

School Notes.

No small amount of excitement was shown Thursday evening when the following challenge was read in the assembly hall, just before dismissal, by Marian Stitt, president of the class of 1911: "We, the senior class of 1911, the largest class ever recorded in the history of the Norfolk high school—yes, even the largest class now seated in our magnificent assembly hall—believing that you, our underclassmen, juniors, sophomores and freshmen, should have an opportunity of displaying your extraordinary literary and musical ability before the appreciative citizens of our beautiful city, do challenge you, the aforesaid classes, to a contest to be given upon a future date, said date being decided upon by our worthy faculty, in the following prospectus, and according to the following rules: Vocal duet counting one point, vocal solo counting one point, violin solo counting one point, piano solo counting one point, mixed quartette counting two points, oration counting one point, debate (two on a side) counting two points, recitation by girl counting one point, declamation by boy counting one point. Rule 1, the program is to be given at a public entertainment, the last of November or the first of December; rule 2, the judges are to be appointed by Superintendent Hunter; rule 3, the judges shall consist of two sets, three to judge the musical numbers and two to judge the literary numbers; rule 4, any contestant may receive help from any member of the high school, or from any one outside of the high school; rule 5, with solos requiring accompaniment the accompanist may or may not be a member of the high school; rule 6, the subject for debate may be chosen either by the four debaters, or one side may choose the question, the other side having choice of sides; rule 7, the proceeds shall go to the winning side to be used in the purchase of such gifts for the high school as the side may select; rule 8, complimentary tickets are to be given only to those taking part or to those assisting in the program; rule 9, the business and financial committee shall consist of the members of the faculty." On Friday evening, after a mass meeting of the junior, sophomore and freshmen classes, the following acceptance was read in the assembly room by Gladys Cole of the junior class: "We, the junior, sophomore and freshmen classes of the Norfolk high school, feeling a certain satisfaction that you, the senior class of 1911, appreciate our unusual ability along literary and musical lines, and feeling also that an opportunity should be given you for displaying your skill along the aforesaid lines, do accept the challenge read by the president of the senior class September 29, 1910, A. D., and hereby agree to the aforesaid rules and regulations laid down by the aforesaid class." At a meeting of the freshman class on Friday the following officers were elected: President, Harry Madsen; vice president, Mildred Rees; secretary, Gladys Pasewalk; treasurer, David Defenderfer.

DON'T BE FASHION'S SLAVE.

Adele Ritchie Tells Women How to be Well Dressed. New York, Oct. 3.—Adele Ritchie, the actress, makes these statements on the clothes question: "Don't wear so many clothes. Isn't a swan prettier than a goose? The difference is in their lines. The moral: Follow the swan. "Don't be a slave to styles. Just because, for instance, hobble skirts are the rage, don't be foolish and wear one. The ridiculous is never becoming, even to beauty, and on a plain woman is ludicrous. "Good dressing is good art. Good art is never garish. Therefore, don't try to look like a poor quality rainbow. You'll only get the laugh for your pains. "People don't turn around and stare rudely at a well dressed woman. But they will sit and study her in the street car or elsewhere, just to get hints. There's a vast difference between being studied and being stared at. "Blondes must never wear 'shiny things.' "Finally, cultivate long, flowing lines. Wear one piece dresses. Wear the same color skirt and waists. As anything but business wear, the shirt waist is condemned as bad. "The corset ought to be fitted carefully to the figure by an expert, otherwise it will injure vital organs. Then one ought to put on a princess slip and a fitted undershirt—one that fits snugly about the waist, without a sign of a wrinkle in it. Over this goes the dress. And that is all. And that is not immodest or too little covering. It is a costume that is hygienic and sane and in good taste."

Gregory School Bonds Sold.

Gregory, S. D., Oct. 3.—Special to The News: The school bonds have been sold to an Ohio firm of brokers and work will be resumed on the new building at once. Two stores are completed and the third one will soon be done. This building will be one of the most modern in the state and will accommodate about 1,000 pupils. The old building is very crowded and one more grade will be moved into a store building October 3.

MOTOR CARS ARE CHEAPER.

New York, Oct. 3.—An interesting tabulation of the average motor car prices since 1903, prepared by the American Automobile association, shows that motor car prices rose from 1903 to 1907, but that since that time the prices have gradually declined. This decline, according to the association's experts, has not been brought about by any radical reduction in the price of motor cars, but by the great

increase in the manufacture and sale of machines selling for \$1,500 or less. In the early days of the industry a car selling for \$1,500 was rare, while now the greater number of machines sell for under that figure. The figures show that the trend in manufacturing has been to give more each year for the same list sum, rather than to make a cut in the selling price. There has been a tremendous increase in the making of what are termed moderate priced cars, and a normal and healthy increase in the number of higher priced machines. From \$1,133.27 as the average price for cars in 1903, the average ran up to \$2,137.56 in 1907, and since that it has decreased until the first six months of 1910 shows \$1,545.33 as the average price.

FRIDAY FACTS.

M. C. Hazen went to Hoskins. Burt Mapes went to Lincoln on business. M. H. Leamy of Pierce was in the city. George H. Sims of Plainview was here. M. Benedict of Hoskins was a visitor in the city. Phillip H. Kohl of Wayne was here on business. Miss Adella Bucholz has returned from Portland. Mrs. William Ryner of Pierce was a visitor in the city. B. Stevenson of Verdigré was here transacting business. C. H. Groesbeck has returned from a trip to Tripp county. Dr. H. T. Holden returned from a business trip to Omaha. Mrs. J. M. Friend of Nora, Neb., was in the city visiting friends. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Korth returned from a visit at Winnetoon. George Davenport of Madison was in the city visiting with relatives. Mrs. Thurber of Missouri Valley, Ia., is in the city visiting with relatives. Father Gibauer of the Sacred Heart Catholic church, has gone to Verdigré. Mrs. Roy Lamb has gone to Oakdale, where she will visit with her sister. Mr. and Mrs. John Pofahl of Hoskins were in the city visiting with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Marotz and daughter of Hoskins were visitors in the city. Mrs. G. A. Miller and Mrs. Hugo Paul of Hadar were here calling on friends. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wichman have gone to St. Paul, where they will visit a few days. Mrs. Gustave Miller and Mrs. Gustave Busse of Hoskins were here visiting with friends. Mrs. Fannie Trennepohl has gone to Dallas to visit at the home of her son, Joseph Pluhacek. Mrs. S. Skeen, who has been here visiting with friends, has returned to her home at Rapid City. Miss Jessie Kline has gone to Omaha, where she will make her future home with her brother. F. G. Coryell returned from a two days' business trip to Columbus, Cedar Rapids and Belgrade. Tim Howard of Omaha, superintendent of the Western Union tele service, was in the city on business. Miss Elsie Marquardt of Denver is in the city for a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. A. Marquardt. Miss Lillian Marquardt has gone to Madison, where she will spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Edward Hoopman. John Toban, who has been attending school at Sioux City, has come to Norfolk and will make his home here with his mother. Frank Cousins, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Reed and son Jack, and Roy Hight left for a thirty days' trip through Colorado, Utah and Texas. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Killian and their son, Herbert Killian, returned from Wahoo, where they attended the wedding of Mr. Killian's niece. A meeting of the Madison county democratic central committee was held Friday afternoon in Winter's hall. About twenty out-of-town democrats were present at the meeting. Workmen have begun clearing up the lot recently purchased by S. H. Grant on Eleventh street and Nebraska avenue preparatory to starting the construction of a modern six-room cottage. John Grundman of Deshler, Neb., has accepted a position as teacher in the second class at the Christ Lutheran school. Mr. Grundman will work under the direction of Professor August Steffen. The school has now over 100 pupils enrolled. Another bicycle has been stolen. This time Dwight Sprecher, son of G. T. Sprecher, is the victim. Young Sprecher left the bicycle under the steps leading to the Nebraska Telephone office while on his way to school. When he returned the bicycle was gone. The Northwestern train dispatchers are back in their old building again. W. H. Avery is confined to his bed with illness. The Internos club will meet with Miss Merle Lanman. Miss Alice Holt has accepted a position as bookkeeper at the Bee Hive store. Gustave Massman of Hoskins was fined \$7.10 in Justice Eiseley's court Thursday for being drunk and disorderly. Massman paid his fine, the judge declaring that he was the first prisoner in one month who was able to pay his fine. C. J. Collaghan, a Northwestern fireman, sustained a bruised thigh and knee as the result of an accidental fall while he was boarding his engine. After about twelve hours' work of dispatching trains from the yard office. It is believed the offices of the railroad superintendents, trainmaster and dispatchers can be repaired so that they can be again used. The dispatch-

ers came back to their old quarters Friday morning. C. F. Haase, guardian of Emil Pillar, returned from Watertown, Wis., where he placed his charge in the German Evangelical Lutheran institute for the feeble minded. Mr. Haase was surprised to find such a comfortable place, and he says that Emil likes his new home and will receive the best of care. There are about sixty inmates in the institution. Guy E. Smith of Fort Dodge, Ia., the contractor for the waterworks extension, reports the completion of the work. The contractor's equipment has been loaded on cars and is being shipped to Stanton, where Mr. Smith has a contract to put in a waterworks extension. Ernest Sasse, who has been acting as inspector for Mr. Smith, has resigned his position and will go to Hoskins to move his family here. Enough gravel to pave the roads on the mill grounds has been found in the Northfork river. The Sugar City Cereal mills have put to work a scraper, which is piling the banks of the river with the gravel taken from the river bed. It was discovered recently that some very fine quality gravel lay on the river bottom, when the steam pump had taken large quantities of water from the river to enable the workmen to make repairs on the apron of the dam. About 100 loads of this gravel will be used by the mill people for use on their grounds. Mr. and Mrs. John Koenigstein and Dr. R. A. Mittelstadt will make their home in Norfolk. Mrs. Koenigstein accompanied by Dr. Mittelstadt, her son-in-law, left at noon yesterday for Fort Smith, Ark., the former home, to pack up their household effects and return to Norfolk. Mr. Koenigstein will remain here. Dr. Mittelstadt will make his home with his mother. Work on the new home which was being built for John Koenigstein at Fort Smith up until the time of the death of his daughter, Mrs. Mittelstadt, has been stopped and will not go on. A mad dog scare kept the residents on Madison avenue and Eleventh street in intense excitement for a few hours Friday noon, when a telephone call came to one family to keep their children indoors on account of the escape of a dog which was believed to be mad. The mother of the two children, who received the telephone message, had just taken her children into the house from the yard in which they were playing when she discovered the dog lying on her front porch. Dr. O. R. Meredith arrived on the scene and drove the dog from the premises. Dr. C. A. McKim has gone to Long Pine in answer to a call from owners of cattle there, who say many of their cattle are dying. It is believed the cattle are suffering from the same disease that has attacked cattle in Norfolk, but to a larger extent. This disease comes from the cattle eating a weed in the pasture which makes the mouth of the animal sore. If not attended to immediately the animal's mouth is soon swollen so large that it cannot eat and it dies. One cow has already died in Norfolk from this disease, while a number are suffering from the effects of the poisonous weed. James and George Craig of the Katz-Craig Construction company are in the city looking over the paving situation. James Craig declares that his company is doing everything in its power to hurry the Norfolk avenue paving. Some difficulty is being experienced in getting the grader to excavate, but this machine is expected any day from Battle Creek. In the meantime the excavating is being done by the laborers, of whom the contractor says he is very short. George Craig stopped in the city en route to Valentine, where the company has a contract for the waterworks. Chairman M. F. McDuffy of Madison called to order the meeting of the democratic central committee held in Winter's hall Friday afternoon. The coming campaign was briefly discussed. H. C. Matrau addressed the committee on the various issues of the campaign. According to Secretary F. E. Martin of Battle Creek, who was present at the meeting, several speakers from the state committee will soon be here to stump the county. The meeting was of short duration and was adjourned until October 14, when the committee will meet at Madison. Among those present were: M. F. McDuffy, Madison; F. E. Martin, Battle Creek; James W. Hughes, Deer Creek; William Rockefeller, Gross; A. E. Craig, Wall; Henry Sunderman, Tom Cantwell; J. F. Flynn.

TELLS OF TRIP WEST.

D. L. Crellin of Plainview Writes of Journey to Western Coast. Puyallup, Wash., Sept. 14.—Leaving Crawford, Neb., Monday morning, I arrived here at 9 a. m. Wednesday. The ride across the short grass prairies of Nebraska, Wyoming and Montana to Billings was made at a fast clip on the Burlington aboard the Puget Sound express, a magnificent train. Just across the South Dakota line we passed through Ardmore, the present home of the once famous Doc Middleton, who was such a terror to the pioneers of western Nebraska. Skimming swiftly along we reached Newcastle, Wyo., where there are extensive coal fields. Sheridan, Wyo., is a good town and growing rapidly and substantially. Passing through Dietz, another mining town, we glided down the Little Big Horn river, in Montana, through the Custer battlefield, which is two miles south of the town. The battle of the Little Big Horn was fought to a finish June 25, 1876. Major General Custer with 260 men of the Seventh United States cavalry, attacked about 10,000 Sioux warriors, who were camped on the bank of the river. Custer planned to surprise Sitting Bull, who was chief of the Sioux, drive the Indians

back, and by the aid of General Terry's force surround and capture the entire band of Indian warriors. Custer and his intrepid veterans charged down upon the Indian camp. The red men at first fell back, then closed in behind Custer and completely surprised him. Seeing that his force was being annihilated he followed the instinct of the thoroughbred soldier and retreated toward a high point on the top of a hill. While doing this his men were being shot down by the surrounding savages. The remnant of his force made their last stand near the top of the hill. Here Custer and every man with him died as becomes brave men.

WIFE, BUT NOT EMPRESS.

Vienna, Oct. 3.—If the Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria-Hungary succeeds Emperor Francis Joseph he will have a wife, but no empress. The situation is interesting, and whether the old emperor will do anything to straighten the affair out before he dies or whether on becoming emperor Franz Ferdinand can do anything, is a question of discussion. The archduke married Countess Sophie Chotek, lady-in-waiting in the court, and in 1900 the old emperor solemnly announced to the empire his nephew's marriage wasmorganatic and therefore neither his wife nor his children had any of the rights of the imperial family. The archduke and his wife have taken the situation philosophically and even hopefully. They are not worrying apparently. Of course, there is much doubt whether, when the archduke should succeed his uncle, he will be able to hold the dual monarchy together. There is a feeling of discontent among the Hungarians, and the opinion freely is expressed there will be a separation of the two countries.

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MABEL STICKNEY A MODEL?

Newport, Oct. 3.—Mrs. Mabel Gould Stickney has been chosen by Henry Clews, jr., an artist, as the model he will essay to immortalize on canvas. All Newport is saying so. They agree that if he has made the choice Mr. Clews has proved again his artistic sense. Mr. Clews is silent on the subject. "I never consent to be interviewed," he said today. "I shall not say that I have chosen a model." Mr. Clews put this advertisement in a local newspaper: "Wanted—A serious minded young woman, 5 feet 6 inches tall and very slender, to pose for an artist. Apply at The Rocks, Bellevue avenue." Mr. Clews owns The Rocks, Mrs. Stickney has posed as a model for Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney. Mrs. Francis G. Lawrence, jr., Mrs. Ava Astor's sister, painted Mrs. Stickney in

MORSE LEARNS THE LESSON.

New York, Oct. 3.—Charles W. Morse is not the wretched man that some stories have pictured him. Although the one-time "ice king," steamship owner and banker is a convict in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, he is making the best of a bad situation his wife says. Mrs. Morse told today about it. "Mr. Morse believes as I do," Mrs. Morse said, "that President Taft will pardon him. It is this hope that buoy up both of us. If I were not wholly convinced that Mr. Morse will be granted his liberty before the year is ended, I would fall ill and die. As it is, I have lost so much weight that my physician worries about me. "When Mr. Morse began his life there"—Mrs. Morse never uses the word prison—"he learned the great lesson of his own helplessness. He discovered that when left to his own resources he could do practically nothing. For example, he was made a clerk. Although he had dictated thousands of letters, he found himself unable to write one on a typewriter. "Yet, Mr. Morse has not taken kindly to learning the rudiments. It has made him respect far more than ever before the great army of toilers who attend to the details in this world. He has even found a certain enjoyment in mastering elementary problems. It also takes his mind away from himself. Were it not for these daily tasks he would brood over his fate and perhaps lose his mind. "Did Mr. Morse suffer mentally from his confinement in a solitary cell, where the warden says he was placed for receiving money in violation of prison rules?" "Please excuse me from speaking of that," replied Mrs. Morse, in an even quieter tone. "I can only say that Mr. Morse has the kindest feelings toward those in charge. Discipline is discipline. Those entrusted with the execution of rules must follow them. "As you know, the last time I saw Mr. Morse I was about to kiss him, but the man with him forbade me. It happened in this way: My husband came downstairs in a hallway, where I was waiting. He was on his way to the reception room, and when he passed near I instinctively reached out my arms.

MAY BAR FUTURE RACES.

New York, Oct. 3.—The board of supervisors of Nassau county, Long island, will hold a special meeting today to consider the advisability of cancelling the permit for the grand prize automobile race scheduled to be held over the Vanderbilt cup course on October 15. Notwithstanding Saturday's list of four dead and more than twenty injured incident to the Vanderbilt run, A. R. Pardington, general manager of the Long Island motor parkway, is authority for the statement that nothing but official interference shall stop the grand prize race. Several drivers booked to participate in the event have demanded more adequate policing of the course and William Pickens, manager of Barney Oldfield, gave out the following message which he says Oldfield sent from Chicago: "Withdraw my entry from grand prize race, unless course will be guarded completely by troops. I am unwilling to risk my neck and car." Oldfield follows with a severe arraignment of the management of the Vanderbilt race who, he says, "spent nothing to safeguard the drivers and spectators." The foregoing from Oldfield is somewhat cryptic, however, in that it was said in New York that he had not been entered for the grand prize. It was at first understood that he would drive a Benz car, but the Benz management is said to have decided on Hemery, Hein and Herne as their drivers.

MARK HANNA, TRUE PROPHET.

Washington, Oct. 3.—"Mark Hanna's prophecy is coming true without a doubt," said a statesman the other day to several senators and representatives who were in Washington. "Following the successful campaign of 1900," he continued, "when McKinley, whose forces Hanna generated, was a second victor over William J. Bryan, there was a quiet dinner of justification given to Hanna by a group of New York financiers. The press was excluded. Hanna, as perhaps some of you know, was not an orator, but when occasion called for it he could lay down the law and expound facts in peerless fashion. The joyousness that sprang up at the dinner was given a severer jolt when the guest of honor was called upon for a few remarks. "Ignoring all reference to the great victory, 'The people have spoken, etc.,' phrases that would seem to have been appropriate for the occasion, the man who had twice made William McKinley president of the United States took out his hammer and began to knock his hosts. I regret that his speech was not taken down stenographically, but I will give the sentiment of it. "He pointed out that the differences between labor and capital were becoming more pronounced each year. "Mark you," he declared, "in twenty years, yes, in sixteen years, there will be no republican or democratic parties, as we know them today. The voters of the nation will be lined up with the conservative or radical parties, two dominant parties that are coming into being." "He predicted that before the presidential election of 1912 there would be great radicalism in both of the two great parties and that the issues of the 1916 election would be centered around radicalism and conservatism. "Then, too, he forecasted that the next eight years would see the radical movement, now called insurgent, cropping up in both party ranks. It seems to me that the prophecy has been practically fulfilled."

AMUNDSON CHANGES PLANS.

Christiana, Oct. 3.—According to a letter received here from Captain Ronald Amundson, aboard the Fram at Madeira, Amundson has decided to proceed on an antarctic expedition. He promises to send details when he arrives at Punta Arenas. This change of plans has occasioned surprise as it was the original intention of Amundson to start early next year on a drifting voyage for the north pole. The Fram was first to go to San Francisco, where it was to be fitted out, and it was calculated that the drift through the polar ice would occupy not less than seven years.

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