

ASKS FOR PAID FIREMAN

NORFOLK CITIZEN THINKS IT WOULD PAY.

NEED HORSES AT FIRE HOUSE

The Writer, in a Letter on the Subject, Says Expense of Maintaining Team and Driver at Fire House Would be Saved in Fires.

By queer coincidence the following letter, which has been received by The News, was written Oct. 13, the day before the fire which destroyed a pop factory and two barns in an early morning blaze, the flames being well under way before the alarm was turned in:

Norfolk, Neb., Oct. 13.—Editor of The Daily News: As a citizen of Norfolk and a reader of The Daily News, I would like to say a few words which voice the sentiments of a good many other people in regard to better fire protection.

The city council is about to undertake the expansion of the city limits which will include several outlying districts in the city's government. It is to be hoped that the city administration will follow this up with proper municipal protection as in former expansions they have sometimes been lax in the matter of expanding fire protection.

The district east of the river to Beach street, three blocks square and the site of a number of residences, is a notable example of a foot of water mains in the district. Another thing which I think the city could profitably take up is the maintenance of a team and at least one man day and night at the central fire house to respond to an alarm and take the fire fighting apparatus to any part of the city where it is needed.

Miss Nettie Nenow has recovered from a several weeks illness from malaria fever. B. W. Woolverton, formerly of Pierce, died a few days ago at Spokane, Wash.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

City Treasurer Julius Haase has been absent from the cashier's desk in the Citizens National bank on account of an attack of grippe.

Manager Mathewson is authority for the statement that the baseball season in Norfolk next year will open with a game between Mapes' "own" and the Norfolk Browns.

J. W. Ransom is moving into the property which he recently remodeled just north of the Methodist parsonage. J. C. Adams will occupy Mr. Ransom's present residence on South Fourth street.

Ed Harter of Norfolk, who was operated on several days ago by Mayo Bros. in Rochester, Minn., is doing very well, according to a letter received by W. N. Huse from Dr. Charles Mayo.

The Queen Esther circle of the Methodist church is planning a church bazaar to be held in the church sometime during November. A church entertainment will form part of the evening's program.

Norfolk attorneys were notified yesterday that district court at Albion had been adjourned on account of a death of a brother of Attorney H. C. Vail. District court at Albion will convene on December 5.

Word received from Mrs. George D. Butterfield from Davenport, Iowa, is very encouraging in regard to the improved health of her father, A. P. Doe. Mrs. Butterfield will remain in Davenport until her father is able to accompany her home for a visit in Norfolk.

Creighton News: Frank Lindsay and wife came up from Norfolk Sunday and visited a short time at the Geo. A. Lindsay home. Frank has severed his connection with the Northwestern. They left on Tuesday for Los Angeles, Calif., where they will reside in the future.

On next Wednesday afternoon in Christ Lutheran church in Norfolk Arnold Wagner and Miss Antonia Lehman will be united in marriage. Rev. J. P. Mueller performing the wedding ceremony. The wedding will take place at 3 o'clock. Miss Lehman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L.

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YANKTON ROAD SURVEY.

Report Says it Will be Completed by First of the Year.

A dispatch to the Yankton Press and Dakotan from Guthrie, Okla., says:

Frederick Hill of Cincinnati, president of the Yankton, Wichita and Houston railroad, spent the past week in southern Kansas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, consulting with engineers who are making the survey from Maple City, Kansas, to Bennington, I. T., a distance of 300 miles. He came direct from Yankton, where arrangements have been made for constructing that end of the road, his intention being to connect the Dakotas with the gulf and thus give the wheat growers an outlet for export via Galveston.

The engineers have been at work on the Kansas-Indian Territory portion of the line since February, much of the time being spent in Wichita on profiles. President Hill made a personal inspection of the proposed route between Wichita and Cleveland, Okla., in the gas belt, via Wellington, Kans., Ashton, Peckham and the Otce Indian reservation in Oklahoma, thence following the Arkansas river to Cleveland. A former survey made to Cleveland by Douglas, Kans., will be abandoned because of steep grades and sharp curves.

The survey in the territories will be completed within two months and the surveying gang in Texas is also expected to get through by that time, completing the entire survey from Yankton to the gulf. It was originally intended to route the road via Ponca City, Okla., but President Hill vetoed that part of the route because of an increased mileage that he desires to avoid. Instead of following the Arkansas river near Ponca City, an air line across Kay county to the river will be made, and thence to Cleveland.

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TRAMP APPREHENDED WITH THE GOODS AT LINDSAY.

JAILED, THEN TURNED LOOSE

Nervy Thief Talked to Billy Murphy and All the While He Had on Murphy's Shoes and Part of His Wardrobe—Headed Out of Town.

Lindsay, Neb., Oct. 14.—Special to The News: A stranger, or rather a bum, who has been in town for a day or two giving no name, tried to make away with a wardrobe not belonging to him just after supper. He neatly put in a large bundle a suit of clothes and some socks, underwear and shoes belonging to Billy Murphy, an overcoat belonging to Fred Schmadeke and a fur coat belonging to Joseph Herman—all boarders at the hotel. Before supper he was calmly talking to Bill Murphy, wearing Murphy's underwear and shoes. The clothes were missed and a search instituted. The clothes were all found in the pack. At the railroad yards the man was caught boarding the eastbound train. He swore he had a confederate, which was later learned to be false. He was placed in the cooler over night and as the losers did not care to prosecute he was given a tie pass and told to move quickly, which he did. The last seen of him, he was fast moving in the direction of Newman Grove.

HORSE THIEVES GET TEAM

MADISON COUNTY FARMER THE VICTIM THIS TIME.

TOOK HARNESS AND BUGGY TOO

Charles Koepper, Living Two Miles East of Meadow Grove, Sustained Loss During Night—Tracks Followed in the Frost.

A team of horses, a set of harness and a buggy were stolen from the farm of Charles Koepper, two miles east of Meadow Grove in this county, during the night. From tracks in the frost, it was known that the theft was committed near daybreak. The tracks led east toward Norfolk, Madison, Stanton or Pierce and the sheriffs at those places were notified. The stolen team is a pair of bays, a horse and mare, weighing about 2,300 pounds. The thief apparently was leading a third horse, which had been ridden to the farm.

The horsethief took the horses out of the barn, cut a pasture fence with nippers, led the stolen animals into the pasture and there harnessed them with the stolen harness to the stolen buggy. Driving out, he apparently repaired the fence that he had cut.

Tracks were followed a mile east and then lost in a multitude of other tracks. Mr. Koepper has offered a reward of \$25.

AN HONOR AT WELLESLEY

MISS JOSEPHINE BUTTERFIELD JUNIOR PRESIDENT.

NORFOLK GIRL IS POPULAR

Presidency of the Junior Class at Wellesley Attests the Immense Popularity There of a Northern Nebraska Girl.

Miss Josephine Butterfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Butterfield of Norfolk, has just been elected president of the junior class at Wellesley college.

Class presidency at Wellesley carries with it enviable honor. And more than all others, is the junior presidency significant of popularity with Wellesley girls. Miss Butterfield, popular in Norfolk, has attained great popularity on the campus of the famous old college at Wellesley. For three years past this fact has been attested by other Nebraska Wellesley girls. As a result the name of a Norfolk girl will be perpetuated by Wellesley traditions.

Senior presidency at Wellesley is based much less on sincere popularity among classmates than the honor as head of the juniors.

Get things through want ads

West Point, Neb., Oct. 14.—Special to The News: Dr. W. H. Schwenker, dentist, of West Point has just returned from an extended vacation during his visit in Burlington, Iowa. While he spent he was united in marriage to Miss Ida Hoeborg of that place. The newly married couple will go to housekeeping in West Point immediately.

PRAIRIE FIRE ON ROSEBUD

OPEN COUNTRY WEST OF GREGORY IS OVERSWEEPED.

SETTLERS HAD HARD FIGHT

As Yet it is Impossible to Tell How Much Serious Damage Has Resulted From the Fire—Spread Over Several Miles in Width.

Gregory,