

SUDDEN DEATH TAKES TWO

Wives of Two Well Known Bankers Died Last Night.

STANTON AND BATTLE CREEK.

Mrs. William Gerecke Dies Very Suddenly in Omaha, Before Husband Reaches Bedside—Mrs. Richardson of Battle Creek Ill but Four Days.

A message was received in Norfolk Friday night from Omaha, announcing the death of Mrs. William Gerecke of Stanton, who had been in an Omaha hospital during the past two weeks. Mrs. Gerecke formerly lived in Norfolk and has many friends here who were shocked at the news of her death. Mrs. Gerecke was taken to the hospital two weeks ago and seemed to be getting on well. Friday, however, she suffered from a sinking spell and during the evening passed away. Mr. Gerecke at Stanton was informed of the sinking and started for Omaha on a freight train before news of the death came. E. H. Gerecke of Norfolk is a son and he left for Omaha on Saturday morning. Mrs. Lillian Hope, a daughter, was at the bedside of her mother. Dr. Frank Gerecke, a dentist in Minneapolis, is another son. Besides many friends, Mrs. Gerecke had a number of relatives in Norfolk. For a number of years Mr. and Mrs. William Gerecke made their home in Norfolk, but have lived in Stanton during the past ten years where Mr. Gerecke is cashier of the First National bank.

The funeral will be held in Stanton at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

MRS. F. W. RICHARDSON.

Died at Home Near Battle Creek Last Night.

Mrs. F. W. Richardson died last night at her home three miles east of Battle Creek, of spinal meningitis. She had been sick only four days, but so rapid were the ravages of the disease that, although she was attended by physicians from Battle Creek and Norfolk and a specialist from Omaha and everything done than human ingenuity could suggest, their efforts were unavailing and she passed away at 11:30 last night. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon. There will be a short prayer service at the house at 1 o'clock and the funeral service will be held in the M. E. church at Battle Creek at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Mr. Eggleston.

Emily Bartlett was born in Clayton county, Iowa, fifty-two years ago. In September, 1857, she was married to Fred W. Richardson, and two years later they came to Madison county and took as a homestead the land which has since developed into the splendid farm where the family now reside. Their residence on the place has been continuous except during the time that her husband served as county clerk, when his family lived in Madison.

Besides her husband, who is a well known farmer and banker in Madison county, she leaves nine children to mourn her loss: George Richardson of Madison; Mrs. J. W. Palmer of Emerick; Mrs. H. Barnes of Battle Creek; Bertha, Fred W., Jr., Ben, Ruth, Richard, Frank and Margaret. Margaret was nine years old yesterday.

THRASHING MACHINE BURNED.

Fire Near Oakdale Destroys Two Stacks of Grain and a Thrashing Outfit.

Oakdale, Oct. 19.—Special to The News: Sparks from a steam thrashing engine set fire to the straw on a farm three miles south of this place Saturday and burned two stacks of grain for the farmer, besides burning the thrashing machine, which was the property of A. Martin. The machine was one of the latest pattern and the loss to Mr. Martin will be heavy.

MEADOW GROVE PRESS SOLD.

George Recroft, Well Known Young Man, Buys Plant.

Meadow Grove, Neb., Oct. 17.—Special to The News: The Meadow Grove Press has changed hands. It has been sold to George Recroft, formerly a druggist here, who is well known throughout the county and has many friends here. The former owner, W. P. Evans, has not definitely decided upon future plans.

THERE IS STEALING OF GRIPS.

Travelers are Losing Their Satchels Pretty Fast These Days, off the Trains.

"Commercial travelers and other people who are on the road more or less," said John Thorpe, one of the best known hotel men between Norfolk and Omaha, "are just now hanging tightly to their grips every time they get onto a train. There seems to be a gang at work getting every grip they can and travelers by the dozen are reporting losses."

"Last year it was overcoats,

Nearly everyone who came in would have lost his coat on the road or in some hotel. This year it is grips and a man has to watch his satchel pretty closely or it will get off the train before he does."

"That was worked in Wisner last week," said a man from that place. "A couple of crooks for the carnival came up from Omaha and took off a traveler's case. When he reached Norfolk he missed it and had the fellows arrested. They got out of it on the ground of ignorance—claiming they didn't know they were taking any grips but their own."

WISNER CARNIVAL CLOSES.

Good Crowds Attend and the Affair is a Success.

Wisner, Neb., Oct. 19.—Special to The News: The Wisner Kora Carnival closed Saturday night with a big crowd and a good time. A large crowd came up from towns below Wisner and the affair was made a big success.

ARREST HORSE THIEF IN WISNER.

Fellow Who Stole Animal at Columbus Comes into Town and Tries to Sell it.

"The other day a man rode a horse into Wisner," said a man from that town, "and tried to sell the animal to a liveryman. The horse fitted the description of the Columbus horse that was stolen. 'I have a friend who wants to buy such a horse,' said the liveryman, and a half hour later the marshal arrested the stranger. He admitted that he had stolen the Columbus horse and said he did it just because he wanted to get out of town and didn't see any easier way to do it."

NEW WATERWORKS AT EMERSON.

System is in Progress of Construction and a Fire Department Has Been Organized.

Emerson, Neb., Oct. 17.—Special to The News: Emerson will soon be prepared to fight off the fire fiend and prevent the loss of property as far as it is possible for an up-to-date waterworks plant and an energetic and fully equipped fire department to prevent this element from working disaster.

A new waterworks system is now in process of construction and it is hoped to have it ready for service in a short time. The water will be pumped into a standpipe 20 feet in height and will be available from the mains radiating in all directions from the supply tank.

A fire department has been organized and is preparing to use the system effectively when occasion requires as soon as the system is available. At a recent ball \$250 was taken in, which will go toward equipping the department with handsome uniforms and necessary apparatus.

A fire bell has been received and will soon be erected on a fire tower for the purpose of giving the alarms.

Curfew Bell.

Last winter the children were warned of the streets of Emerson at 8 o'clock for a few evenings by the ringing of the school house bell, but there was some objection to the innovation and the ringing of the curfew bell was discontinued. It was resumed about two weeks ago and as soon as the fire bell is elevated to its position on the new fire tower that will be substituted for the school house bell and the ringing continued during the winter.

LYNCH.

F. A. Putnam was down from Butte over Sunday.

H. Van Pelt drove to O'Neill Tuesday on a business trip.

Lynch now has the largest artesian well in the state of Nebraska.

Mrs. Geo. Stacks and baby went to Creighton Tuesday morning to visit her parents.

Joe Ruiss has moved into the new dwelling built by A. Nurenberger in the west part of town.

Mrs. A. M. McFarland and Miss Etta McFarland started Saturday morning for Norfolk and other points down the road for an extended visit with relatives and friends.

The infant daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Walden died Monday evening after a short illness of whooping cough. The little one was only twenty-nine days old. The remains were taken to Randolph Tuesday morning, accompanied by the parents and Mrs. R. H. Harris.

Wanted—Men to travel through farming districts, advertising proposition. All expenses advanced. Use liveries. A. W. Watson, Queen City Hotel.

Store Opens.

The Superior Candy Kitchen, a new store for Norfolk, has now been opened to the public at 322 Norfolk avenue and is starting out well. The Rees building, in which the store is located, has been thoroughly remodeled and renovated. Everything is bright and clean and a first class line of confectionery and stationery is carried.

WISNER LAD UNDER TRAIN.

Alvin Emley, Banker's Son Loses His Leg.

CAUGHT A RIDE ON TRAIN NO. 6.

Was Playing in His Own Yard When the Train Rolled in—Caught on and Rode to the Station—Third Time he Swung Proved Disastrous.

Wisner, Neb., Oct. 19.—Special to The News: Alvin Emley, the 13-year-old son of Banker Emley of this city, fell beneath train No. 6, the eastbound passenger on the Northwestern road, yesterday afternoon and was so badly crushed about the foot that his limb had to be amputated midway between the knee and ankle.

Remarkable Run With a Special.

A special train from Norfolk, carrying the company physician, Dr. P. H. Salter, was made up and ran the distance of thirty miles in just twenty-eight minutes. The engine was driven by Bert Buchner and Conductor Collins had charge.

Caught on For Ride.

Little Alvin Emley merely caught on for a ride as the monstrous passenger train flew by. He was playing in his father's yard as the train came in and slipped up. He made the step and rode to the station. Again as the train pulled out he swung to the platform and hopped off. A third time he made the jump and this time he slipped and fell beneath the wheels.

Crushed Instep.

The little fellow's instep was crushed as the car passed over his foot. He was carried home and is resting there now. The accident occurred at 1:34 o'clock.

GLOVE CONTEST AT PIERCE.

Bert Cody Retires a Norfolk Slugger in Three Rounds.

Pierce, Neb., Oct. 19.—Special to The News: A fair crowd of local sports attended the boxing match between Bert Cody of this place and a Norfolk slugger Saturday night. The fight was interesting, though rather one-sided and the Norfolk man was put out in three rounds by Cody.

WEST POINT MEN ENJOY HUNT.

Party of Nimrods are Having Sport in Cherry County.

West Point, Neb., Oct. 20.—Special to The News: The party of local nimrods who are now hunting in Cherry county, are enjoying their trip to a degree, according to reports received here. They are to be gone with all kinds of bait. Those in the party are Dr. H. S. Summers, City Treasurer Kerow, M. E. Kerl, William Breiting, Henry Ickman and a number of others.

A POSER FOR THE CENSUS MAN.

Where Would be the Birthplace of the Little Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Miller?

Born, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Conley, sr., at 409 South Thirteenth street, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, Mopday, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller reside south of the river, near the Burrell Reed farm. They had been in the city doing some trading and when on their way home they stopped at the Conley place, where a daughter was welcomed before a physician could arrive to supervise the reception. Temporary clothes for the little girl were made in a hurry, and she is as pert as would be expected from one who had arrived in regulation style and with due warning of her advent.

This is the seventh child and the sixth daughter that has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Miller, but Papa Miller was as delighted as a boy with his first pair of long pants.

When the census enumerator makes his rounds in 1910 he will have some difficulty in making his records show correctly in this particular. She was not born at sea, nor at home, but just happened into the world enroute between the city and the farm home where she will eventually be adopted.

The family of two that Mr. Conley threw open his doors to yesterday will leave a family of three. Meanwhile the little family is patiently awaiting for the time to come when they can renew their interrupted journey to their farm home south of the river and the half dozen little sisters who are keeping house are impatiently awaiting the arrival of their latest relative.

IMPROVING TRINITY CHURCH.

Ceiling and Walls Will be Treated With a View to Permanency.

Carpenters commenced the work of repairing the ceiling of the Episcopal church Monday morning, and will endeavor to have the work completed in time for services next Sunday. The plastering has become badly cracked and it is proposed to repair it permanently by ceiling it over with inch lumber, that will be cleated and the whole stained with flat oak. It is considered that it will make a very pretty and permanent church effect

when completed. A new wall covering of burlap has been received, that will be applied before the work is complete. The wall of the body of the church will be green and the chancel in red. The material to be applied is expensive, but of a permanent character that can be renewed as to color, by painting or staining. Since Rev. Mr. Wells has been rector of the parish all repairs have been of a substantial character, and it is calculated that the improvements undertaken this week will make of the church interior one of the finest rooms in the city.

FUNERAL OF MRS. GERECKE.

A Number of Norfolk People Attended the Service at Stanton.

The funeral of Mrs. William Gerecke was held in Stanton at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. The ladies' quartet consisting of Mrs. W. H. Bucholz, Mrs. Utter, Mrs. Green and Mrs. J. S. Mathewson, attended from this city. Among others present were Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Buddick, Dr. and Mrs. A. Bear, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Lukart, Herman Gerecke, Irving Gerecke, Mrs. John R. Hays and Mrs. Asa K. Leonard.

FRANK PERRY PLAYED IN GAME.

Norfolk Boy is Doing Wonders in University Athletics for a First Year Man.

Frank Perry, the giant freshman in the state university who graduated from the Norfolk high school last spring, is doing wonders at Lincoln and has already played on the regular varsity team. In Saturday's game against the Indians he played right tackle throughout the game. It is generally considered extraordinary for a freshman to even play on the "scrub" or second team.

STATE ODD FELLOWS IN LINCOLN

Grand Encampment Meets Today and the Subordinate Grand Lodge Tomorrow.

Lincoln, October 20.—Special to The News: This is Odd Fellows' week in Lincoln, and already the hotels are filled with representatives from the several branches of the order, who are here to attend the meetings. The initial meeting of the grand encampment will be held today and the grand lodge sessions of the subordinate branch will commence tomorrow, as will also the grand convention of the Rebekah lodge, the ladies' auxiliary to the order.

The program for the entertainment of the capital city's guests is elaborate and will be in charge of a local committee headed by R. C. Hazlett. A competitive drill by cantons of the Patriarchs Militant will be a feature, and a grand parade on Wednesday, to be participated in by all branches of the order will attract attention. A prize of \$150 will be given to participants in the parade.

Grand lodge officers, including Grand Secretary I. P. Gage of Fremont, are here looking after the preliminary arrangements for the meetings.

ARREST HORSE THIEVES.

Man and Boy Are Charged With Stealing Six Head of Horses.

Burwell, Neb., Oct. 15.—Will Brewer, a 21-year-old man, and Art Russell, a boy of 17, of Chadron, Nebraska, were arrested at Burwell by F. M. Key, sheriff and city marshal on orders from the sheriff of Cherry county. The charge of stealing six head of horses from Mike Severington is lodged against them.

The prisoners, in charge of the sheriff of Cherry county, and Mike Severington, left overland for Ainsworth, Neb., this morning.

NEW SEWER IS NEARING FINISH

Ditch Stretching South From Fourth Street to Courthouse Will be Connected.

The new sewer from Norfolk avenue to the government building at the corner of Fourth street and Madison avenue, is nearing completion and will be ready to connect within a few more days.

This sewer is made to join the sewer which the government building will construct. It is made by the city of Norfolk, I. M. Macy, Judge Isaac Powers and Colonel S. S. Cotton, all property owners along Fourth street.

The cost to the city, according to instructions from the council, will not exceed \$50. As originally proposed, Mr. Macy was going to build a sewer along his property, with a 4-inch pipe. This is increased to a 6-inch pipe.

Missouri's Official Trial.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 21.—Special to The News: The navy department is awaiting with interest the results of the official trial of the battleship Missouri which takes place today over the New England course. Experts who have inspected the ship express confidence in her ability to more than meet the speed requirement of 18 1/2 knots.

ROBBERS AT FOSTER.

Blew the Safe in O. A. Shram's Store Last Night.

THEY SECURE EIGHTY DOLLARS.

Tools Taken from Blacksmith Shop and Entrance Gained Through Front Door—Thieves Escape in a Wagon and Will be Followed.

Foster, Neb., Oct. 19.—Special to The News: The general merchandise store of O. A. Schram was broken into last night, the safe was blown open and \$80 in cash was secured by the thieves, who made their escape in a wagon, the tracks of which were easily seen this morning and will be followed.

The thieves gained entrance to the building by removing the glass from the front door and turning the night latch, after which they gave attention to the safe, using a strong charge of dynamite. The safe was badly wrecked by the explosion, and the store was badly littered. A cigar and pipe case was wrecked and other damage done.

Mr. Schram, who sleeps in a back room, was aroused by the explosion and frightened the robbers away before they had time to load up with goods from the store, which was evidently their intention as they had a lumber wagon with them, but they succeeded in making their escape with the \$80 cash that the safe contained.

The tools with which the robbery was committed were secured from the blacksmith shop, which was broken into earlier in the evening.

HUBBARD BANK LOOTED.

Safe Was Blown Open With Dynamite Saturday Morning.

Hubbard, Neb., Oct. 17.—Special to The News: During last night robbers dynamited the safe in the Hubbard State bank, securing about \$1,100 in cash. The officers of this bank are D. F. Waters of Jackson, president, and M. Waters, cashier and general manager. The safe was one of the late improved affairs, situated inside a fireproof vault. The burglars first blew open the door of the vault and then attacked the safe with such effect that the door was shattered into kindling wood.

Hubbard is a small town and the houses are close together, but the robbers were unusually crafty in this transaction, taking the precaution to fasten the doors of nearby houses with iron bars to prevent pursuit.

They secured tools to work with by breaking into the blacksmithshop. They also broke into the saloon where they rifled the cash drawer of \$11.00 and helped themselves to four quarts of whiskey.

They left on a hand car, which was found this morning in Sioux City. Officers have been searching for the guilty parties all day but up to 4 o'clock this afternoon no clue to them had been located. It is thought that they must have taken an early train out of Sioux City this morning. President Waters is in Sioux City today superintending the search.

Yeggmen Keep Right at It.

Pleasantdale, Neb., Oct. 20.—Special to The News: Robbers dynamited the State bank of this place last night. They gained entrance to the building and placed a large charge of high explosive in the safe and touched it off. The force of the explosion not only wrecked the safe but the bank building itself, which is now a heap of ruins. The severity of the explosion aroused the people of the town, which the cracksmen knew it would, and they made a quick getaway.

The safe contained \$20,000 in currency, \$3,000 of which was gathered up from among the wreckage after the robbery.

It is impossible to estimate how much money the robbers carried away with them. The explosion was so severe that it is considered that much of the money was destroyed by being blown into bits, and was therefore not available for the robbers, nor can it be recovered by the bankers.

Robbers Visit Dr. Tinley.

Council Bluffs, Oct. 20.—The residence of Dr. M. A. Tinley at 230 Avenue E was broken into yesterday during the absence of the family. The thief secured a number of articles of jewelry and a small sum of money.

The robbery is presumed to have been committed by a man representing himself to be a fruit tree agent, who called about 4 o'clock just as Mrs. Tinley and the members of the family were leaving the house.

When they returned shortly before 5 o'clock they discovered that the house had been broken into and two rooms had been thoroughly ransacked. Entrance to the house had been obtained by the thief through a rear cellar window. The door leading from the cellar to the kitchen had been opened by kicking a panel out. That an adjoining room to the two ransacked and in which was considerable jewelry had not been molested is taken to indicate that the

thief was disturbed before he completed his work.

Among the jewelry taken was a brooch set with pearls, pin with diamond setting, gold ring, opal stud, ring set with opals and diamonds, and gold cuff buttons.

Dr. Tinley, who is major in the Fifty-fifth regiment, Iowa National guard, is at the Fort Riley maneuvers.

Mrs. Tinley was formerly Miss Lucy Williams of Norfolk and her collection of silverware is said to be one of the handsomest in the state.

NEBRASKA BEATS REDSKINS.

Won the Game by Score of 16 to 0, After Jangle in Start.

Lincoln, Oct. 19.—Special to The News: It was the old story between Nebraska and the Haskell Indians. The score was 16 to 0 in favor of Nebraska, with the Indians gritty but demoralized. The game was played before about 3,000 persons. Differences between officials nearly prevented the game at all.

WRECK ON NORTHWESTERN.

Two Stock Trains Get Together in Northwest Nebraska.

Valentine, Neb., Oct. 18.—There was a rear end collision between two sections of a stock train of the Chicago and Northwestern railway at Georgia, about twenty-eight miles west of here, at 4 o'clock this morning resulting in the destruction of the caboose, one empty car and one car loaded with cattle.

The first section was running slow and was struck by the second section. Three cars were knocked from the track. They caught fire and were burned. The cattle were gotten out of one of the cars. Fortunately no one was injured, the engineer and fireman of the second section and the occupants of the caboose jumped from the train before the collision occurred.

DEATH RECORD.

E. C. Brooks.

E. C. Brooks, a man well known in north Nebraska, died at his home in Wayne county Monday morning from peritonitis. Mr. Brooks' death was very similar to that of the late John S. Robinson. He suffered from a ruptured appendix and nothing could save his life. He was sixty-six years of age and had formerly made Norfolk his home. He was at one time conductor on the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha road.

Mr. Brooks was a lover of horses and started many races at county fairs and the like. He was a starter at Madison only this season and at one time started races in Norfolk. He had many friends here. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at Randolph.

Sister of J. D. Sturgeon.

J. D. Sturgeon received a message Sunday evening informing him of the death of his sister, Mrs. Mary J. Hatcher, at her home in Ft. Collins, Col., which had taken place during the morning. The remains will be taken to Brumbeis, Iowa, the former home of the family, for interment, which will take place Wednesday. Mrs. Hatcher visited her brother here during the middle of September, and it was here she first complained of not feeling well. She took to her bed soon after reaching home, and her illness quickly developed into typhoid fever, from which she died. It was at Mrs. Hatcher's home that the late Mrs. Ora Beels visited during her extended stay in Colorado, and the news of her death was received by the Sturgeon family with deep sorrow.

ARE FINISHING NEW BUILDINGS

I. M. Macy Studio Will be Ready for Occupancy This Week—Hardy Coal Office.

The new Macy building on South Fourth street is nearing completion and will be ready for use this week. The skylight was removed from the old studio yesterday and will be immediately set in the new. When finished, this will be one of the handsomest business houses in the city.

Hardy Coal Office.

The new coal office of H. E. Hardy at 117 North Fifth street is being rapidly rushed and Mr. Hardy will be able to move in within a very few days. This will be an excellent location for the business, standing in the center of the town, as it does, and at the same time being very close to the railroad tracks and yards.

STORAGE BATTERIES SHIPPED.

First Lot of Apparatus for the New System Will Arrive Before Many Days.

Before so very long Norfolk will be talking with herself over a magnificent new system of telephone exchange. Manager G. T. Sprecher has just received word that the new storage batteries for the system have been shipped and will be in Norfolk soon. This apparatus will be installed in the second story of the McClary block, corner Third and Main streets, which will be the new Norfolk office.