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NEWS ITEMS FROM THE PAST

FIFTY YEARS AGO

From Journal, Feb. 25, 1891—Nearly a car load of passengers arrived on No. 5 this morning from Pekin, Ill., to become permanent settlers of this county. Among them were two families of nine persons, one family of ten and one eight persons, to-wit: John Meisinger and family, J. G. Meisinger and family, Peter Meisinger and family and Adam Moore and family. John and J. G. Meisinger will settle in Eight Mile Grove, and Peter Meisinger and Adam Moore have bought farms in Plattsmouth precinct. They are all good sound democrats.

Death of Mrs. J. M. Wood

From Journal, March 16, 1891—Mrs. Selinda L. Wood, wife of Rev. J. M. Wood, pastor of the South Park Baptist tabernacle, died at 11:55 a. m. yesterday of consumption, after a lingering illness of some years. The funeral services will take place on Wednesday, March 18, at 10 o'clock a. m. at the Baptist church in South Park. Rev. J. J. Keeler of Central City will conduct the services.

Death of Mrs. Ann Erwin

From Journal Feb. 16, 1891—A telegram was received last night from Louisville announcing the death of Mrs. Ann Erwin, grandmother of Telegraph Agent R. W. Clement of this city. Mrs. Erwin was born in New Castle, England on the 17th of February eighty-two years ago. Mr. Clement and his mother will leave for Louisville tonight or in the morning. The funeral will be held Thursday.

Thirty Years Ago

In a head-on collision between northbound Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 105 and a south-bound special freight a half mile north of Fort Crook depot at 8:49 o'clock yesterday morning, seven persons were killed outright and twenty-three injured, three fatally. The catastrophe was due either to a misunderstanding of orders on the part of the freight crew or the failure of the train dispatcher to issue orders at South Omaha, detaining the freight at that point until the express had passed.

The express, from Kansas City, and running an hour and fifteen minutes late, was traveling at the rate of fifty miles an hour a few seconds before the crash. The Missouri Pacific and Burlington tracks run parallel for a distance of a mile or more. The main line of the former is single tracked. The engineer of both trains believed the other was on the Burlington. Neither saw their mistake until too late to avert disaster.

A number of Cass county people were victims of the wreck. Miss Frances Lillian Kanka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Kanka, was instantly killed. An actress whose home is thought to be in Washington, was booked to play in Omaha. Among the injured were included Charles F. Nichols, Murray, railroad man whose left leg was bruised and scalp hurt; W. G. Richards, right leg broken, internal injuries.

How One Woman Lost 20 Pounds of FAT

Lost Her Prominent Hips
Lost Her Double Chin
Lost Her Sluggishness

Gained a More Shapely Figure and the Increase in Physical Vigor and Vivaciousness Which So Often Comes With Excess Fat Reduction.

Thousands of women are getting fat and losing their appeal just because they do not know what to do. Why not be smart — do what thousands of women have done to get off pounds of unwanted fat. Take a half teaspoonful of Kruschen in a glass of hot water first thing every morning to gently activate liver, bowels and kidneys—cut down your caloric intake—eat wisely and satisfyingly—there need never be a hungry moment!

Keep this plan up for 30 days. Then weigh yourself and see if you haven't lost pounds of ugly fat. Just see if this doesn't prove to be the surprise of your life and make you feel like shouting the good news to other fat people. And best of all a jar of Kruschen that will last you for 4 weeks costs but little. If not joyfully satisfied—money back.

Twenty-five Years Ago

(March 31, 1916)

Joseph Henry Fairfield, 59, who was the son of George M. Fairfield and Sarah Jane McKenney, died Sunday at Minatare, Nebraska. Born in Fort Wayne, Indiana, he came with his parents to Plattsmouth in 1857, where he spent his boyhood and early life. He was educated in the schools of Plattsmouth and was later a close student of Prof. J. Dealmond. In 1889 he was elected city councilman and served two terms, being considered one of the best councilmen that Plattsmouth ever had. In 1884 he was elected county surveyor in Cass county, resigning in 1886 to go to Scotts Bluff county. He died of pneumonia.

Twenty-one Years Ago

(March 31, 1920)

The sad news was received here this morning by Judge and Mrs. B. S. Ramsay, announcing the death of their foster daughter, Mrs. Sarah Ramsey Koch, which occurred this morning at 2 o'clock after a short illness due to uremic poisoning. The deceased lady made her home in Plattsmouth during her childhood and early womanhood with Judge and Mrs. Ramsey, having been brought up in their care from the time she was five years old. Sixteen years ago the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Koch occurred in this city, where they continued to make their home for a time, but the greater part of their life has been spent at Havelock. The deceased is thirty-three years of age and leaves to mourn her death the husband and three young sons.

Ten Years Ago

(January 22, 1931)

The jury that has tried the case of the State of Nebraska vs. Mrs. Inas Wever since Monday, January 19, was given the issues of the case last evening at 7 o'clock and this morning at 8:45 they returned a verdict finding Mrs. Wever guilty as charged and which carried with it the sentence of imprisonment in the state penitentiary at Lancaster, Nebraska for the remainder of her natural life.

Five Years Ago

(February 29, 1936)

Henry Horn, one of our prominent citizens, in conversation today stated that his brother, George Horn of Omaha was celebrating his nineteenth birthday, he being three years older than Mr. Horn. The question of how come? arose on the lips of the listeners, but the fact of leap year finally dawned on the group with whom he was conversing. Mr. Horn is also celebrating an anniversary, as he came to Plattsmouth and Cass county fifty-one years ago on February 27. There were 110 emigrant wagons in the party with which he arrived from Pekin, Illinois.

One Year Ago

(January 2, 1940)

Mrs. Elizabeth Kaffenberger, 74, widow of John Kaffenberger, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Orville Kintz. She leaves to mourn her death five children, Mrs. Herman Graham, Mrs. Fred Tschirren, Mrs. Orville Kintz, John Kaffenberger, and George Kaffenberger, her sister, Mrs. Theodore Starkjohn.

Industrial expansion at Fort Crook is assured. Work will start soon on a large scale and Plattsmouth will benefit.

Sentinels of Health

Don't Neglect Them!

Nature designed the kidneys to do a marvelous job. Their task is to keep the flowing blood stream free of an excess of toxic impurities. The act of living—life itself—is constantly producing waste matter the kidneys must remove from the blood if good health is to endure.

When the kidneys fail to function as Nature intended, there is retention of waste that may cause body-wide distress. One may suffer nagging backache, persistent headaches, attacks of dizziness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—feel tired, nervous, all worn out.

Frequent, scanty or burning passages are sometimes further evidence of kidney or bladder disturbance.

The recognized and proper treatment is a diuretic medicine to help the kidneys get rid of excess poisonous body waste.

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DOAN'S PILLS

TODAY'S PROFILE

By UNITED PRESS

A dream of 25 years came true Nov. 5 when Hugh A. Butler was elected junior senator from Nebraska.

Butler, wealthy Omaha grain man and owner of extensive ranch and farm properties in western Nebraska, had set the senatorship as his goal soon after he had begun to make real progress in the accumulation of a fortune.

He was one of the few men in Nebraska who thought that he could defeat Gov. R. L. Cochran, the democratic nominee, when he first filed for the office. He was sure because for four years he had been stumping the state, part of the time as republican national committeeman, and becoming acquainted with the electorate.

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He said he had two motives: A deep concern for national defense and a chance to get acquainted with the "principles of Americanism and the real characteristics of all sorts of Americans." His draft order is so high, he said, he feared he would not have been drafted for three years.

BITTER COLD IN EUROPE

MOSCOW, Jan. 3 (UP)—A bitter cold wave gripped central European Moscow as far as the Ural mountains today with a 47-below-zero temperature registered in the Environs of Moscow. Strong winds swept the Scandinavian and spread the intense cold southward.