

CHANDLER GOES TO OMAHA

LIEUTENANT FINALLY SEES HIS SUICIDE WIFE.

THROUGH NORFOLK YESTERDAY

After Two Days During Which He Had Not Started to Omaha to See His Dead Wife, the Army Officer Changes His Mind and Arrives.

Lieutenant Chandler, former husband of Mrs. Bessie Chandler who suicided in Omaha Friday night by sending a bullet into her breast, and stepfather of the child, Reese, passed through Norfolk at noon yesterday en route to Omaha where he went to take charge of the remains of his wife. Although the suicide occurred on Friday, Lieutenant Chandler did not leave Valentine immediately for Omaha. He waited until Monday morning. Friends stated that he waited because of illness.

Arrives in Omaha.

Omaha, Neb., March 7.—Lieutenant Chandler arrived in Omaha from Fort Niobrara last night, to take charge of the remains of his suicide wife. He went at once to the undertaking rooms, and looked upon the beautiful features of the dead woman. It is thought the remains will be shipped east, to the home of her relatives. Undertaker Davis had prepared to send the remains to the home of Mrs. Chandler's parents in Baltimore.

Captain Kirkman on whose account Mrs. Chandler had asserted that she had lost husband and happiness, is kept under guard at his quarters in Fort Niobrara.

Regarding the bottle of morphine with which the little boy Reese was playing about the hotel, after his mother had shot herself, Miss Phillips, the chambermaid, who attended Mrs. Chandler, testified that on Friday afternoon, several hours before the suicide was committed, a bottle of morphine pills was spilled upon the floor in Mrs. Chandler's room, and they were picked up by her little boy. The child said they would kill him if he took them, but he boasted that they couldn't hurt his mother. He carried the bottle about in his pocket.

Everything now indicates that Mrs. Chandler arrived in Omaha last Tuesday. She registered at the Her Grand hotel and after remaining there one night, went to the Paxton, accompanied by her little boy.

Advices are to the effect that Lieutenant Chandler will not only take charge of the body of his wife, but will also claim his stepson, Reese.

In explanation of the fact that Mrs. Chandler had little money, friends of Lieutenant Chandler state that he had pledged his pay for a long time ahead to pay debts contracted by his wife.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

E. A. Schloss was here yesterday from Hadar.

F. Moore was down from Creighton yesterday.

C. S. Hayes was in Stanton today on business.

Senator Wm. V. Allen was over from Madison yesterday greeting a few of his Norfolk acquaintances.

W. W. Ahts was in the city yesterday from Madison.

Dr. C. A. McKim left for Bloomfield on professional business.

E. Cunningham was in the city from Wayne on business yesterday.

Editor J. B. Donovan of the Madison Star-Mail, newly elected president of the Nebraska Press association, was in the city yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bates of Wisner were Norfolk visitors yesterday.

Joe Metcalf and Mont Metcalf of Stuart were in the city yesterday.

Commissioner Christ Schmitt was over from Madison yesterday on county business.

Mrs. J. M. McIndoo and Mrs. W. W. Riley and daughter were in the city yesterday from Pierce.

The Wednesday club will meet tomorrow at 2:30 with Mrs. A. Bear.

The West Side Whist club will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Burnham next Tuesday evening at their home on Norfolk avenue.

The local lodge of the Tribe of Ben Hur had a very successful meeting at their lodge rooms last night, during which a class of ten novitiates were instructed into the mysteries of the order.

A good sum of money has been subscribed to the race track fund for Norfolk and a horseman from David City, who was here today stated that he will likely come to this city and locate.

Peter Stecks and Miss Shephard of Scribner eloped, were pursued by an angry parent, had a thrilling scene on the streets of Hooper and were happily married in Fremont yesterday afternoon.

Buffalo Bill's manager, William McCune, is now in Rushville assembling Indians who will be used for the wild west show during the coming season. The show will remain in Paris for eight weeks and will spend the remainder of the summer in France.

Rev. J. H. Clay of the Baptist church has been called to the position of pastor-at-large under the auspices of the Nebraska Baptist State convention. He will begin work in that capacity April 1. Rev. C. E. Giltwilt of Omaha will fill the pulpit next Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. Clay left yesterday for Geneva where he will spend two weeks in special meetings.

Madison county has a new native theatrical company of its own. "Hansen's Big East Lynne company" is the name of the troupe, and they originate from the county seat. Mr. Hansen has sent to New York City for ten professional actors and has associated with him Will Smith of Madison. They will open at Pierce on the night of March 15.

The second annual Mick's ball will be a feature of St. Patrick's day in Madison. Green invitations, with a large shamrock on the cover, have been issued. The committee on arrangements is: Dr. E. N. Smart, J. A. Madden, J. B. Donovan, Oscar Nicholson and F. P. Prince. The reception committee: George Wyeoff, W. V. Allen, Peter Rubendall, Flood manager; U. D. Matthews.

In a letter received from Mrs. E. A. Leavitt of Seward, formerly of Norfolk, she states that she expects to leave within a few weeks for a visit in her native home, Boothbay Harbor, Me. Mrs. Leavitt has not been there for twenty-four years. She says that Rev. F. W. Leavitt and his family are all well. Marshall Leavitt has worked at the electrical trade all winter in Atlanta, Georgia.

Norfolk awoke this morning to find a snowstorm raging without. Rain had fallen during the night turned into sleet at daybreak and by 7 o'clock became snow which fell in huge flakes, the cold wind driving it from the north. The warmest during the preceding day was thirty-six and the coldest was thirty-one, there being but five degrees of variation.

The regular meeting of the Norfolk fire department will be held in firemen's hall at the city building tomorrow night at the usual hour. A contemplated change of the constitution and by-laws of the department makes business of importance demanding the attention of the members and a large attendance is looked for by the officers of the department.

Congressman and Mrs. Burton L. French are expected in the city tomorrow at noon from Washington, for a visit at the home of Mrs. French's sister, Mrs. W. G. Baker, corner Madison avenue and Eleventh street. It will be remembered that Mr. and Mrs. French were married in Norfolk during the last week of June, 1904. Mr. French is the only representative from Idaho in the lower house of congress, and was re-elected to succeed himself last fall. They attended the inaugural exercises in Washington on Saturday.

MULES SAVED HIS LIFE

JOHN BRANDE ESCAPED BEING PULVERIZED.

UNDER A FALLING TREE TRUNK

Just as He Drove by the Spot of Chopping the Ropes Snapped and the Huge Cottonwood Lunged Toward Him—The Mules Jumped.

But for the quick wit of a team of mules, and the quick stepping of the same animals, John Brande, a deliverer for the Fair store, would today be a dead man. As it is he has a badly mangled shoulder and the wagon which he was driving down Norfolk avenue is something of a wreck as an effect of a falling tree near the corner of Main and Seventh streets.

Woodchoppers who refused to "spare that tree," were busily engaged on a huge trunk when the wagon drove down the avenue. The swaying cottonwood, standing scores of feet into the air, was held in place by rope guys that stretched toward the south and which were so arranged that the tree would fall over into the vacant lot away from the street. Suddenly the rope gave way, the tree snapped off at the point of chopping, there was a roar and the top branches made a heavy rush toward the center of the thoroughfare.

It was just at this instant that the mules came along. Frightened by the approaching tree, they lunged forward and drew the wagon away just in time to get the driver's head from underneath and to catch his shoulder and the wagon.

VERDIGRE DAM DAMAGED

Seriously Interferes With Electric Lights and Mill.

It is reported that part of the dam at Verdigre has gone out at the mill, interfering with the electric lighting system quite seriously, and stopping the mill for the time being. Repairs are being made.

Mrs. Green Pays Fine.

Mrs. C. W. Green 203 South Third street, was arrested to-day and pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, for which in police court she was fined \$11.10. The fine was paid. A receipt was asked for at the court, when the fine was paid.

"We don't very often give receipts," said Judge Hayes, "and it is a receipt that you wouldn't want to show to your friends, anyhow."

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

THE LENTEN SEASON BEGINS

SOCIAL GAYETIES WILL BE REDUCED FOR FORTY DAYS.

WHAT IT MEANS IN THE SOUTH

Yesterday Was Mardi Gras—"Shrove Tuesday"—and the Festal Spirit Reigns Supreme in Southern Cities. Special Services Here.

Today, Ash Wednesday, is the beginning of the Lenten season and for forty days there will be a period during which worldly pleasures shall be given up, sacrifices made and the social season put out of commission to a certain extent.

Yesterday was Shrove Tuesday—"Mardis Gras," and in many of the southern cities it was the biggest day of all the year. In New Orleans, particularly, the festivities were fantastic and the throngs from all over the south were enormous. On Mardis Gras the last pleasures until after Easter are enjoyed and the most that is possible, is made of it. Grand pageants, gorgeous decorations and mystic joys abound. But at midnight last night they came to an end on the stroke of the town clock, and today all is silence, inactivity and peaceful, simple life.

Birth of Mardis Gras.

The Mardis Gras celebrations came to this country from France in 1825 when a small crowd of students who had been at college in Paris from New Orleans, brought home with them the ideas of the grand and glittering three days preceding the beginning of Lent. Ever since then the custom has continued and it has spread throughout many other southern cities. It is a time when everything except positive crimes are permitted to go on without molestation. Thousands upon thousands of men and women appear in the streets masqueraded in most extraordinary fashions and making merry while the sun shines. They throw confetti in each other's faces all day long and they romp along the beautiful avenues. At dusk, however, the masks come off and there is an end to that part of the performance. Later come the magnificent parades with a half hundred floats, representing the march of Rex, the king of the carnival, to his palace. Then follow the big dancing parties, the Rex ball and the Comas ball at the old French opera house and here it is that all the south assembles. Here it is that the southern belles "come out."

So liberal are the customs during the Mardis Gras at New Orleans that sailors who imbibe too freely during the night are sent to special hospitals where they are sobered up before 7 in the morning so that they may report for duty on their boats as usual. Revelry does not characterize the week preceding Lent in the north, and the Lenten period itself is not, perhaps, so rigidly observed. A number of Norfolk churches will have more or less special services during Lent. The Church of the Sacred Heart, which is just being repaired after the fire of several days ago, will not be able to hold the special services that are usual at this period of the year. The Trinity church has sent out circulars requesting sacrifices on the part of the membership in observance of the forty days during which Christ suffered.

There will not be so many dancing parties in the city, though there will be not a great deal of difference effected in this way.

At Trinity church Matins and Litany will come at 10 a. m.; holy eucharist at 10:30; evensong, 4:30. On week days there will be evensong at 4:30. On Sundays there will be services at 8 a. m., 11 and 7:30 p. m. During holy week there will be services every day at 8, 10 and 4:30. On Good Friday the Three Hours will be observed, 12 to 3 a. m. On Easter day there will be services at 7, 8:30, 10 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.

In the East.

New York, March 8.—The beginning of Lent today marks the end of the winter social season and society dons ball and opera gowns for the proverbial sackcloth of the Lenten period. As a matter of fact, however, society is not so eager to forego its pleasures as was the custom in years gone by. True, there will be no elaborate functions until after Easter, but of late years the concerts, musicales and other affairs of a like nature which society has decreed are permissible during the Lenten period have grown into such elaborate affairs that those who take part in them are given little time for rest or recreation between the gayeties of the winter season and the equally wearing diversions of the summer. Reports from Atlantic City, Lakewood and other resorts of the fashionable set are to the effect that the hotels and cottages are filling up rapidly. What the metropolis loses in social gayety during the next six weeks will doubtless be to the gain of these popular resorts.

DECLARE CODY'S MONEY GONE

Wife's Friends Say Buffalo Bill is Trying to Get Ranch from Helmpet.

North Platte, Neb., March 8.—Colonel Cody is said by his wife's friends to be seriously embarrassed financially, and endeavoring to obtain funds by forcing his wife to restore some of the valuable property he has deeded to her. Colonel Cody, they say, has no intention of returning to North Platte, even if he is denied a divorce.

Preliminary steps looking to the sequestration of Colonel Cody's exchequer are said to have been taken. Persons acquainted with the family say Cody will soon institute a suit against his wife for the recovery of the valuable Scout's Rest ranch, which comprises over 3,000 acres of fertile, cultivated land, said to be worth \$200,000. Then there is the handsome home in town which should be sold for \$25,000. It is said that Cody owns nothing in North Platte, and has only \$20 acres in his own name in the Big Horn basin.

Colonel Cody is reputed to be a half owner in the Wild West show, but his friends say that James A. Bailey holds Cody's notes for amounts aggregating more than Cody's interest is worth.

Fight Against Trading Stamps.

Ottawa, Ont., March 8.—A delegation of several hundred of the leading retail merchants of Montreal and Quebec waited upon the government today and presented a petition urging the necessity of amending the law so as to abolish the use of trading stamps and punish traders who persist in utilizing them. The protest is the culmination of a sentiment in opposition to the trading stamp system which has been steadily gathering strength throughout the Dominion for a year or more. The move of the Quebec and Montreal merchants has the indorsement of the merchants' associations of nearly all the chief cities of Canada.

BUTTE BANK IS SOLD

Bank of Boyd County Buys Bank of Butte—Items From Butte.

Butte, Neb., March 8.—Special to The News: The Bank of Boyd County has purchased the Bank of Butte, the transaction being closed today. The bank of Boyd County takes possession tomorrow.

Quite an exciting time was created in Butte during the windy hours of Friday morning when a fire broke out from the cellar of Welbaum Bros. building, blazing up on the outside. Through the efforts of citizens water was soon carried and the flames extinguished.

The 3-year-old son of Steve Richardson of Anoka was buried at Butte cemetery yesterday by the P. E. O. sisterhood.

A crowd of Butte young people went to Fairfax, S. D., Saturday evening in a 4-horse stage. There were ten couples in all. The roads were so bad that the harness was broken off the lead team, and some had to walk up three or four hills. The time was enjoyable after they arrived. Music was furnished by Yankton, S. D., harpists. Over seventy-five couples were on the floor. The stage driver returned to Butte alone as the young people all returned on the train.

The regular whist club meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lucle was enjoyed Monday night, Miss Marion Skinner winning ladies' prize and Fred Halster the gentlemen's prize. C. R. Williams won the consolation prize.

Mrs. Frank Smith leaves the first of the week for Chicago, for a visit.

N. E. Gardner, a Gregory banker, is here visiting.

Mrs. Blake has opened a millinery store.

State University News.

A Lincoln preacher has protested against dancing among Nebraska university students. No action was taken on the matter.

Cadets at the state university are dissatisfied with a recent order which changes the date of competitive drill, postponing it one week. The change was made because the officers want to get the annual pan-hellenic dancing party out of the hands of Theta Nu Epsilon, an inter-fraternity organization. It makes the cadets drill a week longer.

A United States Wall Map, well adapted for use in office, library or school, substantially mounted, edges bound in cloth, printed in full colors, showing the United States, Alaska, Cuba and our island possessions. The original thirteen states, the Louisiana purchase, the Oregon territory, etc., are shown in outline, with dates when territory was acquired, and other valuable information.

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A BAD FIRE AT LYNCH

WALTERS HOTEL AND NEBRASKA HOTEL ARE DESTROYED.

AND TWO OTHER BUILDINGS

BLAZE THAT ORIGINATED IN THE NEBRASKA HOTEL.

IT IS THOUGHT IT WAS SET

Nebraska Hotel Was Empty When

Fire Started—Guests in the Walters

Hotel Had Time to Get Out in

Safety Before Flames Came.

Creighton, Neb., March 7.—Special to The News: Fire at Lynch early today destroyed a good portion of a business block. The buildings burned were the Walters hotel, the Nebraska hotel, Jed Thomas' barber shop and Dr. Neigh's office. All were burned to the ground.

The fire started in the Nebraska hotel at 2:30 o'clock and was driven by a strong wind from the northwest. The Nebraska hotel was empty. It is believed the fire was set. All guests in the Walters house escaped. The loss is probably \$4,000 to \$5,000, partially insured.

Spring Vacation April 1.

At a meeting of the board of education held last night it was determined to hold the regular spring vacation during the first week in April. The vacation will begin Wednesday, March 29, so that the schools will be closed for the meeting of the North Nebraska Teachers' association which will be held here.

NORFOLK MAN HAS CONTRACT.

S. T. Napper is in Washington Seeking Changes.

S. T. Napper of Norfolk, who is the lowest bidder for live cattle for the Rosebud agency, is in Washington with a view of explaining to the commissioner of Indian affairs how impossible it is to carry out some of the specifications at this time. One of the specifications provides that heifers, 6,000 in number, must be inspected immediately. Mr. Napper contends that it is a physical impossibility to get 6,000 heifers together at once possessing the other points desired. He is also endeavoring to have the specification regarding the weight of the cattle changed, as range cattle coming through the winter are exceedingly light in weight, although they meet every requirement as to size and frame.

Republican Editors Meet.

Washington, D. C., March 8.—The men who work with pen and brush all the year round to propagate and defend the principles of the republican party are just now much in evidence here. They are the members of the Republican National Editorial association, whose annual meeting began this morning in the assembly room of the New Willard hotel. President John A. Schleber of New York called the gathering to order shortly before 10 o'clock this morning and Vice President Fairbanks and Senator Chauncey M. Depew extended formal greetings to the visitors. Besides the address of President Schleber and the reports of the other officers the forenoon program included addresses on live topics by Dr. A. E. Washburn of Boston, William S. Cappellor of Mansfield, O., and Lafayette Young of Des Moines, Iowa.

This afternoon President Roosevelt received the editors at the white house, and this evening they are to be entertained at a reception given in their honor by Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks.

Moritz Zitzkovski.

Mr. Max Moritz and Miss Emma Zitzkovski will be married at the St. Paul church tonight at 7:30. Their friends gave them a lively charitable party last night at the Zitzkovski home on North First street.

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Sweet Prune Plum. September 1, 1903, three bushels of plums were picked from one five-year-old tree in E. D. Hammond's orchard of Sweet Prune plums. The tree commenced to bear two years after planting and is bearing every year. It is the only Prune plum that has been a success with me and I have tried many kinds. It stood the dry years, 1893 and 1894, and the hard winter of 1899 and bore fruit the following season. It is a grand success for Northeastern Nebraska. It is a dark purple

In color, large size, skin can be easily removed and can be pitted like a free stone peach. They are excellent for canning and preserves and are so sweet that they require very little sugar. I sold this plum at \$2.50 to \$3.00 a bushel the past season when other varieties of sour plums were selling for 75 cents to \$1.00 a bushel. It has taken first premium at several fairs, a premium in the Lincoln state fair, and limbs and branches loaded with plums, shipped to the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo, New York, were shown in the Nebraska fruit exhibit that took one of the gold medals. I also received an honorable mention diploma on this plum from the Pan-American exposition. We believe this plum has more good qualities, and is the best plum in existence for this whole northwestern country. If you plant some of these trees you will be well paid.

We have a choice fine lot of five to six feet trees to sell for the spring of 1905. These trees were grown from grafts cut off these bearing trees that bore these plums, and they will bear fruit at two or three years old if planted and are sure to be genuine. If you want some of these trees send your order early and get the best plum in existence. Trees five to six feet \$1.25 each; \$12.00 per dozen. \$6 trees for \$6.00. The only way you can be sure of getting this plum true to name grafted from my bearing trees is to send your order direct to me. Trees delivered free to any railroad town. Call at Norfolk Nursery, or address, E. D. Hammond, Norfolk, Neb.