

THE BANKERS CONVENTION.

Program to be Observed Here Next Monday.

ASSOCIATION'S OFFICERS.

An Address by Governor Shaw of Iowa Will be One of the Features of the Session - In the Evening a Banquet Will be Served in the Mast Hall.

The bankers of Northeast Nebraska propose to observe Arbor day by holding their fourth annual convention in Norfolk next Monday. A large attendance and interesting meeting is anticipated and matters of interest to that class of business men will be entertainingly discussed.

The officers of the association are: W. H. Bucholz, Norfolk, president. Ed. Satta, Tekamah, vice president. John F. Crosby, Hoekins, secretary.

Following is the program for the forenoon meeting: Convention called to order - By the president, W. H. Bucholz.

Prayer - Rev. F. M. Sisson, presiding elder M. E. church.

Address of Welcome - Hon. W. M. Robertson, mayor of Norfolk.

Response - John D. Haskell, president Farmers and Traders Bank, Wakefield.

In the afternoon at 2 o'clock, the following subjects will be discussed:

"The Banker as an Educator," E. T. Rice, Bancroft.

Discussion, opened by M. C. Garrett, Madison.

"The Future of Banking," N. A. Rainbolt, Norfolk.

"Competition," R. E. Kloeke, West Point.

Discussion, opened by A. L. Tucker, Wayne.

"Credits and Securities," H. D. Deily, Wisner.

Discussion, W. L. Mote, Plainview.

Address, Hon. L. M. Shaw, governor of Iowa.

Roll Call of Banks - The trustees have decided that at the "Roll Call of Banks" the following topics in your response will prove most beneficial:

1. Give your experience as to interest rates, both on loans and certificates.

2. Rates of exchange.

3. Farm sale business and competition of loan brokers.

4. Have you had any amusing experience in bank business in the past year, or do you know of a good joke on your neighbor banker?

5. Do you know of any good new devices to aid in bank book-keeping or any other idea not mentioned above?

Remember, each bank will be called and no excuses are desired.

Reports of the secretary and treasurer. Election of officers.

The session will close with a banquet at 9 o'clock at which Hon. John R. Hays of this city will act as toast-master.

This banquet will be served in the Mast hall by the Ladies guild of Trinity Episcopal church.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

Fred Parish is on the sick list.

Mrs. J. Murphy was in the city from Hampshire yesterday.

J. S. Shurtz left today noon for a visit with his son at Logan, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Imge went to Missouri Valley, Iowa today to visit at the home of Mrs. Imge's mother.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will meet in the ladies' parlor tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 to sew.

The Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church will meet with Miss Durland tomorrow afternoon at 2:30.

Chas. McKenzie of Colfax, Washington, was here yesterday visiting friends enroute home from a trip to New York.

The Norfolk postoffice has just been allowed additional clerk hire of \$300 per year by the department at Washington.

S. K. Dexter of Lowell, Mass., is here looking after his cold storage interests. He is accompanied by his niece, Miss Bertha M. Dexter.

There will be a special meeting of the Woodmen of the World at Orr's hall this evening. A large attendance of members is desired.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gruenwald, living near Pierce, recently welcomed twin boys to their home. Mrs. Gruenwald was formerly Miss Selma Weker of this city.

Rev. J. J. Parker will leave this evening for his new home in Kearney. He will visit over night with friends in Madison, enroute to his new field of work.

"Rip Van Winkle" was very well rendered last night in the Auditorium by the Pringle company. The audience was not large but those attending were well pleased with the performance.

THURSDAY TIDINGS.

J. Glasson was in the city last night from Tekamah.

A. D. Wilkerson was a Norfolk visitor over night from Battle Creek.

H. A. Allen, a large land owner of Atkinson, was in the city yesterday.

The new lamp for in front of the city building has arrived, and been put in place.

Frank Twiss, who has for some time served the Boyd hotel of Wayne as clerk, is home.

W. H. Bucholz, president of the Norfolk National bank, went to Omaha today on business.

There was another quite severe freeze last night, the thermometer indicating a temperature of 23 degrees.

A. E. Lawrence is preparing to move into the house on Madison avenue recently vacated by C. G. Dolan.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Vail have arrived from Wayne and took charge of the Oxnard hotel this morning in time for breakfast.

Columbus citizens are circulating a subscription paper toward forming a stock company for the erection of a \$10,000 opera house, exclusive of the lot.

The list of 60 persons has been drawn for service as petit jurors in the term of federal court at Omaha beginning May 9. Norfolk has no representative on the list.

A. E. Campbell will move into the house on South Tenth street to be vacated by W. H. Bridge and family. He will occupy it until the first of September, when J. K. Boas will take it.

The nines of Loren Hosseman and Sam Erskine crossed bats in Norfolk yesterday in a five-inning game. The boys captured by the first named won against the latter by a score of 19 to 18.

A letter from Rev. Chas. E. Deuel of Boise City, Idaho, states that Mrs. Deuel is suffering from another attack of pneumonia, an announcement that Mrs. Deuel's Norfolk friends will receive with regret.

T. E. Odionne has sold to W. T. Shively, an engineer in the employ of the F. E. & M. V., the residence property designated as No. 614, South Fourth street. Mr. Shively will take possession on the first of May.

Peter Sandh has arrived from Grand Island to accept a position in the tailor shop of P. J. Fuesler. He worked here on one time several years ago and was in the employ of Frank Rames, a well known Omaha tailor, for many years.

Herbert London, pharmacist in A. L. Muirhead's drug store at Winside was compounding a prescription of horse medicine yesterday morning which contained chlorate of potash. He undertook to pulverize the mixture in a mortar when the stuff exploded, burning one hand and both eyes of the clerk, and singing his face.

J. L. Daniel and Ed Sessler have rented the east room of the Fair store and as soon as the building is vacated will fit it up for a bowling alley. No saloon will be run in connection but cigars and soft drinks may be sold. Mr. Daniel will also continue his present business. This is the third bowling alley announced for Norfolk.

About 20 Sioux City Elks contemplate going to Council Bluffs Friday to assist in dedicating the \$40,000 club house of the Council Bluffs lodge. The Sioux City members of the order are likewise preparing for a minstrel show which is to be given at the Grand opera house on the evenings of April 25 and 26. There will be 75 in the cast and the program is now all complete.

Messrs. James F. Booge and Fred T. Evans, jr., formerly of Hot Springs, S. D., returned to their homes in Sioux City recently after a six weeks' trip in Washington and Oregon. They report in the Journal of having met A. E. Barnes formerly of Dakota City and brother of Judge J. B. Barnes, and George A. Latimer, formerly of Norfolk, who are in the law business together at Seattle. Mr. Evans says that they are making money.

The Entertainer Fraternity recital to be given at the Auditorium tonight by the music pupils of Mrs. Cora A. Beels is anticipated with much pleasure by the lovers of music in Norfolk. These entertainments under Mrs. Beels' direction have always been popular and deservedly so as the performers evince great interest in the work and their desire is to please. The several talks with which the musical numbers are interspersed are a new feature which will undoubtedly add to the pleasures of the evening and furnish additional evidence of the pupils progress in the knowledge of music.

Wayne Republican: Next Monday the bankers of Northeast Nebraska meet at Norfolk in convention. Doubtless all the children of populist parents residing within a radius of 5 miles of Norfolk will be gathered within the sacred confines of the home and carefully guarded from the grasping clutches of the plutocratic hyenas who will have the freedom of the city and the surrounding country for a day. They are a bold, bad lot of fellows who have gathered in the wealth of the producing classes until today North Nebraska is a Potter's field where land sells at half a hundred dollars per acre and where thousands of high bred

cattle, horses and hogs roam about seeking what they can find to fatten on and add wealth to their owners in order that they may build homes, schools, churches and hospitals, clothe and feed their children and care for the unfortunate.

Dr. Rudolph Mittelstadt is in the city from Omaha and will locate here for the practice of dentistry. He will occupy the upstairs rooms in the southeast corner of the Bishop block as soon as they are completed, thus having the finest suite of office rooms in the city. Dr. Mittelstadt is a graduate of one of the best dental colleges in the country and has practiced in Omaha for the past three years where he established an enviable reputation for honest work and was successful in building up a lucrative practice. He will undoubtedly enjoy a fair share of the dental practice of Norfolk.

The Pringle company closed its engagement in Norfolk last night, presenting "Miss Nobody" to a small audience. The play is new, bright and entertaining and was well presented by the company. Mr. Pringle made an honest effort to please in Norfolk and with the seats at popular prices it is hard to understand why he didn't receive a better patronage from the people of the city. The first night was so stormy as to furnish a reasonable excuse for a light attendance, but there was no such fault to find last night and the night before. If such entertainments are not patronized it will not be a great while until a good play in Norfolk is a rarity.

Wall paper, 5 cents per double roll. H. C. TRUMAN.

SAY ELKHORN WILL EXTEND.

Will Build Verdigre Branch Into Niobrara-Missouri Country.

There seems to be a possibility that Boyd county, Nebraska, between the Niobrara and Missouri rivers, will be tapped by a railway which will bring the livestock of the district to this city, but it is not likely to be the Atkinson & Niobrara River railway. It is reported from Lynch on unquestioned authority that the Elkhorn road intends to extend its Verdigre branch as far as Gross, a newly platted town.

The promoters of the Atkinson & Niobrara, S. A. Harris and O. A. Perry, who have been in Sioux City repeatedly to finance their project planned the construction of a narrow gauge line from Atkinson, which is on the main line of the Elkhorn, northeast to the vicinity of Spencer.

The region in Boyd county north of the Niobrara is thickly settled and there are many small towns in existence there all panting for the advent of a railway in their vicinity. Rumored extensions of the Elkhorn have been heard repeatedly, but in this case it is given out cold that the road will be built in time to handle the fall crop of grain.—Sioux City Tribune.

Before you buy your wall paper see what H. C. Truman can show you for 5 cents per double roll.

Stock taken to pasture during the coming season. Enquire of W. H. Boyd or at THE NEWS OFFICE.

The Pessimist on Steam.

These views of an ancient economist regarding steam railways is reproduced from the Tilden Citizen, the editor having the paper from which it is taken in his possession. It is from the East Kent Journal published May 12, 1898, and in view of modern developments is somewhat laughable:

"We Englishmen can no longer be blind to the power of the steam engine as a carrying power in our island. The Stockton and Darlington railway is carrying people at the speed of 15 miles an hour in safety and is building a species of truck to carry goods at tolls that will bring starvation to them which are now in that business. Companies are banding their money together for building railways between London and all the chief towns of the kingdom and, unless his majesty's government can be made to wake up and interfere, widespread panic and unsettled trade will be upon us. What we ask, will become of the horse market if this thing is allowed to go on! Our farmers are already on the verge of desperation at the removal of the hop duty, and if the new vogue of travel is allowed to spread, the horses which have been Britons' pride for 14 centuries will be sold for knackers." (A knacker is a worn out horse sold for its hide and the flesh cut up, cooked and sold in the cities as cat's meat.)

Commenting on this the Citizen says: The editor, had he been living today would certainly have been a populist, for he goes on to show that, horses being no more in demand, fodder, oats and other crops used for horse feed, will have no marketable value, and winds up by calling on all Englishmen to rise in their might and compel the administration to pass legislation that will kill off the projected railroads and save Englishmen from ruin. What makes this quotation particularly interesting reading today is that England has since then become a complete network of railroads but that instead of horses becoming a drag on the market, the British government is now scouring the United States for a supply of the animals necessary to hold the British Empire together by completing its military operations in South Africa.

EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR.

Steamer Ramona Blows Up Near Vancouver.

SIX OTHERS ARE INJURED.

Boiler Explodes in Midstream and Victims Are Blown Into River—Dead Include Two Women Passengers and Two Deckhands—Mate and Purser Fatally Burned.

Vancouver, April 18.—By the explosion of the boiler on the river steamer Ramona yesterday four persons were killed outright and six others seriously injured, two of whom will probably die.

The dead: Mrs. H. Morrison, Fort Langley; Mrs. Bailey, Mount Lehman; John Mack, deckhand, and Henry Phipps, deckhand.

Richard Power, purser, and James Maynard, mate, were fatally burned. The boiler exploded in midstream while the steamer was en route from New Westminster to Fort Langley.

By the force of the explosion Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Bailey, who were returning home after a day's shopping in New Westminster, were blown into the river and were drowned before aid reached them.

The remains of the two deckhands Phipps and Mack, have not been found. Purser Power was badly scalded by escaping steam and Mate Maynard was also fearfully burned. Three Indians were seriously burned.

Big Race is Assured. Lexington, Ky., April 18.—The match race between Cresceus and Charlie Herr, scheduled for the October meeting of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' association, is now an assured fact. Secretary Wilson received a letter from George H. Ketchum of Toledo, owner of Cresceus, saying that the terms were satisfactory. His check for \$500, which amount of the side bet of \$1,000 must be deposited at once, is expected in a few days. The horses will contest for a purse of \$7,000, of which \$2,000 goes to the loser. David Cahill agreed at once to enter Charlie Herr.

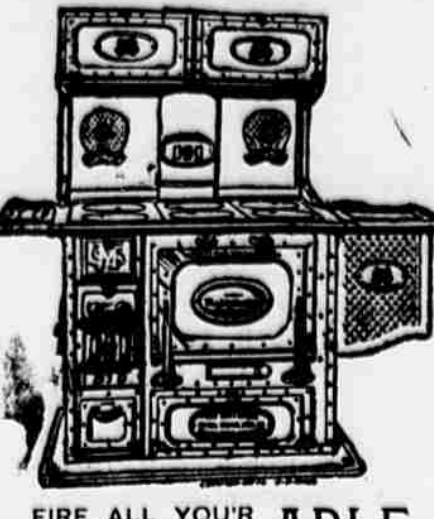
Gomez to Visit United States. Havana, April 18.—General Maximo Gomez is making arrangements to go to the United States to visit Senor Estrada Palma. He will be accompanied by his son, Urbano, and will probably remain in the United States until the return to Cuba of the special committee on relations. He desires to await definite action in reference to the Platt amendment. He has always expressed a desire to meet the people of the United States and to thank them for the assistance they tendered Cuba during the war. Senor Palma is the choice of General Gomez for the presidency of Cuba.

Aim Blow at Tobacco Trust. Boston, April 18.—A bill aimed directly at the American and Continental Tobacco companies was passed to a third reading by the lower branch of the legislature yesterday. The measure prohibits corporations or associations of individuals from restricting their customers in the purchase of their exclusive goods. It was shown at the hearing that numerous tobacco dealers in the state have been compelled to deal exclusively with the large companies.

Transport Lawton Sighted. San Francisco, April 18.—The transport Lawton has been sighted off port. She is several days overdue.

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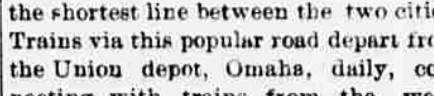
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