

## WILL OF C. W. BRAASCH

PROPERTY GOES TO TATE WILLE  
AND H. C. MATRAU.

\$1,000 TO THE NORFOLK ELKS

The will of the late C. W. Braasch is opened and read—The Old Braasch Home Becomes Property of Former Employee, Tate Wille.

The will of the late C. W. Braasch was taken to Madison Wednesday morning and Wednesday afternoon opened in the county court, where it was filed for probate.

Aside from the Fifth street residence which is deeded to Tate Wille and the sum of \$1,000 which is bequeathed to the Norfolk lodge of Elks, the Braasch estate is divided equally between Mr. Wille and H. C. Matrau. The will was drawn up about July 15 and names Burt Mapes, Mr. Braasch's attorney, as executor.

By deed drawn up shortly before the will was made Mr. Braasch conveys his Norfolk residence to Tate Wille. Other real estate, consisting of his Norfolk avenue business property and residence lots at Tenth street and Koenigstein avenue, are conveyed by similar deeds to Tate Wille and H. C. Matrau, the one for years his faithful employee and friend, the other for years his firm friend and Grand Army comrade.

By the terms of the will the personal property of the Braasch estate, estimated at about \$10,000 and including bank holdings, is divided share and share alike between Mr. Wille and Mr. Matrau. The sum of \$1,000 is bequeathed to the local lodge of Elks.

There is a possibility that the will may be contested by Mr. Braasch's sister, Mrs. Carl Apfel of Norfolk, Mrs. Apfel, so far as known, is Mr. Braasch's only living relative who would be an heir at law.

### FIRST IN THE ROSEBUD.

Masonic Lodge Instituted at Burke.

Fifteen Charter Members.  
Burke, S. D., Aug. 14.—Special to The News: A Masonic lodge was instituted here Monday night with fifteen charter members. This is the first secret organization on the Rosebud. The membership is composed of Burke and Gregory citizens.

### Proceedings of Board of Equalization.

Madison, Neb., Aug. 7, 1907, 1 p. m.—Board of equalization met pursuant to adjournment. Present John H. Harding, Burr Taft, Geo. E. Richardson.

The work of the board of equalization being completed and the report of the state board of equalization having been received, the board then proceeded to make levies as follows for the year 1907:

For county general fund, 5 1/2 mills.  
For county bridge fund, 4 mills.  
For county road fund, 2 1/2 mills.  
Road district No. 2, special levy, 2 mills.  
Road district No. 3, special levy, 2 mills.  
Road district No. 5, special levy, 1 mill.  
Road district No. 6, special levy, 1 mill.  
Road district No. 14, special levy, 1 mill.  
Road district No. 17, special levy, 1 mill.  
Road district No. 28, special levy, 1 mill.  
Road district No. 31, special levy, 4 mills.  
Road district No. 29, special levy, 1 mill.  
Village of Battle Creek, 10 mills.  
City of Madison, 25 mills.  
Village of Meadow Grove, 10 mills.  
City of Norfolk, 26 1/2 mills.  
Village of Tilden, 29 mills.  
Village of Newman Grove, 13 mills.  
School Levies.

No.	Dist.	Mills	Bond	Total	No.	Dist.	Mills	Bond	Total
1	16	18	3	21	21	25	25	10	35
2	22	2 1/2	24 1/2	27	22	10	63	6	69
3	12	12	43	55	23	10	64	13	77
4	15	15	45	60	24	8	65	5	70
5	16	16	46	62	25	6	66	15	81
6	4	4	47	51	26	13	67	12	79
7	5	5	48	53	27	10	68	10	78
8	10	10	49	59	28	3	69	25	77
9	8	8	50	58	29	7	70	4	74
10	7	7	51	58	30	10	71	9	80
11	15	15	52	67	31	16	72	14	86
12	25	25	53	78	32	5	73	10	78
13	24	4	28	32	33	7	74	14	81
14	5	5	55	60	34	8	75	23	83
15	8	8	56	64	35	5	76	10	81
16	10	10	57	67	36	8	77	20	85
17	2	2	58	60	37	5	78	11	89
18	15	15	59	74	38	7	79	15	91
19	10	10	60	70	39	8	80	20	88
20	3	3	61	64	40	8	80	20	88
21	25	25	62	87					
22	10	10	63	73					
23	10	10	64	74					
24	8	8	65	73					
25	6	6	66	72					
26	13	13	67	80					
27	10	10	68	78					
28	3	3	69	72					
29	7	7	70	77					
30	10	10	71	81					
31	16	16	72	88					
32	5	5	73	78					
33	7	7	74	81					
34	8	8	75	83					
35	5	5	76	81					
36	8	8	77	85					
37	5	5	78	83					
38	7	7	79	86					
39	8	8	80	88					
40	8	8	80	88					

On motion the board adjourned.  
Geo. E. Richardson,  
County Clerk.

### Commissioners' Proceedings.

Madison, Neb., Aug. 7, 1907, 1 p. m.—The board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, John H. Harding and Burr Taft.

The minutes of July 9, 10 and 11, and July 26, 1907, were read and approved. On motion the following bills were allowed:

C. C. Palmer, work, road district No. 19.....\$ 41 50  
Henry Uecker, work, road district No. 1.....35 15  
John H. Harding, labor and mileage.....62 10  
Burr Taft, labor and mileage.....63 40  
Chr. Schavland, county treasurer, duplicate certificates and expense.....471 97  
Gus Kaul, salary.....50 00  
W. C. Elley, livery, Perdue.....14 00  
W. C. Elley, livery, commissioners.....6 25  
Rev. W. C. George, putting in culvert, road district No. 26.....10 50  
L. M. Johnson, work, road district No. 29.....26 50  
L. M. Johnson, work, commissioner district No. 1.....26 50  
W. P. Dixon, grading, commissioner district No. 2, assigned Norfolk National bank.....96 00  
Joe Benish, work, road district No. 9, assigned to Jack Koenigstein.....22 50  
L. M. Johnson, assisting county surveyor.....3 00  
John Horst, merchandise for county.....44 95  
John Horst, merchandise for road district No. 30.....3 90  
John Horst, merchandise for road district No. 26.....11 00  
John Horst, merchandise for road district No. 31.....3 00  
John Horst, merchandise for road district No. 25.....4 90  
E. D. Hammond, trees.....4 32  
L. L. Huffman, livery, Malone.....1 00  
L. Sessions, money paid mowing ditch No. 1.....2 00  
Anderson & Vaughn, riprap, assigned to R. G. Rohrke.....185 00  
Frank S. Perdue, salary.....100 00  
John H. Heggemeyer, work, road district No. 10.....33 00  
Thos. O'Shea, coal.....18 25  
Julius Altschuler, witness fees, assigned Madison State bank.....25 50  
Burner & Palmer, livery.....7 00  
John F. Flynn, expense Indian girl.....1 50  
Crook Bros., work and livery.....44 25  
C. R. D. Harned.....1 50  
Wm. Weber, work.....15 00  
J. T. Moore, work, commissioner district No. 2.....49 00  
Wm. Weber, work, road district No. 8.....89 50  
Henry Klatt, work, commissioner district No. 2.....7 50  
Adolph Hille, work, commissioner district No. 2.....4 50  
John Leffer, work, commissioner district No. 2.....9 00  
John Brown, work.....49 10  
J. J. Clements, salary and jailer's fees.....258 10  
W. S. Justice, lumber.....90 56  
Howard Miller Lumber company, lumber, road district No. 14.....25 35  
Howard Miller Lumber company, lumber, road district No. 18.....65 49  
John W. McDonald, sheriff fees.....75  
Howard Miller Lumber company, lumber, road district No. 3.....14 64  
Howard Miller Lumber company, lumber, road district No. 7.....23 30  
Howard Miller Lumber company, lumber, road district No. 11.....26 48  
Howard Miller Lumber company, lumber, general fund.....39 36  
Howard Miller Lumber company, lumber, road district No. 10.....14 74  
Howard Miller Lumber company, lumber, road district No. 11.....3 07  
E. L. Twiss, work, road district No. 13.....6 00  
Chas. Weltz, work.....13 00  
Gaylord Bros., supplies, county clerk.....2 53  
The Austin Western Co., repairs for grader.....14 70  
John Knapp, wolf scalps.....8 00  
Jos. Finkral, work, road district No. 22.....58 25  
H. Kilburn, register births and deaths.....4 50  
E. F. Ringer, register births and deaths.....70  
Clyde Rynearson, register births and deaths.....3 75  
Chas. Letheby, register births and deaths.....7 75  
Julius Hulff, register births and deaths.....18 00  
B. H. Mills, register births and deaths.....3 75  
H. L. Kindred, register births and deaths.....30  
J. B. Donovan, supplies.....52 50  
S. C. Blackman, printing.....47 75  
C. D. Johnson, steward poor farm.....300 00  
Western Wheelled Scraper Co., repairs.....3 00  
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On motion the bond of Chas. Weltz, road overseer, road district No. 25, was approved.

On motion the county clerk was instructed to strike from the tax list of 1906 the city taxes assessed against the lots in Barker's addition to Norfolk, Neb.

On motion the board then adjourned to September 6, 1907, at 1 p. m.

Geo. E. Richardson,  
County Clerk.

## CHANGE IN TRAIN HOURS

NO MORE EARLY MORNING TRAIN FROM BONESTEEL.

IT WILL REACH HERE AT NOON

Passenger Service Extends to Dallas  
Next Sunday—Leaving Dallas at 6 a. m., Train Gets Here at Noon.  
Train From West Hour Later.

There will be no morning train in Norfolk from Bonesteel after next Sunday.

Beginning Sunday, passenger service will extend to the end of the new extension at Dallas, S. D.

The early morning train arriving in Norfolk over the main line from Chadron in the past will hereafter come through from the end of the line at Lander, Wyo., and it will arrive in Norfolk about an hour later than at present, so that in the future Norfolk people going to Omaha in the morning will drive to the Junction and take the train at 7 o'clock instead of taking a train at the uptown station at 5:45 as at present.

These are some of the features of a new time card which will go into effect on this division of the Chicago & Northwestern next Sunday.

### Noon Train From Dallas.

Instead of the passenger train which has for some years left Bonesteel at midnight and reached Norfolk in the morning, there will hereafter be a passenger train from Dallas daily arriving in Norfolk at 12:20, noon, and reaching Norfolk Junction at 12:25, in time to connect with eastbound passenger train No. 6, going to Omaha and Chicago from the Black Hills.

This new train will leave Dallas at 6 o'clock in the morning. It will be known as train No. 406 eastbound and 405 northbound.

Returning to Dallas, this train will leave just as the Bonesteel train now leaves—at 12:50, noon.

This new train will do away with the night ride from Bonesteel to Norfolk, and it will also make it impossible for a person to come to Norfolk from that line, transact business and return home the same day as is now possible.

Likewise, it makes it impossible for a person from the Dallas line to go through to Omaha, transact business and return the next day. The trip will hereafter require three days. Leaving Dallas in the morning, a passenger will reach Omaha at night. After transacting business the next day, it will be necessary to wait until the third day to return. This will make it possible to come to Norfolk, spend the afternoon and night and return home just twenty-four hours sooner than would be possible in going to Omaha.

This Dallas train will not go through to Omaha. Some of its coaches will be placed in the Omahabound train, but the train itself will rest here for a day.

This new arrangement may mean the bringing of a half dozen new families to Norfolk in crews.

### Sunday Morning Train From West.

From the west the Lander train will come every morning, including Sundays, so that hereafter people living west of Norfolk may come to this city on Sunday morning.

A new feature of this train will be a sleeper which will come from Lander to Norfolk.

At present Norfolk people going to Omaha on the morning train may catch their train at the city station at 5:45. With this train not arriving until noon after Sunday, it will be necessary for Norfolk people to go to the Junction depot to catch the Lander-Omaha train, which will arrive from the west at 6:40 a. m., in time for breakfast.

But in the future people may take the Dallas-Omaha train uptown at 12:20 in making trips to Omaha on the afternoon train.

The train leaving here at 7:10 in the morning for the north will go only as far as Bonesteel, returning at 7:15 in the evening as now.

### ROBLEY STAYS IN JAIL

He is Unable to Furnish the \$10,000 Bond Required.

West Point, Neb., Aug. 14.—Special to The News: James Robley, the man who is charged with outraging the 12-year-old daughter of Mrs. Z. Gardner, has had a preliminary hearing and has been committed for trial in district court, under bonds of \$10,000, which he has been unable to furnish. The Cumming county jail now contains three inmates all of whom are charged with offenses of this nature.

### ANNUAL PICNIC DATE CHANGED

Cumming County Old Settlers Will Meet August 29.

West Point, Neb., Aug. 14.—Special to The News: The old settlers association of Cumming county have changed the date of their annual picnic and reunion to the 29th day of August. They had intended to hold the festivities on the 31st, but have decided to hold the picnic two days earlier.

### NEW BANK AT LUCAS

New Financial Institution Established in the Town of Lucas.

Burke, S. D., Aug. 14.—Special to The News: The Lucas State bank has

just been chartered with a capital of \$10,000, the incorporators being L. S. Lillbridge, P. M. Fulton, John O. Anseth and other Burke citizens.

Lucas is an inland town eleven miles northeast of Burke and this will make the second bank for the town, the German American bank of this place having already made arrangements to establish a branch there.

The cashier and local manager of the Lucas State bank will be Edward Sutter of this place.

## HUNTING FOR PEAT BEDS

L. E. ANDERSON OF CHICAGO IS HERE INVESTIGATING.

### WOULD ESTABLISH A FACTORY

If Mr. Anderson Could Find Swampy Ground Containing Peat Moss He Would Start a Factory to Produce Peat Fuel—Cheaper Than Coal.

L. E. Anderson of Chicago, representing the U. S. Peat Fuel company, is in the city investigating the possibilities of establishing a plant for the production of peat fuel in Nebraska. The essential to the industry contemplated is a large bed of swamp land or bog, and this it is feared will be difficult to find in the country around Norfolk, although it is probable that such lands may be found near the lakes in the western part of the state.

Mr. Anderson says that his company is now manufacturing a good fuel from the bog in marshes, which when treated becomes as valuable a fuel as hard coal and that it can be put on the market at considerable less price than anthracite.

Peat is a deposit formed in bogs by the decay of vegetable matter, and is found in low places which are swampy all the year through or which overflow periodically. In composition it differs from coal only in the relative proportion of its constituents, peat containing 55 to 62 per cent of carbon, while coal contains 88 to 92 per cent. It is the theory of geologists that peat is formed of rank vegetable matter, such as rushes and cat tails, falling under water after frost and there decaying, the water giving the mass a different chemical result than though it had decayed in the atmosphere. In the course of 3,000 years this mass would become coal if left undisturbed.

Through the process by which the U. S. Peat Fuel company treats the moss, it is removed from the marshes by dredges and carried to the factory where it races through the various processes and in about thirty minutes emerges from the other end in hard chunks ready for the furnace, thus doing mechanically in half an hour what nature requires thousands of years to produce.

Mr. Anderson is attracted to Nebraska by the lack of coal deposits in this state, which necessitates shipping in everything that is burned, except timber grown along the streams, which is now becoming a factor in fuel conditions. With the high price of fuel in this state, Mr. Anderson realizes that if a few good peat beds could be located so as to reduce the cost of transportation, his company could establish a few factories and coin money with their output and at the same time confer a genuine blessing upon the people of the state.

From Norfolk he will go to the western part of the state where he expects to find peat beds in the shallow ponds and along the lakes of that section that will be worth promoting.

### CONFLICTING WIRE ORDERS

An Echo of the Telegraph Strike Reaches Norfolk.

[From Tuesday's Daily.]

An echo of the big telegraph strike struck north Nebraska when two conflicting orders, both supposedly originating from L. W. Quick of St. Louis, grand secretary and treasurer of the O. R. T., sped over the wires. The first message, which was reported over some wires, purported to order railroad telegraphers to refuse to handle Western Union business.

Later yesterday the following message, issued by Secretary Quick, was sent in to the Union Pacific office in Norfolk:

To Members of the O. R. T.: Am informed message purporting to have been signed by me is being sent over railroad wires instructing railroad telegraphers to refuse to handle Western Union business. That message is a fake, pay no attention to messages of that character. You are requested to strictly observe your agreement with the railroad company; you should perform the same duties now that you did before the commercial telegraphers' strike, nothing more, nothing less. Telegraphers at junction points are requested to furnish a copy of this message to other lines.

No attention had been paid in Norfolk to the fake embargo against Western Union business but it was reported that the M. & O. operators at Emerson and at one other point had refused to handle commercial business.

A New York message for Norfolk filed last evening after 6 o'clock was received in the Norfolk office by 8 o'clock indicating that it was still possible to get communication across the country.

### Entertains Friends.

Miss Emma Guse pleasantly entertained a number of her friends Saturday evening.

## LUTHERAN SYNOD STARTS

OVER 250 VISITORS ARE ALREADY IN THE CITY.

### NATIONAL OFFICER IS HERE

Rev. P. E. Brandt of Pittsburg, President of the National Synod, Delivered a Sermon—District Convention of Baptists Here.

By Wednesday noon more than 250 men who as ministers, teachers and laymen are connected with the Nebraska churches of the Missouri synod of the Lutheran church, had gathered in Norfolk for the state convention of their synod. These men, whose number is being materially increased as additional trains arrive in Norfolk, are guests in Lutheran homes in the city. At 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon the synod was organized. Rev. C. H. Becker of Seward, state president, was among the early arrivals and presided at the opening of the church convention.

Wednesday morning no attempt was made to enroll the delegates, the morning being given over to a sermon by Rev. P. E. Brandt of Pittsburg, president of the national synod. The eastern minister spoke in German and his address was said to be one of the most powerful sermons ever delivered in Norfolk.

### Baptist Convention.

While the Lutheran synod is organizing for the annual convention in Christ Lutheran church, a district convention of the Baptist church in northeast Nebraska is in session in the Norfolk Baptist church. Tuesday in this convention was given over to a session for the Baptist Young People's union, Rev. J. C. Ellinwood of Ponca speaking on "Young People in Evangelism" in the evening.

Wednesday morning in the Baptist convention was devoted to organizing for more effective Sunday school work in northeast Nebraska. The association proper began Wednesday afternoon.

The Lutheran synod will be in session until Tuesday evening, the Baptist convention until Friday morning.

### THURSDAY TIDINGS.

Miss Dena Lehman is clerking in the Beeler Brothers' dry goods store.

John Lederer, who has been very sick at his home northwest of Norfolk, is some better.

Mrs. Clara B. Johnson has purchased Mrs. Emma Stamm's property, a house and five lots, in the Junction.

Posters were put up in the windows of Norfolk business houses during the afternoon announcing the Neligh races and carnival to be held August 21 to 23.

Dr. J. C. Myers has received a letter from Dr. C. A. McKim, who is at Salina, Kan., stating that his mother is recovering steadily from her recent illness.

W. B. Hight, who left on the early morning train for his new home in South Dakota, has secured a contract to build a new \$12,000 school house at Presho, a growing town on the new Milwaukee extension.

The assault and battery charge filed by F. L. Trumm against Henry Hasenpflug will come up for hearing in Justice Lambert's court on next Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. The date of the alleged offense is set at August 3. The case has been transferred from the justice court of Judge Elseley since being filed.

The Norfolk postoffice has experienced difficulty this week in handling rural route No. 4. Carrier E. Beels was taken quite sick during the week and gave way to Substitute Carrier George Farley. Mr. Farley covered the route yesterday but was himself taken ill last evening. Today a substitute is looking after the route.

Members of the Norfolk board of education are awaiting with some anxiety the arrival of the new seats ordered to replace the school seats destroyed in the high school fire. The new seats will be placed in the Olney building which is to be used as the high school building from September 3, when school opens, until the new building is ready for occupancy.

In case there is another high school fire in Norfolk the records and important papers of the Norfolk schools will not be destroyed. The board of education has decided to have a fire proof vault built in the basement of the new building. The vault will be 6x10 and will hold the more valuable records and books. The loss of school records was one of the troublesome features of the fire last spring.

Madison Chronicle: Wm. V. Allen also filed suit Monday in the district court in behalf of his client, Minnie Pilkin, against the saloon keepers of Battle Creek. Ernest F. Hans, Lambert Kerbel and Henry Walter Co. are made defendants in the case. The plaintiff prays for \$10,000 damage from the above saloon keepers on account of her husband being killed by a train, while in an intoxicated condition. It is alleged that the defendants are responsible for the man's condition at the time he was run over by the train. Sheriff Clements served the papers on the saloon keepers yesterday morning.

Thirteen creamery agents in this section of Nebraska came to Norfolk yesterday to comply with a new state law requiring them to hold a license from the state before testing cream. Cream is purchased on the basis of butter fat and the cream men before connecting with the required license must now take an examination and pay

a nominal fee of \$1. The examinations in Norfolk yesterday were given at the Oxnard hotel by J. W. Dawson of Lincoln, one of the three state dairy inspectors. Thirty-six questions were asked the cream men to test their professional knowledge. The papers are graded at Lincoln. Today Mr. Dawson holds examinations at O'Neill. Saturday he is at Genoa, Monday and Tuesday at Central City and Wednesday at Grand Island.

### Order of Hearing on Original Probate of Will.

In the county court of Madison county, Nebraska.

The state of Nebraska, Madison county.

To all persons interested in the estate of C. W. Braasch, deceased:

Whereas, there is on file in the county court of said Madison county, an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of C. W. Braasch, late of said Madison county, deceased, and Burt Mapes has filed his petition herein praying to have said instrument admitted to probate, and for the issuing of letters testamentary, which will relate to both real and personal estates.