

TORE OUT TONGUE OF BALKY HORSE

THIS METHOD USED HERE ON A BALKY ANIMAL. ANIMAL HAS NOT BEEN KILLED

William Degner Tried to Force Balky Horse to Go by Pulling on the Animal's Tongue—The Tongue Came Out by the Roots, Horse Stood Still.

Because his horse was balky, William Degner, living on Brausch avenue between Third and Fourth streets, tried to pull the animal forward by the tongue. The horse pushed backwards pulling its tongue out by the roots. Up to noon the animal had not been killed.

Tuesday morning the bloody tongue of the unfortunate animal was found in an alley near Degner's barn. The story of the occurrence filtered through town. On account of a recent similar happening in Omaha considerable feeling has been aroused.

Mr. Degner is employed by E. A. Bullock and has been engaged on some work at the Norfolk hospital for the insane. When he started for the hospital Tuesday morning, his horse became obstinate and refused to pull out of the muddy alley. Other methods not giving immediate results, Degner started to lead the animal forward by the tongue. A pull backwards and the tongue was completely severed from the horse's mouth. The horse was placed in the stable again while the owner went to his work.

SCHOOL BOARD CONFERS ON PLAN

Sioux City Architect Discusses Building—May Use New Style.

Members of the Norfolk school board of education held a conference Monday evening with a Sioux City architect, who chanced to be in Norfolk and desired to meet the members of the board. A member of the school board stated later that the board had given up the idea of building a smaller, more compact building for exclusive high school use. According to this member the high school building will either be rebuilt on the old plans, utilizing the old foundation, or an entirely different style of building will be constructed. If the old plans are given up the board has been informed that a larger and more satisfactory building can be constructed at about the same cost at which the old structure can be rebuilt.

TUESDAY TIDINGS.

Henry Junge was down from Pierce yesterday.
Miss Lulu Johnson spent yesterday on business.
Attorneys Barnhart and Hazen returned last evening from Pierce.
E. A. Kinkaid of Plainview spent yesterday in the city.
H. C. Mason was a noon passenger for Wisner.
Supreme Judge J. B. Barnes went to Lincoln yesterday.
Miss Sophia Lindquist of Coleridge was in Norfolk yesterday.
Anton Svatora and son of Schuyler were in Norfolk yesterday.
Paul Frellich of Emerson was here yesterday.
F. W. Glotz of Randolph is in the city today.
C. M. Anderson of Hope was in Norfolk yesterday.
Fred Hoop of Creighton was in Norfolk yesterday.
George C. Stevenson was up from Madison yesterday.
Mrs. S. Ashley of Orchard is visiting in Norfolk today.
Thomas J. Slichta of Pierce was in Norfolk this morning.
A. B. Richardson of Battle Creek was in Norfolk yesterday.
John Cole returned yesterday from a visit at Meadow Grove.
P. Grabauke of Winside spent yesterday in Norfolk.
F. G. Auringer of Neligh was in Norfolk over night.
N. Nichols of Foster was a visitor in Norfolk yesterday.
Miss Lulu Losch of West Point is visiting relatives in Norfolk.
J. H. Farlin of Madison called on Norfolk friends yesterday.
T. A. Lea and J. W. Sloan of Pierce were in the city yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sitleff of Wayne spent yesterday in Norfolk.
Mrs. J. D. Sturgeon returned yesterday from a visit at Monowi.
C. J. Hixon was a Meadow Grove visitor in Norfolk yesterday.
A. E. Stubbs of Tilden was in Norfolk for a few hours yesterday.
Miss Gertrude M. Fair of Hubbard was a Norfolk visitor yesterday.
John A. Lowran of Anoka was in Norfolk today between trains.
J. B. Smith of Naper and R. B. Smith of Dexter were in Norfolk yesterday.
Mrs. E. O. Mount, who is ill with appendicitis, was resting easier today.
D. F. Boynton and W. Fritz of Fairfax are South Dakota visitors in the city.
Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Olmstead are home from the Omaha automobile show.
John Barnes, who has been visiting his parents in the city, left last evening for Casper, Wyo.
William Kloeke of Bristow was in the city yesterday returning from O'Neill.
Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Dana of Creighton, who have been in Norfolk, the

guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clark, returned home yesterday.

Mrs. Andrew Storz and daughter of Creighton were visitors in Norfolk this morning.

Charles A. Stortz and Misses Stortz and Wagner of Creighton, are Norfolk visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pearson and daughter of Kearney were in Norfolk yesterday.

Sam Burtwhisne and John Spence of Stanton were in Norfolk yesterday on business.

William McDonald and William Crook of Meadow Grove spent the morning in Norfolk.

Mrs. J. N. McManus of Calliope, Ia., is in the city for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. N. Huse.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Rohrke of Hadar were in Norfolk yesterday on their way home from a visit at Emerson.

J. B. Scanlin, an accountant in Superintendent Reynolds' office, returned last night from a visit at Boone, Iowa.

Mrs. A. C. Peters of Stanton, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Zuelow in Norfolk, returned to her home.

Burt Mapes returned on the morning train from O'Neill, where he had been as attorney in a lawsuit, and left at noon for Stanton on business.

T. E. Smith, president of a bank at Naper, spent a portion of the day in Norfolk attending to business matters. He was on his way home from Iowa.

The following Newcastle men passed through the city and visited for a short time with their friend, W. P. Logan: George B. Addison, C. E. Crew, John McKinley, Robert, McKinley, Sam Roberts, George Bailey.

General Superintendent Braden, District Superintendent Reynolds, Roadmaster Stafford, Roadmaster Spellman, General Bridge Foreman Collwell and Roundhouse Foreman Alton were in Fremont today in conference with General Manager Walters of the Northwestern.

The following Norfolk men will leave tonight for Interior, S. D., to file on homesteads: Ralph Boyd, J. Dignan, O. W. Rish, H. L. Doughty, Tom Hight, J. B. Hight, W. B. Hight, J. L. Hight. The wives of the men who file on the lands will spend the coming summer on the claims, and in December will prove up and own the land.

PROWLER CAUGHT AT LAST

PROVES TO BE HALF WITTED STRANGER OF 45.

HE HAS NOW GONE TO OMAHA

Officer Livingstone at the Junction Caught the Man Who Has Been Entering Houses in Norfolk at Night. Fellow Admitted That He Did It.

The "midnight prowler" left Norfolk last evening for Omaha. Timid folks who have been greatly alarmed by the man's actions during the past week, need no longer be in fear. The prowler, whose identity was disclosed last evening to Officer Livingstone at the Junction, is a half-witted stranger, who dropped into Norfolk from nowhere early last week.

At 10:30 o'clock last night Officer Livingstone on night duty at the Junction saw a man pass over to the dispatcher's building, deposit a bundle beneath the steps and glide away. The bundle was found to consist entirely of old clothes.

A little later the man was taken in custody by the officer. The man, evidently half-witted, said that he had arrived in Norfolk on the night of the last snow. Since then he had been "merely wandering around." "But," asked the officer, "Why did you enter a house and eat a lunch spread on a table?" "Oh, I was awfully hungry," was the reply, disclosing the complete identity of the man.

The man wanted to go on to Omaha and was permitted to go out with a stock train. The prowler was a tall, thin constructed man of about forty-five years.

Boy Released.

The thirteen-year-old Norfolk lad arrested Monday for the alleged heaving of bricks at August Pofahl was released from Justice Eiseley's court this morning, Mr. Pofahl being unable to positively identify the boy as one of his tormentors. The boy entered a vigorous denial of the charge.

Masquerade Dance.

Some eighty masked dancers made merry at the masked ball given Monday evening at Marquardt hall by the Norfolk lodge of the Ben Hur order. In addition to the dancers a hundred spectators were present. The dancing came to a close shortly after 11:30 o'clock, at which hour the merry-makers unmasked. A score or more prizes were awarded to dancers masquerading in special costumes.

HOSPITAL IN GOOD SHAPE

Lincoln, Neb., March 20.—Special to The News: In a report filed today Senator Randall of the senate committee of public lands and buildings reports the Norfolk asylum to be in splendid condition.

He recommended a hospital building and cottage for men. Both are urged as necessary.

A store house, sleeping apartments, a new boiler, a barn, a chicken house and a railway spur, with \$10,000 for a tunnel and repairs, are recommended.

You can get a "raise of salary" by advertising for a better job.

TO CUT FREIGHT RATE

ALDRICH BILL, AMENDED, IS RECOMMENDED TO PASS.

REDUCTION OF 15 PER CENT ON LUMBER, BUILDING MATERIAL, FRUIT AND GRAIN.

SENATE ACTS ON THE MEASURE

Pullman Bill, Cutting Rate on Pullman Fares in Nebraska, is Side Tracked in the Senate at Lincoln But Maximum Freight Goes Through.

Lincoln, Neb., March 19.—Special to The News: After amending the Aldrich maximum rate bill to include only lumber, building material, fruit and grain products, it was recommended for passage by the senate.

The per cent of reduction was changed from 20 to 15 per cent.

Lincoln, Neb., March 19.—Special to The News: The senate this morning resumed debate on the Aldrich bill to cut freight rates 20 per cent. It was predicted that the bill would be defeated, the railroads making liberal use of the 2-cent fare as plea for immunity.

Sidestep Pullman Issue.

The senate has executed a neat sidestep on the question of Pullman rates. The Thomas bill will be allowed to die on general file. It provides for a flat cut in Pullman fares.

With a large number of members absent the senate this afternoon passed a number of bills but confined the work to duties of a routine nature.

Randall's Bill Passed.

S. F. 243 and S. F. 244 by Senator Randall were passed. They regulate the charters of benevolent and charitable organizations and exempt lodge property from taxation.

S. F. 277 was passed. This bill by Senator Root compels corporations to pay wages twice a month.

S. F. 316 by Senator Phillips and relating to the disqualification of judges, was passed.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

Little Helen Crotty is quite sick. Gracie Nelson is also among the sick.

Attorney M. C. Hazen was in Pierce today.

W. W. Brown of Creighton is in Norfolk today.

E. C. Burns of Scribner is in the city today.

M. Callender was up from Columbus yesterday.

R. A. Tawney was in from Pierce yesterday.

John Nickell of Lyons was in Norfolk last night.

A little daughter of C. J. Deupree is ill with the grip.

Fred Hook of Creighton was in Norfolk yesterday.

E. W. Clements is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Dr. P. H. Salter was in Winside Wednesday morning.

E. P. Lowe of Broken Bow was in Norfolk over night.

Mr. Mia is putting a new foundation under his house.

W. E. Ludwick of Lincoln was in Norfolk yesterday.

George Bass of Tilden stopped in Norfolk yesterday.

J. H. Jensen of Minden spent yesterday in Norfolk.

E. Moeller was a Norfolk visitor in Stanton yesterday.

Attorney Burt Mapes went to Madison on the morning train.

S. W. Garrow is home from a business trip to Sioux City.

R. H. Peterson of Linn Grove was a Norfolk visitor yesterday.

J. E. Cullings of Wahoo was in Norfolk yesterday afternoon.

E. P. Olmstead left yesterday on a business trip to Creighton.

L. Hinsen and F. A. Childs of Tilden were in the city yesterday.

Tom Keene of Neligh spent yesterday in Norfolk on business.

John H. Harding of Meadow Grove spent yesterday in Norfolk.

Dr. R. C. Simmons returns this evening from a visit at Wakefield.

The West Side Whist club will meet Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Huse.

C. M. Mihills, who suffered a paralytic stroke some weeks ago, is not so well.

M. C. Theisen of Creighton, owner of the Camp Dewey telephone line, is visiting in Norfolk today.

Mrs. Robert Schiller left yesterday for Ida Grove, Iowa, to visit Mr. Schiller's mother, who is quite ill.

Mrs. William Beck went to Battle Creek yesterday noon where her brother-in-law, Mr. Lund, is very sick.

The robins have arrived to corroborate the testimony of geese flying north, that spring has really arrived.

Mrs. Frank Nelson and two children of Fremont, formerly of Norfolk, are here visiting with Mrs. Van Evens.

Mrs. E. O. Mount is reported to be improved and there is more encouragement in her condition than for some days.

Vice President Gardner of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad passed through Norfolk at noon enroute to Lander, Wyo., where he went on an inspection trip. He was joined here by General Superintendent S. M. Braden, who will accompany the vice president to the end of the line and later

to Gregory, S. D. Mr. Gardner left Chicago last night.

County Attorney Jack Koenigstein was in Madison yesterday in connection with the meeting of the county commissioners.

R. C. Garvin is home from Omaha, where he has finished the commercial course at Boyle's business college. He has not decided on his future work.

Mrs. W. L. Weitz has arrived from Texas for a month's visit in Norfolk with her mother, Mrs. Spalding. Mr. Weitz is now conductor on a Texas railroad.

Little or no spring plowing has been attempted as yet by farmers about Norfolk, although many expect to make an attempt at plowing before the present week is over.

The Holy Tolly advance sale was unusually large, indicating Norfolk's heart for the musical extravaganza, but there are still a large number of good seats to be had.

Vernon Oestreich, age four days, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Oestreich died yesterday at the home five miles north of Norfolk. Interment will be made at Hadar on Thursday.

News has been received here by friends that Miss Julia Robb of Wisner, formerly a resident of this city, is very sick with appendicitis. Dr. P. H. Salter left for there yesterday to perform an operation.

The Auditorium curtain will go up tonight at 8:30 o'clock promptly, and it is specially requested that the entire audience be in the theater before that hour, as the seating of people after the curtain goes up has a tendency to interrupt the performance.

Two rehearsals have been held for the black face minstrel benefit which will be given by the Norfolk band during the latter part of April. Norfolk young men with ability along this line have agreed to take part in the entertainment. A number of good specialties are also being planned.

Adrian Craig has returned from a trip west to Chadron, where he went in the interests of the anti-horse thief association. He met with good success and it is thought a number of towns in that section will organize associations to co-operate with the central association.

Preparations are beginning to be made in Norfolk for the coming annual convention of northern Nebraska bankers, which meets in this city April 22, Arbor day. It is expected that there will be fully 200 bankers in attendance. A banquet will be served for them in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Willey started at noon for Coffeyville, Kan., and will be gone ten days or two weeks visiting relatives there and in Oklahoma. Mr. Willey has resigned his position as special agent for the Columbian fire insurance company and upon his return will take charge of the North Platte country for the Western Insurance company of Lincoln.

Stamp books containing twenty-four one-cent stamps and selling for twenty-five cents are offered for sale at the Norfolk postoffice today for the first time. An assignment of the one-cent stamp books was received at the postoffice this morning and were at once placed on sale. The action of the government in issuing books with stamps of one-cent denomination is expected to prove an especial convenience to the post card fiends.

Someone willing to take grave chances with the law appropriated a team belonging to Fred Smith for their own use last night. Mr. Smith, who lives three miles southwest of Norfolk, drove to town yesterday evening with a team of mules and a light buggy. Between the hours of 10 and 11 last evening the team was driven off from where they were tied at Fifth street and Norfolk avenue. The matter was reported to the police as a case of horse stealing and a considerable part of the night was spent in looking for the missing property. Early this morning the team was left near the Northwestern's city depot. The mules showed hard usage and had evidently been driven a good part of the night. The guilty parties will be prosecuted if the opportunity offers.

Railroad officials of the lines of the Northwestern west of the Missouri river were in conference in Fremont yesterday. With General Manager F. C. Walters of Omaha they met in the rooms formerly used as assistant general superintendent's headquarters at the dispatcher's office. It was asserted that no especial significance was attached to the gathering, but that it was for the purpose of discussing the road's operative plans for the ensuing year. With the opening of the spring season, such a session is generally held. The officials who were there represented the head of practically every department of the road in Nebraska. Those in attendance were: General Manager F. Walters, Omaha; General Superintendent S. M. Braden, Norfolk; General Freight Agent S. F. Miller, Omaha; Superintendent C. H. Reynolds, Norfolk; Chief Engineer A. A. Schenck, Omaha; Master Mechanic E. W. Pratt, Missouri Valley; Storekeeper J. A. Conroy, Missouri Valley; General Purchasing Agent L. S. Carroll, Chicago; Traveling Engineer E. Williams, Missouri Valley; Superintendent of Bridges and Buildings A. J. Colwell, Norfolk; Division Master Mechanic W. B. Alton, Norfolk; Roadmasters P. Stafford and J. H. Spellman, Norfolk; Roadmaster W. T. Crook, Scribner; Roadmaster L. Bergland, Linwood; Trainmaster J. Leppla, Fremont; Chief Dispatcher W. B. Golden, Fremont; Superintendent of Bridges and Buildings J. F. L. Burrell, Fremont; Roadmaster O. H. Feldman, Fremont; Foreman of Round House W. H. Baker, Fremont.

PLAN TO RAISE FUNDS

NORFOLK BUSINESS MEN TO BE ASKED FOR \$100.

FOR COMING TEACHERS' MEET

Commercial Club Directors at Weekly Meeting Appoint Committee to Get Usual Subscription for Pedagogues' Association Meeting.

Matters brought before the meeting of the Commercial club directors Tuesday morning did not result in any important public announcements at the conclusion of the meeting. The directors met in the office of Mathewson & Co. with all the directors present save President Burnham, who is at Lincoln on a business trip.

The club directors took action toward raising the usual guarantee fund of \$100 which local business men have been in the habit of subscribing toward securing the annual meeting of the North Nebraska Teachers association. The meeting will be held this year in Norfolk on April 3, 4 and 5. W. A. Witzgman was placed at the head of the committee, which will solicit subscriptions from the Norfolk merchants.

The special committee appointed in the matter of securing a permanent secretary for the club, reported that no action had been taken during the week.

President F. S. Perdue of Madison, to whose untiring efforts the enthusiastic manifest in the approaching teachers' meeting is largely due, estimates that there will be 500 of the pedagogues in town.

A meeting of the North Nebraska Live Stock Owners' Protective association has been called by President John Krantz to meet at the city hall in Norfolk on Saturday afternoon, March 23. The meeting will be called to order at 2 o'clock. Many farmers interested in promoting the anti-horse thief organization will be present at the meeting.

A line of table linen falling on a range started a small blaze in Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Myers' rooms in the Cotton block yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Myers was away at the time, but other roomers in the block noticed the smoke and effected an entrance to the room. The insipient blaze was easily extinguished before the fire department had arrived on the scene.

C. A. Ballaweg, who has been employed as a shoemaker at the Norfolk shoe store, has gone to Spalding, where he expects to start a shoe shop.

Willard Harding, an insurance adjuster from Nebraska City, is in Norfolk on business connected with the settlement of the high school fire loss.

Mrs. J. E. Niles was called to O'Neill Wednesday noon to attend the funeral of Mr. Niles' step-father, William Smith, of O'Neill. Death followed an operation in an Omaha hospital.

Eighteen firemen have been called to Chicago from this division to take the examination to become engineers. Four of the firemen are from Norfolk—Harry Alexander, Ed Hutton, Chas. Evans and Mose Howell.

The two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Scott died at their home on South First street Tuesday morning of pneumonia. The funeral was held at the home this morning at 9:30, and interment made at Prospect Hill cemetery. The sympathy of the whole community is extended to the sorrowing parents.

C. E. Burnham returned at noon from Lincoln, where he had been looking after matters of interest to Norfolk. He reports that the hospital bill, appropriating \$98,000 for construction of new buildings and other improvements, is progressing nicely, and as it is in good hands in both senate and house it will in all probability be passed. Senator Randall is looking after the measure in the senate and T. L. Alderson is watching it carefully in the house. The bill has been recommended by committee of the whole in the house and will probably pass today. When it reaches the senate there is little doubt but that it will be approved. The general appropriation bill passed the house yesterday afternoon, including a maintenance fund of \$122,000 for the Norfolk hospital, in which is an item of \$500 for purchase of right of way to the hospital. This will go through the senate. Senator Randall's wolf bill, known as house roll No. 242, was inadvertently indefinitely postponed yesterday, but to show Senator Randall's standing at Lincoln the house had agreed to reconsider the measure last night. This, it is claimed by the senator, will save the county from \$1,000 to \$2,000 a year.

TO REBUILD AT BRISTOW

CITIZENS OF THAT VILLAGE NOT DISCOURAGED.

FIRE LOSSES ARE ADJUSTED

Some Very Satisfactory Settlements Have Been Made—Not Half of the Loss Was Covered by Insurance But the Losers Have Kept up Courage.

Bristow, Neb., March 19.—Special to The News: As a result of the recent fire many of the insurance adjusters have come to an agreement on the loss of buildings and stocks and some very satisfactory settlements have been made.

Statements show that less than fifty per cent of the loss was covered by insurance, yet the losers are contemplating erecting new and more substantial buildings as soon as lots are cleared.

W. B. Donaldson of Pierce was in the city on business today.

George Berry was a Battle Creek visitor in the city yesterday.

The Holy Tolly company arrived in Norfolk at noon from Lincoln.

James C. Ellison of Bonesteel, S. D., was in the city over night.

H. Leaphere of Seward was in Norfolk between trains yesterday.

Mrs. Wm. Beck and Mrs. Stansberry left this morning for Omaha.

Miss Lizzie Peters left today for a few days visit with friends at Stanton.

Myron S. Whitney of Randolph was in Norfolk between trains yesterday.

Miller Mather, who had been suffering from an attack of grip, is much better.

The pile driver crew are preparing to take the pile driver to Hooper today.

Mrs. J. D. Larrabee of Stanton is in Norfolk for a few days' visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Peters and son left today for a visit at Madison and Lindsay.

P. M. Barrett made a business trip to Sioux City yesterday, returning last evening.

Wynn Rainbolt left yesterday on a business trip to Butte. He will be gone several days.

Large new billboards have been placed at Mrs. Craft's store for advertising purposes.

The Ladies Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Jim Nix this afternoon and made sun bonnets.

Damascus chapter No. 25, R. A. M., will confer the royal arch degree at their meeting tonight.

Roy Taylor is among the sick, and Jean Crotty is taking his place as night caller in the roundhouse.

Mrs. John Denton returned home from Missouri Valley Wednesday evening, where she has been visiting.

Little Freddie Ware, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Ware, has recovered from an attack of the measles.

A birthday surprise party was given last evening for Fay Ogden, the occasion being her ninth birthday.

The city street drag was taken out yesterday for the first time this winter in an effort to level down the city streets.

W. G. Hiron, C. A. Reimers, S. M. Durfee, Dr. E. H. Aelke and L. P. Towner were Pierce visitors in Norfolk last night.

Asa K. Leonard brought home an appetite and two ducks from a short

hunting trip down by the Elkhorn Tuesday night.

Vern Viele, son of A. H. Viele, who has been seriously ill during the past two days, was considerably improved this morning.

Mrs. J. D. Heck of Tripoli, Iowa, came last night to visit with her cousin, Mrs. Nic Grey, while on her way to Creighton.

Mrs. Fred Neumann has arrived in Norfolk from Exonia, Wis., on a visit with her brother, Ernest Hartmann, and other relatives.

Engineer Dan Finley has returned to work again after having been off all winter on committee work and on account of sickness.

August Karo is making arrangements to open a meat market at 428 Norfolk avenue. The market will not be opened until some time in April.

The city council holds its regular mid-month meeting at the city hall tonight. The judges and clerks for the coming spring election will be named at the meeting tonight.

Two King log drags, with four horses attached to each drag, are being sent over Norfolk avenue and other streets in an effort to improve the condition of the road.

A man who gave his name as Frank Wright and his occupation as that of a farm laborer, was arrested last evening by Officer Decker. Wright pleaded guilty to the charge of having been intoxicated last night and advanced enough money to be released when a fine of \$5 and costs was assessed against him in police court.

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