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WAS NOT GUILTY.

Otto Seidletz Is Discharged by Judge Ramsey After Trial.

WILL GO TO HIS GRANDPARENTS

Other Things That Have Happened In And Around the City of Plattsmouth in the Last Twenty-Four Hours.

He Was Discharged.

Otto Seidletz, the 10-year-old lad, who was arrested Tuesday, on the charge of placing obstructions on the B. & M. track, was tried last Friday on a charge of incontinence, the other complaint having been withdrawn. The county attorney failed to make the charge stick, however, and Judge Ramsey released the lad with the understanding, and on the promise of his father, Beno Seidletz, that he would send the boy to his grandparents, in Saline county. It appeared from the evidence introduced, that the boy, while not naturally bad, had been running with a crowd of tough boys, older than himself.

Naturalist Blines' Discovery.

A special from La Platte, in Friday morning's Bee, says: Aside from studying and investigating the soils and sands and fossils of Sarpy and adjoining counties La Platte's local amateur scientist, Jasper Blines, will investigate that branch of insect life which is known as the periodical cicada, or the so-called locust. Certain broods of this insect appear in certain localities every thirteen or seventeen years. To this naturalist belongs the honor of having discovered as late as August 15 a live cicada septendecim in Cass county. This was reported to the late Prof. C. V. Riley of the National museum, who pronounced the discovery of a cicada so late out of their normal time as a very noteworthy event. The periodical cicada is a perfectly harmless insect and enjoys the distinction of belonging exclusively to the United States, and of being the longest lived insect of the world.

M. E. O'Brien Turned Down.

Last Saturday's State Journal says: "The state fish commission has decided to dispense with the services of Supt. M. E. O'Brien of the state hatcheries. This action was taken at Sidney by a majority of the commission and the date set for the change is January 1." This action on the part of the commission will meet with almost universal disapproval throughout the state. Mr. O'Brien, during his incumbency has made a record that any man might feel proud of. In order to replace him with as good a man, the commission will be compelled to send east and get a man, at a much larger salary, or else put in a man wholly incompetent.

Wanted to Cut His Throat.

Jailor Denson feels that he has had a narrow escape, although he did not learn of it till this morning. Thursday afternoon the little lad who has been confined in the jail for a couple of days made a proposition to a fellow-prisoner to form a combination and cut Jack's throat when he came down with the supper for the prisoners. The refusal of the fellow-prisoner to enter into the plot is probably all that saved Jack's life.

Refused To Consider the Petition.

"A dispatch from Tecumseh to the World-Herald, says: Judge Babcock of the district court refused to consider an amended petition in the Bonacum vs. Murphy temporary injunction case, on the ground that the document does not contain sufficient ground for action. Murphy will therefore continue to hold possession of the local Catholic church property and this will probably conclude all action in the matter in the civil court."

A Pleasant Surprise.

The pleasant suburban home of Lawyer Beeson was the scene of mirth and jollity last week. Thursday was Mrs. Beeson's sixtieth birthday anniversary, and she was the victim of a very pleasant surprise in the shape of a large crowd of old friends, who dropped in to spend the evening. A very enjoyable evening was spent, after which refreshments were served, and the assemblage dispersed at a late hour.

Farm loans made at lowest rates. T. H. Pollock, over First Nat'l Bank.

The Year's Mortgage Record.

Register of Deeds Geo. Hay has just completed the total mortgage record for Cass county for the year 1895, which is as follows:

Number of farm mortgages filed.....	350
Town and city mortgages filed.....	162
Total.....	512
Number of farm mortgages released.....	353
Town and city mortgages released.....	159
Total.....	512
Amount farm mortgages filed.....	\$539,063.62
Amount farm and city mortgages filed.....	77,560.41
Total.....	\$616,624.03
Amount farm mortgages released.....	\$457,348.83
Amount town and city mortgages released.....	115,019.84
Total.....	\$572,368.67

The record for the past month is as follows:

Amount farm mortgages filed.....	\$47,508.60
Town and city mortgages filed.....	12,661.26
Farm mortgages released.....	28,334.66
Town and city mortgages released.....	5,518.80

The number of sheriff and other deeds in foreclosure is as follows: Farm, 7; town and city, 12; total, 19.

Weekback Re-opens!

The numerous friends and former patrons of that old reliable and popular grocer, Mr. Henry Weekback will be gratified to learn that he is at present busily engaged in unpacking and placing on the shelves one of the largest and most magnificent stocks of staple and fancy groceries, ever seen in the city.

Mr. Weekback has been restless and discontented since disposing of his former business here and recently resolved to re-embark. He accordingly rented the elegant store room in the Waterman block which he has now nearly filled to overflowing, and where he will be highly pleased to see his friends and the public in general, on and after Saturday next.

Pleasant Dinner Party.

Miss Minnie Lehnhoff, of College Hill, entertained a number of friends at her home, at dinner, last Monday evening, in honor of her sister, Mrs. Julia Lehnhoff-Frampton, and her brother, Mr. H. J. Lehnhoff, both of Lincoln. The evening was spent very pleasantly in music and conversation. Dinner was served at six o'clock to the following invited guests: Dr. and Mrs. Richard Lord, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dickson, Miss E. V. E. Peterson and Mr. M. N. Drake.

The Women's Club Receive.

The members of the Women's club kept open house yesterday at their pleasant, home-like rooms in Union block. The ladies had everything arranged in a most artistic manner, and the decorations were beautiful. The reception was for the benefit of the "men folks" and a goodly number of gentlemen were very pleasantly entertained. Dainty refreshments, consisting of coffee and cake, were served to all, and those who missed the treat were very unfortunate.

Two Young People Killed.

B. & M. train No. 3 ran into and killed Charles Vanbuskirk and Maude Bond on a crossing three miles east of Benkleman, Neb., early Saturday morning. They were aged 25 and 16 years, respectively, and, with a party of young folks, were returning from a surprise party. Both were killed instantly and badly mangled, while the buggy was a complete wreck and one horse fatally injured.

A very interesting little book of school statistics has just been received by County Superintendent Farley, from the state superintendent, H. R. Corbett. It is very complete and some of the statistics one of interest to the general public. Following are a few of them: Teachers employed, 9,473; average salary of teachers, \$41.87; total enrollment of pupils, 273,052; value of school property \$8,570,882.23; teacher's wages, \$2,598,372.21. Cost of education per pupil, \$24.28.

Ex-State Auditor Tom Benton was in town Saturday, a witness in the case of the B. & M. R. railway, vs. the city. It is understood that he testified that he, as a member of the state equalization board assessed the B. & M. railway lumber yard, in their shop yard here, as a part of the material on the right of way of that road. Just why that should be done it would be difficult to imagine.

During 1895 the Dodge county soldiers' relief association assisted thirty old soldiers and their families to the amount of \$807.71.

Visitors to Plattsmouth should stop for dinner at Sahl's Bakery, where they can get a good lunch for 15c. 50

For farm loans, see J. M. Leyda. Reliable abstracts also furnished.

THE DAY'S DOINGS

What People Are Doing and Saying Around the Town.

A HOG DOCTOR'S EXPERIENCE.

"Buck" Neligh and A. S. Will Have a Dispute Over the Value of the Former's Services--A Pleasant Country Party--Notes.

An Unsuccessful Hog Doctor.

According to A. S. Will, "Buck" Neligh is not very successful as a hog doctor. It seems that some time ago Mr. Neligh undertook the job of curing a number of hogs for Mr. Will, for which the latter gentleman was to pay a certain sum. "Buck" used some thirty-eight pounds of medicine on the hogs, but the result was somewhat disastrous to the porkers, at least, so Mr. Will claims. He says that since the "doctor" commenced treating his hogs, more have died than before.

However, an action was commenced before Justice Haines, entitled Ambrose E. B. Neligh vs. A. S. Will, in which the former sues for \$148 for services in curing the latter's hogs. A motion for a change of venue was entered, and the case will come up for trial in Justice Archer's court.

"Down on the Farm."

The hospitable home of Mr. Thomas Sullivan, south of this city, was the scene of a most enjoyable gathering Saturday evening, when his charming daughter, Miss Mamie, entertained a number of her Plattsmouth friends in honor of her guest, Miss Karstens, of Nebraska City. Dancing was the chief entertainment, each young lady and gentleman being furnished with a 1 cent and unique program, the front bearing the inscription "Down on the Farm." At midnight a delicious luncheon was served, two local society men doing the honors as waiters, in which capacity they acquitted themselves in a manner which would indicate that they were not new at the business. Those present were Misses Lulu Leist, Mabel Swearingen, Florence White, Mabel Britt, Anna Sullivan, Jessie Oldham, Alice Murray, Mabel Unruh, Messrs. Chas. Sullivan, Henry Weidman, John Coleman, Lee Atwood, Gus Hyers, Henry Snyder, Dr. Will Elster, Henry Goos, Hal Johnson, George Tartsche and Mr. Wagner, Grafton, Neb.

Says It's Not So.

A rumor was in circulation on the streets today to the effect that Master Mechanic Helms and Foreman Steiner, of the B. & M. shops here, had a little fistic encounter last Saturday. A JOURNAL reporter called on Mr. Helms last Monday to learn the facts, and that gentleman emphatically denied any knowledge of such an occurrence. He said that none but the friendliest feeling existed between himself and the several foremen under him, and that there was absolutely no grounds for the rumor. He admits that there was a dispute between a couple of the employes in the blacksmith shop last Saturday, but said it didn't amount to much and had been satisfactorily settled. And thus a good news item was spoiled.

Some Railway Changes.

The Omaha Bee train via Weeping Water over the M. P. has been discontinued, but the stub train from Union to Plattsmouth, connecting with the train from Lincoln will be continued. THE JOURNAL is informed, and will return to Union at 4 o'clock as usual. There were wise ones who predicted last summer when that train was established that it was only a part of the scheme set on foot to re-elect Judge Chapman, and would be discontinued soon after election, but such has not been the case. It is now discontinued so far as the run from Omaha to Union is concerned, because the Bee has made other arrangements for the delivery of its papers, but the company has found that the Plattsmouth run pays expenses, so it will be kept up, notwithstanding.

A "brakeman's time-table" has it that the yard engine at Nebraska City with Yardmaster Atwell as conductor and his crew, will be run to Nehawka every morning, where the switching for the quarries will be done, in time to run down to Union for the Lincoln train, and will bring the stub train through to Plattsmouth, returning, as usual, at four o'clock. At all events Conductor Dugay has been laid off and Atwell brought the train through Monday.

HAVELOCK ITEMS.

From the Lincoln Call.
Ed Ballance, we regret to say, is incapacitated for work by reason of a sore eye.

The regulation Saturday night crowd for Plattsmouth didn't break the record last night.

Engine 176 was yesterday sent to Lincoln for service. Next week Nos. 329, 81 and 266 will go the same way.

Superintendent of Motive Power Hawksworth and son, Fred, were in Havelock yesterday. The shop boys are glad to see Mr. Hawksworth, and only wish that his visits were more numerous.

The Red Men received their new \$178 paraphernalia a few days ago. Beyond a doubt, the boys have one of the finest "goats" in the state, and are now in a position to please the tastes of the most fastidious.

A boom both in labor and capital is promised Havelock early in the spring. Twenty-four new houses have already been contracted for. Besides these contracts, the addition to the school is to be figured in. It is stated that the Luncester Land company will plant 600 trees along Touzalin avenue.

Julius Nelson will wed Miss Purdy of Plattsmouth on the first day of the new year, and many lips are smacking in anticipation of the good Havana that will go around. Julius is one of Havelock's most popular young men, and the prettily furnished house that he has in waiting for his bride attests of his integrity and sobriety. The good wishes of all the friends of the happy pair will be with them in their new role.

The new engine, No. 9, was lifted on wheels yesterday, and will be in good shape for service sometime during this week. The new engine is a beauty in every respect, and presents a magnificent display of mechanical skill. The shop employes are justly proud of their late production, and, taking No. 9 as a sample, the Call recommends that the provisions for making engines at Havelock be enlarged, as the company would certainly be benefited by so doing.

Hoover Must Hang.

The jury in the case against Claude H. Hoover, charged with the murder of Councilman-elect Sam DuBois, of Omaha, on the evening of December 13 last, on Sunday returned with a verdict of murder in the first degree, inflicting the death penalty. This has been a remarkably short trial—just sixteen days from the time of the crime until the conviction of the murderer, and is another example of "speedy justice in Nebraska."

The editor of the Buffalo County Journal, Reuben W. Reese, was brought to the penitentiary yesterday, where he will serve a term of four years and cogitate upon the efforts he made to extract money from the treasury of Buffalo county without going through the formality of earning it. Reuben, it seems, published a list of old unclaimed county warrants, and as he had access to them succeeded in extracting quite a number. He then placed an old defective seal upon it and had little difficulty in cashing these warrants. In order to do this, however, he cashed the order and it is said he raised the warrants in a number of instances and in all realized something like \$1500 on the deal. Frank Sandberg, another prisoner was also brought to the pen from the same county for burglary. He will serve eighteen months.—Lincoln Call.

An accident befell a Nebraska farmer on the Burlington railroad yesterday. Passenger train No. 2, which leaves Lincoln at 2:15 p. m. was speeding along just east of Havelock, when it struck a farmer's team at a wagon crossing. The farmer had lost one line and was pulling vigorously on the other, the result being that he pulled the team crossways in the road with one horse standing on the rail. Engineer Duffy applied the air, but it was to no purpose and the locomotive struck the nearest horse and cut it out of the harness much as a clever operator on a cheese. The other horse, driver and buggy were left unmolested. The horse struck was knocked some thirty feet and instantly killed. The name of the farmer could not be learned.—Lincoln Journal.

Forestry in the United States has a powerful and practical friend in Mr. George Vanderbilt, and he will find more glory in the North Carolina woods than in the purchase of half a dozen foreign princess, with their dilapidated palaces thrown in.—Nebraska City Press.

THREE DECISIONS.

Judge Chapman Disposes of Three Important Cases.

SMITH CAN'T DAM THE PLATTE

The Court Says That Mr. Smith Made a Mistake In Trying to Dam the Platte River—Other Local News of Interest.

Court News.

In district court Tuesday morning, decisions in three cases that have been under advisement for some time were handed down.

That of the Water Works Co., vs. A. B. Smith, in which the plaintiff sought to restrain Mr. Smith from damming the inside channel of the Platte, near Swallow Hill, in such a manner as to cut off their supply of water, was decided in favor of the plaintiff.

The case of Gorder, Weekbach, Guthman and Davis, vs. Jos. Connor, et al., commonly known as the "canning factory case," was also decided in favor of the plainiffs. This was an action on the part of the plaintiff to enforce the payment of assessments on canning factory stock, held by the defendants.

The case of Mrs. Anna Goos vs. Hans Goos et al., was decided in favor of Mrs. Goos.

Yes Indeed!

It is rumored that THE JOURNAL will soon be removed from this city.—Cass County Tribune. The editor of the Tribune should try not to worry himself any more than he can help. THE JOURNAL will not be removed from this city near as soon as he will be in case hostilities between this country and England break out, as a certain club in this city, composed of patriotic young men, have passed a resolution to the effect that immediately upon the declaration of war, they will march upon the aforesaid gentleman in a body, cut his suspenders and allow him to go hence to that country for which he so soulfully yearns.

He Got Wet.

Joe Julius received a lesson Monday that may be of service to him. While skating over some thin ice, he went through, and only by catching on the edge of the ice and holding on till assistance arrived, was he saved from a timely death.

The report in an evening paper of yesterday as to the narrow escape of John Sherman, one of THE JOURNAL carrier boys was an exaggeration, as he broke through in shallow water, and was in no danger whatever.

Bring in Your Wood.

Wood will be taken at this office in payment of accounts due the WEEKLY JOURNAL.

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PERSONAL, POLITICAL AND PERTINENT.

The Atlanta exposition has closed after a session open to visitors of 100 days. It has been a great success, and has shown what the south can do when thoroughly aroused.

The Omaha Bee of last Tuesday says that steps are being taken to secure the shortening of the sentence of Chas. Cummings, the murderer of Jud Vance.

At Washington, D. C., on Tuesday last, Chaplain Couden, of the house, delivered a fitting prayer for the closing day of the past year. "Let party contentions be buried," he said, "and let our motto be 'one flag, one country, one God forever.' With malice toward none, and charity for all, let our nation stand as an example to all the world, with the word 'justice' written on her brow."

Several towns and cities in Oregon and Washington have lately obtained an excellent and adequate water supply in an inexpensive manner by the use of wooden pipes. The pipes are made from common pine logs, ten inches in diameter, hollowed out with a six-inch bore. It is claimed that the wooden pipes last as long as iron pipes. One town has a line of pipes seven miles long that, with all connections, cost but \$2,000.—Nebraska City News.

The Lincoln News says: "The sad news reaches us from Auburn that our ideal farmer, the Hon. Church Howe, is no more, and that in his stead there is nothing but a cruel, hard-hearted man of affairs—a banker. For years this department has held up Farmer Howe as a model for all aspiring agriculturists, but now it is left in a position to hold up that which is not. As a farmer, Mr. Howe was greatly honored. His fellow tillers of the soil were wont to insist that he don his Sunday jeans and broadcloth tie and come up to represent them whenever the legislature convened here, but now that he has basely deserted the farm for the charms of a life inside the walls of a bank, we are fain impelled to turn the famed picture of Farmer Howe to the wall of memory and do the Rachel act again."

The Havelock correspondent of the Lincoln Journal says that Editor Baughman of the Havelock Times embraced the Christian faith on Sunday evening and became a member of the local M. E. church. Mr. Baughman was formerly a minister of the gospel, but seemingly fell by the wayside when he took to editing a newspaper. He has the best wishes of the church going people of Havelock in his new determination.

Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson, widow of General Anderson of Fort Sumpter fame, has the flag which her husband planted over that fortification locked in a fireproof vault in her house in Washington. She expects eventually to present it to the government.

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