

ARE AFTER POPCORN BILL

STOLEN BRICK OF CHEESE IS LEADING TO TROUBLE.

BUT HE IS NOT TO BE LOCATED

Warrant was issued yesterday, P. A. Shurtz being the complaining witness—but Bill had taken to the Tall Firs and is not yet back.

"Popcorn Bill" Hemphill is leading the Norfolk police a merry chase because of the brick of cheese which he is accused of stealing.

Yesterday it was reported to the officers that Bill was working at the new insane hospital, and a trip through the cold wind was made in pursuit. But there was nothing to it. The warrant for his arrest was made out yesterday, P. A. Shurtz being the complaining witness. Chief of Police Larkin made the trip but failed to find Bill.

BATTLE CREEK NOTES.

Prof. M. G. Doering was a business visitor to Tilden Monday.

John Witzgman spent Christmas at the home of his brother, W. A. Witzgman, at Meadow Grove.

James Blahovek has started a quick meal restaurant in Lambert Krbel's refreshment establishment.

The meeting of the Battle Creek Mutual Insurance company was postponed Tuesday until after the New Year, on account of the weather.

Fred Schereger, jr., will move soon to Boone county, where he and Henry Bahre, also of this place, have rented a 320-acre farm four miles east of Elgin.

Prof. M. G. Doering went to Fremont Wednesday to attend the convention of German Lutheran teachers of north Nebraska. He is on the program for a paper.

Herman Scheer was down from Meadow Grove Wednesday and stated that last week he lost one-half of the middle finger on his right hand, while working with a corn sheller on Jas. Young's place.

Henry Borchers has sold his 280-acre farm four miles south to August Borgelt of Stanton county. The consideration is given at \$12,880. Mr. Borchers intends to move to the state of Washington.

On New Year's eve, Saturday, services were held at the Lutheran church in Elgin and on New Year's day there were services in the morning. In the afternoon at 1:30 the members will attend a general business meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Richardson, of Richardson county, returned home on Christmas at the home of W. H. Hogrefe who is a merchant at that place and was re-elected representative to the legislature at the late election.

Mr. John Borchers and Miss Rosina Kleider were married Wednesday forenoon at 10:30 in the Lutheran church by Rev. J. Hoffman. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kleider, four miles south on the creek, where a reception was held. The young couple will go to housekeeping on the Braje farm south of town.

Warnerville.

Charlie Tillison, who is attending the business college at Grand Island this winter, is home for the holidays.

A very pleasant and enjoyable evening was had at the Christmas entertainment held in the school house Saturday evening by the Sunday school. A large crowd was in attendance and the little ones received many presents from the hands of Santa Claus.

Otto Carson went to the dance in the hall last Friday evening wearing a new overcoat. He went home wearing one that was badly frayed around the edges. Some fellow exchanged without consulting Otto.

Uhl-Bower Wedding.

Married, on Christmas day, 1904, at the M. E. parsonage in Aberdeen, Willis C. Bower of Redfield, and Mrs. Elsie M. Uhl of Springfield, Neb., Rev. J. W. Taylor officiating.

Mr. Bower has been a resident of South Dakota for more than twenty-five years and has been identified with the political and educational history of the state.

For the past five years the bride has been general traveling representative in South Dakota for a Logansport, Ind., firm, during which time by reason of her attractive personality and good business qualifications she has won the respect and admiration of a large circle of friends, who wish her much happiness in her new relation in life.

Mr. and Mrs. Bower will make their home in Redfield.—Aberdeen. (S. D.) Daily News.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express sincerest gratitude to all of the friends and neighbors who have been so kind during the last, long illness and the death of our wife and daughter.

E. B. Kaufman,
John Benning and family.

FRIDAY FACTS.

Arthur Heitman of Madison visited in Norfolk yesterday.

M. M. Whitmer of Oakdale was a Norfolk visitor today.

Miss Addie Monroe of Fairfax, S. D., was a Norfolk visitor yesterday.

George Stevenson of Madison was in the city yesterday on business.

George Nelson was down from Plainview this morning on business.

J. P. Hoagland was down from Meadow Grove yesterday on business.

George Howe and Becky Howe of Niobrara were visitors in Norfolk this morning.

E. C. Thorpe of Meadow Grove transacted business in Norfolk this morning.

Lester Dutcher of Plainview visited a few days this week with Frank Hamilton.

N. M. Nelson and P. O. Toole of Newcastle were in Norfolk yesterday on business.

Miss Iryl King of Humphrey is spending her Christmas vacation with friends in Norfolk.

Harry Steinbaugh, visiting at the home of his uncle, S. R. McFarland, is suffering from an attack of quinsy. His mother is a guest at the McFarland home.

Lewis Johnson is over from Sioux City to spend a portion of his holiday vacation with relatives and friends.

Frank Emery left yesterday for Chicago to resume his work there. Mrs. Emery will continue her visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gerecke, until spring.

Water Commissioner H. L. Spaulding went to Omaha yesterday, returning today. Mr. Spaulding has been ill for two weeks, and has been unable during that time to be in his office at all.

"Business in my line is slow since Christmas," said Police Judge Hayes. "There is nothing to it. People aren't dissipating enough."

Mr. and Mrs. John Davenport have rented the Simpson cottage at the corner of Norfolk avenue and Tenth street, and will move in soon.

Judge and Mrs. I. Powers left Omaha this morning for California, where they will be gone for some time in the interest of Mr. Power's health. They will be absent for several weeks at least and longer if they enjoy the trip and their stay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bundick went to Omaha yesterday and Mrs. Bundick has gone on, from there, to Washington, D. C., for a few weeks' visit. Meanwhile Mr. Bundick will close his business relations in this city, preparatory to leaving for his new work at LaMar, Col., where he has been made manager of the new sugar factory which is to be equipped with Norfolk machinery.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Miller gave an enjoyable party last evening at their home on Phillip avenue when their infant daughter was baptised and christened. The little one has been named Bernice Violet Beatrice Caroline Adeline Hazel Mercedes Miller. For short, and every day use the baby will be called Violet and will only use her full name on state occasions. Refreshments were served to the relatives and friends assembled and all spent an enjoyable evening.

Tonight the Eagles will dance. Every preparation for a good time in Marquardt hall has been made. It is the second annual ball of Sugar City aerie, and the Eagles intend to make it one that will long be remembered.

The music will be excellent, and every convenience has been arranged for the dancers. A special train will run from the Junction depot to Norfolk at 9 o'clock this evening, and it will return to the Junction from Norfolk at 2 o'clock in the morning. This will accommodate all people from that part of the city who wish to attend the party. Lovers of fine music expect an especial treat because the famous Collins Brothers' orchestra of Marshalltown, Iowa, is to furnish the inspiration for the dancers.

Norfolk people have recently experienced quite an epidemic of sore throat and there is a suspicion in the minds of some that it is the "dust" throat that a Minneapolis physician has determined is afflicting the people of that city. He has made a microscopic examination and identifies a rare serpentine bacillus, that makes itself manifest when the streets are dusty and particularly in persons who have been in dusty places and compelled to breathe impure air. The bacillus has the form of a snake and has motor power similar to that of a serpent. Although microscopic in character, under a powerful glass it may be seen propelling itself across a field after the manner of a common garter snake. These bacilli infest the throat, causing serious affliction, although they yield readily to treatment and do not possess the virulent qualities of the diphtheritic bacillus.

JOHN BLACKBIRD HEAP DRUNK

Indian Arrived From Omaha Reservation, to Spend Night.

John Blackbird is the name of an old Indian warrior from the Omaha reservation who spent the night in the Norfolk city jail. John arrived in the city with considerable of a tank already on. So drunk was he, in fact, that he didn't know just where he was at until Officer Pilger came along. The booze that gave John his jag was not sold in Norfolk, as he brought it with him.

A single bum was the only prisoner who kept John company over night.

HIS HOLIDAY REST ETERNAL.

YOUNG UNIVERSITY MAN SUD- DENLY SUCCUMBS AT HOME.

WILLIAM OXNAM, SOPHOMORE

Spending What Had Been Planned by Him as a Happy Yuletide Recreation, the Young Man is Stricken and Dies at Parents' Home.

(From Friday's Daily.) Spending what had been planned as a merry, happy holiday vacation from his student work in the University of Nebraska, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Oxnam, at their home on South Tenth street in this city, William Oxnam, a young man just twenty years of age, and a sophomore in the state university, succumbed shortly before 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon to a sudden and acute attack of diabetes.

Arriving home last Thursday from Lincoln, Mr. Oxnam spent his Christmas at home and enjoyed the yuletide greetings with unusual spirit. Wednesday of this week he was suddenly attacked and became bedfast. Even at that time his father, who has for years been postal clerk on the Union Pacific railroad between this city and Columbus, did not consider his son's condition as particularly alarming, and made his usual trip. Yesterday, however, it became evident that the young man could live but a few hours more and all hopes of his recovery were given up.

It was noted by his friends when Mr. Oxnam reached home from Lincoln, that his color was unusually white and that his face was extraordinarily thin. He admitted, when asked about it, that he had lost twenty pounds in flesh during the three months of the fall term of school, and said that he was home to get a little rest. Little did he realize, nor his friends, that that rest should be the eternal sleep which came upon him at 2:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Hopeful with the plans of an optimistic youth, the university sophomore was looking ahead to the time when he might go east to complete his studies, in some college such as Cornell. He was planning a future which would make of himself a creditable man, and one of actual worth to the world.

It was just a year ago last June that Will Oxnam graduated from the Norfolk high school, where he was a student of unusual quickness in many lines, especially mathematics. Always of frail body, his constitution was tested severely in his university work that came later.

At Lincoln he was getting along in his work in first class shape. He was steady and in earnest, and no doubt gave attention to work which should have been given to recreation and rest.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS

ELKHORN DIVISION, NO. 268, ENJOYS A BANQUET.

FOLLOWED BY DANCING PARTY

Seven New Members Were Initiated. Elkhorn Division Has a Steadily Growing Membership and Will Soon be One of Strongest Anywhere.

Elkhorn division No. 268, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, gave a social and banquet in the railroad hall at South Norfolk Thursday evening. Initiation ceremonies were held in the afternoon, seven being initiated. At about 8:30 in the evening, the master of ceremonies announced the banquet prepared and fifty persons were seated at the tables, which were amply laden with delicacies appropriate for the occasion. After the banquet, the floor was cleared and dancing followed.

Elkhorn division has a large and growing membership and prospects are good that it will soon become one of the strongest and most important of the subordinate divisions of the vast army of locomotive engineers.

Get to school right with a supply of News' tablets.

Lad Couldn't Buy Cigarette.

"No, I will not sell a cigarette to a boy of your size." This was the astounding remark that greeted a little fellow who entered the smoke house and news stand of H. R. Ward—4-11-44—yesterday afternoon. "I have made up my mind," said Mr. Ward, "that I shall not sell tobaccos to young boys unless they have orders showing that they are buying for older persons. In the first place I don't think it's a good thing. In the second place I don't want boys to get an idea they can loaf here. Ladies are beginning to come in now for new magazines. Any magazine that I haven't on my shelf, I order at once."

150,000 Increase.

The publishers of the Woman's Home Companion, the brightest and best of all home magazines, announce that the demand for the January number will far exceed half a million copies, which is an increase of 150,000 copies in the short space of a few months only. The December number was completely sold out by the fifth day of December.

The January issue will be a great holiday number, with royally beautiful illustrations. It will contain the best of short stories, fiction and fascinating serials, the newest fashions, wonderful special articles, children's pages, Mrs. Sangster's talks, photographic contests, cash prizes in plenty, puzzles, wit and humor, etc., etc., the brightest, most entertaining and helpful home and family magazine in the world for American homes. Ten cents a copy at all newsdealers, or direct from the publishers at Springfield, Ohio. Subscription price, \$1.00 a year.

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WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH

SUFFERING UNTOLD AGONY, SHE SAVES HER CHILDREN.

GASOLINE CAUSES THE FIRE

Dashing Her Form Into Icy Water, She Quenches Flame—Her Clothing Falls From Her and She Runs Back to Save the Home and Babies.

(From Saturday's Daily.) Cleaning clothing for the approaching holiday and its celebrations, using gasoline for the purpose, Mrs. Joseph Reuss, was burned to death in a terribly tragic manner, at her home near Elgin, Neb.

Using an open pan of gasoline a short distance from a heated cook stove, the woman was suddenly covered with flaming fluid as the result of an explosion. Attempting desperately to quench the blaze that enveloped her body, eating her clothing and leaping into her face and hair, she used up almost all of her strength. Quilts and blankets which she seized in an effort to stop the fire, were burned.

Finally despairing in her attempt to put out the flame, she ran out of the house, succeeded in reaching the water tank at the barn and dived into the icy liquid. With a hissing, the water put a stop to the fire but her clothing had been so nearly destroyed that the frail particles remaining, dropped off into the tank, leaving the suffering woman nude. Still courageous, however, she ran back to the house to put out the fire and save her children. When she had done this, she dropped, exhausted, into a chair, where her husband, some hours later, found her moaning and charred. For a night and a day she lived in horrible agony, finally succumbing.

She was formerly Miss Gertrude Eichman of Carroll, Neb.

Fine plush and fur robes and horse blankets. Large assortment. Reasonable in cost. Paul Nordwig.

HERMAN BOCHE ARRESTED

Charged With Having Violated the State Game Laws.

(From Saturday's Daily.) Herman Boche was brought into court this morning to answer to the charge of illegal fishing in violation of the state laws, the complaint being made out by Deputy Game Warden J. A. Rainey. At the hour of the trial, 10 o'clock, Mr. Boche appeared and took a continuance until Wednesday. His attorney was Jack Koenigstein, who, by Wednesday will probably be county attorney and thereby transferred to the other side of the case with the duty of prosecuting.

The arrest of Mr. Boche was made by Chief of Police Larkin, who took twenty-five fish.

Shop Talk by Educators.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 31.—In addition to electing officers and disposing of unfinished business the southern educators at their session this morning listened to papers as follows: "Are We Storing up the Natural Forces Around Us?" Miss Anna E. Chaires, Florida state normal school, De Funiak Springs, Fla.; "Character Building Through Instruction," L. W. Bueholz, Florida State college, Tallahassee, Fla.; "The Mission of the Teachers," Dr. Franck P. Venable, president of the University of North Carolina; "The High School, Its Position and Influence," Mrs. Frances N. Clayton, Tampa, Fla.; "The Education Best Suited to the Negro," William F. Fox, superintendent of schools, Richmond, Va.

At the concluding session tonight President Guerry of Wesleyan Female college will speak of the education of women in the south, and Dr. Edward Gardner Murphey, of New York city, will tell of the work of the southern education board.

Very Low Excursion Rates to Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo, via the Northwestern line, will be in effect from all stations January 7, 8 and 9, 1905, with favorable return limits, on account of annual conventions, National Live Stock and Wool Growers' associations. Two fast trains through to Colorado daily, only one night. For full information apply to agents Chicago & Northwestern R'y.

THE PURE SEED SPECIAL

WILL BE IN NORFOLK MONDAY AFTERNOON JANUARY 2.

PROF. T. L. LYON WILL LECTURE

Will Speak on Soil Cultivation; Benefit of Pure Seed and How to Select it; How to Eradicate the Hessian Fly and Other Topics.

The schedule of the Northwestern "Pure Seed" special has been arranged, and the farmers along the route are to be informed at just what time they may receive the advantages of the undertaking.

It is announced that the special will be in Norfolk, at the city station on Monday, January 2, at 3:25 p. m. Prof. T. L. Lyon, of the department of agriculture, university of Nebraska, will be with the train and will lecture to the farmers on soil cultivation; the benefits of pure seed, how to select it; how to eradicate the Hessian fly, and kindred topics.

Farmers are invited to attend the lecture and can go to Pierce on the special, returning on No. 70, thus giving them a chance to hear the whole of the lecture.

Prof. Lyon is one of the foremost agricultural scientists of the west and it will be of material interest and advantage for the farmers of Norfolk and vicinity to hear his talk. The subjects to be discussed are agitating the entire western farming world and though some sections are further along on the matter than others there is every incentive to the farmers of backward sections to gain the instruction and profit by the experience of others who have made practical tests.

The Northwestern will best know how much the farmers appreciate the efforts in their behalf by a large attendance and they will undoubtedly gauge their future endeavors by the interest shown in this seed special. In addition to the lecture, exhibits to illustrate the points made will be shown and everything possible in a limited time will be done to give the farmers full instruction on important subjects.

From here the special will make a trip up the Bonesteel line and from there over other lines of the system in this section of the state.

Horse blankets. Plush and fur robes. Finest assortment in city. Prices low. Paul Nordwig.

TRIAL OF ADOLPH WEBER

Youth is Charged With Murdering His Father and Mother.

Auburn, Cal., Jan. 3.—The case of Adolph Weber, the youth who is charged with murdering his father, mother and other members of his family and then firing the house to con-

Southern Rabbis in Conference.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 3.—The annual session of the Southern Rabbinical conference began in New Orleans today with leading rabbis in attendance from Memphis, Nashville, Houston, Atlanta, Richmond and other cities of the south. The purpose of the conference is to discuss various questions relating to the Jewish faith. The visiting rabbis will remain here for the celebration next week of the golden jubilee of the Jewish Widows and Orphans' home, the oldest Jewish institution of its kind in the country.

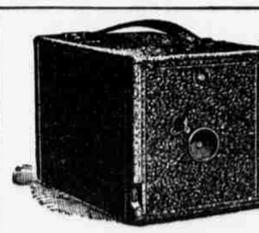
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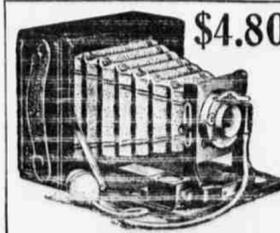
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ceal the crime, was called for trial today before Judge Prewett. So intense is popular feeling and so widely have the facts of the awful murders been advertised that it is expected considerable difficulty will be experienced in getting a jury.

MANY HURT IN COLLISIONS

Two Bad Accidents in New York and Brooklyn Today.

New York, Jan. 3.—In a collision between a trolley car and a big touring automobile today more than a score of persons were slightly hurt, the gasoline tank on the automobile exploded and later the machine was consumed.

In a collision between two trolley cars in Brooklyn, eighteen persons were injured.

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Senator Knox for Full Term.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 3.—The Pennsylvania legislature assembled today. Governor Pennypacker in his annual message dealt with a large number of matters of importance to the state, advocating among other things a new senatorial and representative apportionment and recommending legislation reducing or abolishing the fees of various state officials. Other matters touched upon in the message were the appointment of additional bank examiners and new legislation with the "enabling act" passed by the last legislature for a Greater Pittsburgh.

At the close of its session today the legislature will adjourn until January 17 when it will reassemble to ballot for a United States senator in place of the late Senator Quay. Senator Knox, who is serving by appointment a portion of the unexpired term of Senator Quay, has announced his candidacy for election to a full six-year term. Senator Knox's candidacy has the endorsement of the republican organization leaders and he probably will receive the unanimous vote of the party caucus.

Repairing—neatest, best, cheapest. Paul Nordwig, harness man.

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