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THREE RUN OVER BY AUTOMOBILE

Mrs. Will Clark and Two Children of Ord, Run Over by Auto and All Escape With Minor Injuries.

APPARENTLY UNAVOIDABLE ACCIDENT.

Monday evening an accident occurred on the streets which, for fortunate ending, could not be duplicated once in a thousand times.

At about 9:00 o'clock in the evening W. E. Dunning was driving down the street from the north intending to turn the corner to the west at the old First National Bank corner.

As he approached the corner he observed Mrs. Will Clark and her children crossing the street going south to the Milford corner. He was driving slowly, as his custom is, but seeing Mrs. Clark he threw the clutch out. Mrs. Clark saw him and started to move quickly to the south and he threw the clutch in again and turned in behind them.

One of the children called to his mother that a car was coming, and she, evidently thinking that another car was coming, turned quickly and ran back to the northwest immediately in front of the Dunning car.

She had her arms about the children and all three were run over by the car.

Mr. Dunning had just that instant thrown the clutch in, but when the pedestrians came back in front of the car he attempted to release it again, but in his haste missed it and fell forward onto the steering wheel with such force as to knock the breath out of him. He was momentarily unconscious but rallied so as to step his car before further damage was done. Some friend got in the car with him and helped him home with it.

The injured woman and children were looked after at once by on-lookers. They were taken at once to the Billings hospital and found to be considerably bruised, but no bones broken.

Mrs. Clark was the worst hurt. The car had passed over all their bodies, but all were fortunately missed by the wheels. How this could happen is as fortunate as remarkable.

Being a small woman Mrs. Clark's body was able to slip between the bottom shield and the

earth without fatal results, but not, however, without severe bruises. Her hips and legs were greatly injured and many other injuries were received on other parts of the body.

One child had a deep cut on her forehead and the boy had his face and one leg badly bruised.

All are doing well and Mrs. Clark is able to sit up this morning and will be out of the hospital in a few days.

This is one of the accidents that no one can be much blamed for. Mr. Dunning was driving very slowly and Mrs. Clark knew of his presence. But being frightened by another call of an approaching car was naturally confused and, thinking only of saving her children, put her arms around them and all went down in a heap. Had she not done this one or both of them would have been hit by the wheels of the heavy car and probably killed.

The accident was a severe shock to Mr. Dunning, and of course he is doing all that can be done for the relief of the injured ones.—Ord Quiz.

5 Killed 1 Seriously Hurt in Automobile Accident

Theo. D. Wilson on Tuesday of this week handed us a copy of the Los Angeles Examiner of June 26, containing the account of an auto accident at night at the beach near that city, in which five people were killed, one of them being Miss Myrtle Brandon, a niece of Mrs. Wilson. A party of six were joy riding, when by some reason the car got out of the road and in the dark plunged over a 120-foot cliff, resulting in the death of five of the party and breaking both legs, collar bone, two ribs and hip fracture of the

AUTO AND MOTOR NEARLY CLASH

Will Hawk Has Close Shave From a Serious Collision.

MOTOR JUST GRAZES CAR

Last Saturday evening, as Will Hawk was autoing to his home a few miles south of town, accompanied by his wife and another lady, he narrowly escaped having his car demolished by the incoming U. P. motor, and perhaps serious accident or death to the occupants.

The accident, or near-accident occurred at the crossing east of the depot. Mr. Hawk was just about to drive across the tracks, and near the main line when he saw the motor coming, and thinking it not safe to speed across ahead, attempted to reverse the car and backed, but instead killed his engine. Motorman Morris saw the car so perilously near and coming and put on the reverse and brakes but was unable to stop so close and just grazed the Hawk car which had stopped so close to the rails. While no one was injured, yet the closeness to it left all concerned in a rather nervous state of mind for some time after.

J. E. Simmons and wife of Salem, S. D., and Mrs. Robt. Smith of Palmyra, arrived by auto last Thursday night for a few days' visit at the home of W. T. Owens. They returned to their homes Monday morning, Mrs. Owens accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Simmons to their home for a visit.

WILL WRESTLE TO A FINISH

Miller and Kersenbrock Have Match To Night.

GUARANTEED A FINISH MATCH.

This evening, our local champion of the mat, Warren Miller, will again take on Farmer Kersenbrock of Lincoln, with whom he wrestled some weeks ago for an hour and a half to a draw. This second contest is guaranteed to the Northwestern to be a finish wrestle, no draw to go, and one or the other will have his shoulders pinned to the mat. This the writer has the assurance will be a certainty, no draw to be considered. The Farmer is a seasoned wrestler and one of the very best in the state, and one who has wrestled such men as Dr. Roller of Seattle for 90 minutes before getting pinned to the mat, and Roller is known to be a top-notch in the game. Miller has never been thrown since his first contest on the mat, which was by Joe Stecher, when Warren was new to the game. Since that time, Miller has thrown such men as Lee Scott and has made such good ones as Jack Meyers weaken and squeal quits. You should not miss seeing the boys work and you may be sure there will be something doing every minute from the call of time till one or the other is defeated.

A Dwindling Political Party

The figures presented by the republican national statisticians show fairly conclusively that the progressive party will cut a small figure in the coming elections. They indicate that while the democrats have not lost any great number of supporters from the ranks of those who voted the ticket in 1912, the republicans who went off after Roosevelt have very generally returned to the republican fold. Only a nucleus will remain for the progressives and the future existence depends upon whether the old parties will split up into their natural divisions. The old south is in the saddle in democratic congress, and it is reactionary. The east is in closer touch with the southern sentiment than it is with western. If the two old parties are captured by the standpatters—and the chances favor them because the big politicians and the organization are theirs—the progressives in the republican and democratic ranks might all leave and join the Roosevelt party. But this is unlikely because experience has shown that party ties and the hope of party victory are powerful cohesive forces. There is no immediate prospect of that political explosion which will force the natural alignment of progressives on one side and conservatives on the other. With the reaction that has come, the republicans stand an excellent chance of regaining lost ground. This is especially true in Nebraska, where the party has been dominated by progressives for six or eight years.—Lincoln News.

Accidentally Shoots His Foot Off

Wednesday afternoon of this week, just after the noon hour, Fred Foster, met with an accident, necessitating the amputation of his left foot just above the toes. Mr. Foster had taken a nap after dinner and upon leaving the house to hitch his team noticed a big rat and getting his shot gun to shoot it made a misstep just outside the door, causing a premature discharge of the gun, the shots penetrating the foot just above the toes, necessitating the amputation of that member, which was performed by the Drs. Bowman, when called to attend the injured man, and as we go to press shortly after the operation, he is resting nicely.

RIGHT ARM BADLY BURNED

Miss Vida Cowling Has Narrow Escape From Serious Accident.

GASOLINE IN WATER EXPLODES

Last Friday morning, while assisting her mother with the family washing, Miss Vida Cowling of this city was badly burned on the right arm from the elbow to wrist, and also burned somewhat on the right side of the face. Mrs. Cowling had placed some gasoline in the boiler of water on the stove and placed the cover thereon, and a few minutes later ask her daughter to go in the room and remove the cover. As she did so, the gasoline exploded, the flames bursting therefrom and burning her quite badly as related above with the exception of that portion of the arm, which was not exposed, and received a great blister the full length, and the slighter burns on the right side of the face, which will take some time to heal, and the consequent attending the same, the young lady will soon be all right again.

Among our announcements this week will be found that of Raymond E. Dale, former superintendent of our city schools, a well known educator of the state, and at present one of our successful farmers. Should Prof. Dale receive the nomination and subsequent election, he will take with him to the senate a well stored mind and ability to represent his constituents in a most satisfactory manner on all questions of import.

AGED FARMER DIES OF INJURIES

Old and Respected Farmer of Near Callaway, Dies of Blood Poisoning From Cuts Received Sunday in a Binder Accident.

TEAM BECAME FRIGHTENED AND RAN AWAY.

Robert Gordon, an old and respected resident of the county, living about three miles west of Callaway, died of blood poisoning Tuesday of this week as a result of being badly cut and mangled last Sunday by a binder.

It appears that Mr. Gordon was engaged in cutting wheat and when the accident occurred had stepped in front of the team hitched to the binder. The horses became frightened and started to run, knocking the old man down and in such a position that the binder passed over his body.

The machine did awful work and when assistance arrived it was found that outside of other dangerous injuries Mr. Gordon's right leg had been frightfully cut and mangled. Dr. Bryson of Callaway was called to attend the injured man and for a few hours entertained hopes that amputation might not become necessary.

But shortly afterwards, gangrene set in and the surgeon realized that the leg must be sacrificed in order to save the patient's life, if such a thing were possible. On Sunday, Dr. C. L. Mellins

of this city was sent for, but when he arrived he found that his services were hardly needed as the patient was then breathing his last.

The deceased was about sixty years of age and one of the prosperous farmers of the southwest section. He leaves a wife and children.—Broken Bow Chief.

Meeker Found in Seattle Wash.

Howard L. Meeker, the young farmer residing near Llewellen, who last February mysteriously disappeared between Chicago and Grand Island, has been located, but no effort will be made to bring him back to Nebraska. He is now in Seattle, where he has been for six months.

Meeker, it will be remembered, took a car of horses to Chicago and sold them on the market there. They were from his father's ranch, the father being one of the ranchers of Garden county, Nebraska. It was learned that the horses were sold and that the young man visited his mother, who was ill in a Chicago hospital. He left her, telling her he was going home. That was the last seen of him by friends or relatives. However, later it was learned that he had bought a railroad ticket from Chicago to Grand Island.

The young wife of Meeker, who was left at Llewellen clung to the idea that her husband had been murdered and the father was just as certain. A large sum of money was posted as a reward, but this failed to result in locating the missing man. Later, though, the reward was pulled down and now word comes to Omaha that Howard L. Meeker is in Seattle. At the time of his disappearance there were some who hinted that there was no murder, but that it was simply a getaway and that there was another woman in the case.

It now develops that this is the situation. Recent developments show that young Meeker was met by a nurse of that place they went west, not stopping permanently until they reached Seattle.

Old Fireworks Explode in Kitchen Stove

One of the almost amusing, though serious sequences of the Fourth occurred at the Joe O' Bryan home on the morning after. In the yard the remains of a fireworks ball was found unburned. Seeing that there was in the wreckage a parcel evidently containing some sort of explosive he warned his wife to take care of it so that the children would not harm themselves with it. Accordingly she put it in the stove along with other litter picked up. Then she touched a match to the stuff

and went on about her work in all serenity. Presently there was a great explosion in the kitchen and the head of the house went to see what was up, while the rest of the family was scared too. It was found that the lids and all the top of the kitchen stove had been blown off and along with it went the tea kettle. Things looked bad enough, but after all the damage consisted in a smoked up kitchen and a shock to the nerves. It did not take the family long to figure out what had caused the explosion.—Ord Quiz.

Unique Way to Get Farm Hands

Ambrose Huntington, a farmer residing west of Giltner, last week posted the following sign along a highway in front of his home:

"I need five harvest hands for more than a month. Wages, \$3 per day; chicken once a day, washing, mending and a bed in the haymow. Every worthy young man hired will have a chance to marry one of my pretty five daughters. If he wins one of them he gets 100 acres of land thrown in. But he's got to make good in more ways than one."

Huntington had more than a half hundred applicants. The five lucky ones are hard at work in the wheat fields today. However, they are far from happy, for it became known that the five daughters, ranging from 18 to 25 years old, are planning to leave in a day or two for an extended vacation in the New England states.

J. L. Baillie, who has been visiting friends at La Fox, Ills., since last October, returned home last Friday. It seems good to have him back among us once more.

Miss Lillie Lofholm resigned her position with the Loup City Mercantile Co. last Saturday evening and Miss Elizabeth Leininger Monday morning accepted the clerkship made vacant by her resignation. Miss Leininger will undoubtedly fill in a most satisfactory manner the place made vacant by Miss Lofholm.

P. L. Curry and family were down from Elm township Tuesday, coming to attend the Wild West show, which failed to materialize. Of course, Porter came to please wife and children, not that he cared for a circus.

Art Elsner has been wrestling with sciatic rheumatism the past few days.

9 Year Old Boy Breaks Arm

While riding after the cows Tuesday, the 9-year-old son of Mrs. Zwarowski, near town, had his right arm broken near the wrist.

He was passing under a tree on his pony when he was caught on a limb and dragged from the animal's back, resulting in the accident as noted above. Dr. Bowman was called and set the broken bones and the lad will be all right in a few days.

Attempt to Burn Ord Post Office

At a late hour last Thursday night a futile attempt was apparently made to burn the Ord post-office. John Ward, Tom Wright and Roy Collison were in a photograph gallery across the street from the postoffice when their attention was arrested by a fire in the doorway. They ran over and extinguished the flames before any damage was done. They found a pint flask that had been filled with kerosene and a patented cigar lighter on the tile flooring of the postoffice entrance, but near the wood panel through which there are openings for depositing mail from the outside.

It seems probable to James Milford, who owns the building, that the attempt had been made to drop the opened bottle of oil into the mail box and then ignite it with the lighter, but the was too thick for the opening, so the flame was started outside. The postoffice is in the big brick building that is a part of the big Milford store, a frame structure.

Mrs. Garrett and little daughter are here from Aurora visiting with the lady's brother, E. M. Marvel, on Route 2.

Mrs. L. H. Knight Suffers Relapse

Mrs. O. Benschoter left Monday morning for Edgewood, Ia., called by a telegram that her mother, Mrs. L. H. Knight was very low and might not recover. Mrs. Knight suffered a paralytic stroke some four weeks ago, from which she was reported convalescing evidently she suffered a relapse, though no particulars were received further than given above. She was accompanied to Edgewood by her sister-in-law, Mrs. S. F. Reynolds, who will visit her brother, James McDonald, victim of the circular saw accident mentioned in another column this week.

A number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Johansen gave them a genuine surprise party Monday evening of this week, it being the twelfth anniversary of their marriage, by invading the Johansen home to the number of twenty-five and taking possession. A good time was had by all.

Judge Wall is enjoying a visit from his brother-in-law, Mr. Huttlinger, from Alaska, where the gentleman went from Seattle, and who is on a trip to various portions of the states.

Don't Forget to File by the 18th

Remember, the date for closing the filings of candidates before the primaries will be this week Saturday, July 18th. There is some contention that the close will be on the 20th, instead of the 18th, but if you wish to be a de facto candidate before the primaries, you would better not delay till the latter date before filing, or you may get left.

O. A. Woods, wife and daughter visited last Sunday with relatives in Howard county.

Automobile Turns Turtle Twice

Dr. Weinman, the veterinary surgeon of Arcadia, had an auto experience one night last week, which he does not care to repeat. He was out in the country on a call, and was hitting the air about as fast as the wheels would turn, when in some manner the car turned turtle twice over, but he succeeded in getting out of it in nearly correct form, while his car was not so lucky and came out of the contest in a rather dilapidated condition. Some men are born lucky, some men achieve luck and some men have luck thrust upon them, and evidently the doctor is a sample of the trinity.

The management of the Ravenna Creamery Co. which suffered such a disastrous fire a short time since wishes the Northwestern to tender their warmest thanks to the friends generally and the patrons of their creamery here for their assistance at the time of the fire and since, for the sympathy extended, and for the most generous response of all patrons to continue their business under the trying circumstances following the loss of their plant. The company believe and have every reason so to feel that the people of Loup City and surrounding country are the very salt of the earth among to the best of living humanity.