

SOCIETY

Pleasures of the Week.

Mrs. O. L. Hyde entertained a dozen ladies at a pipe organ Kensington on Thursday afternoon. Each guest was given a quilt block to piece and when they were finished it was discovered they were all such expert needle women they had to draw straws for the pretty favor presented by the hostess. Mrs. Edward Brown proved to be the lucky one. At 5 o'clock Mrs. Hyde served tempting refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Braden entertained a company of friends at a delightful 6 o'clock dinner on Wednesday evening, celebrating the host's birthday. Covers for sixteen were laid at beautifully appointed tables and a splendid four course menu was served. Bridge followed the dinner, the honors going to Mrs. Sol. G. Mayer and C. H. Reynolds.

Mrs. Clarence Hedrick entertained The Climbs last Saturday afternoon at her home in South Norfolk. A rousing contest proved very enjoyable. Mrs. Ed Stansbury won the pretty hand painted plate presented by the hostess as a reward for good guessing. At 5 o'clock Mrs. Hedrick served a delicious three-course supper.

Lawton Phinney celebrated his ninth birthday on Thursday. His teacher, Miss Bessie Sterner, and three boy friends, Lawrence Hyde, Edwin Baum and Ed Sattler enjoyed a delicious dinner in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Phinney on South Eleventh street.

The ladies of the Christian church spent a pleasant afternoon in the home of Mrs. C. E. Hartford, on Thursday. Mrs. William Hill, who is soon to leave Norfolk for Superior, Neb., was the guest of honor.

Mrs. P. H. Salter entertained the members of her bridge club and a few other ladies at a 1 o'clock luncheon on Thursday. Bridge occupied the afternoon hours, the high score favoring going to Mrs. C. H. Reynolds.

Personals.

Mrs. W. G. Baker who is manager of the W. M. C. A. cafe in Omaha, is enjoying a month's vacation in Washington, D. C., where she is a guest of Congressman and Mrs. Burton L. French.

Miss Anne Edquist and Miss Esther Johnson of Omaha spent last week with the family of Dr. Johnson, superintendent of the Norfolk hospital. The young ladies returned home Sunday noon.

Mrs. A. C. Smith and baby have returned from a six weeks' visit with friends in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are nicely settled in their new home, on North Ninth street.

Mrs. H. G. Lyon and Miss George Lyon, of Gordon, were Norfolk visitors on Monday, enroute to Columbus, Neb., for a visit with Mrs. Charles Sturdevant.

Renner-Green.

A very pretty home wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green living south west of the city Sunday evening at 8 o'clock when their eldest daughter, Luella Frances, became the bride of Fred Renner. The bride was beautifully gowned in an Alice blue silk messaline trimmed in lace net. The groom is a son of Paul Renner, living near Madison.

Both these young people have grown up in the immediate vicinity and are well and favorably known. Only the immediate relatives were present. A bountiful three-course luncheon was served. There were many beautiful and costly gifts. The wedding march was played by a sister of the bride.

Rev. R. J. Callow of Plainview officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Renner will be at home to their friends on the farm prepared by the groom at Maple Grove after Feb. 1.

NORFOLK WINS THE GAME.

High School Team Takes Pierce's Measure at Basketball. Norfolk won its first basketball game of the season, and in fact the first one played by the Norfolk high school team for a number of years, from the Pierce high school team in the skating rink Friday night by a score of 29 to 11.

Vanderpool and Manske for Pierce, and Hosman and Landers for Norfolk made feature plays during the evening. Vanderpool, l. f.; Mohr, r. f.; Manske, c.; Reimers, r. g.; Watten, l. g.

Norfolk-Hosman, l. f.; Landers, r. f.; Gillette, c.; Koerber, r. g.; Smith, l. g.

Battle Creek News.

At the business meeting of the members of the Lutheran church six new members were admitted. Henry Massman, sr., was elected general collector, vice Carl Praenner. John H. Rodek was elected school trustee, vice Harm. Eyl. All other officers were re-elected. John Claassen resigned as janitor and John Wanke was elected instead.

Chas Hansen took his little son Sedrick up to Ewing Sunday, where he is attending school and staying with his grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. O. Eggleson.

The fire department elected new officers as follows: President, Henry Whitney, vice president, John Dufshy; treasurer, Jesse Hoover; secre-

tary, Henry Reit; chief, Frank Beiler; assistant chief, George Kinkel; foreman, Chas. Halden; trustees, W. B. Fierst, E. E. Cartney and Arthur Pratt.

Jack Schacher, John Miller and George Hobbs went to Sioux City on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kent, sr., have moved from Kent Siding into their newly erected cottage on Hale street. Miss Irene Kost of Norfolk, a granddaughter, is staying with them and attends school here.

Webb Whittle is postmaster now. He took charge of the office Monday morning. Miss Lou Hansey will stay as deputy. The new firm is well liked in this town and vicinity.

At 9 o'clock Monday morning Mr. Joseph J. Orr and Mrs. Leonora Snyder were bound in holy matrimony at the Catholic church by Rev. Father Walsh. Both parties are natives of Battle Creek. The groom is an industrious and progressive young farmer and the bride was our postmistress and oldest daughter of Mrs. Hannah Barnes and the late W. A. Barnes. The new couple will go to housekeeping at once on the farm of the groom, three miles northwest of town, where he just had built a nice little house with all modern improvements at the cost of about \$5,000.

Albert Wilde has sold his tobacco business here to Chas. Halden.

A Bank's Balance.

London, Jan. 13.—Bullion amounting to £29,000 was taken into the Bank of England on balance today.

CONGRESSMAN USES FISTS.

Representative From Iowa Defends Aged Negro From Assault. Washington, Jan. 13.—Representative Kendall of Iowa was kept busy by friends who commended him for his gallantry in knocking down a white hoodlum who had attacked an aged negro.

When Mr. Kendall alighted from a street car at a busy corner, he saw two white men addressing profane language to the negro who was carrying a basket of fresh laundry clothes. Presently one of the men struck the woman, felling her. The contents of her basket were scattered in the snow and slush. Mr. Kendall landed his fist squarely on the jaw of the assailant and laid the fellow motionless in the snow, afterward assisting the unfortunate woman in putting the clothes in the basket.

DELIGHTED WITH NORFOLK.

Colome Editor Gets Inspiration in Enterprise of This City. J. M. Miller of Colome, S. D., who was official spokesman for the class of Rosebud candidates taken into the Norfolk lodge of Elks last night, and who is to be a candidate at the spring primary for the nomination of state senator, was delighted with Norfolk.

"It's inspiring," he said. "It has made me feel good to see this town. It's a live one. I will go back home feeling better satisfied with the Rosebud country, because of the fact that there is such a progressive city at the gateway to help us develop this new Dakota."

Mr. Miller paid The News a pretty compliment. In his toast responding to the Elks welcome he said: "I want to say one word about your newspaper. In The Norfolk News, you people have the greatest paper in the United States for a city of this class and you have a right to feel proud of it. That's a compliment to Norfolk because if the people of Norfolk weren't enterprising enough to support it, they wouldn't have so good a newspaper."

Real Estate Transfers.

Compiled by the Madison County Abstract and Guarantee company, office with Mape & Hazen, Norfolk, Neb.

Ellen Shippee and husband to W. B. Howe, lot 8, block 4, Tilden, w. d., cons. \$1,250.

Standard Stock Food Co. to J. W. Ransom, lot 3, block 7, Dorsey Place addition to Norfolk, Neb., w. d., cons. \$100.

Fred Scheerger and wife to Joseph Dittberner, part of lots 7 and 8, block 18, Battle Creek, w. d., cons. \$600.

T. O. Ringer and wife to John C. Langdon, lots 1 to 11, and part of lots 12, 13, 17 and 18 of Ringer's outlots to Tilden, and all unplanted part of SE 1/4 NW 1/4 19-24-4, w. d., cons. \$5,000.

Anna E. Miller and husband to Luketty Musser, lots 7 and 8, block 34, Pioneer Town Site company's second addition to Battle Creek, w. d., cons. \$1,700.

Agnes J. Whittle to Maud and David O. Whittle, lots 1 and 2, block 23, Battle Creek, w. d., cons. \$1.

Luketty Musser and husband to Mary Kern, lot 8, block 8, Battle Creek, w. d., cons. \$1,500.

D. A. Ommerman and wife to H. C. Sattler, lots 8 and 9, block 17, Western Town Lot company's addition to Norfolk, special w. d., cons. \$350.

James W. Gillette et al. to John A. From, lot 9, block 2, Railroad addition to Newman Grove, w. d., cons. \$1,800.

Emma Broadbrooks to Margaret Busch, lots 8 and 9, block 11, Pasewalk's fourth addition to Norfolk, w. d., cons. \$950.

Wilhelm Dittberner to Frank W. Dittberner, NW 1/4 14-21-2, w. d., cons. \$1,000.

Metta B. Higman et al. to R. M. Waddell, SW 1/4 SE 1/4 and NE 1/4 SE 1/4 SW 1/4 21-24-1, except part of Beacon Hill addition, q. c. d., cons. \$1.

Norfolk Real Estate and Improvement company to N. A. Rainbolt, block 17, Riverside Park addition to Norfolk, w. d., cons. \$7,470.

J. C. Adams to James W. Cook, lot 10, block 5, Pasewalk's third addition to Norfolk, w. d., cons. \$400.

Stebbins is Released.

Bonesteel, S. D., Jan. 12.—Special to The News: W. P. Stebbins was released and discharged at 10 o'clock p. m. in police justice court of the city of Bonesteel. He had been charged with embezzlement by K. L. Flisram, one of the directors of the Farmers' Co-Operative association of Bonesteel.

The preliminary hearing was carried on in a vigorous manner and his accounts were inquired into, which took the biggest part of two days and part of the night, and when Prosecutor William McDonnell, for the state, rested, and J. R. Cash, of the defense rested, they submitted their case to the court without argument.

The court said in part that he did not believe, after hearing all the evidence on both sides, that it would be fair to bind the defendant over to the circuit court, that it would cause some to criticize him no matter which way he would act, and that it would have a tendency to tarnish Mr. Stebbins' name and his family, so he said "you are released and the case is dismissed."

Big crowds attended the hearing, much interest was manifested. While Stebbins was on the stand in his own behalf he said that he would repay all debts of every kind to the Farmers' Co-Operative association regardless of their nature, be it short-oversight, neglect on his part to balance the books properly or give proper credits to the customers of the said association. He said he would attend to same immediately.

Additional information regarding the incident was issued to The News by Stebbins in the following statement: The action in which W. P. Stebbins was charged with embezzlement was tried in the Justice Court of J. M. Biggins Wednesday and resulted in the acquittal of Mr. Stebbins. The complaint in this action was sworn to by K. L. Flisram, a director of the Farmers' Co-Operative association of Bonesteel and charged Mr. Stebbins with having collected the sum of \$104.81 from J. R. Walker and appropriated the sum to his own use, Mr. Stebbins at that time being the manager of the Co-Operative association. The undisputed evidence of S. M. and E. E. Lindley, president and assistant cashier of the Security State bank of Bonesteel, showed that this sum was paid to Mr. Stebbins by Walker in the form of a check and that on the same day this check was deposited by Mr. Stebbins in the Security State bank to the credit of the Farmers' Co-Operative association and had never been in the possession of Mr. Stebbins longer than it took him to walk direct to the bank and deposit it to the credit of his employer.

The belief here is that this action was started with the intention of bringing Mr. Stebbins into bad repute and for personal reasons, there being no foundation to the charge at all. It is thought by many to be the outcome of a town fight and church in which Flisram was on the opposite side from Stebbins. Mr. Stebbins stands high in church and social relations and his character and reputation has never before been assailed. He is a prominent member of the Masonic lodge here and himself and family have always and still are held in high esteem by the better element of the business and social interests of Bonesteel and Gregory county. Flisram, the complaining witness in this action, is a well to do farmer living near Bonesteel, and the general opinion is that his credulity was imposed upon by unscrupulous personal enemies of Stebbins who caused him to bring this action which held no merits whatever and resulted in a complete vindication of Mr. Stebbins. The other members of the board of directors of the farmers' association had no knowledge of the proposed action of Flisram and deeply regret his action in this matter. Public sentiment was strongly with Mr. Stebbins and his friends feel that he has been done a rank injustice by designing personal enemies.

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The mahogany case had been nearly burned away, but the pendulum was still swinging and the hands pointed to the correct time.

A contribution of \$20,000 to a fund for the benefit of the workers at the fire was announced by a committee of directors of the Equitable Life Assurance society.

"The official investigation of the Equitable building fire reveals pretty certainly that this disaster was caused by the careless throwing away of a match," reads a report submitted to Mayor Gaynor by Fire Commissioner Johnson.

"Our investigation indicates," the report continues, "that employees of the building discovered the fire at 5:14 a. m., and that they tried to fight it until 5:34 a. m., when a policeman turned in an alarm. If the employees had called upon the fire department promptly I am sure the fire could easily have been extinguished."

To Coach Nebraska. Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 12.—Capt. Earl Pickering of the University of Minnesota's 1911 football team, has been offered a position as football coach of the University of Vermont. It is said that Pickering also has been offered a coaching position at the University of Nebraska, but has not as yet decided upon any position.

JUST TOOK THE TRAIN. Kansas People Seize It and Finally Get Provisions. Jetmore, Kan., Jan. 11.—Bearing the first shipment of provisions that has reached snowbound Jetmore since December 26, a branch line train arrived here today in charge of a committee of 100 Jetmore citizens led by Mayor Harry Breeze. An ample supply of food and fuel was placed at the disposal of the group of ranchers and townspeople who gathered at the station with shouts of welcome.

After waiting more than two weeks for the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway to get its track open, Jetmore residents finally took possession of the train, which was blockaded between Jetmore and Larned. The protests of Conductor Leitch availed him nothing. Every man on the train joined in the work with pick and shovel on the drifts of snow and ice which filled every cut. Yesterday the train reached Larned, where it was loaded with a supply of provisions and stock food sufficient to last Jetmore two weeks.

HOW CHOOSE DELEGATES. Nebraska Republican Committee May Disregard Primary Law. Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 11.—The republican state committee may refuse to obey the provision of the Nebraska presidential preference primary law which requires that all delegates to the national convention shall be selected at primaries. State Chairman J. L. Kennedy of Omaha has sent letters to the members of the state committee asking them to vote on the matter of obeying the provisions of the law and electing delegates in this manner. His letter makes no mention of the selection of a national committeeman which is also required to be done.

More Trouble in Persia. Calcutta, British India, Jan. 11.—Orders were issued today to the brigade of infantry stationed at Ahmadnagar to hold itself in readiness to proceed immediately to Persia. Reports as to the dangers incurred by merchants there over the trade route in southern Persia led to this step.

THURSDAY TIDINGS. Miss Elsie Adams of Monroe was a visitor in the city. Frank Melcher returned from a business trip to Madison. Frank Pilger has returned from a business trip to Center. Mr. and Mrs. David Duncan of Ewing, Neb., are visiting with S. McKiver. Edward Walters, who was here visiting with relatives, returned to his home at Platte Center. A. W. Hawkins goes to Lincoln Monday to attend a meeting of the Nebraska Good Roads convention. P. L. Zuelow will leave Monday for a several months' visit on the western coast. Mr. Zuelow will go to Los Angeles by way of Seattle. R. Y. Hyde, district plant superintendent of the Nebraska Telephone company of Omaha, formerly of the Norfolk headquarters, is here transacting business. Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Chamberlain, a daughter. A. Buchholz is now reported critically ill. He is now suffering with dropsy. Arthur Schwertfeger is under the care of a physician, suffering from an infected hand. George B. Christoph is convalescing, after wrestling with the grip and threatened pneumonia for a week. Mrs. L. Boline was taken to the home of her parents at Dawson. Mrs. Boline is suffering from tuberculosis. Daniel O'Brien, a local traveling salesman, is laid up at his home here with several bruised ribs as the result of an accidental fall. John H. Pick of 514 Hastings avenue is suffering from an injured back as the result of an accident at Wisner, where he was unloading rock. The Royal Neighbors will meet Friday night for installation of officers. The meeting place has been changed to the hall over Schenzel's meat market. Mrs. C. E. Hartford will entertain the ladies of the Christian church this afternoon in honor of Mrs. William Hill, who is to leave for Superior, Neb., in a few days. At the regular meeting of the Norfolk fire department Wednesday night,

the question of a firemen's tournament for next summer was discussed. The delegates were given instructions to use every effort to bring the tournament here. Other preparations for the delegates to visit the Kearney convention on Jan. 16 were arranged. Only those in the district between Seventh and Fourth streets on Norfolk avenue are now sufferers for the want of gas. Supt. Fred Fulton of the gas company declares he has located the leak on Norfolk avenue and that his men are hard at work in efforts to reach it. When this leak is repaired Mr. Fulton believes he will have ended all the recent gas trouble.

Miss Jane Powell, the pretty chorus girl with the "Newlyweds," who reported to have lost her watch in a Norfolk avenue rooming house, will get her watch back. Although Jane said her watch was a valuable one, it is the opinion of the proprietress of the rooming house that the watch is worth about \$5. The watch was found on a sofa. Miss Jane reported to the police that the watch was stolen from her room while she was on duty on the stage.

Engineer C. A. Mandelko played fireman at his home at 705 South Third street yesterday when he discovered that a fire had made much progress in an upstairs room of the home. Mandelko put out the flames with the aid of a garden hose. He did not turn in an alarm for the fire department. Mandelko had laid a mattress close to a stove. The mattress was entirely consumed by the flames, and much of the furniture and part of the upstairs was damaged by the fire. The loss is covered by insurance.

Church's Officers Elected. The annual meeting of the First Congregational church was held last evening. Reports for the year's work were heard, and they revealed a prosperous condition in all departments. There has been raised for all purposes about \$4,000. The present balance of the credit column is \$800.

Twenty-six new members have been received, while only two have died. After the reports of the year a luncheon was served by the ladies, and then followed the election of general officers, resulting as follows: T. E. Odiorne, clerk; B. C. Gentle, treasurer; board of deacons, H. J. Cole, D. Mathewson, L. Sessions, R. F. Bruce and G. T. Sprecher; board of trustees, E. M. Huntington, D. Rees, A. H. Kiesau, P. H. Davis and W. P. Logan.

West Point Gun Shoot. West Point, Jan. 12.—Special to The News: The West Point Gun club, in spite of the cold weather, held its weekly blue-rock shoot at the ball park at West Point. There were two events of twenty-five birds each contested for, with the following score: First event, Karl Kerl, 23; G. Haefel, 19; F. Holst, 18. Second event: Karl Kerl, 22; Haefel, 19; J. Radebach and E. Jensen, 19 each. Karl Kerl still maintains his phenomenal record as the crack shot of this portion of the state.

SHE'S BURNING THE COAL. So This Husband Wants Something Put in the Paper About His Wife. A white man came into The News office Thursday morning and said: "I want you to put something in the paper. But I don't want any names mentioned, understand."

"What is it?" "I want you to say that Austin woman's getting away with all my provisions."

"Your wife?" "Yes."

"Is she white or black?" "Black, but that's got nothing to do with it. She's my wife."

"Your real wife?" "Yes, my real wife. Married to her. If I wasn't I wouldn't be getting provisions for her."

The Domestic Infelicity editor told the man to take his troubles to a blue-coat. But he's had so many experiences with policemen that he didn't derive much encouragement from that helpful suggestion.

FRIDAY FACTS. J. P. Miller of Madison was a visitor in the city. M. George Duncan of Neligh is visiting at the home of S. McKiver. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith returned from a visit with relatives in Iowa, where they spent the holidays. Mrs. Cora A. Beels returned Thursday evening from a two weeks' trip to Chicago, Michigan and Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. George Barney have taken a suite of rooms in the Kuhn residence. Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Williams, a son. The Best schoolhouse west of town has been demolished. Conductor Fredericks is moving from South Fourth street to the P. E. Knapp house at 703 South Third street. A letter has been received from C. H. Price of Stanton congratulating the local poultry association upon the success of its recent show. Besides the regular delegates who are members of the life and drum corps, eight extra men are to be added to the special car which leaves here on Jan. 16 for the Kearney firemen's convention.

WANT FIREMAN'S TOURNEY. Chief Green Says Business Men Are Enthusiastic About It. Fire Chief Millard Green accompanied by C. E. Hartford, after a conference with business men, reports that Norfolk business men were enthusiastic over the prospects of securing the firemen's state tournament for Norfolk next summer. The fire chief declared he made calls on the business men to get an impression as to how

they regarded the proposition, so that the Norfolk delegates to the state firemen's convention at Kearney on Jan. 16 would be prepared to make a suitable campaign for the tournament. The campaign which the Norfolk men will make for the tournament here will not necessarily have to be a strenuous one, because of the fact that every town represented at the convention is now in favor of Norfolk taking over the tournament next summer. The firemen will leave here Jan. 16 in a special car which will be suitably decorated.

CAIRNS WANTS HELP. Says Persian Government Refuses to Release Americans. Washington, Jan. 12.—F. E. Cairns, the young American who was left in charge of the Persian treasury by W. Morgan Shuster, the deposed treasurer-general, when he left Teheran yesterday for the United States, today cabled Chairman Sulzer of the house committee on foreign affairs an urgent appeal for help.

He charged the Persian government with refusing to release the other Americans from their contracts and said the state department at Washington was "influenced by American Minister Charles W. Russell," against their claims.

Coal Famine at Des Moines. Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 12.—With the government thermometer 29 degrees below zero, the weather records for Des Moines and central Iowa were broken last night and today with one exception. On Jan. 5, 1884, it was 30 degrees below. It was 25 below at Boone; 21 degrees below at Burlington and 19 below at Davenport. Des Moines faced a possible coal famine today.

A SAILOR IN SOUTH DAKOTA. Fenton Jones, son of a prominent ranchman of Carthage, S. D., writes his friend, James Delaney of this city of a humorous incident which occurred on his father's ranch recently.

"Father hired a sailor to work on the farm," writes young Jones. "The sailor is all right, and the only trouble we find with him is that we have to throw water on the side of the house to get him to sleep."

Mrs. Sarah A. Mills. Mrs. Sarah A. Mills, mother of Mrs. John R. Hays died at midnight last night at the home of her daughter in Lincoln. Mrs. Hays left at noon for Lincoln from which city she remains will be taken to Nevada, Ia., for interment. Miss Mills, secretary to Rome Miller at Omaha, is a daughter.

Mrs. Mills made her home with her daughter in Norfolk up to a year ago since which time she has been visiting with her daughters at Omaha and Lincoln. Old age was the cause of death. Mrs. Mills is survived by four daughters, Mrs. John R. Hays, Norfolk; Miss Alice B. Mills, Omaha; Mrs. S. K. Huntzinger and Miss Margaret C. Mills, Lincoln; three sons, W. C. Mills, manager of the Lincoln Drug company at Lincoln; S. J. Mills of the Chicago Northwestern Railway company at Chicago and Day Mills, in the railway service at Texarkana, Tex.

Mrs. Mills, although close to the 90th year of life, was well known in Norfolk, especially in church circles where she was a quiet but industrious worker. Her retiring and lovable nature was one of the features by which she was so well known among a host of friends in this city.

Mrs. Mills was born in Lewiston, N. Y., on May 23, 1823. Here she married her husband and later they moved to Mount Morris, N. Y. In 1856 Mr. and Mrs. Mills moved to Lyons, Ia., from Mount Morris, N. Y., and in 1887 they moved to Nevada, Ia., where Mr. Mills died. It is beside her husband in the Nevada cemetery that Mrs. Mills will be laid to rest Saturday.

Mrs. Mills came to Norfolk from Nevada, Ia., in 1887 and made her home with Mrs. Hays.

May Not Pardon Shercliffe. Denver, Jan. 12.—Whether Sherman W. Morris, alias Frank Shercliffe, will be freed from the penitentiary at Canon City where he is serving a term for murder depends upon the action of the governor. When the pardon board met today two members of the board favored granting the petition while one stood out against the proposed action. Gov. Shafroth is said to be opposed to releasing Shercliffe and it is generally believed will decline to issue the pardon.

TO SHOW PACKERS' BOOKS. Evidence on Details of Methods of Accounting Is Given. Chicago, Jan. 12.—Evidence of the details of the methods used in figuring the test cost of cattle was given by Henry A. Timmins, chief accountant for Morris & Co., when the trial of the ten Chicago packers charged with conspiracy in restraint of trade was resumed in the United States court today.

Timmins and other accountants employed by the packers were expected to produce in court all the books they could find likely to throw light on the exact allowances credited in the test cost for the various by-products. A dozen or more accountants will be called as witnesses by the government in an effort to prove that the by-product allowances were inadequate and an important part of the general system used by the alleged combination.

Would Amend Postmaster Bill. Washington, Jan. 12.—Representative Prouty of Iowa proposed two important amendments to the Norris bill, which provides that all postmasters shall be governed by the classified service. One of Mr. Prouty's amendments provides that a person certified for appointment as postmaster shall not be named until an election has been held in the community he lives and the patrons get an opportunity to elect or reject him. The other amendment provides that the term of a postmaster appointed on certification of the civil service commission shall be limited to eight years.

Paper 42 Years Old. West Point, Neb., Jan. 12.—Special to The News: The West Point Republican has just entered upon the forty-second year of its existence. This paper was founded in the year 1870 and is the tenth oldest in the state, the Nebraska City News holding the record of age, being established in 1853.

Forty Below at Lynch. Lynch, Neb., Jan. 12.—Special to The News: The mercury registered 40 below zero several places here this morning. This beats any former record.

HANGED FOR KILLING WOMAN. Mark A. Wilkins Pays Penalty for Murdering Mrs. Carmen. San Francisco, Jan. 12.—Mark A. Wilkins, who was convicted of the murder of Mrs. Verale Carmen, with whom he eloped from Kansas City in 1907, was hanged at San Quentin prison today.

Horse into Sewer Ditch. Many water meters and water pipes were frozen throughout the city and Water Commissioner Frank Carrick was again busy making calls to the locations where the most serious breaks were reported. The most serious mishap was the breaking of a water pipe on Fifth street and Park avenue. A sewer ditch filled up with the running water and a thin coating of ice covered the ditch. Earl Sires, driving the meat delivery wagon for Compton & Evans, went into the ditch, wagon and all. The horse suffered terribly from the cold and after being rescued was taken off duty for the day. The wagon was damaged and young Sires went into the water to some depth. Commissioner Carrick is repairing the break.

Leo and Edward Broecker were assigned as assistants at the fire station during the night. Chief Green declared that the intense cold would prove a hardship on one man in case of a fire call. Janitors in all the large buildings of the city worked throughout the night keeping the furnaces going. Janitor Hollerman of the Citizens National bank building rescued the thermometer in front of the building at an early hour when he found that it could only register 30 degrees below zero.

An employee of the Barry ranch reached the city before noon with a load of grain. He reported the trip one of the coldest he had experienced. While warming himself at a fire in the office of the Sugar City mills he was informed that the temperature was the record breaker in Norfolk's history.

"Gov. if I had known it was 30 degrees below zero while I was making that trip, I would sure have frozen to death," he exclaimed.

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