

BIG POSTOFFICE GROWTH

NORFOLK'S PROSPERITY SHOWN IN POSTAL RECEIPTS.

THE EXPENSE IS \$18,000 YEARLY

The increase of business in the Norfolk Postoffice during the past year has been tremendous and reflects Norfolk's healthy condition.

The business of the postoffices in all cities is a measure as to whether prosperity is reigning or not in the community from which the report emanates.

Outside of Omaha, Lincoln and South Omaha, Fremont leads the other cities of the state in postal receipts.

Mr. Hays became postmaster here on July 1, 1925. It was one of the many jobs that the government has to give somebody every few years.

On October 6, 1924, the night was spent in removing the postoffice department of Norfolk into the quarters it now occupies.

When Mr. Hays became postmaster there was one rural route out of Norfolk. He was given an assistant and two clerks.

On the first of June, 1923, the carrier system was inaugurated, the receipts of the office having passed the \$10,000 mark.

Three carriers are now employed and an additional clerk has also been added to the staff which means that the government leaves considerable more money in the community than it did before these additions were made.

This is also headquarters for four railway mail clerks who report at the end of every run to this postoffice.

A large feature of the postoffice business is the money order business. It does not add so much to the income, but it makes the responsibility of the office great.

Number of domestic orders issued, 6,426. Amount of same, \$33,962.50. Fees for same, 324.79.

Number foreign orders issued, 493.66. Fees for same, 6.20. Total, \$38,737.55.

Number domestic orders paid, 5,186. Amount of same, \$35,927.40. Number foreign orders paid, 9. Amount of same, \$288.57.

Total money order business, \$69,953.52. In addition to this the number of letters and parcels registered numbered 1,760. The value of these is unknown.

The revenue derived from the sales of stamps, postal cards and stamped envelopes from June 30 to and including December 31, 1925, which is the first half of the government year, are shown as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes stamps, postal cards, money order fees, newspaper and periodical postage, box rent, excess.

Total for 1925, \$13,297.56. Nearly \$1,000 increase over the business of 1924.

This makes an increase over the business of 1924 of \$807.56 which is certainly a matter worthy of local pride.

Mr. Smith had a few more institutions which distributed \$18,000 each year into the local channels.

Interest in Revival Increases, and Churches May Unite.

The revival at the Baptist church is increasing in interest. People about town are beginning to talk about the work.

The attendance is growing in numbers at both the night and afternoon meetings. There is some talk of having the meetings made more of a union nature.

There will not be any service tonight, but tomorrow night the subject will be, "What think ye of Christ?"

Watch Inspector of Bonesteel Met Official Here.

General Watch Inspector A. M. Church of Chicago is in the city today. He has appointed Mr. G. L. Carmony of Bonesteel watch inspector of the Northwestern at that place.

Mr. Carmony said there was considerable excitement on the reservation regarding what had been called the suicide of Peter Kaden and that the general impression seemed to prevail that there was foul play.

Revolutionary Cannibal Dish is Used as a Cure for Leprosy by a Jap.

News is received from Tokyo by the Emperor of Japan, that the Japanese police have solved a strange crime when proving the murder of the celebrated Japanese poet Nozaki Noguchi.

It was found that some years ago Osaburo murdered a boy and cut a piece of flesh from his victim to make soup, which he fed to his foster parents, who were leprosy.

Yerkes Had Intended Making a Different Disposition of Estate.

In the hope of prolonging the life of Charles T. Yerkes, Dr. H. P. Leonsis, Mr. Yerkes' physician, by a word of professional advice to his dying client's lawyer, Adrian H. Joline, prevented the signing of a new will or codicil, which would radically have upset the present disposition of the Yerkes estate.

At Noon the Resignation of George Smith Reached Madison.

At noon today no action had been taken at Madison regarding the election of a new county commissioner to succeed George D. Smith, who has just resigned.

One of the sorrows of a newspaper reporter's life is that every night he has to revise his list of friends.

GEORGE SMITH RESIGNS

MADISON COUNTY COMMISSIONER FROM NORFOLK QUILTS.

HEALTH HAS BEEN FAILING

George D. Smith, Elected Two Years Ago on Republican Ticket and One Year Yet to Serve, Resigns Position—Successor Not Named.

County Commissioner George D. Smith has resigned his position from the county board. He wrote out his resignation yesterday and it will take effect next Wednesday, January 13.

The reason for this action on the part of Mr. Smith is the fact that he has been in ill health for some time past, and he considered the work too much of a burden, under the circumstances, to go on with it.

Mr. Smith was elected county commissioner from Norfolk on the republican ticket two years ago and his term would have expired next year.

The successor of Mr. Smith has not yet been chosen. This appointment lies with a board composed of the county judge, county treasurer and county clerk.

Sixteen degrees below zero, recorded by the government thermometer in Norfolk just before sunrise this morning, shows the intensity of the first cold wave to strike northern Nebraska this winter.

All day Saturday the wind blew steadily from the south into the north, showing an approaching snow storm which came yesterday morning.

Former Norfolk Man, Personal Friend of Jerome, Out of Hospital.

Will Parker of New York, formerly of Norfolk, a brother of Dr. C. S. Parker of this city, and son of Rev. J. J. Parker of Plainview, has been in a New York hospital for three weeks.

This morning there was little wind drive the piercing cold through one's bones, and few realized the intensity of the chill.

Every mother should know that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is perfectly safe for children to take, as it contains nothing harmful.

Telephone Call for Reporter in Haste, Brings Peculiar Story.

Last evening the rush man was pushing down the keys on the typewriter with great thumps, when the telephone rang with violence.

The typewriter was attached to the gasoline engine and left to grind out any old thing it wanted to and the reporter with a jump landed into coat and overshoes, and hurried down the stairs to No. 114 Braasch avenue.

It was opened by a fat colored female who said: "Excuse my brief, as I've been eaten' onions."

It was a shock, however, to his assistance and he asked who was hurt, dead or what was the matter?

"Npsin' is de mattah. Is you de reportah?" She was told he was.

There you have him all rigged out. They started and the fat man who had never worn the snow-shoes before, hounded along and of course rolled into the snow and said things not to be found in the Holy Writ or Sunday schools.

which was now apparent. The guide then started out to head Mr. Bruin in the direction of the hunters, and sure enough after an hour's waiting Mr. Bruin came in the direction of the Mr. Fat Man.

"Now gentlemen, you may say all you please about the beautiful snow, but I just tell you since that imprisonment in a snow drift in British Columbia, I have never had a very warm spot in my heart for poems on snow or anything in that line."

First Real Cold Wave of Winter Strikes Norfolk.

FALL OF FIFTY-FIVE DEGREES

Saturday's Thermometer Showed Thirty-nine Above Zero and Today's Mercury Took a Tumble to the 16-Below Mark—Calm Air.

Sixteen degrees below zero, recorded by the government thermometer in Norfolk just before sunrise this morning, shows the intensity of the first cold wave to strike northern Nebraska this winter.

A drop of fifty-five degrees in two days hurled people from summer into winter with uncomfortable haste and the shock to the blood was terrific.

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Soon bear tracks became visible. The guide posted the men for sport

COINCIDENT IN DEATHS

MRS. ELSIE DESMOND IS TWICE CHEATED OUT OF TRIP.

TWO NEPHEWS DIE SUDDENLY

Twice Preparing for a Trip to California, Mrs. Elsie Desmond is Twice Prevented From Making Journey by Deaths of Her Escorts.

By a strange coincidence Mrs. Elsie Desmond of Norfolk has twice within the past several weeks been peculiarly cheated out of trips to California by sudden deaths of nephews.

The first case came a number of weeks ago when Mrs. Desmond planned to journey to California with Mr. and Mrs. Cassius M. Clark of Chicago.

Then another nephew, Alonzo M. Eager, a prominent Mason and a man well known in Nebraska, planned to make the California trip with his wife and to take his aunt, Mrs. Desmond, along.

Mrs. Desmond will now make a trip to Chicago to visit the two mourning widows, and she has given up plans for the California journey for the present.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

C. B. Durland went to Pierce at noon.

Burt Mapes went to Madison at noon.

J. A. Trulock went to Madison at noon.

Jack Koenigstein went to Madison at noon.

C. E. Doughty went to Kearney on business at noon.

John Harding passed through the city enroute to Madison from Meadow Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Itelheld went to Plainview to visit friends.

James Gullden went to Beemer this morning.

E. H. Leach of Humphrey was a Norfolk visitor over night.

Oscar M. Low of Stanton was a visitor in Norfolk last night.

Lorin C. Loeckle of Platte Center is visiting with friends here.

E. B. Wright of Deadwood arrived in Norfolk on the early train.

A. D. Webb and Joe Daniels of Madison were in town this morning.

Miss Ann Rublow of Pierce was shopping in the city yesterday.

William Kryger returned from a trip to Fairfax, S. D., this morning.

George N. Beels made a business trip to Cedar county this morning.

George Harris and daughters, Margaret and Clara, who have been visiting at the Herman Zirfas home, returned to their home in Madison yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Morley were early arrivals in the city this morning from Creighton.

Ben Brier of Oakdale, who has been visiting friends in the city, returned home yesterday.

Sheriff Clements of Madison was in Norfolk over night enroute home from a trip to the west.

Frank J. Hamilton, who had been visiting friends at Plainview the past few days, returned home this morning.

Emil Moeller has returned from a trip to Omaha. He says that Omaha is losing a great deal of trade by midnight closing, as hundreds board the cars after that hour and go to Council Bluffs to spend their cash.

W. C. McFayden and H. G. McFayden were in the city over night on their way to Bonesteel. One of this family was killed last summer in the storm that swept over the Rosebud. He was killed in the postoffice at St. Elmo.

The new Methodist church at Warsaw is nearing completion and Rev. W. R. Peters plans now that the dedication will take place some time next month.

Engineer D. B. Hines was ill yesterday and laid off of his regular run on the Union Pacific between Columbus and Norfolk. Engineer Dolan took his place.

This is the day when national banks all over America hold their annual meetings and elect officers. There are three national banks in Norfolk and such one holds its meeting today.

Sherman Willey of Hastings, successor in this territory to H. Ludlow as state insurance adjuster, has arrived in Norfolk with his family and has moved into the house vacated by Mr. Ludlow, at 1210 Phillip avenue.

Roger Jay Browne is the name of the new son born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest I. Brown, Browne, junior, promises to be a knight of the grip and to follow in the footsteps of his father. Yesterday he wanted to carry his dad's grips to the railway station. He is four days old.

The meeting of the Foreign Missionary society of the M. E. church, instead of the Congregational as was reported, has been postponed until a week from next Friday, on account of the union prayer meetings being held

this week, when the society will meet with Mrs. W. R. Hoffman.

Mrs. G. B. Salter and Mrs. W. J. Turner will entertain the Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church Thursday afternoon, January 11, at the home of Mrs. Salter.

W. H. Bucholz did not arrive last night from Oakland, Cal., as had been expected and no word has been received from him. It is not known but that he may be snowbound at some point between the coast and Norfolk.

The coffee bean has been introduced in some of the saloons of Norfolk as a successor to dice. The coffee bean has two sides—the round, smooth side and the cloven side.

The council of Congregational churches meets today at Bloomfield to examine and install the pastor-elect, Rev. C. H. Crawford. The Congregational churches of Norfolk, Neigh Plainview, Pierce, Creighton and Brunswick are called.

Norfolk was the center of the cold wave in America yesterday morning, the 16-below record here being the lowest that was reported anywhere.

Spencer Reporter: On Friday last Dr. Skelton, assisted by Dr. Ira of Lynch, amputated the leg of the two-year-old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Weber of Butte, at his private hospital here.

Mayor C. S. Smith of Madison, now serving his third term, was in Norfolk last night and this morning on business. He came here to sell two lots on South First street, and disposed of them yesterday afternoon.

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