COSTLY AND MAGNIFICENT MON-UMENT OF GOVERNMENT.

A HISTORY OF ITS SECURING

The New Federal Courthouse and Postoffice, Three Stories High and Costing \$100,000, Was Opened to the

The new federal courthouse and postoffice, just finished in this city by the Congress Construction company after labor of more than a year and a haif, and built at a cost of \$100,000, is about as complete and handsome a structure as can be found within the limits of Nebraska. It has been stated several times, by different government inspectors, that there is no federal building in the United States, in a city of Norfolk's size, which can compare with this.

The building is built precisely after the model afforded by the government building at Annapolis, Md. This was done in accordance with the wishes of Congressman Dave Mercer, whose instrumentality in securing the structure at the time when it was obtained, was more powerful than any other instrument. In fact Mr. Mercer, who was at that time chairman of the committee on public buildings, increased by a stroke of his pen the appropriation from \$75,000 to \$100,000.

There are three stories to the building, and a basement of commodious proportions. The first floor is occupied by the postoffice department exclusively. The second floor is given over to the United States court rooms, with all of the adjoining offices; while the third is used for United States marshals' quarters, grand jury, petit jury, prisoners, etc.

In the third story the offices are fortable. Not the tiniest detail throughout the building has been spared, for the matter of that, in making it absolutely pleasant. Here, in the northwest corner, with a little barred window to look through, the federal prisoners who are brought temporarily into the city, are kept. Next door sits the federal marshal, in his private office and with his label printed on the glass door. Adjoining, and connected to his room, is a large room for witnesses, where they may be closeted during the period that they are kept from the public, and are waiting their turns.

jury and the petit jury. There are several handsomely appointed marble lavoratories on each floor.

The second floor is given over to a mammoth court room, finished in quartered oak, with elevated rostrum for the judge, and a great deal of space for the auditors. Separated by a wall given to the district attorney. The the bill through. John R. Hays, the federal court clerk also has a private present postmaster and therefore the office. On this floor there is one un- first to enter the building for which at Petersburg Saturday. unassigned room, now filled with sur- he with others lent effort, made more

alone. A gate bars the stairway lead- Washington and he, too, did work turned Saturday to their home near ing above, for the reason that loafers while there which aided in bringing and children would damage the prop- the bill about. erty. The corridor outside the workroom at the postoffice is very large, the potent factors in accomplishing niece. Helen Kirby, here Saturday. and equipped with a number of desks. the desired end. It was his bill that There are many windows, for the mon- gave Norfolk the site for the buildey orders, stamps, registered mail, ing, without which the building itself and general delivery for the regular could not have been secured. The public and for the various city car- next year Congressman John S. Robriers, who will deliver from here on inson was a member of the lower Sundays. All of the corridors are house and he did everything in his finished in marble. The postmaster power to work for the passage of the Mr. Wade states that the condition of Mary Davenport, Miss Mattie Davenhas a beautiful private suite, separat- appropriation through that body. ed from the outside and from the workroom by doors. The workroom is fur- the whole series of events that led up nished with the latest improved de- to the final appropriation was Convices for receiving and dispatching gressman Dave Mercer. Mr. Mercer mails, and is equipped completely in was chairman of the committee on every way. The vault is built after public buildings. Without his sanction the fashion of a huge bank vault. the structure would never have exist-Regulation clocks are hung here. And ed: with his approval, it was made every employe, entering, must registers. And more than that, it was ter in the clock. There is an em- made better, by \$25,000, than anyone ployes' entrance, at the rear, and a had asked for. And his connection large entrance from the drive way, dates back for years. where all of the big bags of mail are brought through,

valuable old papers.

Secret Lookouts.

lookouts which has been provided, shall do it." From almost any portion of the strucladder and noiselessly arrive at a sion, Mr. Mercer guessed. blinded window, looking down upon so arranged that from the passageway building this year, Norfolk shall have one can see through them but from the one." outside the clerks could never know | And he kept his word. Senator Milwhen they were being watched. The lard introduced the bill in the senate; postmaster himself has one of these Congressman Robinson in the house; lookouts by which he could at any and Mercer, when it came to him, time keep "tabs" on a suspected clerk. marked \$75,000, drew a line through Altogether it is an incentive for the the \$75,000 and wrote \$100,000 instead. clerks to keep straight, lest they covet an uncomfortable uncertainty as to signature June 6, 1902. being watched.

Around the building a lawn has been | was laid by the Masons. round the postoffice on Fourth street names of Dave Mercer, George W. E. and on Madison avenue, and the large Dorsey, William V. Allen, John S.

attding company, has received many arable. ongratulations today upon the handver been accepted formally by the gov- structure.

The plumbing throughout, done in perfect and excellent to a degree. The is decisive. A stranger walked up to from Plainview Saturday. lighting is by either or both electricity the window. "I was postmaster at Public Yesterday for the First Time and gas. The gas is being used just Fremont," he said, "when we went into Saturday from Columbus. now. pared for throughout. Switches on to tell you that our building can't com- Saturday from Humphrey. each floor control the illumination of pare with this." that entire floor, and a switch in the basement controls the entire building. The heating is by steam.

The building is absolutely fire proof and a blaze in any one room would be confined to that room. Fire protection is arranged for throughout the three stories by water connections and fire hose.

The main entrance to the building s on Madison avenue, just above MR. BRIDGE WAS NOT INJURED which, as independent as you please, sits "Old Abe," a huge American eagle, carved in stone. A side entrance is placed at the Fourth street corner. Revolving doors let you in.

Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Lyman . Gage selected the site for which ar appropriation of \$10,000 was made.

History of Getting It.

The history of getting the building appropriation was covered in 1903 by The News very thoroughly, a copy of that history having been placed in the corner stone of the structure. Suffice it to say at this time that Norfolk was fortunate in a great many ways in getting the courthouse.

There are a great number of facts which tended toward the final passage of the bill, without any one of which the building could probably never have been secured. No one person and no one act was enough in itself to accomplish the desired end. It was large, airy, light, and exceedingly com- brought about by the united efforts of fortune, put together,

A Court Town.

The fact that Norfolk is a federal court city-one of four in Nebraskaplayed an important part in the early days, in considering the proposition. And Norfolk was made a court town by George W. E. Dorsey, at the sugof prominent republicans prior to 1888.

Fifteen years ago Norfolk wantthrough the efforts of Mr. Dorsey, got one, but Norfolk was left out. Not long after that Col. Henderson, speak-Around the building on the east er of the house of representatives, was side, are the large rooms of the grand approached by Mr. Hays and Col. Simpson regarding the building.

"You can't have a building. Norfolk isn't big enough," he said.

"But Norfolk is a court town," said Mr. Hays.

'That's different."

than one trip to Washington for the The postoffice has the first floor, purpose of pushing the mather. Wil-

Senator William V. Allen was one of

Perhaps the most definite factor in

Years ago, when Norfolk was young, Dave Mercer had a number of loyal In the basement is what is known friends in this city, and he never foras a "swing" room, where the em- got them. He was glad to have an ployes have a loating place, when they opportunity to do Norfolk a favor. are unoccupied. It is fitted with com- Added to this spirit of cordiality, was fortable chairs, and the like. In the a particular incident which brought basement, also, is a store room for good about. In the national republican convention at Minneapolis years ago, Mr. Robertson befriended Dave One of the interesting things about Mercer. "Whenever I can do anythe building is the system of secret thing for," Mr. Mercer said then, "I rectors' meeting here Saturday.

More than ten years later Mr. Robture a detective could enter a hidden ertson approached Mr. Mercer in Omapassageway, could scale a little iron ha. Before he had explained his mis-

"That's all right," said the congressthe force of employes. There are a man. "You don't need to worry. If folk. large number of these secret windoks, any town in the United States gets a

President Roosevelt attached his

On June 18, 1903, the corner stone nicely started. Concrete walks sur- From the history of the building the

driveway up to the rear door is of Robinson, Joseph Millard, John R. Frank Oelslagle was in the city Max Asmus is home from Omaha Mc acto. s. Hays, J. E. Simpson and William M. from Tilden Saturday. Mr. Williams, superintendent of the Robertson shall always remain insep- J. M. Strayer was a Sunday guest in

Mr. Dorsey secured a building for ome structure that is now given over Fremont years ago. At that time Nor- day visitor in Norfolk. o Norfolk. An inspector was in the folk felt badly to be left out. But the ity vesterday looking over the com- waiting has proven a benefit, after all, Fay Watts in Fremont. pleted work. The building has not in bringing about so much finer a

Fremont's Can't Compare.

the most modern way, is absolutely it which Mr. Hays received this week A. E. Remender was in the city pany her. The electricity has been pre- out new building there. And I want

NORFOLK BUSINESS MAN RIDING ON TRAIN WHICH BROKE.

Fireman, Alone, Was Hurt.

A telegram received by The News from that place.

BATTLE CREEK.

Louis Smith of Bassett is visiting many men and by a happy bit of good here at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Ulrich.

> Miss Mattle Ingoldsby, assistant principal of the Newman Grove high school, attended the county school directors' meeting here Saturday and also visited her father.

Postmaster F. H. L. Willis celebrated his sixty-seventh birthday Saturgestion and solicitation of a number day. He was surprised by a lot of neighbors and friends, who had a royal dinner with him at the Willis home. ed a government building. Fremont, He was the recipient of numerous valuable presents.

Herman Hogrefe sold the northwest corner of Hogrefe's addition to Battle Creek, consisting of twelve lots, to Contractor Herman Werner, who will soon commence the erection of an elegant residence on it for himself, John Lulow and John Bolzen were

here from Emerick Saturday. James Powell of Warnerville will "You don't say," said Henderson, make his home this winter with his grandson, Dr. H. O. Munson, and Mr. In the late eighties citizens of Nor- and Mrs. W. E. Thorpe of Coleridge. and a door is the private office of the folk organized, made up a fund and parents of Mrs. Munson, were visitfederal judge and adjacent is the room sent delegates to Washington to lobby ing here one week and went home today.

Col. T. D. Preece was crying a sale

Hon. F. W. Richardson returned Friday from a visit in Wisconsin. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Pope, who have Here the public is admitted, and here liam M. Robertson also was sent to been visiting here with relatives, re-

> Maryville, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Corkle of Tilden attended the funeral of their little date. W. M. Robertson is to occupy

> William Decker, foreman of Maas and Brechler's ranch near Inman. came down with a herd of pasture cat- ding trip, and will reside at the home tle Saturday. After visiting relatives here, he returned today.

visiting here with relatives Thursday. formerly Miss Flora Richardson. Mrs. DATES FOR ORATORY IN NORTHhis wife is much better and that she port and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davenwill be able to be about again soon. Leo Braun is back from the world's

Crookston Friday for a visit with his tory between Niobrara and Chadron, ister, Miss Emma. Saturday he went is in Norfolk today, taking a bunch to Laurel, where he is going to make of horses to eastern market. Though his home with his grandmother, Mrs. growing older every year, Doc Middle-Kauffmann, and to attend the German

Lutheran school at that place. Lutheran church next Sunday morn- as agile as that of the man at twenty. ing and in the afternoon the voting members will hold their quarterly J. C. Adams met with a painful and

business meeting. den, were visiting here Saturday, with scissors slipped and one of the sharp Superintendent C. E. Johnson at the points penetrated her eye. The na-

county poor farm. ler. August Raasch and others from that she may not lose the sight of the Norfolk attended the county school di- affected eye.

George Souvignier was down from Inman Sunday and today for a visit with his father-in-law, Sam Thatch.

MONDAY MENTION.

A. H. Backhaus of Pierce is in Nor-

C. C. Marr was down from Battle Creek. Miss Ella Raasch spent Sunday at

Stanton 1. Miller was a city visitor from Warnerville. E. P. Weatherby has returned from a

visit to Omaha. Mary Gibson was a Sunday visitor from Niobrara.

A. W. Kuester was down from Creighton Sunday. E. T. Morse was in the city yester-

day from Fremont. S. F. Barnes was in the city Saturday from Randolph.

Norfolk from Seward. C. S. Smith of Madison was a Sun-

Fred Manske of Pierce is a business

visitor in the city today.

M. C. Nelson was a Sunday visitor In pointing out the difference, a vis- in Norfolk from Niobrara.

W. M. McCorkle was in the city ton.

S. S. McAllister was a city visitor Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fisher of Madison were in Norfolk Saturday.

R. J. Tate of Plainview came to Norfolk on the early train today. Dora Jacobsen and Helen Carraber were in the city Saturday from Madi-

UMPIRE SMITH FATHER OF TWINS

The Base Bawl of a Lungy Pair Takes His Attention Now.

Tilden, Neb., Oct. 10 .- Special to Near Chillicothe, Mo., Today, Travel- The News: Umpire C. A. Smith will ing Southward on a Wabash Double- not have control of many more base-Header, the Accident Occurred, ball games this season. He has troubles of his own. They arrived this morning, a pair to draw to, for fair. C. S. Bridge of this city, who left One of them is a bouncing boy and Norfolk yesterday noon for the St. the other a fairy little maid. They are Louis exposition, was in a train wreck twins, and together with the four chiltoday near Chillicothe, Missourl. Mr. dren which formerly called the popu-Bridge was not hurt. The only per- lar baseball authority "papa," they son injured in the accident was the raise the score of his family to an even half dozen.

From now on it is thought that all from Mr. Bridge tells of the wreck, of the base ball that Umpire Smith The train was a double-header running shall know about, will be the base south on the Wabash railroad. The bawl of these two young players. cause of the accident is not stated. They have already begun to call down Mr. Bridge evidently went back to the umpire. His decisions don't seem Chillicothe, as the message is dated to count with them. They keep him jumping sideways from early till late, and he can neither fine them nor call the game off. It is one time when the batters have the best of the man that knows the rules.

TUESDAY TOPICS. been adjourned until December 12, by

order of Judge Boyd. ular session tonight at the city hall.

The Norfolk fire department will meet in regular session tomorrow night from Omaha where she saw the night at firemen's hall, and a good at- Ak-Sar-Ben electrical parade and attendance of members is desired.

H. A. Miller, conductor on the Northwestern between Norfolk and Missouri Valley, has made a record of 4,000 miles during the past two weeks. moved from the Pacific block to its new location in the Estabrook block,

formerly occupied by the Palace shoe The Ladies society of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. Boas on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Grove, with Hon, Frank Nelson of The ladies of the Congregation are Kansas.

cordially invited. Word was brought to Norfolk today on the Bonesteel train that one man Columbus. had been killed and another wounded on the Rosebud reservation in a row last night. A telepraphic inquiry to Bonesteel today develops no such affair.

J. S. Mathewson is excavating for the new residence he is to build on West Norfolk avenue, and the work of construction is to begin at an early the house after it is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. John Davenport have arrived in Norfolk, after a brief wedof Mrs. Mary Davenport, North Ninth street. The marriage took place at Grandpa Owen Wade of Norfolk was New Matamoras, Ohio. The bride was port attended the wedding

"Doc" Middleton, notorious rider of the plains and famous as a "dead Harry Schneider came down from shot," who formerly reigned the territon still retains a beadlike black eye which pierces through his fellow man, Holy communion will be held at the and he still walks with a step that is

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. perhaps serious accident yesterday Henry Wehenkel, Phillip Knapp and She was using a pair of scissors to cut he Schwartz brothers of Green Gar- a thread when in some manner the abiy thicken up as election time apture of the injuries to the eye were Herman Buettow, Martin Machmul- not at once manifest, but it is hoped

Madison Star-Mail: An amusing of the 22nd. story comes from St. Louis to the efin length and perfectly natural in all Scribner on the 22nd. respects, Mr. Thatch enquired, "Where

for Osmond, where he is building a of such meetings after that time.

Williams. New York city tomorrow morning not be police to a land Her mother, Mrs. P. O. Hirsch and niece, Courine Hirsch, will accom-

W. E. Garrison was up from Stan- was

C. P. Hittner was up from Humphrey F. H. Bakhaus was in Norfolk from

P. M. Durght was in the city from Niobrara. H. P. Stone was down from Niobrara

Osmond.

esterday Eugene Austin left today for a trip to Denver.

W. M. Robertson went to Pierce yes R. Gambell was in the city yesterday

rom Madison. Dan Kurtz was a Norfolk visitor

from Humphrey. Burt Mapes was in Madison yester

day on business. B. G. Button was a city visitor from plainview yesterday.

Phil H. Kohl of Wayne had business in Norfolk yesterday. Rev. Tho. J. Asmus was a city vis-

tor Monday from Osmond. Mr. and Mrs. John J. Sammli were

up from Stanton yesterday, Mrs. J. Franzenburg was a visitor in the city from Arlington.

G. W. Evans was in Omaha for a few days, but has returned. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. M. Bonslaugh

were in the city yesterday from Bone-Mrs. J. W. Warrick of Meadow Grove was shopping in the city yes

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Jorgensen and Miss Minnie Jorgensen were up from

Humphrey. C. S. Hayes left on the noon train with daughter Beulah for a trip to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Chicago.

Dr. J. J. Williams, the republican District court in Madison county has candidate for state senator was in Norfolk yesterday making new friends. Mrs. Susie W. Harris and daughter, All members of the West Side Hose of New Haven, Conn., are visiting Mrs. company are requested to meet in reg. E. W. Bates at her home on South Fourth street.

Miss Tena Boehnke returned last tended the ball.

CONGRESSIONAL JOINT DEBATES

The E. G. Fisher saloon has been Congressman McCarthy and Mr. Mc-

Killip Will Talk. Hon, J. J. McCarthy, republican candidate for congress in the Third district, is scheduled to make addresses as follows:

Friday, October 7, at Newman Monday, October 10, he will be with

Senator Fairbanks at Fremont and Thursday, October 13, at Tekamah. Saturday, October 15, at Hoskins, Thursday, October 20, at Altoona. The republican and democratic congressional committee are negotiating for a series of joint debates between

Congressman McCarthy and P. E. Mc-Killip, the democratic nominee. It is settled that a number of such debates will be held but just where and when has not been determined.

EAST NEBRASKA.

ARRANGING FOR JOINT DEBATES

Auditor Andrews and Mr. Collins of the Department of Justice Have a Number of Dates-Mr. McKillip and Mr. McCarthy Will Debate.

There will be a number of repubican speakers in northeast Nebraska between now and election day and floods of eloquence will be turned loose to show the voters where they should stand when the time comes for casting their ballots. Some of the orators are now at work and they will probproaches.

Auditor Andrews of the treasury department is today speaking at Hartington; Wednesday he will address the people at Pender; at Lyons on the 15th and at Chapman on the afternoon

F. W. Collins of the department of fect that while our distinguished justice at Washington, speaks at townsman A. J. Thatch was being Bloomfield on the 18th, at Pierce on shown an ear of corn made of wax the 19th, Fullerton the 20th; Albion measuring something like three feet or Cedar Rapids on the 21st and at

able to arrange for joint debates after Carl Zuelow left on the noon train the 20th, and they hope to get a string

where he played with the Broken Bow lican side of the controllersy that it band during the Ak-Sar-Ben carnival, was terred than Ar McKillip and his W. E. Spencer, formerly in the shoe damage and the death be drawn business here, but now a cattle man into debate, and in a gifte demoof Alliance, was in the city over Sun- crate papers have waite such a plus-Miss Jennie Grewell is visiting Miss day, a guest at the home of George ter a out M the late of a foint discussion or thouse new, that they Mrs. Harry Lodor will leave for have evident's decided that it would

> As a medium of excepting for anything to be Salesand try a News

Bread

are always successful in the art of bread-making. Their bread is light, toothsome, sweet as a nut, and full of nutriment. Their families have well-nourished bodies and good digestions.

Nine times out of ten when bread goes wrong the fault is in the yeast. If you seem to have lost the knack of good bread, or are auxious to improve, try



the yeast that's made of wholesome and healthful malt, hops and corn: the yeast that's free from brewery waste or other harmful ingredients: the yeast that smells different, tastes different and never grows stale; the yeast that holds the secret of the best bread you ever tasted. Remember-

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Properly treated.

Blood and Skin Disenses.
Pimples, blotches, eruptions, liver spots, failing of the hair, bad complexion, eczema, throat ulcers, bone pains, bladder troubles, weak back, burning urine, passing urine too often. The effects of constitutional sickness or the taking of too much injurious medicine receives searching treatment, prompt relief and a cure for life.

Diseases of women, irregular menstruation, failing of the womb, bearing down pains, female displacements, lack of sexual tone. Leucorrhea, sterility or barreness, consult Dr. Caldwell and she will show them the cause of their

respects, Mr. Thatch enquired, "Where does that corn come from?" The gentleman in charge replied that it was from Tenessee. To which the Nebraskan remarked in his usual honest manner, "Well I thought it was from Nebraska, we have any amount of it up there." The keeper of the booth at the last reports had not recovered.

"Tack" Peters was in the city from Stanton Sunday.

Agnes and Leona Raasch returned Saturday night from their trip to Minnesota.

Scholer on the 22hd.

Congressman McCarthy will be with Mr. Collins at Pierce on the 19th; on the 12th he will be with Auditor Andrews at Pender; at Tekamah and drews driving have the part of the part of the subtraction of bar drews drived have the p n and advice, one dollar to those

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