

Hiccoughed for Two Weeks: Cured.
Spokane, Wash., Dec. 23.—Physicians at St. Luke's hospital in Spokane have just succeeded in checking an attack of hiccoughs, which has racked Daniel McInnis, of Wallace, Idaho, continuously since the morning of December 5. Dr. C. P. Thomas and Dr. S. E. Lambert, who have charge of the case, admit they are puzzled by the character of the ailment, and they have ordered their patient to southern California in the hope that a change of climate will prove beneficial. The case is unique, though not without precedent. There are records that it has resulted fatally. The hiccoughing was violent the first seven days, racking the body and making sleep out of the question. Electricity was used in the treatment.

Kangaroo Meat Gotham's Xmas Fad.
New York, Dec. 23.—To be in fashion this Christmas it will be necessary to order kangaroo at a hotel dinner. Two hundred of these animals were imported yesterday by a game dealer, and they are to appear on the menus of the leading hotels and restaurants Christmas day and New Year's eve.

A PIONEER DEAD.

Carl Tews, Age Seventy-Two, Dies Tuesday Morning.
Carl Tews, a pioneer of this vicinity of some thirty-five years residence, died at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning at the residence of C. W. Morton, where he has been for thirteen years past. He was seventy-two years old. A wife, who also lives in Edgewater, three sons and two daughters survive. The funeral will probably be held Wednesday afternoon.

Christmas is Coming.

Walt Mason in Esoporia Gazette. In sooth it is a goodly thing this Christmas festival! And may it now, as ever, bring much comfort to you all! At such a time the whole world wide a happy aspect wears; it is a time to cast aside your selfish griefs and cares, and be as cheery as a wren that hops from spray to spray; God rest you merry gentlemen, let nothing you dismay! Be joyful as a katydid, of gladness be the fount! It is the time to take the lid off your fat bank account; the miser has no place or part in Christmas cheer or mirth; to him who has the open heart belongs the pleasant earth. So let us then with voice and pen exalt the Christmas day; God rest you, merry gentlemen, let nothing you dismay!

Zulauf's Mustache Gone.

Pierce Call: Our first introduction to Billy Zulauf was about seventeen years ago last fall when we attended a race meet at Norfolk. Billy didn't have a mustache, but he had a blonde mustache that was not only the apple of his eye, but envied by all the boys who had been working the cut and sweet cream prescription over time. We might also comment upon the admiration society of the weaker sex and his popularity among them because his upper lip was adorned becomingly with that blonde hirsute. We mention this at this time so that posterity will remember that Billy was not once so bleak and bald under his proboscis as he is now. Either domestic troubles, an old fashioned Nebraska sand storm or the careless pouring of kerosene on the fire has shorn him completely of his thing of beauty and joy forever and he can be seen most any morning steering down the street under bare poles. He has lost his mustache!

Long Pine Chief Practices.

Long Pine Journal: Chief of Police Z. B. Cox held target practice last Monday night using his target Jack Castle's bird dog, "Jim." The dog had attacked the marshal and he emptied his six shooter in an endeavor to put the dog in the happy hunting grounds. Nevertheless the dog came out without a scratch and Mr. Castle has sent him to Council Bluffs to keep him out of mischief.

DATE OF THE OPENING.

Lamro Journal Says Exact Date of Opening is Still Uncertain.
Lamro Journal: When Judge Witten went to Washington about two weeks ago, it was stated that in connection with the recommendation of certain government townsites he would recommend the postponement of the date of filing to be changed from the 1st to the 25th of March. It is very doubtful if the date can be changed without another proclamation from the president. The townsites and the change have not been officially made known nor are they likely to be known for some time. It is a question whether the homesteader would be benefited by the change. No one can tell what the weather will be March 1. It might be worse March 25. It takes time to put up the necessary structures and ready to break the soil when the ground is in shape. It would benefit Lamro, for it would give her that much more time to prepare for the spring opening.

Annual Meeting on January 8.

The annual meeting of the members of the Norfolk Commercial club, together with the annual election of directors, will be held on Friday, January 8, 1904.
The election will be held a week later than the club rules provide, but the postponement was made by President Degner in the interest of a large attendance of members than could be secured on the first Friday of the month, which in addition to being the first day in the month is this year a legal holiday.
First Election Under New Plan.
The election of directors will be the first held under the new plan worked out at the annual meeting a year ago

placed at an election at the annual meeting, limited, however, to members.
Manner of Election.
The method of election is prescribed by the following amendment to the by-laws adopted last January:
"The election of directors shall be by ballot and shall be held at the time of the annual meeting. Each member shall be furnished ten days previous to the annual meeting, a list of the sustaining members, and shall deposit his ballot, with the number of shares to which he is entitled to vote to appear on the reverse side of his ballot, at the time of the meeting in a suitable box. In case a member finds it impossible to attend in person he may have his vote deposited by a duly authorized proxy. The ballot to be counted at the meeting and the nine members receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared the directors for the coming year."
The State Convention.
Details connected with the question of entertaining the state convention of Nebraska Commercial clubs in Norfolk next spring will come before the annual meeting.

Northwest Weddings.

William Selfert of Stanton county and Miss Alma Warnke of Battle Creek were married in Battle Creek last week.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

Charles Rice went to Oakdale Tuesday on business.
Mr. and Mrs. Deswick went to Omaha Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays.
W. H. Stevens of Gregory, S. D., passed through Norfolk Tuesday on his way through to Sioux City.
P. C. Anderson of Fairfax passed through Norfolk Tuesday on his way home from Omaha where, on a trip combining business and pleasure, he had been taking in the corn show.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peoples of St. Charles, S. D., stopped in Norfolk long enough to make connections with the train for Correctionville, Ia., where they will spend the holidays with friends and relatives.
Miss Chase of Stanton was a Norfolk visitor on Monday.
Chris L. Anderson went down to Pilger on business yesterday.
K. E. Drebert, who has been attending college at Ames, Ia., is expected home tomorrow.
Mrs. W. J. Austin and Miss Margaret Austin went to Sioux City this morning to spend the day.
Preston Ogden is spending his Christmas vacation at the home of Rev. Thomas Bithell in Fremont.
C. W. Pursol, a prominent lawyer of Ida Grove, Iowa, was looking up a western location in Norfolk yesterday.
Carl Austin of Inman who has been visiting a day or two in Norfolk left this morning to spend Christmas with friends in Schuyler.
Herman Schelly, who has been attending the Creighton college of pharmacy at Omaha, has returned to Norfolk for the holidays.
Principal Suteland of the school at Springcreek Mills, stopped off in Norfolk last night on his way to spend the holidays in Madison.
Charles O'Connor, traveling representative of the International Corresponding school of Scranton, Pa., was in Norfolk yesterday.
Miss Margaret Lowry is visiting at the home of her brother, Frank Lowry, of Norfolk. On Wednesday Miss Lowry, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowry, will go to Omaha to spend the holidays.
Miss Bertha Pilger, who has been teaching school in Stanton, has returned to Norfolk to spend the Christmas vacation with her family.
Thul De Maranville of Sioux City, owner of fast horses and well known track man, passed through Norfolk Monday on his way home from Creighton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Rankin of Chadron stopped off in Norfolk Saturday on their way down to Scribner and visited the evening at the A. Grauel residence. Mr. Rankin, who is an engineer for the Chicago and North-western, will now run between Scribner and Cornlea.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: H. Barnes, Battle Creek; Martin Bellinger, Madison; T. F. Britt, O'Neill; H. H. Howath, West Point; C. L. Clark, Gregory, S. D.; P. M. Moodie, West Point; J. K. Hansen, Tilden; P. H. Porterfield, Pilger; E. E. Erickson, Newman Grove; R. E. Mason, Meadow Grove; M. Gibson, Creighton; J. H. Farlin, Madison; Charles Miles, Winnetoon; A. M. White, Foster; T. T. Healy, Burke, S. D.; Joe Schwartz, Spencer; Elmer and John Hedlung, Bristolow; Jos. Sturm, Gregory, S. D.; Miss Cora Hawkins, Meadow Grove; August Zandis, Stanton; Ben Smidt, Wisner; F. E. Swengel, Plainview; J. Barth, Madison.

The quarantine has been raised from the E. C. Adams residence.
Indians at the Junction are doing a land office business selling bead work and moccasins to home bound passengers on the passing trains.
Failure to secure a quorum last night prevented a meeting of the Commercial club directors. The meeting was adjourned until next Monday evening.

The secretary of the Norfolk Basketball association is already receiving challenges. The first one comes from Stanton and will be answered just as soon as the team has been lined up sufficiently to make a showing.
If looks don't belie, turkey will be commoner than chicken the twenty-fifth. Expressmen are getting stiff-armed from handling crate loads of fattened birds.
Can a dog that chases sparrows be classed as a hydrophobia victim? The actions of an over-spirited canine in the neighborhood of the Junction is

certainly nervous inclined persons are afraid to go home in the dark.
Monday was the shortest day of the year. At noon the sun reached its farthest point south. The sun rose Monday morning at 7:51 and set at 4:58. From now until June 21, the days will gradually get longer.
It is probable that Charles Harding, a former Norfolk man, will be elected president of the Omaha school board, when the board reorganizes next month. Mr. Harding is the oldest member of the board in point of service. The present president, David Cole, also a creamery man, retires from the board the first of the year.

Norfolk's mayor has been captured by the tribe of Ben Hur. "His honor," the mayor, was duly initiated into the order last night with appropriate ceremony. Mayor Sturgeon was a member of a class of five who were initiated. The initiation was followed by a lunch. An address during the evening was made by State Deputy W. of Lincoln. On January 25 a "district congress" of the Ben Hur will be held in Norfolk. A big class, numbering possibly 100, will be initiated here then. Many of the candidates will come from away.

The Lamro Journal of last week tells of an accident to Fred Salter. The Journal says: F. H. Salter had the misfortune to break one rib and crack another on Thursday of last week. He was carrying wood on the creek bottom, and in going down the bank he slipped and fell. He landed on his back on the wood he was carrying with the result of breaking a rib and cracking another. He suffered considerable pain, and lying down was out of the question for a while. At present he is getting along nicely, but it is very sore yet. He is able to be around, but cannot do much work.

Mrs. Frank Pulsz, herself a pioneer and the wife of one of Madison county's oldest pioneers, died Sunday morning at 9:30 at the family home between Norfolk and Hoskins. Mrs. Pulsz was sixty-six years of age. Married in Chileaco, she came to Nebraska as a young bride in 1870. Her death was the outcome of an accident this summer. During the performance of her household duties she suffered the misfortune to fall and break her leg. Since then she had never fully recovered from the effects of the shock and has been gradually declining. The funeral arrangements have been made for Thursday. A procession will leave the house and escort the body to the church nearby where interment will be made in the family lot. The burial services will be read by the Rev. Emil F. Franz, pastor of the Reformed church.

And Who Owns All This Hog?
"Whose mule is Julia?" Or in local language who owns the hog?
Justice G. C. Lamblert will have that question to decide.

W. E. Reed swore out a warrant against Andrew Nord yesterday for withholding certain monies alleged to be his from the sale of a horse he loaned to Nord for service.
That was two years ago and Nord, who has had the hog ever since, was doubtless beginning to believe he owned him.
Anyhow, last week, when loading up a wagon box with hogs he included the disputed piglet.
Later he sold the same to the Farmers Elevator company.
The purchase price of the valuable and ancient relic of bygone bacon, totaled up in dollars and cents, amounted to \$21.69. Of this amount Nord left \$15 in care of the elevator company for Reed.
Reed wants it all.
Nord declares the hog has eaten up \$6.20 worth of corn during the two years. It is very probable that unless the animal was sick all the time, he has!

Then Reed says that if at that time he had disposed of the hog to the market buyers he would have been good money ahead. Hogs were then selling for seven cents, against the five fifty they are bringing now.
And he figures that now it has come to a selling proposition he wants all there is in it.
The question will be decided in justice court in a day or two.

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Captain William Mapes, a Nebraska army officer well known in Norfolk through frequent visits to this city and whose wife was formerly Miss Leta Blakely, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Blakely of Norfolk, is credited in a New York dispatch with inventing a new army bomb which will make one soldier equal to forty.

The dispatch which was sent from New York and which appears in the St. Louis Post Dispatch and other eastern papers, is as follows:
What is said to be the most deadly hand grenade ever invented has been sent to the army arsenal at Manila for trial. If the tests prove successful the American army may come into possession of a weapon which in case of emergency would make one American private equal to forty men.
Captain William S. Mapes of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, U. S. A., who is a New Yorker by birth and a Nebraskan by adoption, is the inventor of the new grenade.

The grenade is nine inches long and an inch in diameter, similar in appearance to a stick of dynamite. For one-third of its length the tube, which is made of light cast iron, is packed with gun cotton, the explosive that distributes the forty bullets when the bomb strikes the ground.
It is stated that these bullets are distributed parallel to the ground at an altitude so slight that even the soldier who is lying prostrate when the bomb explodes is in even greater danger than the man in a kneeling or standing position.

It is Almost Safe.
In the lower end of the tube is the detonating cap, while around the part that holds the gun cotton is a small can made of light tin which contains the forty bullets. The upper end of the bomb contains a cap that is fitted with a punch or plunger called the war-head.

The bomb is so constructed that it can be carried with almost absolute safety by the soldier, but in order to obviate any possible accidental discharge it is further fitted with another small cap of tin, which fits over the detonator end of the bomb. The bombs are very light and each soldier can easily carry several of them, and when the time to use them comes it requires but a few moments to get the bomb ready to be hurled.
The soldier first pulls off the protecting cap. Then he detaches the warhead and places it over the detonator. Attached to the bomb are two long tapes, and taking the ends of them he whirls the bomb over his head as he would a slingshot, and casts it from him. As the bomb leaves the soldier's hands the tapes unwind and streaming out behind the missile keep the warhead to "be front facing the enemy."

Scatters the Bullets.
When the end of the tube is reached the bomb describes a semi-circle and descends to the ground, the contact causing it to explode with terrific violence, scattering its bullets and the pieces of metal in a line parallel to the ground and in direction away from the soldier who had thrown it. A soldier can throw the bomb more than a hundred yards.
Captain Mapes is also the inventor of the "poncho hat," which is made of a poncho, two shelter tent poles, four rifles, and two blankets. It will float the entire equipment of four men.

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MONUMENT TO A TREE.

Famous Tree on Lone Tree Hill is to Have a Monument.
Valentine Republican: In our last issue we stated that some disposition would be made of the Lone Pine tree which grew at the top of Lone Tree hill, relative to erecting a monument to its memory. It has been planned to make souvenirs of the tree and sell them at different prices according to size and amount of decoration. All the money that is realized from the souvenirs will be put into the monument, the greater the amount obtained, the better the monument. A committee will be chosen to decide about the monument when souvenirs are all sold.

North Nebraska Deaths.
Mrs. E. J. Growler died at her home northeast of Lynch last week.

"Grandma" Just died at Redwood, an inland town south of Lynch.
A six months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eggers of near Bloomfield died last week.

G. W. Lockwood of Lynch died in Sturgis, S. D., where he had gone to look for a homestead.

Catholic Knights Elect.
West Point, Neb., Dec. 22.—Special to The News: The local branch of the Catholic Knights of America at West Point have elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Very Rev. Joseph Ruesing; vice president, Frank Rozac; recording secretary, John Lindale; financial secretary, Ferd Walter; treasurer, William Sileren; sergeant-at-arms, Theodore Gentrup; sentinel, Bernard Kaup; trustee, two years, John Reichlinger; trustee, three years, Henry Gentrup.

SNOW AT VALENTINE.
Last Week's Snow Storm the First Heavy Snow of the Season.
Valentine, Neb., Dec. 21.—Special to The News: The ground was covered Saturday with a blanket of snow four or five inches deep. It was the first good snow this section has had this winter.

MONDAY MENTIONS.
Arthur Sar visited friends in Madison Sunday.
Mrs. A. L. Tucker of Carroll is visiting in Norfolk.
Mr. and Mrs. Stoakes of Omaha are visiting at the D. K. Tindall home.
August Milnitz of Plainview spent Sunday at the Charles Beiersdorf home.
Miss Bertha Hagenmaier has returned to her home in Kansas for the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hauptil returned Sunday night from their wedding trip in Arizona and New Mexico.
Ed Grant, who has been laid up with the grip for the last few days, is sufficiently recovered to be up and around again.
Arthur Miller of Gordon, who is on his way home to Cooksville, Mo., stopped off in Norfolk and visited old friends Monday.
A. E. Kull, a member of the South Dakota Realty company of Burke, S. D., was in the city looking after property interests here.
Mrs. A. Sohlinger and little daughter of Clyde, Kansas, are in Norfolk and will spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Alberry.
Miss Florence Taylor is spending the Christmas holidays with her mother at Lynch.
Mrs. Dan Bowden and daughter, Dorothy, of Gregory, S. D., visited in Norfolk last week.
E. E. Miller has just returned from his long Wyoming trip, and intends to stay in Norfolk now until after the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Morrison of Gregory passed through Norfolk on their way to Chicago. Mr. Morrison is one of the partners of the Homestead Land company with offices in Gregory and Lamro. He expects to remain in Chicago until about the first of the year.
Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: J. H. Farlin, Madison; D. Phillips, Dallas, S. D.; O. J. Roekke, Beemer; J. H. Plymon, Wisner; Miss Mattie Shulthies, Wayne; A. N. Mauch, Plainview; F. L. Louer, Madison; E. P. Jensen, Stanton; J. M. Cuprein, Earl McKim, Fred Marshall, Alinsworth; Miss Hazel Adams and Ruth McGee, Madison; D. P. Wilson, Bloomfield; E. E. Stevens, Dallas, S. D.; C. L. Clark, Gregory, S. D.; John Nelson, Bristolow; J. W. Vankirk, Creighton; Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Studeny, Verdigre; A. E. Kull, Bonesteel; J. F. Edelstein, Dallas, S. D.; Guy L. Evans, Creighton; H. Harris, Dallas, S. D.; H. J. Backes, Humphrey; Don H. Foster, Dallas, S. D.; P. H. Pope, Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Barnum, Dallas, S. D.; F. W. McGowen, Dallas, S. D.
Misses Lillian Degner of Norfolk and Lenora Hans of Battle Creek returned Sunday from the girl's seminary at Redwing, Minn., to spend the holiday vacation.
A J. Durland, who has been in Norfolk for several days past looking after local business interests following a visit to New York City, left Sunday noon for his home in Seattle, going by way of Omaha.
A mother and daughter reunited after fifteen years of separation in the little heart story back of the visit of Mrs. Jess Beemer to Omaha. Mrs. Beemer arrived home last night from Omaha, where she has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Rose Dahlman, whom she had not seen or heard from for fifteen years.
Mrs. Louise Asmus left on the 11 o'clock Union Pacific train for Columbia where it is expected that she

Wednesday morning for gall bladder trouble. Her son, Fritz Asmus, will go to Columbia Tuesday to be present during the operation and her daughter, Mrs. Ludwig Koenigstein, may also go.
Merideth Daniel, a former resident of Norfolk, has recently purchased a drug store in Manson, Iowa.
The brief filed by Senator Allen in the supreme court asking for a reversal of the Boche sentence contained 110 pages.
Ray Welber has moved from South Second street to Madison avenue, his new home being between Ninth and Tenth streets.
Few Nebraska newspapers but have contained mention during the past week of election of delegates to the state firemen's convention in Norfolk next week.
John McKerrigan of Hoskins has retired from active work and moved to Norfolk, where he occupies a home which he recently built.
The Madison Post reports that W. W. Weaver, who moved to Madison from Norfolk not long ago, has purchased a new Ford touring car to be delivered next spring.
County Superintendent F. S. Perdue was in Lincoln last week making arrangements to secure a Lincoln residence after the first of the year when he becomes deputy state superintendent.

Nebraska Air has Cured Her.
This will be a merry Christmas for Miss Alice Reardon, granddaughter of Mrs. Charles Lodge, who came to Madison county just one year ago Tuesday of this week suffering with tuberculosis from which physicians predicted she would die within a very few months, and who has now, in spite of predictions, practically fully recovered from the disease.
Miss Reardon is fifteen years of age and her home is in Joliet, Ill. Her mother was formerly Miss Emma Lodge of this city. When Miss Reardon came to Norfolk a year ago she weighed 114 pounds; today she weighs 135.
Fresh Air and Horseback Rides.
Fresh air, raw eggs, pure milk and horseback rides have contributed to the patient's recovery in Nebraska. She slept in a tent all summer and now sleeps with four windows wide open every night. She rides a horse four miles a day and eats four raw eggs every day. Every morning she takes a cold bath. She drinks plenty of pure milk during the day.
As a result of this Nature treatment, her cough is gone and she feels fine.
Miss Reardon naturally thinks Nebraska is the greatest place on earth and the Christmas season will be a merry one, indeed.

ACCIDENT TO PRIEST.
Father Hettwer of Stuart Sustains Broken Leg.
Thrown out of a buggy, which tipped over in turning a bad corner on a dark night, Father Hettwer, priest at Stuart, sustained a broken leg, the fracture being below the knee. Jeremiah Murohy, who was driving, was also thrown out, but not severely injured.
Father Hettwer was returning from Hammond, an inland town in Rock county where he had been conducting a mission, and the accident occurred as he was nearing Stuart.
Madison Girls Beat Humphrey.
The girls' basketball team of the Madison high school defeated Humphrey 9 to 6 last Friday.

Contest Rumored.
Sioux City Tribune: There may be several contests for seats in the next congress it seems aside from the two announced for Iowans. All of them turn upon the election returns except one originating in Nebraska. This one has to do with a question of eligibility of the successful candidate. But Boyd is claiming that Latta used large sums of money in the aid of his candidacy, and in manner which under the Nebraska law, makes it the duty of the attorney general of the state to start a proceeding in the nature of an *quo warrant* to prevent the issuing of the proper state authority of a certificate of election. It might seem that such a proceeding would present unusual difficulties for Mr. Boyd. Indeed, it is easy to see how he could personally profit by it, but news from Washington is that he is busy looking up the law and canvassing his chances for keeping Latta out of his seat.

Schoenauer to Omaha.
Plainview News: Arlan Schoenauer has "signed up" with the Omaha Western league ball team for a "try out" next spring. Arlan is a good all round ball player and will make those leaguers hustle to beat him out of a place on the Omaha team next season.
Cuming County Champion Husker.
West Point, Neb., Dec. 19.—Special to The News: The county record for cornhusking for the season of 1903 has been made by William Fischer of St. Charles township who husked and cribbed 119 bushels of corn in eight hours and thirty minutes.

A NORTH NEBRASKA WEDDING.
Rumored that Columbia "Prof" Will Wed Valentine Girl.
Fremont Herald: It is rumored among his large circle of friends in this city that H. L. Hollingworth, familiarly known as "Holly," has fallen victim to Cupid's wiles and will enter the blissful state of matrimony December 29. His bride to be is Miss Leta Steeter of Valentine, Neb. The wedding will be held in New York City, where Mr. Hollingworth holds a chair of psychology in Columbia university.
Mr. Hollingworth is well known in Fremont, having held the principalship in the high school two years ago. He was very popular among his pupils and gained for himself many friends

On Death Bed Plans Funeral.
Realizing that she was soon to die and foreseeing nearly the hour that she would pass away, Miss Ella L. Mather lay on her death bed Saturday and Sunday morning, saying "good-bye" to girl friends and to relatives, planning the details of her own funeral and making final preparations for death.
Saturday night she had Dr. C. W. Ray, pastor of the First Methodist church, called and was baptized.
Death came at 12:30 Sunday noon, a short time before a sister, Mrs. Charles Vail, was able to arrive from Omaha on the noon train. During the morning Miss Mather seemed to live in anticipation of seeing her sister.
"If she could only come on the M. & O. I would see her," Miss Mather said, "but I cannot wait longer." The M. & O. does not connect with the Omaha train on Sunday and Mrs. Vail was compelled to come by way of Fremont.

Mother at Death Bed.
Mrs. Mather was at her daughter's side when she died. Saturday noon Mrs. Mather had returned to Tilden, but on receiving word of the turn for the worse had returned to Norfolk on the early morning train Sunday. A sister, Miss Lulu Mather, was also here.
Good-Bye to Girl Friends.
Conscious of approaching death, Miss Mather took a final farewell from her girl friends who called to see. One young lady, calling in the morning, said that she would be back in the afternoon. "No," said the dying girl, "Kiss me now. I will not be here then."
Planned Funeral Details.
Miss Mather, lying on her death bed, planned out the details of her own funeral. She selected most of the pallbearers, picked the dress she wished to be buried in and passed on other details of the burial.
The dress she picked to wear to the grave was a light silk null with faint lavender flower, a dress she had made last summer.

Was Not Afraid.
At no time after the physician had told her that she must die, did Miss Mather fear death. A few hours before her death she asked those about her to sing a hymn, only to add a moment later that she would sing them herself as best she could. She did.
Parents Live at Tilden.
Miss Mather died at the residence of Mrs. C. Rasley on Norfolk avenue where she made her home. She was the daughter of Thomas and Mary Mather, living six miles south of Tilden.
Funeral Tuesday.
Short funeral services will be conducted by Dr. C. W. Ray of this city at the place of death at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning. The services will be held just before the remains are taken to the Junction station and thence to Tilden, where the regular services will be held at the Methodist church. She will be laid to rest in the Tilden cemetery beside a sister who preceded her some years.
Dr. Ray will accompany the funeral party to Tilden and conduct the services there in the Methodist church. The Northwestern consented to have a special coach attached to the evening freight to bring the Norfolk people back in the evening.
Miss Mather will be missed by a large circle of friends in Norfolk and

who she has served in the capacity of a seamstress. She will be missed not only for her handwork but also for the cheerfulness and mirth she mingled with her labors.
Death resulted from blood poisoning, which followed an operation made necessary by a severe attack of rheumatism and other complications.

IS BEST NORTH STATE SPELLER.
Who Will Meet A. D. Wilberger of Boyd County in Match?
County Superintendent Purdie is in receipt of a communication from A. D. Wilberger well known in Madison, in which he says, according to the Madison Post, that he is much surprised there is not more attention given to spelling in the public schools. Mr. Wilberger states that he taught some fifty terms in Nebraska schools and that he is still interested in the work.
He is inclined to think that he has all the medals for spelling in Boyd county, for that matter north Nebraska, and stands willing to defend the title against all challengers the match to be in the spelling of 100 words from Webster's dictionary. Here is a chance for some Madison county crack speller to get a reputation.

Nebraska Air has Cured Her.
This will be a merry Christmas for Miss Alice Reardon, granddaughter of Mrs. Charles Lodge, who came to Madison county just one year ago Tuesday of this week suffering with tuberculosis from which physicians predicted she would die within a very few months, and who has now, in spite of predictions, practically fully recovered from the disease.
Miss Reardon is fifteen years of age and her home is in Joliet, Ill. Her mother was formerly Miss Emma Lodge of this city. When Miss Reardon came to Norfolk a year ago she weighed 114 pounds; today she weighs 135.
Fresh Air and Horseback Rides.
Fresh air, raw eggs, pure milk and horseback rides have contributed to the patient's recovery in Nebraska. She slept in a tent all summer and now sleeps with four windows wide open every night. She rides a horse four miles a day and eats four raw eggs every day. Every morning she takes a cold bath. She drinks plenty of pure milk during the day.
As a result of this Nature treatment, her cough is gone and she feels fine.
Miss Reardon naturally thinks Nebraska is the greatest place on earth and the Christmas season will be a merry one, indeed.

ACCIDENT TO PRIEST.
Father Hettwer of Stuart Sustains Broken Leg.
Thrown out of a buggy, which tipped over in turning a bad corner on a dark night, Father Hettwer, priest at Stuart, sustained a broken leg, the fracture being below the knee. Jeremiah Murohy, who was driving, was also thrown out, but not severely injured.
Father Hettwer was returning from Hammond, an inland town in Rock county where he had been conducting a mission, and the accident occurred as he was nearing Stuart.
Madison Girls Beat Humphrey.
The girls' basketball team of the Madison high school defeated Humphrey 9 to 6 last Friday.

Contest Rumored.
Sioux City Tribune: There may be several contests for seats in the next congress it seems aside from the two announced for Iowans. All of them turn upon the election returns except one originating in Nebraska. This one has to do with a question of eligibility of the successful candidate. But Boyd is claiming that Latta used large sums of money in the aid of his candidacy, and in manner which under the Nebraska law, makes it the duty of the attorney general of the state to start a proceeding in the nature of an *quo warrant* to prevent the issuing of the proper state authority of a certificate of election. It might seem that such a proceeding would present unusual difficulties for Mr. Boyd. Indeed, it is easy to see how he could personally profit by it, but news from Washington is that he is busy looking up the law and canvassing his chances for keeping Latta out of his seat.

Schoenauer to Omaha.
Plainview News: Arlan Schoenauer has "signed up" with the Omaha Western league ball team for a "try out" next spring. Arlan is a good all round ball player and will make those leaguers hustle to beat him out of a place on the Omaha team next season.
Cuming County Champion Husker.
West Point, Neb., Dec. 19.—Special to The News: The county record for cornhusking for the season of 1903 has been made by William Fischer of St. Charles township who husked and cribbed 119 bushels of corn in eight hours and thirty minutes.

A NORTH NEBRASKA WEDDING.
Rumored that Columbia "Prof" Will Wed Valentine Girl