

EXCHANGE DAY A WINNER

IMMENSE CROWDS OF FARMERS WERE IN TOWN.

OFFICERS ARE WELL SATISFIED

A Large Number of Articles Offered for Sale and a Big Crowd of People in Attendance at Norfolk's First Exchange Day.

The first "exchange day" in its actual operations was a success.

"Exchange day is a success and we are satisfied with the first day's showing," said Ernest Raasch, head of the committee, after the exchange transactions were well advanced.

There has to be a first day and a period of experimenting. But exchange day is starting off splendidly.

It was a representative gathering of north Nebraska farmers in the slaughter yards where the exchange day transactions took place.

About fifty head of horses were offered for sale. Ten head of cattle, seventy-five to a hundred hogs and pigs, three wagons, five bugles, farm produce, a Hereford bull, sheep, calves, and such household goods as stoves and organs were also displayed.

THE PARADE.

Nearly a Mile Long and Every Feature Interesting.

Few if any of the parades that have passed up Norfolk avenue have been more significant than the "exchange day" parade that Wednesday morning ushered in the first "exchange day."

Nearly a mile in length the parade was not only interesting in character but more than anything else it signified the common cause that Norfolk has made with the farmers of this vicinity to establish a sale and exchange day as a Norfolk institution to be managed for the benefit of the farmers of this section.

The parade, marching to the music of three bands, formed on Third street and passed up Norfolk avenue to Sixth street, doubled round a block and came back down the avenue. The line of floats, wagons and horsemen was nearly a mile long.

Ernest Raasch, chairman of the committee in charge of the exchange scheme, and J. D. Sturgeon, who originated the recent exchange day agitation and who represented the trade promoters, rode at the head of the parade. Both were mounted on white horses.

Three bands were in the line of march. The Norfolk band, the Concordia band of Hadar and the Union band of Hadar each headed a section of the parade.

Representatives of the Norfolk commercial club and the city government rode in carriages near the head of the parade. President C. E. Burnham, Secretary C. C. Gow and Directors Witzman, Sol Mayer, A. Degner and George D. Butlerfield represented the commercial club, Councilmen E. B. Kauffman, Julius Degner and Anton Buchholz and Chief of Police Flynn the city.

The parade was not run in formal sections. It was just a big collection of floats, farm wagons with produce, horsemen and live stock, all brought together to show that town and countryside had joined to make the exchange day scheme a success.

The parade was in a way a guarantee of what was back of the new venture. Prominent in the parade came the Norfolk fire department in uniform and with apparatus.

The most elaborate of the floats were the two representing the Nebraska Telephone company and the A. L. Killian store. On the big float fitted out by the telephone company nearly a complete telephone system was represented. Telephone posts strung with wire and cable, energetic linemen, desk and wall telephones helped make the float effective.

The most representative and likewise the most important feature of the parade were the farm wagons, live stock and salesday produce that intermingled with the other features of the parade. The live stock ranged from a prize Hereford bull to a diminutive burrow and a ram, suggestive of Saddle of poetic fame. Sales produce was shown in wagons. The wagons contained everything from a big rack of hay to a tiny little squealing pig.

The parade was well supplied with comedy features. There were several clowns. One wagon held a "make believe" wife and bore the legend, "Wife for sale or trade. Any old way. Come early." A charioteer, who might have been a woman but wasn't, rode in an impoverished country chariot.

EXCHANGE FORMALLY OPENED.

Business Address by A. J. Durland, Responded to by Ernest Raasch.

The formalities of the first exchange day were short. At the close of the parade A. J. Durland made a short address of welcome at the Slaughter yards, turned over to exchange day use.

Ernest Raasch, chairman of the farmers' committee, spoke a few words in reply. Mr. Durland spoke effectively and to the point. Climbing into a wagon and without waiting for the formality of an introduction Mr. Durland, who had been selected to deliver the address of welcome, came at once to the point and held the attention of his auditors.

"A trade is different from a sale. Both parties to a trade make money. A sale should benefit both sides. A trade does."

"On this basis we have arranged this exchange day. The same plan has been very successful elsewhere, particularly at Watertown, Wis., as our older settlers recall. The scheme is a simple one. Men have found that by an exchange day they could meet at a central point and save the time that would be consumed in running over the country for 'trades' they may want to make. This work we are on is an excellent thing."

"I have been in Norfolk about thirty years. We have been working hard to make a town. We have put a good deal of time and some money into it. And in this work we know that we need the help of our farmers."

"Norfolk offers you a market, what is generally understood to be the best market. You get more for your produce here. And you find that you can buy your goods and supplies cheaper here than elsewhere. In short, you 'catch us coming and going.' That is all right for this is the place for you to come."

"What the commercial club has contributed towards the expenses of this exchange day they gave gladly because they were anxious to have the exchange day started. As an exchange day is strictly your day and for your exclusive benefit. Otherwise you find yourself in Norfolk, where Norfolk merchants appreciate your trade."

"On the first Tuesday of each month one of these exchange days will be held here in Norfolk. "Norfolk has co-operated gladly in starting exchange day. Our committees have been working hard for its success. They have put in a week of good hard effort."

Ernest Raasch on behalf of the farmers replied in a few sentences. "We farmers," said Mr. Raasch, "will take hold of this exchange day and push it along."

Exchange Day Notes.

The next "exchange day" will be on January 7, 1908.

Those Madison county pioneers who saw exchange days successful in Wisconsin were the most enthusiastic supporters of the project in Norfolk.

"This exchange day has gone along very towards showing that the interests of town and the farm are mightily closely connected," said one man. "It is schemes like this that boost for the whole section that count."

The committee, which is to be congratulated on the success of the first exchange day and which will have permanent charge of the project in the future, is made up of the following prominent farmers of this vicinity: Ernest Raasch, chairman, Adrian Craig, R. W. Rhorke, Ernest Melcher, Peter Bussey, Carl Winter and Fred Terry. The committee was named by the joint committee of the Commercial club and trade promoters association which first took up the exchange day project.

A handsome specimen of thoroughbred stock shown was Ernest Raasch's registered Hereford bull, Mohawk, four years old and weighing 1,600 pounds. He is a Madison county product and when six months old was purchased by Mr. Raasch for \$125. He held him Wednesday at \$150.

L. C. Hepperly brought six pure blooded pigs to the exchange, Duroc Jerseys. Three were sold after the sale had been in progress but a short time.

Three good bands formed a happy feature of exchange day. The two Hadar bands remained in Norfolk until the early evening and gave a number of concerts both on the street and at the exchange yards.

Henry Hasenplug was so impressed with the enterprise of the exchange day committee and the success of the

THURSDAY TIDINGS.

The score or so of young men who are preparing for the firemen's minstrels are engaged in almost daily rehearsals.

Pneumonia seems to be having considerable run in this locality just at present. Miss Helene Smiter is the last one reported seriously ill with this disease.

The Redmond Sunday school class of the Methodist church met at the home of Miss Villa Adams for a farewell party for Miss Anna Fair, who leaves Friday for her new home in Shoals.

Fred Perry has succeeded George Younger as a clerk in the Leonard drug store. Younger leaving for Omaha today to study pharmacy in the Omaha College of Pharmacy, a branch of Creighton university.

The Norfolk lodge of the Degree of Honor elected officers Wednesday evening, choosing the following: Mrs. Alice Fairbanks, chief of honor; Mrs. Della Case, lady of honor; Mrs. Jennie Larsen, chief of ceremonies; Mrs. Jennie Lynde, recorder; Mrs. Louise Schwartz, financier; Mrs. John Balauntine, receiver; Mrs. Anna Koerber, usher; Mrs. Lydia Linderode, inner watch; Mrs. Vina McGrane, outer watch.

Madison county is going to have three district court terms next year in place of the customary spring and fall terms. And all three terms will be jury terms. The first term of court for 1908 will be called the first Monday in February, it is said. Only jury cases will be tried at this term, the intention being to clear up the jury cases now pending. The Boche case, if no further delay is secured, will be tried at this February term. Other terms of court at Madison will be held in June and in the fall.

The Union Pacific passenger train brought to the city last night one of the new steel coaches which have recently become a factor of the main line of that road. The car is very different from the ordinary coach in that it stands lower on the wheels, is built of sheet steel with rounded corners, and is entered from the side in the middle of the car instead of at the ends. In appearance it is very much like the motor car being used on the Bonesteel run of the Northwestern, except that it has no motive power and can only be used on a regular train.

The sewer contract suit filed against the city of Norfolk by Contractor O. P. Herrick of Des Moines will be heard in Norfolk by District Judge Welch. The suit was to have been tried to a jury at Madison during the present term of court, but the attorneys interested in the case agreed to waive the jury and try the case to Judge Welch, the hearing to take place in Norfolk at Judge Welch's convenience. In this suit several thousand dollars are at stake as a result of a dispute between Herrick and the council as to the nature of their financial relations.

Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Christ Lutheran church in Norfolk, Mr. William H. Boeckelmann of Pierce county and Miss Helene Boche, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Boche living south of Norfolk, were united in marriage. The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. J. P. Mueller, pastor of the church, and was followed by a wedding dinner and reception at the home of the bride's parents. About 200 guests were present at the reception. The young people will live seven miles northeast of Pierce. Among the guests from away was Mrs. Heary Boeckelmann and daughter of Pierce.

Albion News: For convenience, suppose it is four miles between Albion and Boone, and four miles between Boone and St. Edward. A freight train a mile long is standing with the caboose in front of the Albion station. When the train starts for Boone the brakeman who is in the caboose begins walking over the train toward the engine and just as he reaches the engine it pulls into Boone. How far did he walk and how far did he ride between Boone and Albion? When the train leaves Boone the brakeman gets on the engine and starts to walk back to the caboose, and just as he reaches the caboose it is pulled in front of the St. Edward station. How far did he walk and how far did he ride between Boone and St. Edward?

Tilden Citizen: This community was startled on Tuesday evening by a report that Mrs. Ella Thornton had dropped dead in Norfolk. Telephone communication was had with the family of Arthur Childs, a son-in-law, at Norfolk, but nothing satisfactory could be learned. Later on, however, Mrs. Thornton called up from Norfolk with the gratifying assurance that she was very much alive and in excellent health. Enquiry showed that the report originated from an ambiguously worded telegram. This dispatch was sent from Newman Grove and was intended to convey the fact that Mrs. Thornton's sister was in a dying condition, and the family desired Mrs. Thornton to come at once.

A little son arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Donner in South Norfolk in time for "exchange day."

The county commissioners are about to close up the affairs of Corporation gulch sometimes more euphemistically known as the "Norfolk avenue waterway." Yesterday it was announced that a compromise had been reached with Dr. Tashjean whereby the county was to pay Dr. Tashjean \$200 and receive a deed to the lot on which damages were claimed. Dr. Tashjean had previously brought suit for \$400 in the district court. The only suit now pending against the gulch is the suit filed by S. T. Napper and the com-

NORFOLK HORSE MARKET

TO BE OPENED BY SMITH BROS. IN THIS CITY.

SHORTLY AFTER FIRST OF YEAR.

Winter Sales to be Run up to the Time That the Big Range Sales are Started Again, About the Middle of June.

The Norfolk horse market is to be thrown open by Smith Brothers shortly after the first of the year.

Winter sales of native horses will be started by Smith Brothers' Land and Live Stock company sometime next month and will continue every two weeks thereafter. These sales will run up to the time that the big range sales are started again, the date of the initial sale of range horses having been set down as sometime near the middle of June.

Arrangements will be made for a sale barn in Norfolk for the bi-weekly auction of native horses. While the winter horse sales will not be conducted on quite as large a scale as the open air range sales still each indoor sale is expected to see a few hundred head of horses of native stock brought out for sale.

Smith brothers consider the prospects in the general horse market to be bright and are even more confident that last fall's sales fixed Norfolk's status as a horse market. Yesterday a member of the firm predicted that within sixty days the market would have completely recovered from any setback received as a result of the

Preparatory for the big range sales in Norfolk next summer Smith brothers have a man out at this time contracting for horses for next summer's sales.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

Mrs. Chas. Lodge left at noon for Kalamazoo, Mich., in response to a telegram announcing that the late Mr. Lodge's eldest sister is dying.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Melcher and E. G. Melcher have gone to Stanton to attend the fifteenth wedding anniversary of the parents of Messrs. Melcher, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Melcher, Albert Melcher, another brother, passed through Norfolk yesterday on his way to Stanton from his home in Portal, N. D.

Paul Lynde arrived in Norfolk yesterday from Cheyenne, Wyo.

W. H. Blakeman and E. E. Coleman left this morning for Randolph on business.

E. F. Huse and Fritz Asmus, manager and treasurer respectively of the Norfolk Auditorium, left at noon to attend the Wednesday evening opening and ball at the new Nellig Auditorium.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: Charles Schlander, Osmond; A. E. Reed, James Cross, Creighton; J. G. Stowe, J. G. Sutton, Bloomfield; A. Nohler, Emerson; Wilford Standiford, Herrick, S. D.; Miss Ryan, Stuart; E. Crook, Foster; B. J. Overtwin, Greta; J. M. Roberts, Ashland; Mrs. Severa, Battle Creek; L. P. Kerbel, Spencer; Lambert Kerbel, Battle Creek.

At 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon the marriage of Mr. J. B. Hight and Miss Mabel Estabrook was celebrated at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Estabrook on South Ninth street, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. J. Turner of the First Congregational church. The wedding was a quiet affair, few outside the immediate families of the contracting parties being present. Mr. and Mrs. Hight will spend their honeymoon on a homestead near Interior, S. D. It may be crude for a time but after awhile it will be theirs, and it seems a good practical way for young people to start to establish a home.

L. Ottmar has taken charge of the repair department of the Norfolk shoe store.

John Thomsen has come up from Madison to work as a shoe maker in the Davenport shoe store.

F. A. Beeler was threatened with the grippe for a short time but was able to be down town again yesterday.

Little Ruth McCune, the little four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will McCune, badly scalded one of her feet by sticking it into a hot tub filling with scalding hot water.

Word has been received from Oneida, N. Y., of the death of Mrs. Wm. McKim, very suddenly of heart failure. Rev. Mr. McKim formerly lived in Norfolk, going from here to Sallina, Kansas. Later he became rector of an Oneida, N. Y., church.

The thirty-two head of registered Red Poll cattle which will be offered for sale in this city Thursday, have arrived in charge of their owner, S. P. Robinson of Newport. This will be one of the most important stock sales held in Norfolk this season.

The Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church will meet in the church parlors Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Members are requested to note the change of hour.

O'Neill Independent: The Knights of Columbus are arranging for the adoption of a big class of candidates at the first meeting in their new hall which will be completed about January 1. It ought to be easy to secure candidates for this meeting as the order is one of the best and the splendid new hall ought to be an attraction. Pierce Call: The motor car on this branch has its troubles along with the rest of the world. Tuesday morning on the run up from Norfolk the "ker-

and out with a darkness that was awful. The acetylene plant evidently was putting.

Mrs. H. M. Culbertson was called to western Nebraska today on business, where she expects to remain several weeks.

Attorneys E. P. Weatherby and H. F. Barnhart, who are attending court at Madison, were up from the county seat over night.

Mrs. W. H. Shippe left this noon for Beaver City, Neb., where she was summoned by the illness of her brother-in-law, Eugene Harvey, who was very low.

L. H. Drake of Corning, N. Y., arrived in Norfolk yesterday to join his wife who is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Butterfield. Mr. Drake was accompanied to Norfolk by his daughter, Mrs. Millard, of St. Louis.

Chan Norton, the Wayne county farmer who suffered at the hands of horse thieves, was in Norfolk Tuesday on his way to meet George Losey at Warnerville with the intention of following up certain clues which Captain Losey ran across in the pursuit of the recent Battle Creek horse thieves.

W. J. Stadelman, manager of the Norfolk Long Distance Telephone company, left at noon for Chicago to see about the immediate shipment of the automatic switchboard and other equipment of the company. The second floor of the company's new Norfolk avenue exchange is being put in condition to receive the switchboard at once.

The commercial club directors Tuesday voted to lend their usual support to the North Nebraska Teachers' association on the occasion of its April meeting in Norfolk. While the association has virtually determined to come to Norfolk again the officers regard it as rather essential that the new high school building should be completed in time to care for the convention.

Columbus Telegram: Will Hall of Norfolk, accompanied by his mother, passed through Columbus last Sunday on their way to David City, to be present at the final administration of the estate of Mrs. Hall's father, who died about one year ago. Mr. Hall says that Norfolk business men claim the past year has been the most prosperous since they have been located in that city.

Miss Grace Bridge, a niece of C. S. Bridge of Norfolk, was among the 300 guests present at the Thanksgiving dinner of the American society in London. Whitelaw Reid, the American ambassador, with his wife were among the guests. Mr. Reid being one of the speakers at the dinner. Field Marshal Sir George Stuart White also spoke, eulogizing President Roosevelt in the warmest terms. Miss Bridge is from Fremont.

Friday night, if present plans are carried out, a number of Norfolk people will visit Nellig, where the week is being given over to the opening of the new auditorium. The Arlington stock company is playing a week's engagement at Nellig and the auditorium opening is bringing many north Nebraska visitors to that town. Friday the play will be followed by a ball. Norfolk people who go to Nellig Friday will return on the early morning train.

Norfolk people missed a splendid production when they did not carry through the guarantee offer necessary to bring to this city "The Flower of the Ranch." This is the verdict of John Duncan who was in Sioux City over Thanksgiving and saw the play in that city. The company, the scenery and Mr. Howard's songs were all high quality and would have pleased Norfolk, Mr. Duncan says. Mr. Duncan's home is in Sioux City, but he lives in Norfolk temporarily while serving as the engineer in charge of the construction of the independent telephone system. The date which was offered Norfolk was secured by Yankton, "The Flower of the Ranch" appearing there Wednesday evening.

Sheriff J. J. Clements was sent to Tilden Tuesday to levy a heavy attachment on the stock of the Hansen Mercantile company, an attachment for \$6,350 having been sworn out against the company by the German bank of Tilden, the bank seeking to protect itself on money which it claims to have advanced the firm. In Tilden Sheriff Clements levied on more than half the company's stock. The goods levied on were taken from the store and placed in another Tilden building. Other creditors have sent representatives to Tilden. E. B. Hansen of the mercantile company last fall sought the republican nomination for county treasurer but was defeated by F. A. Peterson at the primary. Sheriff Clements passed through Norfolk Wednesday on his way back to Madison.

Commenting on the district court last week the Madison Star-Mail said: "On Tuesday nine foreign born men received their final naturalization papers. One of them when asked by the court if he was opposed to the United States government, said he was, but the applicant had presence of mind enough to correct his answer later. Another one when the court asked him if he were in favor or having more than one wife at a time, answered, No, but I know several men who are."

Is divorce a failure? Well! Judging from the smiles usually seen on the face of a newly made voluntary widower one would probably answer in the negative. An even half dozen couples were, by grace of the laws of the state of Nebraska, "put asunder" at this sitting of the court. One woman who alleged habitual drunkenness of her husband as the reason why she should be divorced, said that the man in the case "was drunk all the time." All she asked of him was to keep sober

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Choice of Subjects.

At the regular meeting of the Norfolk Woman's club Monday afternoon, three subjects were presented for next year's study: South America, early inhabitants and government, physical features, natural resources, literature and art; modern Italy, architecture, libraries, museums, art, industries, etc.; the Bayview Reading course on Italy and Greece, a course of study now being used by 1,200 clubs. A full attendance is desired at the first meeting in January to decide which subject will be used.

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Smith Bros. Land and Live Stock company have disposed of the Davis ranch, a 1,800 acre ranch in Rock county, to J. J. Carns of Minneapolis, Minn.

E. H. Kuhlman, who has recently purchased a hotel at Shoals, will not leave the road but will continue to travel for his present hardware and implement house. Mr. and Mrs. Kuhlman will leave Norfolk for Shoals this week.

District Court and Prices.

West Point, Neb., Dec. 5.—Special to The News: District court reconvened on Monday morning after the recess taken for Thanksgiving. The first case called was the Gillespie matter wherein Gillespie, a young man, was charged with an attempted assault upon three little girls in West Point on July 4 last. The case was stubbornly fought on both sides. The jury acquitted the defendant after a short deliberation.

The prices of farm produce and stock in the local market are steadily advancing and have nearly reached the point where they stood when the late financial flurry struck the country. Farmers are hauling in considerable produce and public confidence seems to be almost restored.

North Nebraska Appointments.

"Congressman Boyd has appointed F. B. Rice of Central City as a midshipman in the naval academy. H. Martin Anderson of Norfolk was selected as second alternate."

The above dispatch from Washington was sent out yesterday and is not understood in Norfolk where it was thought that Hans Anderson of this city was to receive the cadet appointment to Annapolis, Anderson having had no competition at the recent examination in this city held for the purpose of selecting cadets.