

COAL NEAR BONESTEEL?

THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN FOUND IN BLUFFS.

J. W. BABB MAKES THE FIND

C. A. Johnson of Fairfax is Said to Have Become Interested in a Reported Coal Discovery Along the Missouri River Near Bonesteel.

Bonesteel, S. D., Oct. 28.—Special to The News: In the vicinity of the burning bluff on the farm of J. W. Babb has been discovered what is supposed to be bituminous coal in considerable quantity.

Mr. Babb made his discovery last week and has been prospecting considerably ever since with more encouraging results each day. He has secured the co-operation of C. A. Johnson of Fairfax, a Gregory county capitalist, to assist him in developing the same. Mr. Johnson went out Thursday to survey the premises and is convinced that coal is present in paying quantities and that it would not necessitate the outlay of a great deal of money to mine the product. It has been thought for many years that coal was to be had in this county in the hills and bluffs along the Missouri river and it now looks as if it might soon be a realization.

TROUBLE BREWING AT NELIGH

Investigation of the Charge of Assault Upon Young Girl.

Neligh, Neb., Oct. 2.—Special to The News: While it has been too talk for a number of days, not until after the issue of the Norfolk News reached this city yesterday afternoon, was any effort made in regard to filing a complaint for the assault upon the fifteen-year-old girl in Neligh last week. It is reported, however, that a sworn statement has been secured from her, and proceedings may now start within a few hours.

Mrs. Deuel Fractures Wrist.

Shipping on the smooth floor of a Norfolk store Friday afternoon Mrs. Frank Deuel, residing not far from Norfolk, fell, fracturing her left wrist.

SATURDAY SIFTINGS.

Mrs. Ed Mullen spent Sunday in Atkinson.

A. J. Durland is home from a Boyd county trip.

Sheriff J. J. Clements was up from Madison Saturday.

Charles G. Crook and family of Meadow Grove were Saturday visitors in Norfolk.

Burt Mapes, J. S. Mathewson and W. J. Stadelman drove towards Madison on a hunting trip Saturday noon.

Deputy County Clerk S. J. McFarland came up from Madison Saturday morning to spend Sunday in the city.

Miss Dorothy Priestly is home from her school, having a month's vacation during fall corn husking. She will leave next Wednesday for Rapid City, S. D., to spend two or three weeks visiting.

Ed Mullen was called up at the wreckage at Hadar last night.

Harry Faucett is home from the Wayne normal for a short vacation.

S. S. Van Norman of Foster was a business visitor in Norfolk Friday.

Mrs. William Barnes is home from a visit with her daughter in Madison.

George Schiller, proprietor of the Oxnard hotel, came in from Central City Friday.

L. M. Tompkins of Iman is in Norfolk on a visit with his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Loucks.

Mrs. Robert Bathke left on the noon train to visit her mother and other relatives at Atkinson, Neb.

Miss Georgia Austin, who is attending the Wayne normal, arrived home yesterday to visit in Norfolk until Tuesday.

Mrs. A. N. Anthes is home from an Iowa visit. She was accompanied home by her mother, Mrs. George H. Smith of Fort Madison, Iowa.

D. Mathewson, W. J. Stadelman, John Duncan and C. A. Smith will be members of a party at a hunt next week in the sand hills near Newport, Mr. Smith's home.

County Attorney J. H. Van Wagenen of Pierce was in Norfolk Saturday morning from Fremont, where the Pierce county attorney took steps to secure for his county its share of the inheritance tax to be paid on the estate of a Dodge county man owning Pierce county property.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: Judge N. D. Jackson, Charles H. Kelsey, Neligh; J. W. Pratt, Butte; James N. Bell, Greenwood; N. B. Cullen, Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Dittrick, Verdigris; Mrs. J. Keeley, Miss Keeley, Grand Island; President J. M. Pile, Wayne normal; Wayne; N. S. Westrope, Plainview; W. A. Williams, Central City; L. W. Alter, Wayne; R. S. Dayton, Orchard.

Oscar Wasem, the Lincoln wrestler, was in Norfolk over night on his way to Wayne to meet Danielson, the Wayne county man who aspires to throw Wasem. The last time Wasem was in Norfolk for a Wayne match he missed train connections and had a thirty mile drive over rough roads as a preliminary to his match. Expecting a harder match this time and not caring to risk another road drive Wasem came in from Lincoln Friday evening and spent Saturday morning in this city.

Hallowe'en, the evening of October 31, is one of the prospective disturbances that next week holds for Norfolk.

A meeting of the democratic county

MORE RESIDENCE REQUIRED

HEREAFTER THE FULL TIME OF FOURTEEN MONTHS.

NEW RULE EFFECTIVE NOV. 1

Commuters on Government Land Will Hereafter be Obligated to Establish an Actual Residence of Full Fourteen Months.

Bonesteel News: A Washington special conveys the information that on and after November 1 of this year the six months constructive residence and eight months actual residence will not be accepted as sufficient to make proof on government land, but it will require fourteen months actual residence to acquire good title to government land.

The special referred to, which we clip from the Sunday Sioux City Journal, reads as follows: Washington, D. C., Oct. 19.—An important change in the regulations for acquiring homesteads on the public domain was announced today by Commissioner Ballinger of the general land office. As an additional precaution against fraud all persons making homestead entries on public lands after November 1 next will be required to prove actual residence on the land for fourteen months before they will be permitted to "commute" the entries to obtain a title by a cash payment. Heretofore the period of actual residence has been eight months. The ruling will not affect entries made prior to November 1, 1907.

The new ruling will have a tendency to discourage speculators and be a benefit to the actual settler who is anxious to acquire a home and maintain a residence and cultivate the land. The ruling here is generally considered a good one and one which will prove of great benefit to those who hope to acquire a home in Tripp county when it is thrown open for settlement next summer. Heretofore speculators had every opportunity in the world of acquiring valuable government land by using their six months constructive residence and then reside on the land eight months and make only small improvements to let them within the letter of the law. The notice does not state how long a time entrymen will have to establish residence on their land after filing but it is presumed that that feature will not be changed and remain as it always has been—six months from date of filing.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: P. W. Sloan, Pierce; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Walters, Fairfax, S. D.; P. M. Fulton, Burke, S. D.; A. R. Olsson, Wisner; M. Maersback, Humphrey; E. B. Erskine, Tilden; D. F. Foster, Plainview; Z. K. Doam, Fairfax, S. D.; E. A. Kincaid, Plainview; J. D. Lambert, Stanton; Samuel Reichert, Winside; Miss Rebecca Reichert, Winside; S. Baker, Niobrara; Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Lewis, Meadow Grove; R. S. Drayton, Orchard; W. C. Frey, Hartington; Frank Phillips, Frank Hart, Hoskins; Otto Zuelow, Schuyler; F. Selle, Stanton.

Miss Grace Matrau was up from Madison over Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Schiller was expected home Monday evening from a visit at Central City.

Ben Bechtel left Sunday noon for Bennett, Neb., where he has a position in a drug store.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Estabrook left Sunday evening for Interior, S. D., where they have located a claim.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hight are in Norfolk from their claim in southwestern South Dakota for a short visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Lewis of Meadow Grove were in Norfolk Monday on their way to Denver, where they may make their home in the future.

Mrs. Jennie McKim of Salina, Kan., and Mrs. C. A. McKim of Lincoln are guests at the Matrau home. Dr. McKim was in Norfolk over Sunday.

Carl Ahlmann has sold his bicycle shop to his brother, William Ahlmann.

The Tannehill school five miles south of the city will hold a box social on Friday evening. Miss Edith Barrett teaches the school.

Miss Mamie Ward spent Sunday with Mrs. W. O. Cunningham, who lives southwest of town. Mrs. Cunningham has been very sick but is able to be up now, although she is still weak.

Omaha News: Reports as to the condition of G. T. H. Babcock, former United States commissioner at Chadron, Neb., indicted for alleged conspiracy to defraud the government of lands in Dawes county, indicate that his condition is still very serious. All information as to his whereabouts, however, is still withheld.

Railroad men say that the movement of the Deadwood-Chicago passenger traffic by way of Pierre rather than by Norfolk and Omaha is not going to make any perceptible difference in the traffic through this city. Not only did the through passenger traffic that is lost form a relatively small proportion of the Northwestern passengers who pass through the city but local railroad men say that any loss in that direction is going to be more than made up by the growing importance of the Lander line.

That the United States in the mechanical excellence of its coins and the convenience of its paper money is several laps ahead of the leading countries of the old world is a fact that can be easily proven to visitors at the Nebraska National bank. The bank has recently secured a collection of English, German, Danish and Russian coins and paper money of recent is-

SOCIAL EVENTS OF WEEK

THE WEEK IN NORFOLK HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE ONE.

CONSTANTLY SOMETHING DOING

Luncheons and Afternoons for Femininity Were the Rule, With Formal Evening Affairs a Minus Quantity. Euchre Holds Upper Hand.

It has been an active week in Norfolk social circles. There was something doing pretty nearly all the while in the way of luncheons and afternoons, though formal evening affairs were not on the calendar. Afternoons at cards are still popular among Norfolk womankind, euchre holding the upper hand up to date.

Pleasures of the Week.

Mrs. Mary G. Mathewson was hostess at a rather exceptional Kensington Friday afternoon. The afternoon opened with a 1 o'clock luncheon. During the afternoon while the Kensington was in progress the Norfolk ladies who were Mrs. Mathewson's guests enjoyed a delightful literary and musical program arranged for the afternoon. Those who participated in the program were Mrs. Will Hail with a vocal solo, Mrs. Jones with a piano recitation, Mrs. S. F. Erskine with a recitation, Mrs. L. M. Hibbs with a recitation and Mrs. A. J. Durland with an interesting description of her last summer's visit to Alaska. At the luncheon plates were placed for fifty-seven guests.

Anoka Notes.

Anoka, Neb., Oct. 26.—E. C. Porter shipped out eighty head of fat cattle to Omaha Tuesday. Mr. Dankus sent forty head.

The new harness shop will be ready for business Monday.

Misses Stella and Ethel Wilberger took a trip to Wheeler mountain, which is burning and smoking all the time. They got several specimens at that place, eight miles north of Anoka.

Anoka feels good toward the new plunge bath, which is being completed. The water used in the bath is 90 degrees in temperature and cold weather does not seem to affect it.

T. E. Keefer's cement barn is about completed.

KAUFFMAN SAW MINNESOTA WIN

E. B. Kauffman Was Among Nebraska Rooters in Minneapolis.

E. B. Kauffman, who has just returned to Norfolk from a visit at St. Paul, Minn., was one of the small band of enthusiastic rooters that cheered Nebraska in her splendid game against the Minnesota football team at Minneapolis. Although the final score registered 8 to 5 in Minnesota's favor, Kauffman maintains that the game was the cornhuskers' contest. Amid the thousands of Minnesota football followers the small contingent of Nebraska fans were lost in point of numbers but their cheers could be heard above all the din of the Minnesota yell. The goal from the field that won the game for the northerners, Mr. Kauffman says, was a fluke as the kick went low only to rebound over the goal post when it struck the outstretched hands of a Nebraska player.

Neligh Basketball.

Neligh, Neb., Oct. 28.—Special to The News: Before a good crowd of interested spectators the Gates academy boys and girls of this city played two games of basketball with the Ewing high school teams Saturday afternoon on the formers' grounds. The games at times were of interest, and good plays were made by both sides, but the academy outclassed the visitors in all points of the game. Score, Academy boys 16, Ewing boys 4. Academy girls 20, Ewing girls 0.

Conduit Completed.

The work of laying its underground conduit system was completed Saturday by the Norfolk Long Distance Telephone company. The conduits now await the arrival of the telephone cables. The task of putting cable wires through the conduits is far easier than it has appeared to Norfolk people who have wondered how the cables were going to be gotten into the long underground dints. By first pushing a wire through one of the long sections a rope is drawn through the conduit between the manholes and a way made for placing the heavy cable.

Real Estate Transfers.

Real estate transfers in Madison county for the week ending Oct. 25, 1907, compiled by Madison County Abstract Co., office with Mapes and Hazen, Norfolk, Neb.:

W. W. Logeman and wife to Gustav C. Freitag, W. D., consideration \$300, lot 4, block 6, Dorsey Place addition to Norfolk.

Edna Ingram to Lois Shelton, W. D., consideration \$2,500, lot 1, block 2, Klug's addition to Norfolk.

Swan Johnson and wife to Louisa Hartjoy, W. D., consideration \$1,200, lot 13, block 20, Railroad addition to Newman Grove.

Fidella Reavis and husband to Louisa Hartjoy, W. D., consideration \$1,350, lots 9 and 10, block 30, Western Town Lot Co.'s addition, and lot 4, block 37, Pioneer Town Site Co.'s addition to Battle Creek, Neb.

John A. Bressler and wife to Frederick C. Werner, W. D., consideration \$150, lots 2 and 3, block 2, Lewis addition to Meadow Grove.

Edwin H. Luikart and wife to William L. Abel, W. D., consideration \$2,500, part lots 1, 2 and 3, block 6, Kimball & Blair's addition to Burnett.

Andrew J. Durland and wife to Lewis V. Kenerson, W. D., consideration \$650, lots 36, 37 and 38, Durland's Suburban lots to Norfolk, Neb.

J. B. Crain and wife to J. O. Carter, W. D., consideration \$400, part block 4, Meadow Grove.

Lena Horst and husband to August Buettner, W. D., consideration \$6,000, lots 1 and 2, block 3, Clark and Madison Co.'s addition to Madison.

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