

MONDAY MENTION.

Miss Clara Harrison spent Sunday in Columbus. H. Conley arrived home from Fremont last night. Sheriff J. J. Clements was up from Madison Monday. George Davenport was up from Madison over Sunday. C. H. Reynolds came in from the east Sunday evening. John F. Flynn was down from Gregory county over Sunday. Fred Haase and Jens Hoover of Battle Creek were Norfolk visitors over Sunday. George M. Kendall and family returned Sunday evening from a visit in West Point. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Neuman of Hallam, Neb., who were called to Stanton by the illness of Mr. Neuman's mother, will arrive in Norfolk Wednesday to visit relatives. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Machmuller on Sunday, a son. Word from Lincoln is to the effect that the new fish and game law does carry the emergency clause, so that the law is now in effect. A telegram was received in West Point yesterday stating that the death of Mrs. O. F. Ewing, formerly Miss Emma McLaughlin of West Point and well known in Norfolk, was a matter of but a few hours at San Antonio, Tex., and that there would be no possible chance for West Point relatives to reach San Antonio before she died. Mrs. Ewing is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. McLaughlin of West Point and a niece of Mrs. M. A. MacMillan of Norfolk. Mr. Ewing was formerly a prominent traveling man in this territory, with headquarters at Sioux City, but lately has been engaged in Mexican lands. Mrs. Ewing has had chronic trouble with her stomach for years but it was never considered serious. John R. Hays is quite ill. Born yesterday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perry, a son. A special meeting of Mosaic lodge, No. 55, will be held Tuesday evening for work in the M. M. degree. M. L. Martin and wife, who were at the Oxnard yesterday, are going to make their home in Norfolk. Mr. Martin travels for the Standard Oil company. Miss Agnes Flynn, who was operated on for appendicitis several months ago, has returned to St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha. She was accompanied by Mrs. E. B. Kaufman. It is not known whether or not a second operation will be necessary. J. H. Conley received a telephone message from Fremont Monday, stating that his mother, Mrs. Margaret Conley, a former resident of Norfolk, was somewhat better and that conditions were more encouraging. Mrs. Conley has been very ill. About \$115 is represented in a dozen or more pictures which have been secured for the high school building as a result of the recent art exhibit held under the auspices of the Woman's club. The high school walls have been without pictures, all of the old pictures having been destroyed in the fire. At the Christ Lutheran church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock Rev. J. P. Mueller married Paul Donner and Miss Elsie Grimm. A wedding reception and supper followed at the home of the groom's brother, Frank Donner. About sixty were present. Mr. and Mrs. Donner will live near Warrville on a farm about fourteen miles southwest of the city. "Billie" Blatt, who was injured in a Burlington wreck near Tacoma, Wash., in which two men were killed a week ago Sunday, arrived in Norfolk Saturday and was about the city today. Blatt was only laid up about two days from his injuries. He was hurt in the leg and in the back. He was on his way east to Norfolk when the train left the track on a curve. Two additional long distance circuits, running from Norfolk to Omaha, which the Nebraska Telephone company has under way of construction will be completed about Friday. Also long distance facilities to Fremont will be increased by two additional circuits. W. F. Harter, who has charge of the large construction gang engaged in the work of putting up the new lines, says the general increase in the use of telephones in the past ten years has been marvelous and that it is now regarded as an almost universal necessity. Omaha Bee: The largest social affair of the week will be the bridge party Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harding, 120 South Thirty-eighth avenue, when each guest will be charged \$1 admission for the benefit of the Child Saving institute building fund. Between 400 and 500 invitations have been issued, and judging from the hearty responses received, there will be a most delightful party, as well as a large sum of money, which sum Mr. Harding has generously promised to cover with a check drawn by himself, thus doubling the amount. Extensive preparations are being made for the affair, which is in charge of a number of women interested in this work, and local merchants have donated sixteen beautiful prizes for the game. The rooms will be cleared of all furniture, in order to accommodate the large number of tables required, and supper will be served the latter part of the evening.

Accidents at Valentine.

Valentine, Neb., April 19.—Special to The News: Two accidents happened here either one of which might have proven serious. While a man was letting down a big transom in the postoffice he let it slip and the big plate glass was broken into fragments and the flying glass showered down on the heads of several persons standing close and it is just a miracle that some one was not killed, and only

the man that was lowering the transom got a bad cut on one hand. The coffee urn in Meltonford's saloon exploded and very nearly caused a bad fire.

I. M. Raymond Dead. Lincoln, April 19.—Isaac M. Raymond, for thirty-five years one of the prominent business and public men of Lincoln, dropped dead from heart failure in the lobby of the Lincoln hotel. Mr. Raymond was president of the Raymond Bros. & Clark wholesale grocery house. He represented Lancaster county in the state senate and lower house several years ago. A widow and several grown children survive him. He was sixty-six years old.

Monument for Poynter. Rayenna, Neb., April 19.—A movement to erect a monument in the city of Lincoln to the memory of former Governor W. A. Poynter has been launched here by the appointment of L. P. Southworth, a Rayenna banker, as trustee, to receive funds for the work.

Met at Valentine. Valentine, Neb., April 19.—Special to The News: The Box Butte Presbyterian society met here and representatives from Alliance, Gordon, Rushville, Scotts Bluffs and Mitchell were present and a fine program was rendered in all of the three meetings held here.

Omaha Car Thieves Confess. Prominent Omaha Business Firms Said to be Implicated. Omaha, April 19.—The arrest on Wednesday at La Platte, Neb., of four men in a house in which was found stored \$2,000 worth of goods alleged to have been stolen from freight trains in the vicinity of Omaha, was followed today by a full confession from the leader of the gang which is said to implicate several others, including some prominent Omaha business firms where the plunder has been sold. The men arrested were Louis and J. W. Adair, Alfred Bayes and J. Walters. They have been working on the Burlington near La Platte, and rented a house there which was used as a storage warehouse. Louis Adair made the confession. Their plan was to board freight trains at South Omaha and throw off goods after the trains started. They have been operating since last October and are alleged to have stolen many thousands of dollars worth of goods of almost every variety. The police refuse to divulge the names of those implicated by Adair's confession at present.

Succeeds Drowned Commissioner. Sioux Falls, S. D., April 19.—Special to The News: Judge Carlund of the federal court, has appointed Gideon G. Glendinning to the position of United States commissioner at Ludlow, Harding county, for the full term of four years. Glendinning was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the recent accidental drowning of Fred L. Clark, for some time before his tragic death federal commissioner at Ludlow.

Believe Brainbridge Was Insane. Paris, April 19.—"I am the victim of the most diabolical plot ever devised to ruin an innocent man," was the message contained in a farewell letter found in the effects of William E. Brainbridge, confidential agent of the United States treasury department in charge of its Paris customs bureau, who committed suicide Saturday. It is believed Brainbridge was insane from overwork, but the matter is being investigated.

Madison County School Notes. Certificates of award were issued to the following pupils by County Superintendent House since April 6, 1909: District No. 63, Anna Freudenburg, Olga Freudenburg; district No. 24, Anna O'Gorman, May O'Gorman; district No. 53, Al Chittenden; district No. 52, Fale Adams; district No. 44, Hulda Berg; district No. 10, Ernest Roeker; district No. 27, Ernest Boyles; district No. 9, Allen Brosh; district No. 38, Willie Schott; district No. 19, Elizabeth Gabelman. Miss Della Bryan, district No. 26, gave an entertainment and box social at her school house a few evenings ago. Col. O. V. Scheer was the auctioneer, and the proceeds obtained were \$16 75 which were used in purchasing a book-case for the school. A school entertainment was given Friday evening, April 9, in district No. 114, in which Hallie M. Cornett is teaching. The program consisted of thirty-seven numbers, every one of which was rendered in a highly commendable manner. The evening's program was two and three-fourths hours in length, at the close of which County Superintendent N. A. House briefly addressed the audience. Etta Phillips has closed a successful term of school in district No. 21, and has accepted a position in district No. 31 for the remainder of the year. L. C. Bryan, who recently took charge of the school in district No. 52, has been offered the school for next year at an increase of salary of \$10 per month. Mr. Bryant is a teacher of much experience and is meeting with evident success; hence, his school board recognize the value of his services and wisely retain him in his present position.

Tuesday, April 6, joint district 81, Stanton and Madison counties, unanimously voted bonds in the amount of \$300 for the purpose of erecting and furnishing a school building. Madison county eighth grade examinations will be held May 17 and 18 in Norfolk, Madison, Tilden, Newman Grove, Meadow Grove and Battle Creek. An average of 75 per cent is required with a minimum of 70 per cent in any branch.

WATER BRIGADE SAVES HOUSE

Norfolk Firemen, Out of Water District Check a Bad Fire. Forced out beyond the water limits, the Norfolk fire department Sunday night organized itself into an old bucket brigade and succeeded in saving the home of Ed Lamb, about three blocks east of the Washington school at the Junction, from total destruction. The fire in the story and a half dwelling was attacked from the roof, which was cut open and the water dashed down on the fire below. The fire is believed to have caught from a stove, though no one was in the house at the time. The flames ran up the chimney and to the roof. The fire department after a good run found that the Lamb home was just a few feet to far from the water district to get a stream of water onto the fire. So the water was carried in buckets. All of the furniture was taken from the house. Mr. Lamb estimates his loss at about \$500. He has enough insurance to protect him, unless it should prove impracticable to rebuild the house.

Badly Bitten by Monkey. Humboldt, Neb., April 19.—Master Perry, the four-year-old son of Riley O'Keefe, is laid up at his home in this city as the result of an interesting and dangerous experience.

Cattle Thieves Busy. Valentine, Neb., April 19.—Special to The News: A ranchman named Deal, living a few miles east of here, had six head of cattle stolen from him and while he was able to track the cattle thieves for a few miles he soon lost their trail. Sheriff Rossetter went out and scoured around for a while, but was unable to locate anything.

Mitchell Votes Tuesday. Mitchell, S. D., April 19.—At the city election Tuesday this city will again vote on the license question as the paramount issue of the campaign.

ELECTIONS IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Galveston Plan Goes Into Effect at Sioux Falls. Sioux Falls, S. D., April 20.—Special to The News: Regular annual municipal elections are being held today in a large number of the cities of South Dakota. One of the most important of these elections is being held in Sioux Falls, which as the result of the election will pass under the Galveston form of city government and the mayor and four commissioners to be elected today will displace the present mayor and the twelve aldermen who compose the city council.

Sioux Falls will therefore be the first city in South Dakota to be governed under the commission plan, and the success or failure of the plan here will be the determining factor in whether or not other cities in the state will adopt the plan. Under the commission plan of city government the mayor will receive a salary of \$1,200 per year, while the four commissioners will each receive a salary of \$600 per annum.

The law contains a recall provision, which provides that upon petition of 15 per cent of the qualified voters the election of a successor to the commissioner sought to be removed can be brought before the voters at a special election. If the incumbent receives a majority of the votes cast at the special election he shall continue in office without the necessity of again qualifying as a commissioner. In the event that the incumbent fails to receive the highest number of votes, the person receiving the highest number shall qualify within ten days after receiving notification of his election, and in case of his failure to qualify the office shall be declared vacant. The mayor and commissioners, before assuming the duties of their positions, will be required to furnish bonds in the sum of \$5,000 each for the faithful performance of their duties.

Among the cities in addition to Sioux Falls which are holding their annual municipal elections today are the following: Madison, Mitchell, Mt. Vernon, Garrettsville, Clear Lake, Arjour, Britton, Lead, Lennox, Arlington, Scotland, Miller, Milbank, Groton, Sturgis, Brookings, Bridgewater, Flanndreau, Salem, Aberdeen, Webster, Parkston, Alexandria, Redfield, Center-ville, Elk Point, Deadwood, Woonsocket, Beresford, Spearfish, Hot Springs, Westmont, Springs, Avon, Edgemont, Elkton, Faulkton, Tyndall, Wagner, Chamberlain, Geddes, Rapid City, Fort Pierre, Sisseton, Doland, Vermillion, Springfield, Plankinton, Parker, Volga, Lake Preston, White Lake, Dallas, Pierre, DeSmet, Bryant, Murdo, Frankfort, Clark, Gettysburg, Mellette and Gregory.

In only two of the above towns, so far as has been observed, have opposing democratic and republican party tickets been placed in the field. These two towns are Chamberlain and Webster. In the other cities nonpartisan tickets have been placed in the field, and the contests are being waged purely upon local issues. In a great majority of the cities the license question is the overshadowing issue. In many of the cities there has been a hot fight over this question, and the closing days of the campaign have been distinguished by the activity of the opposing saloon and anti-saloon forces. Both have carried on aggressive fights and expect to win victories in a number of closely contested towns.

In addition to electing city officers for the coming year, in a number of the cities other questions, such as issuing bonds, will be submitted to the voters at the regular elections. The special questions to be voted upon are as follows:

At Faulkton, bonds in the sum of \$15,000 for the construction of a

municipal system of waterworks; at Flanndreau, bonds in the sum of \$2,000 for an extension of the waterworks system, and \$4,000 for the construction of a sewerage system; at Aberdeen, bonds in the sum of \$25,000 for the construction of a school building, and bonds in the sum of \$11,000 for the refunding of outstanding bonds of the school district; at Deadwood, bonds in the sum of \$10,000 for the refunding of outstanding bonds of the school district; at Mitchell, bonds in the sum of \$50,000 for the construction of a sewerage system; at Pierre, bonds in the sum of \$22,000 for the sinking of a deep artesian well; at Mt. Vernon, bonds in the sum of \$6,000 for the construction of a system of sewerage. Watertown already has held its annual municipal election, but at a special election held today the voters will have submitted to them two bonding propositions, one to authorize the issue of bonds in the sum of \$15,000 which will pay city bonds in an equal amount, which will become due on July 1, 1909, the other to authorize the issue of bonds in the sum of \$30,000 for the payment of school bonds in an equal amount which will be due and payable July 1, 1909. In addition to the above the voters also will have submitted to them the proposition of issuing bonds in the sum of \$10,000 for the completion of a new high school building which now is in course of construction.

C. H. Taylor Wins Jewel. At the public installation of officers of Norfolk council, No. 120, of the United Commercial Travelers Saturday evening, C. H. Taylor was presented with a beautiful emblematic jewel in solid gold as the lodge prize for having brought the most members into the lodge during the recent contest which raised the council membership to 142. The records showed that Mr. Taylor had brought six more traveling men into the council than his nearest competitor. The presentation speech was made by the senior counselor, A. E. Chambers and caught Mr. Taylor unaware, it not having been announced that the presentation would be made at the meeting. The public installation came at the end of the lodge session, at which one candidate was initiated and one transferred card received. The new officers were installed by A. Randlek, past senior counselor.

Following the installation an informal banquet was served in the G. A. R. Hall. About seventy people, members of the council, their families and friends, were present. Talks were made by several members, Ben Foltz, a new member, giving one of the happiest addresses of the evening. Music was furnished by the Ahlman orchestra.

S. F. Erskine to be Honored. At the grand lodge meeting to be held in May S. F. Erskine of this city will be advanced to the head of the U. C. T. order in Nebraska, becoming grand senior counselor. The session is held in Columbus May 21 and 22. Norfolk will be represented by A. E. Chambers and A. Randlek as regular delegates and by a large delegation of travelers.

Norfolk at the Bat. Norfolk travelers Saturday night voted to accept a challenge from Beatrice for a baseball game at Columbus for a purse which the grand lodge has offered for such a game. Ten baseball suits have been ordered and a baseball team will be organized at once. On account of the grand lodge meeting the Norfolk council will meet the second Saturday in May instead of the third Saturday.

Woman Fights Prairie Fire. Merriman, Neb., April 19.—Fighting the prairie fire that devastated this region, Mrs. Henry Ganow, alone, except with the aid of her four children, saved her house by making a firebreak with a pair of oxen and a wooden plow. The fire split at Peter Madsen's, a mile southwest. One swept along the river in three heads. The fire is a great hardship to stock raising. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. Many ranchmen lost all their hay. Firebreaks may save some houses. Telephones in the fire zone are cut off.

The new Center school house and the ranches of Sam Buckminster, Alvin Thayer, Alexander Sawtell and J. B. Sones were devastated.

"Joe" Leahy Killed at Burke. Joseph Leahy, landlord of the hotel at Burke, S. D., was killed yesterday afternoon in moving a piano. The piano fell upon him and crushed him so badly that he died soon after.

Mr. Leahy, known among his friends as "Joe," had lived at Burke for about three years, having gone there from Wisner, Neb.

He was forty-one years of age and is survived by a wife and three children.

Two Brothers Pass Through Norfolk. Two brothers of the dead man passed through Norfolk Monday enroute to Burke, where they had been summoned by a telegram late Sunday announcing the sad accident.

One brother was Dr. B. J. Leahy of Jackson, Neb., one of the most prominent physicians in the northern half of this state.

The other was E. A. Leahy, a business man at Wayne.

The brothers did not know until they reached Norfolk the manner of their brother's death, having learned only that he was killed and having been unable to get word Sunday night from Burke.

News of the accident came to them as a terrific shock.

200 Racers Ready for Word. Ashland, Mass., April 19.—Nearly 200 entrants for the thirteenth revival and the Boston Athletic association Marathon today awaited the word

which would send them off on the road between here and Boston, slightly less than twenty-five miles away.

The race will start at noon a mile west of the town, where a bridge crosses the railroad tracks.

Shallenberger the Orator. Governor Ashton C. Shallenberger, the Nebraska executive whose position on the daylight saloon bill and whose alleged senatorial ambitions have given him a prominent place in western newspapers, has accepted an invitation to deliver the commencement address at the Norfolk high school graduating exercises to be held at the Auditorium May 28. His subject has not been announced. Governor Shallenberger's last visit to Norfolk was on the occasion of the recent banquet of the associated commercial clubs of the state.

Class Day Program. The commencement program will follow the usual lines this year with the governor's address, the salutatory and valedictory and a musical number or two making up the program. A class day program, however, is being planned to supplement this. April 30, a week from next Friday, is the day selected for the class day exercises. An entertainment is to be given, the proceeds of which will be used in purchasing some decoration for the high school room which will be presented on commencement night.

Tripp Winner Files From Bed. Gregory, S. D., April 19.—Bert Barnes of Olivia, Minn., filed on a quarter section of Tripp county land without going to the land office and his is the only case of this kind to come up so far.

He came here some time ago to be in readiness when No. 1371 was called, but was taken sick and has since been unable to leave his bed. His illness is pneumonia. His brother, who is attending him, was permitted to designate on the map the parcel of land to be entered, and Register Burns stopped business long enough to have the sick man's oath taken with which to complete the filing.

Traveling Man a Good Rider. Sioux Falls, S. D., April 19.—Ernest Antry, traveling representative of an Ohio pottery establishment, who was raised on the famous "J. T. L." cattle ranch in Texas, where he became an expert horseman, performed a rare feat of riding recently while at the little town of White Lake, in central South Dakota, and incidentally made himself the hero of the traveling men who have South Dakota as their field.

Antry made a business trip to White Lake, but got a "turn down" at every business house he visited, none of the houses requiring any of the wares sold by him. This made him mad and a little discouraged into the bargain. Sauntering about the town with his eyes riveted down the steel stretch of track leading to the east and hoping that a train would come into sight and carry him out of town, he ran into a group of loungers who were talking about horses.

The men were talking about "outlaw" horses—animals that had never been ridden. Antry at once became interested and began to "butt into" the game that he knew something about. Catching the eye of one of the loungers, he asked:

"Why don't you break your horses?"

"Well, for the simple reason," was the reply, "that there ain't anyone in the country that wants to tackle the job."

"Got some pretty bad horses, have you?" questioned the former Texas cowpuncher.

"Well, yes; we got a bronk out here that will make an outlaw just as sure as any one will ever tackle him. He's six years old and never had a bit in his mouth."

"Never been saddled?"

"Nope—should say not."

"Why don't you get some one to ride the brute? Can't you do it?"

"Ain't been able to yet."

The loungers were somewhat shocked when the Texan, dressed as he was in a black tailored suit, immaculately up to fashion in general attire, suggested that if they would "trot out" the "bronk" he would show them that although he had fallen down selling crockery in their town, he would "make" a good job of riding or buy the treats for the town.

Perhaps it was not strange that the man's sanity was questioned. His shiny bald head, his well creased trousers, the perfection of his general attire, appeared to indicate to the loungers that the stranger might be able to dance in a quadrille or conduct himself creditably in a minuet, but to ride the vicious, pitching, bucking broncho—that passed all understanding.

After more or less protestation and general speculation, four men were found who agreed to throw the horse and saddle and blindfold him.

Attired as he was and without making any preparations, Antry slipped into the saddle with a dexterity which caused the onlookers to stare with surprise. Instantly the circus started. Information that a "tenderfoot" traveling man was to attempt to ride the "outlaw" horse had in the meantime spread about the town and in a few minutes half the population was on hand.

Taking the derby off his head the drummer whipped the \$5 hat to pieces over the horse's head. The horse tried every maneuver known to the "outlaw" horse to unload its burden, but the salesman "stuck." For a prolonged time the sport was fast and furious, as the former Texas "cowpuncher" and the vicious horse battled for mastery.

After a jolting such as would have rendered most riders limp and nerveless the salesman, amid the cheers of the hundreds of spectators, came out

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BACKS UP OFFICERS.

Not Subject to Court Martial, Declares G. W. Melville. Philadelphia, April 20.—Admiral George W. Melville, who is on the retired list, but keeps up an active interest in naval affairs, declares that the nine officers who signed a pamphlet of protest to the navy department are guilty of no infraction of naval regulations and therefore not subject to court martial.

"Any body of officers," he said, "has the right to formulate an appeal and present it to the secretary of the navy. Of course, such an appeal or protest must not take the form of a conspiracy or mutiny. There are no evidences of either in this case."

"If this pamphlet was forwarded to Washington through a commandant who was a senior officer, and the commandant forwarded the pamphlet to Washington, that fact would remove all idea that the protest was in the form of a conspiracy."

"I have no knowledge of what the whole contents of the pamphlet are, but I do know that the actions of the retiring secretary of the navy, probably indorsed by the former president of the United States, were the most extraordinary actions that were ever known, not only in the navy of the United States, but in the navies of the world."

"These actions have brought forth the most severe comment from men who have made a careful study of the navies of the world and they express consternation at the acts of the closing days of the last national administration."

The officers are charged with violating the rules of the service designed to stifle public criticism of acts of the department heads by the men best fitted to criticize.

A pamphlet was received by Secretary of the Navy Meyer last week which came as a message from a secret meeting held by officers on March 23. In this message the officers criticized the present bureau system in the navy department and said that all heads of the construction departments should be subject to a common superior, an officer of the line. The pamphlet was suppressed.

Ex-Postmaster Dies at Atkinson. Atkinson, Neb., April 20.—Ex-Postmaster Thomas Walker died at his home Sunday morning at 5 o'clock. Mr. Walker's health has been failing for some time and his death was not unexpected.

The Walker family came here in an early day and since have lived near or in Atkinson. He leaves to mourn his loss, a wife, two daughters Mrs. Anna Kiernan of O'Neill and Mrs. Maude Merriman of Idaho, and a son, Fred of Montana. He was an old soldier and a member of the G. A. R's.

The funeral was held at the home this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

J. J. Stilson and son Earl were in Sioux City last week and purchased a new automobile. Earl drove the car home and arrived here Friday.

The school board met and elected as teachers for the grades: Miss Zela Jarvis, Miss Nora Hayes, both Atkinson girls, and Miss Maude Hanks of Peru.

Niobrara Home Talent Successful. Niobrara, Neb., April 20.—Special to The News: The Niobrara home talent presented the three-act drama entitled, "Tompkin's Hired Man." The largest audience that was ever in Holan's hall saw the play. The actors played their parts so cleverly and the play was so pleasing that some persons desire the play repeated on a future date. The drama was given for the purpose of raising money for the Methodist church of this place. The members of the cast were all Niobrara people. The Niobrara band orchestra furnished music between the acts.

Ordinance Against Flirting. St. Louis, Mo., April 20.—By threatening to run the fast Frisco train through Rolla without stopping unless conditions at the depot were changed, the railroad forced the Rolla city coun-

cil to pass an ordinance taboing flirting and making eyes on the station platform.

Mayor Strauback and Superintendent O'Hara of the Frisco road joined to prevent the students of the State School of Mines from attracting the attention of girl passengers on Frisco trains. Some of the means of attracting attention the ordinance prohibits are waving hands, tipping hats, calling and giving college yells.

The lid on yells does not apply to "rah rah" to cheer departing classmates. The school authorities have promised assistance in enforcing the ordinance.

Mary's Lamb Was a Real One. New York, April 20.—Mary's little lamb was not a myth—it was an actuality. Charles E. Chadeayne of Ossining, N. Y., is the authority who vouches for this statement and he backs it up with proofs of the little creature's origin, life, deportment, and above all its experience in school on that well remembered day. The information concerning the famous animal is gleaned from extensive researches made upon the collection of curios belonging to Mr. Chadeayne. Exhibits in this collection demonstrate to a certainty that the lamb was born in 1817 in Sterling, Mass., where Mary (surname Sawyer) lived with her parents. The lamb destined to be so widely known was in its earliest hours in frail health.

To Spend Half Million at Aberdeen. Aberdeen, S. D., April 20.—Contemplated improvements of vast importance to Aberdeen have been announced by the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad in connection with the acquisition of sixty acres of land, stretching in a strip a mile long from its present tracks westward, in West Aberdeen. The improvements consist of nineteen side-tracks the full length of the tract, a new freight depot, a new passenger station, car shops equal to any on the entire system, and the making of Aberdeen the freight and passenger terminal from which trains will be made up to all points both east and west on the new line. The total improvements will aggregate between \$500,000 and \$600,000 and will make Aberdeen the most important division point on the St. Paul system, as all freight and passenger trains for the Pacific coast and for the east will be made up here.

LEAHY DIED IN THIRTY MINUTES. Was Moving to New Town of Lamro. Piano Fell Off the Dray on Him. Burke, S. D., April 20.—Special to The News: Joseph Leahy met almost instant death while helping to move a piano. The instrument had been put on a dray wagon and Mr. Leahy was standing beside it to "steady" it. In driving over rough ground the instrument became over balanced, and Mr. Leahy fell backward from the wagon, the piano following and crushing him. He was able to walk a short distance, but said: "I'm done for. Send for the priest," and died in thirty minutes from internal hemorrhage. His remains were shipped to Wayne, his former home, for burial.

Mr. Leahy had been a resident of Burke for nearly three years and formerly conducted a saloon here. He was moving to Lamro in Tripp county.

Wild Geese in Armour Street. Armour, S. D., April 20.—A large flock of wild geese on their annual pilgrimage north, presumably attracted by the electric lights of Armour, attempted to light on Main street. They circled over the city and engaged in much earnest discussion as to the desirability of lighting and looking for a "roost" when they were scared away by people rushing into the streets to find out what all the commotion was about.

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