the prizes from the big bowling contest.

STRAYED

Two black horses, one roached and one foretop roached. Any information as to whether you have seen or taken up these horses, so he may find them, will be greatly appreciated by the owner, C. H. Nave, phone 4102, Plattsmouth exchange.

DRAWS SMALL FINE

From Wednesday's Daily—
This morning in the county court, Judge A. H. Duxbury was called upon to serve as the police magistrate of the city in hearing the case of the City of Plattsmouth vs. William Schuldicke, in which the defendant was charged with the offense of being intoxicated and contrary to the peace and dignity of the people of the state of Nebraska. After hearing the evidence the court found that the defendant was guilty as charged and assessed a fine of \$10 and costs against the defendant.

Country Club Project is a Certainty Now

Subscriptions Now On Hand Sufficient to Pay the Purchase Price of the Wiles Farm.

From Wednesday's Daily—
Plattsmouth is to have a real honest to goodness country club which is to be located at the Lake Wiles farm at the southwest boundary of the city and as soon as possible the final deal for the transfer of the property from the present owners to the Country Club association will be made.

This project has been moving at high momentum for the past two weeks and the committee in charge of the project has been working hard to see that the project was put over, and while there is still some funds to be raised for the improvements that are planned in the club house and grounds, there has been an ample sum to defray the cost of the land and the Wiles home that is to form the basis of the club house.

The Wiles farm that will be the site of the new club occupies one of the most slightly locations in or near this city and the location of the club house will give a great view of the city and the distant Iowa hills and is a picture that will always make the scene one of charm and delight. Its location but a very short drive from the main part of the city is also an added advantage to those who will enroll in the club as well as making the land very valuable as an investment if nothing more.

This move for a country club was started by the members of the Elks and the golf club, both of which organizations are thoroughly interested in the move and the driving force of the campaign has been carried on by the Elks lodge and with the live wire committee has put the proposition over in fine shape. The property of the new country club and the Elks has been placed in the assets of the new club and which gives excellent security to those who have invested in the stock of the country club.

In addition to the Elks and the Golf club members the general public can become members of the new country club on the payment of dues and charges and the whole move made into a community affair in which everyone has an interest. In the last few days the additional subscriptions received that have put over the drive have been 12 R. Sprecher, Mrs. J. A. Donelan, Miss Gerda Peterson, Mrs. Eleanora Jezewski, James Maury, Dr. R. P. Wescott, James E. Wurga, Dr. C. R. Kennedy of Omaha, A. G. Bach, Miss Mathie Soennichsen, John Bauer, R. W. Clement and Joseph Fetzer.

As soon as the additional funds are available the work of starting the reconstruction of the Wiles home and improvements on the golf course will be under way and one of the big community projects of the year will be realized.

GIVE FINE CARD PARTY

From Wednesday's Daily—
The benefit card party given last evening at the American Legion community building by the Legion Auxiliary attracted a very large crowd and there were many tables of bridge, high five, pinocle and pitch engaged in by the young and old and which served to make the time pass most delightfully. The ladies had a large array of prizes that were distributed among the various skillful card players and which represented many worthwhile and pleasing trophies of the evening. Among the winners was Mayor-elect John P. Sattler, who demonstrated his skill in pinocle. The ladies served very dainty refreshments during the course of the evening.

GIVES DIRECTED VERDICT

From Wednesday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon the case of the contest of the will of the late Eli M. Smith of Union, was terminated in the district court after a very short trial by Judge Begley instructing the jury to render a verdict finding that the paper writing that had been admitted in the county court as the last will and testament of Mr. Smith, was the sole will of Mr. Smith. The will was opposed by several children of a former marriage, who were not named in the will as heirs of the deceased. The document was drawn in January 1927 and the death of Mr. Smith occurred a few months ago at the home near Union.

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