ADDS $3,000 TO SURPLUS

CITIZENS NATIONAL BRINGS SURPLUS TO $18,000.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING HELD

Evidence of Continued Prosperity in the West Found in Action of Citizens National Bank Directors at Semi-Annual Meeting.

The surplus fund of the Citizens National bank of Norfolk now stands at $18,000, the sum of $3,000 having been added to the fund at the semi-annual meeting of the directors held last evening.

In addition to increasing the surplus fund the directors voted the usual semi-annual dividend of four per cent.

The action of the bank directors brings the working capital of the bank up to $68,000.

The bank has been progressing steadily under the new management and under the progressive policy introduced by Vice President L. A. Rothe, since taking charge of the institution in July, 1907, has an outlook very encouraging to its friends.

SHERIFF'S DAUGHTER WEDS.

Miss Winnie Clements Married to Will H. Kreitman.

Madison, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: Winnie M. Clements, daughter of Sheriff J. J. Clements, was quietly married at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon to Will H. Kreitman, at the home of the bride's parents, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Mr. McGregor of the M. E. church. Only members of the two families attended.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Madison county's popular sheriff, and she has many friends in this community who will extend best wishes on this occasion. The groom is a young farmer, son of George Kreitman, an old settler whose farm lies just at the edge of town.

The young couple wil remain with the groom's parents until after harvest, when a neat cottage will be built on the farm for their occupancy.

AN AINSWORTH CONVENTION.

Christian Endeavor Society Meets There.

Ainsworth, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: The seventh annual convention of the Christian Endeavor of the Fifteenth district is held in this city today. The program begins at 7:30 with a devotional service led by Rev. Albert Mygatt, followed at 10 by an address by Rev. Lindeman of Springfield, at 10:30 by an address by Rev. Herman of Johnstown. From 11 to 11:45 Rev. J. H. Salsbury of Plattsmouth, state president, opens the question box and conducts round table discussion on ways and means.

The afternoon session is opened with a devotional exercise led by Miss Jennie Cook from the Calamus. Rev. and Mrs. Basford of Long Pine discuss the "Junior Hour," Prof. Graybel of Ainsworth schools gives an address on the "Christian Endeavor as an Aid to Citizenship."

The evening devotionals are led by Miss Clara Dunham. Rev. Salsbury speaks on, "Not a Living, But a Life." Rev. Van Valkenburgh of Ainsworth closes the program with a consecration service.

Wayne Deaths.

Wayne, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: Charles Litke died last Saturday, leaving a wife and two children. He was born in Germany in 1862 and had been in America eleven years.

Ivan Hughes, seventeen years old, died last Monday. He was raised in Wayne.

Herd Law Enforced.

Pierre, S. D., July 15.—The first case of enforcement of the herd law in Lyman county shows that it is rather costly for stockmen to allow their stock to run at large. The cattle of Knut Knudsen got upon the land of Jorgen Claussen, and damaged his crop. He took up the stock and Knudsen refused to recognize that right. As a result, in justice court he paid a fine of $15, for assault, $5 for taking cattle from restraint and damages of $75 to crops. He also faces a damage suit fo r$150 in the circuit court for damages done to trees by his stock while on the Claussen farm.

Verdigre Wants Game.

A telephone message to The News last night from Verdigre stated that the Verdigre base ball team was anxious to meet the Norfolk aggregation within a few days. Manager Logan was out of town and as no one else knows about the dates it will be impossible to arrange a game until his return.

THIS SECTION WAS EXCEPTION.

In Most of State Week's Rainfall Was Below Normal.

Lincoln, Neb., July 14.—The weather bulletin for the week ending July 13 was issued today as follows:

The week was partly cloudy, with both temperature and rainfall somewhat below normal in most of the state.

The daily mean temperature was between 70° and 74°, which is about one degree below the normal. Friday was generally the warmest day, with a maximum temperature very generally near 95°. The last four days of the week were warm, with maximum temperatures near 90°.

The rainfall was above normal in several eastern and northern counties, but was below normal in rather more than half of the state. At a few places light showers occurred Monday, but nearly all of the rain of the week fell Saturday night and Sunday. The rainfall exceeded an inch in a number of eastern counties, but in a large portion of the central and western parts of the state it was less than half an inch. The total rainfall from April 1st to date is decidedly above the normal, except in a few western counties, where there is a slight deficiency.

ENGINEER GERARD HURT

FALLS BENEATH TENDER; WILL LOSE LEFT FOOT.

ACCIDENT WAS NEAR FREMONT

Frank Gerard, a Former Norfolk Railroad Man Now Living in Fremont, Slipped from Engine, Wheels Passing Over Left Ankle.

Fremont, Neb., July 14.—Slipping from his engine at 10 o'clock last night, Engineer Frank Gerard fell beneath the wheels of the tender and suffered an injury to his left foot which will probably necessitate its amputation at the ankle.

Engineer Gerard was pulling a line of cars away from the sandpit two miles west of Fremont at the time of the accident. The train had just started when Gerard climbed out from the cab to release a brake valve on the tender. As he stepped back into the cab his foot slipped and he fell to the ground.

In falling the unfortunate engineer threw his left leg over the track, the wheels of the tender passing over it just above the ankle, almost serving the foot. Fireman Pakormy brought the engine to a stop and hurried to the assistance of the prostrate man. Head Brakeman S. J. Smith and Conductor H. J. Wheelock were also at his side almost immediately.

The train was at once run to Fremont and Engineer Gerard was taken to the hospital. The injured member was there dressed in an effort to save it. The attending physicians, however, expressed but slight hopes that an amputation would be averted.

Engineer Gerard had been running an engine on the Northwestern for slightly over three years. Prior to that time he had been in the service of the road. He was well liked among his fellow workers and was respected by the officials whom he served. He is married and has two children who reside in east Fremont.

Frank Gerahrd lived in Norfolk for about four years, moving to Fremont about a year ago with his family.

Mr. Gerard belongs to Norfolk court, No. 9, T. B. H., and has been a prominent member of that lodge.

Brakeman Injured.

Harry Brown, a Northwestern brakeman, was jerked from a freight car near Arlington on a freight out of Fremont Monday, his ankle being severely sprained by the fall. He was brought to his home in Norfolk.

MOSQUITO BITES DANGEROUS

Wayne County Boy in Critical Condition from Blood Poisoning.

Wayne, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: A son of Lon Hunter of Hunter precinct, Wayne county, has been in a critical condition as the result of blood poisoning following mosquito bites.

The boy was bitten on the hand in several different places while fishing. In a few hours his hand began to swell and lumps appeared under his arm. The boy's arm became so painful that a doctor was called. It was pronounced to be blood poisoning of the most virulent kind.

INFANTICIDE IN CHERRY

Dead Body of Baby Boy, Murdered, Found South of Wood Lake.

Valentine, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News. The finding of the dead body of an infant boy floating about on a lake twenty-five miles south of Wood Lake has brought to light a horrible crime.

Harvey Heddington, who found the body near his home, brought the dead babe to Justice of the Peace Hoover at Wood Lake, who notified Coronor Lewis and County Attorney Tucker at Valentine.

The examination by the coroner disclosed that the child had been alive, that its head had been crushed and the body evidently thrown into the lake for concealment. The coronor's verdict held that the child came to its death at the hands of unknown parties with felonious intent.

Chauttauquas.

York Times: No doubt the State Journal is right in saying the chautauqua has opened a new field of influence and raised up a new class of statesmen. The literary people, the college professors and specialists in various lines of thought are given an opportunity to present their thoughts directly to the masses in an effective way, and all of them have views on political questions which they are at liberty to advance. They are largely theorists and outside of their specialties are not always the best authority. Still they give us theory and speculation, while we get the more practical views from the statesmen who constitute no insignificant part of the "talent." The chautauqua is destined to be a great educator and it is greatly to the credit of the people of the country that they patronize them so generally and enjoy them so well.

NELIGH CHANGES PLAN

OBJECTIONABLE FEATURES ELIMINATED.

NO MORE "CARNIVAL" THERE

Mid-Summer Jubilee, Race Meet and Base Ball Tournament to be Conducted Along Clean Lines—Better Entertainment Promised.

Neligh, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: A combination of enthusiastic members of the citizens and Commercial club of this city was held last evening in Gieseker's hall to determine what should be done in the way of holding the fall festivities in Neligh.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wm. Wolfe of the Commercial club. After the usual run of business the talk became of a general nature by those present in regard to what kind of an entertainment Neligh should give its neighbors this year. In regard to holding a carnival Mr. C. L. Wattles spoke in the right spirit when he stated that the citizens of Neligh had become sick and tired of the old-time worn-out carnival that has prevailed in previous years in this city. He was in favor of a change and his remarks were upheld by those present.

Mr. J. W. Spirk gave the ringing speech of the evening when he cited the disgraceful methods that the previous entertainments were conducted here in the past years during the races, and was in favor of making the race meet and base ball tournament of a clean nature, and eliminate all gambling and concessions of a questionable character. He was followed by these remaks by Congressman J. F. Boyd, J. J. Melick, E. E. Beckwith and many others, who upheld his views.

Owing to a circus being contracted for Friday, August 28, the dates for the race meet in Neligh were changed to Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, August 25, 26 and 27.

The name chosen was Neligh Mid-Summer Jubilee, race meet and base ball tournament.

The officers elected were: M. B. Huffman, president; S.F. Gillman, vice president; W. W. Cole, secretary; C. S. Wattles, treasurer. The executive committee consists of J. W. Spirk, J. J. Melick and E. E. Beckwith.

1.3 INCHES AT AINSWORTH.

Rain Makes Small Grain and Potato Crop Sure—Themometer High.

Ainsworth, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: The Saturday night rain in this county showed a rainfall of 1.3 inches at the government gauge. the cultivated lands did not suffer from the rain but the meadows show bad effects. The rain made the small grain and potato crops sure.

The hot period is on. Friday showed 102 degrees, Saturday 94 degrees.

HEARD RANDALL'S PROMISE.

Stanton County Men Say He Acknowledged He Had His Share.

Stanton Picket: Following is a Norfolk dispatch to the Omaha Bee, which appeared in that paper one day last week:

"Rather a peculiar political fight has developed in the Eleventh Nebraska state senatorial district. C. A. Randall of Madison county, is a candidate for the republican nomination to succeed himself, while republicans of Stanton county say that this is their year, by virtue of long-established precedent, to select the republican nominee. They have presented the name of R. Y. Appleby and are solidly supporting him. The Eleventh district consists of Madison, Stanton, Pierce and Wayne counties. It has always been the custom for each county to take its turn in rotation in furnishing the republican candidate. Appleby's friends say they were told by Randall before any announcements were made that, if Stanton county wanted the place, he would waive his candidacy, realizing that it was Stanton county's turn. Randall does not admit he made this promise. Appleby announced himself first, followed shortly by Randall, who says his record in reform work entitles him to a second term. Wayne and Pierce counties are practically neutral as yet. Madison county republicans and papers are divided, some supporting Randall and some contending that in good faith the nomination must go to Stanton county. Appleby's friends point out that in twenty-five years Madison county has had six senators, Stanton county only one, Wayne four and Pierce two."

The above article is, in the main, a fair and impartial statement of the situation in this district, but there are a few points on which we must differ with its writer. The article intimates that Mr. Randall denies having made the statement that he would not enter the race if Stanton had a candidate. We do not believe that Mr. Randall will deny having made such a promise, as two reputable citizens of Stanton were present at the time he made it, and it was only upon his positive statement to this effect that Mr. Appleby's candidacy was announced.

As to whether Mr. Randall's good record entitles him to a second term, a good many doubts may be expressed on this point. For the same reason Mr. Randall might claim the right to a life term in the legislature. Besides, he is not the first representative of the Eleventh district who has made a good record in the legislature. Were the Stanton candidate a man of less ability, or were he unknown and untried, there might be some ground for the second term argument. But those who are familiar with the situation know that Mr. Appleby is fully as well qualified for the position as is Mr. Randall. They know him to be a man of the highest courage and honesty. They know that he can and will, if elected, make a record not to be surpassed by that of Mr. Randall or any other legislator. Admittedly, it is Stanton county's turn to name the candidate. Then, since we present a man of tried and true worth, why not give Stanton county that which in justice belongs to her?

Sellors May Leave Ainsworth.

Ainsworth, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: Frank Sellors is talking of moving to Wyoming, where he has large interests.

NEST EGG FOR NEW FUND

FIRST DAY IN SECOND ROUND OF Y. M. C. A. CAMPAIGN.

TWO NEW TEAMS ADDED TO LIST

Name of Winning Team in Subscription Contest Will be Inscribed on Silver Loving Cup—Battle on to Complete $25,000 Fund.

Seven subscriptions representing a total sum of $130 in pledges was the result of the first day's efforts of the Y. M. C. A. hustlers, who Tuesday entered on the new campaign which is to raise the building fund from $14,000 to the required $25,000.

Tuesday's pledges as turned in up to 6 p. m. were:

S. W. Garvin	$ 10
W. H. Blakeman	50
R. B. Hyde	25
D. B. Duffy	10
George Knapp	15
Dr. S. A. Culmsee	5
F. L. Estabrook	15
	$130

Railroad Men's Team.

A new team has been added to the list, a team of railroad men with the following membership: C. J. Hibben, captain; W. J. McNamee, John Welsh, B. P. Pippin, S. G. Satterlee,, R. L. Canote, Charles Wehere, E. W. Stansberry and Elmer Cummings.

Team No. 6.

A second new team, to be known as team No. 6, was added to the workers yesterday. The new team will be captained by Dan Craven, who is not yet ready to announce the personnel of his team. He assures the committee, however, that it is a strong one and will get subscriptions.

A Trophy Cup.

C. S. Hayes has ordered a beautiful loving cup which he will donate to the winning team in the canvass for funds. The name of the winning team will be inscribed upon the cup which will be kept in the trophy room of the new building for which funds are being subscribed.

FATS AGAINST THE LEANS.

Amateurism Runs Riot in Ainsworth Thursday Afternoon.

Ainsworth, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: Tomorrow will be a great day for Ainsworth amateur base ball players.

Twenty of Ainsworth's business men, with a leaning toward avoirdupois, will be pitted in a game of ball with twenty-three of the slimmer kind of Ainsworth's business men—all in a benefit game for the home team, champions of the Upper Elkhorn valley, having played fourteen games this season and having won twelve of that number.

Twenty-three on a side—just think of it—and no one saying "skiddo!" It is an unusually large number, but then the casualties are expected to be unusually large and a good reserve force will be needed.

The following is a complete list of the players:

Ainsworth Fats: Charley Pixley, Geo. Farman, John Day, Clare Crook, H. H. Hull, Oscar Osborn, Louis Osborn, Fred Sisson, Morris Morgan, C. W. Potter, Clem Langley, Arthur McSweeney, Dr. G. O. Remy, C. A. Barnes, Art Armes, Arthur Warrick, Art Baldwin, A. W. Scattergood, C. O. Murphey, John M. Cotton, Mel Hanna, R. S. Rising, F. W. Sellors.—23.

Ainsworth Leans: Ely Sawyers, J. O. Beatty, Amos Burwell, Waldo Remy, Mel Reed, Bert Fournier, Will Fournier, Walt Moseley, L. M. Short, Phil Mensinger, Marion Potter, Chas. Howe, Geo. H. Reinert, Judge Toliver, Judge Warrick, Dr. Jones, Will Smith, Ira Hammond, E. E. Humphreys, Will Metcalf, Roy Barnes, Wm. M. Ely, H. S. Jarvis.—23.

GENOA MAN CREMATED.

Miller in Genoa Reported to Have Burned With Mill.

The head miller in the Genoa mills, E. T. Christy, was cremated in a fire which destroyed the Genoa mill Tuesday night. The miller was said to have descended into the basement with a torch. An explosion followed. A workman on the upper part of the mill heard the cries but could not get to his relief. The mill is about a mile from Genoa.

The mill belonged to H. E. Fonda and Brothers and was valued at $15,000.

Judge Douglas Cones of Pierce was in Genoa at the time of the fire. When he left Wednesday morning the ruins of the mill was still too hot to be approached.

"Classification" of your want ad makes it as easy to find as your house.

If you want to know how old a woman is, ask her sister-in-law.

DROPPED HORSES AT CODY

CHERRY COUNTY JAIL BREAKERS TOOK TRAIN WEST.

REWARD NOTICES ARE ISSUED

Last News of Gardner and Maule, Who Broke from County Jail at Valentine, Came from Cody Where They Made a Getaway.

Valentine, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: Disposing of their stolen horses at Cody, Neb., Fred Gardner and Tony Maule, who escaped from the Cherry county jail here, made their getaway on a west bound Northwestern train before it was discovered that they were jail breakers. This was the last that has been heard of the two men.

Sheriff C. A. Rossiter has offered $50 reward for the arrest of either Gardner or Maule. Gardner is described as about twenty-five years old, weight about 160 pounds, height about five feet, seven inches, dark complexion, tatooed on both arms from his hands to his elbows. Gardner is said to talk freely and to smoke cigarettes. He was in for forgery.

Maule, who is a Bohemian, is five feet and nine or ten inches high, rather dark and "never talks unless spoken to, will not look you in the eye and has the appearance of being sullen."

"These are dangerous men to be abroad, especially Gardner," is the sheriff's warning.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

Dr. Bear was in Hoskins yesterday.

J. S. Smith is in Omaha on business.

J. C. Larkins went to Pilger at noon.

Miss Lulu Cronk was in Hadar yesterday.

George Beels went to Plainview this morning.

Worth Adams left for Foster this morning.

J. D. Sturgeon left for Verdel this morning.

Miss Lizzie Gildea went to Hastings this morning.

J. A. Hubner of Hoskins was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. Seidel of Stanton was in the city yesterday.

Miss Stella Luikart went to Pierce Wednesday noon.

Mrs. August Ziemer of Hoskins was in the city yesterday.

Miss Lillian Reimers of Pierce was in the city yesterday.

Miss Effie Cronk left for Wayne Tuesday to visit her sister, Miss Florence Cronk.

Charles H. Gerecke of Hastings is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gerecke.

Mrs. W. R. McElroy and daughter of Gordon, who have been visiting Mrs. W. I. Austin, left for Wisner at noon.

Mack Harding returned to Omaha at noon.

J. M. Covert went to Omaha this morning.

H. J. Slaughter of Gregory was in town Wednesday on business.

E. V. Stevenson of Lincoln was in the city today between trains.

Mrs. Charles Bush and children returned to Creighton Wednesday noon.

J. E. Haase will leave for Omaha tomorrow to spend a week's vacation.

Dr. R. S. Simmons left for Lynch Wednesday noon to attend a M. W. A. meeting.

Mrs. J. Packard of Monowi and son arrived Wednesday noon to visit Mrs. J. C. Foster.

Mrs. L. R. Pheasant of Pierce passed through the city Wednesday noon on her way to Osceola.

Miss Clara Koplin, who has been visiting Miss Ethel Morton, returned to Pilger Wednesday noon.

Congressman Kinkaid of O'Neill passed through the city Wednesday noon on his way to Fremont.

Rev. Edmund Bliefernicht of Harlin, Minn., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. August Raasch, west of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stadelman returned last evening from Plattsmouth where they were called by the death of Mr. Stadelman's father.

Miss Minnie Verges, accompanied by her sister, Miss Marie Verges, arrived home Wednesday noon from an extended visit in Thuering, Germany.

County Treasurer F. A. Peterson of Madison was in Norfolk Wednesday on his way to join his wife at Bassett, where she has been visiting her father and mother.

T. C. Cantwell left for Inman Wednesday noon for a few days' fishing trip.

Mrs. J. B. Cook and granddaughter, who have been visiting at the home of P. R. Cook, returned to Clinton, Ia., at noon.

Dr. J. C. Myers went to Butte this morning.

Dr. Frank Joyce is visiting at the home of S. Kent.

J. B. Maylard went to the Rosebud country Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Krantz went to Pierce Wednesday.

C. J. Jenal of Bay City, Texas, is in the city on business.

Miss Minnie Wood of Plainview was in the city last evening.

Mrs. John Pofahl was in the city yesterday visiting Miss Emma Shulz.

Misses Mildred and Marie Michael of University Place are visiting at the home of E. H. Brewer east of Norfolk.

James Killian of Cedar Bluffs, Ia., is in the city on business. He is a member of the firm of the A. L. Killian company.

Among the day's out of town visitors were: H. J. Backes, Humphrey; Dr. S. A. Campbell, Tilden; Geo. Haase, Emerson; Mrs. Henry Horst, Madison; G. A. Brooks, Bazille Mills; Mrs. Coffein, Madison; Bert Brein, Grand Island; O. A. King, Wayne; Judge N. D. Jackson, Neligh; D. B. Hines, Columbus; Chas. Burroughs, Doniphan; H. W. Jones, Grand Island.

The choir boys of the Episcopal church went to the Yellow Banks Tuesday to spend eight days camping. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Chambers are chaperoning them.

C. P. Parish has received word that he was the winner of the third prize awarded in the recent salesman trophy contest to those selling the largest quantity of Chase & Sanborn's teas and coffees.

In order to have the new officers for the coming six months elected by a larger attendance of the membership then were present at the meeting last evening, the Norfolk Commercial Club Auxiliary which met last night in the semi-annual meeting adjourned until next Tuesday evening.

The Norfolk band has been engaged to give a daily concert at the coming chautauqua in Norfolk. At the Commercial club meeting yesterday the committee on the chautauqua grounds was instructed to have the trees on the mill park trimmed and to use their own discretion in the expense of preparing the grounds for the chautauqua.

As a result of local weather conditions which have prevented practice and put a damper on the enthusiasm of local firemen who tried to organize a running team to compete in the Newman Grove tournament, the Norfolk fire department will not be represented at Newman Grove. The Northwestern will run a special train out of Fremont for the tournament Thursday, making the return trip in the evening. Fremont is expected to send a large delegation.

THE CATTLE DIPPING PROBLEM

A West Nebraska Protest on Cattle Dipping Requirements.

Ainsworth, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: There is general indignation in this county, and presumably in the entire western part of the state, over the enforcement of the cattle dipping exactions. This indignation is first against an order that requires cattle to be dipped when they do not have the disease and have not been exposed; second, against the requirement for dipping at this time of year—the hot season; and, third, because the dipping and the state inspection does not seem to be final—a government inspector having to pass on the cattle before they may safely go to market without risk of being run into the quarantine.

Several head of cattle are reported to have died from the results of the dipping.

A big bunch of protesting letters went out from here during the past few days, directed to Governor Sheldon, Dr. C. A. McKim, state verterinarian, James Wilson, secretary of agriculture at Washington, and Congressman Kinkaid.

SHOW AN EXPERT PACKER

EILER CIRCUS GOT MANY ANIMALS IN LITTLE SPACE.

PERFORMANCE WAS VERY GOOD

Norfolk Woman Could Have Learned How to Pack from Eiler Circus. Performance Pleased Norfolk Audiences—Interesting Animals.

The Norfolk woman who frets over the packing of a steamer trunk should have walked through the animal car of the Eiler Trained Wild Animal circus, which gave two performances in Norfolk. The Eiler circus has the packing art reduced to a science.

In one end of the car not occupied by tents and circus paraphernalia is kept an astonishing assortment of animals. In a space a few feet in dimensions are lions, bears, cougers, pumas, leapords, goats, wolves, dogs, ponies and an elephant, all jammed up together and apparently on reasonably friendly terms.

A Clever Show.

The wild animal circus in its performances was decidedly clean cut and interesting. With few exceptions the animals of the Eiler Trained Wild Animal show have a real tinge of wildness that differentiates this circus from the ordinary dog and pony show. The animals, it is said, are imported from Germany, where they were taken to be trained after their capture.

Toddles, the trained elephant, is the animal which killed Captain Lockart with the Ringling circus two years ago. Leo, the largest lion, is also credited with having killed one trainer. The woman who usually puts Leo through his stunts was said to have come out of an encounter with the ugly lion so recently that she was unable to appear in Norfolk.

The Eiler show has been on the road only a week, a fact which the very creditable performance given in Norfolk would scarcely disclose.

From Norfolk the circus went to Columbus, showing in St. Paul on Thursday.

The business you didn't get last week—but ought to have had—corresponds pretty closely to the advertising you didn't do last week, but ought to have done.

A "Help Want" ad is sometimes a declaration of independence for a business man who has been too long "ruled" by an incompetent employe.

PICK THE PICNIC PLACE

SECOND ANNUAL U. C. T. EVENT IN TAFT'S GROVE.

THE PICNIC DAY IS JULY 25

Norfolk Trevelers Will Hold Their Second Annual Picnic on South Thirteenth Street Grove on the Elkhorn River.

The old camp meeting grounds on South Thirteenth street, commonly known as Taft's grove, has been selected by the committee on grounds for the second annual picnic of Norfolk council, No. 120, United Commercial Travelers. The picnic of the Norfolk travelers is held a week from next Saturday.

The picnic grounds selected make an ideal place for a day's outing on the banks of the Elkhorn river.

Sports of all kinds, including some new and novel stunts, will constitute the events of the day. For winning ability in any of these sports first class prizes will be given.

The Norfolk council now has a membership of 121 and attendance at the picnic will be large. A cordial invitation to join in the picnic on July 25 will also be extended to all U. C. T. men who may be in Norfolk.

BIG GAIN IN ASSESSMENT

MADISON COUNTY RETURNS SHOW 25 PER CENT INCREASE.

AVERAGE ACRE IS WORTH $51.15

Actual Value of County This Year is Placed at $27,611,860, Showing Gain Over 1907 of $6,747,305—Railroad Returns Not in.

Madison, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: The assessed valuation of Madison county shows a gain of twenty-five per cent over last year.

The assessed valuation of all the real estate and personal property in the county, not including railroad property, this year is $5,522,372. The valuation of the same property in 1907 was $4,372,911. The increase in the assessed valuation is $1,149,461.

Here are the details of the assessment returns made to County Assessor P. W. Ruth:

Personal property	$1,220,896
Real estate (land)	3,649,469
Real estate in cities and villages	625,397
Real estate (lots and acres outside of cities and villages	26,610

County Valuation $28,000,000.

As the assessed value of property is secured by taking a fifth of the actual value, the assessors' returns show that the value of Madison county real and personal property this year is $27,611,860. The gain over 1907 was $5,747,305.

None of the figures given include the property of the Union Pacific, Northwestern or Minneapolis and Omaha lines, which have not yet been reported to County Assessor Ruth by the state board of equalization.

Norfolk Assessment.

Omitting railroad property the assessed valuation of Norfolk city and precinct is as follows:

Norfolk city, personal	$222,541
Norfolk city, real estate	317,035
Norfolk precinct, personal	59,765
Norfolk precinct, real estate	208,600
Norfolk lots outside of city	25,578

In each instance the real value of the property mentioned is five times the assessed value given above.

At $51 An Acre.

The average value for farm land in Madison county in 1908 is $51.15 an acre. This is the actual, not the assessed value.

Mr. Business Man, you can buy advertising space in The News at so small a cost that the expense will be swallowed up in the increased business which, if your ads. are properly written, you will receive as a result. It would surprise you to know how small a cost will be attached to a thorough business-building campaign. And if you haven't time to attend to the details of writing out each ad., service along this line, under your direction will be furnished free by the advertising department of The News. Ask about it.

80 YEARS OLD; DROWNS

MISS BRIDGET RYAN FALLS IN CREEK IN NORTHERN HOLT.

WAS AFTER PAIL OF WATER

Because of Infirmities of Old Age Miss Ryan Could Not Regain Her Feet When She Slipped Into Prairie Creek—Funeral in Fremont.

Spencer, Neb., July 15.—Special to The News: Miss Bridget Ryan, eighty years of age, a sister of Timothy Ryan, was drowned in Prairie creek near her home in northern Holt county.

Miss Ryan went to the creek for a pail of water. In some way she fell into the stream and, being unable to regain her feet on account of her advanced years, drowned. The accident occurred about 8 p. m.

Sheriff Hall held an inquest over the body, the verdict of the jury being "accidental death by drowning."

The remains were taken to Fremont, Neb., for burial.