

# THE NORFOLK WEEKLY NEWS-JOURNAL.

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## WILL NOT PARDON REIMERS

### Plea on Their Behalf Denied by Roosevelt.

#### WILL RESTORE CITIZENSHIP.

#### If Record is Good at End of the Year Father and Son Will Have Full Rights of Citizenship—Millard to Take up Marshalship.

Washington, Dec. 4.—President Roosevelt has refused to pardon the Reimers, father and son, who are now serving a term in the Sioux Falls penitentiary for looting the Neligh bank. Senator Millard and Representative McCarthy called on the president yesterday and presented a plea for the pardon of E. A. and Edward Reimers. Senator Millard did the talking and told the president that by reason of good service the Reimers would be discharged March 20. The president said he objected to pardoning persons from the penitentiary. He could see his way clear to extending executive clemency to the Reimers. If the reports of good conduct were justified he would by executive order restore them to citizenship at the end of the year.

Senator Millard is in receipt of a letter from Senator Dietrich, in which the latter calls off all agreements as to patronage. Senator Dietrich announcing in the letter that he is favorable to the renomination of Marshal Mathews. Senator Millard in reply said last night that there was nothing to call off between Senator Dietrich and himself. He said that Mr. Mathews was a very efficient officer and was very acceptable to himself. "I have not thought particularly about the marshalship," said Senator Millard. "That matter I will take up when I get home."

## ROOF TRUSSES BEING RAISED

### First Step Toward the Roofing of the United States Court House is Now Being Taken.

[From Friday's Daily.] Progress on the United States court house has reached the roof, and if the weather is at all favorable the building will be under cover within a few weeks. The great trusses that will support the roof are now being raised and several of them are in place on the west end of the building where the cornice work has been completed. The work of finishing the cornice on the east end is progressing and will be completed in a few days if the weather does not interfere to prevent.

With the roof on and the building covered it will be an easy matter to shut out the weather and the work of completing the interior can be carried forward in spite of the rigors of the elements. Already the work of putting in the joists that will support the floor is well under way and being carried forward with that on the outside of the building.

Superintendent Williams has just received word that his company has secured the contract for the erection of a waterworks plant at Helena, Mont., the contract price being \$579,000. Owing to the severity of the weather in that part of the country it is not expected the work of construction will begin before next spring. The company is just completing a government building there at a cost of \$275,000.

## LOSES NINE HEAD OF CATTLE

### H. M. Springer of the St. Clair Valley Loses Stock in Mysterious Manner—Was in Hailed District.

C. J. Hibben of South Norfolk has received a letter from H. M. Springer, a prominent farmer of the St. Clair valley in Antelope county southwest of Tilden in which Mr. Springer recounts a further calamity. He is in the district that had been half-swept early in the summer, ruining his crops and now comes the loss of nine head of cattle from some mysterious disease, possibly corn-stalk poisoning. One of the animals was a handsome thoroughbred heifer that had been purchased at the Daniel Kerr sale of fancy stock recently held in Norfolk. Mr. Springer notified the state veterinarian of his loss, but he was unable to come up and sent Dr. C. A. McKim of this city to look after the matter. Dr. McKim was puzzled, but took a stomach from one of the animals which will be sent to the state veterinarian for analysis. The cattle died after a sickness of thirty-six hours, and coming on top of the severe hail storm is a hard loss for Mr. Springer.

## FUNERAL OF WM. PADDOCK.

### Young Man Who Was Killed by His Father, Buried Tomorrow.

Mrs. John Ballantyne left yesterday for Tekamah where she will tomorrow attend the funeral of her brother, William Paddock, who was shot by his father on Thanksgiving day. The remains have been held this long in order to enable several

relatives to arrive for the service. Mrs. Paddock, the mother, is prostrate with grief over the terrible tragedy and has not yet seen either the lifeless form of her boy or the father whose momentary passion is to blame. Mrs. Paddock is a niece of J. Gould and William Paddock corresponded regularly with his cousin, Helen Gould, during his lifetime.

## SHOULD REMEMBER THE POSTMEN

### Christmas is a Good Time to Show Appreciation to Him for His Services.

West Point, Neb., Dec. 8.—John Westrel and Miss Mary Herzinger were married by Judge Kralke at his office in this city Wednesday. Immediately afterward the ceremony which united the lives of George Konopik and Miss Bertha Herzinger was performed by Judge Kralke. All the young people reside near Boomer.

## FOR A FREIGHT RATE HERE

### Local Wholesale Man Talks From His Own Experience.

#### SAYS BUSINESS BRINGS RATE.

[From Friday's Daily.] "Speaking of the freight rate question for Norfolk," said a prominent wholesale commission man in the city today, and one who has made a decided success of his own particular business in a wholesale way, "it has been my experience that the way to get a freight rate is to first get the business. I have found with my own business and I have observed from other lines that if you can get enough business to warrant a rate and that if you can guarantee a railroad company a certain amount of patronage in a given length of time, you will get a rate accordingly.

"Norfolk is conceded as one of the most excellent points in the west for distributing. All that prevents it now is a satisfactory freight rate. And the way to get this is to assure the railroads that we will give them say \$100,000 worth of business a year. "In any line of commerce, an enormous bulk of business always brings prices to a closer margin than small accounts. For instance, the merchant who buys by the bushel pays a higher rate than the merchant who buys by the carload lot. But if the one who buys by the bushel were to go to his wholesaler and offer to buy a carload a week, there is no question in the world about his getting a cheaper proportional rate.

"In our wholesale business we have had experience along this very proposition. When we started in we paid much higher than we do now. The reason for the reduction was that we guaranteed to ship out so many carloads of goods every year. Other firms in Norfolk have done the same thing. The Sugar City Cereal mills ship their breakfast food all over the world. They certainly get a rate that is as good as other cities for they place their wheat on the market cheaper than any other similar food. The sugar factory sends out mammoth shipments of its products every year. It certainly doesn't do it at a loss for it places its article on the market of the world as cheap as any other factory in the country. Our produce, too, goes out with the same material from other points and we have as good a rate as anyone.

## TWO MEN AND TWO GUNS.

### How it Feels to be Halted by Men Bearing Fierce Weapons.

All sorts of surmises and shivery fancies flit through a person's brain in an instant when he is suddenly confronted by a couple of men with a loaded gun apiece in a lonely place, and an order to stop comes from their lips. Is it robbery? an arrest? a joke? are the men perfectly sane? are they enemies horse thieves? officers? are the guns real? and if they are real are they loaded? and are they likely to go off? These and a few others, and perhaps a few more or possibly a few less flitted through the mind of F. A. Beeler yesterday when he was driving out near the sugar factory. He saw two men with a gun apiece lined up on either side of the road which he was traveling, and as he approached closer he was ordered to stop, when he perceived that one of the men was Game Warden Rainey and the other his deputy.

The officer thought that perhaps Mr. Beeler had been hunting and was in for making an investigation, but when it was found that he had not been hunting the officers bade him go his way in peace.

## NELIGH'S NEW PARK GOES WELL

### Two Suspension Bridges Have Been Added to the Attractions at the Grounds.

Judge N. D. Jackson of Neligh was in the city over night. He had come down from Pierce to spend the night in Norfolk and returned to Pierce at noon today. In speaking of Neligh's new park, the judge said, "We are doing a little work on the park every day. We have connected the two banks of the river, which cuts the land, by a pair of suspension bridges. The cables were donated by Mr. Gilman so that we are not out much and it makes a very superior addition to our park." "No city in the state can boast of a prettier park than the one at Neligh and it has been accomplished solely through the organized effort of the people.

## OPEN CAMPAIGN EARLY.

### South Dakota Democrats Want to Start It Along in March.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 8.—The members of the Minnehaha Democratic club of this city have declared in favor of an early convention to elect delegates to the next democratic national convention. At a meeting of the club members it was decided to present to the democratic state committee a request that a state convention be held not later than next March for the selection of delegates to represent South Dakota at the national convention. While the democrats do not expect to cut much figure in the approaching campaign in South Dakota, the leaders say they want a long campaign so they can be heard on state and national issues, their purpose being to make as good a showing for the party as possible. It was also decided to urge the state central committee to hold the state convention in Sioux Falls.

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## FRIENDSHIP THAT IS APPRECIATED

### Railroad Man Has Been Talking for The News and if Others Do Like the Field Will Grow.

Conductor H. C. Hibben, who has a run between Norfolk and Bonesteel on the Northwestern, finds that The News is receiving considerable attention from the people up the line, and has interested himself in promoting the success of the paper. He has noted the progressiveness of The News in issuing a metropolitan newspaper, and takes enough pride in a Norfolk enterprise to speak a good word for it when opportunity has offered, interesting a number of the people he meets every day in The News.

The News thoroughly appreciates Mr. Hibben's evidence of friendship and fully realizes that if others will interest themselves to the same extent where they have the opportunity, the paper will have a power back of it that will greatly aid it to occupy the field it aspires to fill and toward which its efforts are now directed. Not only will the paper be built up to the advantage of Norfolk readers and advertisers, but it will be of advantage to Norfolk, which the paper represents. The territory tributary to Norfolk and the people living therein should be brought into closer relation to the city, and this is one of the considerations that has influenced the publisher to better the service and look for a wider field of effort. People who read the representative paper of the city are certain to become better acquainted with the town itself, its people, its enterprises and business interests, so that those who help The News to enlarge its patronage will be of assistance in building up the city to the position it should occupy with the people living tributary to it. It is to be desired that Mr. Hibben's interest in the city and one of its enterprises may inspire others to lend a helping hand, when no such word as fall would be possible.

## REFUSES TO BELIEVE IT.

Sheriff Clements came in this evening from Madison to take Mrs. Grandlund to the insane hospital in Lincoln in the morning. The old lady recently lost her husband, and she refuses to believe him dead.—Newman Grove Herald.

the establishment of a grain market here than to hear the howls which are going up in Kansas City at the bare mention of the project. That convinces me that it is a good thing for us. The rates are such on the Union Pacific that grain originating on that line comes to Omaha, but we get very little grain from points on the Burlington or Northwestern. If the rates were right almost all the grain produced on those lines would find a market in this city.

## SHOULD GO AFTER WHAT IS WANTED.

"I do not believe in fighting the railroads if it can be helped. But I think we need a little of the spirit which is shown by Kansas City in going after what we want. They use any method to gain their point down there, and if fighting will serve best, fight. That is what we want to do. Since the Missouri Pacific announced a new set of rates for grain shipments to the south I understood that Kansas City men have been after that line to force a restoration.

"The grain exchange needs more members and I think with good work the membership should be increased by the first of the year to 250. All members of the Commercial club should assist in securing new members for the exchange. When we have subscribed to past enterprises we have felt like we were giving our money away, but we should not feel that way in this instance. I think the shares will ultimately be a good investment. I think if we put our shoulders to the wheel the population of Omaha can be doubled in the next ten years."

## SAYS WE'RE ALWAYS IN LOVE

### Prof. Bell, Who Married Madison Girl, Makes This Declaration Recently.

The following item will be of interest to the Norfolk people who are acquainted with Prof. Bell's wife, who was formerly Miss Gertrude Sumption of Madison:

Prof. Stanford Bell, who recently went from Indiana university to a fellow in Clark university, has decided after scientific investigation of the question, covering a period of fifteen years and embracing 17,000 cases, that the love period extends from three years to old age and that no one is safe from the fever at that time. Men reach their maturity in affairs of the heart at twenty-six and women at twenty-two, he says, and adds that masculine stages of love are from three to eight years, eight to fourteen years, fourteen to twenty-six (maturity), twenty-six to old age and extending through old age. For women in love he fixes the stages at three to twenty-two (maturity), twenty-three to old age, and throughout old age.

## BRIDE SURPRISES HER FRIENDS

### Miss Irene Dexter is Married to Mr. F. A. Farrell on Saturday Afternoon.

Quite a complete surprise in a matrimonial event took place in Norfolk Saturday afternoon when Miss Irene Dexter of this city, a prominent young woman who has been reared in Norfolk, was married to Mr. F. A. Farrell of Kansas City, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Farrell departed on the Union Pacific train yesterday morning for Omaha and will go from there to their new home in Kansas City.

## Lodge at West Point.

West Point, Neb., Dec. 8.—At a regular meeting of the Knights of the Maccabees the following officers were elected: Sir Knight Commander, F. W. Melcher; Sir Knight Lieut. Com., Thos. Seip; Sir Knight Record Keeper, S. Reppert; Sir Knight Finance Keeper, S. Reppert; chaplain, Wm. Provanuk; medical examiner, Dr. H. L. Wells; sergeant, Frank Rubin; Master-at-Arms, Alva Webb; First Master of Guards, Ed Sass; Second Master of Guards, Gus Newman; Sen-

## NORFOLK GETS NURSERY

### New Enterprise Will be Started Here in Spring.

#### FIVE ACRES OF LAND RENTED.

#### C. E. Turnbull of Wayne Has Leased Five Acres From W. F. Ahlmann and Will Start in the Spring—Will Employ Several Men.

Norfolk is to have a nursery. By virtue of its most excellent location as a shipping point, it is booked for a new business enterprise which will be begun early next spring and for which C. E. Turnbull of Wayne has already rented five acres of ground.

Mr. Turnbull has just closed a deal by which he leases from W. F. Ahlmann five acres of land east of the business center of the city, near the corner of Main and First streets. Upon this he will start a nursery of the most modern plan and will furnish the entire district of which Norfolk is the logical center, with his line of commodity.

From six to eight men will be employed in the institution to begin with and probably more as the business develops.

Mr. Turnbull will move to Norfolk with his family in the spring.

## DEATH RECORD.

### Mrs. Martha A. Gow.

Mrs. M. A. Gow, wife of John Gow and mother of W. J. and C. C. Gow, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gow Sunday evening at 8:30, after an illness of but a few days from pneumonia.

The funeral will be held from the W. J. Gow home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and interment will be in Prospect Hill cemetery. Rev. W. J. Turner, pastor of the First Congregational church, will have charge of the services.

## Oldest Brakeman.

M. J. Robb, aged fifty years, died at his home in South Norfolk at 11:30 Sunday morning, of dropsy, and the funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the house, where Rev. J. F. Poucher of the Methodist church will have charge of the services. Interment will be in Prospect Hill cemetery, and the burial services will be conducted by the A. O. U. W. lodge, of which the deceased was a member.

Matthew J. Robb is a well known resident of South Norfolk, and for years has served the Northwestern as brakeman, being the oldest brakeman on the division. He had persistently refused advancement to the conductorship, and was retired as a brakeman about the first of the year. His illness dates from some time in January and he had been sick, off and on, since then.

He leaves a wife, two sons and three daughters to mourn his loss. The oldest daughter is a young lady of sixteen years, and the youngest child an infant of two. His aged mother also survives. She arrived here from Kent, Washington, on the Friday noon train and was able to be at the bedside of her son when he passed away.

Mr. Robb became a member of Norfolk lodge, No. 97, A. O. U. W., during March, 1893, and was in good standing at the time of his death. In this order he carries a beneficiary certificate of \$2,000, which amount will be paid to his family.

## WHAT TO DO WITH THE ESTRAYS.

### Many Farmers do not understand the estray laws and the following synopsis of the laws prepared by the Benkleman Chronicle will be found of value as it covers every point in a condensed form:

"Estrays can only be taken up when they are trespassing on your property, and forty-eight hours after they are taken up it is the duty of the person so doing to send a brief description of the animal and date of taking up to a justice of the peace of the township for recording, for which the justice of the peace is entitled to a fee of twenty-five cents. If the animal is not reclaimed within ten days after that, the law requires the sending of another description to the county clerk with a fee of twenty-five cents for recording. After ten days more have elapsed the estray should be advertised for five weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. The advertising fee allowed by law is \$3 for one or three animals and \$1 for each animal after the third. Six months thereafter if a hog, sheep, calf or colt under one year old at the time of taking up, it becomes the property of the party taking it up. If the animal is a horse or cow over one year old then at the end of six months the justice of the peace appoints two disinterested appraisers to appraise it and it is advertised and sold to the highest bidder. The proceeds above the bill of keeping the animal and the costs incurred go into the public treasury."

## WAS RICH, DIED A PAUPER.

### The death of Walter Craig, at Troy, O., is an item that will interest many old time residents of Dodge county, who knew Mr. Craig in the early days. He was once the owner of the largest ranch in the world, which included 21,000 acres of Stanton county land. Speculation and following horse races dissipated the whole of his immense fortune, and he died a pauper. The town of Craig was named after him and is situated on land that he formerly owned.—Fremont Tribune.

## EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE.

### Program of Services for the Meeting in Norfolk December 15 and 16.

The following program has been prepared for the Evangelistic conference that is to be held in Norfolk Tuesday and Wednesday, December 15 and 16, and which is expected to be attended by a large number of ministers from towns in the near vicinity:

Tuesday, December 15.

Conference of pastors, 9:00 to 10:30 a. m.

Conference on "personal work," 10:30 to 12 m.

Methods of evangelistic work through the local church, 2:00 to 3:30 p. m.

Religious work for men, 3:30 p. m.

Evangelistic Service, addressed by Rev. Jenkins, Omaha Theological seminary, 8:00 p. m.

Wednesday, December 16.

Evangelistic work in small towns, 9:00 to 10:00 a. m.

Topics for evangelistic meetings, 10:00 to 11:00 a. m.

Following up evangelistic meetings, 11:00 to 12 m.

Evangelistic work among young people, 2:00 to 2:45 p. m.

Conference on prayer and Bible study, 2:45 to 3:30 p. m.

"Ways of Reaching Non-Church goers," Rev. W. H. Kearns, Beatrice, 3:30 to 4:30 p. m.

Evangelistic services, 8:00 p. m.

## TO SET ASIDE A BARGAIN DAY

### Merchant Suggests Specialities to Induce People to Come to Norfolk.

"It strikes me," remarked a Norfolk business man recently, "that Norfolk merchants could well afford to set aside one day out of every week—say Wednesday for instance—upon which they quote especially low bargains to the out of town trade. We could afford to cut prices on that day down to about cost in order to induce the people from the tributary territory who are now going through to Omaha, to stop off here and make their purchases. Norfolk has, of course, just as large stocks in most lines as Omaha or any other city. The people fail to appreciate this because they haven't been shown. And in order to show them we must induce them to come in by some special mode.

"It would not be discriminating against Norfolk patrons a bit to make these offers to the out of town people. It would be doing a great deal of good for Norfolk by getting people in the habit of coming and we could charge it to advertising the city. Our location is entitled to more than we get and we ought to go after it."

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