Start Soon on Y. M. C. A.

The plans and specifications of the Y. M. C. A. building are finished and now go into the hands of the building committee, who will soon hold a meeting and ask contractors for bids for the construction of the building on the Y. M. C. A. lot on the southeast corner of Fourth street and Madison avenue.

The building will face Fourth street with a beautiful entrance. Stone steps lead to the wide doorway. On both sides there will be large square pillars of combination brick and stone. Above the door the letters "Y. M. C. A." will be cut in stone.

Immediately inside the door the large lobby is entered. This lobby runs across the entire lower floor to the west end of the building. On one side is the reading room, boys' room and wardrobes. The secretary's offices are on the other side. The boys' room has a separate entrance from the north side. The gymnasium will be located on the south side, reaching up to the second floor.

The stairway, which runs up to the other two floors, is situated in the middle of the building.

The swimming pool, bowling alley and shower room, game room and heating apparatus are all located in the basement. Here all comfort that possibly can be furnished is sketched out in the plans, which show many new ideas in modern building.

The second floor is neatly fitted up with eight dormitories, each provided with a wardrobe and access to a fine bathroom, fitted up with showers, etc. These rooms are situated in the north end of the building facing the postoffice. The end of this floor is taken up by the upper gallery of the gymnasium.

Twenty single rooms and a large shower bathroom take up the entire third floor. These rooms are all outside rooms, extra precautions being taken to see that they are well ventilated. Each room is provided with a large wardrobe with the hallway running in between them. The rooms will rent for $10 each per month. According to some of the building committee many of these rooms have already been spoken for and they declare that all will be rented before the contractor has commenced operations.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

C. H. Groesbeck went to Dallas.

V. V. Light returned from Madison.

W. C. Templeton of O'Neill was in the city.

W. J. Gow returned from a business trip at Neligh.

H. Uecker and E. Korth went to Pierce on business.

William Haberstroh of Neligh was in the city on business.

Mrs. J. Minor has gone to Corning, Ia., for a short visit with relatives.

Justice C. F. Elseley and George Dudley went to Madison on business.

P. F. Bell has gone to Grand Island to attend the undertakers' convention.

Dr. Wright of St. Louis was in the city visiting with the R. F. Schiller family.

Mrs. W. A. Kingsley and children have gone to Omaha to visit with friends.

Mrs. J. C. S. Weills, jr., of Omaha is in the city, visiting her sister, Mrs. P. H. Salter.

C. S. Bridge and his brother, Robert Bridge of Fremont, went to Wood Lake on business.

Miss Leonore Hagel of Columbus is here to spend a few weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. W. F. Hall.

Mrs. George B. Christoph has gone to Alliance to spend a month's visit with her sister, Mrs. Charles Tubbs.

Dr. F. G. Salter and family of Pierce and C. B. Salter of Norfolk have gone to Long Pine for two weeks' camping and fishing.

Mrs. George R. Desmond is going to Riverton, Neb., for a visit with her parents. Mr. Desmond will spend a few days in Omaha.

C. L. Anderson is reported ill.

The Trinity guild will meet with Mrs. Matrau Thursday afternoon at 2:30.

Deputy postmaster B. C. Gentle has cast office work aside and is enjoying a two weeks' vacation, which he will spend at his old home at Creston, Ia.

Charles Barneke of Norfolk, who was operated on at Omaha Tuesday, is reported as doing very well.

The Baptist Missionary Circle will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. L. Nichols, 800 South Fourth street.

Mrs. Ludwig Koenigstein returned from Rochester, Minn., where her mother, Mrs. Asmus, underwent an operation. Mrs. Asmus is reported as doing well.

James Thomas again is busy at the local postoffice as extra clerk and carrier. He is now taking the place of U. J. Boehnke, who is taking a fifteen days' vacation.

The Stanton baseball team arrived here at noon to play a ball game with the Norfolk clerks' team at the driving park diamond. The game was called at 2:30.

The Ladies' Aid society of the First Congregational church will meet at the home of Mrs. Edwin Booth, with Mrs. F. E. Davenport assisting, Thursday at 2:30 p. m.

George B. Christoph and J. E. Harper of Clearwater went to Omaha to attend the convention of the Nebraska Pharmacy association, which will hold a three days' session there. The election of officers will take place Friday evening.

Ernest Raasch returned from a business trip at Pierce. Mr. Raasch made the trip in his automobile and reports the roads in bad shape. It was necessary to obtain the aid of horses to pull the machine out of many bad places in the roads.

A meeting of hose company No. 3 was held at the city hall last evening. A communication from the York firemen was read inviting the Norfolk firemen to attend the firemen's tournament which will be held at that place June 24, 25 and 26.

Fire Chief Millard Green has received an invitation from the secretary of the Madison Fourth of July entertainment committee, inviting all the firemen and Norfolk citizens to come to Madison on July 4 to participate in the celebration to be held there on that day.

City League is Organized.

Norfolk now has a city baseball league consisting of five local teams. They are the clerks, traveling men, railroad men, bookkeepers and firemen.

The league was organized at a mass meeting of baseball fans held at the city hall last night, at which Clarence Raseley acted as chairman. W. F. Hall was elected president of the league and W. J. Stafford secretary and treasurer. Each manager was elected a director.

Friday night at 8 o'clock the managers and officers of the league will meet at the L. Brueggeman office on Norfolk avenue to arrange a schedule and draw up rules.

The making of a schedule will be a hard proposition, say the fans who were present. Games, they declare, should be played at least three times each week. The gate receipts will easily pay all expenses of the league and at the end of the series the remaining funds will probably be divided equally among each team. The pennant is the object of the contests. What the pennant shall be will be decided at the meeting of the directors.

Following are the managers of each team: Clerks, Clarence Raseley; Bookkeepers, Cleo Lederer; Railroaders, William Beck; Traveling Men, C. W. McMasters; Firemen, L. B. Kennerson.

Commencement Recitals.

The conservatory junior class program at the Auditorium Tuesday evening proved to be all that was claimed for it and more. The stately bearing of the performers and the well rendered music conspired to impress the audience that music is a valuable element in education, and equips the student with breadth of character. Throughout the entire program intense interest was manifest, and not a single failure or breakdown, every performer being possessed of a poise and steadiness unusual.

The following participated:

Letha Larkin, Elmer Beeler, Helen Craven, Leota Leach, Bessie Ward, Gladys Pasewalk, Feodora Friedrichs, Mildred Gow, Grace Brande, Ruth Inheldér, Elva Templeton, Grace Hills Edyth Nelson Ulrich, May Schwenk and Esther Kolterman.

The graduating class and the post-graduates will render the final program on Thursday evening, June 16. Mrs. Beels, the director, is sparing no pains to amplify every detail making it an event of the season. Dr. Tindall will present the diplomas with a short address on the subject of music. The incidental features of the program will be of no small importance.

Golf Teams Chosen.

Captains of the two golf teams who will hold a tournament at the Country club grounds Friday afternoon have chosen their men. The teams are composed of all the golf playing members of the club. The teams are as follows:

Blues—C. E. Burnham, captain; S. M. Braden, G. D. Butterfield, W. A. Witzigman, Dr. P. H. Salter, S. G. Mayer, L. P. Pasewalk, N. A. Rainbolt, M. E. Pangle, J. R. Carter, E. S. South, W. H. Blakeman, R. C. Simmons, E. E. Hight, C. B. Durland, George Spear, W. N. Huse, A. Degner, W. F. Hall, B. T. Reid, Sam Erskine, C. B. Salter, J. E. Haase, John Friday, S. F. Erskine, W. A. Kingsley, N. A. Huse, E. F. Huse, C. F. Shaw, M. O. Wolcott, W. R. Pargeter, Dr. J. P. Pecival, C. M. Uhlig, H. C. Sattler, E. W. Zutz.

Reds—J. S. Mathewson, captain; A. L. Killian, D. Mathewson, C. H. Reynolds, John R. Hays, J. B. Maylard, F. E. Davenport, W. P. Logan, E. M. Huntington, Dan Craven, W. J. Stafford, H. A. Pasewalk, M. C. Hazen, C. S. Parker, C. A. McKim, G. B. Christoph, A. E. Chambers, George N. Beels, R. E. Thiem, C. E. Thew, Dr. E. L. Brush, T. E. Odiorne, F. A. Beeler, Dr. C. J. Verges, G. B. Salter, R. B. Ramer, J. H. Delaney, C. S. Bridge, C. P. Parish, E. P. Weatherby, Paul Zuelow, C. A. Ritchie, A. H. Kiesau, F. Z. McGinnis, C. J. Bullock, A. T. Hutchinson, H. O. Kiesau.

Thornberg Acquitted.

Neligh, Neb., Jupne 15.—Special to The News: F. M. Thornberg was today acquitted of the charge of murdering his neighbor, August Rakow, last October. Thornbrg admitted the killing, but claimed self defense. The jury brought in a verdict at 1:30 this morning.

The freeing of Thornberg was a complete surprise to the community. People here who had been following the trial anticipated a conviction of some sort.

It was after 2 o'clock when Judge Welch reached the courtroom to hear the verdict. Thornberg was set free and the jury discharged.

Five ballots were taken. The first one was to test the sentiment as to second degree murder. Then there were three on manslaughter. Then came the acquittal.

Thornberg, previous to the shooting, had been ordered off the premises of Rakow. The shooting was over a $2 quarrel. Rakow was shot dead in his hay meadow, fourteen miles from Neligh. There had been bad blood between them.

The jury were: W. McCange, George McCalin, John Beck, Thomas Lisinen, William Green, G. E. Hoffsen, O. N. Smallwood, Thomas Kent, John Hutchinson, Fred Wagner, Harry Tierny, Michael McGuiry.

The State Rests.

At the conclusion of the cross examination of the defendant his attorneys rested their case shortly after 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

The state called in rebuttal Henry Haller at the commencement of the afternoon session and also County Attorney Rice. Expert testimony was introduced by the state in the person of Dr. S. R. Hopkins of Omaha, who is a physician and surgeon of that city. He testified in regard to the wounds inflicted upon the head of the defendant by a pitch fork, and whether or not they were of a nature to cause lack of memory for an indefinite period, or merely of a short duration. To the best of his judgment the concussion of the brain such as brought out in the evidence in this case would be of a short duration.

Dr. W. F. Conwell of this city, also testified in regard to the above, with practically the same views as that sworn to by Dr. Hopkins.

After these witnesses had testified both sides rested and the attorneys proceeded to argue the case before the jury. It was agreed that the state in closing, which was Senator Allen, should not consume more than one-half of the time that the attorneys for the defendant consumed in their arguments of the case.

County Attorney Rice occupied thirty-five minutes in his opening remarks for the state. Attorneys Williams and Harrington for the defendant consumed forty-five minutes and Senator Allen in closing consumed twenty-three minutes.

The instructions by the court were read to the jury after supper and consumed thirty-five minutes. It was conceded by many present, who in recent years have had the opportunity in hearing the like read by a court and in a murder case, but expressed themselves in not having the pleasure of listening to such elegant instructions as given by District Judge A. A. Welch.

The jury went to their room for deliberation at 8:40.

In most cases of this nature rumors are numerous as to what verdict the jury may bring in, but in this murder trial now closed there were very few expressions apparent, and very few conceded an acquittal. In fact what sentiment there was, was evenly divided between that of an acquittal and that of finding the defendant guilty of manslaughter.

Complimentary To Mr. Cheney

Creighton, Neb., June 15.—Special to The News: A surprise reception was sprung on Harry Cheney at Creighton on Monday evening at the home of his mother, Mrs. George E. Cheney. The participants included members of the different Cheney families in town, the employes of the Security bank of Creighton of which Mr. Cheney is the president, and a few personal friends.

The affair was informal and was given, as the speaker of the evening said, to commemorate the importance and honor conferred by the grand lodge of Masons upon the recipient, Mr. Cheney, as grand worshipful master of Masons of Nebraska during the present Masonic year.

To Harness the Niobrara.

Omaha, June 15.—A new power company, capitalized at $1,200,000 has been incorporated by two Omaha men and a Swiss capitalist, F. Jaeggi. It is called the Niobrara Investment company and its plant will be located at the mouth of the Niobrara.

Mr. Jaeggi, who was connected with the North Loup river power scheme, has withdrawn from that and will invest most of the money which will be utilized in the Niobrara proposition. It is the intention to furnish electric power at a low cost to Sioux City and for local industries near the power plant. A cement manufactory is a certainty there, for there is a big deposit of raw material at hand.

Reed Files for Senate.

Madison, Neb., June 15.—Special to The News: Willis E. Reed left yesterday for Lincoln on legal business. While at Lincoln he will file as a candidate for United States senator, subject to the democratic primaries. Just before taking the train he paid the county treasurer $50, the required fee for filing, and took the treasurer's receipt for the same with him.

Reed was formerly a law partner of ex-United States Senator William V. Allen of Madison. He will make his campaign against county option, fighting Mr. Bryan's new issue.

WANT BRYAN TO MAKE RACE.

Petitions Sent Into Every Nebraska County to Force Him In.

Lincoln, June 15.—A concerted movement looking to the entry of W. J. Bryan in the Nebraska senatorial race was begun yesterday, when democratic leaders of the state prepared for the circulation of petitions in every county of the state asking Mr. Bryan to enter the contest. Two forms of petitions have been framed, one intended for democratic voters and one for signatures of members of all political parties. These petitions were sent broadcast immediately, the object being to have returns made by the time Mr. Bryan returns from Europe.

The circular is signed by J. H. Hatfield of Lincoln, and among the names mentioned as sponsors for the movement are State Representatives Wilson and Evans, Dr. P. L. Hall, vice chairman of the democratic national committee, W. E. Baskley, Judge A. S. Tibbets and Frederick Shepperd.

Says Bryan Would Run.

Lincoln, June 15.—"I have assurance that if a sufficient number of people sign the petitions asking him to be a candidate that Mr. Bryan will run for the senate," said Victor Wilson who is now circulating petitions asking Mr. Bryan to premit the use of his name. Mr. Wilson would not say who had informed him that Mr. Bryan would consent to run but he is going on with his work with the idea that there is no doubt that the presidential candidate will get into the race. At this time Representative Evans of Hamilton county is having petitions circulated in eight counties and in each of these has has asked members of the legislature to write to friends of theirs to get busy in other counties. Victor Wilson said practically every person he had presented the petitions to had signed them with the exception of two democrats. Evans said he had met one democrat who refused to sign giving as a reason that he did not believe Mr. Bryan should enter state politics at all.

Noted South Dakotan Dead.

Aberdeen, S. D., June 14.—Major John H. Pickler, who, while a member of congress from South Dakota, introduced the resolution which authorized the first rural free mail delivery, died at his home in Faulkton yesterday. He was 66 years old. Major Pickler was a member of the Fifty-first, Fifty-second, Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth congresses and was a pioneer leader in developing the state. He was commissioned a major at the age of 21, for bravery in the civil war.

DAKOTA ATTORNEY ACCUSED.

David P. Thomas of Sturgis Accused of Violating Law in Homestead.

Sturgis, S. D., June 14.—Attorney David P. Thomas of this place has been arrested by J. W. Parmley, deputy United States marshal, on an indictment returned by the federal grand jury at the recent federal court session in Deadwood, charging him with violation of law in connection with the taking of a homestead while he was United States commissioner at Wasta. He gave bond for his appearance for trial at Pierre on June 21.

New Telegraph Wire.

Gordon, Neb., June 17.—Allen Gruver and his gang of sixteen men are building the Western Union Telegraph company's new line from here to Chadron. The gang came here Saturday night from Scribner, where they had finished a line.

Cattle to Market.

Gordon, Neb., June 14.—Special to The News: Eddie Hill shipped two cars of cattle to South Omaha.

Dead From Apoplexy.

Neligh, Neb., June 14.—Special to The News: Alex Rohwedder, a farmer residing about eight miles north of Neligh, was stricken with apoplexy last Friday evening while on his way in the pasture to return with cattle. He died shortly after being taken into the house and before medical aid could be summoned. Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church in that vicinity Sunday afternoon. Burial took place in the cemetery near the church.

Other Jewelers Stung, Too.

A. F. Danan, alias W. L. Howard, and with probably several more aliases attached to his real name, will not be brought back from Fremont for prosecution. Danan, who through a bogus draft swindled George H. Burton, a Norfolk jeweler, out of $37.50, has many charges against him. He was caught at Schuyler by Deputy Sheriff Tuttle of Fremont while in the very act of working the same game on a jeweler of that city. It was the same old game—his son was graduating, he wanted a watch to send him as a gift. He had just finished up on M. Huck, a North Bend jeweler, whom he defrauded out of a $25 watch and some money. The jeweler became suspicious and telephoned the Fremont authorities, who caught the man at Fremont. When he was brought to Fremont it was found he had swindled R. M. Herre, a Fremont jeweler, out of a sum of money and a watch. He had in his possession a large number of valuable watches and $240 in currency.

County Attorney Nichols telephoned Sheriff Bauman at Fremont yesterday, but was notified that Danan would be prosecuted at Fremont. Over a dozen charges are filed against him by jewelers all over the country. He is wanted in Dakota and all through Nebraska.

Sheriff Bauman said he had been receiving telegraph messages for two days from various points in Dakota, asking that the man be held. "You'll be out of office long before he ever gets out of the penitentiary," Bauman said to Nichols.

Thornberg On Stand Again.

Neligh, Neb., June 14.—Special to The News: Apparently completely recovered from his collapse of last Friday, F. M. Thornberg resumed the witness stand today in his own behalf, to tell how he killed his neighbor, A. G. Rakow.

At the opening of court this morning Judge Welch permitted the defendant to hear the questions and answers of the last half hour of last Friday, reread in order that he might correct any misstatements which he may have made when his mind did not comprehend what he was saying. He changed the distance from the center of the hayrack where he said Rakow was standing, making it four feet from him (Thornberg) instead of seven.

Thornberg says he was climbing up into the hayrack, presumably for the purpose of accompanying Rakow home to settle their quarrel. Rakow struck him seven times with a pitchfork, he says, before he fired the fatal shot that dealt death. The pitchfork blows rained down while Thornberg was climbing up into the rack.

Thornberg's head seemed cleared up this morning.

District court opened shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the Thornberg murder trial. The defendant was requested to take the stand by the court to resume the cross-examination by the state. There were about three questions asked by Senator Allen when a recess was taken until 8:30 this morning.

Home Talent Game at Neligh.

Neligh, Neb., June 14.—Special to The News: A challenge was issued and accepted by the manager of the Taylor Valley baseball team about two weeks ago by Manager E. S. Scofield and Captain Bartley of this city. The two teams were to be married men and to have had some experience during their lifetime of the national game. This event was pulled off at Riverside park yesterday afternoon. The attendance was increased by the legal talent now in the city and the presence of the jury in the Thornberg case. The Neligh has-beens thoroughly demonstrated that they had not entirely forgotten the game and defeated the visitors by a score of 9 to 5. Following is the score by innings:

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Golf Match Next Friday.

Under the captaincy of C. E. Burnham of the "blues" and J. S. Mathewson of the "reds," the first Country club tournament will be held on the golf links next Friday, when the blues and reds will battle to determine which team shall pay for the luncheon to be served in the evening. The committee has sent out notices to all members to be present at the grounds at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, when the different teams will be chosen.

After the totalling of the scores the ladies of Trinity church will serve luncheon in the club house, which will be decorated for the occasion. The regular Friday night dancing party will then follow under the direction of James Delaney.

Two Fires in Same House.

Fire from a mysterious origin gutted a clothes closet in the home of C. F. Haase at 313 South Eleventh street at 8 o'clock last evening. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Haase were in the house when the fire was discovered. Mrs. Haase entered the smoke-filled rooms and was overcome by the smoke. She had to be carried out to the sidewalk and later was taken to a neighbor's house. Mr. Haase suffered slight burns about the face. He entered the burning closet and his beard and eyebrows were scorched. The firemen put out the flame with the aid of chemicals.

At 11 o'clock this morning fire again mysteriously broke out in the attic of the house. It was discovered by neighbors, who rushed into the house and found that the wall of the attic was in flames. With the aid of water brought upstairs in buckets they extinguished the flames. Much of the family's clothing was burned.

To Prevent Fires July 4.

A. V. Johnson, Nebraska fire commissioner, is anxious to prevent loss of life and property by reason of the celebration of July Fourth. To that end he has issued the following statement:

"On July 4, 1909, the loss by fire directly traceable to fireworks amounted to $20,000. If every property owner and every parent could be persuaded to pay some attention to this important matter, giving to their employes, their tenants, their neighbors or their children timely warning as to the protection of property from Fourth of July loss, the loss of 1910 would undergo noticeable decrease.

"It is the special business of the Nebraska fire commission to impress upon the general public facts that will tend to awaken men, women and children to the importance of protecting property from loss through fire. In anticipation, therefore, of the general celebration throughout Nebraska July 4, the Nebraska fire commission respectfully submits to the people of this state these suggestions:

"In the effort to preserve life and protect property, the place for the authorities to begin is with the sellers of fireworks. Ordinances and laws prohibiting the sale of the more dangerous variety of fireworks may be enforced more readily than orders seeking to regulate or prohibit their use after they have been sold. Strict supervision by authorities over places where fireworks are being disposed of and notice to dealers that the law will be enforced to the letter will reduce the fire loss to the minimum.

"Small children should not be permitted by their parents or guardians to handle fireworks or matches.

"All persons using matches or punk or lighted firecrackers should be careful to see that these do not contain fire and when they are thrown away they should not be thrown in the vicinity of inflammable material.

"When fireworks are exploded in the evening particular care should be taken that the place from which they are discharged is clear of debris or inflammable material and that the locality in which the sparks or lights are likely to fall is free from buildings that might be destroyed.

"The 'toy balloon' is most dangerous so far as property is concerned. If this cannot be abolished altogether it should not be permitted to be sent up after the general public has retired for the night.

"All cellar ways, fence corners and places where waste paper or old rubbish accumulates should be given a cleaning up before July 4. Where it is impossible to clean up entirely, the premises should be given a thorough drenching so there will be no danger of any lighted article carelessly thrown starting a blaze.

"The mayors of several cities have already commenced a systematic campaign looking to the prevention of fire loss on July 4. Their good example ought to be followed by the authorities of every city and village in the state."

Were They Accomplices?

Three suspicious characters late Monday night hammered on the door of the fire station and requested of Fire Driver Monroe that they be admitted into the jail for a night's lodging. Fred the questions they asked Monroe became suspicious of them and he telephoned for Constable Flynn and Night Watch O'Brien, who, upon their arrival, found that the strangers had disappeared. Whether the men were accomplices of Touton and Manning, who spent the night in jail, is not known. But they were very particular in their questions as to whether or not any one was in jail and to get a description of the two men who were yesterday bound over to the district court for burglarizing the Overocker store.

After being refused admittance to the jail by Monroe the three men walked to the rear of the station and later disappeared. It is reported that about eight suspicious characters spent the night near the roundhouse. Whether the three men were only looking for a night's lodging or whether they were attempting a jail break is not determined by the authorities.

GOT AWAY QUICKLY.

Man Who Swindled Engelman Cleaned up $15 in 45 Minutes.

Frank O'Neill, who swindled Attorney J. C. Engelman out of $15, after telling him of a railroad accident at Clinton, Neb., in which his cousin was alleged to have lost both hands, too, but forty-five minutes to get his money and leave the city. He tried Judge Powers on the game at 10 o'clock, M. D. Tyler at 10:20 and finally landed Mr. Engelman at 10:30. He took the 11 o'clock train for Columbus, half an hour later, according to Constable Finkhouse, who investigated the case during the afternoon and found that O'Neill had spent Sunday night at the Munson boarding house on South Fourth street.

During the night other boarders in the place heard O'Neill describing various kinds of railroad wrecks which netted him money. Names of attorneys were heard between snores and in the morning O'Neill inquired of the boarders who were prominent attorneys in the city. He was careful not to get any attorneys who represented railroads. One of the boarders saw him leave the city at 11 o'clock for Columbus.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

Bruno Willers of Wayne was here.

C. J. Eby of Hartington was in the city.

Miss Clara Polensky of Madison was in town.

Mrs. Hugo Paul of Hadar was in the city.

S. A. McDowell of Lyons was here on business.

C. Lichtenberg of Hadar was a Norfolk visitor.

Miss Dora Pahr went to Hadar to visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Pollock of Hartington was in the city.

Mrs. Fred Schulz went to Hoskins for a short visit with friends.

Frank Lehman returned from a business trip through South Dakota.

Norton Howe and Peter Stafford, jr., attended a dance at Tilden Monday evening.

Hans Pokense of Randolph is in the city visiting at the home of Julius Salzwedel.

Burt Mapes has gone to Madison to assist in the settlement of the A. C. Anderson estate.

Augst Steffen and son, Simeon Steffen, of Battle Creek were in the city enroute to Grand Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gettinger have gone to Chattanooga, Tenn., where Mr. Gettinger is attending the T. P. A. convention as delegate from this district.

C. B. Durland, A. Buchholz and George B. Christoph have gone to Inman, where they will appraise property for the Norfolk Building and Loan association.

Emery Stockholm, representing the Asper Green Lumber company of Winside, was in the city on business and calling on friends. Mr. Stockholm was formerly with the Updike Grain company of Omaha and is well known here.

Robert Marquardt has accepted a position at the Hall book store during vacation.

The fire station office at the city hall is being made larger. A general overhauling is going on. The old walls have been taken out and a pine floor will be put down.

The Norfolk firemen's baseball team photographs have been finished and show up in fine shape.

Tim Carrabine has resigned his position as bookkeeper at the Norfolk Long Distance telephone office.

Miss Minnie Braasch has accepted a position as stenographer in the Raasch Brothers' real estate office.

Charles Barneke, a blacksmith in the employ of August Pasewalk, went to Omaha to undergo an operation.

Thursday night the Woodmen of the World debating club will hold a kangaroo court. A large attendance is expected.

The Degree of Honor will hold their social meeting Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. P. J. Barnes on South Eighth street.

News of the death of Mrs. L. H. Drake, a sister of Mrs. W. H. Butterfield of Norfolk, was received in Norfolk yesterday. She died yesterday morning at Corning, N. Y. Mrs. Drake was known in Norfolk, having visited here several times.

Omaha Bee: A. G. Ellick, H. C. Brome and Clinton Brome have formed a law partnership under the name of Brome, Ellick & Brome. Offices will be opened at 705 Brandeis theater building as soon as the building is completed. Until then members of the firm will remain at their respective offices.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Erskine will leave next Monday for a trip to his old home in Canada and then will journey to Vermont. Mrs. Erskine's former home, and to New York. Mr. Erskine, enroute, will stop at Columbus, O., as delegate from Nebraska to the national United Commercial Travelers convention.

A regular meeting of the Norfolk Commercial club directors was held at noon at the Oxnard hotel. There had been no meeting for several weeks and a large amount of work was reported by the secretary. The directors go to Emerick Wednesday evening to attend the meeting of the farmers interested in the Norfolk-Newman Grove interurban proposition.

A crowded city hall is promised for tonight's meeting of baseball fans, who will endeavor to organize the city league. C. W. McMaster, of the traveling men's team, L. Kennerson of the firemen and Clarence Raseley of the clerks have ordered their players to be present at the meeting. All phases of baseballdom will be gone over and it is believed that the barbers, the railroad men and the Warnerville teams will all be present.

Six hundred apple trees that had just attained an age when they should bear heavily were destroyed when fire started by a spark from a Northwestern engine swept an orchard two miles east of Arlington recently. The orchard is the property of Major Ormsby, the well known Wyoming stockman. Ormsby's orchard contains about 2200 trees and borders on the railroad right-of-way. It was a beautiful piece and has for years caused much comment by passengers passing by. Negotiations for settlement of the damage caused by the fire are pending. If they fail, Ormsby will bring suit against the Northwestern for the value of the injured trees.

N. A. Rainbolt has returned from a few weeks' fishing on his lake in Wisconsin. Accompanied by his wife and son, W. M. Rainbolt of Omaha, he returned to St. Paul, where Mrs. Rainbolt remained to visit for a short time with friends. Mr. Rainbolt and his son went to Omaha, Mr. Rainbolt arriving here Tuesday. Fish were plentiful on the lake, pickerel the size of a man's arm were numerous and black bass a common repast on the luncheon table. To show that it is not an easy matter to land a pickerel Mr. Rainbolt exhibits an injured finger through which a hook passed during a battle with an extraordinarily large fish. Mrs. Rainbolt, he says, was as lucky at fishing as any of the party.

Omaha Bee: Charles Norton, veteran railroad passenger conductor, has been retired with a pension by the Northwestern road after forty-eight years with the Northwestern company. For the last twenty years or more Mr. Norton has been running out of Omaha to points west, and is perhaps one of the best known conductors in Nebraska. Beginning life as a freight brakeman in 1862, he was promoted two years later to a freight conductor. In 1870 he took his next step upward, and was made extra passenger conductor. In 1872 he left the Northwestern to go to work for the Iowa Central and had charge of the first train that ever ran over the road. Shortly afterwards he was made trainmaster of the Iowa Central and remained in that position until 1880, when he came back to the Northwestern as a passenger conductor. For more than twenty years he has been on trains leaving Omaha, and up to three years ago made his home in this city. He now makes his home in Benson, where he is living with his family.

THE EDISON CAR A SUCCESS.

Talk by J. A. Harzfeld Resented by the Maker of the New Storage Type.

Kansas City Star: J. A. Harzfeld, president of the public utilities commission, started something when he said the "Beach cars," operated on the Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth street car lines in New York City with the Edison storage batteries, had not yet proved a success. R. H. Beach of the Federal Storage Battery Car company, which manufactures the cars, in a letter to the Star, says the statements made by Mr. Harzfeld about the failures of the car and the 50 percent loss of electric current after the battery has been charged, are not true.

"There is no current loss whatever from the Edison battery after it is charged," Mr. Beach wrote. "You state that if the car ever is perfected there will of course be no need for underground trolleys. As a matter of fact the car has been perfected, and it has been accepted and acknowledged by all intelligent engineers in this country who know anything about it. These cars are being manufactured and sold regularly to traction companies all over the United States."

Conway F. Holmes, vice president of the Pioneer Trust company in Kansas City, rode on the storage battery cars recently while in New York and made some inquiry about their success.

"So far the storage battery cars have proved an absolute success on the level street car lines in New York," Mr. Holmes said this morning. "The cars are operated there with two 5-horsepower motors. In Kansas City, where the hills are long and steep it requires four 50-horsepower motors on each car. While the tests and experiments so far have been a success on level streets—as level as a floor—it doesn't mean that the cars could be operated in Kansas City. The tests, if ever made here, might prove successful. It isn't right to say the car isn't successful, because so far it has been very successful."

This Was Flag Day.

Did Old Glory wave from your flagstaff Tuesday?

It was "flag day" in America.

North Nebraska Deaths.

Henry Nelson died near Albion.

Mrs. A. Childs of Wakefield died at Lincoln.