

THE FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

University Advertiser List of Subjects and Speakers.

TO BE HELD MARCH 6 AND 7

Dr. Avery Will Tell of Soil Poison in Cattle and How to Maintain Land Fertility—Prof. Lyon Will Talk Regarding Seed Corn.

[From Saturday's Daily.] Bills have been issued announcing the program for the Farmers' Institute which is to be held in this city Friday and Saturday, March 6 and 7, under the auspices of the state university and the local organization, and are free to all. There will be an afternoon and evening session on Friday, and morning, afternoon and evening sessions Saturday.

The university management has prepared the following program of speakers and subjects, which may be supplemented by other numbers on the part of the local committee:

- "Sorghum Poison in Cattle—Maintaining Fertility of the Land," Dr. Samuel Avery, State University.
- "Care and Management of Poultry," C. M. Llewellyn of Brownville.
- "Economic Pork Production—Growing and Managing Alfalfa Meadows," O. Hull of Alma.
- "Utilizing the Corn Crop—Farm Dairying," L. D. Stilson of York.
- "Breeding and Selection of Seed Corn," Prof. T. L. Lyon of Lincoln.

Practical farmers will recognize in these subjects interesting and valuable information which any of them can well afford to spend the time necessary in acquiring. These institutes are not, as might be supposed, a medium of advertising for the university, which would have little or nothing to gain by such methods. The university is a state institution, supported by the taxes of property owners, and the management is of the opinion that it is but fair that the farmers should realize some practical benefits from the investigations and experiments conducted there. The farmers surrounding Norfolk are fortunate in having these advantages brought to their doors and will no doubt improve the opportunity thoroughly.

PERPETUAL MOTION.

Farmer Near Hoskins Claims to Have Solved the Problem.

[From Saturday's Daily.] A farmer living in the vicinity of Hoskins who comes to Norfolk regularly to have work done for him by one of the machinists states that he is engaged in the laudible undertaking of solving the perpetual motion problem, in fact he asserts that the mystery of creating power through gravitation is now his, and that as soon as his invention is patented he is prepared to startle the world.

He has already succeeded in making a model by the use of which he is enabled to run a hand corn sheller. When he has corn to shell all he has to do is to lift a lever, the machine starts, and shells the corn required, and is shut off by a counter movement of the same lever by which it was started. He is now at work perfecting a model to be sent to the patent office and when this is completed and the patent secured he will be ready to manufacture the new power and place it on the market.

He had another man working with him, but it is alleged that he studied so hard and continuously over the problem that his mind gave indications of breaking down and the partnership was dissolved since which time each has been working to perfect a machine in his own way.

The Hoskins man, it is alleged, is guarding his secret closely, and threatens inquisitive visitors away at the point of a shot gun. Meantime he is pursuing his investigations and is bringing some work to the Norfolk machinist who makes the wheels and other parts of the power mechanism.

ELOPERS OVERHAULED.

Chief Kane Starts Stanton Girl for Home.

[From Monday's Daily.] Marshal Kane yesterday located Miss Olanahan, who eloped from Stanton on Thursday evening with a man named Ryder, and sent her to her home in Stanton. It seems they came to Norfolk and remained over Thursday night at the Junction. The next morning they went to Sioux City, returning here yesterday.

The marshal found the girl at Mrs. Ferguson's boarding house yesterday afternoon, and after he and Mrs. Ferguson had talked to her she consented to go home. In the meantime as soon as he found the girl he telephoned her brother, who is night watch at Stanton, and when he arrived in the city she was ready to go with him. They went to Stanton on the evening train.

The man Ryder, who induced the girl to leave home with him, was not found, but it is supposed he left for the west last night. According to the girl's story, he had agreed to meet her at Pierce today, where they were to be

married. It is possible that he had knowledge of the fact that the girl had been discovered, if he intended to act in good faith, and skipped to save himself trouble. It is more probable, however, that he went west with the intention of deserting the girl.

The girl seemed to be a very nice young lady and it is believed that she was glad to be persuaded to go home. She was 18 years old and the man with whom she eloped is 35.

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FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

Cost and Attractions of the State Event.

WILL ATTRACT 5,000 VISITORS.

Norfolk is Asked to Contribute Less Than Half the Expense—Continuous Day and Night Program for Three Days.

[From Wednesday's Daily.] There are many people in Norfolk who never attend a firemen's tournament and do not realize just what sort of entertainment will be provided nor how the money to be subscribed will be expended. The business men and citizens have been asked to contribute an amount aggregating \$1,200 for the entertainment of the state tournament in Norfolk during the coming summer. The soliciting committee has taken the trouble to estimate the expense, the resources and review the attractions that will be offered in Norfolk providing the required amount is subscribed.

They find that the amount necessary for the expenses of the tournament will be about \$2,950, of which the people of the city are expected to raise less than one-half. The department will make up the balance by its receipts from admissions to the grand stand, through the sale of concessions and from other sources that will be revenue producers. The expenses are estimated as follows: The erection of two grand stands, each 100 feet long and containing eight or nine rows of seats, capable of seating 1,600 people will be \$250.

If the race track north of the city is used, \$75 will be required to put in shape. For music it is planned to expend \$400.

To advertise the tournament throughout the state \$350 will be required. Parse money for the races will require an expenditure of \$1,400.

The erection of a Pomper tower will cost \$300.

For telephone, electric lights, electric bell and trap for starting races \$75.

For incidental expenses, \$125.

The firemen having the receiving and expenditure of money in charge will keep an accurate record of all that is received and expended and will publish a detailed statement after the tournament closes. There are strict laws and rules by the state association governing these tournaments and those having them in charge are required to give a strict accounting of their action to the association.

In the way of entertainment there are limitless attractions and the program of each day will be highly interesting. A large amount of attention will be paid to the racing program and it is proposed to have races in the A and B classes which will give small as well as large companies a chance to compete for the prizes. There are many racing companies in the state and it is expected to secure the attendance of all, as the races are important and exciting.

Among the races will be: Straight away hose and hook and ladder races, free-for-all firemen's races, coupling race, chief's race, state championship hose and hook and ladder races, coupling contest, ladder climbing contest, novelty races, water fight and street exhibitions. Programs for these events will be planned for each day. The forenoon will be devoted to street sports and the afternoons to the large races.

In the evenings there will be band concerts, an exhibition of life saving apparatus and work at the pomper tower which will be of five or six stories in height and may be located on the street. It is expected to have a theatrical attraction at the Auditorium each evening, also a dance.

The railroads will be asked to make a rate of one fare for the round trip to and from Norfolk and will undoubtedly comply, as it is the usual rate for the event.

In view of the fact that about 40,000 people usually attend these tournaments, it is safe to figure on an attendance of no less than 5,000 visitors in Norfolk each day of the tournament, and those who have attended other tournaments and entertainments of like character have no hesitancy in predicting that it will be the most interesting and successful three-day event Norfolk ever offered to the people of the surrounding country.

The soliciting committee will undertake to complete their work Friday and request that those who have not yet signed will be prepared to meet them with their minds already made up so that the committee need not stop to argue the matter with them and coax them to do something that is no more to the benefit of the local fireman than it is any other citizen of the town. The firemen are and will put in much of their time in arranging for the program and carrying out the program and the business men and citizens can certainly afford to do the share asked of them. If Norfolk does not want the event there are several other cities merely waiting for the opportunity to entertain it and the committee expects to refer to them if the citizens of Norfolk do not at once indicate a willingness to subscribe the necessary amount.

Paul Gilmore in the Tyranny of Tears. Paul Gilmore, the clever young society actor will appear here in Haddon Chamber's famous comedy of temperament at the Auditorium on Monday

night. There are few actors better qualified by nature to enact roles requiring the display of the gentler and nobler phases of the human mind and heart. In such manly characters as William Prescott in "Men and Women," the husband in "The Wife," John Van Buren, in "The Charity Ball," and as the dashing hero of "The Masked Ball" and "Under the Red Robe," Paul Gilmore has made a name for himself. The character of Clement Parbury in Haddon Chamber's delightful comedy enables him to appear to the best advantage and the supporting company is an unusually strong one.

AMES FIGHTS EXTRADITION.

Fugitive Mayor Resists on Purely Medical Grounds.

Concord, N. H., Feb. 18.—Preparations practically are completed for a protest today against the granting by the governor and counsel of extradition papers for the removal to Minnesota of former Mayor Ames of Minneapolis, who is wanted in that city for alleged attempted bribery. Dr. Ames will not appear at the hearing, but his counsel, C. J. Hamblett, will present in his stead two physicians, who, it is expected, will state that the removal of Dr. Ames from the house of Rev. C. H. Chapin, in Hancock, will endanger his life. On the other, the sheriff of Hennepin county, Minnesota, will seek to controvert the statement of the two physicians by that of Dr. Conn of this city, who examined Dr. Ames at the request of the Minneapolis officer. Dr. Ames is kept a close prisoner at the Chapin house in Hancock.

DEFENSE WINS A VICTORY.

Judge Rules Out Mrs. Lillie's Testimony Before Coroner's Jury.

David City, Neb., Feb. 18.—The defense in the Lillie murder trial gained its first point yesterday. After arguments of several hours without the jury in the room Judge Good ruled out the testimony of the defendant, Mrs. Lillie, before the coroner's jury held immediately after the murder of Harvey Lillie last October.

Mrs. Lillie did not go on the stand in the preliminary trial. Her evidence before the coroner's jury had been held damaging in that the prosecution was attempting to prove her story untrue. The weakness of her own story was the strongest evidence against her, and with this ruled out the other evidence may not be sufficient to convict.

ST. LOUIS RAIDS CONTINUE.

Folk Closes Offices of Securities Company and Seizes Books.

St. Louis, Feb. 18.—Raids were made yesterday on the offices of the National Securities company and the International Investment company by Circuit Attorney Folk and deputy attorneys, Percy Smith, secretary, and Charles H. Brooks, manager of the National Securities company, were placed under arrest and later were released on bond. At the International Investment company a Mr. Anderson was found in charge. He was subpoenaed as a witness before the grand jury, but during the confusion secured the books and papers of the concern and escaped. The search for E. J. Arnold and L. A. Gill, local manager for Arnold, still continues. The police mailed circulars containing descriptions of the two men to all police departments of the country.

Raid Betting Concerns.

New York, Feb. 18.—Central office detectives raided the offices of C. E. Rand & Co., turf speculators, at 169 Broadway, and arrested the members of the firm. The concern was one of the many advertising infallible schemes for operating books on the racetracks and holding out promise of profits of 2 per cent a week as a bait for investors. Its sphere of operations was principally in the west. After the arrests Captain Langan announced that this was the beginning of a campaign, which he intended to continue until he had driven all similar concerns out of the city.

Orear Gets Ten Years.

Columbia, Mo., Feb. 18.—After being out three days the jury in the case of Allan Orear, who, with five other boys, is charged with the murder of Edward C. Chapman, the station agent at Brown Station, returned a verdict of murder in the second degree and assessed the punishment at ten years in the penitentiary. Orear was the first of the defendants to be tried, the trials of the other five having been continued until March 24.

Missing Mail Pouch Found.

Indianapolis, Feb. 18.—The missing mail pouch containing money, checks and drafts amounting to \$50,000 and which has caused the postoffice department so much concern has been found and is now safely housed in the office of the superintendent of mails here. The missing pouch arrived here yesterday from Cincinnati. How the pouch reached Cincinnati is a question yet to be settled.

Illinois-Missouri Injunction Case.

St. Louis, Feb. 18.—Special Commissioner James H. Bright of Washington began hearing evidence yesterday afternoon in the injunction proceedings brought by the state of Missouri against the state of Illinois and the sanitary drainage canal district of Chicago.

A hopeless man is deserted by himself, and he who deserts himself is soon deserted by his friends.

CIGAR FACTORY BURNED

Fire Destroys Albert Wilde's Tobacco Shop.

A SATURDAY NIGHT BLAZE

Building Stock and Fixtures Seriously Damaged—The Loss Was Well Covered by Insurance—Firemen Worked Against Great Obstacles.

[From Monday's Daily.] The cigar factory and tobacconist shop of Albert Wilde on east Norfolk avenue was destroyed by fire at about 11:30 Saturday night. The loss is undoubtedly a serious one to building, fixtures and stock. There was, however, \$500 insurance on the stock, \$100 on the fixtures and \$400 on the building.

It was some time after the fire bell rang that the sealion whistle joined in the alarm and the first hose company that responded found that its time would be fully occupied in preventing the spread of the flames to structures adjoining, so that it was not until a second company could be got to work that the flames in the tobacco shop could be suppressed.

The firemen worked valiantly, braving the smoke the flames and the water without a thought of personal safety or the clothes they wore. The wind from the north sent the worst of the smoke forward and close to the ground and the firemen were compelled to work against this disadvantage. The night was bitterly cold and when the fire was finally suppressed the men who fought it wore coats of ice, and their efforts to prevent a serious blaze certainly deserve the commendation of every citizen.

The fire apparently started in the space between the ceiling and the roof and was difficult to get at. It was there that the greatest damage was done to the building, but the cinders, heat, smoke and water played havoc with the stock and fixtures. Evidently the flue was defective. The opinion is expressed that the lower part of the chimney may have settled away from the part above the roof and left a crack through which came the sparks that started the blaze.

Mr. Wilde was accustomed to closing his place of business about 9 o'clock and leaving for home. There was no big fire in the stove when he left, but there may have been fuel which burned up later and set the soot in the chimney afire.

During the fire the heat was intense and the show cases and window panes were about all cracked and broken, leaving a fair field for the smoke and water to complete the work of destruction. It is a serious wreck and Mr. Wilde awaits the action of the insurance companies toward adjusting his loss.

The Wilde shop was a favorite resort for a clique of congenial spirits and the loss will be almost as seriously felt by them, no doubt, as it is by Mr. Wilde.

MADISON MAIL SOLD.

Senator Allen's Paper Passes into the Hands of J. B. Donovan.

Madison, Feb. 18.—Special to THE NEWS: The Madison Mail, Senator Allen's newspaper, was today purchased by J. B. Donovan, publisher of the Star. The two papers will hereafter be published as one by Mr. Donovan under the name of the Star-Mail.

The Mail was established a little over a year ago by Senator Allen, and has been one of the ablest newspapers in the northern part of the state, and it enjoyed a good business from the start. Senator Allen retires from the newspaper field for the reason that his law practice is increasing so rapidly that he does not have time to devote to the paper. While the plant and good will of the paper are now in the possession of Mr. Donovan, Senator Allen will issue the Mail this week, containing his valedictory.

This transaction gives Mr. Donovan one of the strongest interior newspaper properties in Nebraska.

Successful Temperance Rally.

In answer to inquiries we will say that the Sunday school rally at the M. E. church last Sunday was a pronounced success. Doing good brings its own reward, still the management would like to thank all who so ably seconded their efforts.

There was a large audience which of itself was an inspiration, considering the weather. An earnest, thoughtful, prayer, followed by Rev. Mr. Whitfield's exposition of the best lesson of the year was well received. Miss Sisson's singing lifted us for the time into another realm. Miss Morrow's flag drill captured the house. She is one of the teachers who is ever ready to lend a helping hand. Miss Glennie Shippee's recitation pleased everybody. The keystone of the arch was Mr. Hazen's address upon the triple pledge. It suggested to some of his hearers that he would be a good man for Norfolk's next mayor, at least he seems the personification of principles which underlie statesmanship.

Next May will be the time for another rally. The following secretaries will each furnish exercises from their respective schools; Mrs. J. L. Beach of the Junction Sunday school; Mrs. Whitfield of the Baptist Sunday school; Miss McNeely of the Methodist Sunday school; Mrs. Sharpless of the Presbyterian Sunday school, and Mrs. McMullan of the Congregational Sunday school. Other Sunday schools of the

city and country are invited to join with us at that time. Additional information can be obtained from Mrs. Alexander of this city.

Saved Store, Ruined Suit.

[From Tuesday's Daily.] What might have been a serious and costly fire at Hartington was prevented by the prompt action of Fireman Gus Lubeley Saturday afternoon. Jos. Bang having put some coal in the stove in his furniture store, went into the basement to do some work and upon returning found the store filled with smoke, and immediately the door was opened the flames shot up from the coal box which had been left too close to the stove. Joe called to Gus, who was across the street, who ran to the hotel and seizing the fire extinguisher, ran to the rescue. He put the fire out but in doing so saturated a corduroy suit he was wearing with the preparation from the fire extinguisher, and it literally dropped off. A few tables and chairs were damaged by the fire.

RAILROAD WANTS OWN BOATS.

Canadian Pacific Railway Will Operate Line Across Atlantic Ocean.

New York, Feb. 18.—Sir William Van Horn, chairman of the executive board of the Canadian Pacific railway, who arrived here yesterday morning from Havana, when asked if it was correct that the Canadian Pacific was negotiating for the North Atlantic fleet of the Elder Dempster line, said: "I have been away from home some time and I do not know whether or not the negotiations have been concluded. I do not know just how far the matter has gone, but we have been negotiating with the line for the purchase of from a dozen to a dozen and a half of their ships for some time. I cannot say just what number we have been figuring on, but it is somewhere between those figures."

"This move of ours is in no way an effort to compete with the Morgan combine for business, to divert any traffic from New York. The Canadian Pacific has plenty of business for a line of its own across the ocean."

CARMEN VOTE TO STRIKE.

Chicago City Railway Employees Reject Arbitration.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Announcement that an overwhelming majority of the Chicago City Railways company's employees have voted for a strike is to be made tonight at a conference of delegates from the unions comprising the allied trades connected with the operation of the street railroad. Pressure was exerted from various sources to bring about arbitration of the difficulty in pursuance of the proposition made by Robert McCullough, general superintendent of the street railway company, but the carmen's unions said that there was no occasion for arbitration. However, under the rules of the organization, the result of the balloting must be submitted to the national executive officers before a strike may be put into effect.

Macedonian Situation.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Feb. 18.—The sobranje, after a long and heated debate, adopted a resolution approving the action of the government in suppressing the Macedonian committees. In addition to suppressing the Macedonian committees, the government has sent a circular to its commercial agents in Macedonia instructing them to discontinue all revolutionary proceedings and to dissuade the population from any action likely to provoke Turkey into the adoption of military measures.

Arid Lands Withdrawn From Entry.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Feb. 18.—The Cheyenne land office yesterday received instructions from the general land office to withdraw from entry, except under the irrigation act, a strip of land in northern Laramie county, varying in width from twelve to thirty miles and extending entirely across the county from east to west. This tract comprises 850,000 acres and will be under the Devil's Gate reservoir, perhaps the first to be constructed under the national irrigation law.

Three Fatally Scalded.

Leadville, Colo., Feb. 18.—Conductor John Summers, Engineer Benjamin Spencer and Switchman W. E. Rogers were caught under an engine that jumped the track and turned over in the Denver and Rio Grande yards yesterday and were fatally scalded by escaping steam. The accident was caused by ice on the rails.

British Steamer Wrecked.

Rio Janeiro, Feb. 18.—The British steamer Bellucia, in command of Captain Horne, is ashore on the rock at Guarapari islands, about three miles south of Victoria. It is probable the vessel will be a total loss. She was bound to New York from Santos and this port.

Subonic Plague on Bark.

Palma, Island of Majorica, Feb. 18.—The Italian bark Iris, from Pensacola, Nov. 18, for Marseilles, has put into the bay of Palma with several of those on board suffering from what is believed to be bubonic plague. Two of the crew died during the voyage.

In the wrestling match at Kittanning, Pa., for the middleweight championship of the world, Fred Barth succeeded in securing two falls on Atherton, the former champion, and is now entitled to wear the championship belt.