

## THE ELKS ANNUAL PARTY

FOURTH ANNIVERSARY WAS CELEBRATED LAST NIGHT.

ONE OF THE PRETTIEST EVER

Dancing and Cards Were Features of the Fourth Anniversary Party of Norfolk Lodge No. 653, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Norfolk lodge, No. 653, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, enjoyed last night at its fourth anniversary party, one of the most successful and highly delightful social functions that have been given by the local lodge within its four years of existence. The affair was attended by a very large number of Elks and their ladies from both Norfolk and the surrounding territory, and by, also, a number of Elks who had been invited for the evening as a special feature.

The evening was given over to cards and dancing. Six-hand euchre afforded pleasure to those who enjoy taking tricks at a table, while on the floor above the club rooms the dancers began at 9 o'clock and continued, with an intermission for supper, until 1 o'clock, in a most delightful dance.

A delicious supper, prepared by ladies of Elks whose names begin with letters in the first half of the alphabet, was served to the hundred guests at promptly 11 o'clock, requiring about an hour. Mrs. A. J. Durland was chairman of the committee of ladies and to her is due much of the credit for the supper's success.

Throughout the evening the billiard and pool room was filled with interested cue experts who found more genuine enjoyment in that amusement than in either the cards or the dance. The ceellian, also, was on the constant go, turning out music by the yard for a number of auditors.

Orange sherbet was served at the south end of the dancing hall, throughout the evening. The Norfolk orchestra furnished music and the music was a splendid feature of the evening, too.

Exalted Ruler P. H. Salter was chairman of the party committee. W. M. Rainbolt, E. H. Tracy and Dr. R. A. Mittelstadt were chairmen of sub-committees.

The party was one of the prettiest that has been seen in Norfolk in a long time. With full dress attire largely among the men and stunningly attractive gowns among the ladies, the effect was a pleasing one withal and one which did justice to the fourth birthday of No. 653.

Although there were a number of outsiders present and a number of the commercial men who are Elks, yet the fact that the party fell on Thursday night was enough to keep away a great many of the travelers who were out on their routes and a number, too, of the members in other towns who had business duties to attend to too early today to be able to make the trip.

### FRIDAY FACTS.

Fran Lambert of Foster was in the city.

John Neary was up from Fremont yesterday.

G. C. Kerkow was up from Fremont yesterday.

William Zulof was in the city today from Pierce.

Fred Lorenz was in the city yesterday from Leigh.

J. M. Bothwell was over from Madison yesterday.

J. B. Manley was in the city yesterday from Lyons.

F. W. Shackleton of Hastings was in Norfolk yesterday.

C. W. Martingale of Valentine was in Norfolk yesterday.

Fred L. Wanser was in the city yesterday from Plainview.

R. C. Petersen was in Norfolk yesterday from Winnetoon.

J. Thompson was a Norfolk visitor yesterday from Spencer.

Sam Templin was in Norfolk yesterday from Fairbury.

Miss Anna Demmer was in the city yesterday from Creighton.

John H. Bony of Bassett transacted business in the city yesterday.

Mrs. E. A. Jones of Creighton was a visitor yesterday in Norfolk.

R. A. Tawney of Pierce transacted business in the city yesterday.

Miss Vina Packmaster was a city visitor yesterday from Creighton.

Miss Vada Tannehill has gone to Stanton to visit the Misses Klidder.

Sheriff J. J. Clements of Madison had official business in Norfolk yesterday.

W. M. Robertson returned last night from a trip to Lincoln where he dined yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hathaway of Manning, Iowa, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hayes and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Doughty. They are old Iowa friends of the two families.

Senator and Mrs. W. V. Allen of Madison were visiting with Norfolk friends yesterday.

C. E. Doughty returned home from Omaha last night and left today for Stanton on a business trip.

Winside Tribune: Christ. Holm loaded his household goods into a car and left with them for his new home in the Rosebud country. Mrs. Holm followed him Monday and when she arrived at Bonesteel she had a 25

mile ride across the country to Mr. Holm's claim. With the weather we had Tuesday, this ride would be rather refreshing.

James Anderson of Ewing, a horse-man, is in the city.

W. A. Witzgman of Meadow Grove was in the city today on business.

H. S. Daniel of Omaha is in Norfolk on business, and is greeting former friends incidentally.

H. L. Spaulding is about the same. He is not feeling greatly improved, he said to The News over the telephone today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Redmond left today for Clay Center, Kas., where they will visit with relatives for ten days.

J. W. Humphrey will leave either tonight or tomorrow night for the west on a two months' trip over his territory.

Frank Emory, who spent the winter here, has returned to his former home in Pittsburg, where he has a position with a brokerage firm.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hathaway are in the city from Manning, Iowa, for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Doughty and Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hayes.

Among those who were in the city last night to attend the annual party of the Elks were Mr. and Mrs. M. C. von Rhaden, Creighton; H. Fricke, Madison; Mrs. Sanford Parker, Spencer; R. A. Tawney, Pierce; W. S. Harding, Nebraska City; George W. Box, Sioux City; Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Corwin, Middletown, N. Y.

The Norfolk orchestra went to Meadow Grove today to play for a dancing party to be given at that place tonight.

Sleighing continues to be first class in Norfolk. The snow is well enough packed that it forms a good crust for the runners and jingling bells are to be heard at all hours.

Julius Rerberg was found guilty today of having been drunk and disorderly during the night, and he will pay a penalty of ten days in the city jail on bread and water as a penalty.

Wayne Herald: The Wayne school is already becoming interested in the selection of contestants for the oratorical contest scheduled to take place in Norfolk the latter part of March. The victors of a local contest will be sent to Norfolk. It is expected that a spirited rivalry for the honor will develop.

Wayne Herald: Wm. Wittler, who had planned to move his stock of merchandise to Sutton, Neb., closed a deal Monday morning, by which he traded his store to Leigh Bros. of Bloomfield for a 320-acre farm lying north of Dixon in Dixon county. Leigh Bros. expect to continue the business in Wayne and put forth energetic efforts in gaining their share of patronage. They come well recommended.

Dr. A. E. Disbrow of Creighton, who had considerable difficulty a few months ago with a party from Oregon who claimed that he had been defrauded by the Nebraska physician, has now completely triumphed over the westerner, having won his case in the courts. Dr. Disbrow has been completely exonerated from all charges made and his territory in Oregon, for the sale of his medicine, has been restored to him.

A morning of frosty fog was the weather feature today. The air was charged with dampness that quickly painted silvery feathers on wires, trees and everything long exposed to its effects. It was a regular eastern morning and the achievements of the frost king in decorating things was not unappreciated by the people in this section who have not frequently had the opportunity to witness similar effects. Meanwhile the snow remains on the ground, to afford sleighing and sledding like they have further east and north, and if the frost and fog has its usual development there will be a further addition to the coating of snow.

### Neligh News.

Mike Joseph, accused of setting fire to the store building of Abood & Addalla at Orchard, who was to have his preliminary hearing before Judge Finch the 23rd, has through his attorneys secured a continuance until the 30th inst. In default of bail he remains in the county jail.

The recent sale of the Babcock half section just north of town for \$17,000, recalls forcibly the fact that real estate investments are good. In speaking of this sale, M. B. Huffman of the firm of Huffman & Rollins of this city, stated that twenty years ago, he was offered the northeast quarter of this land for \$100, and the west one for \$50. That any time during that year he could have purchased this land at that figure, but even at the price thought it was worthless. Today this is as fine a farm as can be found in Nebraska, well improved and produces crops as prolific as land anywhere.

The regular meeting of the Sycamore club was held Tuesday evening at the home of Charles Kelsey. Fifteen minute talks were made by J. C. Jenkins and Joseph Spirk. Five minute talks on current topics were made by members after which a repast was served of which horse-radish constituted a large part of the bill of fare. Music was rendered by some of the singers of the club, of which George Sellery was prominent.

John Leik drew a suit in Krahn's suit club No. 1. The lucky ticket was 16. Chester A. Fuller drew out on No 15 in club No. 2.

## FRED M. HANS WAS SEEN

FRIENDS RECOGNIZED HIM AT FREMONT RECENTLY.

HE REFUSED TO SPEAK TO THEM

Man Who Had a Murder Charge Hanging Over Him at Ainsworth and Who Was Said to Have Disappeared, is Reported to Have Gone East.

The Fremont Tribune says Fred M. Hans, who was awaiting trial at Ainsworth on charge of the murder of David O. Luce, and who is reported to have suddenly left town without advising his friends, was seen at Fremont several days ago. Mr. Hans at that time, the Tribune says, refused to recognize his acquaintances on the street and the supposition is that, leaving the country, he desired to give an impression that it was not he who killed Luce near Ainsworth. Hans said he was trying to arrest the fellow and shot in self defense. The case has been tried once and was remanded by the supreme court for new trial. Twice this winter the case has been postponed until future date for trial.

### RELATIVES TAKE BODY.

Remains of Henry Kane, Asphyxiated Yesterday, Taken to Lynch, Neb., Sioux City, Jan. 27.—Frank Moran and W. L. Mulhair of Lynch, Neb., arrived yesterday morning to take charge of the body of their brother-in-law, Henry Kane, who was found suffocated by gas in the Merchant's hotel.

Moran and Mulhair investigated the case to some extent and expressed the opinion that Kane undoubtedly came to his death by blowing out the gas.

"He was a bachelor and lived with us," said Moran. "Part of the time he stayed on his farm four miles from Lynch. He owned 160 acres of land and it is worth perhaps \$2,000. He did not read the newspapers much and I don't believe he knew much about how to handle gas. He was 52 years old."

Kane went to Boseobel, Wis., in November to visit his sister. He came from that town to Nebraska and had not been back to visit his old home for more than twenty years.

Coroner Robbins decided not to hold an inquest and the body was taken home to Lynch this morning.

### IRRIGATION BOARD TO MEET.

Will Consider Questions of Importance to the Farmers.

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—The state board of irrigation will meet February 14 for the purpose of determining the respective merits of applications 768 and 769, the former being that of the secretary of the interior for the Nebraska end of the Pathfinder canal project, and the latter, the Union canal project, backed by H. G. Leavitt, the Ames beet sugar magnate. The secretary will not rule as is the custom, leaving the matter for his superior officers. Leavitt is expected to appeal in an event of an adverse decision.

The question involved arises from the fact that the first filing of the government did not cover the territory to be watered in detail as required by the statutes, and on that technicality Leavitt bases his claims to priority, the government having filed an amended application after that of the sugar magnate.

Local parties interested in the western irrigation project believe that the president has finally refused the request of Leavitt that the government allow private enterprise to carry out a portion or all of the Pathfinder enterprise. The contract for some of the rock work has already been let, indicating, it is believed, the intention of the government to proceed without delay.

### Madison Items.

The Rev. J. M. Bothwell, pastor of the M. E. church, went to Norfolk Monday morning where, with the Rev. Mr. Poucher of that place, and the Rev. Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Lewis of Lee, will hold revival services, after which they will come to Madison and from here will go to Lee.

Mr. Guy Chapman of the Wayne normal has been visiting his relatives.

Mr. Ed. Everson of Stanton visited friends here the first of the week.

Mrs. Charles Antisdal, who has been visiting her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Antisdal, for the last month, returned to her home in New York yesterday morning.

Mr. E. E. Esh returned from Omaha the first of the week. He has been employed there during the winter.

The D. F. Nicholson Dry Goods company is closing out its old stock of goods.

### Baptist Services.

The revival services at the Baptist church continue with good interest. These services will continue over Sunday. The baptismal service will take place Sunday evening at 7:30. The Sunday services are as follows: Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11; children's meeting at 3 p. m.

B. Y. P. U., 6:30; preaching 7:30.

You are cordially invited to attend these services and bring your friends and neighbors.

### Sold His Claim.

Robert Utter has disposed of his Rosebud claim which he drew last summer in the big land lottery. He has sold the relinquishment to Dave Gardner of Gregory. Mr. Gardner is the man who was married at Humphrey a few days ago while the Union Pacific passenger train waited for the ceremony to be performed.

### Try a News want ad.

### Special Revival Meetings.

Special revival meetings will commence at the M. E. church Monday night and continue each evening for some time. The pastor, Rev. J. F. Poucher, is to be assisted in the services by Rev. J. M. Bothwell of Madison, while the singing will be conducted by Harry G. Langley and wife of Leigh.

### SCARED NEGRO LEFT TRUNK KEY

Peculiar Experience of Valentine Colored Man in Norfolk.

George H. Spear, the Norfolk traveling man who was not dead as reported, tells of a negro at Valentine who had a peculiar experience in Norfolk and between Norfolk and Bonesteel a few days ago. Mr. Spear was sitting in the office of the hotel at Valentine on the night he was reported dead, when the day policeman and night watchman entered.

"A negro over here had a bad time down the line," said the officer. "He started for Bonesteel. Having no money, he fired on the engine as far as the reservation town, to pay for his transportation. When he got back to Norfolk he was nearly broke. He was arrested and jailed and the police took his keys and cash away from him, for safe keeping. The judge put him on road work and set him digging. After an hour of this toil the overseer turned his back and when he looked around, the coon had dropped his shovel and disappeared. The fellow never stopped running till he got to Valentine, and now he's in a bad way because one of the keys on the bunch was his trunk key, and he can't get at his clothes. And at the same time, he doesn't dare go back to the police in Norfolk for the thing."

### Madison Notes.

A class of sixty members were initiated into the Modern Woodmen. Visiting delegates from all surrounding towns were present. A banquet was served at 12:30. Resolutions were unanimously passed requesting the state legislature to pass senate file 115 and house roll 161. Telegrams were sent to the Madison county members of the legislature advising them of the lodge's action. State Deputy E. E. Kister of Lincoln was in attendance.

As a result of alleged domestic trouble between Marion Collins and his wife Edward Peterson, head cook in the Collins restaurant, is now in jail charged with disturbing the peace and carrying concealed weapons. Collins and his wife have separated.

J. B. Donovan, editor of the Star-Mail, and Joe Madden of Newman Grove have formed a partnership and opened a real estate and law office on third street.

### DR. KOCH OUT ON BAIL.

Man Accused of Murder of Dr. Gebhard Unexpectedly Freed.

New Ulm, Minn., Jan. 28.—George R. Koch was released from his cell in the county jail.

Judge Webber opened court in chambers here at 2 o'clock and, contrary to expectation, L. L. Brown and W. D. Abbott of Winona, attorneys for Koch, appeared and moved that their client be admitted to bail.

General Childs resisted, but the court granted the motion and fixed the bail at \$20,000.

This was immediately furnished by Dr. L. A. Fritsche, Dr. J. L. Shock, W. E. and E. G. Koch, Jacob Klossner and Charles Wagner, bondsmen, and Dr. Koch was given his liberty at once.

Judge Webber granted a change of venue to Blue Earth county, and the second trial of Dr. Koch will take place at Mankato shortly after the adjournment of the legislature.

Court meets at Mankato in February, but retrial of Koch's case is delayed until March so that Senator Somerville of his counsel can remain in the senate until the legislature adjourns.

Dr. Koch has relatives at Mankato, but the state made no serious objection to it as the place of next trial.

William Wachter will take notice, that on the 16th day of January, 1905, S. W. Hayes, a justice of the peace of Norfolk precinct, Madison county, Nebraska, issued an order of attachment for the sum of \$50.00 in an action pending before him, wherein James H. Conley is plaintiff, and William Wachter is defendant, that property of the defendant, consisting of money has been attached under said order. Said cause was continued to the 4th day of March, 1905, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 29, 1905.

James H. Conley, Plaintiff.

## BASEBALL FANS TO MEET

WILL GET TOGETHER IN NORFOLK FEBRUARY 7.

FOR ELKHORN VALLEY LEAGUE

Al Pont, the Baseball Enthusiast from Stanton, and Editor, Urges That a Meeting be Held in Norfolk to Make Plans for the Season.

W. W. Roberts continues to receive letters from northern Nebraska towns which indicate that the baseball spirit of the territory has not yet wholly died down and that there are good prospects for a league to be formed in this section.

Al Pont, the Stanton baseball enthusiast and editor, has written to Mr. Roberts requesting that a meeting be held in Norfolk on February 7 for the organization of the baseball league. Mr. Pont suggests that the league be called, "The Elkhorn Valley League."

It is now said that there are four towns southeast of this city which would be willing to come into the game—Stanton, Pilger, Wisner and West Point.

### Need \$300 Per Month.

Mr. Roberts estimates that the team could not be maintained in Norfolk for less than \$300 per month. "I have talked with a number of local fans," said Mr. Roberts today, "and the situation in Norfolk appears to be about the same as it has always been. There are a number of them who would favor a league and who would give toward its support. There are some, also, who would not give. If we can depend on \$300 per month we can play ball and good ball. There is no use in playing unless we have a decently able team for West Point, Wayne and Stanton would make things mighty interesting even at that."

### FIRE IN JUNCTION EATING HOUSE

With Hundreds of Travelers in the Building, the Blaze Starts.

While hundreds of passengers from four separate trains which had arrived from as many different directions at noon, were skimming hither and thither on the platform of the South Norfolk station of the Northwestern railway at noon, and hurrying through with their dinners at lunch counters and dining tables, fire broke out in the rear end of the Rome Miller eating house. Little damage was done by the flame. The fire department was called and one cart responded from the city.

The cause of the fire was a stove which had been placed in the store room of the institution to prevent freezing among articles kept there. The stove became too warm for the articles and, while preventing a freeze caused them to burn.

No one was hurt in the rush that was created by the alarm of fire at the station.

### FIRST LOSS FOR ELK ORN LIFE

Check for \$100 Went to Frank R. Hufsmith of Creighton.

The first loss sustained by the Elkhorn Life and Accident Insurance company, with headquarters in this city, has been met by the organization. Frank R. Hufsmith of Creighton was the victim of the accident which demanded the payment. While breaking wood to put into a stove at Neligh on Christmas day Mr. Hufsmith punctured his knee in so severe a manner that he was laid up and totally unable to do any work for a month. The company was notified of the accident on January 16 and a check for \$100 went to Mr. Hufsmith on January 26. In a letter to the company Mr. Hufsmith commends the promptness with which the matter was attended to.

The Elkhorn Life and Accident Insurance company has been doing business since the first of last May and this is the first loss of any sort sustained.

### Bad Runaway.

A serious runaway occurred this afternoon when the Gund Brewery team took a fast spin down Norfolk avenue, ran into the wagon of Al Degner, and resulted into injuries to both vehicles. Carl Naegle was in the brewery wagon when the team, frightened at a barrel that dropped out of the rear, started out. The boy jumped and was unhurt. The team collided with the Degner wagon and Mr. Degner and his son were both thrown out but not badly hurt. The Degner wagon was badly damaged and harness injured.

### MONDAY MENTION.

J. McLeod was a Norfolk visitor Saturday from Neligh.

S. W. Appleton was a Sunday visitor in Norfolk from Plainview.

C. A. Johnson of Fairfax passed through the city yesterday enroute to Omaha.

Wm. Thompson was over from Madison Saturday.

J. R. Manning of Wayne was in Norfolk Sunday.

Mrs. Richardson was a Norfolk visitor Saturday from Madison.

Mrs. W. N. Huse returned home last night from a week's visit in Hawarden with her mother.

T. D. Preece of Battle Creek was in the city Saturday. Mr. Preece owned a dog that had been advertised in The News, and took the pointer with him back to Battle Creek.

J. A. Huebner of Hoskins was in the city today on business. Mr. Huebner was left over in Norfolk on his last trip because a train which had been reported an hour late, pulled out but twenty minutes late. He was lucky enough to catch a freight train home.

Benton Maret of Lincoln, one of the few remaining Nebraska democrats, is in town. Benton is cutting out politics of late and is devoting his time to promoting the Sure Thing Mining company, with property located in King county, Washington, which is said to have bright prospects.

Old Settler of Oakdale. Oakdale, Neb., Jan. 30.—Special to The News: The funeral of Frank Cooper, an old settler of this community, was held yesterday afternoon, and was largely attended by many old friends and neighbors, and participated in by several societies in which he held membership. Mr. Cooper's death occurred Friday. He was about fifty years of age and leaves a wife and four children.

### DEMONSTRATION IN A THEATRE

Grand Duke Accused of Squandering Money Contributed for Soldiers.

London, Jan. 31.—An incident illustrating the present temper of the Russian people is related by an English traveler just returned from St. Petersburg. The incident occurred in a leading theater of the Russian capital. At a recent performance a grand duke was seated in one of the boxes. At his side was a lady friend, who drew the attention of all present by the magnificence of her jewels. Suddenly, during a pause in the piece, a man in the stalls stood up, and, pointing to the grand duke in the box, called out: "Arrest the thief who has stolen the money that has been collected for our sick and wounded, and has covered that person with jewels out of the proceeds of his dishonesty." At this, so the eye-witness relates, there was a terrible uproar. The police were called, but could do little to restore order, and the grand duke and his friend had to leave the theater.

### TUESDAY TOPICS.

H. L. Spaulding is still seriously ill at his home.

O. C. Colegrove was in the city from Meadow Grove.

Rev. J. C. S. Wells is quite ill at his home in this city.

Miss Belle White of Meadow Grove was a Norfolk visitor.

W. E. Ruess was a Norfolk visitor yesterday from Pierce.

F. M. Wright was a Sunday visitor in Norfolk from Hooper.

Sam Davies and C. A. Brown were over from Wayne Saturday.

George McKilneck of Wakefield had business in Norfolk Saturday.

Miss Harriet C. Wood, formerly of this city, is now located at Marysville, Idaho, and is teaching school.

Professor Fairchild, field secretary of Doane college at Crete, gave an interesting talk to the students of the high school this morning.

E. E. Parsons of Marion, Iowa, president of the state firemen's association and secretary of the interstate fair, spent Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. S. K. Long. Mr. Parsons went to Council Bluffs to meet the committee of the Western Passenger association to assist in making rates for the state tournament of Iowa to be held at Marion in June.

The West Side Whist club will meet with Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Salter Thursday evening.

The W. C. T. U. meeting has been postponed until further notice on account of the other meetings now in progress.

H. L. Spaulding is reported to have passed a very bad night at his home on South Ninth street, resting somewhat easier, however, after 1 o'clock this morning.

The Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. A. H. Kiesau Thursday afternoon, Feb. 2. Ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to be present.

W. R. Locke was in the city from Stanton on Sunday.

The demand for sleighs was good yesterday and few of them owned in the city were not in use.

The fee men had nearly finished their harvest before this last snow and are thankful for that as there would be a good deal of work clearing the ice before it could be resumed.

The Angell comedians have arrived in the city for a week's engagement beginning with tonight at popular prices. The company is well recommended from towns it has played and at the price it should find it possible to fill the Auditorium almost every night of its engagement.

### ENROLL FOR BUSINESS COURSE.

Three New Students Begin Their Duties Today.

A trio of new students started in the Norfolk business college this morning for a course of instruction with Prof. and Mrs. C. H. Brake. They are Louis Zachert, six-months' term of Norfolk; Leon Thompkins of Inman, and Lovin Bruogeman of Norfolk.