

MAPPINGS IN OUR NEIGHBORING VILLAGES

BRAKEMAN KILLED IN VAIDS AT KIMBALL

Western Nebraska Observer:
E. Berke, head brakeman on the Union Pacific through freight on the fourth district, struck the water-spout near the depot here Friday afternoon while looking back for a signal and his skull was crushed on the left side.

Berke apparently leaned too far from the cab door while watching for a signal and his head struck the water crane with such force that he was hurled from the engine and rolled for some distance, being about fifty feet east of the crane when he was picked up, bleeding and unconscious, and carried on a stretcher into the men's waiting room of the passenger depot, where Dr. Mockett bathed the wounds and gave what medical attention he could though little hope was entertained for his recovery. He was still unconscious when he was placed on No. 1, and rushed to St. John's hospital in Cheyenne, where an operation was performed on his skull, but in spite of all that could be done for him, he passed away Saturday morning.

Little seems to be known of Berke. He has been in the employ of the Union Pacific for several months and was a switchman in the yard at Sidney before going to work as brakeman.

GERING DOCTOR KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Scottsbluff Republican:
Dr. Knode of Gering and James Clark of this city were killed in an automobile accident at Burns, Wyo., at 3:30 o'clock Thursday morning. The first heard of the accident here was a call for Dr. Schrock, who, with John Sanson of the Scottsbluff Cash Grocery, left for the scene of the accident at 4 o'clock.

From what we can learn, it appears that Dr. Knode was driving a new car which he had just purchased of James Clark and was driving it from Denver, and Mr. Clark was in the car with him. They were driving fast to get to Scottsbluff, as Dr. Knode was to perform two operations at the Mid-west hospital early yesterday morning. As they turned a corner near Burns, the car turned turtle and both Dr. Knode and Mr. Clark were pinned under it. They were being followed by Dr. Steffen of this city and Robert Reesor of Gering, who saw the accident. They were driving James Clark's car. The bodies of the two unfortunate men were sent to Cheyenne, from where they will be sent here.

RANCH TRANSFERS REACH BIG FIGURES

Custer County Chief:
F. M. Currie was down from his Cherry county ranch the first of the week and brought with him the news that he has recently sold his 2800-acre ranch known as the Milt Hanna ranch, ten miles northeast of Brownlee, to Ray Tierney, of Chadron, formerly of this city. He has also during the past week negotiated the biggest ranch sale that has thus far ever occurred in the sand hills. It is the Bob Faddis ranch located fifteen miles northeast of Brownlee, comprising 13,000 acres. Purchasers of this property are Claude Currie, James and Clifford Lomax and Carl Jeffords. In addition to this big acreage of ranch land the property comprises a leased pasture in the forestry reserve comprising 50,000 acres. This property carries with it more than 100 miles of fence and 5,000 tons of hay in the stack. It is stocked with more than 4,000 head of cattle and 150 head of horses, all of which were included in the purchase. The purchase price of the hay, ranch and stock totaled about \$450,000, and is without question the greatest ranch deal ever made in the sand-hill section of Nebraska.

CHILD CUT DOWN BY MOWING-MACHINE SICKLE

Columbus Telegram:
Running down into the field to watch his father make hay, the little 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wielgus, residing north of Genoa, had his left foot cut off by the sickle of the machine, Tuesday afternoon.

The tot made his way down through the tall grass to the machine. His father did not see him until he dropped. Mr. Wielgus stopped his horses in time to prevent the deadly sickle from further injuring the prostrate form. He and Mrs. Wielgus checked the flow of blood by applying a tourniquet, and the little fellow was rushed to Columbus in an automobile. He was taken to St. Mary's hospital where the wound was treated surgically. He rallied rapidly from the shock of the ordeal and the attending physician reported his general condition as very good Wednesday evening.

BOOZE STORY READS LIKE THE OLD TIMES

Scottsbluff Star-Herald:
After a long, long period in the treading of the straight and narrow path, so long in fact that the once usual daily occurrence has now become a novelty, several arrests have been made this week in this city with the late John Barleycorn as the exciting factor.

The first to fall by the wayside in this respect was Fred Margheim, of this city, who arrived on a train from Denver Monday evening. It is evident that he must have traversed the wetness of Wyoming en route, for his condition called the attention of the police and when searched he was found in possession of three bottles of booze on his person to say nothing of the amount of the quantity which he had stored inside his anatomy. He appeared before Judge Schenck Tuesday morning and pleaded guilty to two counts, the first as to having an inordinate supply of liquor in his

possession and the second to bringing it inside the state. He was fined \$100 and costs on each charge.

Due to advance information received, Sheriff Koenig and Officer Miller met the train Tuesday evening and escorted therefrom five Mexicans there being a mixed lot of Josefs, Juans and other Castilian monikers, but all being rather hilarious. One was found sitting in the car with a gallon jug of booze wrapped in a blanket and the bundle held firmly between his knees. He was loth to part with the same, but was finally induced. Another was the possessor of a quart bottle, which had been but slightly "touched," there being enough booze left in it for a disturbance or two. No liquor was found on the persons of the other three, but as the quintet were being loaded into the auto to be taken to Gering one was observed to toss away an object which was recovered by the officers and found to be a pistol of large caliber. Another gun was found on one of the other members of the party and four were locked up, one being released as he apparently had nothing to do with the remainder.

Not one of the party would claim the ownership of the gallon jug, but the one on which the bottle was found pleaded guilty and was sentenced to thirty days in jail. The others are being held under the charge of carrying concealed weapons, and in the meantime it is being endeavored to locate which one is the real owner of the jug of booze.

BUYS SEED WHEAT AT RATE OF \$270.00 PER BU.

Western Nebraska Observer:
Frank Cunningham, the largest wheat grower in western Nebraska, has placed an order direct with Luther Burbank for ten pounds of the New Burbank wheat. The price is \$4.50 per pound and only ten pounds is allowed one man. Mr. Cunningham sent a draft for \$45 and will receive the limit. The price, if you were allowed a bushel, would be \$270, or about six kernels for one cent.

In Mr. Burbank's announcement he states:

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valley soil, without special cultivation, care or fertilizing, this summer produced at the rate of forty-nine and 88-100 bushels per acre, every plant and every kernel uniform, as this wheat was originally all grown from one single kernel. Even at present prices of ordinary wheat for milling purposes, it will be readily seen that the crop of each acre would purchase an acre of the best wheat land.

MINATARE MAN USES GUN FREELY—ARRESTED

Scottsbluff Republican:
Word reached this city Wednesday night that John Broughton had shot A. Gauvain of Minatare. Upon inquiry we were informed that Broughton is renting one of Gauvain's farms north of Minatare, and that during the season the parties have had considerable trouble, and that Broughton had forbidden Gauvain coming on the place. On Wednesday night Gauvain went there and Broughton shot him in the leg. Deputy Sheriff Welton went down and took Broughton into custody. It is understood that Gauvain is not seriously hurt.

HANGER-ON MAY BE MURDERER OF GIRL

Custer County Republican:
Alma Braun, a pretty 12-year-old school girl, was outraged and strangled at LaMar, Ia., Monday night by a supposed hanger-on of the Yankee Robitson shows, which were here last week. The police are still working on the case there. The little girl went to the merry-go-round in the morning and then in the afternoon her father gave her some money and she went to visit her grandparents. On the way back home she went to the show grounds to ride again. On her way home she had to cross the tracks. Evidently it was here she met her assailant, who tore her petticoat off and strangled her with it. Her face was mashed and her body bruised when found. Everything points to a hanger-on of the show having committed the crime, and this should prove a lesson to parents to accompany their children to the shows regardless of whose show it is.

IS BURIED MORE THAN AN HOUR IN SEWER DITCH

Valentine Democrat:
Harry Wolbert, tile layer with the sewer gang, came near having his body crushed this (Friday) morning when the ditch in which he was working caved in and caused the plank curbing to collapse about him. The ditcher is now working in the

northeast part of town and is ten or twelve feet deep. The texture of the soil makes it necessary for the machine to dig a certain depth, and then for the rest to be dug with shovels, and curbed to prevent caving. Mr. Wolbert's work is to get down inside this curbing and lay the tile together and cement it.

About 9:30 this morning the sand caved in under the curbing which was a trifle higher from the bottom than it should have been, causing it to collapse from the weight of the sand, and catch his legs and body between its sides. Diggers at once set to work to dig the sand away and in a few moments seventy-five or a hundred people were on the scene crowding so close that it was necessary to have them driven back by the police.

It was an hour and a quarter before the victim was finally relieved of the great weight, and when freed his legs were so stiff he had to be helped into a car and taken home. He was examined by Dr. Compton; but nothing of serious consequence was discovered, although he will probably be unable to work for a few days.

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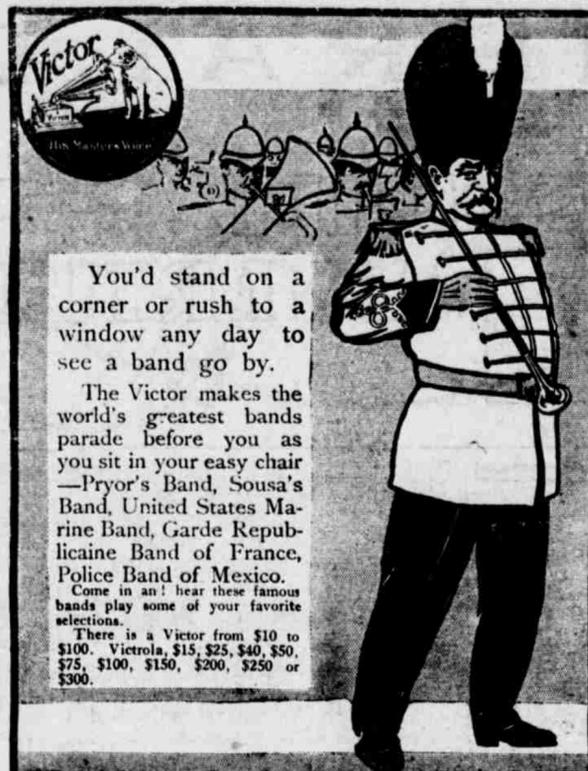
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ASSETS	
First mortgage loans	\$229,281.70
Loans in process of foreclosure	3,800.00
Loans on stock or pass book security	1,400.00
Real estate, office, none; other	5,784.47
Cash	2,641.77
Delinquent interest, fines, etc.	1,668.58
Furniture and fixtures	789.08
Taxes paid	1,049.20
District Court	81.00
Insurance	124.90
TOTAL	\$246,620.91
LIABILITIES	
Running stock and dividends	\$101,573.46
Paid-up stock and dividends	133,727.00
Due shareholders on incomplete loans	6,924.65
Reserve fund	2,727.22
Other liabilities	1,668.58
TOTAL	\$246,620.91
Receipts and Expenditures for the Year Ending June 30, 1917	
RECEIPTS	
Cash on hand last report	\$ 10,109.27
Dues (Running Stock)	18,529.07
Paid-up stock	32,315.00
Mortgage payments	70,248.07
Stock loan payments	1,350.00
Interest	27,128.04
Expense	24.00
Fines	1,481.09
Rents	75.00
Taxes	1,451.21
Insurance	303.50
Court Costs	312.10
Interest paid	39.00
Profit and Loss	105.92
Miscellaneous	368.72
TOTAL	\$163,830.79
DISBURSEMENTS	
Mortgage loans, 41,918.58; Incom. loans, 36,561.72	\$ 77,580.30
Stock loans	1,200.00
Withdrawals running stock and dividends	11,136.47
Withdrawals paid-up stock	46,224.00
Withdrawals dividend on paid-up stock	17,794.89
Salaries	1,594.39
Furniture and fixtures	464.09
Other expense	484.86
Real estate account	92.65
Cash on hand	2,641.77
Miscellaneous	271.07
Taxes	1,167.20
District Court	238.45
Reserve	2,439.23
Insurance	501.42
TOTAL	\$163,830.79
STATE OF NEBRASKA, BOX BUTTE COUNTY, ss.	
I, M. S. HARGRAVES, Secretary of the above named Association, do solemnly swear that the foregoing Statement of the condition of said Association is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.	
M. S. HARGRAVES, Secretary.	
Subscribed and sworn to before me this Tenth day of August, 1917.	
Approved: R. M. HAMPTON, JOHN McDONALD, J. ROWAN, Directors.	
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