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P. LIESCH'S HIPPODROME

Comical Farce Comedy Enacted in Journal Office.

Bevy of Baltrushes Besiege Editor C. W. Higgins.

Landed Once and Then Scribe Put Them to Flight.

There is fighting blood (hitherto unsuspected) in the Journal office. Thursday evening Editor C. W. Higgins was set upon by four assailants but he emerged from the melee with colors flying. His dauntless mein and dashing charge carried consternation into the ranks of the enemy and now he is the proud possessor of the pugilistic belt.

It was the funniest thing that has happened in local journalistic circles for manv, many moons, and started Thursday afternoon when several members of the Baltrusch family called at the Journal shop and asked for a correction of the article telling of their recent jar. This was refused them and in the evening Carl Baltrusch, Sr., made his appearance at the Grand Hotel and inquired for Editor Higgins. The latter was summoned and, walking up to the senior Baltrusch and tapping him upon the shoulder, asked what was wanted. Baltrusch replied that he desired to have a good look at Higgins and after feasting his eyes upon the classic features of the scribe, abruptly took his departure.

About an hour later the editor went to his office and while along in the building received a visit from Chas. Baltrusch, Jr., and his two brothers, Alfred and Herbert. They regaled him with their opinions of his employer and in a few minutes the father of the boys showed up. Higgins was asked if he were the author of the objectionable article and when he confessed to the iniquity the elder man lifted his cane to strike. As he did so one of the boys landed a left hook on the tall brow of the pencil pusher but, undaunted by the superiority in numbers, the newspaper man made a rush at his assailants.

Then there was a scattering of the clans. Two of the quartette, by a frantic burst of speed, succeeded in gaining the outer air but in their excitement they closed the door leading to the street; the spring lock snapping into place and making the father and the third son prisoners. Dire was their dilemma. Deserted and alone, they were caged up with an infuriated news rustler who seemed bent upon their extermination—his fists clenched and his eyes flashing with "ye fearsome battle lust."

And the scribe was good and busy. Grappling with the old man—and making a beautiful tackle, by the way—he wrenched the walking stick from his hand and in an instant had the twain begging for mercy. Then, as Higgins expresses it, he could afford to be magnanimous. Striking an attitude a la Napoleon the conqueror, he pointed toward the aperture left by the contractor and allowed his men to go in peace.

But this was only the beginning. Friday morning P. Liesch, he of post-office fame, accosted one of the boys in a public building. He abused the youth roundly and shortly afterward, while explaining to a group of friends how he intended to flip the entire Baltrusch family to the ceiling, came face to face with the principal object of his discourse. There was no side-stepping the issue. It was up to Philip to make good. Now it so happened

that Mr. Baltrusch was about to light his pipe and he reached around to the back pocket of his trousers, which receptacle contained nothing more dangerous than a match box.

The publisher, however, misconstrued the action. Thinking Baltrusch carried a concealed gun and fairly quaking with terror, Liesch called to Officer Jos. Tauer, who was across the street, to search the man for a weapon. At this Baltrusch grinned audibly, and then walked quietly away, leaving the publisher to reflect upon the utter idiocy of jumping at unwarranted conclusions.

Friday afternoon the four Baltrushes were summoned into court upon three separate warrants. Carl Baltrusch, Sr., Chas. Baltrusch, Jr., and Herbert Baltrusch were arrested on complaint of C. W. Higgins charged with assault and battery, Carl Baltrusch, Sr., was declared by P. Liesch as guilty of making threats of murder and Alfred Baltrusch was accused of assault and battery by C. W. Higgins.

The trial of the trio was first taken up. Higgins took the stand and delivered himself of the story outlined in this article, while the defendants denied all of his allegations. Judge Henningsen withheld his decision and called the "threatened murder" case for trial. At first Carl Baltrusch, Sr., entered a plea of not guilty but later he withdrew this, waived examination and agreed to give bail in the sum of \$500 to keep the peace for six months. When the action against Alfred Baltrusch was called his attorney, Capt. A. Steinhauer, asked for a continuance and it was set for Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

When the action went to trial Alfred Baltrusch entered a plea of not guilty but after several witnesses had been examined he changed this to guilty and Judge Henningsen then announced the fines. Carl Baltrusch, Sr., was assessed \$50 and \$3.31 costs, Charles Baltrusch, Jr., got \$25 and \$3.31 costs, Alfred Baltrusch was fined \$10 and costs amounting to \$16.87 and Herbert Baltrusch was discharged. The fines were all paid and in addition the elder Baltrusch deposited \$3.50 to defray the costs of filing his bond for \$500, Jos. Schnobrich and Fred Engelbert signing the document as sureties.

PLAN TO DOUBLE NUMBER

Pope & Howard Will Feed 20,000 Sheep This Winter.

Plans which Messrs. G. B. Pope and John Howard of Dodge Center, have in mind provide for the feeding of fully twice as many sheep in New Ulm during the coming winter as were ever fattened here before. Mr. Pope was in the city Sunday and the following day his partner joined him here. They were making the final preparations for the feeding season, which will open very shortly.

In conversation with Mr. Pope at his hotel Sunday evening that gentleman gave a Review man to understand that his firm was figuring upon going into the sheep business upon a far more extensive scale than in previous years. During the winter of 1902-3 about 10,000 animals were fattened at this point but this season Pope & Howard intend doubling that number. They will ship in 10,000 in the first lot and when these have been made ready for the market they will fill their yard across the river with another consignment of 10,000.

Exactly when the first shipment will arrive is not known, as the owners have not yet fully decided when they will load their sheep. In determining this point they will be governed to a large extent by the condition of the market but Mr. Pope was able to say that the animals would reach New Ulm within a few weeks. Pope & Howard own sheep in North Dakota and Montana but it is their intention to bring the first lot in from the Dakota ranch. They have been very successful preparing mutton for the market in the past two years and this winter their profits should be even greater.

Dr. E. W. Bayley was called to Winthrop last Wednesday by Dr. Johnson of that place, for consultation.

THE GENUINE VS. COUNTERFEITS.
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NEW ULM SCORED THRICE

High School Won Handily From Mankato Normal.

Administered Defeat to Visiting Eleven 17 to 6.

Game Was Well Played and Interesting Throughout.

Defeat was administered to eleven young men from the Mankato Normal by the New Ulm high school football players Saturday afternoon in a well played game. The score was 17 to 6 and it demonstrates that the locals had far and away the better of the argument. They played faster, had better team work and outlasted their opponents in all the departments.

A very good crowd turned out to witness the contest and, for the first game of the season, the locals gave their supporters a good exhibition, their work showing the result of hard and diligent practice. In the center of the line Alwin, Brel and E. Mowery distinguished themselves and Normal found it next to impossible to gain through their positions. Leibold and Wicherski acquitted themselves creditably at the ends and Quarterback Boock passed cleanly and played a neat defensive game.

Behind the line Capt. Dengler, Clarence Mowery and Fred Hubbard annexed territory in a way that was pleasing and their tackling was also of the best. The team has still to overcome a tendency to fumble and must devise a more effective defense upon end plays.

For the Normal Halfbacks Olson and Griffin were easily the stars, but Capt. Giblin and End Gilbertson vied with them for the honors.

At the opening of the game the Normal, for some unknown reason, chose the south goal, giving New Ulm the wind and the ball. Leibold kicked off and the ball was downed well into Normal territory. The latter possessed a slight advantage in weight but they were immediately held for downs, New Ulm losing the ball in the same manner a little later. Short gains carried it outside the 25-yard line but there Clarence Mowery obtained possession of the sphere on a fumble an trotted over for New Ulm's first touchdown. Leibold kicked goal. Score 6 to 0.

After the kick-off the locals played the best ball of the day. Starting under their goal posts, they carried the ball to the center of the field and there Leibold skirted the end for a long gain. He evaded all of the opposing players and would have scored easily had he not been interfered with by the crowd. As it was he was downed on the 15-yard line but on the next play Wicherski followed his interference into a clear field and tallied another for New Ulm, Leibold missing goal. Score 11 to 0.

When play was resumed Normal took the ball almost the entire length of the field on a series of end plays, only to lose it on downs at New Ulm's 30-yard line. A moment later, however, and with but two minutes left to play, Capt. Giblin captured a fumble and darted toward the goal. He was tackled neatly by Wicherski but gained half the distance. Then the New Ulm boys resisted stubbornly. Twice the visitors were stopped within a foot of the line and when at length the ball was pushed over the visitors found that their work had been for naught, as time had been called before it was put in play and the touchdown was not allowed.

In the second half Normal was able to score. Straight football was adopted and the ball carried from their 20-yard line to a touchdown. Just made the score and goal was kicked. On the kick-off Leibold sent the oval across the south goal and, while the Mankato crowd stood in doubt, Fred Hubbard fell upon it for a touchdown, Leibold kicking goal. This ended the scoring and when time was called for the end of the game Mankato had the ball on New Ulm ground.

The line-up:
New Ulm. Normal.
Leibold..... R. E..... Lipsoe
Frank Hubbard..... R. T..... Mack
E. Mowery..... R. G..... McCormick
Alwin..... C. C..... McGee
Brel..... L. G..... Connelly
Frederich..... L. T..... Bateman
Wicherski..... L. E..... Gilbertson
Boock..... Q. B..... Giblin
C. Mowery..... K. H..... Olson
Dengler..... L. H..... Griffin
Fred Hubbard..... F. B..... Just
Score—New Ulm 17, Normal 6. Touchdowns: C. Mowery 1, Wicherski 1, Fred Hubbard 1, Just 1. Goals, Leibold 2, Olson 1, Umpire, E. L. Dills, New Ulm. Referee, Rev. Herman, Mankato. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

Horse Company Organized.
Messrs. Hirsch and Phillips, representing A. P. Coon of Granite Falls, Minn., sold the fine imported French draft stallion, Milkadob, to a company of Cottonwood farmers. A meeting was held at Searles on Tuesday evening of last week and the following

officers elected: P. P. Manderfeld, president; J. J. Sperl, secretary; John Sturm, treasurer; Martin Schnobrich, manager; John Reinards, Fidel Schneider and John Reinhart, board of directors. The stockholders are John Reinhart, Martin Schnobrich, John Sturm, Jos. Sperl, Anton Dietrich, Carl Kam, Fidel Schneider, Andrew Mack, Jos. Schnobrich, Isadore Haas, Chas. Hauenstein, P. P. Manderfeld, R. E. Alwin, Jos. Weisner, Geo. Marti, John Seifert, John Reinards, John Dietz.

HAD A GUN IN HER SOCK

Officer Tauer Relieves Garden City Woman of Weapon.

Officer Jos. Tauer performed a delicate mission Friday afternoon. He placed a Garden City woman under arrest and by exercising the greatest diplomacy succeeded in inducing her to produce a revolver from her stocking and hand the weapon over to him. The gun was a wicked-looking 38-calibre and the story surrounding it is interesting.

The woman, Mrs. Ethel Mason, called at F. H. Retzlaff's hardware store Friday afternoon and purchased the revolver. Her actions were suspicious and Fred Wendland telephoned to Officer Tauer at police headquarters informing him of the occurrence. Sighting a case, the minion of the law started in pursuit of Mrs. Mason, found that she had bought a box of cartridges of Robt. Fesenmaier and later located her in a restaurant.

He at once placed her under arrest and was then confronted with the problem of securing possession of the gun. It was a situation to daunt the most fearless but Officer Tauer put on his most winning smile and requested the woman to disgorge. She was loath to part with her artillery but at length yielded to his solicitations and, while the blushing policeman turned his back, she reached beneath her drapery, brushing aside lace and lingerie, and produced the weapon from the meshes of her open-work hose.

When questioned as to her intentions in purchasing the gun she informed the officer that she had been visiting with a sister in Golden Gate. The latter's husband had not been treating his wife as well as might have been expected and her sole object in buying the revolver was to protect her sister. The weapon was confiscated but she was told that it would be returned to her when she passed through New Ulm on her way to Garden City.

Mrs. Mason is a pretty widow. She possesses a frank, engaging manner and was very stylishly dressed. When first arrested here Friday she assured the authorities that she had many friends in Mankato and that it would not be difficult for her to get bail.

ITS DOORS WERE CLOSED

Old Bank of St. James Temporarily Suspended Payment.

On Tuesday forenoon it was announced that the Old Bank of St. James had suspended payment of checks, and investigation of those concerned proved the announcement true.

For some time Mr. M. K. Armstrong, proprietor of the Bank, has not felt well, and last week he made arrangements with a St. Paul specialist for an examination of his case on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Paul, going down Saturday afternoon to keep the appointment. The examination developed symptoms which the doctors desired to investigate further, consequently Mr. Armstrong did not come on Monday, as he expected, and on Tuesday he was still absent.

In the meantime the sum of about \$5000 which he had on hand when he went away was checked out, and the clerks were compelled to refuse further payment.

The matter did not cause much excitement, as the people as a rule, have the utmost faith in Mr. Armstrong's probity, and of his resources and ability to pay all claims, dollar for dollar, with a large surplus when that is done.

Mr. Armstrong came home on Wednesday, and is now engaged in straightening out the tangle which would never have occurred had he been at home at the time. The Journal has the utmost confidence that this will be done to the entire satisfaction of every one.—St. James Journal.

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MAN SHOT WIFE DEAD

Shocking Murder Committed East of Mankato.

Emil Grams Discharged Shotgun at Close Range.

Murderer Admits Crime and Believes He Will Hang.

Emil Grams, a farmer residing ten miles east of Mankato, shot and instantly killed his wife Thursday morning. He admits the murder and says he expects to hang for it. He was placed in custody at Eagle Lake and then taken to Mankato.

Grams is about 50 and well-to-do. Both he and his wife had been married before and had children by previous consorts. Their own immediate family consists of four children. It is alleged that they have had trouble for years, and recently Mrs. Grams started another suit, her third, for a divorce and a division of the property. Husband and wife had parted, and Mrs. Grams was making her home with a son by former marriage who lives in the vicinity.

The Grams were to go to Mankato Thursday to arrange a settlement. Early in the morning Grams arose and taking a shotgun went to the place where his wife was stopping and asked her to come upon the porch. She went outside, but told him she wanted nothing more to do with him. Grams then turned the shotgun upon her, and shot her at close range in the neck. She fell upon the porch and expired almost instantly.

Grams then returned to his own home and told his nephew what he had done. He loaded his gun and said he would shoot himself. The nephew persuaded him to give himself up and the two set out for Eagle Lake, where Grams was turned over to an officer, and later brought to this city.

Ordinarily he is not quarrelsome, but, under the influence of drink, has been accustomed to abuse his wife. He had been drinking before the murder. The neighbors regard the affair as a deliberate murder and are highly incensed. Mrs. Grams was greatly esteemed in the community.

Monday morning Grams cheated the gallows by committing suicide in the Blue Earth county jail. He made a rope of bed clothes, fastening one end to the roof of the cell and the other around his neck. While his body was still warm he was discovered by Sheriff Williams but when he was cut down he was beyond human help. Mankato people express no sympathy for the murderer, they figuring that his taking his own life saved the county a \$5,000 or \$6,000 trial.

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