

MAY HAVE TO CUT OFF ARM

TO SAVE THE LIFE OF FREDERICK HOHNEKE.

IS STILL IN GRAVE DANGER

Dr. Tashjean Returned From Tragedy Scene—Four New Gashes Have Been Opened in Hohneke's Arm—These Without Chloroform.

It may be necessary, in order to save the life of Frederick Hohneke, the Stanton county victim of his son-in-law, August Mueller, to amputate his left arm at the shoulder. The attending surgeons feared that that operation would be necessary today but there were slight symptoms of improvement in consideration and the arm was allowed to remain for one more day at least. Hohneke is still in a very serious condition from blood poisoning and it is still feared that he may die.

Dr. Tashjean returned from the scene of the tragedy this afternoon and said that Hohneke was still alive. Arm is Much Slashed.

"We opened Mr. Hohneke's arm in four more places," said Dr. Tashjean, "making ten openings in all, so that his arm is all cut to pieces from shoulder to wrist."

"We had feared that we would have to amputate the arm at the shoulder today but as there were some slight indications of improvement, we decided to try to save it and let it go still tomorrow. Hohneke, however, is still in grave condition and may yet die."

Knifed Without Chloroform.

The last four cuts that have been made in Hohneke's arm have been made without the aid of chloroform, as the surgeons were afraid to subject the patient to more shocks from this drug. Three of these openings were made yesterday and one more today. The man suffered intensely from these operations, of course, but had to stand it in order not to risk his life.

Mrs. Mueller, the wife of the assailant, is recovering nicely.

Dan Cupid and the Hired Man.

Kansas City Star: Our hired man had a love affair. I have been what might be considered something of a confidant or advisory counsel in the matter, but really I believe that I have been to him a kind of convenient, safe, passive thing to which he has been in the habit of soliloquizing. The first of this was when he said to me:

"I'm waitin' on Miss Mattie quite frequent now and I'm thinkin' right smart of rentin' a place next year. Wonder if the doctor's made any 'rangment yet for that eighty over on the north road? Me and her made it up? No. Not exactly yet. I've just got far 'nough long to let her know by comin' what I mean by comin' so much. I've done took her to preachin' twice an' a buggy ridin' of a Sunday four times. Course, whilst there ain't been no word said, it's the same as holdin' a gate open. What you holds it open for knows mighty well what you means. With wimmin you got to sorter 'cumerate afore you can say things, but course she knows blame well what's comin', and if she don't get unruly an' hostile the signs show you're all right."

"Say, do you know her daddy, ole man Peavey? He's a queer actin' ole cuss, now ain't he? He done a thing tuther night the wherefore of which I ain't just exactly penned up inside me yet. You see I go over to see Miss Mattie right often these nights, two three or four times a week. Me an' her sets up in the compny room an' talks a few, but dern me if I bein' with her don't sorter get me tongue tied an' I just set an' try to think up things to say, but somehow my thinker won't think an' it gets late an' finally I got to go. Well, tuther night after it had got some along 'bout midnight an' me an' Miss Mattie was a settin' up, her on the 'melejeum' stool an' me on a cheer across the room, here comes in the ole man in his sock feet with one of these here little, round, shiny, dollar clocks in his hand. He never say a solitary word but puts these time-piece careful on the chimney shelf over the fireplace, faces it plum towards me an' goes out. I bein' thinkin' right smart about his doin' that a way. What do you think that ole 'Sque-gee' ment? I've sifted it down to maybe it was a kind of a sorter hint and derned imperlite, I'll tell him so first time I run onto him, only I'm feared what I'd say might get to Miss Mattie an' rile her. Wimmin is touchous 'bout their daddies."

Another soliloquizing came to me a few days later.

"Say," said the hired man, "some of the boys been warnin' me 'bout Miss Mattie but I reckon I got no cause to misdoubt. There's a widdener with whiskers circulatin' some 'round ole man Peavey's. Whistletriggerger's his name, from over on the Blackwater an' he's got a farm an' children grewed up. The boys needn't try to skeer me with a ole he goat like him. 'Sides he ain't waitin' on Miss Mattie now. He's always there but he sets with the ole man an' I don't never no hear of him bein' nigh her. I reckon him on the ole man is on some kind of a trade. The reason I feel no call to care 'bout Whistletriggerger is from the way they treats him an' I see it myself. Tuther night when I come it was chilly an' Miss Mattie says as how we better have a little fire for to set by an' she goes out to get somebody to fix it up an' comes right back. Who do you suppose comes in right

after, totin' wood an' kindlin' an' builds that fire? It was the widdener. He built that fire humble, never sayin' a word an' he went right out soon as ever the blaze got started. Huh! Why, they make him do the chores for real compny at the Peaveyses. A feller they use that a way ain't botherin' me none, no matter what the boys say."

It was not very long when the hired man somewhat exuberantly had more confidences to disclose. It was on Sunday, just before he started to take Miss Mattie on one of those buggy rides. Said he:

"I'm takin' Miss Mattie buggy ridin' today and I'm goin' to take her right this here time. Do you know I believe I been a plum green 'simblin' with Miss Mattie. A feller I knew what goes lots with wimmin told me the way to do out buggy ridin' was to kiss the gal an' hug her. He was 'stonished when I told him I never done that with Miss Mattie, an' says to me I'm all wrong, an' that Miss Mattie expects that, an' mister be wonderin' what sort of a feller I am. I ain't used to this waitin' on wimmin folks and I got lots to learn. This here evenin' just as soon as we got round the bend in the outer road outer sight of the house she's goin' to find out I've leart. She's goin' to get a kiss from me, from me, Henney Applewhite Wilkerson, free, white, 21 an' a democrat from Slap Out. I done quit bein' a gourd right now."

WAS NORFOLK BRAKEMAN

ERRATIC POLITICIAN IN OMAHA ONCE LIVED HERE.

IS MAKING WILD SPEECHES

Man Who Was Converted Here, Began Preaching and Wrote a Book on "Life's Other Side," is Now Creating Excitement in Omaha.

W. H. Hoffman, formerly an M. & O. railway brakeman of Norfolk, who ran between Norfolk and Sioux City with Conductor George Carter, and who later was converted to a church, preached, and wrote a book entitled, "The Other Side of Life," is just now attracting attention in Omaha because of his erratic campaign being conducted for himself as councilman and for Broatch as mayor.

It is said that the speeches which Hoffman has been making have injured the ticket for which he has been working, and Broatch tried to call him off, but in vain.

Hoffman was a short, slender man with very black hair and a black moustache. His book was perhaps as insane a piece of writing as has been printed. Concerning his career in Omaha, the Bee says:

With the assistance of a quintet of colored musicians W. H. Hoffman pulled off his much advertised meeting at Myrtle hall last night. The crowd numbered more than fifty at the start, but this number dwindled to less than half before Mr. Hoffman finished a rather long and rambling speech. He told the audience that W. J. Broatch had promised to be present late in the evening, but Broatch did not show up and the meeting closed without him.

In spite of the fact Mr. Hoffman had advertised a souvenir to each lady who attended, none appeared and so the gifts were distributed to the men in the crowd. The souvenir consisted of a pamphlet life of Mr. Hoffman, containing pictures of himself and family, the church in which he was converted and the railroad train upon which he worked.

"I was thrown out of the Budweiser saloon," said Mr. Hoffman, "because they said I was furnishing the papers stuff that was hurting Broatch. The reason they call us gamblers' candidates is because they say Tom Dennison is back of Broatch. If he is I am glad of it, for he is the best political general in Omaha. I would rather have Dennison for Leader, but if Broatch is elected it will be almost the same."

"I would rather speak in a saloon or over the bar than disgrace the sanctity of a church by using it for political purposes. I was a preacher four years and studied the gospel six years, and I left the church because it had so many narrow-minded people in it. I am as broad-minded in politics as I am in religion."

"On the saloon question I am like Rev. T. J. Mackay. I believe in raising the saloons up instead of throwing them down. I don't believe in making fish of one and fowl of another. I am for Hoffman for councilman first. I'm also whoopin' 'er up for W. J. Broatch all the time. It is true I've been kicked out of Broatch meetings, but it wasn't Broatch's fault, and I'm for Broatch, first, last and all the time."

Before Mr. Hoffman spoke "Bill" Spady, a colored politician from the Twelfth ward, made a Broatch speech, painting in lurid colors a picture of a dismal Sunday in Omaha if anyone but Broatch was elected mayor.

DEATH OF EDITH SHORT

FATAL OPERATION CAUSES A SENSATION IN STATE.

WAS A FORMER NORFOLK GIRL

Miss Short Died in the Swedish Hospital, Omaha, November 19—Dr. Mathews is Now Charged With Performing a Criminal Operation.

The death of Miss Edith Short, formerly of Norfolk and later of Fremont, who was reported to have succumbed under a surgical operation for appendicitis at Omaha last November, has created something of a sensation in the state board of health and Dr. Mathews of Omaha has been brought up on the carpet, charged with performing a criminal operation from which, it is alleged, Miss Short died. Before the meeting of the state board, Dr. B. F. Bailey of Lincoln testified that Miss Short had worked for him twenty-two months and that she had come to him and told him that she was in a delicate condition and intimated that she intended to have an operation performed. Dr. Bailey told her, he says, to go at once to her mother in Fremont and confess her condition. Miss Short died in the Swedish hospital in Omaha November 19.

After a sensational hearing before the state board of health, the Dr. Mathews case was continued until some time in May.

SATURDAY SIFTINGS.

Thomas Patras went to Madison today.

A. G. Walton has gone to Walnut, Iowa, to work.

G. H. Nagerzert of Lynch was in the city over night.

Dr. L. R. Pheasant of Pierce was in Norfolk this morning.

Wm. Zutz of Hoskins is in the city visiting his son, E. W. Zutz.

John Hulff and daughter, Miss Gretchen Hulff, are spending the day in Omaha.

Miss Nell Anthen and Miss Minnie Jausa of Newman Grove were in Norfolk this morning.

W. H. Butterfield left yesterday on a business trip to the pine lumber regions of Wisconsin.

Gilbert Durland of Plainview is in the city to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Fannie Graham.

R. B. Hall of Omaha was in the city today, and left this afternoon, but will return to spend Sunday here.

Leonard Heglund of Lincoln arrived at noon today for a week's visit with his friend, Bartie Elseffer.

J. K. Smith of Plainview, father-in-law of Messrs. Melcher and Irvin, is in the city visiting his daughters.

Miss Johanna Bennis left at noon for a visit with friends in Battle Creek, Meadow Grove and Tilden.

George Berry, the ranchman, is at present in Grand Junction, Colo., where he has gone on business connected with a large herd of sheep.

Miss Von Goetz, acting principal at the high school, left yesterday afternoon for Omaha, where she will remain until Wednesday afternoon on a visit.

F. C. Asmus, who for two and a half years has occupied the position of bookkeeper at the Citizens National bank, has tendered his resignation with that institution, to take effect April 16, when he will go to the Norfolk National bank in the same capacity. There he takes the place of Max Wilde, who goes to Creighton to take a position in the Security bank.

John Conger, the Ewing man who was injured by a blow in the eye, left Norfolk on the noon train. His eye was bandaged up with a very thick and very white bandage. He said he guessed he would go on to Long Pine and stay there until his eye got well, as he didn't like to have the people of Ewing see it in that condition and didn't want them to know that he had got the worst of the conflict. He admitted that he carried a gun and said he guessed he ought to have flashed it.

A baby boy has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hedman on rural route No. 5.

The Omaha Bee is authority for the statement that W. H. Bucholz has bought a residence there, formerly known as the Berry home.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. takes place on Tuesday, April 3, at 3 p. m., and will be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Wallace on Park avenue, enue.

The King road machine started out yesterday afternoon to crush down the muddy roads of Norfolk and will probably be continued in service during today.

All members of the economic department are asked to be present at the regular meeting of the Woman's club on Monday afternoon in the Congregational church parlors.

Meat markets in Norfolk will close on Sunday mornings at 9 o'clock after tomorrow. The agreement has been signed and published by the Fair store, L. Schenzel and R. E. Thiem and goes into effect tomorrow morning. All orders taken Saturday afternoon and night will be delivered Sunday mornings.

Evangelist Cantwell, who conducted a series of meetings here, is now at Stanton. His meetings are announced to the public in a display advertisement one column long this week.

John Freythal has purchased a fine St. Bernard pup from W. R. Hoffman. Mr. Freythal saw the want ad. in The News offering the animal

for sale, and the purchase followed. In a runaway on South First street yesterday afternoon a buggy belonging to G. R. Sellar was demolished. The team was being used by a couple of boys who were hunting. They left the team without hitching. Neither horse was scratched.

Among the distinguished guests in the city today was ex-Senator William V. Allen of Madison, who arrived in Norfolk last night from Ponca, remained at the Pacific until today and left at 11 o'clock for Madison. Senator Allen has been attending to a case in court at Ponca this week and went home today to spend Sunday with his family.

J. R. Rouse and E. E. Beels, rural route carriers on routes No. 2 and 4, respectively, today completed their third year's work for Uncle Sam. It was just three years ago tomorrow that these two veterans in rural mail service in Norfolk started out with the first wagons that ever carried letters from the Norfolk postoffice to the doors of the farmers in this vicinity. The other three carriers, Messrs. Show, Cronk and Warren Rouse, have come into the service since that time.

On Monday morning, April 1, without blare of trumpets or sounding of the hurdygurdy, The News printing plant and business will quietly pass into the hands of The Huse Publishing company, a corporation formed for the perpetuation of The News, and of which W. N. Huse is president and treasurer and N. A. Huse is vice president and secretary. Enough stock has been subscribed to nicely take care of the business, it is fully paid up and non-assessable, none of it is owned by any person whose name is not Huse and none is for sale.

Today finished the six-months campaign in Norfolk of the World's Lady Tailoring school and the manager, J. L. Richardson, left at noon for Grand Island, where he will next week install another school, similar to that which was conducted here. He expects to continue there all during the spring and summer. Mr. Richardson will take three teachers from here with him to Grand Island, Miss Agnes Ruaseh, Miss Florence Graves and Miss Martha Price, all Norfolk young women. The school has done very successful work in Norfolk and has given very excellent satisfaction to the many students who have taken the course.

There is today a chance that Frederick Hohneke, the wounded Stanton county farmer, will recover. Dr. Tashjean returned from the place late last night and says that he now hopes that the man's arm and life may both be saved, though the blood poisoning has made a terrible looking limb. The arm now has twelve slashes in it for drainage purposes, and is filled here and there with drainage tubes. Mr. Hohneke's temperature last night was down to 101, having dropped from 102. He is but forty-five years of age, instead of fifty. Hon. George T. Eberly, a prominent attorney of Stanton, has been retained by August Mueller to defend him in his case.

LITTLE GIRL RUNS AWAY

DAUGHTER OF CREIGHTON BANKER LEFT HOME.

SHE WAS OUT ALL NIGHT LONG

Little Vivian Cheney, the 14-Year-Old Daughter of Banker H. A. Cheney of Creighton, Walked Fourteen Miles During the Night.

Plainview, Neb., April 2.—Special to The News: Little Vivian Cheney, the 14-year-old daughter of Banker H. A. Cheney of Creighton, ran away from home last night, walked fourteen miles during the night and was found a mile and a half northeast of this city at 7:15 o'clock this morning by a searching party which had started out from Creighton. She was taken back home on the freight train this morning.

No known reason can be assigned to the queer act of the little schoolgirl. She was last seen at home at 7 o'clock last evening. At 7:30 she was seen walking east along the railroad track, hurrying away from Creighton.

At 11 o'clock last night a searching party from Creighton started out along the track. A handcar rode the railroad track and a team drove along each side of the track, searching for the child but she was not found until she had been away for twelve long, cold hours.

There had been no quarrel with the child at home and nothing that could make her unhappy or anxious to leave home. A rumor in this section of the state to the effect that there was a reward of \$500 offered, was without foundation.

COACH ON FREIGHT 70 AND 71.

New Service Will be Installed Between Norfolk and Creighton.

Beginning with Thursday, April 5, freight trains No. 71 and 72, between Norfolk and Creighton, will carry a passenger coach for the accommodation of passengers. This service will run daily except Sunday. Visitors attending the declamatory contest tonight will be able to return home tomorrow morning if they desire.

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.

See F. G. Coryell for insurance.

MADISON COUNTY CENSUS

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HAVE INSTRUCTED IT TAKEN.

MAY MEAN REGISTER OF DEEDS

If There are 18,000 People in Madison County, a Register of Deeds Will Replace the Present Deputy County Clerk—Begin the Count.

The county commissioners of Madison county have instructed the assessors, who are now starting out on their annual work, to take a census of the county as they go. In case there are 18,000 people in the county, a new office will be created to take care of the business of those 18,000 people. The new office which will be created, in case there are that many inhabitants in this county, will be register of deeds. The work in this office will do away with the work of the deputy county clerk, and will make one more candidate for the people to vote on at the polls.

From the school census, said Commissioners Harding and Taft, who were in Norfolk yesterday afternoon, "it is safe to estimate the population of Madison county at almost 20,000. There is a general belief that there are about 19,000 people in Madison county, but nobody knows for sure. Everybody will be glad to know just how many people we do have."

The assessors, in asking the census, will not write out the name of each person in the county, but will merely take down the number of persons there are in each family and, by adding up the totals, arrive at the correct number of people who live in the county.

The assessors' duties begin, under the law, April 1.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

H. F. Hough was in the city yesterday.

J. G. Foster of Hoskins was in Norfolk today.

J. H. Conley was in Pierce yesterday on business.

Miss Kate Bourlet was here from Pierce yesterday.

Emil Mueller will go to Seward tomorrow on business.

Mrs. S. F. (Mrs.) went to Pine today to visit her relatives.

Mrs. Walter Coleman left yesterday for a visit at Cedar Rapids, Neb.

Mrs. S. J. Burnett has gone to Missouri Valley for a few days' visit.

Frank Graham is suffering from a relapse of grip and is in bed today.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crue of Tilden were in Norfolk yesterday afternoon.

Miss Fie Burham expects to go to Madison Saturday for a visit with friends.

W. W. Roberts left today for Oklahoma City. He stayed over till today to vote.

L. M. Wolfe left today for Montana, where he will make his home in the future.

Dr. J. C. Meyers is able to be out and about, but is not doing strenuous work as yet.

Mrs. N. M. Nelson and son Leonard of Pierce were in Norfolk today, en route to Neligh.

Miss Dolly Hanson of Neola, Iowa, is in the city, a guest of her sister, Mrs. Chris Anderson.

Mrs. E. P. Hummel of Sioux City is in town, a guest at the home of her father, Aug. Brummund.

Miss Anna Miller left at noon today for Pierce, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. B. G. Huebner.

Evangelist Olmstead left today for Wakefield where he will hunt ducks with Charles M. Mathewson.

O. P. Schoff has returned from a trip in western Iowa, and will leave this week for the Black Hills.

Miss Minnie Schram returned to Stuart yesterday, after spending Sunday at home with her mother.

Mrs. Max Lenser and Miss Hanse, who were here Sunday, returned to their home in Tilden last night.

Miss Lydia Donovan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Donovan of Madison, will spend this week with Miss Mabel Odiorne.

Spencer Butterfield, who is attending Lake Forest, Chicago, is at home for a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Butterfield.

Mrs. J. D. Duskell and daughter Edith of Wakefield, who have been visiting at the home of Col. G. C. returned to their home in Wakefield at noon today.

Postmaster J. J. Smith of Verdigré was in the city today. Mr. Smith lost his store and the postoffice recently through fire, records, stamps, fixtures and everything.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Rees and family, who will sail for England May 4, will be accompanied on their voyage by his cousin, John Morris, formerly of Norfolk and now of Fremont. Mr. Morris will take his family with him.

Dr. J. H. Alden, superintendent of the state insane hospital, is attending a meeting of the state board of purchase and supplies at Lincoln today. The board is buying supplies for state institutions, including the hospital here.

Fred Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wagner and Julius Lehman have returned from their trip to Oklahoma, where they visited Herman Wagner. They prefer Nebraska to that country. Herman Wagner is doing pretty well down there.

There will be prayer meeting tomorrow night at the First Congregational church at the usual hour.

W. H. Bucholz has not, as was reported in Omaha papers, bought a home in Omaha. Mr. Bucholz says

that the report was given out by an over-ambitious real estate dealer, but is utterly untrue.

Louis Ziemer has been appointed manager of the Hoskins exchange of the Nebraska Telephone company.

The first April shower of the season dropped down upon Norfolk this morning. At first the shower came by way of sleet but the sun soon burned the little white spheres into water. A half hour saw the finish of the shower. For the last ten days Mrs. M. A. Davis of Tilden has been taking lessons in china painting from Mrs. E. P. Weatherby of this city. Mrs. Davis, who has been a guest of Mrs. C. B. Burnham, will return to her home in Tilden this evening.

In writing to renew their advertising, which has been published in The News for the last month, the Suro Hatch Incubator company of Clay Center says: "We are getting a nice line of business up in your neck of the woods, all of which we appreciate very much."

People who use East Norfolk avenue for driving complain that there are holes on either side of the bridge over the Northfork there, in the approaches, which need repairing. The recent rains and snow have washed out the approaches until the holes are rather dangerous to animals.

Farmers in the vicinity of Norfolk yesterday began to make preparations for their spring sowing. One farmer, at least, began to sow his wheat. This was Gus Saline, on rural route 5. Many others got out their disc harrows and have begun to cut down the cornstalks while the sun shines.

The King road machine did some very effective work yesterday on the streets of Norfolk. Norfolk avenue, when the float finished, looked something like a tennis court, as did many other miles of street that had been touched up. Norfolk has surely had a demonstration of the fact that the spit leg float is an eminent success for making good roads.

John Fetter, who for ten years has been in the employ of H. C. Sattler, yesterday tendered his resignation, which took effect at once. Mr. Fetter has worked during the entire ten years without so much as a day of rest and he believes that now he will take a few days off for a vacation. He has been offered three different positions but has not as yet decided which one he will accept. His many friends in the city, however, will be glad to know that he will continue to reside in Norfolk, all of his property interests being here.

Commercial travelers who have been at Spaulding within the past week bring a story of a railroad brakeman named Lineberry who got revenge on Editor Mayfield over an alleged insult received by Mrs. Lineberry. It is said that the brakeman marched the editor at the point of a gun up to the Lineberry home, asked his wife if this was the man and then, when she said he was, took Editor Mayfield out in the yard and very badly beat his face. It is said that Mayfield didn't dare run away because of the gun that the brakeman still had, and a sound beating was administered.

NEW LIGHTS AT CREIGHTON

SYSTEM WAS STARTED LAST NIGHT, WORKED FINE.

PUT UP TWO NEW BUILDINGS

Citizens State Bank Will Build Handsome Bank Building, and O. & A. Jacobs Will Build a Fine Store Building Also.

Creighton, Neb., March 31.—Special to The News: Creighton's new electric light plant started running last night for the first time, and worked in fine shape.

The Citizens State bank will begin at once the erection of a handsome new brick building, 25x50 and two stories high, the upper floor for offices. O. & A. Jacobs will build with them and alongside the bank will erect a handsome store building, sixty feet long.

W. W. Roberts Goes to Oklahoma.

W. W. Roberts left today for Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where he goes to engage in the insurance business. Mr. Roberts is one of the most successful insurance men who ever worked in this country and he will no doubt make his new venture win. He came to Norfolk March 1, 1893, as special agent for the Home Fire Insurance company of Omaha, his territory at that time comprising all that part of the state north of the Platte river. He traveled for that company until 1900, when he went to the Continental of New York and was given the same territory, and traveled for three years. In the meantime, in 1901, he started a local agency in Norfolk and placed it under charge of his step son. By 1903 this business had increased to such an extent that he was obliged to quit the road and give it his whole attention. Recently he sold the business to Mathewson & Co., and now goes to another field to engage in the same line of business.

NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP.

H. C. Clark From Stanton County Will Build it at Junction.

H. C. Clark, who has recently moved to Norfolk from near Stanton, has made plans and bought lumber for the building of a blacksmith shop at the Junction. The building will be put up at once.