

WEDDING IS POSTPONED

NORFOLK BUSINESS MAN INTERFERES WITH PLANS.

WRONG IMPRESSION FOLLOWS

Miss Florence Gaylord Would Have Been Mrs. Emil Matthes Today But For a Mis-Statement Concerning Her Age by a Passenger on Train.

Miss Florence Gaylord would have been Mrs. Emil Matthes today but for a telephone call to the County Judge at Wayne just as Mr. Matthes was ready to sign the license. A Norfolk business man had told the sheriff that Miss Gaylord was but fourteen and he got his information to the county clerk just in time to stop the issuing of the license, and today it waits in Wayne all ready for the signature.

Miss Gaylord and Emil Matthes of Stanton took the early train to Wayne Monday morning expecting to be married and with the knowledge of Mrs. L. M. Gaylord, her mother. No parental objections had been raised to the union, except the youth of the couple. Miss Gaylord will not be eighteen until Friday, and Mr. Matthes is just a little more than twenty. When they reached Wayne they went to the hotel, where Miss Gaylord remained while Mr. Matthes hid himself to the court house to secure a license to marry. In the meantime a Norfolk business man, who had ridden up on the same train, informed the sheriff of the contemplated marriage and stated that the prospective bride was but fourteen years old. Sheriff Mears immediately went to Miss Gaylord and talked with her about it. She asserted her true age, but he decided to stop the issuance of the license until he could talk with her parents in Norfolk.

The sheriff and the judge then talked to Mr. Gaylord over the telephone but the young folks had decided to put off the wedding and so returned to Norfolk Monday evening unmarried. Many untrue rumors were rife upon their return and they have kept closely to the Gaylord home since.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

T. D. Priest of Battle Creek was in Norfolk Monday.

C. H. Vail went to Tilden Tuesday noon on business.

Max Tiedke of West Point is in the city on business.

L. J. Carage of Columbus came up Tuesday evening.

Herman Hecht of Plainview was in the city yesterday.

Eugene Crook of Meadow Grove is in the city on business.

A. R. Davis of Wayne stopped over in Norfolk Tuesday noon.

City Attorney Weatherly went to Omaha Wednesday noon.

Dr. J. C. Myers made a business trip to Battle Creek Tuesday.

August Karo went to South Omaha today with a load of hogs.

R. M. Dutcher came down from Plainview Tuesday evening.

R. S. Dickinson of Columbus came up on business Tuesday evening.

A. G. Mayers came down from Battle Creek this morning on business.

The oldest daughter of Robert Schoenfeldt is seriously ill with the brain fever.

A. V. Anderson came down from Neligh Monday on a business trip.

W. G. Weber of Humphrey spent a few hours in Norfolk between trains Tuesday.

T. D. Best, proprietor of the Battle Creek hotel, was in the city Monday on business.

Charles R. Hays is in the city from Denver for a short visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hays. He will be here until tomorrow noon.

S. O. Campbell and E. L. Rubel of Creighton spent Tuesday in the city on business affairs.

Mrs. M. Lovelace came down from Battle Creek Monday to consult with an attorney regarding a will.

E. R. Perfect of Kansas City, state agent for the American Insurance company, is in Norfolk on business.

George Wives of Tilden accompanied his wife as far as Norfolk yesterday on her way to St. Joseph, Mo.

Homer Wilson, cashier of the First National Bank of Wayne, was in Norfolk yesterday on his way to Plainview.

O. H. Philbrick of Coleridge spent Monday night in the city. He has just arranged to act as agent for Cedar county for the Sturgeon Music company.

Mrs. Seth Jones and Mrs. Charles Pierce of Winnetoon came to Norfolk Tuesday morning to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Van Horn. Mrs. Jones left in the afternoon for Ashland, Wis. Mrs. Pierce will remain for several days and visit with her parents.

S. W. Wanser and his nephew, Sterling, were in the city yesterday from South Dakota.

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

Charles Sizer of Ewing came down Tuesday morning to visit with R. B. Severn for several days.

Mrs. J. C. Myers left today for her old home in Galena, Ill., to visit for several weeks with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gableman of Green Garden are visiting for a few days with the family of B. Kettleon.

The Degree of Honor will hold a special meeting tonight.

Tomorrow, Washington's birthday, will be observed by banks and a few

other institutions in Norfolk.

George Berry has recovered from a severe siege of sickness and is now able to be up and about his home.

The county commissioners met yesterday at Madison to consider the propositions for letting road grading contracts.

A pair of robins were seen yesterday by John Freythalder in his park east of the city. They seemed bright and happy, and hopped around just as sprightly as if it were the middle of summer. This is the first report that has been made of any robins seen this spring.

Ray De Putron, for several years one of the star baseball players on the Nebraska university team which won so many victories all over the country, spent last night in Norfolk. Mr. De Putron is now on the road as a commercial traveler and makes his home at Lincoln.

F. H. Chandler received word of the death of his father at Red Oak, Iowa, Monday following an operation for a clot of blood upon the brain. Mr. Chandler was well along in years and was unable to survive the operation. His grandson, Pat Chandler, has gone to Red Oak to attend the funeral.

Charles Hartford and W. J. Hahn drove into the country Tuesday afternoon and managed to get three ducks on the Northfork. One of them was a mallard and the others were teal. Probably they would have gotten a larger bag if they had gone out to hunt ducks but these three they secured only in passing.

O. N. Stuckey, railway mail clerk on the Northwestern between Norfolk and Long Pine on trains No. 3 and 4, has purchased the residence property of E. E. Adams on South Fifth street and will make it his home in the future. Mr. Stuckey will soon move in. Mr. Adams leaves for St. Paul where he has accepted a position as train dispatcher.

Will Piller has returned home from Huron, S. D., and will accept a position at the Oxnard bar. C. J. Dugan, who leaves, will go to Shoshoni within a few days to make his home there. Mr. Dugan has many friends in Norfolk who will hope that at the end of the rush to the Shoshone reservation, he may return to Norfolk and continue his residence here.

Another beautiful spring morning dawned in this mid-winter month today and Norfolk can almost hear the melodious song of the meadow lark out in the open fields. All remnants of the white blanket that recently covered the earth have disappeared, the yellow sun beams down merrily, overcoats have taken to the attics and the furnace has no appetite for coal. Farmers are getting their fly nets ready for use and plows are beginning to work out of their winter hiding places.

Nebraska, South Dakota, Wyoming and several other states, included in the sixth division of the railway mail service, are just now in the hands of the government weighers. The mails on all trains in the division are being weighed every day for the purpose of getting an average of the weight of mails, so that contracts can be made by the government with the railroads. This weighing will continue for ninety days. Other states in the division are Iowa, Illinois, Kansas and Missouri. The weighers get \$90 per month.

The Madison County Association of Retail Druggists will meet in Norfolk Thursday afternoon. This is the first meeting they have held since their organization last fall and it is probable that a number of very interesting themes for discussion will be brought up. The county association is part of the national body, which is making a strong fight against cut prices on patent medicines. All but three or four of the drug stores in the county belong to the organization and a strong effort will be made to bring them in that there may be no shattering of prices due to cutting by independents.

Miss Fleming, instead of Mr. Hyde, attained the honor of making the highest grades in the civil service examination here some time ago. In grading the papers, the men and women who took the examinations were marked separately, and Miss Fleming was successful in making the top marks of the nine in Norfolk who took the examination. Mr. Hyde was first among the men who took the tests, but was incorrectly stated yesterday to be first among the nine. The correction is made at the instance of the committee in charge of the civil service work. Miss Fleming is a teacher in the Norfolk schools and has not yet heard as to the position that will be offered to her.

A telegram was received yesterday from George A. Latimer at Spokane, announcing that Mrs. Latimer was very dangerously ill and not expected to recover, and asking that some of the family come at once. Miss Mattie Davenport, sister of Mrs. Latimer, accordingly left Norfolk on the early train today in the hope of reaching Spokane in time to see her sister.

She went by way of St. Paul, Minn., and over the Great Northern. The one surviving hope among Norfolk relatives and friends is that, in his nerve strain and excitement, Mr. Latimer, who is naturally of a nervous temperament, may have overestimated, to some extent, the grave danger of the situation, but from the tone of the message it is still feared that the recovery of Mrs. Latimer is a matter of serious doubt. Among the relatives are Mrs. Mary Davenport, mother; F. E. Davenport, John Davenport, George Davenport, Carl Davenport, brothers; Mrs. T. E. Odiorne, Mrs. B. C. Gentile, Miss Mattie Davenport, sisters; also W. C. Davenport of Sioux City, a brother.

BABE WAS LEFT IN JOKE

MOTHER OF "FOUNDLING" WAS NEIGHBOR OF MILLERS.

DID IT TO TEST MRS. MILLER

The Baby Found on the Doorstep of the L. A. Miller Home Proved to Have Been Left for Practical Joke by Mother, Who Called to See Child.

The leaving of the baby on the doorstep of the home of Mrs. L. A. Miller Monday night proves to have been only a practical joke.

Last evening a friend of Mrs. Miller's called on her and asked for the baby. At the same time, she asserted that the babe was her own and was only left on the doorstep to see whether Mrs. Miller really wouldn't keep a child that was left that way.

Not long ago Mrs. Miller had made the statement to this same friend that she never would keep a child left on her doorstep. Her absolute refusal to keep the child, even for a short time, proved her assertion and brought the practical joke to a complete ending.

Mother Called to See It.

Mrs. Miller had a number of callers during the day to see the new baby and among them was the mother of the child, although at that time she did not suspect the interest which was shown by her in the story of the finding of the child and in the baby boy, himself.

Both Mrs. Miller and the mother are well satisfied with the return of the baby, and the efforts of Jo Stuart, the Tilden farmer, to find a home for the child are needless now.

How it All Happened.

The little baby boy was left on the doorstep of the Miller home Monday night and with him was a little note that said, "Take him and give him a good home and some clothing. He will be four months old February 21."

The child came at about 9:30 in the evening, when someone knocked at the door and then disappeared into the darkness. When Mrs. Miller went to the door, she found the little baby boy and the note. There was no clue to the child's identity and Mrs. Miller never even dreamed that he belonged only a few doors away and that she had seen him often before.

"He is good natured and doesn't cry," said Mrs. Miller yesterday when the real mother called to take a peek at the babe that had been left on the doorstep.

"Are you going to keep him?" asked the mother.

"Oh, no," replied Mrs. Miller. "We have two children of our own and we couldn't think of keeping him."

"Don't you like him?" asked the fond mother, trying hard not to reveal her unusual interest on the blue-eyed baby.

"Oh, yes, we like him," said Mrs. Miller, to the eminent but not evident satisfaction of the neighbor. "He's as nice a baby as you'd want to see. He looks like he had good blood in his veins and I'm amazed to think that he ever could have belonged to a person of the kind that drops the babies on doorsteps."

"Well, what are you going to do with him?" asked the anxious practical joker.

"Oh, we don't just know," said Mrs. Miller, meditatively. "We have promised to keep the child a day or two until Jo Stuart of Tilden can find a home for him, on a farm near Tilden, but we positively will not have him around past the end of the week."

"Well, are you going to buy the clothing that the note asks for?"

"No, indeed I'm not. If they wanted their baby so well dressed, why didn't they dress him up before they dropped him around on peoples' doorsteps?"

Then the mother, delighted with her visit, reached down with her longing fingers, pucker up the cheeks of the little homeless babe, and turned toward home.

Came Back to Claim Him.

Later in the evening the mother returned. She couldn't get along without her baby any longer.

"I've come for that baby," she said. "I guess I'll take it home with me. You see, it is my very own, any way."

Mrs. Miller was dazed at the announcement. Explanations followed, amid roars of laughter which the baby boy did not appreciate. He was getting sleepy and wanted to go home. And this morning he woke up in his own little trundle bed, a few doors away.

He had had an adventure that does not come in the lives of all men—nor babies either—and, besides, he had been the means of clearly demonstrating that Mrs. Miller meant what she said when she declared that she positively would not keep a foundling, if one ever happened to be left on her doorstep.

Notice of Probate of Foreign Will.

In the County Court of Madison County, Nebraska. The State of Nebraska, Madison County, ss.

To Cornelia Rebecca Wible, widow, and Robert Edward Wible, son, and all persons interested in the estate of J. E. Wible, late of Gettysburg, Adams county, state of Pennsylvania, deceased.

Whereas, Robert E. Wible, executor of the last will and testament of said J. E. Wible, deceased, by Mapes & Hazen, his attorneys, has filed in my office a duly authenticated copy of an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of J. E. Wible, deceased, and of the probate thereof by the register of wills in and for Adams

county, in the state of Pennsylvania, and a petition praying that said instrument may be probated, allowed and recorded in this court as the last will and testament of said deceased, for the appointment of Robert E. Wible as executor, if necessary, and for such proceedings as the law requires.

It is therefore ordered that the 16th day of March, 1906, at 1 o'clock p. m. at the county court room in Madison in said county of Madison, is the time and place appointed for hearing said matter when all persons interested therein may appear at the hearing in the county court to be held in and for said county and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted and the said instrument probated, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereon be given to all persons interested by publishing a copy of this order in The Norfolk Weekly News-Journal, a legal newspaper printed, published and of general circulation in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

Witness my hand and official seal at Madison in said county, this 17th day of February, A. D. 1906.

[Seal] Wm. Bates, County Judge.

Notice to Bridge Contractors.

Public notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the county commissioners of Madison county, Nebraska, for the furnishing of all the necessary material and labor for the construction, erection and completion of the following wooden bridges, or so many thereof as shall be ordered built by the said county commissioners, for the year beginning March 20, 1906, and ending March 19, 1907, to-wit:

One 60-ft., 14-ft. roadway, wooden bridge across Union creek on the section line road near the farm of O. S. Christian, east of Madison, Neb.

One 68-ft., 14-ft. roadway wooden bridge across South Taylor creek on the section line road between sections 26 and 27, town 22, range 2.

And such other bridges of like class as above as necessity or emergency shall require said county commissioners to order constructed during said period.

All such bridges shall be what is commonly called a pile and stringer bridge, to be built in accordance with the plans and specifications heretofore adopted by the said county commissioners and now on file in the office of the county clerk of said county at Madison, Neb.

At the same time and place as herein specified bids will also be received by said county commissioners for a yearly contract for the repair of all bridges and approaches to bridges which may be ordered repaired and maintained by said county commissioners during the period above specified, said bids to be at a specified sum per unit quantity in place.

At the same time and place as herein specified bids will also be received for the furnishing of all labor and materials necessary for the construction, erection and completion of steel superstructure and steel and cement substructure for the following steel bridges, or so many thereof as said commissioners shall order constructed within the period herein specified, to-wit:

An 80-ft. span, 14-ft. roadway, steel bridge across the North Fork of the Elkhorn river on the section line between sections 14 and 15, Town 24, range 1, near the dwelling of Adolph Hille.

A 70-ft. span, 14-ft. roadway, steel bridge across the North Fork of the Elkhorn river immediately north of the bridge last described.

A 68-ft. span steel bridge, with 16-ft. roadway, and 4-ft. walkway, across Shell creek on Main street in the village of Newman Grove, Nebraska.

A 90-ft. span steel bridge with 20-ft. roadway and 6-ft. walkway across Union creek on Madison avenue in the city of Madison, Nebraska.

Steel and cement substructure only to be placed under bridge now across the Elkhorn river on section 31, town 24, range 1, near what is known as the Adam Kost farm.

All such bridges and parts of bridges to be built in accordance with plans and specifications heretofore adopted by the said county commissioners and now on file in the office of the county clerk of said county at Madison, Nebraska.

No bid will be considered unless it is accompanied by a certified check for \$250.00 payable to the county clerk of Madison county, Nebraska, which shall be forfeited to the county of Madison in case the successful bidder refuses to enter into a contract if the same should be awarded to him.

The party receiving the contract will be required to give a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$2,000.00, or such other amount as the said commissioners may designate conditioned for the faithful performance of said contract.

Bids will be received at any time prior to 12 o'clock, noon, of March 20, 1906, by the county clerk of Madison county, at Madison, Nebraska, and said bids will be opened at the commissioners' office at Madison, Nebraska, at 2 o'clock p. m. on March 20, 1906.

All bids shall be made on bidding sheets prepared and furnished by the said county clerk on application.

The commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all of said bids.

Done by order of the county commissioners of Madison county, Nebraska, at Madison, Nebraska, this 13th day of February, 1905.

Geo. E. Richardson, County Clerk.

Always Keeps Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in His House.

"We would not be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is kept on hand continually in our home," says W. W. Kearney, editor of the Independent, Lowry City, Mo. That is just what every family should do. When kept at hand ready for instant use a cold may be checked in the outset and cured in much less time than after it has become settled in the system. For sale by Leonard the druggist.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

NORFOLK IS OBSERVING THE HOLIDAY FITTINGLY.

SCHOOLS WERE ALL CLOSED

Banks Did Not Open, Postal Carriers Had a Rest, Drug Stores Shut at 10 This Morning and Flags Waved Merrily in the Breeze.

[From Wednesday's Daily.] The stars and stripes are flying from flag masts in Norfolk today to do honor to George Washington. And there are other signs of the holiday in Norfolk.

The schools of the city are closed in observation of the day, the banks are closed, the postoffice is observing Sunday hours, rural and city carriers are not on their routes, and drug stores closed at 10 this morning.

The day dawned beautifully, with the blue of the flag spread all over the heavens and with the stars just beyond.

Schools Celebrated Yesterday.

The schools of the city celebrated the day yesterday with exercises in all of the grades. A great many splendid programs were rendered and a large number of visitors attended. Today the school children went merrily into the fresh spring air to shout lustily for the father of their country and the man who never told a lie.

Probably the first flag to fly into the fresh breeze this morning was that on the flagstaff of the Braasch building. Mr. Braasch prides himself upon having been first for a number of years to hoist the flag in honor of Washington.

MRS. MANWEILER DEAD.

After Illness of Three Weeks, Norfolk Woman Has Succumbed.

[From Wednesday's Daily.] Mrs. C. O. Manweiler died yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock after an illness of about three weeks. The cause of her death was pneumonia following an operation for cancer three weeks ago. The husband and two sons were all present at the time of her death as well as a number of friends and relatives. Mrs. Manweiler had been seriously ill for the past ten days and several times her life was despaired of but she always rallied and showed an improvement until the last time. Her anaemic condition, however, was such that she had not the strength to fight off the pneumonia when it increased in intensity.

Besides her husband two sons, Maurice and Harry, survive her. She was forty years old at the time of her death, and had lived most of her life in Norfolk where she was well and kindly known.

The funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of East Philip avenue near First street. Rev. J. E. Poucher will conduct the services. A large number of friends and relatives from out of the city are expected for the services.

PLAYS MANY INSTRUMENTS

Oswald Reiche is at the Home of His Parents With Sore Eyes.

Oswald Reiche, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reiche south of Norfolk, who plays fourteen different musical instruments and plays them well—and who, incidentally, plays six of them all at the same time, using his feet in conjunction with his fingers—is at the home of his father, having been forced to give up a series of entertainments on the road because of sore eyes.

Mr. Reiche plays the German concertina, cornet, snare drum, bass drum, triangle and symbols all at the same time. Besides these he plays the flute and guitar both at the same time, using his feet for the guitar. And then he plays the harpsichord, piano-harp, magic flute, mouth harp "Little Jo," a new instrument, and Harp of David, a new invention.

Mr. Reiche has been giving entertainments throughout the state. His friends claim for him that he can play more musical instruments at once than any other man on earth.

Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice at Norfolk, Neb., February 20, 1906:

Mrs. J. N. Austin, Mrs. Deull Oswald, Mr. A. H. Altman, E. C. Burkett, J. S. Hill M. D., Master John Mardis, Mrs. Bessie Miller, Mr. Walter C. Sharp, Mr. H. A. Wegner.

If not called for in fifteen days will be sent to the dead letter office.

Parties calling for any of the above please say "advertised."

John R. Hays, P. M.

ENJOYABLE DANCE.

Tuesday Club Enjoys Evening—Wisner Orchestra Played.

The Tuesday club held an enjoyable dance last evening in Marquardt hall with about thirty couples on the floor. The Wisner orchestra furnished the music for the evening.

WANTED TO SEE SICK FATHER

Indian Boy is Jailed Here for Running Away From School.

Robert Fremont, an Omaha Indian from the Genoa Indian school, is in the city jail because he ran away from school to see his sick father on the reservation. He is being held for an officer of the school who is to take

him back to Genoa. Monday evening his absence was discovered at the school and immediately efforts were made to find him and take him back. It was presumed that he would go straight back to the reservation and Chief Hay was notified to watch for him in Norfolk. Tuesday afternoon he came in on the Union Pacific on his way home.

Chief Hay arrested him in the evening and lodged him in the city jail to await the disposition of the Genoa school authorities, who were notified by wire. When questioned about his running away from the school he did not seem to understand that he should have asked for permission to go home, and would probably have received it if his father was very ill.

A Methodist Minister Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"We have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our home for seven years, and it has always proved to be a reliable remedy. We have found that it would do more than the manufacturers claim for it. It is especially good for croup and whooping cough.

Rev. James A. Lewis, Pastor Milaca, Minn., M. E. Church.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a certain cure for croup and has never been known to fail. When given as soon as the croupy cough appears it will prevent the attack. For sale by Leonard the druggist.

A SON.

Eight-Pound Boy Has Arrived at Duval Home in California.

Word has been received of the arrival of an eight-pound boy to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Duval, who was formerly Miss Anna Seymour, at their home in Sateley, California.

BARBERS GO TO CHICAGO.

W. J. Hahn and Frank Schula Leave Soon for Windy City.

W. J. Hahn and Frank Schula have resigned their positions in Hartford's barber shop and will go to Chicago the first of next week to work in a fifteen-chair shop there. Mr. Hahn will act as second foreman.

FATHER DYING.

Miss Katherine Reiter Left This Morning for Iowa.

Miss Katherine Reiter, the clerk in Kauffman's confectionary store, was called home to Alton, Iowa, this morning by a telephone message saying that her father was dying.

DESPITE HIS PLAY.

Whist Team Wins Regardless of Jim Stitt's Work.

The Heights Whist club met with Rev. and Mrs. J. C. S. Wells Tuesday evening. The team captained by J. C. Stitt won by a margin of four points despite the poor play of the captain.

GULCH WELL FILLED.

Melting Snow Was Carried Off Easily By the New Ditch.

"Corporation Gulch" was well filled with running water last night that came from the melting snow. Even during the night the snow continued to melt and a goodly stream flowed through the ditch.

The new ditch easily carried away the water with no congestion.