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WAR ZONE AT ROCKVILLE

Three Beligerents Contribute Fifty Plunks Each for the Fun of Shooting Up the Town and Raising Shool.

A GENUINE WAR SCARE INDULGED IN

On Tuesday of this week, Sheriff Williams went down to Rockville and gathered into his tender care Jake and Carl Koch and Louis Locke, on complaints that the aforesaid men had been shooting up the saloon of George Tockey and the pool hall, and the first-named charged with threatening to do bodily harm to one of the complainants, William F. Jacob.

From the story as told, and the complaints as filed, the aforesaid Koch boys and Locke imbibed too much fighting fluid Monday evening, the 14th and undertook to hold an old-time Wild and Woolly West Carnival of shooting and rough-house tactics, using Tockey's saloon and the pool hall as their base of operations. In pursuance of their plans, and they pleaded guilty thereto, they gun-played the saloon, at least, puncturing the furniture and fixtures with leaden pills, and Jake perpetrated strangle holds on the neck of Mr. Jacob, with added threats of what he would do in case the latter had him

Nels A. Nelson Commits Suicide

Shortly before the supper hour last night Nels A. Nelson, who has lived on the fair ground the past few years, committed suicide by hanging himself in one of the barns on the ground. After drinking a cup of coffee at about five o'clock Mr. Nelson took the milk pail and went to the barn for the evening chores, as was his custom. Some time later his son, Richard, on going to the barn, found the milk pail near the entrance. The pail contained his father's purse. Immediate search resulted in the finding of the body hanging lifeless in another part of the building. Coroner Woodard was called, but decided that no inquest was necessary, the case being clearly one of suicide.

Mr. Nelson was 57 years of age and came from Stromsburg to Aurora about ten years ago. There are three children, who with the wife survive him. The children are Mrs. Fred Stewart, Therese Nelson, who is employed at the Einer Petersen store, and Richard, the 22-year-old son, who resides at home.

At this early hour—Thursday morning—funeral arrangements have not been completed—Aurora Sun of Dec 17.

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 19.—Joe Stecher, the demon of the mat from Dodge, Neb., took two falls from Leon, a Russian whirlwind, tonight with such apparent ease that those who had placed their money on the Muscovite hadn't a word to say when the typhoon passed over. Stecher took the first fall in 9 minutes and 53 seconds and allowed the second round to run 9 minutes flat so the crowd could get its money's worth.

The Junior class of the Loup City High school, will give an oyster supper, Tuesday, Dec. 29th in the basement of the Methodist church. Supper beginning at 5:30 p. m. Come and enjoy a good time and the excellent "eats."

Mrs. Drusilla Pedler slipped on an icy walk at Central office Tuesday evening and broke her left arm. She is peculiarly unfortunate, having but recently recovered from a broken right arm.

Charley Ling lost a cow a two calves last week. Hard luck, about \$75 worth.

arrested. However, intimidation did not go deep enough to prevent Mr. Tockey from filing complaint against the three men for their artillery performance, nor prevent Mr. Jacob from swearing out a peace warrant against Jake Koch, resulting in the trio of warriors being hauled before Judge Smith on the Tuesday aforesaid, when they plead guilty and were fined \$25 each on two counts, and Jake was put under bonds of \$500 to keep the peace for one year from date. In settlement of the trouble, defendants contributed \$150 assessed and were released.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Outhouse are made happy this holiday season by having a genuine reunion of the entire family. All the daughters came home last Saturday evening, Miss Meroe from her school in the country, Miss Emma from Spencer, where she has been principal of the schools for the past four years, Miss Winnie from Ravenna, where she is teaching in the city schools, and Miss Orpha from the State University.

The Presbyterian Sunday school will give their Christmas program Thursday evening. The exercise entitled: "An Interrupted Program." This is a Cantata of unusual interest, which represents a Sabbath school about to begin a Christmas program, when it is first interrupted by two street-waifs, who want to come in and get warm. When they are about ready to start again a boot black breaks in on the program. Finally Santa Claus himself interrupts their program.

Miller-Reif Mat Match Monday December 28

Next Monday evening at the opera house, Warren Miller of this city will go up against Julius A. Rief, the wrestling champion of Kansas, in a finish mat match. Miller is at present training at the home of and under Lee Scott, the big Ansley wrestler, whom Miller threw here last season. Rief is a big husky from Hoisington, Kansas, and the champion of

his state. The contest promises to be the very best held in this section of the state, with two of the best men on the mat engaged. Rief has a big reputation at stake, and we know Miller to be about the best, if not the best, in this part of the state at least. Lovers of the wrestling game should not miss it.

G. B. Wilkie lost his pocket-book containing \$30 last Saturday in this city, somewhere between the Rexall drug store and O. A. Wood's livery barn. Finder will confer a favor and be liberally rewarded by leaving same with Mr. Wilkie or at the Northwestern office.

A baby boy was born Thursday, Dec. 17, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. John Gross, on Route 2. The Northwestern extends heartiest congratulations to the happy young parents.

Don't forget the oyster supper on Tuesday, Dec. 29th, to be given in the basement of the Methodist church, by the Juniors. Don't fail to go and help a good cause.

Johnny Burrows is here spending holiday season with his good mother and host of friends hereabouts.

W. E. Henry and family arrived last Thursday from Flagler, Colo., to spend the holiday season with their parents and relatives.

LOST FINGERS ON RIGHT HAND

Bert Bresley Meets Fate of Many Corn Sheller Operators.

MITTEN CATCHES IN CHAIN

Tuesday was an unlucky day for Bert Bresley. He has been operating a corn sheller this fall, at which he is a pusher and successful. But bad luck came to him Tuesday.

He was just finishing up a job at Jim Arnold's and pushing the work along to be ready for dinner. While the machine was being worked to full capacity so as to finish up a setting before the noon hour the chain for the feeder ran off. He stopped the engine and with a skill that the work has given him he attempted, as he had done doubtless many times, a quick replacing of the chain by making use of the last end of the momentum of machinery to boost the chain into place. But this time he missed out or did more than he intended. He put the chain in place all right, but his mitten was caught by the wheel and his fingers were drawn around over the wheel. The force of the machinery was sufficient to pass the hand over the wheel and clear it, so that he was not pinned there as he might have been, but the trip over cost him four fingers. He was able to draw his hand with the mangled fingers out of the clutch, though his mitten was still held.

It was found that the four fingers were crushed and the thumb bruised.

Three fingers were amputated below the second joints, and the index finger below the first joint.

The thumb, also, was badly hurt, an injury that would have been considered some if it were not overtopped by the graver injuries to the other members of the hand.

The injured man will get along all right as far as recovery is concerned, but the loss of so much of his hand is a serious thing indeed. —Ord Quiz.

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Quiet Wedding at Miller Home

A quiet wedding took place Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1914, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller, just west of this city, Miss Marie S. Miller being united in wedlock to Mr. John William Hatch, the Rev. J. L. Dunn of the First Baptist church officiating. The ceremony took place at the hour of 11:30 o'clock, following which those present sat down to a sumptuous dinner provided by the bride's mother. The happy couple took the noon motor for points in Illinois, where they will visit for perhaps a month with relatives of Mr. Hatch, after which they will return and be at home to their many friends on the groom's farm west of this city. The bride is a lovely girl and has a host of friends among her associates from

DOCKET OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Proceedings of the Last Session of the District Court for 1914

TWENTY-TWO CASES DISPOSED OF

Last week Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, was the last session of the District Court for the present year. There were 22 cases in all, which were disposed of, that forenoon and Judge Hostetler was enabled to get through in time to take the motor at noon for home.

Disposition:

Rider Wallace vs. Chase, et al, foreclosure of mortgage; sale confirmed, deed ordered.

Dierks Lumber and Coal Co. vs. Bass, et al; foreclosure of mechanic's lien; defendant given leave to file petition in ten days.

Farris vs. Pageler, two bankruptcy cases; pending.

Louis Domgard vs. Larity V. Petersen, et al., foreclosure of contract; stay.

Jenner vs. Douglas, et al., to quiet title; decree as prayed for.

Engle vs. Edmondston, et al., to quiet title; decree as prayed for.

Schoening vs. Schoening, et al., suit in partition; sale confirmed, deed ordered.

Stobbe vs. Galczenski, et al., foreclosure of mortgage; sale confirmed, deed ordered.

Miner vs. Petersen, et al., suit on note; decree for plaintiff.

Domgard vs. Sherman County, damage suit; decree for plaintiff.

Rinden vs. Patton, equity case; passed.

Kriebel vs. Grace Stevens Ernest, petition; case passed, no service.

Andersen vs. Anderson, petition; decree for plaintiff.

Liebert vs. Miller, petition in equity; ten days to answer.

Long vs. Zoucha, et al., petition in foreclosure; second cause of action, find for plaintiff.

Ballard, et al., vs. Shehan, et al., petition; for plaintiff.

Adams vs. Kuhn, petition; ten days to file amended petition.

Gibson vs. Sherman County, judgement; reversed, mandate from supreme court.

Snyder vs. Holbrook & Hogue, et. al. partition; clerk directed to discharge les pendis.

The following five named gentlemen appeared before the court and were granted their naturalization papers: Victor Viener, Gustaf Zavgren, Richard Zavgren, Gust. Forsman and John Stanzky.

childhood up. The groom is one of our very best and most enterprising young farmers and is respected by all who knew him. The Northwestern, with our people generally will follow them with best wishes for their happiness and prosperity in the future.

Roy Chapman, who has been working the past summer at the carpenter business at Rembrandt, Iowa, came home last Saturday and will probably remain over the winter. Roy is looking fine and feeling better. He says no one at home can understand how welcome the home paper is to one who is away from home, nor how anxiously it is looked for each week. He pays a most welcome tribute to the Northwestern.

Miss Melvia Danielson came home Monday from Duluth, Minn., to visit over the holidays.

Claude Burt is home from Lincoln for the holidays.

In the wrestling match at Arcadia Monday night, Miller threw his man in 16 minutes and 5 seconds with a half-Nelson and crotch toe hold, and was given the match as Viva was too badly knocked-out to continue the game.

BREVITIES OF EASTERN WAR

Things Much the Same on Both Sides.

ALBANIA DECLARES WAR ON SERVA

German war ships bombarded cities on the eastern coast of England last Wednesday morning, doing much damage and some loss of lives. After shelling an hour, they retired before the English fleet could get them.

The allies assumed the offensive along the Belgian territory last week Wednesday and will try and drive the German forces from Belgian territory.

It is reported at Constantinople that the tribes of northern Albania have declared war on Serbia. Another combination formed in the war game.

Mercury dropped way below zero over the country last week. Of course on account of the European war. What next?

Look out. Uncle Sam may yet get into it. He has sent warships down to the Panama canal to enforce neutrality. The old man proposes to be neutral, if he has to fight to maintain his neutrality.

At their last meeting, Dec. 10,

the A. O. U. W. Lodge of Loup City, elected the following officers: Joseph Daddow, Master Workman; Jay Cole, Foreman; William Rowe, Overseer; T. D. Wilson, Financier; S. N. Sweetland, Recorder; W. T. Gibson, Recorder; Arthur Hansel, Guide; John Needhan, Inside Watch; E. H. Chafee, Outside Watch; W. H. Huse, Trustee; Dr. Kearns, M. D.

Mrs. C. H. Ryan and little son, Frank, left Wednesday morning for Gresham, Nebr., to visit over the holidays with her parents and sisters.

Don't forget the Germania Verein masked ball to be held at the Daddow opea house New Year's Eve. It promises to be the event of the season.

The Home Contest Closes December 25

Tomorrow, Dec. 25, at 12 o'clock, noon closes the Merchants' Contest, and all tickets must be in the ballot box by that hour. The committee has concluded to offer the following five special prizes to boys and girls, in addition to the grand prize, as follows:

Special for Boys—1st, 22-rifle; 2nd, an air-rifle. 3rd and 4th, pair

of skates each.

Specials for Girls—1st, silk parasol; 2nd, pair of nickle-plated skates. The prizes will be given away at the Dreamland Theatre on the evening of Monday, Dec. 28.

Mrs. Frank Martin returned last Friday from a ten-days visit at York.

Along Rural Route Two

Glen Cash marketed corn at Loup City last week.

Henry Obermiller sold hogs and cattle in Loup City, Thursday.

Bern Wilkie was sick several days last week.

Simeon Iossi had shellers at his home last week.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Gross, last Thursday.

J. P. Hansen marketed several loads of hogs in Loup City last Thursday.

The Bogseth girls are spending the holidays at their home at Erickson, Nebr.

Wilbur Curry and J. E. Roush and families will take Christmas dinner at the Goodwin home.

Veva Wilkie is home from Cen-

CONTEST CLOSED LAST SATURDAY

C. C. Cooper Winner of the Maxwell Auto, Miss Miss Alta Johnson Won the Diamond and the Watches Go to Mrs. Norseen and Mrs. Mickow.

GIVES NICE ADDITION TO OUR BIG LIST.

Last Saturday closed the Northwestern's big subscription contest, and by it we have added a most satisfactory number of new readers, while an even larger number of old readers have assisted the contestants very materially by handing in renewals. We wish to thank contestants, and old and new subscribers, and all who have assisted contestants in securing renewals and new subscribers, and have in season and out of season spoken a kind and encouraging word for the paper. To these friends we extend heartiest compliments of the season, and thank them most heartily, one and all. For the very few enemies and knockers, who have tried so hard, and failed so signally, to encompass failure of the contest, we have only the utmost contempt, and believe with the old saw that "what you sow, that will you also reap." In the wind up of the

H. S. Conger has purchased the feed and flour business of R. F. Rowe at Arcadia and will take possession of the same the first of January. Mr. Conger went up to Arcadia Monday and closed the deal. He has three lots there upon which we understand he will erect a building and later install the business there. Mr. Conger is one of the live wires of Loup City, and is as full of energy as the air was of snowflakes here last Sunday, and that would be going some. That he will make a success of the business is assured in advance. We bespeak for him and his splendid wife the very best welcome from Arcadians, for they are well worthy.

Some Cheap Advertising

When a man wants something for nothing he generally gets nothing of value. Dr. E. W. Northrup, who has lived at Miller for many years and is a most excellent physician and an old school gentleman, is now visiting his daughter, Mrs. Sibert, at Hewitt, Minnesota. While there he became acquainted with this condition: "A minister received from a patent medicine concern a proposition to supply the congregation with song books free of cost, and explained that there would be a few inoffensive advertisements in the book. The minister concluded he would order the books and after they arrived he passed them out to his congregation on Sunday morning and explained how he got them. Concluding his remarks he said, "We will sing No. 247." The first stanza went through all right, but consternation was turned loose when the choir reached the second verse and sang:

"Hark, the heavenly angels sing, Johnson's pills are just the thing— Angelic voices, meek and mild— Two for man and one for child."

—Kearney Democrat.

Mr. Petersen is a splendid road boss winter or summer.

W. A. Carnes of Taylor, S. D., arrived here last Thursday noon for a visit over Christmas time with his sister, Mrs. Theo. Wilson.

The Misses Mable and Zoe Leeper arrived last Saturday from their Kansas home to visit over the holiday season with friends here.

Found—An iron crow bar between west bridge and town. Owner call at this office, receive property and pay for this notice.

Guy Martin went to Grand Island last Saturday, where he has been engaged as chauffeur for Dr. Flippin.

Miss Orena and Mr. Edwin Ohlsen are home from the State University for the holidays.