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The mud is clearing off nicely. It will soon be time to expect another snow storm.

Waged by men who live by slaughter and bloodshed, the packers' war should be a battle royal.

Our new chief of police says he is going to have a new uniform with brass buttons and gold braid before he runs for office again.

The independent action of the Burlington in making western excursion rates for the summer may result in a right merry rate war.

The question of individual communion cups and the drinking of Jamaica ginger are profound problems for discussion before the New York conference of the Methodist church.

Child's Point must go. That is the order of the Burlington. The landslide and the sharp reverse curve make a combination which the railroad people will not again allow to combine.

The Boers are on top again this week, and the British war correspondents can take a much-needed rest until Kitchener captures another band of decrepit refugees or burns another deserted laager.

Nebraska claims the distinction of a striking mail carrier. At Sidney the people have not had their mail for a week, the man engaged to carry the sacks from the depot having struck for an advance of \$15 per month. No one else being authorized to touch the sacks, they have been allowed to accumulate in the depot, while the people rage and fume about not getting their letters and papers.

It is a dangerous thing to violate the rites and obligations of a powerful secret organization, worse, to give the pass word to one who has no right to hear it. One of the most popular Burlington conductors is just now taking an enforced lay off because in a fit of abstraction he revealed the mystic cabal to the lady cashier of the Lincoln depot dining room when she innocently asked him, "Are you a Buffalo?"

President Schurman of Cornell says the principal trouble in settling matters in Cuba is with the politicians who want something and the people who are suspicious. After their experience with Spain it is not to be wondered at that the people are suspicious.—Omaha Bee.

And, after their experience with the United States, Neely, Rathburn and company, the Cubans are beginning to wonder what reason they had to be dissatisfied with Castilian rule.

"A man's sorrow is his neighbor's joy," is a somewhat trite Hindoo proverb. The day following the landslide near Bellevue two Plattsmouth men were discussing the accident. The first had been a passenger on the wrecked train. He said it had scared him out of a year's growth, and that he hoped never to be caught in such a hazardous position again. The second man had not been on the train. He had never been in a railroad wreck. He declared that he would have given a year of a life time to have passed through the exciting experience.

**Gingerbread Test of Royalty.**  
M. E. W. Sherwood, in the May Smart Set, writes an article on "England's Princely King" which is as full of revelations to the average individual as a two months' egg is full of fried chicken. In a three page psychological dissection of the boyhood of the obese monarch of Britannia the writer says, "He was apt to be clean and courteous and ready for his mother's kiss even after eating gingerbread."

Most notable instance, hyper double distilled proof positive of the presence of blue royal blood, a most princely trait indeed, worthy to be chronicled in the archives of the nation for the instruction of the young of the rising generation like the hatchet and cherry tree tale. Oh most worthy M. E. W. Sherwood, be you man or woman the world owes you thanks for being the discoverer of the gingerbread criterion of the quality of youth.

Hereafter it might be reasonable to suppose that when a suspected pretender to the throne advances with his claims to the crown a hurried investigation will be made into the history of his boyhood to discover how he demeaned himself while under the influence of the seductive gingerbread.

There will be no need then for long and heated controversies and the waging of sanguinary wars. The simple gingerbread test will be sufficient.

But while the world at large is mindful of what a measure of gratitude is due the originator of the gingerbread theory, the fact is still painfully apparent that the author is an iconoclast, and the shatters of cherished belief are seldom popular. Until M. E. W. Sherwood appeared with his or her all confounding theory no one had ever put himself on record as an exponent of the principle that the eating of gingerbread makes little boys naughty and savage, permeating every corporeal of their juvenile blood with an uncontrollable impulse to be bad, to play in the dirt, besmirch their clothing, make them forget what they had learned of politeness and refuse to kiss their mothers. But since the surprising revelation there is no telling how great a reform movement may at once set in in the diet of youngsters, for even the fondest of mothers realizing that their boys are not princes of the realm, and learning for the first time the true cause of their too frequent naughtiness, will profit by the suggestion and then there will be no more gingerbread.

## State University Crop Bulletin.

Lincoln, April 16, 1901.—The past week has been cold and wet, with far less than the normal amount of sunshine. The daily mean temperature for the week averaged 2° below normal.

Cloudy weather with showers has prevailed, and the rainfall has been above normal in nearly all parts of the state. In northern and western counties the rainfall was but little over 1/4 of an inch or about half the normal quantity. In most of the central and western counties the rainfall exceeded an inch, and in the south-central part of the state it ranged from two to three inches.

The wet weather has retarded farm work, except in the northeastern counties, where considerable wheat has been sown. In other counties some wheat and oats were sown early in the week. Very little plowing for corn has been done. Work is about ten days behind normal. Winter wheat and rye continue in fine condition. Grass is starting slowly.

G. R. LVOELAND,  
Section Director

## Loses Leg in Yards.

A. E. Fisher, formerly a well known Plattsmouth boy, now living in Clarinda, Ia., met with a distressing accident in the yards of the Burlington Sunday night. In attempting to alight from east bound freight train No. 76 he slipped and fell under the wheels, suffering the amputation of his right leg at the knee.

The injured man was carried up town, where Dr. J. S. Livingston, assisted by Dr. Robt. Livingston attended him.

Fisher was beating his way homeward from the west on a freight, although he had more than \$50 in bills in his pocket book. Yielding to an impulse to stop off at Plattsmouth to revisit old scenes and look up some of the boys with whom he had played in the ball teams years gone by led him to attempt to spring from the train. The next day's train from the east brought his father to his bedside. His stay in Plattsmouth is likely to be far longer than he originally intended.

## Obituary—Mrs. Ransom Cole.

Mrs. Margaret Ethel Cole departed this life April 12, 1901, after a lingering illness, at the age of 30 years, 1 month and 15 days. The funeral services were held at Liberty chapel, near Plattsmouth, Sunday last, and the esteem in which she was held was well attested by the very large attendance. Rev. P. H. Schell, the pastor, conducted the services, preaching from Revelations 22:13, 14. Her remains were buried at the Horning cemetery.

Mrs. Cole was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Spangler, and was born a few miles south of Plattsmouth.

On Feb. 28, 1893 she linked her life and happiness with that of Bansom Cole, an estimable young man of the vicinity in marriage—in which relation she continued in happiness until the hand of death was laid upon her. Deceased was of a kind and cheerful disposition. During her long illness she was uncommonly patient. While desirous of regaining her health, she said a few days before her death, "We must submit to the Lord, and if it is His will I am ready to go."

She was converted at Liberty chapel in 1890, and joined the United Brethren church there—remaining a true and devoted Christian until her death. Her husband, parents, five brothers and four sisters survive her, and await the call to rejoin her in that brighter and better land, where disease and pain and the sorrow of parting never come.

## Card of Thanks.

The husband, parents, brothers and sisters of the late Mrs. Ransom Cole unite in thus publicly expressing their sincere thanks to all who so kindly and willingly assisted and comforted them in their hours of sorrow and great bereavement, and they pray for God's grace and blessing upon them in all abundance.

## MRS. PROPST WRITES

Of the Last Days of Her Husband, Addison.

An account of the recent death at Grinnell, Ia., of Addison Propst, brother of Martin Propst and Mrs. E. E. Goodwin, was published a short time ago in the Journal. Addison Propst at one time and was well known to old settlers. His widow, in writing to his brother Martin not long since, speaks of his death in the following feeling fashion:

"Dear Brother Martin—This is a bright, beautiful day. It is Sunday, and many people are hurrying along toward the Methodist church, where you went, just across the way. I will not go today. I have not been very well for some weeks. It is so silent and lonely in the old home since Addison went away to live with the angels in heaven!

"The Sunday morning before his death, he asked to be raised up. Sitting on the side of the bed he told Bert to lift the curtain higher. Then he looked out of the window and said: 'I would like to live longer if I could get well, but if not, I want to go soon.' The last three weeks he was very sick, and did not eat anything—only drank water—during the last fifteen days. He suffered so much pain the last week—we called the doctor several times to inject morphine into his arms. This would bring relief for a short time—then when he came out from its influence he would suffer more than before it was used.

"He did not seem to suffer so much pain during the last few days, and was conscious and able to speak up to two hours before his death.

"I wish you could have been here, Martin, to see how a good man—whose sins had been pardoned—could triumph over death and the grave! He was praying and praising God almost continually as long as he had any strength—and then the soul escaped from its tenement of clay so easily, so quietly and gently, disturbing not the sleeper at all, and the watchers hardly knew when the summons came.

"One of the noblest and best men who ever lived has gone to his reward. And we all shall miss him so—the cheery smile, the kind word, the helping hand."

## Ups and Downs of the Browns

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Now Mrs. Brown came in one day.  
A smile upon her face:  
Took elevator No. 6,  
And launched forth into space.  
"Is safe to say she'd hardly gone  
Beyond the second floor,  
When Mr. Brown came sailing down  
Serene in No. 4.

"Hey, Mr. Brown!" the starter cried.  
"Your wife went up this minute."  
A car was just about to start,  
And Mr. Brown jumped in it.  
"And crossed you on the way,  
The starter tried to shout,  
But up went Brown—a car came down  
And Mrs. Brown stepped out.

The starter shook with hidden mirth  
He didn't dare display:  
"Your husband, mum, went back," he said,  
"Beyond the second floor."  
Just take a chair and rest awhile,  
He'll surely come right down."  
She wouldn't listen; up she went—  
And down came Mr. Brown.

He went back up—his wife came down,  
And headed for the door,  
While Brown ransacked in wild despair  
The twenty-second floor.  
As out into the street she passed,  
With proud, uplifted chin,  
"I hope they'll meet in heaven," said  
The starter, with a grin.  
—O. N. Bunce, in May Smart Set.

## Epworth Leaguers!

Send me your name and address and I will mail you about April 1, a beautifully illustrated folder giving full information about the special rates and train service to California via the Burlington Route, at the time of the Epworth League meeting at San Francisco in July.

The folder will enlighten you on every point in connection with the trip to San Francisco—cost of tickets; how to make the trip most cheaply and comfortably; what there is to see on the way, and why your ticket should read via the Burlington Route.

The round trip rate—open to everyone—from Omaha to San Francisco via the Burlington Route is \$45. Tickets are good by way of Denver and Salt Lake City. J. FRANCIS, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha, Neb.

Saturday evening next the Sokol hall will be the scene of a social gathering under the auspices of St. Agnes guild. St. Agnes guild will give a sociable, dancing included, at Sokol hall Saturday evening. All are invited.

Charles Searle and Max Chapman have secured positions in a surveying party with the Northern Pacific railroad. They departed for Washington Tuesday afternoon.

ment headquarters for the 25th annual encampment of the G. A. R. to be held in May. The administration council will meet on the evening of May 7. All railroads in Nebraska have made a one-fare rate for the round trip with a minimum of \$2.

Otto Wurl returned Tuesday from a trip to Millard and Papillion, where he left goodly orders for his famous smokers.

Mrs. A. W. Atwood is visiting relatives in Jacksonville, Ill.

Judge Newell, S. H. Atwood and S. A. Davis have removed their office furniture from the room over A. W. Atwood's drug store to the basement of the Bank of Cass County.

Edward's racket store is something new in Plattsmouth. Everything in stock is bright, fresh and new. And, then, there's scarcely a thing in the line of varieties which you cannot find there. The place: You cannot miss it, on lower Main street near the court house.

Mrs. Sleeth, wife of the Methodist minister here, read a paper on "The Twentieth Century Movement," before the 15th annual convention of the Women's Foreign Missionary society, held at Lincoln this week.

J. H. Thrasher is sole local agent of the Owyhee Gold and Silver Mining company, of which General Manager Holdrege of the Burlington, is president.

## Join the Buffaloes.

Lodge will be instituted and new members will be initiated every night at the regulation fee of 11c. Date, April 19, 21, 22 and 23.

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