

PUBLIC AUCTION

I am making my Lot and Acre Sale simply because, first, my business takes me to Omaha; second, the time is here, my friend Bullock to the contrary notwithstanding, for my improved property to sell at a fair price because, first, it is good stuff, the very best of its class and there is plenty of money in Norfolk and vicinity to put in any Norfolk property at present prices, as the owners of this money have been looking about for a place for it for some time and have found that land now offers no particular inducement to the investor or speculator, though they know that city property always follows farm property and that a great activity is now due. The fact is that the price situation of all city property is always a delicate one and under normal conditions, a few good purchases may easily set things going. In Norfolk the situation is very favorable to a strong and active advance in values for the reason that the cheap property has all been absorbed and prices are now at the bottom so that any one buying is surely safe, or if not at the bottom slightly on the upward turn.

My idea is that Norfolk is at the very edge of better things; that even one good element like a new railroad actually assured, or any reasonable equivalent, would jump prices 50 to 100 per cent. If you will examine the situation here you will find a considerable number of people ready to buy Norfolk property, especially houses, and a strong inclination on the part of present owners to advance their prices.

Now because of these things my lot sale, being well advertised, will be found to be well attended, the weather permitting, by purchasers ready and even somewhat eager to buy this property at a good price—not so high as I have sold it at private sale, but ready enough to pay \$200.00 to \$300.00 for a good lot, and something more for a good acre alongside that will make four lots.

It must not be forgotten that the transfer of 150 pieces of property from one ownership to say 50 or 75 means much for the town, and with the exceeding low prices now prevailing on building material I fully expect the result of my sale will be one of the best late things that has happened to Norfolk. Another friend tells me I am having a Fourth of July celebration all by myself, and this is true in a way, at least I am going to have a better brass band than Norfolk ever had at a celebration.

Excursion Rates on the Chicago @ North-Western 1/3 Fare

A Procession, a Good Many Outsiders, a Band Concert, a Bowery Dance and a General Good Time.

If Norfolk people think these things are worthy of acknowledgment I trust they will patronize the concert and dance where they will surely get their money's worth, and also, as their time permits, personally attend the lot sale which they can help materially by their presence.

A. J. DURLAND

COL. F. M. WOODS the Celebrated Blooded Cattle Auctioneer, of Lincoln, is the Hooter.

PRESBYTERIANS MEETING

BUSINESS OF THE SESSION HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

SOME LETTERS OF DISMISSAL

Several Were Received into This From Other Presbyteries—Large Number of Prominent Ministers and Divines Were Present for it.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
The Niobrara Presbytery met at the Presbyterian church and was opened with praise service, led by Rev. Samuel Light of Stuart, Neb. The opening sermon was delivered by Rev. W. M. Devar of Randolph, the retiring moderator. After the sermon the presbytery was constituted by prayer and Rev. S. C. Hickman of Emerson was elected moderator, Rev. T. J. Asmus of Osmond and Elder W. J. Rice of Laurel were elected clerks.

Letters of dismission were granted to Rev. E. F. Kuekerbocker to the presbytery of Columbus, Ohio; Rev. H. S. Morrison to Omaha; Rev. J. A. McLean to Kearney.

The Rev. C. H. Churchill, of Madison, was received from the Box Butte presbytery. The following were present: Rev. T. J. Asmus, Osmond; Rev. Peter Betfeld, Wayne; Rev. W. T. Bowen, O'Neill; Rev. B. J. Brothman, Elgin; Rev. Samuel Light, Stuart; Rev. D. B. McLaughlin, Inman; Rev. L. W. Scudder, Winnebago; Rev. Thomas L. Sexton, D. D. Lincoln; Rev. S. F. Sharpless, Norfolk; Rev. E. P. Wigton, Norfolk; Rev. George Williams, D. D. Pender; Rev. D. W. Rosekens, Dorsey; Rev. S. C. C. Hickman, Emerson; Rev. S. O. Haines, Neligh; Rev. W. H. Devar, Randolph; Rev. G. D. Hyden, Alexandria.

The following elders, representing the churches named: V. Y. Rosekrans, Apple Creek; A. C. Crossman, Atkinson; J. Harsch, Coleridge; L. H. McLamb, Emerson; S. C. Fulton, Foster; D. L. Pond, Inman; W. L. Rice, Laurel; J. B. Blaeffer, Norfolk; C. Motter, Oakdale; J. H. Jefferson, Osmond; C. S. Whitman, Randolph; L. Krygor, South Sioux City; P. H. Mulford, Stuart.

The presbytery held its business sessions all day Wednesday. The close was set for Wednesday evening, with the subject, "Our People." "As Workers in Our Sabbath School," Rev. L. W. Scudder. "As Workers in the Endeavor Society," Rev. C. H. Churchill. "As Workers in the Church," Rev. L. W. Bowen.

The program will be an interesting

one and the public is cordially invited.

THURSDAY TIDINGS.

Plant a tree anyway. Tomorrow is Arbor day. Promont is having an epidemic of German measles, which are claimed to be the real thing, imported directly from abroad.

The person who hums or whistles "Sing Me a Song of the Sunny South" or "In the Good Old Summer Time," should be exterminated on the spot.

J. M. Dineen was over from the county seat.

T. D. Proce of Battle Creek was in Norfolk yesterday.

W. C. Birley was a city visitor yesterday from Spaulding.

H. M. Little of Humphrey transacted business in Norfolk yesterday.

H. C. Ziefas was an over night visitor in Norfolk from Madison.

W. H. Baird of Grand Island is in Norfolk on beet sugar business.

Mrs. C. M. Barnes of Plainview was an over night visitor in Norfolk.

R. A. Tawney of Pierce was a business visitor in Norfolk yesterday.

C. S. Smith and F. Berry of Wayne were Norfolk visitors yesterday.

Byron, Cathryn and May Massman of Wayne were Norfolk visitors yesterday.

The Pohlman barber shop has been sold to Mr. Upton, who took charge yesterday.

Mrs. C. E. Burnham and Mrs. C. A. Davis of Tilden visited in Norfolk yesterday.

E. C. Howe of Denver, general manager of the American Beet Sugar company, is in the city looking after the interests of the Norfolk plant.

Nurserymen are busy making their annual Arbor day distribution and there appears to be an unusual demand that is encouraging for the future of the country.

It is given out from headquarters that while it may not be desirable to observe Arbor day and plant trees tomorrow with an overcast on, it will be permissible and no excuse for not planting on account of the weather will be acceptable.

The agricultural department has issued a bulletin announcing that dried Jerusalem roots are worth from four to six cents a pound on the market, owing in demand from the manufacturers of drugs and proprietary medicines. At this price there should be some inducement for boys and girls who get rid of a pest that bothers owners of lawns and others.

Tomorrow is Arbor day and a good many people will plant trees. Norfolk banks will be closed and a number of Norfolk bankers will attend the meeting of the Northeastern Nebraska association at Ponca. C. E. Burnham will deliver an address. D. Mathew-

son and J. E. Haase will also attend.

More April showers this morning, accompanied by thunder and lightning, appeared natural to the locality, the southeast with a trimming of chilliness from the snow fields of Missouri was not quite so natural, and made warm wraps and a cheerful fire highly desirable.

A meeting of the Norfolk high school alumni will be held in the high school building next Tuesday night for the purpose of making plans for the reception of the class of 1904, which will graduate before many more weeks. All members of the association are urgently requested to attend and to offer ideas and suggestions. This class is the largest that has ever graduated and promises to hold the record for some time to come. On that account, for one thing, the reception will require extraordinary attention and every graduate's aid is needed.

THE AFFAIRS AT BATTLE CREEK

Inmate of the County Poor Farm Died Yesterday and is Buried Today.

Battle Creek, Neb., April 21.—Special to The News: Wednesday a nice monument was raised over the grave of the late Mrs. F. W. Richardson, at the union cemetery.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Rush Collins, north of the Elkhorn river, died Tuesday and was buried Wednesday.

INCH AND HALF RAIN IN STATE

The Storm Has Extended as far West as McCook and Has Fallen Heavily Some Places.

Lincoln, Neb., April 20.—Nearly an inch and a half of rain has fallen in eastern Nebraska in the last eighteen hours. The prospects are that the western part of the state will be well drenched. Part of the time the rain has turned to sleet but there has not been a freezing temperature and it is not believed that much damage has been done to fruit throughout the state. The rain extended as far west as McCook.

Heavy Rain in Kansas.

Kansas City, April 20.—A light snow, accompanied by a very decided fall in the temperature, fell over northwestern Missouri all of last night and today. Throughout Kansas there was very generally a heavy fall of rain, averaging about one inch.

Wedding Invitations and announcements, engraved or printed, at The News office.

Fresh supply of school tablets at The News office.

BRYAN TO OPEN CAMPAIGN

WILL SPEAK IN CHICAGO NEXT SATURDAY NIGHT.

TALK ON NEW YORK PLATFORM

He Will Pay the Hall Rent—Newspaper Men and Ministers Get Reserved Seats—His Declaration as to President and Platform.

Lincoln, Neb., April 20.—William Jennings Bryan announces that he will deliver a political address at the Princess rink in Chicago on next Saturday night upon the subject, "The New York Platform."

By the New York platform, Mr. Bryan means the platform adopted recently by the democratic state convention of New York.

There will be reserved seats for ministers and newspaper men but aside from these every seat in the house will be free.

Mr. Bryan says he will pay the hall rent and all expenses.

This will be his declaration as to the platform and the democratic presidential candidate.

THE LATE LEVI BROME.

Last Rites for an Early Settler of Norfolk—His Early Life.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The funeral of the late Levi Brome, who died in Butte, Montana, on Sunday, April 17, was held this morning at 10 o'clock from the undertaking rooms of Sessions & Bell, only commitment services being held at Prospect Hill cemetery, where the remains were interred in the family lot beside the remains of the two children who died in an early day at Stanton. The remains arrived in the city over the Union Pacific last night, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Brome of Omaha accompanying the body, and this morning a large number of old Norfolk friends viewed the familiar features at the undertaking rooms previous to the last sad rites. Mr. H. C. Brome's two children came up from Omaha to take a last leave of their grandfather.

Having lived in Norfolk and vicinity for twenty-one years preceding the removal of the family to Butte, Montana, there are a large number of old-time friends of Mr. and Mrs. Brome and family here who will feel profound sorrow over Mr. Brome's death, and sincerely sympathize with the remaining members of the family over the loss they have sustained.

Levi Brome was born December 3, 1822, at South Fallsburg, Sullivan county, New York, making that state his home until he moved west with

the tide of emigration in the late seventies. He was united in marriage with Mary E. Wheeler at Stevensville, N. Y., February 25, 1852, and in 1879 moved with his family, consisting of his wife and eight children to Stanton, this state. After a residence there of two years Mr. Brome and his family moved to Norfolk, first living on the Heckendorf farm north of the city for a time then moving to town, a home having been built on South Thirteenth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Brome remained here until two years ago, moving to Butte, Mont., whither they had been preceded by their daughters and one son, in June, 1902.

Mr. Brome was taken sick Christmas time and for two months preceding his death had been bedfast, the end coming on Sunday, April 17. His aged wife survives him, but she has been in feeble health, having suffered a paralytic stroke last summer, but has recently shown some improvement.

The sons and daughters are very well known to the people of Norfolk, and highly respected. The oldest son is Harry C. Brome who has attained distinction as a member of the Omaha bar; Sylvester is in government service at Butte. Misses Laura P., Fannie and Alice Brome, are teachers in the schools at Butte, and previous to going to Montana had taught for a number of years in the schools at Norfolk. Mrs. Cora Nichols of this city is the fourth daughter. She also taught school before her marriage. A son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brome are buried in the family lot in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Van Horn Surprised.

Mrs. Henry Van Horn of Norfolk, Neb., who is a guest at the home of her brother, Thomas Kilduff, of 209 Thirteenth avenue, was very pleasantly surprised Monday evening by a party of some thirty of her friends and relatives. The evening proved an enjoyable one for all. Choice refreshments were served. The company remained until a late hour, and before departing presented the hostess with a number of handsome tokens of remembrance. Mrs. Van Horn was a resident of Clinton for many years before taking up her home in Nebraska. She leaves for Norfolk on April 18.—Clinton, Iowa, Herald.

Wedding Announced.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Mr. Ed. Pohfal and Miss Elsie Schulz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Schulz of this city. The ceremony is to take place at St. Paul Lutheran church on Wednesday, April 27. Mr. Pohfal is a young farmer living two miles northwest of

Hoskins, and it is there that the young people will make their home.

HONOR STUDENTS ARE CHOSEN

Miss Ethel Long at Head of Class and Miss Ella Hoptli is Second. Grades Over 96.

The class of 1904, Norfolk high school, yesterday was notified of the honor students, who will deliver the valedictory and the salutatory addresses in the commencement exercises.

Miss Ethel Long will have first place, that of valedictorian on her grading through the four years' high school course which averages 98.256.

Miss Ella Hoptli gets second place, that of salutatorian, upon her record of three-one-hundredths less, 96.226.

ELGIN VILLAGE MARSHAL DEAD

John Austin Passes Away at 7 O'Clock This Morning After Two Weeks' Illness.

Elgin, Neb., April 20.—John Austin, Elgin's village marshal, died at 7 o'clock this morning from pneumonia, having been sick but two weeks. He was forty-six years old and an early settler in Antelope county. He went to Colorado seven years ago and came back to Nebraska in 1898, since which time he has made his home in Elgin. He has been city marshal for two years. He leaves a wife and an 8-year-old son. The funeral will be held Thursday from the Presbyterian church and will be in charge of the Old Fellows lodge and the Ben Hur lodge, of which he was an active member. Rev. Mr. Trump will conduct the service and the remains will be laid to rest in the West Cedar Valley cemetery.

LAST BARN BANDIT IS GUILTY

Emil Roeski, One of the Four, Will Serve Life Sentence—Others Die Friday.

Chicago, April 20.—The jury in the case of Emil Roeski, the last one of the four youthful car barn bandits whose criminal exploits have caused so much furor and for which his three comrades are to be hanged in the Cook county jail on Friday, returned a verdict of "guilty" today. His punishment was fixed at a life sentence in the penitentiary.

Roeski was connected with the first robbery of the Northwestern railroad station and later helped hold up saloons. He shot at guards and detectives.

The definite charge against Roeski was the murder of Otto Bauder in July. The jury was adjourned last night and met again at 10 this morning.