

CLEARWATER HAS STRIKE

ICE HAULERS AND ICE CUTTERS WANT BETTER PAY.

PICKETS ARE ESTABLISHED

Recruits Who Started Out to Work This Morning at the Old Rates Were Greeted With Cries of "Scab"—Season Short, Famine Imminent.

Clearwater, Neb., Feb. 9.—Special to The News: Clearwater is in the throes of the biggest strike in the history of Antelope county today. All of the ice cutters and ice haulers of the town, some fifty in number, went on a strike and, the employers having refused to grant the increase in wages asked for, the ice making is tied up, the season is fast drawing to a close and an ice famine for next summer stares the town in the face.

Taking advantage of the fact that ice can be made here but a few days more, the workmen struck yesterday afternoon. The haulers of ice, who had been getting 25 cents per ton for their work, struck for a raise of 10 cents per ton, making for them, 35 cents per ton. They are able to haul about eight tons per day, so that they were making about \$2 a day and they want \$2.80.

The ice cutters who work on the river have been getting 15 cents an hour and they struck for a raise of 5 cents per hour, which would give them \$2 per day.

The employers refused to grant the raise and the men quit.

Cries of "Scab."

The employers then succeeded in getting a number of men about town to agree to work at the old rate and when they started out this morning with picks and tongs and saw they were greeted everywhere on the streets with the cries of "Scabs! Scabs!"

The result was that these recruits also dropped their tools and no ice is being put up in Clearwater today.

FRIDAY FACTS.

Horace Eiseley has returned from Anoka.

O. Sottoff is in Plainview to visit friends.

Rev. Mr. Grueber of Hoskins is in the city.

P. C. Sims has gone to Plainview on business.

Roy Holbrook will spend Sunday in Plainview.

Mrs. Joseph Schwartz went to Pierce this noon on business.

Alex Madsen is thinking of taking a trip south for his health.

Myron S. Whitney came down from Randolph on business Thursday.

J. E. Douglas of Madison stopped over night in Norfolk on his way home.

Mr. Paddock has gone back to Hooper after spending a few days in the city.

Henry Lehman, the well known singer of Omaha, is in the city on business.

John Stafford came up from Omaha this noon to attend the dance this evening.

Miss Nettie Dorch left this noon for Omaha where she will visit over Sunday with friends.

Judge J. B. Barnes returned last evening from Lincoln, where he had been attending supreme court.

H. C. Matrau has returned from Omaha where he went to attend the meeting of the Loyal Legion.

G. G. Stone and Attorney Charles Johnson of Schuyler stopped over in Norfolk today while enroute to Plainview.

Frank Flynn has given up his position with Humphrey's and will be with the Fair store from now on. Loren Doughty resumes his place with Humphrey's.

Mrs. K. M. Bradley of Beloit, Wis., is expected here to visit Mrs. Shaw and to attend the Valentine party. Mrs. Bradley will arrive next Tuesday and will remain for a visit of several days.

The Norfolk orchestra played in Tilden last evening at a dance.

Miss Belle White entertained a number of friends last evening at her home on Prospect avenue.

Mrs. Weatherby and Mrs. Warrick are entertaining a number of friends at luncheon and an afternoon party today.

The Epworth league will give a valentine social in the church parlors of the M. E. church on next Tuesday evening.

Misses May Durland, Laura Durland, Edna Stafford and Fannie Norton will entertain at a dancing party in Marquardt hall tonight.

Mrs. E. A. Amarine, Mrs. B. Hight and Mrs. J. Allbery entertained the Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Amarine.

George Wheeler, who has been living six miles south of Norfolk, is moving into the new home he recently purchased in Warnerville.

As soon as the family is settled Mr. Wheeler expects to visit his brother in the western part of the state for the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. M. B. Starkey and son, George Dewey Starkey, who had been stopping at the Pacific for the past three weeks have gone to Sioux City. George is the lad who first fell and broke his wrist in two places and who, a week later, became afflicted with appendicitis.

Rev. Dr. Tyndall, presiding elder of the Methodist church, will build a new home this spring. He has practically closed a deal to purchase the lot owned by Dr. Hagey on Koeningstein

avenue between Twelfth and Thirteenth and will erect his home there.

All members of the Commercial club are urgently requested to meet at the city hall next Monday night. There are two features to be given attention especially, the election of delegates to attend the state meeting of commercial clubs in Omaha next week and the organization of those interested in the race meeting, so that the plans may be carried through to make it a complete success.

Mrs. W. H. Butterfield entertained a household of friends Thursday afternoon at six-handed euchre and flinch. There was a tie for the euchre prize between Mrs. John R. Hays and Mrs. Sturgeon, which was won on the cut by the former. The flinch prize was won by Mrs. A. Anthes and the shouting prize by Mrs. Huntington. The prizes consisted of beautiful displays of hothouse flowers. Supper was served to the guests before they departed.

In the jury trial of the Norfolk Lumber company against B. Hight for a bill for lumber the former was awarded \$52.67. The original bill against Hight amounted to \$115 and he in turn claimed an offset sufficient to overbalance it by \$90. In the testimony the various claims of Hight for services rendered the Norfolk Lumber company as a carpenter, for unloading lumber and for shortages of invoices were considered and scaled the original bill down to the amount allowed.

A letter was received yesterday by Secretary Mathewson of the Commercial club from a man who claims to represent one of the big packing houses of the country, asking what bonus Norfolk would give for the establishment of a packing plant here. Mr. Mathewson replied stating that not much could be expected in the way of bonus but that a site might possibly be granted in case the deal were a bona fide proposition. Mr. Mathewson has for several years been personally acquainted with the writer of the letter, and says that he has never known the man to "talk through his hat."

The total eclipse of the moon last night was clearly visible in Norfolk. The moon entered the shadow at about 11 o'clock and the eclipse became complete between 1 and 2. The air was clear and the moon brilliantly white until the blackness crossed its face at midnight. Not many people in Norfolk remained awake to see it but some few are known to have set alarm clocks so that when the proper time for the shadow approached they were awakened and given a view of this phenomenon. There will be another eclipse of the moon this month, when it is partially obscured by the sun on February 22.

A letter has been received from Butte asking for definite details regarding the man who appeared before County Attorney Koeningstein last week and declared that he was going crazy. The Butte people were interested because of the first name given by the man, which was Barney. It is said that there was a man named Barney who formerly lived at Butte and from whom his wife secured a divorce at the last term of district court. It is said at Butte that this sort of a stunt would be very much like that Barney. It has been learned since, however, that the name of this man is Dick McKay and not Barney at all, so that there is no possibility of this being the same person.

The funeral services over the body of J. K. Hutcheson will be held Sunday afternoon from the Methodist church according to present arrangements. A letter has been received by A. H. Viele from Conductor A. M. Leach, who is with the widow, saying that they will probably arrive Saturday noon with the body. Working on this assumption arrangements are being made by the Masons to hold the services on Sunday. The present intention is to hold the services under the auspices of the Masons, burial to be at Prospect Hill. Rev. J. R. McKenzie of Oakdale assisted by Rev. W. J. Turner will conduct the religious services over the body. The body will be taken to the home of A. H. Viele upon arrival here and remain there until the services.

Warnerville.

Roy Johnston has gone to Buffalo county.

Geo. Wheeler has purchased Mrs. Kennerson's house and will take possession this week.

The Omaha Elevator Co., shipped a carload of hogs to South Omaha Tuesday.

H. J. Morris and R. C. Miller are baling hay and shipping it to Omaha.

Reiche, the "musical wonder," will give an entertainment in the hall Thursday evening, February 8.

Fred Woodruff has moved his family to Norfolk where they will make their future home.

Geo. Woodworth has leased the Steiker farm and will take possession as soon as the buildings are repaired.

DEATH OF E. A. KNEIVAL.

Prominent Man in Boyd County Succumbs to Cancer of Stomach.

Butte, Neb., Feb. 9.—Special to The News: E. A. Kneival, one of the most prominent men of Boyd county, died at his home a few miles south of Napoleon of cancer of the stomach. He was commissioner of Boyd county for four years and was quite a factor in the republican party. He leaves a wife and a large family of children. The funeral was held in the Catholic church at Spencer yesterday and the burial was there.

If you have merchandise to trade for land or land to trade for merchandise, write F. G. Coryell, Norfolk, Neb.

LIGHT ON PACKING PLANT

COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS WILL FORM STOCK COMPANY.

EACH MAN WILL BE SALESMAN

Each One of 100 Commercial Travelers is to Take \$100 Stock in the Proposition, Making \$100,000 to Start With.

The possibilities of a packing plant coming to Norfolk grow stronger as additional information comes to light. According to information given out by a prominent member of the Commercial club the proposition of organizing a stock company with 100 members was first broached by a traveling man, who is one of a number who are working in that direction. According to his statement a number of traveling men in Norfolk territory and even outside of it in Iowa and Nebraska, have the matter under consideration.

At the next meeting of the Iowa State Traveling Men's association, of which these men are members, the matter is to be taken up and an attempt made to interest 100 traveling men sufficiently to start the enterprise. Each one is to take \$1,000 stock in the new stock. With the \$100,000 thus raised the plant will be prepared. Then each stockholder will put in \$100 a month for four or five months or as long as necessary to get the packing plant on a sound financial basis.

It is pointed out by the traveling men that besides the natural advantages which Norfolk possesses as a point for small plant, the co-operation of 100 traveling men in the sale of the products will be of incalculable benefit to the plant. Each traveling man will act as a salesman for the company and all expense of sales will thus be done away with. Every particle of territory in which the company could compete will be thoroughly covered and the various products and brands rapidly established.

It is presumed that the story emanating from Sioux City early in the week was based on this proposition and is the same thing. Whether the original intention has been changed so as to include stockmen and cattlemen is not known although there is a possibility that such may be the case. Again the project was first considered when it was supposed that the sugar factory could be made into a packing house. Whether the refusal of the traveling men or not is not known, although it is pointed out that from an economic standpoint it would be cheaper to build a new plant than to use the old building. The cost of altering the sugar factory to comply with the needs of a packing house would be considerable and it never could be made to be as economical in handling as a plant specially designed for the business. For this reason it is presumed that the change of plans of the industrial company will not change the aspect of the original project.

Battle Creek.

Zac Cox of Stuart was down here Tuesday and Wednesday to look after his business affairs and visiting relatives, also.

Monday Wm. Nicolay's team, which was tied in the Baker lumber yard, became frightened at noon when the passenger came in from the west. They broke loose and started east, losing the wagon and running against a tree in front of W. W. Craig's residence. One of the horses was so badly hurt that it had to be shot by City Marshal Frank Flood.

H. H. Fundum was a business visitor to Norfolk Monday.

Geo. Nordhouse was here Monday on business from Norfolk.

Harry Starlin, who left here in March last year for Idaho and the Pacific coast, is back again and will make his headquarters at Battle Creek.

August Steffen departed Tuesday for a trip to Oklahoma and Indian Territory. During his absence his business will be in charge of T. L. Curas.

Wm. Ludwig and Chas. Fillmer of Cuming county were the guests here for one week of J. A. Wright.

D. P. West of Beaver City arrived here Monday for a visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. D. B. Simmons. He was accompanied by his nephew, Fred Simmons, who makes his home there temporarily.

Herman Eucker has rented the De-uchs house on corner Main and Hyatt streets.

J. W. Risk, who is going to move onto the Whitla farm east of town, has rented his residence on North Fourth street to T. D. Preece.

Martin L., the little seven months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dittrik, died Friday after a short illness. The funeral was conducted by Rev. J. Hoffman Sunday afternoon from the Lutheran church. Interment was made on their private lot at the Lutheran cemetery.

Herman Voltz of Jefferson, Wis., was here the fore part of the week visiting friends and buying horses.

John Ommerman was down here from Johnston visiting relatives and friends.

Chas. McBride of Tilden is visiting here this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sesler.

The Fuerst families have their ice for their private use harvested.

Frank Weisman was here on business Friday from Norfolk.

Wm. Jost, who has been living in different places in California for about six years is here on an extended visit

with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jost and other relatives.

Valentine Klein returned Friday from Corona, Roberts county, S. D., where he bought a 320-acre farm for \$10,000. He is well pleased with his bargain and will move there this month. He claims it is a little cooler there than here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Krivanek of Meadow Grove were visiting relatives here Friday.

Wm. Niesley is building a new large barn on his farm three miles south. Fred Decker was here several days this week from Madison visiting relatives.

MADISON NOTES.

E. Brown of Albion has bought property in the west part of town and will make his residence here. Mr. Brown is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Dodge of Warnerville.

Hume-Robertson-Wycoff Co. have decided to establish a branch business at Enola, where they will operate an elevator and sell lumber, coal and hardware. Will Jones will be the manager.

Ed Crue has been over from Tilden since Monday at the bedside of his father, V. Crue, who was taken seriously ill Sunday. His is a case of general breaking down caused by old age. He is seventy-six years old. There is a slight improvement in his condition today.

Contractors and bridge builders were in evidence Wednesday as that was the day when the county board was to act on the bridge bids. The contracts were not let, however, but it was decided to readvertise for bids. The county board also decided on building an addition to the county jail for which plans and specifications were ordered drawn.

It was rumored here today that O. H. Gillespie had sold a half interest in his general merchandise store. In an interview Mr. Gillespie states that such is not the case exactly. He says, however, that he has made arrangements to turn his business into a stock company in which a number of farmers and Madison citizens will be interested. The name of the concern will be The Madison Mercantile company, and it will be capitalized at \$20,000.

The Highlanders' ball and banquet came off last night and in point of numbers was possibly excelled only by that of the Modern Woodmen of some time ago. The drill team, composed of the flower of handsome young manhood of Madison, commanded by Henry Faes with sword at side, appeared in white caps, coats and leggings and did their part admirably. Refreshments led nothing to be desired save the dance which followed and lasted till a late hour. Attendance was by invitation but extended practically to everybody.

STATE COMMERCIAL CLUBS.

Wide Interest in the Meeting to be Held is Manifest.

Great interest is being manifested in Nebraska in the coming meeting of the State Association of Commercial Clubs, which is to be held in Omaha on February 20 and 21. The initial meeting at which the association was organized was held in Fremont a year ago and there was a splendid response to the invitation of the Fremont Commercial club, indicating that there was a very general desire in the state for some sort of organization which would enable the various local commercial bodies to interchange ideas and to work together in a practical fashion upon state wide subjects.

The officers of the state association have already received numerous and enthusiastic acceptances from the local bodies throughout the state, who will send large delegations to the Omaha meeting. It is the desire of the officers to have representatives present, not only from every organized commercial club in the state, but also from every town that desires to have a commercial club. A general invitation has been issued and there will be little or no formality about the credentials of delegates, the one requisite being that they are Nebraska businessmen.

The principal session of the association will be held on Tuesday evening and will begin with a dinner tendered by the Commercial club of Omaha to the delegates. After the dinner there will be formal addresses as follows: "Central and Western Nebraska, Its Present and Future"—Hon. F. M. Currie, Broken Bow.

"Shall We Have a Constitutional Convention?"—H. M. Bushnell, Lincoln.

"Harmony in Towns"—Chas. F. Horner, Lexington.

"Education, Its Practical Relation to Business"—E. O. Garrett, Fremont.

"Nebraska's Balance Sheet for 1905."—Don C. Despain, Lincoln.

"The Country Commercial Club."—Hon. W. M. Robertson, Norfolk.

"Shall We Send Lawson Our Proxies?"—Chas. G. Ryan, Grand Island.

It will be seen that this program covers a wide range of subjects and the character of the speakers who have accepted assignments on it assures the association that those subjects will be treated in an able and interesting manner.

INTEREST BOYS AND GIRLS.

Corn Growing and Cooking Contests in Gage County.

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 9.—The officers of the farmers' institute here decided yesterday to organize the school boys of Gage county for a corn growing contest and the school girls for a cooking contest, in which prizes will be given.

ONE DEAD, TWO ARE HURT

DISASTROUS RUNAWAY ACCIDENT AT DANNEBROG, NEB.

SORENSEN INSTANTLY KILLED

While Driving Down a Steep Grade the Horses Became Frightened by School Children and Dashed to the Bottom of the Hill—Wife Bruised.

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 9.—Special to The News: One man instantly killed, his wife badly bruised and the driver slightly injured was the disastrous result of a terrific runaway at Dannebrog yesterday afternoon, says a special received here today.

A. Sorensen, his wife and a driver, John Thompson, were driving down a steep grade when their team of horses became frightened by school children and dashed to the bottom of the hill. Sorensen was almost instantly killed, his wife was thrown for a distance and badly hurt, and the driver shaken up in the fall.

NORTH NEBRASKA GETS OFFICES

Snyder of O'Neill, Krotter, Mohr, Correll Are All Elected.

L. C. Mittelstadt has returned from Omaha, where he attended a meeting of Nebraska lumber dealers. Concerning the convention the Omaha Bee says:

The Nebraska Retail Lumber Dealers association adjourned its sixteenth annual convention at the Auditorium yesterday afternoon after organizing a mutual fire insurance company, electing its officers and those of the association, adopting resolutions favoring the abolition of the tariff on white pine rough lumber imported from Canada, opposing the formation of a lumber trust in Nebraska, appealing to Nebraska's delegation in congress to oppose the parcel post law, reaffirming opposition to combination in restraint of trade and expressing sympathy with the national anti-trust policies.

O. O. Snyder of O'Neill was elected president of the lumbermen's association and William Krotter of Stuart, vice president. The new directors elected were: P. M. Green of Aurora and G. W. Eggleston of Bennett for terms of three years. The other directors, H. H. Mohr, A. V. Perry, Henry Binger and A. B. Outhouse, held over. The legislative committee is G. W. Baldwin of Crete, P. D. Correll of Plainview and T. W. Khiffen of De Witt. E. T. Chapin of the Humboldt company and H. L. Harris of Minneapolis addressed the meeting on prices and freight rates.

The name of the insurance organization is to be the Nebraska Lumbermen's Mutual Insurance association and the home office will be at Lincoln, which also will be the principal place of business. The object is to indemnify the members against loss or damage by fire or lightning to their lumber yards. The rates and amounts of insurance on each risk shall be fixed and regulated by the board of directors, which is empowered to make rates. The association is strictly mutual and will not insure any person or incorporation not a member of the association. It shall not divert its funds or make assessments for any other purpose than to indemnify its members against loss by fire or lightning or to pay the necessary expenses of the association or to create and maintain reserve funds.

All policies of insurance of the association shall be issued for a term of five years and no policies are to be issued for more than \$1,000 until there are 300 members, with insurance in force to the amount of \$200,000 when each may take out policies for \$2,000. When there are 600 members, with insurance in force to the amount of \$400,000, policies may issue not to exceed \$3,000, and when there are 1,000 members with a total of \$750,000 insurance, policies may be issued at the discretion of the company.

No person is eligible as a member who is not a retail lumber dealer. The officers are president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, who shall hold office for one year. A board of directors consisting of nine members shall be elected, one-third for one year, one-third for two years and one-third for three years.

BUY FOSTER MARBLE PLANT

Stannard & Gildea Promise to Make Norfolk Marble Center.

[From Friday's Daily.]

The Foster marble works have been purchased by Stannard & Gildea and are to be thoroughly overhauled and improved so that the scope of the business will be largely increased. The new owners are figuring with an outsider to put in \$20,000 additional capital with which to make the necessary improvements to make the business the largest of its kind in the territory west of Omaha and on the Northwest-ern line.

It is the intention of the new firm to put in machinery at a cost of \$20,000 and do practically all of the cutting and polishing with it. At present most of the tomb stones made in Norfolk are shipped in practically finished. The cost of these stones laid down in Norfolk is so great that competition with larger manufacturers, who finish their own stone, is almost impossible. With this machinery it will be possible to ship in granite and marble in carload lots and unfinished. The machinery will not only cut the stone into any desired size or shape but will put a rough face on it, polish it or give it any other finish possible by hand. With the additional capital Stannard & Gildea believe that they can buy much more cheaply by handling nothing but carload lots of the rough stone. They will put two men on the road all of the time.

Last year, before he sold his old marble works, Mr. Stannard did a business of \$20,000. To do this he was on the road but half the time and was unable to meet much competition that came from other parties with machine equipped plants. This he will now be able to meet and so with the two regular salesmen they expect to do a business in excess of \$100,000 a year.

The plant acquired by them has been owned and run by Mr. Foster for about twenty-two years, although he had not made an active fight for business during recent years because of numerous outside interests.

BOUND OVER.

Adolph Johnshek is Held at Butte in Sum of \$500.

Butte, Neb., Feb. 9.—Special to The News: Adolph Johnshek, the fellow who was arrested for kidnaping Anna Prokish, the 17-year-old girl, had his hearing in the county court here and has been bound over in the sum of \$500.

See F. G. Coryell for insurance.

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