

SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bullock entertained a small company of friends at 6:30 dinner Thursday evening, bridge whist affording after-dinner pleasure.

Pierce Leader: Miss Florence McWhorter gave a farewell party to a number of her little friends Friday evening at the home of her parents.

The members of the Christian Endeavor of the Christian church, held a social at the home of their minister, R. J. Lucas at 702 South Fourth street, Tuesday evening.

The birthday club of The Heights met Friday afternoon with Mrs. E. A. Amerline, the occasion of the meeting being the observance of the birthdays of Mrs. Amerline and Mrs. J. H. Oxman.

A vested choir in the future will furnish sweet music at the Methodist Episcopal church. There are ten members in the choir and they will appear in their new vestments for the first time tomorrow morning.

Mrs. P. H. Salter was hostess on Tuesday afternoon to a company of young ladies in honor of her guest, Miss Chubbuck. After a game of cards Mrs. Salter served refreshments.

Mrs. Clarence White entertained a number of ladies at a pleasant 5 o'clock tea in her home, 801 South Fourth street, Wednesday evening.

Roy Lalkart entertained a company of young men informally last Saturday evening at his home on Norfolk avenue.

Mrs. N. A. Huse entertained the Ettridge club on Thursday complimentary to her guest, Mrs. Louis Clark of Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Nicola entertained a small company of friends at a 6 o'clock dinner on Monday evening.

The West Side Whist club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Burnham on Tuesday evening.

The Dorcas society was entertained this week by Misses Carrie Thompson and Susan Gillette.

The Wednesday club met with Mrs. D. D. Mathewson.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Johnston of St. Paul, Minn., have been visiting in Norfolk the past week in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Rainbolt and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bullock.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Council of Sioux City, who lived in Norfolk several years, will go to Gordon, Neb., in March to make their home on a ranch. They are making the change on account of the ill health of their son, Ruby. Their daughter, Hazel, is a reporter on the Sioux City Tribune.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Braden spent the forepart of the week in Chicago.

Mrs. Louis Clark of Omaha visited in Norfolk the past week.

Coming Events

Misses Inez Viele and Helen Lobdell have issued invitations to a 6:30 dinner to be given February 12 to members of the senior class and the high school faculty.

Stock and Grain Gambling

Springville, Neb., Jan. 28.—Editor News: Set over in a showy corner of nearly every large city newspaper at some time of the year, will be seen the seductive card of some two or more New York or Chicago houses showing the prospective profits and a great willingness to engage in investing other people's money in stock or grain options, or putting it in plain English, who are willing to bet on how high or low the standard grades of wheat will rule a day or sixty days next following. As if this were not downright gambling.

A man who plays draw poker and loses a V or X or double eagle and leaves a half hundred of some one's money in a faro bank, roulette table, or some other gambling device, may walk home wiser and more cautious for the venture but not utterly ruined. Men who buy a lottery ticket and help to pay high salaried nabobs in Louisiana and other cities, may, once in a while, hear of one drawing a small prize by it. Of course such concerns must pay a little something for the sake of advertising. But even such a habit grows with practice and tends to lessen confidence in the sturdy industry and good contracts as a means of rapid money making.

thousand and one chances may change the sale and alter the result completely. The wind, the rain, the frost, hail storms, the drouth, a war, a pestilence abroad, all count in the market roll of nations to send up wheat or cut down the price of corn.

The moral effect is marvelous. Men of state repute, clerks of courts, heads of firms, confidential cashiers, men with trust funds, merchants, bankers, lawyers and business houses in firms and singly, once started in this gambling trade are lost to honor and lose financially in ninety cases out of every hundred. They buy and borrow and overdraw and beg and fall to pay and go downward to the last round of the ladder, and very rarely make by the nearest chances and regain their foothold in business. They more often become drunkards to the habit and borrow of their friends and end in utter ruin. Not five dollars in ten go to the credit of the real owner. Firms that pick up a cool million and dump it all into Canada are very slow to put in all the dupes' dollars sent them all over the country. They notoriously place the lion's share in a private bank account of their own, skip into another country, some favorite resort for these fashionable bankers, and enjoy a few seasons rest, then cross to Europe or South America, possibly to Mexico, and live up their swindles in riotous luxury.

The following from Frederick S. Dixon's article, "Poison in the Street," in the February number of Everybody's magazine, will give the reader an idea as to the enormous amount of money that passes through the New York Stock Exchange every day:

"During the week ending September 26, 1908, there were sold on the New York Stock Exchange a total of 5,576,000 shares of stock. The average value of the stocks dealt in was a little over \$102 a share, making the stupendous sum of \$568,752,000 of stock supposed to have changed hands in five days of five hours each, and one day of two hours, a total of twenty-seven hours, or an average of over \$21,000,000 an hour. During this period 1,558,100 shares of Union Pacific stock, were reported sold out of a total capitalization of 1,954,469 shares, or over 54 per cent of the capital. Over half the capital stock of American smelters was sold in the same week and of Reading's 1,400,000 shares no less than 1,132,900 shares were sold, or within 267,100 shares of the entire capitalization of the corporation. All the capital of all the railroads in the United States, and of all the great industrial corporations, is sold on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange twenty times over in a single year.

"Mr. L. G. Powers, of the United States census bureau, estimates the wealth of the country in 1904 at \$107,000,000,000 and this figure includes the value of all the land, live stock and farming implements, all railroads and factories, everything in the United States we call property. Enormous as the figures are, an amount equal to this total wealth of the country passes through the New York Exchange every twelve months! By the report of the comptroller of the currency on September 23, 1908, there were 6,853 national banks in the United States, having total loans and discounts of \$4,750,612,731. Wall Street would exhaust this enormous sum in forty-seven days. The total banking power of the United States in 1908, as represented by capital, surplus, profits, deposits, and circulation was \$17,642,705,274. This exceeds the world's banking power in 1890, and yet Wall Street would absorb it all in 173 days."

The whole scheme is a polite system of pilfering in which more banks have been wrecked, more widows and orphans made doubly destitute, more envious emulations and extravagance in life, more high-handed rascality practiced than all of the combined robberies, larcenies and burglaries of the nation. It is doubtful if the money invested in drink or of the widows of drunkards begins to compare with those brought low by stock and grain gambling. The delusion is so secret and seductive that few hear of it and less realize it. But in every village, every city, and even out in the country, from one to hundreds are caught in the meshes of this soul-eating canker and coax to invest trust money, savings bank money, money saved for mortgage payments, or saved to meet honest debts or held to pay insurance, or kept for rainy days or held in trust for others, is thrown in the pool to be squandered by the bankers who handle it.

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Instances can be given of a farmer near St. Louis who lately lost \$6,000 in wheat options; of another at Nashville who lost \$2,200 in a like manner; of a respected clerk of a court in Grand Rapids, formed this dangerous habit of investing in options till he squandered his salary and savings borrowed all he could get trusted for, and ran down to the verge of insanity, lost his position and beggared his family by the investment, and today remains a living witness of his wickedness. Another of a missionary in New York, who after many years of arduous toil in China, returned to this country for a well-earned rest. In some inscrutable way the fever of speculation, of gambling, seized him, and he paid the savings of years over the counters of a legitimate broker, a member of the New York stock exchange. His kin remonstrated with him and urged him to shun the markets, but he was deaf to all entreaties. Finally his wife's brother went to the broker and after telling him what labor and privation this missionary had accumulated his paltry dollars, and how necessary these savings were to the wife and little children, he begged the broker, out of mercy to the helpless ones, to refuse to fill the gambling orders of the father. The

broker heard his story and then told his visitor coldly that they were in business to do business, and would fill all orders, provided the customer met the requirements as to margins. That was the end of it, and the missionary went on gambling until his savings were gone and he was ruined in purse and character.

A thousand cases could be given, but why name them when every city has its hundreds, and every village its examples.

Talk of whiskey's ruin; talk of broken homes by drink; talk of poverty, forfeited friendship and trust betrayed, you will find it in the swindling option buying on the broad-cast scale.

The most effective means of controlling stock and grain gambling is the ticker and blackboard, which are used to a great advantage in cities of importance and laws should be passed in the several states making illegal use of both. Not until these are abolished, stock and grain gambling will continue to exist on a large scale and no doubt in time will lead to the ruination of our nation. Of course it will take some time to stamp it out entirely, and we cannot begin operations too soon.

Leonard Charles Wakeman.

Gamblers Flee the Rosebud.

Something of an exodus of gamblers, of real gamblers and their "tin horn" following from the Rosebud county has been witnessed in Norfolk this last week, the "lid" is on, "stuff is off" as the saying goes and the gamblers are seeking the kindly shelter of the larger cities.

Public gambling in Gregory county is not to be countenanced by law. Even where there was marked leniency towards the gamblers and their profession all the fall, visiting lambs are to be shorn no more. And no more is the "crinkly" wool to be divided. No more is life on easy street for the card sharks and the wheel twirlers who reaped big harvests during the October rush and who have found the pickings good since.

No more will the police force have to listen to the bleating of the shorn lambs. The cover is off the balze. The prattle of the chuck luck men is no longer heard. The clinky click of the ivory and the rattling of the dice are noises of the past.

This time the lid has fallen "for keeps." During the past two years the attorney general of South Dakota has hammered down the "lid" occasionally. This time the nails are in firmly.

Gregory county saloons will now close at 11 o'clock at night. They will be closed on Sunday.

Governor Vessey of South Dakota is back of the new order. He will, it is said, have the support of the county and local authorities.

DR. PERCIVAL ARRIVES.

New Superintendent for Insane Hospital is Here.

Dr. Percival, the new superintendent for the Norfolk insane hospital, arrived in Norfolk at noon from Omaha to take charge of the institution Monday morning.

Hits Well Known Rosebud Man.

Fairfax Advertiser: It is reported from Gregory that on Monday night a gambler named Robbins hit Jack Wright over the head with a gun and inflicted a scalp wound which required thirteen stitches to close. It is said that bad blood has existed between the men for some time and that when Robbins met Wright on the street Monday night he proceeded to lay the latter out without ceremony. The case will probably be aired in the courts.

Squier-Sprague.

The marriage has been announced of Miss Jessie May Sprague of Omaha to Newton Lemuel Squier of Silver Creek. The wedding took place in Omaha on January 27. Miss Sprague is well known here and has many friends in Norfolk.

Willberger's Challenge.

West Point Republican: H. D. Willberger of Anoka claims to be the champion speller of this section of the state. In a recent challenge in The Norfolk News, he submits a formidable string of victories in spelling contests that would seem to establish quite an orthographical reputation and to entitle him to considerable recognition. Among other victories, he cites one at West Point in 1886. That was before the writer's advent here, but some of the other people will, probably remember him and the incident referred to. There is something about this spelling business and this challenge that appeals to the writer. The challenge has the right ring. It harks back to the time when to be the best "Speller" and "Figurin'" was an honor greatly sought and prized and gave the winners considerable prestige in the community. Unfortunately for the good of the present generation, these things have been shovelled into the background and more prominent is given to other and less meritorious things. Overcrowded school curriculums have developed a generation of, comparatively, poor spellers, poor writers and poorer readers, not to say anything about "Arithmeticers." Basketball, baseball, football, running, jumping and weight-throwing championships are all right in their way, but as broad winners, "Spelling," "Writin'" and "Figurin'" have them beat a mile. There ought to be a thousand young men and women ready to accept Willberger's challenge. If the writer were not so old, were looking for new laurels, or had time to review his old "Sanders" speller, he would take a whirl at the thing himself. As it is, there ought to

be others ready and willing to give the challenger a run for the championship.

SATURDAY SIFTINGS.

A. H. Kiesau has been in Chicago this week on business.

Miss Bertha Pilger is home from Stanton to spend Sunday.

Mrs. Utter and Mr. and Mrs. Williams will leave for Beeville, Texas, Monday.

A. H. Viele is expected home today from an extended business visit to Chicago.

Otto Fuerst is expected home from Chicago Sunday or Monday. He will go at once to Madison to take charge of the independent telephone company's office at that point.

Charles Harding, president of the Omaha board of education and also of the Farmers' cooperative creamery company of Omaha is visiting at the E. A. Bullock home. Mr. Harding in years gone by was manager of a creamery in Norfolk.

James Beck left for Platte Center Saturday on business.

W. A. Witzgman will leave tomorrow for a visit to Clinton, Ia., Peoria and Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Russell of Omaha have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Friday.

Mrs. Ed Nelson of Creighton is spending over Sunday at the home of her brother, W. J. Hahn.

Dr. O. R. Meredith postponed his regular Friday trip to Stanton yesterday on account of the weather.

Rev. Edwin Booth, jr., is suffering with a severe attack of grip and as a result no church or Sunday school services will be held in the First Congregational church.

County Superintendent E. A. Murphy and Superintendent E. S. Cowan came down from Knox county yesterday to attend the school folks' banquet, which had to be postponed.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: L. W. Knopp, O'Neill; O. E. Rasset, Ord; U. B. Munford, Pierce; Earl Fuhrer, Madison; James Graham, Winsler; Joseph Belter, Lindsay; J. C. Parker, Winsted; J. C. Carnelly, Lindsay; Charlotte Lawson, Wayne; H. H. Ziemer, Pilger; J. H. Welsh, Stanton; L. B. Haneman, Ewing; Mrs. John Pishik, Wayne; E. H. Mason, Bloomfield; George M. Bailey, Latta; Miss Grace Bailey, Fairfax, S. D.; John Dolphin, Miss C. Ruppel, Bloomfield; E. L. Cowan, Creighton; E. A. Murphy, Center; Ed Piper, Fairfax, S. D.; Mrs. F. Nelson and Miss Winifred Nelson, Niobrara; H. P. Shumeway, Wakefield.

A marriage license was issued at Madison this week to August C. Dreck and Augusta M. Schultz of Norfolk.

Bill Jones, porter at the Reed shop, lost \$60 worth of "glad rags" in the fire which destroyed the Norfolk rooming house Thursday night.

President Inholder of the Farmers' state bank at Hadar, recently robbed, has not only purchased a new safe but has also increased his burglary insurance from \$1,500 to \$2,500. His insurance lacked over \$400 of covering the recent loss.

Mrs. C. S. Parker underwent an operation yesterday for relief from pneumonia, draining the lung. The operation was successful.

The regular meeting of the Woman's club will be held Monday afternoon in the parlors of the Congregational church. A full attendance is desired as important business is to come before the club.

Miss Kathryn Wilson of Meadow Grove is recovering from the effects of a serious runaway accident during the holidays. Miss Wilson is a sister of Mrs. E. H. Brewer of Norfolk.

H. M. Hall of Bethany, Neb., a member of the state bible school association, will conduct the meetings of the bible school institute on February 18 and 19 at the Christian church of this city.

James Delaney, a nephew of W. A. Witzgman, who has been here from Creton, Ia., on a visit, has for the time being taken Archie Gow's place as bookkeeper in the Nebraska National bank.

Pierce Leader: Miss Rosalie Witten has been employed as stenographer in the court house, she entering upon her work Tuesday morning. She has been attending the Norfolk Business college for the past two years, and recently graduated.

Professor H. M. Steidley of Lincoln is to be in Norfolk on February 21 to assist with the program of the Norfolk District Bible School institute to be held here on that date. The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Nebraska state Sunday school convention.

W. C. James, district deputy of the M. W. A., is in the city over Sunday, closing up some matters left unfinished when he was transferred to Omaha. In Omaha he has charge of Burt, Washington, Douglas, Sarpy and Cass counties. D. F. O'Brien of this city is working in the Omaha territory as assistant deputy. Ralph C. Young, the new deputy for this district will make his headquarters in this city.

Pierce Leader: Fred Gast, living on a farm east of Pierce, states that his father-in-law, Carl Wolf, residing ten miles southeast of Pierce, had recently sold his 160-acre farm to Will Klug of Norfolk, for \$7,000. A year ago he bought this farm for \$5,000 and thus it will be seen that he made \$2,000 on the deal. Carl Eucker, who has been farming east of Pierce, has rented this farm of Mr. Klug for the coming season.

In ten years the valentine, the more or less elaborate creation of cupids and fringed paper, will be no more. If the prediction made in Norfolk by a traveling man is substantiated. In the east the expensive and altogether useless valentine is being decapitated and the traveler admitted that he thought the paper and celluloid works of art would in a few years be in dis-

repute the land over. The objectionable "comics" will probably survive and possibly the cheaper grades of valentines which the school children use. But the change is not coming right away. Norfolk merchants are stocking up as usual and the mails will be heavy with big packages on February 14.

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Foley's Honey and Tar clears the air passages, stops the irritation in the throat, soothes the inflamed membrane, and the most obstinate cough disappears. Sore and inflamed lungs are healed and strengthened, and the cold is expelled from the system. It is useful in all the yellow package.

For sale by The Kiesau Drug Co.

MONDAY MENTIONS.

Dr. C. A. McKim has gone to Sallina, Kan., on a visit.

Miss Mabel Rouse has gone to Des Moines on a visit.

Dr. C. W. Ray left at noon to deliver his lecture, "Cornerstones of Our Republic" in two towns near Lincoln.

W. J. Gow left today to spend two or three weeks in Colorado.

Dr. J. C. Myers returned last night from a trip to San Antonio, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ray left today for a winter visit to Kuhn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tuxen will leave this week for a two months' visit to California.

J. A. Shoemaker of Omaha, who has been visiting E. P. Weatherby since Friday, returned home at noon.

H. M. Eaton, the retiring land commissioner, was one of the guests from away at the graduating exercises at the Norfolk hospital Saturday night.

Ed Monroe returned Saturday from Stanton.

Rev. Dr. Ray has gone to Lincoln to deliver his lecture before an audience there.

Frank Yellow Horse of Verdel was in Norfolk Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Lowery are visiting in Omaha.

J. C. Hylen of Meadow Grove was in Norfolk Saturday.

T. E. Mahoney or Plainview was a visitor to Norfolk Saturday.

Miss Lelah Scott spent Sunday at her parents' home in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Gentie returned last night from a visit with his parents at Creton, Ia.

Misses Florence Hazel of Columbus and Minnie Gath of Schuyler are visiting Mrs. Will Hall.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: T. E. Mahoney, Plainview; I. G. Alyea, Meadow Grove; E. L. Gilham, Niobrara; Chester Slaughter, Dallas, S. D.; C. F. Brown, Fairfax, S. D.; Ray Winder, Tilden; Misses Rachel Fairchild and Marcia Mitchell, Fairfax, S. D.; F. B. Newcomb, Dallas, S. D.; A. Tonessell, Burke, S. D.; B. E. Hall, F. McCrady, Battle Creek.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a business meeting Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Robertson on South Fourth street. A large attendance is desired.

Press reports state that the legislative committee on public lands and buildings has recommended new buildings at the Norfolk hospital costing \$45,000 and \$8,000 for furnishing them.

News of the death of Chris Blek, formerly of this place, but later of Oklahoma, was received in Norfolk by Carl Reichle. The remains will arrive in Norfolk Tuesday noon and the funeral will be held in St. Johannes Lutheran church.

Mrs. W. N. Huse submitted to a surgical operation in Immanuel hospital, Omaha, on Thursday, which proved much more serious than anticipated. She was very sick for several days after the operation, but reports from Omaha this morning are that she is now past the danger point and her recovery is only a matter of a few weeks.

Columbus Telegram: E. H. Lalkart of Norfolk, was in the city enroute home from Cedar Rapids, where he recently purchased the First National bank of that town. The Telegram congratulates Lalkart on buying a good bank in one of Nebraska's best small towns, and we congratulate the people of that town on winning for a permanent citizen one of the bright and reliable young men of the state.

E. H. Tracy has sent to Norfolk friends pictures of a unique bank building, the home of the First National bank of Shawnee, Ill., and the first bank building built in Illinois. The bank is an imposing structure and would not indicate that a majority of the bank buildings, even in the big cities, erected since, have been coming up to this early standard. The material for the building, Mr. Tracy says, was shipped by river. The cashier of the bank has been with the institution fifty-two years.

E. S. South's interest in the Norfolk hardware firm of Coleman & South has been purchased by F. Z. McGinnis, the firm name changing today to Coleman & McGinnis. Mr. McGinnis was born in this vicinity and having spent his life here enjoys the advantage of a

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wide acquaintance. He has had experience in Norfolk stores and will move into town, taking an active part in the business of the store. His farm six miles south of the city has been rented. Mr. McGinnis and his family will move to Norfolk in about four weeks. The new member of the firm is a son of A. N. McGinnis of this city. Mr. South states that the sale of his interest in the store has been made rather unexpectedly, he has no definite plans for the future to announce.

Already people are inquiring about seats for the Adelaide Thurston engagement at the Auditorium, which comes next week, and from present indications her new comedy, "The Woman's Hour," will receive a cordial welcome at the hands of Norfolk theatergoers. Seats are not yet on sale, and announcement of the date when they go on sale, will be made shortly. Miss Thurston is one of the real players on the American stage today and her engagement here will be one of the genuine events of the present theatrical season in Norfolk.

Literally shoveling their way from Wakefield to Emerson, a party of Norfolk men in charge of Assistant District Manager Carter of the Nebraska Telephone company made the trip overland from Wayne to Emerson after the blizzard, arriving in the latter town Saturday evening in time to catch the M. & O. train to Norfolk. The worst drifts were found between Wakefield and Emerson. The snow in many places in the road being packed up higher than the horses' heads. In these places the drifts were attacked with shovels, the crew shoveling their way through drift after drift. In addition to repairing wire trouble the linemen had to blaze a road through the white wilderness.

W. A. Moldenhauer's condition continues about the same.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Adkins, living eight miles southeast of Norfolk, a son.

E. N. Vail is still suffering severely from the effects of his fall in his restaurant some two weeks ago. He was confined to his home the greater part of last week but was able to be down town today.

District Judge A. A. Welch will hold an adjourned term of court in Pierce Wednesday afternoon. Judge Welch will go to Madison on February 23 to make record of his decisions in the cases heard in Norfolk and to take up other equity matters.

A. H. Viele, who returned from Chicago Saturday, rode through the blizzard, his train arriving twenty-four hours behind schedule. At Carroll the train he was on ran into a slide-track and was soon blocked in, it being necessary to abandon the train and board another section. Other abandoned trains were seen along the line.

The affairs of the Norfolk Commercial Club auxiliary were closed up last night at a meeting in the office of the automatic telephone company. It was decided to merge the organization with the parent club and the members of the auxiliary will be asked to take out membership cards in the Commercial club. The records, papers and funds of the auxiliary were turned over to the Commercial club officers today.

Newman Grove, Neb., Jan. 30.—Special to The News: Senator Randall and Representative Young took leave of their legislative duties at Lincoln long enough to spend Sunday at home with their families. They returned Sunday evening so as to be on hand for the first session Monday.

The Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbor lodges of this place held joint installation in their hall in the Harvey building. They wound up the evening's entertainment with an oyster supper and a dance. A large crowd was on hand to enjoy the festivities.

The Philosophers' club, organized through the efforts of Rev. Jorgensen of the Congregational church, is holding weekly meetings. Great interest is manifested in these meetings. The labor question and strikes are being discussed at present.

Miss Sutter, the newly elected assistant in the high school, arrived from Chicago Monday night and took up her duties in the school room the next morning.

Reports from the hospitals at Omaha indicate Mrs. Dr. Lenar and Emanuel Widgren rapidly recovering from their recent serious operations which is cheering news to their many friends at this place.

The funeral of the nine-year-old

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Olson was largely attended by the many friends of the family. This was a very sad case on account of the manner of the child's death and the serious illness of the mother who has been hovering between life and death for some time, suffering from nervous prostration. It seems the little one was engaged in cooking candy and in some manner an explosion resulted which so frightened her that she went into convulsions. She, however, seemed to again be all right early in the evening, but during the night she slightly raised up in bed and fell back dead. Rev. Mr. Jorgensen officiated at the funeral with interment in Hope cemetery.

The masquerade ball held by the volunteer fire department of this place was largely attended and a snug sum was realized by the boys as a result of their efforts.

The Johnson Candy company is installing an elegant soda fountain in their store on Hale street which adds greatly to the already elegant appearance of the place.

Mrs. Gilbert and infant son accompanied her mother to her home at Johnson, Neb. Professor Gilbert is now taking lessons in domestic science on his own account.

A severe snow storm raged at this place Thursday afternoon.

Foley's Urino-Laxative cures constipation and liver trouble and makes the bowels healthy and regular. Urino is superior to pills and tablets as it does not grip or nauseate. Why take anything else?

For sale by The Kiesau Drug Co.

Business Changes in the Northwest. Fred Reznor, the Madison auctioneer, is to move to Seward.

G. W. Elechar has sold his wagon shop at Alnaworth to E. J. Votrovch. Judge Williams, ex-railroad commissioner, will open a law office in Pierce again, returning to that city the first of the coming month.

J. E. Witten, employed on the Pierce Call for several years, has purchased a half interest in the paper from A. L. Brande. The firm has been changed to Brande Brothers & Whitten.

Hexamethylentetramine. The above is the name of a German chemical, which is one of the many valuable ingredients of Foley's Kidney Remedy. Hexamethylentetramine is recognized by medical text books and authorities as a uric acid solvent and a stimulant for the urine. Take Foley's Kidney Remedy as soon as you notice any irregularities, and avoid