

ELKS ANNIVERSARY DANCE

THE FEATURE OF THE WEEK IN A SOCIAL WAY.

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY BALL

Welcomed as Breaking the Monotony of a Rather Dull Week—People More Concerned with the Sick List Than Parties.

The annual anniversary dancing party of the Elks on Friday evening was decidedly the event in the society functions of the week.

Norfolk during the week was more concerned with the sick list perhaps than with any attempt at parties.

Pleasures of the Week.

By all means the social event of the week—indeed, one of the events of the season—was the seventh anniversary ball Friday night given by Norfolk lodge No. 653 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

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The West Side Whist club was pleasantly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bullock Thursday night.

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The committee further suggests that the members of this association make a united effort to put these rates into practice and report at the next session of the association to be held at Valentine next June. If, then, it is deemed practical, we can put ourselves into an effective organization, and insist on the Foreign Advertiser coming to our terms if he does business with us.

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MACKAY IN NOVA SCOTIA

DESCRIPTION OF THE DOCTOR'S SUMMER TRIP.

PUBLISHED IN RECREATION

A Pretty Story of a Summer Outing Among the Moss Grown Landmarks of Early Days—A Land of Peace, Recreation, Rest.

Dr. J. H. Mackay in January Recreation: After an absence of twenty years I set my foot down last summer in the footprints of boyhood's days away down in Nova Scotia.

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They come in from the open ocean late in August to the outlying reefs in immense numbers to mate. A rifle is the only available weapon against them.

Mackerel fishing with hook and line is great sport and there is no gamer fish of his size in the herring pond. Still water with a clear bottom two or five fathoms is preferable.

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NO LETUP IN CONSTRUCTION

OPEN WINTER A GREAT AID TO MILWAUKEE RAILROAD.

PROGRESS ON LINE TO COAST

Officials Expect to Inaugurate Service Between St. Paul and Butte Some Time in May or June—Will Reach Seattle in 1909.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 23.—The open winter in the west has been so favorable to railroad construction work that the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway company now is planning to complete the line into Seattle early in 1909.

St. Paul service was established last Sunday to Marmarth, N. D., thirty miles west of Bowman, N. D., the present end of the line.

Work has advanced so rapidly that trains will probably be running between St. Paul and Butte some time in May or June.

By the middle of February it is expected that most of the construction work will be finished.

Already the grading has been practically completed, and rails are being laid at the rate of four miles a day.

Marmarth, to which trains will be run this week, is about 200 miles west of the Missouri river.

Work is being advanced westward from this place others are working eastward along the Musselshell valley.

It is thought that the two lines will be connected and the bridge built across the Yellowstone at Miles City by the middle of next month.

BRIGHT MIND UNDER CLOUD.

Surgeon Taken into Custody to Prevent Suicide.

Omaha, Jan. 18.—Dr. H. L. Getz of Marshalltown, Iowa, at one time general surgeon of the Northwestern railway and twice president of the National association of surgeons, was locked up for safe keeping Thursday night on the charge of insanity.

WILL MEET RAILROAD MEN.

Washington, Jan. 18.—President Roosevelt today made an appointment for January 27, to confer with a committee of the operating vice presidents of leading railroads.

OFFERS RESTITUTION.

David Fawcett Explains He Wants to Begin With Clean Slate.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 18.—The pang of an uneasy conscience have prompted David Fawcett, a Burlington railroad machinist, at Havelock, to offer restitution of wages overpaid him by his corporation employer.

Fawcett recently became a convert to religion and the following day he confessed to his foreman that he had been paid \$7.15 in excess of his rightful wages during the month of February, 1907; that his conscience was smiting him, and he desired to return the money.

A search of the daily wage ticket has so far failed to disclose any over payment and Fawcett has not yet been permitted to make the desired restitution.

Fawcett explains that he is planning to be married within a few months and that he intends to begin married life with his slate clean of sin.

WILL SOON BE FINISHED.

Lane Cutoff of the Union Pacific Nearly Completed.

Omaha, Jan. 18.—Thirty days more will suffice to finish building the Lane-South Omaha cutoff of the Union Pacific, which is to cut out the famous "ox bow" between this city and Fremont on the great overland road.

When that work is done the Union Pacific has only to ballast and lay track before it can run such of its trains as it pleases over the road, and thus save nine or ten miles of distance.

ance. The cost of the whole vast structure of hills and cuts, trestles, conduits, and the like is estimated at not far from \$3,000,000.

The Union Pacific is building the culverts and Kilpatrick Bros. & Collins doing the grading. Together they have about 500 men employed.

HILAND GOES TO JAPAN.

May Contract With Steamship Line to Work With the Milwaukee.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—The Tribune today says: The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul is to enter active competition with the Harriman and the Hill lines for the trans-Pacific trade.

It is understood the Milwaukee management prefers a traffic alliance with some existing steamship company but if this cannot be arranged, the road is prepared to build its own steamers and establish its own line.

WILL INVESTIGATE WRECKS

Move Made by the Nebraska Commissioners.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 18.—Commissioners Williams and Clarke, of the state railway commission, today approved of the plan to compel railway officials to furnish photographs and complete details concerning wrecks.

Disruption of the equipment must be furnished and the cause of the disaster explained.

Scheme to Get Coal.

Leavenworth Times: The railroad brakeman tell of an original scheme a farmer near Parnell has adopted to get his winter's coal.

He ground in between the two railroads, and near either track he has set up images of roosters, labeled "John D. Rockefeller," at which the train crews jeeringly throw coal.

After the train has passed the old man and his boys gather up the harvest. He averages about a ton a week.

Fremont Herald: J. W. Olmsted, of the Northwestern, who was elected vice-president of the committee of Railroad Trainers at the last meeting, leaves Sunday for Chicago to attend another meeting of this national committee, when unfinished business of the recent session will be wound up.

Railroad Notes.

The Frisco will not get into Dallas over its own rails until March 1.

Fewer railroads are distributing annual calendars this year than ever before.

The general offices of the Trinity & Brazos Valley will be moved from Fort Worth to Houston.

Arthur G. Stairwood of Boston, assistant treasurer of the Burlington, died last week at the age of fifty-eight years.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Chicago Terminal Transfer Railroad company was postponed until February 17.

Railroads affected will probably refuse to obey the order of the Texas railroad commission, directing that they buy nearly \$54,000,000 worth of rolling stock and power during the next three years.

The interstate commerce commission decided that all tariffs issued by the railroads must be definite and affirmative and of such a character that anyone may be able to tell the rates between any two points.

Traffic officials of Chicago roads are trying to devise a plan whereby economy may be effected in the conduct of the western railway weighing bureau.

It is stated that fewer inspectors will be needed as the new law imposes a penalty upon the shipper for violations the same as upon the railroads.

After several weeks' trial of the nineteen and one-half hour schedule, the management of the New York Central lines has decided to make another change in the running time of the Twentieth Century Limited train.

Beginning next Sunday the train will be placed upon a schedule of eighteen and one-half hours west bound and nineteen hours east bound.

Railway Notes and Personals.

D. M. Collins, district freight agent for the Union Pacific, with headquarters in Minneapolis, arrived in St. Louis City last evening.

Next Sunday the New York Central will further curtail its passenger train service on divisions, but not between New York and Buffalo.