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KILLS HIMSELF WITH SHOT GUN

While Preparing to Go Hunting Richard Elliston Accidentally Receives Fatal Injuries.

LIVES ONLY FEW HOURS

A shocking accident occurred at Stop Table, this county, last Saturday week when Richard Elliston, a son of A. Elliston of that vicinity accidentally shot himself to death while in the act of handling a gun. The boy was but sixteen years of age and, at the time of the accident, was living with his parents.

The young man, together with an older brother, was preparing to go hunting. He had gone into a room where the shot gun was kept and, taking it from its resting place, carried it into the kitchen. The weapon was of the twelve gauge variety and did not carry a particularly big charge.

Richard was holding the gun in his left hand and had reached toward a shelf in a cabinet to get some shells. In some manner, the hammer of the weapon struck the edge of the cabinet with such force that the gun was discharged, a portion of the load entering the boys head about an inch below the ear, tearing the latter completely off and exposing a portion of the brain. The balance of the charge went through the roof of the house.

Drs. Davies and Bryson of Callaway were sent for and hastened to the scene with all possible speed; but they found upon arriving that nothing could be done for the wounded boy, who passed away Sunday morning without regaining

consciousness. The funeral occurred the following afternoon, services being conducted at the Stop Table school house by the Rev. Mr. Isley.

Richard Charles Elliston was born January 6, 1897, in Cowley county, Kans., near Arkansas City and died Saturday, December 6, 1913. Six years ago, he came with his parents to Custer county where he has since resided. He is survived by a father, mother, nine sister, and five brothers, all of whom were present except one sister, Mrs. McKnight, of Hollis, Kans. He also leaves an aged grandfather, four aunts and five uncles, two of whom were present. —Custer County Chief.

Announcement that "Lena Rivers" will be offered at the opera house next Saturday night naturally brings a throb of joy to the hearts of our playgoers. The book of the same name from which Billie Burke made her dramatization is by Mrs. Mary J. Holmes, which assures a first class play with plenty of comedy and a profusion of tears. A crowded house is almost a certainty.

WOODMEN TO KEEP OLD RATES

Council Has Abandoned the Fight for Increased Rates.

THIS ENDS A BITTER FIGHT

Rock Island, Ill., Dec. 20.—The executive council of the Modern Woodman of America announced today that it had abandoned its fight for increased insurance rates, and that the question would not be proposed at the national head camp meeting to be held in June at Toledo, O., unless it originated from the membership.

This ends a bitter fight that has been waged within the society since the increased rates were ordered at the head camp meeting in Chicago two years ago. Several months ago the society was enjoined by the courts from enforcing the new rates, and it has since been operating under the old plan.

"An altogether delightful play is the universal sentiment of the immense audiences which have witnessed the international success, "Lena Rivers," a dramatization of Mrs. Mary J. Holmes' novel which will be presented at the Daddow opera house on next Sat. evening. The play was an instant hit last season and has repeated its hit this year everywhere presented. The play has been given a metropolitan production in every respect, and no weak point is to be found either in cast, scenery nor costuming. The latter has become a feature of the attraction and the gowns worn by the ladies of the company are said to be most beautiful.

THE SERVANT IN THE HOUSE

Lincoln Dramatical Club Ably Depict Popular Play to Large Audience

ALL MORE THAN PLEASED

"The Servant in the House" produced at the opera last Friday night by the University Dramatic Club, of Lincoln under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias Lodge of this city, was well attended and highly appreciated by all. It was the universal opinion of those who saw it that "The Servant in the House" was equal if not superior to "All of a Sudden, Peggy," played at the dedication of the new opera house by the same club a year or so ago.

The problem of the play as given in the lines of Robert, the drain man, the irreligious outcast brother "There's a lot of us brothers knockin' about, as nobody knows about" or in the words of the Hebrew Cain "Am I my brother's keeper?" It would be unfair to mention the ability of any one of the actors especially, but the mental and spiritual anguish of the Vicar as depicted by Cloyd Steward was undoubtedly a masterly presentation. The comedy parts in this very deep play were presented by Louis Horne as the Cockney page and R. K. Ammerman, the worldly vicar of Lancashire, were most welcome. As Miss Howell the coach, explained in her introductory speech the people are types rather than individuals a fact which rendered the play still more difficult to present. The play laid in England, was written by Charles Rann and Kennedy and first produced in England some three years ago. It has had a wonderful popularity in this country being strongly supported by the clergy. Mr. Zinke as the Oriental bishop of Benares presented the calm seer-ship of the Oriental and its wonderful effect on the Occidental mind both educated and uneducated. Miss Wilson made a most adorable little girl, and Miss Preece represented the worldly self-seeking wife influencing her husband very well, so that the whole cast it seemed, as one gentleman expressed it, "A bunch of stars".

Searle Davis the business manager and Miss Alice Howell the coach were both with the troupe again this year.

Every person interested in the best methods of Agricultural Extension should be present at the Conference which is to be held on Friday, January 23rd, during the week of Organized Agriculture at Lincoln. The meetings of this Conference are open to everybody and each topic will be discussed in detail by those attending the meeting. Many of the Extension leaders, such as Institute presidents and secretaries, have written that they will be present. The Farmers' Institutes, the Agricultural and Domestic Science Short Courses, the Junior work and reports of the work of the Extension Department for the preceding year will occupy the morning. The afternoon will be devoted entirely to the newest line of Extension work,—Farm Demonstrators. At this meeting reports will be given from the counties where Demonstrators are now at work by the Demonstrators themselves. The audience will be given the opportunity of asking any questions concerning the work. In the evening a special banquet will be held. It will be known as "The Dairy Train". As a matter of fact, it will be a take-off on the Dairy Train in the same manner as the Farmers' Institute Banquet was.

Miss Sina Christensen of Neligh, is spending the holiday days at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Chris Christensen, just north of Loup City.

We will do your repairing on gas engines and his week. Bring it in. A. C. Ogil.

Monday Chris Domgard sold the Crystal Bottling Works to Art Conger who will take possession at once. Further particulars in regard to the change of business and future movements next week.

The away-from-home, students including the Misses Outhouse, Ed Ohlson, Escove Owens and others are home from school for the holidays.

Clark Allman and family left the latter part of the week for their new home in Frankford, Kansas. We wish them success and happiness, but regret to see them leave Sherman county.

J. T. Parker of South Plains, Texas is visiting in this locality. Mr. Parker states everything in his part of Texas fine, both climate and crops, and that he likes it fine and will return about the 9th January.

CHILD ATTACKED BY WOLF HOUNDS

Right Cheek and Leg Badly Lacerated By Hounds Teeth

CHILD IN SERIOUS CONDITION.

Clara, the four-year old daughter of A. K. Dobesh, was attacked by a pack of hounds belonging to John Carothers at Ansley last Thursday. Her right cheek and leg were terribly lacerated by the hound's teeth and the child is suffering greatly from the shock.

Carothers had taken out the pack of a dozen wolf hounds to test them preparatory to selling them. He stopped at the Dobesh's for dinner. While Carothers and other members of the Dobesh family were at dinner the hounds attacked the little girl, dragging her to the ground. Before she could be rescued she had been torn by their teeth. She is still in a serious condition.—Arcadia Champion.

We wish to apologize to our readers for any delinquencies in the Northwestern this week, in the line of news or otherwise. Mr. Burleigh's absence in Iowa on account of the sickness and death of his eldest daughter and the rush of work of all descriptions, coupled with Xmas, forces us to neglect the paper sadly.

On account of the death of John McKinsie, father of the wife of the editor of the Booster. I am unable to publish the Booster for the week until the first of next week.

W. Z. Todd, editor.

ST. PAUL LAWYER ASSAULTED

T. T. Bell Beaten and Threatened in His Office by Will Moyer and Mrs. Richmond.

INJURED IN PAINFUL MANNER

Will Moyer and Mrs. M. Richmond entered T. T. Bell's office Monday afternoon and tried to compel him to surrender some papers which he was holding and which they, especially the latter, desired, and when he refused to deliver the papers they forced him to sign a statement they had already prepared before entering his office. In the mixup Mr. Bell was choked and struck on the head and injured in a painful manner.

As we understand the matter, when the demand was made on Mr. Bell to sign the statement that was presented to him, and when he refused to do so, he was certain trouble was in store for him, and he reached into a drawer in his desk and secured his revolver, putting same in his hip pocket for use if necessary. He no sooner had the revolver in his pocket than Mr. Moyer grabbed him and held him while Mrs. Richmond took the gun out of his pocket while Mr. Moyer had Mr. Bell in his power he choked him and threw him to the floor, and hit at least one hard blow on the head. He threatened to hurt him severely unless he

signed the statement, and when he refused he was told that he would be killed unless he did sign the statement. Then Mr. Bell signed the paper.

The principals in this case are all residents of this county. Mr. Bell resides in this city and Will Moyer resides in the north part of the county, north of Elba. Mrs. Richmond is living on his farm. Mr. Richmond is in Grand Island, we understand, working in some stockyards and she is living on the Moyer farm. She is a stranger to us, but we have known Mr. Moyer for a number of years and this is the first time we ever heard of him getting into trouble of any kind.

The case was taken into court at once when Mr. Bell swore out a complaint against Mr. Moyer for assault and battery. Also a complaint was sworn out requiring Mr. Moyer to keep the peace. Another complaint was sworn out against Mrs. Richmond for assault and battery. Her case will be tried with the others today.—St. Paul Phonograph.

MURDERED BOY FROM NEBRASKA

Harold Ziesche, the 15-year old boy who was beaten to death and robbed by a school companion in Los Angeles, was a native of Hooper. His parents formerly resided at that place and later made their home at Norfolk.

They went to Los Angeles to reside about a year ago. The Ziesche boy was clubbed and stoned to death and then dragged into a ravine. His assailant, who confessed to the crime, said that he did it "to get some money to entertain his sweetheart, who was coming to visit at his home that day."

Last Friday the first snow of the season fell in this locality, to the depth of at least two inches, being wet and heavy the wind accompanying it failed to cause many drifts and the earth is covered with a beautiful blanket of white that is of inestimable value to the winter wheat, and will give us a good old fashioned "white Christmas" once more.

A letter recently received by Dr. S. A. Allen, from Mrs. T. A. Pilger of Butte, Montana, she states that Mr. Pilger is rapidly regaining his health in their new home and all are well and happy. This is good news to their many friends here who will rejoice with his family in Mr. Pilger's return to good health once more.

A Cotesfield farmer on his way home from Elba the other day suddenly remembered that he had forgotten something, but what, he could not recall.

As he neared home the conviction increased, and three times he stopped his auto and went carefully through his pocketbook in the vain endeavor to discover what he had missed. In due course he reached home and was met by his daughter who looked at him in surprise and asked: "Why father, what have you done with mother?"

Mrs. J. A. Danielsen returned Saturday from her visit in Iowa, on her trip out she met with a painful accident at Red Oak where she changed cars, she fell over a curbstone badly bruising her face. The mishap was caused by her glasses becoming steamed over from stepping out of the warm car into the cold air and not being able to see where she was going and as her arms were full of bundles was unable to catch herself. We understand she is fast recovering from the effect of the jar.

Organized Agriculture at Lincoln

January 19 to 23, 1914.

Grain, live stock, rural economic, horticulture, domestic science good roads and other problems of interest to farmers will be discussed by the most competent lecturers followed by a free for all discussion by the audiences during week of Organized Agriculture at Lincoln. Practically all of the state associations meet at Lincoln during this week and have their state programs. The book of programs will soon be off the press

and can be secured by writing to G. W. Kline, State House, Lincoln, Nebraska. A combined Ham and Bacon, Grain and Horticultural Show, at which hundreds of dollars in premiums will be offered, will be a big feature this year. Reservations for rooms should be made early, either by writing to the Hotels or to the Lincoln Commercial Club where rooms can be located with private families. The town is always crowded with visitors during that week.

CHRISTMAS WEDDING BELLS

Mr. Horace Casteel and Miss Hazel Bennett were united in holy matrimony at the home of the parsonage Wednesday evening at 8:00 p. m. Reverend L. V. Slocum officiating. The bride and groom are both young people of this city and are well and favorably known. The Northwestern, with their many friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

Mr. John Curtis and Miss Ethel Sickles were united in holy matrimony at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. T. V. Slocum officiating. Miss Mable Smith and Mr. Elmer Beckman served as bridesmaid and groomsmen. The wedding dinner was served Christmas day at the groom's sisters'.

Mr. Harry Gardner and Miss Barbara Daisy Bock both of Loup City were united in holy matrimony at the home of the groom's mother Mrs. Mary A. Gardner, on Tuesday Dec. 23, 1913. Rev. L. V. Slocum officiating. Mrs. Almeda Watson of Wood River, Mrs. Mary Altwist of Bremen, North Dakota, and Mrs. Watson's daughter Mrs. R. V. Duffs and son Ray Watson were the out of town guests. The Northwestern with a host of friends join the relatives in extending congratulations and best wishes.

Erwin H. Beckman of Loup City, and Alice Mout of Ashland, Kans., and Clarence P. Jacobson and Mable Shipley both of Hazard were granted licenses by Judge Smith, Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Gilbert came home for the holidays yesterday.

Fritz Bichel is fast recovering from his recent accident.

True Leatherman of Arcadia was transacting business here Tuesday.

Robbed a Farmer and Asks for Bed in Jail

Shubert, Neb., Dec. 23.—Had police officials been content to give Ernest Blumenthal a night's lodging without first searching him the young man might have been allowed to depart this morning instead of occupying a cell and facing a charge of highway robbery.

James Chandler, a farmer living near here, last night held up and robbed of a gold watch. The highwayman fired two shots at Chandler, one of them grazing his head, before he submitted to a search. After he was allowed to depart he notified the police of the robbery. Blumenthal shortly afterward made his appearance at the police station, asking for a night's lodging. When he was searched preparatory to being given a bed, the watch was found in his pocket. Blumenthal confessed to the robbery and was locked up.—Star.

Hay For Sale

We have hay and alfalfa to sell by the bale, ton, or car lots. Delivered free in town if you buy 5 bales at one time. Taylor's Elevator.

ASHTON NEWS IN BRIEF FORM

Mrs. Mungo Vincent is on the sick list.

Watch for the announcement of an Ashton wedding.

W. Fletcher was a passenger for Loup City, Monday.

John Kalkowski and family of Holt county are visiting relatives here.

Agnes Sotkieska visited friends and relatives in Loup City Thursday and Friday.

Ed Kwiatkowski and Tommy Galonski returned home Tuesday after a two weeks' visit in Omaha.

The Misses Lila McNulty and Anna Kwiatkowski were auto passengers to Lukaczewski's hill on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Wardyn returned home Tuesday night after a months visit with relatives in Illinois.

Edward Lukaczewski arrived from York where he is attending college, to spend the Xmas holidays.

Rosie Topolski visited the Misses Thecla Popolski and Teresa Grabowski last Thursday and Friday.

Peter Badura is home again, he is feeling fine and will not have to return for further treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Mungo Vincent were passengers to St. Paul Friday, Mr. Vincent returned the same evening, while Mrs. Vincent stayed for medical treatment until Monday's freight.

Ignac Polski arrived home Saturday to spend the Xmas holidays. Clarence Wanek is expected Tuesday. They are both attending Creighton.

A fire started in the Pool Hall Monday evening while generating a gaso line stove. A crowd gathered and it was extinguished without damage.

Ignac Wesierski met with an accident last Wednesday, when his team became frightened and ran away, John Rapp proved himself a hero in rescuing Ignac and stopping the team. Ignac was taken to Doctor Wanek and the result was a broken arm.

F. Dirdowski, John Fredrich and Jos. Sonnenfeld were called in last week by Postoffice Inspector Rice of Lincoln on charge of taking down a mail box belonging to Jacob Zelenski on August 10th. They were taken to Grand Island Friday for hearing by the United States Commissioner. Just what the results will be is not known at this writing. John Revoltinski, John Sonnenfeld and Adam Fredrich accompanied them for bonds men.