

TRAINS ARE MOVING AGAIN

TRACKS HAVE BEEN CLEARED AND SCHEDULES RESTORED.

BONESTEEL LINE LOST A DAY

Towns Between This City and Bonesteel Had no Trains All Day Yesterday, Either Passenger or Freight, M. & O. Still Stalled This Morning.

Train traffic was pretty well restored to normal running in northern Nebraska today and, with no more wind, the schedules will be pretty nearly adhered to henceforth. A few trains were off their regular running for a portion of the early part of the day but snowplows have cleared the tracks and brought order out of chaos.

On the Northwestern line this morning all locals left Norfolk on schedule time, the morning passenger for Omaha went out on time, the main line passenger from the Black Hills was but an hour late and the westbound Omaha-Bonesteel was reported about on time early in the day.

The Union Pacific passenger train left on time at 11 o'clock, the snowplow having come through from Columbus during the night.

The M. & O. passenger train, which had not moved since Monday night, was still stalled in Norfolk this morning waiting for the snowplow from Sioux City which was enroute, clearing the track. The plow had reached Emerson by 8 o'clock, and was expected in Norfolk by about noon. It was not known early today just when the M. & O. would get out, but it was presumed that it would be able to make one round trip this afternoon.

Bonesteel Line Lost a Day.

The Norfolk-Bonesteel branch of the Northwestern road has had no train since Monday. Not a wheel turned in that direction yesterday and the regular passenger train due for that point and which is scheduled to reach Norfolk from Omaha at noon, arrived in this city late last night, was turned around and started out for the east on time this morning, having cut off the round trip from here to Bonesteel.

The delay to that train was caused near South Omaha by a stocktrain, eastbound, which had its nose into a drift and which was unable to get out. It blocked the track for No. 1.

Having no connection with the train from the east, No. 3, which regularly runs between Norfolk and Long Pine in the afternoon, was annulled yesterday.

No. 5, the westbound Black Hills train due here at 7:35, passed the train that left Omaha in the morning for Norfolk and arrived at 9:30 last night.

Trainloads of Shovelers.

Snow shovelers by the trainload arrived in Norfolk and departed again for various branch lines of railroad, to aid in clearing out the tracks. The main line passenger from the west, which came in but slightly off schedule yesterday afternoon, was drawn by a pair of locomotives and both before and directly behind the engines were cars loaded with men who held shovels in their hands. It was the man with the shovel who counted on that trip. They were dispatched to points on the Bonesteel line.

Today has brought the predicted fair weather and colder temperature. The wind this morning blew from the south and there was every prospect of more favorable conditions. One News reader telephoned and suggested that an apology was due from this paper to the groundhog for the sarcastic way with which he was treated. If it were to in the slightest degree relieve the present severe season, the groundhog editor would apologize twice or three times.

The snow is drifted into crusts that are very thick and very hard. It is with great difficulty that teams move about in the streets and country roads are almost impassable. Rural carriers abandoned their trips yesterday as all efforts to cover the routes were out of the question.

THURSDAY TIDINGS.

W. R. Locke was up from Stanton yesterday.

Robert Ermels was up from West Point yesterday.

J. F. Wright was down from Wakefield yesterday.

V. W. McDonald of Allen was a Norfolk visitor.

F. A. Huston was in the city from Neligh yesterday.

Herman Smith was over from Waverly yesterday.

H. H. Peters was in the city yesterday from Randolph.

Milo Warren was a Wednesday visitor from Creighton.

F. W. Lake was in the city yesterday from Bassett.

E. A. Lucke was down from Butte on business yesterday.

M. E. Kerl was in the city yesterday from West Point.

J. M. Smith was a Norfolk visitor from Madison yesterday.

S. M. Armstrong of Verdell was a Norfolk visitor yesterday.

Wm. Warsaw was a Norfolk visitor yesterday from Madison.

Alvin Nigenfend was in the city yesterday from Plainview.

W. L. Barcus of Bonesteel had business in Norfolk yesterday.

Mrs. J. F. Losch and son, Frank, of West Point, were in the city visiting

friends over night, enroute home from Carroll, Neb.

J. H. Jennings was in Norfolk Wednesday from Fremont.

A. J. Hammarly was a Norfolk visitor yesterday from Atkinson.

Mrs. J. W. Hughes was a Norfolk visitor yesterday from Monroe.

Wm. Krotter came in from Stuart on the early train this morning.

Henry and Chris Schader were in the city yesterday from Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson of Neligh visited in Norfolk yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Button were in the city this morning from Plainview.

Mrs. Jap. Nichols and Miss Hoppen of Columbus were in Norfolk yesterday.

Rev. J. F. Poucher of the Methodist church is this week assisting in the conduct of revival services at Madison. He states that the meetings have had a fine beginning and increasing interest is shown.

"For Mother's Sake" drew a fair sized audience at the Auditorium last night and fairly well pleased those who saw it. The plot was one of those melodramas in which tears abound, though the company succeeded pretty well in their weeping and wailing.

Howard Beymer, the brakeman who was injured beneath car wheels at West Point last week, seems to be getting along very nicely and it is now the hope of the surgeons that both his limbs may be saved. It is as yet impossible to definitely determine, but every indication points to the saving of both legs.

The railroad yards of the Union Pacific and M. & O. in Norfolk are being cleared of tons of snow. A force of men with shovels is engaged in heaping up the white encumbrance to the north of the switch tracks and they are materially aided by teams and scrapers in removing the accumulation. By tonight the yards should be in fairly good condition for the resumption of work by the switch engines. A large number of men, ordinarily out of employment at this season of the year, have been given an opportunity of earning a few dollars at handling shovels.

Country folk who have been snowbound for weeks, unable to even attempt to get into the city, are now beginning to stir and before many days more the roads leading all over this territory will have been cleared to a nicety. Many a housewife in Norfolk will appreciate the breaking of the long driftbound roads as butter and eggs have become a rather perilous proposition. It has all gone to show how dependent every portion of the world is upon every other. The whole country has been afraid of a coal famine, the townfolk needed things from the country and, in turn, the country folk have grown desperately in need of provisions which they had not.

Snowdrifts in the railroad cuts have been much deeper than ordinarily imagined by those who have not seen the mounds. The incoming M. & O. train from Sioux City yesterday afternoon, which had been the first train through since Monday, penetrated a number of drifts as high as the cars and three windows on one coach were shattered by the snowbank. The train arrived in Norfolk at 3 o'clock, following a snowplow that cut the route and which, itself, was stuck for a time. The train returned last night to Sioux City and came to Norfolk again in the night. All trains are now running pretty nearly on schedule time. The track between Lincoln and Fremont, on the Northwestern, was one of the most difficult to clean out as there are so many deep cuts on that division. The work was finished, however, yesterday.

INVESTIGATE THE HOSPITAL

RESOLUTION PASSED HOUSE FOR IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION.

JACKSON OPPOSED RESOLUTION

By a Vote of 60 to 30 the House of Representatives Yesterday Vagued to Look into the Extravagance Alleged in Norfolk Asylum.

By a vote of 60 to 30 the Nebraska state legislature yesterday adopted the resolution of Jones of Polk county, calling for an investigation of the expenditure of \$100,000 appropriated by the legislature two years ago for the repair and rebuilding of the west wing at the Norfolk insane hospital.

The speaker announced Jones, Windham of Cass and Howe of Nebraska to make the investigation.

The resolution precipitated a very warm discussion. Judge Jackson of Neligh led the discussion against the resolution, seconded by Perry of Furnas, Windham and Wilson, with Jones, were leaders in support of the bill.

It may be expected that the committee will arrive in Norfolk very soon to look over the buildings and to determine in their own minds whether or not there has been extravagance in the building. Norfolk people believe that there has not. The buildings look as though they have cost pretty nearly the contract price to construct.

NORFOLK ASYLUM MATTER

CHARGES OF FRAUD ARE DENIED AT LINCOLN.

INVESTIGATION IS ASKED FOR

Legislators Insist That the Old West Wing, Under the Law for the Appropriation, Should Have Been Repaired—Tyler is Censured.

The Norfolk asylum is creating considerable interest in the legislature and is, of course, of interest to every person in northern Nebraska, being the only state institution north of the Platte river. The following report from Lincoln tells of the charges that are being made.

Lincoln, Feb. 15.—Representative Jones claims the law enacted by the last legislature appropriating \$100,000 for the reconstruction of the burned wing of the Norfolk asylum has been violated, and while not specifying any alleged guilty parties intimates that a graft or fraud has been practiced upon the state.

The bill providing for this appropriation and work two years ago was introduced in the house by Nelson of Pierce. It vested in the state board of public lands and buildings the task of carrying out the provisions of the law. The first and principal section of that bill reads:

That there is appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the state of Nebraska, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding the damaged and destroyed portions of the hospital for the insane of Nebraska, located at Norfolk, to be expended under the direction of the board of public lands and buildings.

Jones claims this provision was not complied with; that instead of rebuilding the old wing, an administration building and three cottages were erected and that great extravagance was practiced. He wants to know why the state board erected the administration building and three cottages and did not rebuild the old wing.

Richardson of Madison is the author of H. R. 29, which originally called for an appropriation of \$60,000 for the repairing and rebuilding of this old wing. The committee on public lands and buildings recommended that this appropriation be cut to \$35,000 and the bill was then amended to comply with that recommendation, so that now the legislature is asked to appropriate \$35,000, Jones points out, to do what the last legislature set aside \$100,000 for. Jones, therefore, wants a little light on that point.

May Make Campaign Thunder.

As a means of manufacturing campaign thunder for the fusionists the potentialities of Jones' resolution are admitted, but that it could lead to the disclosure of intentional fraud is not believed by the majority members of the legislature. However, republicans are not blind to the argument that more economy could have been exercised in the building of these cottages. The house committee on public lands and buildings admits that in its comprehensive report to the house filed last week, Chairman Caldwell of this committee, Representative Davis of the finance, ways and means committee of the house and Governor Mickey all agree that, while the cottage plan is far better than the old plan of having a single building for the insane, these particular cottages might have been built for less money and at the same time have given satisfaction. But the state board, under whose direction the legislature placed this work, is not blamed even for this, since it followed the directions, necessarily, it is said, of the state architect, James Tyler, jr., of whose judgment some criticism has been made.

The governor, Representatives Davis and Caldwell also agree that a committee from the state board went east and found from the experiences of the older states the cottage plan for such asylums was highly preferable to the old one-building plan and was being generally adopted. Upon the recommendation of this committee the contract for the cottages was let to an Indiana man, who, by the way, is said to be losing money on the job. The contracts for the buildings amounted to about \$96,500, it is said, leaving a balance of \$4,000. There seems to be no question anywhere of the superiority of the cottage plan over the former one and Representatives Caldwell and Davis take the position that, while the strict letter of the law calling for the actual rebuilding of the wing destroyed by fire was not carried out, the spirit of the law was fulfilled and Norfolk and the state are better off than had the wing been repaired. The maximum capacity of the three cottages is 150 inmates, almost double that of the old wing. And the inmates can be far better cared for now than before, it is maintained.

Could Find no Fraud.

"I first thought the state board had grossly violated the law when I learned that it had contracted for three cottages and not rebuilt the old wing," said Representative Davis, but after looking into the matter from a business standpoint I find this is not the case and that we are better off as

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is. So I cannot see the business in calling this investigation."

"I am certain no fraud was practiced," says Representative Caldwell, "but I think greater economy might have been practiced. But there are no circumstances that I can see—and our committee went over the ground thoroughly—that warrant any investigation."

The appropriation asked for this year, \$35,000, will not, if granted, all be used in rebuilding the old wing. It is thought \$20,000 will suffice for that purpose, leaving \$15,000 to repair the heating plant, other parts of the institution and, in fact, put the place in thorough running order.

Some criticism was made of the state board of public lands and buildings when it let a contract to a Minneapolis firm instead of an Omaha firm for brick to be used in the Norfolk buildings. The explanation now offered is that the board called for bids and received no response from the Omaha firm. It then let the contract to the latter. Then, it is said, the Omaha firm sought to have the board award the contract to the home institution, but the board decided it could not do this as the contract already was let.

ELIZABETH YOUNG AGAIN

CHICAGO GIRL SAYS SHE MAY COME TO NORFOLK.

MAY HAVE MADE A KILLING

The Girl Who Dropped a Note Into a Box of Dental Supplies Headed for This City, Has Heard From the Advertising She Received, and Writes.

Miss Elizabeth Young of Chicago, whose little note in a box of dental supplies reached Dr. C. S. Parker of this city, and requested that someone write to her, has perhaps made a killing and may, she intimates, come to Nebraska some time in her life. Although The News disclaims the allegation of having sent Elizabeth a copy of the paper which contained the story of her note, still it is evident from the following note that she has received from somewhere a paper containing the article in question. She writes:

Chicago—Norfolk Daily News: Just in receipt of your paper. Many thanks for the trouble you went to. Send me twenty-five copies and I shall send money-order for the required amount. I may come to Nebraska some time in my life. Will you all make me welcome? Very kindly,

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It is safe enough to say that if Miss Young were to decide to come, at some time during her life, to Nebraska to make her future home, she would receive in this city certainly a hearty welcome. There are now vague attempts to visualize Miss Young.

What She is Like.

It requires no Sherlock Holmes to state that possibly she is of southern birth, as the expression, "you all" might indicate. It is also evident that she is a business woman. This is shown from the office address. The fact that she was one of those "working girls" was pretty well established from the note that said "write to me." And she has confidence in herself, as she evidently expects her "work" to bring results by landing her, "at some time in her life," in Nebraska. She is quite popular, as she has at least twenty-five friends to whom she wants to show the newspaper clipping. Twenty-five is more papers than some people order when they get married or have a funeral. She is a creature of some curiosity as is demonstrated by the fact that she loses no time in ordering more papers. "Just in receipts of your paper" clearly indicates this much.

Elizabeth writes a good hand on ruled stationary and neglects to date the note. She abbreviates the word "amount" to "amt," which shows that she is in a great hurry. There is nothing slow about Elizabeth, that's a cinch. It is evident that she is a moneyed woman, as she has no hesitancy in stating that she will send a money order for the required amount, even though she doesn't know what the bill may be. She is a warm hearted creature, expressing "many" thanks for the single paper and signing herself "very kindly." She also loves popularity, and throws out a tracer to determine whether or not she will be made welcome. Little is known of her age except that she is old enough to be serious and not old enough to be anything but Young.

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FEW RETURNS IN POLICE COURT

In Spite of the Fact That a Barrel of Whisky Was Open.

"In spite of the fact that there was a barrel of whisky left open as a result of the big fire Sunday morning," said Police Judge Hayes today, "there seems to have been few returns. We had anticipated a good rush of business after that, but the rush has not developed and we are at a state of nothing doing."

M'GREEVEY OWES MORE YET

INVESTIGATION SHOWS GREATER SHORTAGE THAN PRESUMED.

TO THE O'NEILL SCHOOL FUND

When Told of the Fact That He Was Indebted in an Amount Exceeding \$4,000, McGreevey Said He Guessed Maybe He'd Have to Pay It.

O'Neill, Neb., Feb. 15.—The citizens of the O'Neill school district in mass meeting passed a resolution to not accept the proposition offered by their ex-treasurer, Bernard McGreevey, and passed another resolution calling on the board to collect the amounts found due the district in any manner found to be available. The special committee appointed to examine the accounts of the ex-treasurer found the amount due to be \$4,300 instead of \$2,711, as reported by McGreevey. In this connection Secretary G. W. Smith of the school board reported that he found where McGreevey had taken credit twice in several cases for the same warrants. The paid warrants are not to be found to use in making the comparison, but Secretary Smith says that in some cases only the number of the warrant was entered in the register of warrants paid, and in other cases only the name of the person to whom the warrant was made payable.

When the committee called on McGreevey at the jail and explained to him the situation he said that he did not know that he owed that amount, but that if he did owe that much he guessed he would have to pay it. No explanation was offered by McGreevey as to where the paid warrants are except that he says he left them in the bank vault and does not now know where they are. After the meeting adjourned there appeared to be some difference of opinion among those present as to just what powers were vested in the school board by the resolution passed.

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