

FOR BASE BALL LEAGUE

North Nebraska Could Have a Rattling Good Bunch.

WOULD BE THERE WITH GOODS.

The Organization of an Athletic Club in This City Suggests the Idea That Interest Might be Created Through-out the Section.

[From Saturday's Daily.] Norfolk is to have an athletic club. All those interested in its organization are requested to meet tonight in the Elble pool hall for the purpose of organization.

Baseball Possibilities. It is barely possible that a baseball club may grow out of the organized athletics.

For Instance, there is Creighton. Creighton always did play fast baseball and there is no reason to suppose that it has diminished in that respect.

On the Main Line. Up the main line, where they seem to raise good ball players, a lot of teams could be formed.

Down the Scribner branch they have always made a mark. There's the Newman Grove and Elgin where teams would play until they were black in the face, and Petersburg and Albion would never quit till dark.

Have the Spirit. Stanton and Pilger have always had the proper spirit in a baseball way and would play against each other at the drop of the hat.

The News will be glad to hear from any who may have suggestions or ideas in this regard. Write to the "Sporting Editor."

FRIDAY FACTS.

Wm. Blatt is down from Deadwood, S. D. John R. Hays is in Omaha on business. Miss Lou Markley is in the city from Oakdale.

after a visit of a few days with Mrs. A. J. Ryel. Mrs. Klaasky is home from Missouri Valley where she has been on a visit to her parents.

S. K. Dexter has returned to Lowell, Mass., after inspecting his cold storage plant in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Fouk of Oakdale were in the city today enroute to Ohio to attend the funeral of Mrs. Fouk's mother.

Miss Lorena Creal of Royal visited for a short time with Mrs. M. J. Romig, on her way home from the state teachers' association at Lincoln.

A boy was welcomed this morning to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich, on Phillip avenue. Mr. Goodrich is a driver of one of the express wagons.

Brakeman Nix who was hurt by the overturning of a way car at Fremont a month ago, is improving, but is not yet able to resume his duties on the road.

Mrs. C. E. White has gone to Logan, Iowa, for a visit with her parents. Her sister, Miss Mabel, who has been visiting here has also gone to her home in Logan.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Hennessy have returned from Lincoln, where they spent some of the holidays with their parents. Their little niece, Adelaide Logan, returned with them for a visit of two weeks.

Freeman W. H. Dean of the Northwestern and Miss Stella Parker, who were married at the home of the bride's parents at Modale, Iowa, on December 23rd, will make their home in South Norfolk.

Rev. Father O'Driscoll writes from Blair, Neb., that he is now located there as pastor. Father O'Driscoll left Norfolk a few days ago and his Norfolk friends will be glad to learn of his location in this section of Nebraska.

Real Estate Record.

The following real estate transfers are reported by Chester A. Fuller, manager of the Madison County Abstract office, for the week ending January 9, 1904:

Table listing real estate transactions including names, addresses, and amounts. Examples include F. L. Frink and wife to G. E. Frink, and John Metzger to Henry Metzger.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Twenty-Sixth Annual Meeting at Lincoln January 12 and 13.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Nebraska State Historical society will be held in Memorial chapel of the state university at Lincoln on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week and in connection therewith will be a meeting of the Territorial Pioneers' association on the 13th, the program to conclude with a supper at the Lindell hotel Wednesday evening.

Judge W. M. Robertson of this city, a member of the constitutional convention of 1875 is on the program for "The Debate on the Separate Propositions" that took place during that convention. The general subject of the meeting is to be "The Making of Nebraska Constitutions." Judge Isaac Powers of this city was likewise a member of the constitutional convention of 1875, thirty-three of whom are still living.

Twenty members of the constitutional convention of 1871 are known to be alive, while but five remain of those who took part in the convention of 1866, four of them living in Omaha.

THE FAMOUS BLIZZARD

Storm of Sixteen Years Ago Reviewed.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE DAY.

How the Wind Swooped Down from the North and Froze Men, Women and Children as Told by The News of the 14th—Stock Frozen.

[From Tuesday's Daily.] Sixteen years ago today there occurred the worst blizzard ever known in this section of Nebraska. The forenoon and up until about 2 o'clock, was a day of surprising loveliness, even for Nebraska.

The storm was first noticed as a fog bank lying to the northwest, and it came with awful suddenness. The foglike appearance proved to be minute particles of snow, whipped about by a terrific windstorm of increasing violence, and when it struck it blotted sun, sky and landscape from sight as completely as though the people had suddenly gone blind.

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The early part of Thursday was quite pleasant, the mercury hovering about the neighborhood of 32 degrees. Considerable snow had fallen the previous night but the air was pleasant enough to invite people to throw aside heavy wraps and mufflers.

The wind blew with terrible force, piling the snow into huge drifts, and making it extremely difficult and dangerous to get about. Railroad men found it impossible to move trains, and the storm had not lasted long when orders were sent out to abandon all trains on the lines centering here until the storm was over.

The public schools were in session when the storm came up but the teacher would not allow any of the smaller pupils to leave the building unless accompanied by some person able to take care of them. Two or three little chaps gave them the slip, however, and came very near losing their lives for their imprudence.

Tuesday's west bound passenger train on the Elkhorn road was the only train that arrived here yesterday. It had put in the night at Pilger, and got through to Norfolk about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. It started on west, but what progress was made had not been learned.

Inquiry at the railroad offices revealed the fact that all roads were badly blocked and no great effort being made to move trains. Engineer Reed of the St. Paul freight was sent down the Omaha line breaking snow, and Dan Murphy was trying to pound his way from Sioux City here, but was not expected to arrive until this morning or today.

Fatalities and Losses. Owing to the suddenness with which the storm came up it must have been

attended with a great loss of life and property. The only loss of life so far heard of in this vicinity is that of E. B. Reckord who is reported to have left his team at his brother's and attempted to go home on foot through the snow. He never reached there, and we learn that his body was found near the road south of the river yesterday morning.

Three children and their teacher were caught in the storm near Plainview, and when found the children were frozen to death and the teacher so badly frozen that she will probably die.

A man and two children were frozen to death near Newman Grove, and a man who started out to help them became lost and wandered about on the prairie until his hands, feet and face were badly frozen.

Herman Braasch was just watering his cattle when the storm came up, and the animals stampeded in every direction. He found them all yesterday, but two of them were dead and two more so badly frozen that they are worthless.

Mr. Kell, living in the southeast part of town, lost three head of cattle in the storm.

From Karl Ley, who came in from Stanton yesterday, we learn of a German farmer who lost a large number of cattle, many of them having their feet frozen off.

We hear of a number of farmers who had come to town leaving their cattle in the cornstalks, and doubtless all of them are heavy losers, though to what extent could not be learned yet.

Incidents and Accidents. We hear of several families that were distributed over town, some of the members being out shopping or visiting when the storm came up and were unable to reach home.

An extra with a number of empty stock cars went up on the Creighton branch on Tuesday, and managed to get as far as Plainview, where the empties were set out and the engine and way car started back to Norfolk through the storm. When near the crossing of the U. P. track in this city, an axle on the way car broke and one of the wheels was left by the wayside.

Mart Brubaker, Dan Jones and Alvin Lowe came over from Madison yesterday. They had gone to the county capital the day previous, got caught in the blizzard and were on their way home.

While the storm was at its height, Mrs. Sessions was in the kitchen washing up the supper dishes, when Mr. Sessions heard her making considerable of a noise about something and rushed out to ascertain the cause. She had placed a dish pan upon the stove and when she took hold of it to lift it off sparks of electricity flew from her fingers, snapping as loud as a parlor match. The stove and pipe were thoroughly charged with the electric fluid.

Notice of Publication.

Department of the Interior, land office at O'Neill, Nebraska, Dec. 26, 1903: Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before W. H. Field, clerk district court, at Madison, Nebraska, on February 6, 1904, viz: George A. Dean, H. E. No. 17223, for the ne 1/4 sec 4, Sec. 13, T. 23 N., R. 1 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Hugh B. Smith, of Norfolk, Neb.; Fred Terry of Warnerville, Neb.; Josiah Daniel, of Norfolk, Neb.; Christ Oetter, of Norfolk, Neb.

S. J. Weekes, Register.

HORSE KILLS ITSELF.

Head Crashed Into a Box Cad During a Runaway.

One of the horses of a team belonging to H. C. Sattler was instantly killed Friday by butting his head against the iron corner of a box car at the Creighton yards during a runaway.

The team was frightened at Mr. Sattler's feed yards by a dog and made a lively dash through the streets until the Creighton yards were reached when they crashed into a box car. The skull of one of the animals was fractured by coming in contact with the sharp iron corner of the car and it was instantly killed. The remaining horse was soon captured.

TWO BREAKS IN VERY SAME ARM

Little Clara Miller, Four Years Old Falls From a Chair and Fractures Bone.

[From Friday's Daily.] Miss Clara Miller, the 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Miller, fell from a chair upon which she was climbing last night and broke her arm. A year ago she broke the same arm in the same way. Clara will be five years old next June. She has had luck.

A NEW NORFOLK INVENTION

Oswald Reiche Makes a Machine for the Guitar.

HE CAN PLAY IT WITH HIS FEET.

During the Time of His Inactivity, Because of an Explosion Recently, Mr. Reiche Evolved This New Idea and Turned it to Use.

Oswald Reiche, a young man who has lived all of his life at the home of his father, Carl Reiche, a few miles south of the city, is just now making a great hit in southern Nebraska with his remarkable musical stunts and his ability to manipulate six different instruments with equal skill and amazing technique.

Mr. Reiche has only recently, among his other accomplishments, invented an instrument by which it becomes possible to play the guitar by means of the feet. It is a clever feat to do and takes clever feet to do it, but the Norfolk young man is there with the goods.

Because of Bad Accident.

The invention is due to a very disastrous accident which occurred not long ago and which readers of this paper will recall. During a stereopticon exhibition at the Reiche home, the gas exploded and blew the kitchen stove into bits, tearing out the roof of the building as well. Mr. Reiche was laid up for a long time after this and during the days of his resultant inactivity, the idea of this new invention was evolved in his ever busy brain. Now that he has quite fully recovered from the explosion, he has turned his genius to practical use and is startling the residents of southern Nebraska towns by his marvelous dexterity.

DEATH RECORD.

Marcus S. Barclay.

Marcus S. Barclay, father of Mrs. R. H. Reynolds, died at the home of his daughter in The Heights. Mr. Barclay had lived more than ninety years. It is as yet impossible to set the date for the funeral as several relatives in Iowa have not been heard from. Mrs. Reynolds is confined to her bed with illness, herself, this week, making the death a doubly hard one.

C. G. STEELE IS DEAD.

Formerly a Resident of Norfolk, and Principal of the High School.

Ludwig Koenigstein is in receipt of a letter from Fred Steele, of Boston, Mass., stating that his father, C. G. Steele, had died on December 1, at his home in that city, after a sickness extending through the year preceding his death.

Mr. Steele and family formerly lived in Norfolk. He was at one time principal of the high school and previous to his election to that place, held a position at the Norfolk sugar factory.

Mr. Steele and family were Norfolk residents for several years and there will be many people in the city who will remember them.

Mrs. Marietta Inman.

Mrs. Marietta Inman, seventy years of age, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. H. Hull of this city, Saturday evening at 9 o'clock and the funeral was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the M. E. church, Rev. J. F. Poucher having charge of the service.

For years Mrs. Inman has been a sufferer from asthma and recently has been much worse, gradually growing weaker up to the hour of her death. Mrs. Inman has made her home with her daughter during the past sixteen years and has many friends in Norfolk who will mourn with the family over her death. The place of her birth was Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Hull is the only daughter, but there are six to mourn with her the loss of a mother. Ammi Inman resides at St. Edwards, George G. Inman makes his home at Bloomfield and E. B. Inman lives at Norcraft, Kansas. The other three sons live in the west and were not able to come to the funeral.

SATURDAY SIFTINGS.

Carl Partard of Pierce is in the city.

J. S. Gillespie was a Norfolk visitor from Pender.

S. Hartley was in the city yesterday from Lincoln.

J. A. Morton was over from Madison yesterday.

W. H. Butterfield has gone to Seattie on business.

H. F. Slaughter of Naper had business in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Lang of Osmond were in the city.

M. F. Harrington of O'Neill was in the city yesterday.

M. R. Locke was a city visitor over night from Stanton.

Mrs. Morton was in the city yesterday from Fairfax, S. D.

Miss Marjorie Wells has returned to Norfolk from Chicago.

Mrs. E. M. Clark of Madison was a Norfolk visitor yesterday.

S. W. Sheby was down from Atkinson yesterday on business. The Household Economics department of the Woman's club will meet

with Mrs. David Baum Monday afternoon at 2:30.

J. W. Edwards was in the county seat yesterday on business.

Mayor C. S. Smith of Madison had business in Norfolk yesterday.

A. L. Stewart, editor and publisher of the Newman Grove Herald, is in the city on business.

One man wants to know which is worse for a community—a crank or a nonentity.

Mrs. John Quick was a passenger for Omaha today.

Earl Russel of South Norfolk is very sick with typhoid fever.

Miss Clara Anderson went to Logan, Iowa, Friday to visit her friend, Miss Mabel Hill.

Conductor C. E. Muffley and wife went to Lindsay Friday for a visit with Mrs. Muffley's parents.

Sioux City Elks distributed 700 baskets of eatables to poor people of the town today. Tickets good for a basket each, were distributed free by the members of the Salvation army and the Volunteers of America. Each basket contained a roast of either meat or fowl and other delicacies.

The "Peck's Bad Boy" company, which played to a crowded house at Madison last night, came in on the Union Pacific passenger which was held for their accommodation, and spent the balance of the night in Norfolk, leaving for Wayne on the early train this morning. Those who saw the play pronounce it one of the best ever given in Madison, the young woman who took the part of the bad boy, the manager's daughter as the bad boy's girl and the man taking the part of the German grocer being given especial praise. The management hopes for a date in Norfolk in the near future.

George Schwenk, the iceman, is getting ready for the good old summer time by putting up ice these days. He has already rounded up about 100,000 pounds of the frozen water and driven it into the ice house where it can freeze to death. These chunks of crystallized aqua are chopped from the surface of Mr. Schwenk's pond east of the city and are this year of good quality.

WEEK OF PRAYER A SUCCESS

Closed Last Evening at the M. E. Church—Vote to Continue Meetings Another Week.

The week of prayer, participated in by the several churches of Norfolk, concluded last night at the M. E. church with a sermon by Rev. F. P. Wigton from the subject, "The Enthronement of Christ on Earth the Only Hope of Humanity." The church was well filled and deep interest in the sermon was manifest. Interest in these meetings has increased from the start, and good audiences were in attendance, especially toward the end of the week.

Second Week of Prayer.

At the close of the first week of prayer the desire was unanimous to continue the meetings for one more week, accordingly the following outline has been adopted:

The topic for the week will be, "The Abundant Life," from the text, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." The hour of meeting will be 7:30 p. m.

Monday, January 11.—At the Second Congregational church. Subject, "Conviction," John 16:7-11. Rev. J. F. Poucher, leader.

Tuesday, January 12.—At the Baptist church. Subject, "Guidance," John 16:12-15; Luke 12:12. Rev. Wm. Haresnap, leader.

Wednesday, January 13.—At the Presbyterian church. Subject, "Fruit," Gal. 5:16-25. Rev. W. J. Turner, leader.

Thursday, January 14.—At the First Congregational church. Subject, "Resistance," Eph. 4:30; I Thes. 5:19; Matt. 12:31, 32. Rev. F. P. Wigton, leader.

Friday, January 15.—At the Methodist church. Subject, "Acceptance," Rev. W. J. Turner, leader.

Sunday, January 17.—At the First Congregational church. Sermon by Rev. J. F. Poucher.

Nellie: Live on a simple diet, don't fret and worry. Your rosy cheeks and clear pretty skin will return soon as you commence taking Rocky Mountain Tea.

The Kiesau Drug Co.

Optics advertisement for Dr. W. B. Vail, featuring text about eye examinations and glasses fitting.