

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

R. H. Harris of Lynch was a Norfolk visitor yesterday.

J. W. Mixer, aged 82 years, died at Plainview and was buried yesterday.

Mrs. Warner and Mrs. Both of Warnerville were Norfolk visitors yesterday.

James Webb of Creighton was in the city yesterday enroute home from Omaha.

Mrs. C. S. McCaslin is dangerously sick at her home in the southwest part of the city.

Benlah chapter No. 40, O. E. S., will meet in special session tomorrow evening for practice.

The Ladies society of the First Congregational church will meet with Mrs. A. H. Klesau tomorrow afternoon at 2:30.

Homer Tannehill, who has been attending the school of agriculture of the state university at Lincoln returned Monday and is suffering from an attack of measles.

Judges R. E. Evans and E. W. Warner of Dakota City were in the city today. The first named is grand master of the A. F. and A. M. and talked Masonic business with members of that order.

The personal property of the late N. Hills was sold at administrator's sale at his office Saturday. Owing to the bad weather there was not a large attendance of buyers, but fair prices were realized.

J. P. Wright is able to be about after a five-weeks' siege with rheumatism. He expects to resume his position as foreman of the fence constructing gang for the M. & O. about the first of the month.

The weather has warmed enough to almost encourage the belief that it is getting ready for another period of storm and cold—in fact the weather bureau anticipates such a probability as a feature for tomorrow.

J. L. Richey, formerly of this city, is here from Tilden visiting relatives and acquaintances. He has disposed of his farm property near Tilden and contemplates removing to some portion of the country where there is cheaper land.

Mrs. T. W. Wheaton, who has been sick at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Simpson, expected to return to her home in South Omaha yesterday but was taken much worse and her departure was indefinitely postponed.

It is expected that quite a number of people from Battle Creek, Madison, Neligh and other towns near by will be here to attend the cantata of Ruth to be given by the chorus of the Second Congregational church at the Auditorium Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jenkins and daughter, Gladys, went to Madison today to attend the funeral of the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Brinckmann who died yesterday of pneumonia. The two families have been intimate friends for years.

A March story is told on a young man of Norfolk, who in escorting his best girl home from church Sunday night, was robbed of his hat by the none too gentle caress of the gale then prevailing. To recover his property he was compelled to borrow a lantern, and after considerable effort and vexation of spirit finally located his erratic head piece under the platform of the Creighton depot.

Last evening was another important event in the history of Maccabeesism in Norfolk. The ladies of the Maccabees assembled to disposing of a silk quilt on which 300 numbers had been sold. The lucky number was 78, and strange to relate, it was held by a lady who had been initiated during the afternoon, which is taken as substantial proof that it pays to be a member of the order. A choice supper was served to about 250 guests; it was supposed at the expense of the ladies, but they were surprised later in the evening to have the sir knights announce that they had paid all the bills. The coffee was donated by Roland & Co. The evening was most thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

At the annual meeting of the Prospect Hill Cemetery association held at the office of Sessions & Bell Monday afternoon the reports of the officers were made. The treasurer's report showed the receipts of the year from sale of lots, etc., to be \$649.95 and the expenditures \$598.29. The new year has opened with a cash balance of \$241.83 on hand. The committee on grounds reported that the fence has been rebuilt and placed on the line. The board of trustees was re-elected, as follows: S. S. Cotton, C. B. Durland, Mrs. N. A. Rainbolt, Mrs. Isaac Powers, L. Sessions, W. J. Gow and I. G. Westervelt. L. M. Gaylord was also re-elected secretary.

The Nebraska Telephone company announces a material reduction in rates that will affect all subscribers in their territory. Such a change has been under contemplation for several months but is just announced and the schedule of the entire state has been remodelled. The ground circuit rates are not changed but there is a considerable change in the metallic circuit rate, that will be much appreciated by patrons of that service. The business radius has been extended to cover two miles of territory from the central stations, it having included but one mile heretofore. The independent business line rate, metallic circuit, has

been reduced from \$18 to \$39 per year, and the independent residence rate from \$39 to \$24 a year. The two-party line business rate is now \$33 per year, being reduced from \$42. The two-party line residence rate is now \$21 and was \$33 per year. The four-party line residence rate is now \$18 per year or \$1.50 per month—the same as the grounded circuit rate. It is anticipated that this reduction in rates will bring the company increased business.

Chief of Police Kane entertained a gay sort of individual in the city jail last night who was addicted to the use of powerful narcotics. He was pulled up on the charge of stealing a revolver from one of the laundry employees and expressed a curiosity to know what would happen to him this morning. He was informed that if 20 minutes was a sufficient time in which to shake the dust of Norfolk from his feet he would be permitted to depart. He gladly availed himself of the opportunity, but decided that there was an abundance of time in which to make another effort to brace up his fallen fortunes. He therefore went to the laundry and informed the owner of the revolver that he would tell where the weapon was on payment of 50 cents for his confidence. Whether he received the money or not is not stated but he said that the article in question had been pawned at the restaurant. Meanwhile Chief Kane had been told that he was at the laundry and he proceeded to that place but arrived just in time to see his late guest proceeding toward the Junction at a pace that enabled him to touch only the high places and those very lightly.

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NORTH NEBRASKA TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Program Issued for the Annual Session Here April 2, 3 and 4.

The program for the sixteenth annual meeting of the North Nebraska Teachers' association, which will meet here April 2, 3 and 4, has been issued and gives promise of a very interesting session and a large attendance of teachers of this part of the state. All sessions will be held in the Auditorium and will begin with Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and there will be morning, afternoon and evening meetings up to and including Friday night. Special attention is directed to the provision made by the program committee for lectures and addresses.

On Thursday evening Mrs. Jennie Keyser of Omaha will lecture on the subject, "The Christ Child in Art," to be supplemented with stereopticon views. Mrs. Keyser has traveled extensively in Europe and elsewhere and is a close student of art. She is a lady of pleasant personality and it will well repay all to hear her. William Hawley Smith is to lecture on Friday night. He is well known for a man of extensive school experience and possessing a fund of wit and humor that make his lectures interesting as well as instructive.

Thursday morning Rev. F. H. Sanderson, of Fremont, will address the teachers on the subject, "Men Wanted." Friday forenoon State Supt. Fowler will speak on the practical subject, "Bearing Down on the Essentials." Rev. Geo. E. Taylor who for a number of years was connected with Doane college, Crete, and who is in close sympathy with educational movements, will speak on the subject, "The Boy." These subjects embrace subject matter that is vital and intensely practical and it is hoped that no teacher will fail to hear them.

The indication is that the ordinary accommodations of the city will be taxed to care for the visitors. Already a delegation of 14 from Fullerton has engaged accommodations; Schuyler will be represented by a large delegation and the Columbus delegation will consist of between 40 and 50 people, while other towns will also send large delegations. It is therefore desired that all who can care for one or more teachers will at once notify Superintendent D. C. O'Connor, giving the number they can care for and the prices they will charge. It will be a big week for Norfolk and the citizens will probably not neglect the opportunity to show their appreciation of these visitors who have met here for the past several years.

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FIRE IN MEAT MARKET.

Building and Contents Damaged by Yesterday's Blaze.

From Thursday's Daily:
The meat market of Henry Heberer at the corner of Main and Third streets, was badly scorched by fire late yesterday afternoon. The blaze caught in the back room from the fire under the lard kettle and had gained a considerable headway before the department arrived on the scene. It first took effect on the office partition and the flames followed this up to the ceiling which was badly charred in places. It also communicated with wrapping paper and other inflammable material stored in the back room and accomplished considerable damage both to stock and building.

The fire department responded quickly and soon had several streams of water ready to pour on the fire but one was found to be quite sufficient to settle the real trouble. Another was turned into an upstairs room which probably prevented the fire from burning through the ceiling. The hook and ladder company was on hand early and had the near vicinity of the building well policed in short order and were ready to carve a way to the fire on an instant's notice. The floor of the building was flooded to a depth of a couple of inches, and considerable damage was done to the contents of the building by water. It is estimated that Mr. Heberer's loss by reason of the fire will be at least \$300 while the damage to the building will probably exceed that sum. The building is the property of A. C. Taylor of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, an uncle of C. S. Hayes. Both the building and stock were protected by insurance.

A large crowd of people was attracted by the excitement, but they preserved very good order and interfered little with the operations of the firemen. An amusing incident was the struggle of one of the nozzlemen who permitted his hose to get out of control. It writhed around like a gigantic serpent and liberally sprinkled about all the people in the near neighborhood before it was "captured" and placed under control. The crowd was quite effectually scattered by its action.

THURSDAY TIDINGS.

Dr. A. Wies was a visitor from Madison yesterday.

Charles Hardinger of Pierce had business in Norfolk.

C. H. Folsom was a city visitor from Plainview yesterday.

George A. Brooks was in the city yesterday from Battle Creek.

Miss Nelda Hans was a city visitor from Battle Creek yesterday.

Geo. O. Ludweg of Schuyler had business in Norfolk yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Saltz of Meadow Grove were in the metropolis yesterday.

Bernard Whitner of Stanton was a visitor to this metropolis yesterday.

A. J. Durland and E. H. Tracy were business visitors to Pierce yesterday.

J. T. Hill and D. A. Johnson of Rippey, Iowa, are here in search of desirable land.

The Palace Meat market is receiving a fresh covering of paint and paper inside.

Miss Ella Barrett returned last evening from Omaha, where she has been visiting friends.

The Kauffman confectionery and bakery is being handsomely repainted and decorated.

There is said to be very good duck hunting in this territory, and some of the local nimrods have had considerable success in bagging the coy fowl.

A farmer near Wahoo attempted suicide by shooting Sunday, but his skull was so thick that the bullet flattened against the bone and he will recover.

S. M. Rosenthal of the Bee Hive store expects to put in a stock of groceries as soon as the back end of his store is cleaned out, and the work of making such a clearing is now under way.

Roy Read is home on a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Read. He is at present connected with the sugar factory at Saginaw, Mich., in the capacity of assistant superintendent, which position he held through the past campaign.

At Hastings, Carrie Nation, forgetting that she was not in Kansas, varied her program by throwing chunks of ice at pictures on the wall of one of the saloons and if the officers had not opportunely interfered there would have been serious trouble.

Stanton Pickett: D. A. Belcher has secured a position as assistant general agent with the D. M. Osbourn Machine Company and will go on the road this summer. His headquarters will be at Norfolk, where he moved his family.

The Gordon Journal is authority for the statement that a merchant of that town says, "female loafers are a greater nuisance than men loafers. The latter have sense enough to not come in and bother the merchant when he is busy, while the former are always pretending to want to buy something."

Mrs. Carl Schmiedeburg died at her home in this city yesterday afternoon after an extended illness from Bright's disease and the funeral will be held from Christ Lutheran church tomorrow afternoon. Besides a husband, the deceased leaves a family of four children,

the youngest being a baby six weeks old.

Martin Quinn, a farmer near Ainsworth, was in the act of firing a rifle ball into his head when discovered by his wife, and in the scuffle that ensued the bullet was sent through the would-be suicide's foot instead of his head. It is to be hoped that he will take the wound produced as the proper sort of punishment for making a cowardly attempt to take his own life.

At a meeting of members of the First Congregational church last night it was unanimously voted to accept the offer of the Parker residence at the corner of Eleventh street and Koenigstein avenue for a parsonage for a consideration of \$2,600. The property is at present occupied by the family of the pastor, Rev. W. J. Turner and their removal will not thus be necessitated.

The regular meeting of the Norfolk Commercial club will be held at the city hall tomorrow night, when it is expected that the gentlemen interested in establishing a canning factory here will be present to discuss that proposition. There are many other matters to come before the club and there should be a large attendance of members and all progressive citizens interested in the development of Norfolk.

Newman Grove Herald: They don't all stay in Canada. One man from near St. Edward got the Canada fever, packed up his household goods and idols and hid himself to the north country. He has returned to St. Edward, having spent \$1000 for the experience, and is now living on the same farm he left a few months ago. Ask P. B. McCall about it. He is the man who made the flying try to the Canadian line and returned, satisfied that Nebraska is good enough for a white man to live in.

P. J. Stafford and M. J. Stafford have received notification of the death of their brother, Wm. F. Stafford, which occurred at his home in Marquette, Mich., yesterday, and left on the noon train for that place to attend the funeral, Mrs. M. J. Stafford accompanying them. The deceased is well known here, having been road master for the F. E. & M. V. about 11 years ago, when he made this city his home. The many friends of the family in Norfolk will sincerely sympathize with the wife and brothers in their affliction.

Grand Master Workman Jacob Jaskalek was in the city over night from South Omaha enroute to Madison and from there to Grand Island where he will attend the monthly meeting of the grand lodge finance committee. Mr. Jaskalek, during the past three months has ably generalised his forces in a contest for new members with the jurisdiction of New York in which Nebraska came out with flying colors, but the full returns have not yet been received. He made a pleasant call at this office where the official organ is issued.

The Washington correspondent of the Bee says in this morning's issue: "The subcommittee of the house committee on public buildings and grounds are daily laboring over the plans for various public buildings which are to be provided for in the omnibus public building bill. Although nothing definite has been decided in regard to the provisions for Nebraska it seems safe to predict that Norfolk and Hastings will be taken care of, both of these cities having been provided by the last congress with sites upon which to erect federal buildings. Norfolk has asked for \$75,000, and in all probability will get that amount, Congressman Robinson having been especially active to secure this sum. Hastings has asked for \$120,000, but this will probably be cut to \$100,000 which the treasury department believes sufficient to secure a fine structure to meet the needs of the town."

The ladies of the Woman's club were guests of the Wednesday club yesterday at a Mexican afternoon given at the home of Mrs. W. H. Johnson, 1228 Koenigstein avenue, and the congratulatory expressions from the guests were indication that they had been delightfully entertained. An appreciated feature was an exhibit of Mexican needle work, curios, pictures, and other articles associated with the history and people of the tropical American republic. Among the exhibits deserving of particular mention was a beautiful piece of feather work, the property of Mrs. Frank Salter; a beautiful sample of silk embroidery owned by Mrs. O. J. Johnson, and the club is especially thankful to Mrs. Frank Campbell of Omaha for a collection of photographs of Mexican scenes, to Walter Baker & Co. of Dorchester, Mass., for chocolate exhibits illustrative of the manufacture of the raw material into the finished article of commerce, and to Mrs. Sadie Hart Miller for the loan of her collection of Mexican curios. An attractive program, presenting Mexican songs, papers and discussions on Mexican topics, and other appropriate entertainment was given. Decorations were of the national colors of the republic of Mexico and of flowers. The refreshments were of delicious chocolate, Mexican panchoe, olives, cheese and wafers, and the afternoon as a whole was a delightful event in the club history of Norfolk, the officers and members of the Wednesday club being warmly praised for its success.

The Ladies' guild of Trinity church will have a linen sale soon after Easter. Dinner and supper served the same day. Time and place will be published later.

CANTATA OF RUTH.

Personations, Cast and Review of Tomorrow Night's Entertainment.

The cantata of Ruth, which is to be presented at the Auditorium tomorrow night by the chorus of the Second Congregational church under the personal directions of R. V. Franklin Baker, is thus reviewed:

A severe famine prevails in Bethlehem-Judah. A messenger brings the tidings of plenty in Moab, and beseeches the people to cry to Jehovah for help in their trouble. Elimelech and his family, Naomi and two sons, flee to Moab. The two sons there marry Ruth and Orpah. During a period of ten years the three, Naomi, Ruth and Orpah, are left in widowhood. They bemoan their affliction, and Naomi resolves to return to her home, where plenty is now restored. Orpah is persuaded to go to her own people, but Ruth "claves unto her mother-in-law," and returns with her to Bethlehem. The inhabitants greet them with surprise, when Naomi tells of her sorrow. Ruth soon goes to the barley fields to glean. Boaz, a man of wealth and power, finds her in his fields gleaning and becomes enamored of her. At nightfall she falls asleep among the sheaves, and Boaz sings to her a slumber song. The next day an Israelitish woman prophesies better things for her, and she waits to see the result. According to the Oriental custom the property is redeemed and soon after Boaz and Ruth are married. Boaz celebrates by "making merry," and the scene closes with praise to God for His mercies.

PERSONATIONS.
Naomi, (Soprano)..... Mrs. S. Imlay Ruth, (Contralto)..... Miss Nell Dingman Boaz, (Basso)..... Mr. J. C. Wilson First Reaper, (Tenor)..... Mr. Bert Buehner Orpah, (Soprano)..... Miss Carrie Roland Israelitish Woman, (Mezzo Soprano)..... Miss Nye Wise Jewish Maiden, (Mezzo Soprano)..... Miss Maud Russel Messenger, (Baritone)..... Mr. Preston Ogden The Virgins.
Semi-Chorus of Reapers.
Semi-Chorus of Binders.
Semi-Chorus of Gleaners.
Fall Chorus of Israelites.

CAST.
Musician, Miss Lucy Schaeffer.
Ladies: Mrs. Imlay, Mrs. Curas, Mrs. Wheelock, Mrs. Spellman, Mrs. Scott Askins, Nell Dingman, Carrie Roland, Evelyn Roland, Angie Wilkinson, Opal Wilkinson, Effie Ball, Josephine Anderson, Mrs. Lou Wilkinson, Francis Viole, Edith Viole, Ada Ogden, Clara Beach, Lulu Eddenfield, Vina Steffen, Lu Livingston, Nora Burnett, Elsie Case, Bessie Williams, Nye Wise.
Gentlemen: J. C. Wilson, Bert Buehner, Preston Ogden, Homer Williams, George Swartz, "Bug" Burnett, Allen Wilkinson, Will Platt, Guy Livingston, Matt Schaeffer, Victor Merha, John Williams, Ray Hyde, Earl Fairbanks, Frank Perry, John Dingman, Leon Case, Chas. Miller, Perry Dingman, Criss Anderson.

WARNERVILLE.
W. H. Boyd is shipping baled hay to Omaha.
Born, Sunday, March 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Rowlett, a daughter.
J. L. Davis is building an addition to his farm house southeast of town.
Nate Rowlett has moved onto the farm he bought some time ago of S. O. Campbell.
Mrs. Moore of Pierce was the guest of her brother, O. D. Manson, the first of the week.
Will Evans and John Tannehill, have returned from Lincoln where they attended school the past winter.
Miss Olive Munson returned Monday evening from a two-months' visit with her brother, at Randolph, Iowa.
The Union Pacific gang of carpenters are making much needed repairs this week on the depot and stock yards.
Miss Delia Alderson closed her school in district No. 75 last Friday and returned to her home near Humphrey.
The dance given Monday evening by the Modern Woodmen was well attended, quite a number being present from Madison, Norfolk and Battle Creek.

Land Marks
Made famous by the early traders, explorers, pioneers, Mormons, emigrants, pony express riders, overland stage coaches, Indian encounters, etc., are seen from the car windows of the Union Pacific trains. Be sure your ticket reads via this route.
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Winter Strawberries.
Mrs. Esther Reckard, who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Davenport, at 109 North Ninth street, is active in spite of the fact that she is 81 years of age and seriously crippled with rheumatism. She is adept at needle work and has been employing her spare time this

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winter in making pin cushions which are made to represent strawberries. Mrs. Reckard has originated this poetical description of her work:
Here I am, plump and fine,
Did not grow on bush or vine,
But got my growth a stitch at a time.
I am pretty, neat and handy
To hang on your dresser—yet the dandy
To stick your pins in over night.
So they will not get out of sight.
Don't spend your time in hunting around,
For in the cushion they will be found.
My story would not be complete
If I should say it was good to eat,
So I will tell you, honest and fair,
This pretty strawberry is filled with hair.
How vain are all things here below
How false and yet how fair,
Just like this winter strawberry filled with hair.

HOW THE CHINESE GET RAIN

Some Peculiar Practices in Vogue in the Celestial Kingdom.
It is one of the peculiarities of the Chinese that, while they have developed elaborate philosophies, none of them has led to any confidence in the uniformity of nature. Neither the people nor their rulers have any fixed opinion as to the cause of rainfall. The plan in some provinces when the need of rain is felt is to borrow a god from a neighboring district and petition him for the desired result. If his answer is satisfactory, he is returned to his home with every mark of honor; otherwise he may be put out in the sun as a hint to wake up and do his duty. A bunch of willow is usually thrust into his hand, as willow is sensitive to moisture.

Another plan in extensive use is the building of special temples in which are wells containing several iron tables. When there is a scarcity of rain, a messenger starts out with a tablet marked with the date of the journey and the name of the district making the petition. Arriving at another city, he pays a sum of money and is allowed to draw another tablet from the well, throwing in his own by way of exchange. On the return journey he is supposed to eat only bran and travel at top speed day and night. Sometimes he passes through districts as greatly in need of rain as his own. Then the people in these places waylay him and, temporarily borrowing his tablet, get the rain intended for another place.

Prayers are usually made in the fifth and sixth months, when the rainfall is always due, and a limit of ten days is set for their effective operation. Under such conditions rain usually falls during the prescribed time. When the prayers are in progress, the umbrella, among other objects, comes under the ban. In some provinces foreigners have been mobbed for carrying this harmless article at that time.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

All Paper.
Hester—The theater is a world of enchantment. Nothing is what it seems to be.

Edith—That's so. Fred and I were at the theater 'other night, and Fred, after looking about the house, said it was all paper, and it looked like woodwork and fresco painting.—Boston Transcript.

Wrong Was Right.
Biggs—You say Brown is enjoying very poor health. Don't you know that is incorrect?

Boggs—Not in this case. Brown is never happy unless he has something to complain about.—New York Telegram.

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