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Our Advertisers Are Talking to You Every Week--See What They Have to Say This Issue.

AN AUTO ACCIDENT.

Narrow Escape From Death of Several Well Known Gentlemen.

What came near meaning death for several well known Barton county gentlemen, was an auto accident occurring near Ellinwood about three o'clock Monday afternoon. There are several different versions of the accident. The one that must be the nearer correct would be one coming from eye witnesses. This we have in the report brought to the city by Ed Dodge and Will Harris, who were at the scene of the accident. Their report is about like this.

"We were on our way to Ellinwood to attend the Eagles picnic. As we were nearing that city, we passed an automobile driven by George Heim. There were four other passengers in the car, only one of whom we knew at that time. It was Will Klein. The auto was being driven at a very rapid rate. We thought nothing more about the party after passing, though the remark was made by one of us that that was very fast and careless driving. We continued on our way, and just as we got to the northeast part of the city, one of us looked around and saw the same auto approaching us from the rear, coming at a lively gait, fully as fast as before. No whistle had been blown that we heard, or any other alarm given. When we saw the auto we barely had time to get out of the way. A sharp hit with the whip made the horses jump, which is about all that saved us from a collision. The driver of the machine attempted to turn south at the corner. In doing so the machine skidded, causing the tires on the right hand wheels to come off, and that in turn caused the machine to be thrown over on its side and against a telegraph pole, from which it rebounded. Our horses became frightened at the noise and ran for about a block before we got them stopped. We returned to the scene of the accident, and found three men, Geo. Heim, Will Klein, and Jerry Piller, laying face down up on the grade. Peter Berscheidt was on his feet practically unharmed, and Frank Bear, the fifth occupant of the car, was partially under it, only slightly injured. The three men first mentioned were unconscious. We turned them over, and tried to assist them, but did not succeed very well. In a few minutes other persons arrived, when medical aid was summoned. Mr. Piller was sent about the head and bruised, but he came to in a short while and was removed to his home. Klein and Heim were removed to the Heim home in the city and were treated. It was thought then that Klein could not possibly recover."

Mr. Heim, who drove the car, regained consciousness early on Tuesday morning, and in conversation with the doctor said that he was forced to make the turn on the road for the south at the high speed he did, to save colliding with the buggy. We have not heard whether or not he said he gave any alarm to the occupants of the buggy or not. At last reports, Mr. Heim was progressing very satisfactorily, and will soon be out. Dr. Meade who was called to attend Klein said he was very badly bruised up and shocked, but that there was no fracture of the skull and that he would recover, although the last report the doctor gave us Mr. Klein was still unconscious.

The car they were driving was a new Selden, 40 H. P. It is a total wreck. There will be many different tales told concerning this accident. We have given it as given us by an eye witness. It is fortunate that no one was killed, and while not as bad an accident as it might have been, it is bad enough. It is by far the most serious one to occur in this section of the state. All drivers should draw a lesson from it, and that is that the man in for speed may have a fatal ending. When one sits in a car and soars along the road little

thought is given the possibility of accident, and this is one of those cases. It had better be thought of a little more in the future. If express train speed is desired better get on the rails. All hope for the speedy recovery of the injured.

Edward Bills has returned from his vacation and resumed his duties as a city letter carrier.

Asa Jolly and family went to Great Bend last Sunday for a visit with relatives. Mrs. Jolly and her girls remained over for a week's visit, but Mr. Jolly and Harry returned Sunday night.

At last the glass fronts for the H. & H. Grocery, Harner's Market, and the McMullen & Ashby billiard hall has been received, and put in place, and those concerns are therefor finally all fixed up.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dodge entertained the "Double Seven" dinner club Tuesday evening with an excellent dinner. The guests of the club were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Moore, and Mrs. H. D. Brooker of Hutchinson. Miss Floy Dodge, Mrs. Lyman Dodge, and Miss Edna Brooker of Hutchinson assisted the hostess. A fine time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Myers entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of the birthday of Mrs. Myers and her daughter, Blanche. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Luther Riggins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Thornberg and family and Mrs. G. A. Wolfe and daughter Blanche. The occasion was a very pleasant one and thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. John W. Phillips and Miss Myrtle Karnes, both of Pawnee Rock, were married at the Methodist parsonage on Wednesday at 8 o'clock by Rev. W. P. Bartoo. The young people had evidently hoped to avoid their friends at Pawnee Rock but number 5 was late and the tormentor found them at the depot and showered them with rice before they could get away.—Larned Chronoscope.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. DeLette of New York returned home this week after a visit of several weeks with their son, Louis DeLette, and daughter, Mrs. Teddy Bam, and other relatives at Albert and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Keller of this city. Mr. and Mrs. DeLette lived in this county for several years but returned to New York. Mr. DeLette has been an officer of the city of New York for many years having served on the police force about 35 years. Now at 82 years he is still employed in one of the departments.

Gladys, the two-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bordewick of near Seward died early Tuesday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barngrover near Ray. The Bordewick family had started a week ago for a visit with folks near Mackville. When they got as far as the Barngrover home, little Gladys was ill and never recovered. The funeral services were held Wednesday morning at the Seward Catholic church, Father Hermanns officiating. The bereaved family have the sympathy of their many friends.

Sunday's services at the Methodist church were well attended, there being a large number of communicants at the morning service. Before the Communion service, the Pastor baptized the daughter of Mrs. L. B. Mix and received into the church by letter, Mr. and Mrs. Wagoner, formerly of Abilene, Kansas, Mr. Boy McMullen, formerly of the Mount Pleasant Charge, west of town, Mrs. Emma Tournear, formerly of West Point, Ill. Five were received from probation into full membership, Miss Flora W. Alfred, Allen and Albert Myers and Mrs. L. B. Mix.

Elks Minstrels

At the regular meeting last Monday evening of the Elks lodge, preliminary arrangements were made for putting on a minstrel show here the last of this month, under the direction of Mr. Joe Bern and his wife of Kansas City. Mr. Bern comes very highly recommended for this class of work, and has been very successful. At the talent used except Mr. Bern and wife will be local talent, and something extraordinary in way of amusement is looked for. The proceeds of the minstrel are to go towards furnishing the home that is now being rapidly pushed forward. Owing to the fact that the opera house is closed, it has not yet been decided where the affair will be given, but that will be arranged later. One thing is sure you must watch for the date of the show and then make all your plans for attending. If you miss it, you will miss a rare treat. If you attend, you will be sure to have so much amusement offered you that it will drive away the dullest cares that may beset you, and make you forget the old saying, "where are my summer's wages," when the wintry winds begin to howl. Therefor, altogether now for the Elks Minstrels.

Batesel—Jordan

Etta Jordan were quietly married. Mr. C. A. Batesel and Miss on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. J. T. Carlyle, 1217 Hubbard street, this city.

The ceremony was performed by Eld. G. W. Alford of the Christian church in the presence of a few special friends.

Mr. Batesel formerly resided at Aurora, Mo., coming to this place some years ago and taking a position with the Barton County Milling company on the operating force.

The bride is from McDowell Barry Co., Mo., coming here direct from her home and arriving on Saturday evening.

Woods—Frey

Adam Frey and Miss Agnes Woods were married Saturday at noon at the Frey home, northwest of town, by Rev. Westwood. Only immediate friends of the contracting parties were present. A bountiful wedding dinner was served. The groom is a young farmer who has grown-up in this county and is well known. The bride has lived here for the last few years. They will make their home on the Frey farm.

Lee Volmer has gone to Larned to work.

Mrs. Emma Robe visited Ellinwood friends this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Walter Amend visited in Sterling Sunday.

Miss Grace Mosbarger and Miss Divine were down from Pawnee Rock Wednesday.

Carl Eaton of San Francisco is the new bookkeeper with the Great Bend Telephone Co.

Helen Meade and Master Arthur have returned from a visit with friends at McCracken.

George Schenffler has gone to Kansas City, expecting to drive home the new car purchased by Ed Riddle.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Keith Russell and Miss Alice Hartman, to take place on Wednesday evening the 15th.

L. E. Stacey, who was last week paroled by the state authorities, arrived in the city Saturday evening, and expects to remain here for some time. Mr. Stacey, who had married Miss Welch, whose parents ran the Valley House, had some family difficulties during which he used or was accused of using a stick of dynamite with which to settle matters. He was convicted in the district court and sent to the state penitentiary. While he was there, he was connected with record is that of a model prisoner the electrical department. His

The Elite

O'Brien & Brumley, the proprietors of the old Elite moving picture show, have, after many difficulties and vexatious delays, made ready and opened to the public this week. The boys operated the old show by that name which was burned out last winter. They are located in the Meade-Sowards building, have a tastily appointed room, and will give their patrons an up-to-date show every evening. They respectfully solicit a share of your patronage.

A Call—And An Opportunity.

It is our belief that the 7,000 mile journey of President Taft through the west and south will mark the beginning of a new era in the history of the Republican party. The real control of that mighty organization from the days of Charles Sumner and Thos. Stevens to the present of Aldrich and Hale and Lodge has rested in the east. Presidents have been elected from Ohio and Indiana, one potential leader in the Senate hailed from Iowa, Hanna came from Ohio and Cannon from Illinois, but throughout the entire fifty years the underlying dominance has been exercised with quiet effectiveness and a firm hand from New York, Pennsylvania, and New England. Apparent leaders from west of the Alleghenies have been but pawns, restive at times, but invariably subservient in the end to the stronger authority of a few men capable of wielding with skill the adhesive power of party unification.—From Harper's Weekly.

The above tells the whole political manipulation story in a nut shell. "Apparent leaders from west of the Alleghenies have been but pawns, restive at times, but invariably subservient in the end to the stronger authority of a few men capable of wielding with skill the adhesive power of party unification." The writer of the above editorial might have added that the power has always been wielded in the interest of the "interests" which have fattened off of the wealth producing classes of the country. Is it not time that the west and the middle west, that territory from which the east and the New England states reap their harvest, should come into their own and themselves wield the authority that binds the parties together? That authority will then be wielded in behalf of the producing classes of this country, and not for the protected interests of the east. They have been built up at the expense of the consumer who is also the producer and he has been between the upper and nether mill stones of protection. President Taft, in his tour of the west can but reiterate his speeches during the last campaign, when he came out for a "genuine" revision of the tariff. We at that time called the attention of the people to the statement, and commented that no one knew what he meant by such a revision. The Republicans said a downward revision of course, but have we had it? And now when the President comes again as President instead of candidate, and reiterates his stump declaration, what are we to believe he will give us? There is just one thing to it, and that is the time has come when the magnitude of the men who create the wealth of the country must assert itself, and elect leaders who will not become "pawns," but will confine the fight started by some of the Republicans usually denominated as insurgents and the loyal Democrats. When that happens then the people will get what is coming to them.

Ed Cook has been able to be out on the street this week for the first time in about seven weeks.

Fred Moore was out in Edwards and Pawnee counties this week.

The Commissioners were out in inspecting bridges in Lakin town ship, Wednesday.

Commissioner N. W. Klepper leaves this week for an extended visit in Illinois and Indiana.

Mrs. G. P. Amerine has returned from Haviland.

J. W. Johnson has invested in a fine new E. M. F. -30 car.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shady were in Larned Sunday.

Will Ludwig was in the city on Tuesday morning.

Fen Likes has been off duty for a few days on account of illness.

Mrs. Mary Eastman of Iowa is visiting her mother Mrs. Ellen Doty of Albert.

Fred Amerine and brother are up from Haviland for a brief visit.

Will Osmond was down in Arkansas this week looking after some business matters.

W. E. Hayes was this week called to Winfield, by the serious illness of his father.

Stoke & Stoke, Florists, are building another green house, 14 feet wide and 80 feet long.

Mrs. E. W. Seward and children have returned from their visit at Aiden and in Oklahoma.

Otto Patton was kept at home a few days last week by a threatened attack of fever.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Deets of Garfield were visiting in this county the past week.

C. E. McLaughlin has been swapping autos this week, and is the owner of a new Willy Six.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Durand of Hoisington visited with Sam Kizer and wife Sunday.

E. E. Massie was in Heizer on Tuesday on business connected with the Frazier & Massie store in that city.

Carl Whipple, has resigned his position with the Hooper Drug Co and is now working with Lambert Bailey, the electrician.

Mrs. Johnson of McLouth, one of the state officers of the Rebekah assembly, was the guest of Mrs. D. C. Luse Sunday.

Sam Eitel has returned from a visit at Oswego. He will be employed in the Wagoner store as soon as it is opened.

Mrs. John Hoge of the south side has been receiving a visit from her cousin, a Miss Taylor, whose home is in Montana.

There was no meeting of the city council Monday evening for the want of a quorum. They met Tuesday evening.

George Black, of the Hooper Drug Co., who has been under the weather for several days has been taken to the St. Rose hospital for treatment.

D. S. Delaplane and family have returned to their home at Watonga, Okla., after a pleasant visit with the Delaplans and others in this community.

Willie, Esther, and Nina Tramer of Hodgman county, and Henry, Anna and Bessie Schwieler of Larned were guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schwieler of near Heizer for several days last week.

Mrs. William W. Stwood received a visit this week from her father and mother. Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Page of Emporia. Mrs. Westwood later left for Chicago for a visit.

Charles O'Neil of Pueblo and Miss Bertie M. Smith of Colorado Springs arrived in this city Monday morning and were married by Rev. Cockerill of the M. E. church. They returned to Colorado on the evening train.

W. B. Welch assisted in the Turner Grocery this week.

A "PROSPERITY EDITION"

The Democrat Will Issue An Edition Which Will Indicate the County's Prosperity

The Barton County Democrat by and with the assistance of two well known newspaper men, Messrs Falloon and Bailey, will shortly issue an edition of the paper, the object of which is to portray through descriptive articles and cuts the prosperity of the great county in which we live. It has not been the policy of this institution to be continually hampering away at the people of the county with editions of first one sort and then another or of contests. We pay no brick bats to throw at those who desire to do this work, but we have preferred to let these methods in newspaper work alone till we were ready for something big, and that is what we are going to give you now. Since the present owner has had anything to do with the plant we have had on, only one piano contest, and no special editions. Therefore, we feel free to go to the people of this county with a proposition that will show to the outside world, "Who's Here." Mr. Bailey was for several years connected with this office, later being employed by the Tribune until recently. He is well known, a good newspaper man, and a pleasant man to meet. Mr. Falloon has been connected with some of the leading weekly papers in the western country. He was for a time connected with the Tribune in this city, and understands his business. He is pleasant and agreeable.

The edition, as above stated, will contain descriptive write-ups from every section of the county, illustrated, with excellent cuts, printed on first-class paper, and mechanically gotten up so as to be a thing of beauty, and an edition worthy enough to be sent anywhere to anyone. No section of the county will be slighted and no section of the county will be given the preference over any other section. No skin game will be worked. It will be straight forward business proposition, destined to advertise the resources of our county to show the state of development to which it has attained, and to show by comparison what has been wrought from the prairies of Kansas by honest hand of sturdy toil. The issue will probably be as much as ten thousand papers, marking an epoch in the history of this county that every one of our citizens should feel an interest in. Work will begin in a few days, and when you are called upon, we bespeak for the solicitors, courteous treatment on your part, and we guarantee their actions in every respect will be that fitting gentlemen.

Marriage Licenses

- Adam Frey, Great Bend, Ks, 27
- Mary A. Woods, Great Bend, Ks, 29
- Ben W. Sain, Hoisington, Ks.
- C. A. Batesel, Great Bend, Ks.
- Ella Linn Hoagland, Hoisington, Mo., 27
- W. Etta Jordan, McDowell, Mo., 27
- Chas. O'Neil, Pueblo, Colo., 33
- Birdie M. Smith, Colo. Sprgs., Colo., 21
- A. E. Ford, Mead, Ks., 23
- Goldie G. Keltner, Hoisington, Ks, 19
- James Hester, Galatia, Ks., 27
- Edith Bell, Omitz, Ks, 22

Since the fine large display windows of the C. Samuels establishment have been dressed they show up much better than when first described. They are certainly exceptionally fine windows, and will be used to good advantage by this enterprising firm in displaying their excellent line of clothing, furnishing, cloaks, dress goods, and everything carried in their always well selected and up-to-date stock.

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