

The Norfolk News

If you have a little money, put it in Norfolk property. At a reasonable price it is a safe investment.

Other towns and cities have been growing some, but this is Norfolk's year for growth and it will grow.

The flowers that were supposed to bloom out of doors on Easter rather received the cold shoulder as far as the weather is concerned.

Norfolk is about to enter an era of growth and development that will surprise the people of the state, if not of the entire country. Mark the prediction.

Norfolk city property has appreciated in value to a large extent during the past year, but the real estate dealers are still offering a number of certain bargains that will be taken with advantage by someone.

With every business man and property owner working harmoniously together for the advancement of Norfolk this city will soon begin to show development and improvement that will make a city.

There will be lasting joy in the heart of the winner of THE NEWS voting contest. Besides being evidence of a host of devoted friends the gift will be a matter of pride during the coming years.

It is the experience of a majority of healthy towns that they encounter seasons of repose as well as years of growth and progress. Norfolk has reposed, practically, a few years. Now it is due to grow and it will grow.

The cleaning of front yards, back yards, alleys and streets is the next thing in order to make Norfolk presentable. There was good work along this line last year and it is believed that there will be more and better work this year.

The horse, buggy and harness contest inaugurated by THE NEWS is a free-for-all and if you have a lady acquaintance who would appreciate the gift now is the time to give evidence of your devotion by making it possible for her to drive a horse.

It is to be hoped that Easter weather does not dictate that of the seven succeeding Sundays in the matter of wind and temperature as it is supposed to do in event of rain, because the people will be wearing overcoats on the last day of May if such is the condition and would much prefer to carry umbrellas, instead.

Regardless of the fact that there has been unusual activity in the real estate market in north Nebraska during the late winter and early spring months, there are still a large number of choice bargains on the market and some one is certain to pick them up and make a good thing out of the investment.

If Mr. Bryan aspires to the position of chairman of the democratic national committee, he has fully demonstrated his ability to make claims of victory equal to those promulgated by Chairman Jones, if this is a required qualification for the chairmanship.

The ship combine, in attempting to even matters up for the loss on the railroad merger plan, by an increase of rates, is evidently not aware that attention may be called to that combination and that something may be called up on the part of the government officials that will operate to put the ship combine in the same position as the railroad merger business.

Since the merger decision it is rumored that some of the trust magnates and capitalists have already set the machinery in motion to attempt a modification of the Sherman law by the next session of congress and incidentally to discredit President Roosevelt. The people will expect such a movement and will support their representatives in opposing it.

The report of the United States Steel corporation, showing a profit of \$24,000,000 for the three months ending March 31, is not satisfactory to some of the stockholders and they are planning ways and means for increasing the profits. A corporation that will not yield a fortune to each of the stockholders every week or ten days is not what it should be, evidently, in their estimation.

The railroad magnates appear to believe that there is hope for their merger scheme before the supreme court, although the judges of the circuit court were unanimously of the opinion that the government contention is good. It is probable that in the past the supreme court may have shown an inclination to favor corporations, but there may be a change of sentiment even there that will accord with the administration and the desires of the people.

Another Fremont man has been made to put up an amount required to set him right before the people for beating and abusing his horse. The Fremont officers propose to have humane treatment inculcated if the laws and courts

can operate to that end. Other localities have had sufficient provocation to try the Fremont plan and it may be believed that they will do so if people are not more merciful to their dumb servants.

The democrats will certainly not attempt to prove that the labor troubles taking place in all parts of the world, and of especial moment in the ancient countries in Europe, are chargeable to the republican party of these United States of America. If they should seek to prove such a charge, however, it would scarcely be less to the point than some of the charges made regarding conditions at home.

In a recent issue of the Commoner, Mr. Bryan asserts that the financial question is still an open one, and he further asserts that it will never be settled. He may mean that he expects never to be given an opportunity to effect its adjustment, and if he does not, it must mean that he could not adjust it if he were given a chance. In either event it is futile to further discuss the question, as with no settlement in sight it can not become paramount.

With the increased activity evidenced in railroad movements in this section of Nebraska it is evident that the attention of capitalists has been directed toward eastern Nebraska as a fruitful field for development. With its rich farms and other resources this part of the country is destined to support a much larger population than at present and its products will eventually feed and clothe a considerable portion of the inhabitants of the country.

Norfolk contains a large number of people who feel that they have lost fortunes by not investing in Norfolk property during the early days and holding it for the prices that prevail at present. It is believed, confidently, that while property is not now nearly so cheap as then, it still offers an opportunity for investment that will bring as large returns, and in a few years these same people may still be heard to deplore the opportunity they had for investment before Norfolk commenced to grow, back in the year 1903.

Norfolk, with its state firemen's tournament, is in the field for the early entertainment of those desiring good, attractive amusements. People can afford to enjoy this entertainment and then take in the fairs, festivals, exhibitions and carnivals that come later in the season. The firemen have chosen good dates and it is anticipated that they will have large and joyous crowds in attendance. The dates, July 21, 22 and 23, should be pasted in the hats of all those planning a few days of enjoyment for the season.

Work on the government building is about to commence, and that on the hospital for the insane will be undertaken in the very near future, beyond a doubt. When both are under way and the other public and private improvements are undertaken Norfolk will put on that condition of bustle and enterprise that has been desired for some years, business will improve, although it has been good for several years, and prosperity will reign. Now is the time to prepare to take advantage of conditions that are certain to develop.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson proposes that pupils of Washington shall be given better instruction on agricultural lines and has undertaken to start it right at the source, giving instructions to normal school pupils that they in turn may teach the principles of farming with understanding when they take up school work. It is a practical study and there are few who could not put in operation knowledge of farming and gardening if they possessed it, without being required to learn by experiment, intuition or from what others may have picked up on the subject.

Since the speech of President Roosevelt on the tariff the supporters of the Iowa idea are inclined to permit Senator Allison to write the platform for the coming state convention and favor no mention of a revision of the tariff, but merely a declaration in favor of reciprocity. Iowa is too loyally republican to permit a small difference over the tariff to interfere with its fealty to a republican administration. Iowa is republican above all else politically and it is doubtful if the Iowa idea against the party's well known protective policy could prevail, even if a fight were made for it.

It is believed by some who have casually reviewed the situation that there will be an unusual number of new houses added to the residence portion of Norfolk during this season. Many of them will be the homes of those who will own the property and Norfolk will approach nearer a condition entitling it to be known as a city of homes. Some of them will be finely and substantially constructed and will add much to the appearance of the resident portion of the city. It is a desirable movement and one to be encouraged. In addition to this, many improvements to present properties are contemplated and under way. The plans of all the improvements are not yet fully matured but it is believed that there will be a lively

demand for men and material when they are fully decided on.

A Kansas farmer writes from Canada that there is not such a flattering opportunity in that country as many have imagined, and advises his friends and acquaintances to remain where they are. The prices farmers are compelled to advance for the necessities and luxuries of life is one of the most fruitful sources of complaint. When the Kansas and Nebraska farmer is compelled to advance 45 cents for a gallon of kerosene, \$1 for a similar quantity of vinegar, \$1.65 for self binders and \$90 for a farm wagon, while articles marked "5 cents" on the package sell for twice the sum and everything else in proportion, he is inclined to think that he would prefer the prices that prevail on this side of the line.

The result of the recent city election is indicative of a desire on the part of the people of Norfolk to get out of the rut into which they have fallen. For a number of years Norfolk has been content to rather drift along, take things as they come and make no effort toward the advancement of the city or betterment of conditions. Business interests have been inclined to follow along the beaten track, take what comes and keep all that is possible of it, without making a great amount of effort at advancement or expansion. With the inauguration of the new administration the leading motive appears to have been to favor better walks and more lights, indicating a desire of the people to spruce up a bit, present a better front to the world and reach out after business and growth. With the public and private improvements to be undertaken it should not prove difficult for Norfolk to advance toward its destiny, and that is a growth to at least twice its present size and to become easily the leading city of this section of the state. Everything favors such a destiny. Location in the midst of a fertile farming country and prosperous farmers tilling the soil, railroad facilities and a class of enterprising citizens who need but a little encouragement to put them in motion toward the development of the city and country. Nothing of the boom order is desired. The city is just recovering from the effects of its latest boom, but steady and substantial growth that will add to its permanency and standing. Everything favors a movement in the right direction this spring and it is certain to be realized, to the advantage of those who first see and grasp the opportunities for investment and expansion now offered. A little community of interest, a little energy and enterprise and Norfolk will be able to show a better and firmer step toward advancement this year than ever before.

Norfolk Will Do Its Share. Norfolk seems to be getting about all it needs in the way of appropriations from the public. Now it should do something for itself and equalize matters.—Battle Creek Republican.

Norfolk has done something for itself and will continue to do something toward its own development and the development of Madison county and this entire section of the state. While the national and state governments have given generous appropriations, providing for buildings that will be of value to the city and state, the people of Norfolk have dollars invested here where the state and national governments have cents. It was the enterprise of Norfolk people that resulted in the building of a city here on the plains of Nebraska that so attracted the attention of the state and nation that they considered it a duty to help toward building up the city and north Nebraska. The people here, or many of them, have invested their all in Norfolk with confidence that they will realize certain results. They have no regrets that they have displayed enterprise, nor that they have pinned their faith to Norfolk to the extent of their entire fortunes, because they are certain that the city and country will develop and that they will win out in the long run. Neither are they yet inclined to cease the process of investing, improving and developing, because as the years advanced they are finding that their investments are accumulating value and some day many of the citizens who have taken advantage of the opportunities will be numbered among the wealthy residents of the state. A reminder like the above may serve to more quickly advance the interests of Norfolk and the country and if so will be of benefit. Certain it is that during recent years not as much and rapid advancement has been shown as might be desired, but with the investment made by the state and national governments, it may be relied upon that the people of Norfolk will do equally as much for the city, and more. While the state and nation are to put in a couple of hundred thousand in improvements during the next two years, the record will show, beyond a doubt, that the people of the city will do as much in the way of improvement and investment during the same length of time. It is Norfolk enterprise that has brought the city up to its present state of development and it will be Norfolk enterprise that will advance it in the years that are to come. The state and national appropriations will help, but in the long run the enterprise of the people of Norfolk will be the making of the city.

It is certainly up to someone to remark about the way winter is going in the 1-p of s—g.

It is likely that Hill and the other capitalists hit by that decision would support President Roosevelt if they can —an if the people will permit them to do so.

Norfolk, and the country surrounding, is attracting favorable attention from all portions of the state and nation and it is certain that a large number of people will come here to assist those already here in developing the city and country. They should be given a glad welcome, with assurance that there is a field here for all efforts directed to that end.

With the government and city buildings and Auditorium on Fourth street, there is every indication that as the city develops that street will become one of the business thoroughfares of the town. Norfolk avenue is not likely to be used as a business street west of the tracks, nor east of the river and Fourth street will become a natural and easy outlet as the four blocks on Norfolk avenue become occupied.

No one has yet been heard to express regret that they supported Governor Mickey during the recent campaign. He is proving a very excellent executive thus far and his friends are of the opinion that his present policies will be maintained throughout the term. He has a keen eye toward the interests of the people and can have the office another term, beyond a doubt, if his record continues as good as it started.

Thirty-eight years ago last night, at Ford's theatre in Washington, Abraham Lincoln, then president of the United States was cruelly assassinated by John Wilkes Booth, an actor. It was the seal of hatred for the north by the south, placed because of the four years war of the rebellion, by the people of that generation; but that spirit has long since disappeared and the children of the two sides are meeting on terms of love and peace and gradually searing the old wound. The events of those days are beginning to be recalled more as a matter of history than for the love and hate that they engendered at that time.

It is probable that the capitalists interested in the Northern Securities company have a whip-hand over the market and can cause other stocks and prices to tumble with theirs and they may be able to inaugurate a season of depression and hard times as an indication of what they may do if not permitted to have their own way regarding the formation of combinations and trusts, but the government and the people should finally prove stronger and firmer than they, and conditions should be better and more satisfactory, with more of an equal chance for all. Some of the capitalists and trust magnates occasionally require a lesson such as that given by the administration through the court of appeals, just to indicate that they are not the entire machine and the government and people should benefit in every endeavor to make the country more of a common inheritance.

Hon. N. M. Nelson, our worthy representative in the state legislature succeeded in passing his bill to rebuild the Norfolk hospital for the insane and it is now a law. The bill called for \$150,000, one-half this year and the balance next year. It was finally cut down to \$100,000 but it allowed all to be paid this year. This is the largest single appropriation made during the session and great credit is due Mr. Nelson for his untiring efforts in its behalf. During the entire session he has worked quietly but persistently, never losing his remarkable mental poise, and has made hosts of friends by his fairness and ability. Mr. Nelson has done what we predicted he would do. He has represented this district in the legislature with ability and foresight and returns with a clean record such as marked his career as a business man. This town may well feel proud of her honored citizen.—Plainview Republican.

Anniversary of Jefferson. Washington, April 14.—Hon. W. J. Bryan, Senator Hoar and former Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith were the principal speakers at a dinner given at the Hotel Barton under the auspices of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial association in celebration of the 160th anniversary of the birth of the author of the Declaration of Independence. About 140 guests were present. A feature of the musical program was the rendition of a march by Leader Santelman of the Marine band, entitled "The Thomas Jefferson March." H. B. F. MacFarland, president of the District commissioners, presided and Thomas Nelson Page acted as toastmaster. The dinner was not of a political character.

Young Wasps Fried. Young wasp grubs fried in butter do not at first sight appear to be the most alluring dish in the world, yet they have been pronounced delicious by those hardy experimenters who have tried them. Fed as they are upon the sweetest juices drawn from fruits and flowers, they naturally possess a delicate flavor. Perhaps the best way to prepare them is to bake them in the comb.—London Tablet.

LIGHTNING CALCULATOR DEAD.

William Vallance Finally Gives Away to Strain and Dies in Hospital.

Trenton, N. J., April 14.—William Vallance, the famous lightning calculator, who could do any sum in mathematical calculation mentally, and with but an instant's hesitation, is dead, aged thirty years. About a week ago he was taken to the state hospital suffering from a severe mental strain, believed to be the result of his work with figures.

Vallance could duplicate the feats of any of the lightning calculators and then beat them all by stating instantly any desired date in history. He could not tell how he knew history, but would rattle off fact after fact without ever making a mistake. He could give instant answers to such arithmetic questions as multiply 389,487 by 4,461, and problems in algebra were his delight.

New Iowa-Illinois Line.

Springfield, Ill., April 14.—Articles of incorporation have been filed in the offices of the county recorder of Macoupin and Morgan counties of the Iowa, Illinois and Missouri Railroad company, principal office at Rock Island, capital \$100,000. It is proposed to build the line from Dubuque to Davenport, through Rock Island, Monmouth, Macomb, Rushville and Jacksonville, to St. Louis. A branch road is to be built from a point in McDonough county to a point on the Mississippi river opposite Burlington, another branch from a point in Mercer county to Muscatine and another line from a point in Schuyler county to a point near Keokuk.

MALADY PROVES SURE DEATH.

Bubonic Plague Said to Prevail in Rice County, Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., April 14.—Dr. Charles Lowry, secretary of the state board of health, has gone to Rice county to investigate the report that several railroad laborers are victims of the bubonic plague. A tramp hired to work with a section gang recently spread a disease from which nine men died soon after being stricken. The surrounding territory is in strict quarantine. One physician pronounced the plague black smallpox. Every case has proven fatal.

Wreck on Baltimore and Ohio.

Mansfield, O., April 14.—The east-bound limited on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad was wrecked at Dillon's crossing, a few miles north of this city. The heavy rains had undermined the tracks where there was a culvert. The injured are: Mrs. H. S. Straley and infant child of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Mary Stanley of Baltimore and Frank C. Miller, en route from Emporia to Pittsburg. Mrs. Straley had her ankle broken and was otherwise bruised and Miller was bruised about the body. The coach and Pullman were thrown on their sides. In the day coach were about twenty passengers, some of whom were thrown into the water.

Indiana Again Storm Swept.

Indianapolis, April 14.—Another disastrous storm swept Indiana. At Bloomfield, Greenville Talley was carried away with his horses and buggy on account of the sudden rise of Richland creek. At Washington, four inches of water fell. The lightning did great damage to barns and stock. In Jay county the damage by lightning was heavy, a dozen houses and barns being burned. The Wabash river is out of its banks.

Disturbances at Brest.

Brest, France, April 14.—Serious disturbances attended the congress of Catholic clubs held here. The clerical indulged in a series of manifestations in favor of the religious congregations, which led to street conflicts with the socialists. The socialist workmen organized a counter-demonstration and 3,000 of them paraded in a body through the town, shouting "Down with the priests." In the efforts to disperse the mob, several policemen were hurt and many arrests were made.

Methodists to Consider Merger.

Chicago, April 14.—Methodists throughout the land will have put before them for consideration and discussion tomorrow the plan to merge into corporate institution the two great publishing houses of the church, the Methodist Book concern in New York city and the Western Methodist Book concern of Cincinnati and Chicago. It is calculated that an annual saving of \$10,000 can be effected by combining the corporations.

Loubet is Given Ovation.

Marseilles, April 14.—President Loubet arrived here from Paris, on his way to Algeria, after receiving continuous ovations along the route. The presidential party was met by the civil and military authorities and was escorted to the prefecture, where an official reception was held. A crowd, estimated to have numbered 300,000 persons, packed the thoroughfares and gave the president an enthusiastic greeting.

Fatal Wreck on Burlington.

Galesburg, Ill., April 14.—Three freight engines are piled up in a wreck between Lynn and Ophelm on the Burlington road north of this city as the result of the operator at Lynn falling properly to give a train order. Engineer McGlinsey of Galesburg was killed. Engineer John Norris of Monmouth has not been found and it is thought he is buried in the wreck.

Prince Ching is Honored.

Peking, April 14.—Prince Ching, president of the foreign office, has been appointed grand secretary in succession to the late Yung Lu.

SOFT CORE

Like the running brook, the red blood that flows through the veins has to come from somewhere.

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Hill Expects to Win. New York, April 14.—President James J. Hill of the Northern Securities company said: "We will have our appeal papers ready in a day or two. We expect to win. But even though the United States supreme court should compel the Northern Securities company to give back the stock to the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific companies, the control would still be the same."

To Prevent the Plague. Peking, April 14.—Russians explain their delay in evacuating New Chwang, Manchuria, by the fact that they are organizing an international sanitary commission with a Russian at the head of it, to prevent a recurrence of the outbreak of the bubonic plague.

Pay is on a Silver Basis. Peking, April 14.—The new American indemnity bond stipulates that the payment be in the equivalent of gold dollars at the rate of exchange provided for in the protocol, which, according to the American interpretation of the protocol, makes it practically a silver bond.

Sultan's Brother Put to Rout.

Oran, Algeria, April 14.—A newspaper here reports that the sultan of Morocco's brother, Mulai Arafa, with 200 regular troops of the sultan's army, has taken refuge in Algerian territory from the pursuit of the pretender, Bu Hamara.

General Baldwin Takes Charge.

Denver, April 14.—Brigadier General Frank D. Baldwin took charge of the Department of Colorado, succeeding General Frederick Funston.

STEAMER SINKS SCHOONER.

Two Children of Captain and One Sailor Are Lost.

Galveston, Tex., April 14.—The schooner Margaret L. Ward was rammed and sunk by the Southern Pacific steamer El Rio, twenty-eight miles east of Galveston bar last night. Two children of Captain McKown of the schooner were lost and one seaman of the same vessel.

According to Captain McKown, all his lights were burning brightly and every possible signal made to avert the collision, but the big steamer bore straight down upon the doomed vessel, cutting her in two, and sending her to the bottom immediately.

From accounts of the collision given by Engineer Clark and Chief Mate E. J. Ingalls, it was about thirty seconds from the time of the collision until the Ward sunk.

The captain had his family on board. They were asleep in the cabin. The mate saw the steamer and started to ring the bells. The whole crew turned out; all bells were ringing, the winch whistle was blowing, all hands on deck were shouting for dear life, and both anchorage lights were showing when the El Rio struck the schooner, carrying away her aft gangway and wheel box and cutting into the cabin.

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