

## CEMENT MEETINGS CLOSE

FIRST CONVENTION OF KIND EVER HELD IN NEBRASKA.

IS MADE PERMANENT AFFAIR

Five Delegates Were Appointed to the State Convention—Promoters Were Well Pleased With Result of Assembly—Good Attendance.

[From Wednesday's Daily.] The first convention of cement workers ever held in Nebraska closed yesterday afternoon after a very successful series of meetings. Before adjourning the organization was made permanent and delegates were elected to attend the state meeting, which will be held after sectional conventions are concluded in Grand Island, Lincoln and Council Bluffs. It is the intention of the cement workers to include western Iowa in the state organization. Most of the morning session was given up to a technical discussion of the handling and mixing of cement. A committee was appointed to investigate the coloring of bricks and blocks and will report at the next meeting. This committee consisted of C. J. Scott, Columbus; J. L. Lynn, Fairfax; and R. R. James, Madison.

Five delegates were appointed to the state convention with power to effect a permanent organization. The delegates were: M. Endres, Norfolk; R. R. James, Madison; N. L. Raymon, Creighton; A. Woodard, Winnetoon; and C. J. Scott, Columbus. The local organization was made permanent the temporary officers being elected unanimously. Henry S. Kropf, secretary, was also made treasurer of the organization.

The promoters and members of the convention were well pleased at the close with the results of their first attempt to get together. The attendance was good in both point of numbers and interest and much valuable information was brought out in the discussions. Increased interest in cement products was aroused among builders, contractors and other outsiders, which should redound to the benefit of the members of the organization. Another convention will probably be held within a short time in Norfolk by the same organization.

## THURSDAY TIDINGS.

C. B. Durland went to Foster today on business.

Charles Martin came down from Battle Creek yesterday.

J. J. Jensen of Pliger is visiting for a few days in the city.

George D. Butterfield returned from Omaha Tuesday evening.

Martin Sullivan came down from Meadow Grove Wednesday.

Miss Mattie Bridwell went to North Platte Wednesday to visit for a few days after which she will leave for a business trip to Indiana.

James Hause of Wayne is in the city on business and visiting with former neighbors.

Mrs. Thatch and Mrs. Brown of Battle Creek spent Wednesday shopping in Norfolk.

W. F. Smith, Al Williams and Phil Howe went to Lynch on the Wednesday noon train.

Perry Fleming has given up his position with Charles Rice and will remove to Atkinson.

Homer Hewens of Cincinnati is in the city visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hewens.

The county commissioners drove out north of Norfolk this morning inspecting the bridges and roads.

Miss Marguerite Klentz went to Wayne Wednesday noon where she will attend a pneumonia patient.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Owen have returned from a two weeks' visit with friends and relatives in Denver and Colorado Springs.

Mrs. George H. Burton and her three children are expected Thursday. Mr. Burton has not decided on his home yet although he has several houses in view.

Mrs. Charles Manweiler is quite ill. Miss Helen Miller and Miss Minnie Maas are on the sick list.

L. Schenzel is repainting his meat market and installing a new awning.

Mrs. R. H. Reynolds gave a 1 o'clock luncheon Wednesday to a few of her friends.

John Livingstone, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, has improved greatly and is now out of danger.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Blakeman entertained a company of friends at whist last night. Several games were enjoyed after which a dainty lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Burton will go to housekeeping at once. Mrs. Burton arrived today from Bartlesville, Ind.

Ira Hull who has been taking a vacation at home, has been confined to his home for four days with illness but has now sufficiently recovered to return to his work at Lyons.

Mrs. Rainbolt and Mrs. Wynn Mack Rainbolt have issued invitations for Saturday, February 3, at 1 o'clock, in the home of Mrs. Rainbolt. Euchre will be the afternoon's feature.

George Dewey Starkey, the boy who broke his arm recently, has added to his woes by a slight attack of appendicitis. He is living with his parents at the Pacific hotel temporarily.

A pleasant little party was given Wednesday evening by Harold Lucas at the home of his mother, Mrs. J. D. Sturgeon. About twenty of his friends attended, and the evening was devoted to various games and amusements.

Mrs. H. E. Warrick and Mrs. E. P.

Weatherby have issued invitations for a luncheon Friday, February 3, and Saturday, February 10, at 1 o'clock. Euchre will be the afternoon's feature.

The funeral of A. H. Cropper of Warnerville was held at the home, one mile east of that station, at 10 o'clock this morning, under auspices of the Modern Woodmen of America, Rev. W. R. Peters of Norfolk officiating. Interment was in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Mrs. C. F. Shaw, Mrs. A. Randklev and Mrs. O. L. Hyde have issued invitations for a luncheon to be given in Marquardt hall at 12:30 noon, on February 14. The guests are to come in fancy dress costumes to represent St. Valentine. A program has been arranged for the afternoon.

Express Messenger Wurzbacher, who was one of the three men killed in the wreck of the Great Northern Oriental Limited train, was a brother of Charles Wurzbacher, station agent for the Northwestern road at Tilden. Mr. Wurzbacher passed through Norfolk this morning enroute to St. Paul, where he went to attend the funeral of his brother. F. S. McDuffie of Fremont, formerly of Norfolk, route agent for an express company, passed through the city yesterday afternoon enroute to Tilden where he went to take Mr. Wurzbacher's place during his absence.

About forty members of the Highland Nobles last night took occasion to surprise H. L. Doughty, state deputy for the order, at his home on South Ninth street. The lodge members were laden with refreshments of various kinds, enough for them all, and the evening was delightfully spent in enjoying games and in devouring the refreshments later. Mr. Doughty was completely surprised by the attack but highly enjoyed the occasion for all that. The evening was one of the most delightful ever enjoyed by the order, the large number of friends present making it an especial tribute to Mr. Doughty.

Word has been received here in a letter from a Norfolk student in the state university to the effect that the unknown negro who was murdered here during the race meet last summer, was this week dissected by medical students at the institution. The negro was killed by an unknown murderer at the Junction depot at about 9 o'clock in the evening. He had asked the white stranger for a drink and the stranger, turning with a gun in his hand, replied with a snap of the trigger and a bullet that sank into the negro's head. The murderer then left town and was never caught. Two Omaha boys were held in the county jail for a time because of having seen the shooting, but their testimony was not needed and they have been released from custody.

## CHILD BREAKS HIS NECK

RUNNING AWAY FROM DOGS THAT FRIGHTENED HIM.

HE WAS KILLED INSTANTLY

Delmer Illian, Little Son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Illian, Was Killed in His Parents' Home This Morning, Going From One Room to Another.

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 31.—Special to The News: Delmer, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Illian, was killed at their home this morning in fleeing from a couple of dogs which ran into the house.

The dogs came into the room and the child sprang to his feet, hurrying into an adjoining room. In running he fell and broke his neck.

## LODGE'S SLAYER GETS TEN YEARS

Phillip James, Who Killed Former Norfolk Man, Imprisoned.

Phillip James, the man who shot and killed John Lodge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lodge of Warnerville, has been sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary at Sacramento, Cal., for manslaughter. Concerning the sentence, the Sacramento Union says:

Philip James, who the evening of the last day of the state fair in the betting enclosure at the fair grounds shot and killed John Lodge, who and who recently was convicted of manslaughter, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Hart to serve ten years in the state prison at San Quentin.

Ten years is the limit for the crime of manslaughter, and before passing sentence Judge Hart severely criticized the jury for recommending mercy. The jury, he said, had no right to make such recommendation. Its duty was either to bring in a verdict of guilty of manslaughter or of not guilty. He took no notice of the recommendation.

Judge Hart also told James that he would not have been surprised had the verdict been one of guilty of murder in the second degree. Had it been murder in the first degree he might have set it aside.

## MOTHER OF H. C. SATTLER.

Mrs. George W. Sattler Dies at Her Home in Baltimore.

H. C. Sattler has received a telegram announcing the death of his mother, Mrs. George W. Sattler, on Monday evening at 8 o'clock at her home in Baltimore, Md. She had been suffering for a number of years with gall stones and for the last four her health was very precarious. She was eighty years old. Mr. Sattler visited with her in Baltimore about a month ago.

## CEMENT WORKERS UNITED

STEPS TAKEN TOWARD PERMANENT STATE ORGANIZATION.

TRADE TOPICS ARE DISCUSSED

About Sixty Users of Cement Concrete, Together With Those Who Plan to Build, Met in the City Hall Last Night—Many Visitors Here.

Steps toward a formal and permanent organization of the cement workers of the state were taken at the opening meeting held in the city hall last evening. About sixty persons were present at the meeting, a large proportion of whom were from out of the city. The bulk of the evening was given up to the discussion of the handling of cement in the manufacture of building material and a vote was taken on several points to determine the majority opinion of the members.

W. L. Raymon of Creighton was elected chairman of the meeting and Henry S. Kropf of Verdell, secretary as a first step toward the forming of a permanent organization.

A large portion of the evening was given up to a thorough discussion of the mixing, curing and hardening of cement concrete and the proper percent of water, sand and cement to produce the most durable product at the lowest cost. Some discussion was also given to the matter of artificial coloring of bricks and other building material. There was considerable diversity of opinion regarding the practice and the debate was carried over for the meeting this morning.

A vote was taken on the advisability of making certain changes in the manufacture of the face of building material to make it more durable. The sense of the meeting was against the practice of coating bricks and blocks with a composition to protect it against the weather and make it impervious to water. At the same time it was generally decided that the outer face of the bricks and blocks should be made of a richer composition than the interior.

Talks were made during the evening, among others, by J. L. Lynn of Fairfax, J. M. Bay of Madison, M. Endres of Norfolk, M. Reisinger of Atkinson, and C. J. Scott of Columbus.

Among those who are in attendance on the meeting are: William Graves, Tilden; W. A. Wheeler, Atkinson; John C. Fresehauf, Lindsay; J. M. Bay, Madison; Ira G. Westervelt, Norfolk; J. V. Babinski, Stanton; E. L. Loucks, Norfolk; J. L. Lynn, Fairfax; M. Endres, Norfolk; J. E. Melcher, Wisner; G. W. Baughman, Waterloo, Iowa; C. J. Scott, Columbus; E. A. Amarine, Norfolk; John Inglis, Ira, Iowa; H. E. Hardy, Norfolk; C. W. Griswold, Sioux City; H. A. Pasewalk, Norfolk; G. E. Cobb, Omaha; William Reisinger, Atkinson; Charles W. Bradley, Rock Rapids, Iowa; T. H. Brenton, Neligh; A. C. Dornfield, Kenosha, Wis.; J. W. Cooper, Minneapolis; F. A. Plummer, St. Paul.

Tuesday afternoon a large number of farmers visited the demonstrations of cement brick and block making. These demonstrations are made every morning and afternoon.

## WEDNESDAY SIFTINGS

M. Irvin went to Creighton Tuesday noon.

C. A. Wolfe has returned from his trip to Omaha.

C. H. Krahn went to Stanton on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Junaman of Madison spent Tuesday in Norfolk.

A. F. Enos of Stanton was in Norfolk Monday afternoon.

F. H. Jones of Wayne spent a few hours in the city Tuesday.

A. Spence came down from Madison Tuesday morning on business.

Charles McLid of Stanton was up Monday afternoon and evening.

John Inglis of Ira, Iowa, is visiting with his son-in-law, S. L. Anderson.

I. Catlin, a hardware merchant of Correctionville, Iowa, is in Norfolk on business.

E. M. Huntington went to Tilden at noon today to look after his property interests there.

Mrs. G. D. Priest and daughter came down from Battle Creek Tuesday to do some shopping.

J. M. Covert, deputy for the M. B. A., left today for Meadow Grove and Battle Creek, where he will solicit for the order.

H. C. Denny of the Nebraska Telephone company is up from Omaha on business connected with the local exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Broman with their children left for Denver Tuesday. Mr. Broman has secured a position with a sanitarium in Denver and will make his home there for a year at least.

A birthday party was given at the King home last evening in honor of the birthday of Fred Klug.

F. G. Coryell left for Sioux City this morning.

C. H. Vail went to Sioux City today on business.

George D. Sale of Butte was here this morning.

Mrs. Edens of Fairfax is here visiting Mrs. Leonard.

F. A. Huston of Mapleton, Iowa, is in the city today.

J. L. Welbaum of Butte was in Norfolk this morning.

Sidney McNeely has gone to Omaha for a few days visit.

P. C. Anderson came down from Bristow this morning.

C. E. Burnham made a business trip to Humphrey yesterday.

Charles Von Tolge, Hugo Retzlaur

and Bert Weston of Hadar saw Buster Brown Monday evening.

Miss Laura Hickenloft has returned from a visit to Fairfax.

L. G. Miller of Lynch was in the city today on business.

H. D. Wogdirt came down from Clearwater last evening.

Robert Bathke of Casper, Wyo., is visiting with his parents.

County Commissioner John Malone came up from Madison last evening.

M. L. Sullivan of Meadow Grove stopped over Tuesday night in Norfolk on business.

O. H. Wertz, a prominent lumber dealer of Creighton, was in the city today.

County Commissioner John H. Harding of Meadow Grove stopped over night in Norfolk.

Retta Lee has gone to Lincoln where she will enter a wholesale millinery house preparatory to going out as a trimmer.

The Tron Whist club will meet next Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Tyler.

The Ladies Guild of Trinity church will meet with Mrs. Lynde on Friday afternoon at 2:30.

The West Side Whist club spent an enjoyable evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. Baum last night.

August Helleman will celebrate his sixtieth birthday Wednesday evening by entertaining a number of friends at his home.

Justice of the Peace G. C. Lambert has removed his office from opposite the postoffice to the storeroom of Boshull & Severn.

Engineer W. W. Brown, who has lived on Third street, is moving his family and household goods to Fremont.

On February 22 and 23 the G. A. R. and W. R. C. will hold a fair. A program appropriate for the day will be held on the evening of February 22 and an old fashioned camp fire will be held in the evening of the 23d. Full particulars will be announced later.

Mrs. D. C. O'Connor and family left Norfolk this morning for Ancon, Panama, where they go to join Mr. O'Connor, superintendent of education in the Canal Zone. Mrs. O'Connor and children will sail from New York a week from today. Enroute east they expect to visit Mrs. O'Connor's mother.

The county commissioners are meeting in Madison and hope to finish up the work of approving bonds of officials, planning for bridges and to wind up such other business as may come before them. County Attorney Jack Koenigstein went down from here yesterday afternoon on business with the commissioners.

Mrs. W. H. Butterfield entertained a company of ladies from the territory west of Twelfth street yesterday afternoon. Euchre and flinch were the order of the day. Mrs. Gillette won the first prize at euchre, Mrs. Bullock took the shooting prize and Mrs. A. J. Johnson took the flinch prize. Dainty refreshments were served. There were forty-eight ladies present.

The display counters about town are beginning to glitter with the fluffy stuffs of the St. Valentine character, and the many-colored souvenirs are being fingered by the little tots after school. The merchants say that the trade on valentines this year has begun unusually early and that, if the rush grows as it is expected to do, there will be a lively day when the time comes.

Dolph Hight, who has just returned from Lamar, Colo., reports that his brother Leo will be home in several weeks. He broke his leg recently at the sugar factory and is out now walking around on crutches. The factory turned out a little to exceed 8,000,000 pounds of sugar during the past season. The interest in beet raising through that section is abnormal and every thirty or forty miles there is a sugar factory.

A. H. Cropper, an old settler of Warnerville precinct in this county, died suddenly at his home one mile east of the town of Warnerville last night from heart trouble. He went to bed between 9 and 10 o'clock and succumbed shortly afterward. Mr. Cropper was about thirty-seven years of age and is survived by a widow and one small son, Floyd Cropper, about three years old. The funeral will probably be tomorrow at 10 o'clock in Warnerville. Mr. Cropper had been troubled with heart disease for some time, having been seriously ill last spring. Of late, however, he had been feeling much better and his death came entirely unexpectedly last night.

He was a member of the Modern Woodmen lodge, having been a charter member of the lodge at Warnerville six years ago.

The public sale of thoroughbred hogs to be held at the Krantz livery barn here on February 17 by John C. Tighe of Stanton and M. Mihills of Norfolk, is the last of a whole week of sales of Duroc-Jersey swine. The sales begin at Belden on Monday, the 12th, then two days at Randolph, the next day is skipped, on the 15th a sale is to be held at Lynch and on the 17th at Norfolk. George P. Bellows of Maryville, Mo., conducts them all. The fine stock business is fast developing into an exclusive and recognized business, and it is probable that the sale here will attract buyers from a large territory. Ladies are invited to attend the sale, in case they are interested in fine stock. Seats in the pavilion will be provided for all who may care to attend. The recent stock sale at Wisner, in which cattle were sold, demonstrated the interest that is growing in this territory in fine stock, as almost all of the herd went to farmers within a radius of thirty miles of Wisner.

## HE DROPS INTO A MILLION

THOMAS PULLEN, FORMER ALBION MAN, GETS A FORTUNE.

LAWYER MACK IS LUCKY TOO

Reading a New York Paper, He Discovered a Notice to Thomas Pullen Informing Him of a Large Estate to Which He Fell Heir.

Albion, Neb., Jan. 31.—Special to The News: F. J. Mack, a local attorney, found in a New York paper a notice addressed to Thomas Pullen, formerly of Albion, informing him that he had fallen heir to an estate in England amounting to a large fortune.

Mr. Mack immediately departed for southern Texas, where he located Pullen from whom Mack secured the power of attorney. As the estate will amount to 200,000 pounds, or an even million dollars, Mr. Mack feels that he has secured an enviable place. Letters are now being daily received from lawyers in Paris, Brussels, London, New York and Chicago asking for the whereabouts of the heir of this estate, which is situated in Pett Lodge Pett, Sussex and Gloucester counties, England.

It is thought Mr. Mack will have to accompany the heir to England. Pullen is comfortably situated in Texas.

MADISON MAN TO WED, AGE 70

Justice P. A. Clark Has Gone to Wisconsin to Get a Bride.

Madison, Neb., Jan. 31.—Special to The News: P. A. Clark, local dispenser of justice and a standard authority on horseflesh, took his departure yesterday for Monroe, Wisconsin, ostensibly to make an extended stay with a relative at that place. The knowing ones assert, however, that his honor has gone there to take unto himself a wife, a lady with whom he has been in correspondence and who formerly lived here. Mr. Clark is nearly three score and ten and the fact that he is taking this important step merely puts to shame the horde of hesitating younger bachelors within the city limits.

Profit of \$3,000.

Lincoln, Jan. 31.—The state fish and game department realized during the year a profit to the state of over \$3,000.

Farmers bring in your repair work for spring. I will save you 20% as I have the time and am prepared to do the work. Paul Nordwig.

Superior engraved cards. The News

NATIONAL LIVE STOCK COMMISSION COMPANY.

Views of the Live Stock Markets at South Omaha, C. A. Mallory, Manager.

South Omaha, Feb. 1.—Receipts of cattle have been liberal, but the demand has been good and prices have ruled steady to strong for the week. The demand has been good for all kinds of stockers and feeders, especially those of good quality. Good to choice feeders are selling from \$4.00 to \$4.35, while fair to good feeders are bringing from \$3.50 to \$4.00. The most of the fat cattle offered this week were short fed steers and are selling from \$4.50 to \$5.00. Choice matured cattle would sell from \$4.85 to \$5.30. Butcher stuff is also in good demand at strong prices, and we see no reason why the market should not be stronger each week from now on.

The hog market has ruled active the

471 Colorado fed Mexican wethers, average 103, \$5.65; 199 Nebraska fed western ewes, average 112, \$5.00; 471 Colorado fed western ewes, average 106; \$5.20; 334 Colorado fed western ewes, average 96, \$5.55.

South St. Joseph, Missouri:

705 Colorado fed western ewes, average 95, \$4.90; 227 Colorado fed western ewes, average 98, \$4.90; 600 Kansas fed western lambs, average 73, \$6.75; 571 Nebraska fed western lambs, average 77, \$7.25; 234 Colorado fed western ewes, average 98, \$4.90; 211 Nebraska fed western yearlings, average 86, \$6.15; 248 Nebraska fed western lambs, average 77, \$7.25.

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