

## TUESDAY TOPICS.

C. P. Parish is on the sick list.  
W. J. Gow is in Meadow Grove on business.  
Chas. Corkle of Tilden was in Norfolk yesterday.  
Miss Emma Riley of Pierce was a city visitor yesterday.  
C. S. Smith was a city visitor yesterday from Madison.  
W. C. Roach of Plainview visited this metropolis yesterday.  
Chas. Stinebaugh was a city visitor yesterday from Madison.  
Robert Schramm of Missouri Valley spent Sunday in Norfolk.

Mrs. Chas. Richardson of Battle Creek was in Norfolk yesterday.

W. R. Hoffman is confined to his home with an attack of the grippe.

Judge Powers went to Lincoln yesterday and Mrs. Powers to Omaha.

Cashier A. J. Dunlevy of the Tilden State bank was a city visitor today.

Homer Handly of Hartington is visiting his mother on South Third street.

Miss Margaret Mills of Lincoln is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John R. Hays.

Miss Alvina Stolle of Portland, Oregon, is visiting relatives and friends here.

E. A. Lundburg and E. M. Kilburn were city visitors yesterday from Wayne.

Miss Lena Demminger of Green Garden precinct is in the city visiting friends.

W. A. Hufsmith, M. L. Kile and G. P. Ickler were city visitors yesterday from Creighton.

The West Side Whist club will meet with Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hays on Thursday evening.

M. J. Kennedy, one of the guards at the state penitentiary, Lincoln, is visiting with his family in South Norfolk.

Wm. Keiwit of Omaha, superintendent of construction on the Winnebago agency, was in the city last night.

The Chas. B. Hanford company, presenting "Private John Allen" at the Auditorium tonight, arrived from Grand Island this morning over the Union Pacific.

Frank Davenport returned last evening from Kansas, where he had been to attend the funeral of Mrs. Davenport's mother. Mrs. Davenport will not be home for a number of days.

Henry A. Mohler, who for some time has held the position of engineer at the Norfolk hospital for the insane, has recently been appointed an engineer in the quartermaster's department at large of the army at Omaha.

Revival services are being held each evening at 7:30 at the Second Congregational church, South Norfolk, and are being conducted by Rev. J. J. Klopp of Stanton and F. V. Mosander of Neligh. A cordial invitation to the meetings is extended.

Norfolk Lodge No. 97, A. O. U. W., is arranging for a ball to be given in Marquardt's hall on the evening of St. Valentine's day, February 14. Bohmert's orchestra has been engaged to furnish music for the occasion and it is expected that the entertainment will prove highly enjoyable to all who will attend.

A considerable sport has been spoiled several times recently in Norfolk by a dog about town whose nature is so warped that he does not understand what the genus homo expects from the genus canis on certain occasions. This morning his dogship was cornered by a couple of the boys—not such young boys either—and with every anticipation of pleasure a can with various rattling attachments was duly and properly affixed to the said dog's caudal appendage. The brute was given an appropriate send-off, but his would-be tormentors were somewhat aggrieved when he calmly curled that tail over his back and trotted away with the air of a knight who had just received a desirable decoration.

The delegation from the Norfolk fire department left today for Seward to attend the annual session of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's association. The delegation occupied a special car, which was decorated with banners and flags, and which was attached to the east-bound train over the F. & M. V. The delegation was composed of the following members of the department: C. E. Hartford, H. A. Pasewalk, R. H. Reynolds, F. Sidler, Henry Klug, Wm. Klug, O. Barr, E. R. Hayes, Herman Gerecke, J. J. Clements and W. P. Trulock. Among those who had contemplated going were Chief H. W. Winter and Otto Zuelow, who remained at home on account of the death of Mrs. Hellerman. The delegation expected to be joined by other delegates from neighboring towns. The delegates anticipate a good time and are not likely to be disappointed if the session held here a year ago is a criterion of what they may expect.

The force at the telephone central office is now about settled after a season of trouble caused in the remodeling of the office. The station is now said to be the best arranged and most convenient of any in the state, outside of Omaha and Lincoln. The operators and switchboard are in a room by themselves and the manager also has a private room. The linemen's room and work shop is in the front end of the

building formerly occupied as an operating room. For the convenience of the public there is a reception room with a public-long-distance telephone booth in connection. The rooms have been nicely papered, the woodwork oiled and everything but the linemen's work shop and managers office were in apple pie order. The manager's room was being papered and the linemen's room has not yet been put in order but will be soon. A line is being built to the home of George Williams southwest of the city and it is possible that other farmers out in that direction will have telephones placed.

## Liquid Air.

Charles E. Tripler, the famous experimenter in liquid air, recently went to Boston to visit his friend, Elihu Thompson, the electric expert. He took with him a can of liquified air. It was a quart can of the coldest thing on earth that Mr. Tripler had in this can, and he took it with him to luncheon, where he put it on the floor by his chair.

They dined in a hotel cafe and ordered a steak. After it had been brought in and while the waiter's back was turned, Mr. Tripler lifted it from the platter, opened the can and exposed the meat to the liquid air. When he put it back on the platter it was hard as a rock.

"Waiter," called Mr. Tripler, "come here." The waiter obeyed.  
"What's the matter with this steak?" he asked, anxiously.

And he lifted it from the plate by two fingers and struck it with his knife. The frozen meat rang like a bell.

"I d-d-on't k-n-now, sir, he faltered, and he started for the head waiter on the run.

Mr. Tripler, by the way, is one of the fiercest-looking men in the inventing business. His mustache is of the pirate cut, and his eyebrows bristle and meet in the middle. Therefore the head waiter approached him with almost timidity.

"Do you serve your steaks like this as a rule?" asked Mr. Tripler, as he struck the time of day on it.

"It's that fool chaf," exclaimed the waiter as he started for the kitchen.

A few minutes later the chef appeared with the head waiter. He recognized the steak by sight at once. Then Mr. Tripler took it up and rang it again.

"Mercy! Gracious!" ejaculated the chef, piously crossing himself. "I didn't do it, sure!"

Then Mr. Tripler laughed and Mr. Thompson smiled. A new steak was ordered and the frozen one carried below to fool the rest of the kitchen.

## BEGA.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, a boy.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harris.

Andrew Lundquist went to Pierce on business Monday.

Mrs. Lundquist and daughter attended church in Hoskins Sunday.

Andrew Olson and Bernard Aspline went to Wayne Friday on business.

Rev. Butler preached a very able sermon Sunday. He also gave a talk to the Sunday school.

John Hepfinger and August Linneburg went to Wausa, Saturday, and returned Sunday.

Two of the young men of Bega expect to go to Wayne next Monday to take a course in the normal college.

A number of Bega young people attended the entertainment given in the district north of Bega, Friday evening.

## WARNERVILLE.

Charlie Gibbs trapped a prairie wolf last week.

"Gramp" Powell is laid up with rheumatism.

J. R. Davis returned Saturday from a visit at Bethany, Mo.

J. G. Cuplin has been sick for two weeks past but is reported better.

Mr. Phillips of Staplehurst, Neb., is visiting his brothers-in-law, W. P. and Nata Rowlett.

Mrs. Guyer of Dakota City, who formerly lived here, is visiting old time friends in this vicinity.

Henry Hamann sold his personal property at public sale Tuesday and will remove with his family to Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Davis returned to their home near Bridgewater, Iowa, Monday, after an extended visit with Alex Snyder.

Hammond, Louisiana. An Ideal Health and Winter Resort.

The passenger department of the Illinois Central Railroad company has just issued a new edition of "Hammond, Louisiana, as a Winter Resort," a beautiful illustrated folder showing a few of the winter attractions in and about Hammond, copies of which will be mailed free, on application to the undersigned.

For those in good or moderate circumstance, no point in the south offers such inducements. The climate is unsurpassed. The artesian water excellent. Society almost entirely northern, and the hotel and boarding house accommodations far superior to any town of its size in the north, and at moderate rates.

J. F. MERRY,  
Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt., Ill. Cent. R. R.  
Dubuque, Iowa.

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MAPES & HAZEN.

## WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

Chas. Beirsdorf is on the sick list.

C. W. Mihills is said to be very sick.

H. E. Owen came in from Cheyenne last night.

Mrs. Short was a city visitor yesterday from Pierce.

Mrs. Bohannon and son of Madison are guests at the home of A. E. Campbell.

H. L. Spaulding made a business trip to Wakefield yesterday, returning this morning.

A. J. Durland went to Iman this morning on a business trip, to be gone until Friday.

Mrs. Laura Durland has returned from a visit with relatives and friends in Plainview.

Miss Louise Mathewson of Wakefield has been the guest of friends in the city for a few days.

L. F. Zuelow, a brother of the late Mrs. Hellerman, from Winona, Minn., has arrived to attend the funeral.

J. G. Mines of Wayne was in the city yesterday, enroute to Seward to attend the state firemen's association.

Mrs. Adelheid Koschmann of Freeport, Minn., arrived today to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. August Hellerman.

Mrs. A. J. Durland and daughter, Jane, go to Madison tomorrow to visit with Mrs. T. F. Memminger for a few days.

Mrs. Fred Klenz, sr., who has been nursing patients at Plainview and Creighton for the past two weeks, returned Monday.

A number of the friends of Mrs. Ferdinand Schnizel assisted her in celebrating her birthday last evening at her home in Edgewater Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yeazel of Madison were visiting Norfolk friends yesterday. Mr. Yeazel was formerly employed as clerk in Baum Bros.' store.

Manager Spear announces that the date for a lecture and experiments with liquid air, which was to have been given at the Auditorium Monday night, has been cancelled.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. V. Bransch of Tilden are in the city visiting relatives and friends. Mr. Braasch has but recently recovered from a distressing illness and is still quite weak.

Norfolk friends have received a letter from Dr. G. F. Keiper, now at Lincoln, containing the undesirable information that Mrs. Keiper is very sick with inflammatory rheumatism. Her illness started with an attack of the grippe.

CHOCOLATE FIENDS.

There Are Those Who Become Slaves to This Nerve Soothing Food.

"The manufacture of chocolate," said J. R. Anso of Brazil, "is a great industry."

Of all the chocolate beans imported into the United States two-thirds go to one firm in Boston, and the other third is distributed among the other manufacturers. The chocolates sold are of various grades. The Caracas chocolate is supposed to be the best.

"If you take the various grades, technically known as the Caracas, the French, the German and so on, and take a piece of each and place them in a pan of water and allow them to dissolve, any expert will tell you which is the best chocolate. The better grades will leave no sediment. The others will. This is explained by the fact that in the cheaper grades the shell is ground up and used as a 'filler.' The lighter the chocolate the better the grade. The cheaper grades are dark owing to the ground up shell.

"It is a queer thing about chocolate consumption. There are chocolate fiends, just as there are opium fiends, tobacco slaves and liquor slaves. I cannot tell you why it is, but if people begin to eat chocolate the habit grows upon them. I don't think any amount of chocolate hurts any person. Of course the cheaper grades of chocolate have a large percentage of sugar in them, and sugar is to a certain extent injurious, but for the chocolate itself I don't think any one eats enough to hurt him materially. In contradistinction to the exhilaration of alcoholic drinks chocolate seems to be a soother. Persons who are nervous and irritable find it a food that in a way calms and soothes and satisfies them. It is queer, but it is the truth. The consumption of chocolate is increasing enormously in the United States."—New York Tribune.

## Makesshif Wedding Rings.

Curious instances have been cited where makeshift substitutes for the conventional wedding ring have been utilized during the marriage ceremony.

Such instances occurred some time ago in a nearby town, where the ring was missing. Nothing better being available as a substitute, a curtain ring was used, and on still another occasion the ring handle of the church key was utilized. A couple in this state used in such an emergency a ring formed from the outer edge of a coin and which had been carried by some one present as a curiosity.

A gallant best man came to the rescue at a recent wedding, when the ring was not forthcoming at the right time.

He drew from his tie the slender stickpin that had been adorning it, and, bending the wire into ring shape, hand-ed the improvised wedding ring to the distracted groom.

A horseshoe nail bent to the shape of a ring is said to bring a great deal of luck to the owner, and the lead crimping worn six centuries ago has given place to various rings now worn to prevent and cure rheumatism.—Christian Commercial Tribune.

## Free of Charge.

Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at A. K. Leonard's, will be presented with a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup, free of charge.

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## THURSDAY TIDINGS.

H. Wilkinson of Battle Creek was a city visitor yesterday.

The Y. M. C. A. at Chadron expects to erect a permanent home in the near future.

Mrs. August Pofahl is said to be very sick at her home on Park avenue, between Fourth and Fifth street.

Here's a new kind of trust. The young men of Orum have combined and will not accept work that pays less than \$24 per month.

Friends assisted Herman Hille, who lives southeast of the city, in celebrating his birthday last night. Quite a large number of people from town were present at the party.

C. F. W. Marquardt returned from his trip to Chicago on the noon train. His visit was shortened by a telegram announcing that Gus was sick, and unable to attend to the business.

The only contagious disease known to exist in Norfolk is a case of scarlet fever at the home of Gus Heckman. The house was quarantined this morning, by which method it is proposed to keep the disease from spreading.

An unsuccessful attempt was made last Friday night to rob the Exchange bank at Ogallala. The robbers entered by digging under the walls and sawing through the floor. They ransacked the vault but could not get into the cash box.

Sheriff W. A. Waddington and wife of Beatrice were in the city over night, having brought a patient from Gage county to the Norfolk hospital. While here Mr. and Mrs. Waddington visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Moore, who are old-time friends.

The revival meetings at the Baptist church the balance of the week and during next week will be of a special nature. During that time the story of the "Pilgrims Progress" will be followed and the service each evening will be illustrated by stereopticon views. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The next attraction billed for the Auditorium is Frank Keenan in the "Poor Relation" on February 6th. Norfolk theatre-goers have pleasing recollection of Mr. Keenan's appearance here last season and it will probably not be difficult to fill the Auditorium. It is announced that next year Mr. Keenan will appear in the "Hon. John Grigsby" and he hopes to make a date in Norfolk for that attraction.

Mrs. George Gauger of Fremont will lose an arm and perhaps her life as the result of being run into by the passenger train west bound Wednesday morning.

The engineer of the train was E. F. Wood and conductor, S. O. Goodman. Mrs. Gauger is about 25 years old and being in feeble health had been accustomed to take a morning walk. The engineer states that he saw her on the track near her home at Fremont and whistled a warning and that she apparently stepped aside. Her left arm was crushed to a pulp and it is believed that she fell with her arm under the wheels. She was unconscious for a long time after the accident.

Joseph Koza of Stanton was arrested at Clarkson last Sunday on the