

NOT A CASE OF SUICIDE

MRS. EYL OF BATTLE CREEK DIED A NATURAL DEATH.

HEART FAILURE THE TROUBLE

Domestic Troubles Have Disturbed the Household, Which Fact Started Rumors of Suicide, But the Coroner Finds Nothing Wrong.

Battle Creek, Neb., Jan. 20.—Special to The News: Mrs. Herman Eyl, the wife of a retired farmer living in Battle Creek, died suddenly Saturday night at Battle Creek under circumstances that resulted in Coroner Kindred being called from Meadow Grove. The inquest, held Sunday, showed that death had resulted from heart failure.

Domestic troubles have disturbed the peace of the Eyl household and this connected with Mrs. Eyl's sudden death resulted in various stories, mostly suggesting suicide, being circulated in Battle Creek.

Coroner H. L. Kindred of Meadow Grove arrived in Battle Creek Sunday and with Dr. Tanner examined the heart of the dead woman, the post mortem examination disclosing heart failure to have been the cause of death. An inquest was held and the coroner's jury returned a verdict of death by heart failure.

Mrs. Eyl is a second wife. She had only been married a little over a year but her domestic difficulties with her husband had been generally known in Battle Creek, where it was reported that husband and wife generally kept in opposite parts of the house.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon.

MONDAY MENTION.

C. C. Gow left at noon for Stanton. M. D. Tyler was in Wayne Monday. John Porter of Pierce is visiting relatives in Norfolk.

Father Tevis arrived home Monday noon from Chicago.

N. S. Westrope was a Plainview visitor in Norfolk Sunday.

S. M. Rosenthal spent the day in Sioux City on business.

Fred L. Barclay of Stuart was a Sunday visitor in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Carpenter of Wayne spent Sunday in Norfolk.

P. J. McManus and J. F. O'Donnell of O'Neill were in Norfolk Monday.

Dr. C. A. McKim was in Norfolk, returning to Lincoln from Spencer.

Miss Elizabeth Zimmerman of Battle Creek spent Saturday in Norfolk.

Attorney James Nichols of Madison was in Norfolk Monday on his way to Pierce.

Miss Lulu Durland returned to Oakdale Sunday after a short visit in Norfolk.

A. H. Klesau has gone to Chicago, Grand Rapids and other points on business.

Herman Pribbenow of Omaha, formerly of Norfolk, is in the city visiting friends.

T. D. Preece and Fred Brechler of Battle Creek were in the city during the afternoon.

Mrs. M. Brown of Omaha is in Norfolk on a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Boeck.

Mayor and Mrs. C. B. Durland spent Sunday in Plainview, guests at the home of H. G. Correll.

M. C. Hazen left Monday noon for Stanton, where the Stanton county district court was convened by Judge Graves.

Mrs. D. Mathewson has been quite ill with a severe attack of the grip. A trained nurse was expected from Omaha Monday.

V. McCormick, formerly a baker in the C. P. Parish plant, but now running a shop in Wakefield, was in Norfolk between trains.

Contractor Vallin of the Stanberry construction company, builders of the new high school building, went to Omaha on business Monday.

Col. M. A. Strain of Creighton was here as one of the auctioneers at the Smith Bros. horse sale, and he was also a delegate to the race meeting.

Samuel Grove of Fairfield, Ill., who has been visiting at the home of his brother-in-law, G. A. Gass of rural route No. 5, left at noon for his home.

Ray Hayes left to join his wife in a short visit at Council Bluffs before going to Nebraska City to attend the state convention of the volunteer firemen.

W. M. Queener, Norfolk's colored pugilist, left at noon for Omaha to join his manager. There has been some talk of working up a match for Queener in Norfolk.

George Burton is home from a business trip to Omaha.

Lloyd Klentz of Sioux Falls, S. D., is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Fred Klentz, sr.

Arthur J. Weatherholt of Hoskins, and bride, formerly Miss Martha M. Koehn, have returned from a visit at Long Pine.

A. F. Chamberlain of Waterloo, Ia., was in Norfolk over Sunday, a guest at the home of his nephew, W. H. Blakeman.

Mrs. Nellie Gildea and daughter, Miss Lizzie Gildea, arrived home from Pipestone, Minn., where Miss Gildea has been attending school.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: Cid Miller, Madison; C. C. Huff, Wayne; J. B. Donovan, G. M. Raymer, Frank Keene, A. V. Smith, Madison; N. C. Carstensen, Tilden; N. G. Shipman, Randolph; G. L. Conany, Bonesteel, S. D.; John Glick, Verdel; J. Graham, Winside; A. B. Manley, Theodore Robbins, Lyons; A. J. Mordyke, Hubbard; Gil Van Patten, Sutton; R. G. Van Horn, Neigh; C. T. Tighl, Stanton; G. H. Jock, T. Bostrow, A. J. Setton, Madison.

SHE IS A NEBRASKA GIRL

GRACE CAMERON WILL BE SEEN HERE SATURDAY.

IN MUSICAL "DOLLY DIMPLES"

At the Auditorium Saturday Night Will be Seen One of the Best Attractions of the Season in Norfolk—A Clever Musical Show.

Miss Grace Cameron, the charming actress who will be seen for the first time in Norfolk next Saturday night in "Dolly Dimples," is a Nebraska girl. She was born and reared in Falls City, where her parents still live. Miss Cameron has made an enviable name for herself on the stage. She played leading role in the original "Foxy Quiller" company and played leading role last year in the popular comedy "Piff, Paif, Poof."

In Omaha Miss Cameron is always splendidly entertained by social folk, because she is a social favorite in the Nebraska metropolises.

"Dolly Dimples" is one of the musical comedy hits of the present season.

It has been playing week stands in New York, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, and other large cities. Norfolk is the only city of this size that has been able to book the company, which carries sixty people.

Al Lawrence, the eminent comedian and mimic, takes the leading male role.

Musical comedy is what Norfolk likes. Dolly Dimples is a clever musical comedy. There is reason to believe that the Auditorium Saturday night will be packed to its fullest capacity, because of the high grade attraction and the popularity of Miss Cameron in Nebraska.

The seat sale will begin Friday morning. It is expected that a large number of visitors will be in Norfolk Saturday night from other towns, to see this attraction.

Seats may be ordered now by mail. Prices will be \$1.50, \$1.75 and 50c.

This will be one of the best attractions of the present season at the Auditorium. It is a fun show with pretty girls, clever music and other features to drive away the blues.

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 materials and labor for the 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, 1908, and ending March 19, 1909, to-wit:

One thirty foot, 16-foot road way, pile bridge across a branch of Union creek between sections 16 and 21 in township 22 north, of range 1 in said county.

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 pile and stringer bridges, to be built in accordance with plans and specifications heretofore adopted by the said county commissioners.

At the same time and place as heretofore 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.

No bid will be considered unless it is accompanied by a certified check for \$250 payable to the county clerk of Madison county, Nebraska, which shall be forfeited to the county of Madison in case the successful bidder refuses or neglects to enter into a contract if the same shall be awarded to him.

The party receiving the contract, or either of them, will be required to give a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$2,000, 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 February 1, 1908, by the county clerk of said county at his office in Madison, Nebraska, and said bids will be opened at the commissioners' office at Madison, Nebraska, at 2 o'clock p. m. on February 5, 1908.

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

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

Done by order of the county commissioners, at Madison, Nebraska, this 31st day of December, 1907.

Geo. E. Richardson, County Clerk.

RACES OPEN IN NORFOLK

AUGUST 12, 1908, NAMED AS FIRST RACE DAY.

ARRANGE CIRCUIT SCHEDULE

North Nebraska Horsemen Met in Norfolk and Fixed the Annual Race Dates For Next Summer—Bigger Purses Planned, Faster Time.

North Nebraska racing dates for 1908:

Norfolk, Aug. 12-14.

O'Neill, Aug. 19-21.

Neigh, Aug. 26-28.

(State fair week)—vacant.

Madison, Sept. 9-11.

Stanton, Sept. 16-18.

Creighton, Sept. 23-25.

Pierce, Sept. 30-Oct. 2.

Bloomfield, Oct. 7-9.

Hartington, Oct. 14-16.

The Norfolk races will open the north Nebraska racing circuit again.

O'Neill, Neigh, Madison, Stanton, Creighton, Pierce, Bloomfield and Hartington will follow in the order named. This was the racing schedule mapped out Monday afternoon at the annual meeting of the North Nebraska Short Shipment Racing circuit held in the Oxnard hotel in Norfolk.

Better races, better horses, better purses and a square deal all along the line: this was the spoken sentiment of the delegates who attended the meeting. There is every thing to indicate a prosperous and successful racing season. And Norfolk, whose meet last summer broke all local success records, is in a position to more than duplicate last summer's performance.

Norfolk was given the opening date because it was thought that Norfolk would be logically entitled to it. O'Neill would have liked the initial date and made a good natured fight for it. Arranging the schedule occupied virtually all of the afternoon but the adjustments once made resulted in a better arranged schedule than last season's program. And the arrangement of the new schedule held Stanton and Madison in the circuit.

Butte, Spencer and Tilden were not represented at the annual meeting and accordingly were not listed in the circuit. It had been thought that Spencer would be in the north Nebraska route this summer.

In the election of officers President W. C. Caley of Creighton and Secretary J. L. Rynearson of Madison were complimented with a re-election.

In arranging the races two classes changed: The 2:27 trot was changed to a 2:25 trot and the 2:50 pace was replaced with a special class for three year olds or younger.

The following program was adopted: First day, 2:20 pace or trot and 2:35 trot; second day, three year olds, pace or trot, and 2:30 pace or trot; third day, 2:25 trot and free for all.

Entries to the Norfolk race will close August 9, to the O'Neill and Neigh races, August 11, to the Creighton and Pierce races, September 8. Entries must be made for three meetings ahead. The American trotting rules were adopted with a provision that one horse could be entered in two races or two horses in one race and the entrance fee refunded if only one race was participated in.

This summer will see an increase in the purses hung up, thus attracting better horses. The minimum purse remained at \$200, but the association recommended that running races be cut out and the purses raised in the track events. Nearly all the circuit towns will increase their purses.

There will be no circuit starter in 1908. It was voted that each local association choose its starters; also that all the local associations should become members of the American Trotting association.

P. M. Barrett was the recipient of a very pretty compliment, a special vote of thanks from the north Nebraska horsemen for his successful work as secretary of the Norfolk driving club, in developing Norfolk into a successful racing point and for his general services towards the success of racing in northern Nebraska.

President Rhodes of the north Nebraska anti-horse thief association was present at the meeting and exchanged a few words of greeting with the racing organization. In the latter part of the evening and after Mr. Rhodes had left, the following resolution received a unanimous vote: "Whereas, we believe that the North Nebraska Live Stock Protective association is doing a splendid work in fighting horse thieves effectively;—therefore be it resolved, that it is the sense of this meeting that the North Nebraska Short Shipment race circuit should hereby endorse the good work and the purpose of the North Nebraska Live Stock Protective association."

The north Nebraska racing season will open in Norfolk about two weeks later than it did last year. It was understood at the meeting that Hartington and Bloomfield would not be likely to accept their dates but would probably hold their races before the Norfolk meet. No special objection was interposed if the northeast towns saw fit to follow this course.

The local associations were represented at the annual meeting by the following men: O'Neill, P. F. McManus, J. L. O'Donnell; Norfolk, C. H. Groesbeck, P. M. Barrett; Pierce, William Zulauf; Neigh, W. W. Cole, John S. Kay, C. L. Wattels; Creighton, W. C. Caley, T. J. Buckmaster, William Graham, J. K. Brown, W. W. Strain; Stanton, John Hancock; Madison, J. L. Rynearson; Bloomfield, E. S. Bagley; Hartington, J. J. Garvey, William Loring.

COMMISSIONERS WRESTLED WITH THE FOSTER SALOON LICENSE, INSANITY BOARD HAS PITIFUL CASE, INSURANCE MEN WRANGLE, AND OTHER THINGS

PIERCE, NEB., JAN. 21.—Special to The News: Last Saturday was the busiest day in the history of the Pierce county court house as simultaneously every one got busy and the offices and corridors thronged with people.

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At the same time the county commissioners were hearing the finish in the Foster saloon case which was concluded and the applicant refused a license on the grounds of not having the required number of signers, as twenty-five were necessary and only twenty-three on the petition as found by the board.

The insanity board was also called into action to determine the residence of Mrs. Mary Ramsey, who was declared insane by the authorities of Lincoln county, South Dakota, and brought to Pierce by the sheriff from Canton, who claimed that Mrs. Ramsey was a charge on Pierce county. This is a most pitiable case, as the patient is fifty-three years old and reports strongly indicate she has been a person of some means, but being mentally weak, though not insane, her near relatives have feared her by her means of support and now leave her in a feeble condition to strangers and the mercies of charitable state institutions.

While all the foregoing matters were going on there were representatives of various insurance companies gathered in the office of the clerk of the district court with representatives of the Henkin Mercantile company, formerly of Plainview but now of Sioux City, jangling over the \$37,000 fire insurance loss at Plainview in January, 1907, when the Henkin's general store burned.

With a force of men tearing up floors and wiring the court house for electric lights a busy day was experienced all over the building.

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THINGS DOING AT PIERCE

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The principal difference between Mocha and Java and Arbuckles' Ariosa Coffee is that Arbuckles' Ariosa costs you less and has more Coffee taste.

ARBUCKLES BROS., New York City.

RACE MEN BANQUET.

Norfolk Driving Club Entertains Visiting North Nebraska Horsemen.

Thirty odd plates were placed at the banquet given Monday evening at the Oxnard hotel, where the Norfolk driving club gave a smoker and banquet complimentary to the delegates who came to Norfolk for the annual meeting of the north Nebraska race circuit. In addition to the guests from away the banquet was attended by a number of Norfolk citizens who have been prominent supporters of the driving club in its efforts to promote racing in Norfolk.

The banquet was an affair of moment in north Nebraska racing affairs. It brought to a score of prominent north Nebraska men, the men who are back of the racing circuit, an appreciation of Norfolk's hospitality and good will. It brought to a score of Norfolk men a clearer realization of the importance of the racing circuit in promising good fellowship and community of interests in north Nebraska.

The banquet as a banquet was a pleasing success. But more important than the banquet features was the good feeling and enthusiasm that was generated among those who sat at the long banquet table.

N. A. Huse acted as toastmaster. It was 10 o'clock when the banquet table was cleared and the first speaker introduced. The toasts were informal, were uniformly short and to the point and were graced with humor. At no time did the speaking drag, the banquet coming to a close before 11 o'clock.

President C. H. Groesbeck of the Norfolk driving club was commended to the ranks of professional horsemen as a dealer in "ponies." Mr. Groesbeck spoke on "How glad we are that we are here and that you are here." Among other things Mr. Groesbeck discussed the increasing popularity of the racing sport in Norfolk. Up to last summer, he said, a great many people had thought racing just a money making scheme. Last summer brought enlightenment and Norfolk people were seen to appreciate a good meet. With good crops and with the Northwestern road still running, Mr. Groesbeck predicted that the Norfolk race meet would be a bigger success than last summer. He expressed Norfolk's pleasure in entertaining her guests of the evening.

President Caley of Creighton, "the high mogul of north Nebraska racing," spoke a few good words on "How horsemanship draws men together in association." He found his subject illustrated in the difference between Norfolk's splendid reception in 1908 and the greeting of two years before when P. M. Barrett seemed the only man in evidence.

Toastmaster Huse in commenting on how horse racing had drawn north Nebraska closer together and had made north Nebraska geography a popular study, introduced John Hancock of Stanton as a man who twenty years before had seen the first racing meet ever held in Norfolk. After something along the line of reminiscence Mr. Hancock paid Norfolk a pretty compliment for its reception, recalling that only two years ago the delegates had had to hunt for a place to meet. "And this is not to be our last visit to Norfolk," remarked the Stanton man.

Two years more would give the north Nebraska circuit a remarkable position. Secretary Rynearson of Madison predicted if the circuit towns would only stand together. Replying to a jest of the toastmaster Mr. Rynearson admitted that he had been sent to the meeting with his hands tied but when he saw the interest that was manifested he was glad that he had come even with his hands tied.

Burt Mapes was introduced as "an honest lawyer." The Norfolk attorney thereupon explained that he had wondered all evening why he was the only lawyer present. Mr. Mapes spoke of the welcome that Norfolk was glad to give her visitors and said that he hoped that next summer Norfolk would be able to welcome the race visitors to a race track which the city would own. Credit for the passage of the bill under which Norfolk is to be asked to vote \$5,000 park bonds he gave to Neigh.

After a few minutes of light fun with his own profession as a banker C. E. Burnham said that the short shipment circuit had come in at an opportune time when the people were looking for amusement as they never had before in this western country. Speaking of the reception accorded the circuit two years ago Mr. Burnham said that at that time the circuit was an untried experiment in a territory where many another circuit had failed. But it had been shown that horse races conducted on honest principles brought success though failure in finances and crowds would be expected if every racing was put on a gambling basis.

Mr. Burnham spoke in appreciation of the officers of the Norfolk driving club, whom he credited with much of the added vim of last year's Norfolk races. Charlie Groesbeck, "energetic, quick, fiery," "always ready to boost

for Norfolk," "often finding a little fault with the town along lines where investigation would oftentimes show fault existing," was complimented, along with Secretary Barrett, Treasurer Haase and other driving club workers.

The speaker said that he too hoped that Norfolk could welcome her visitors to a race track of her own next summer and that he thought that every effort would be made to have the park bonds voted. Whenever the city owned the driving park the association would feel free to make needed permanent improvements.

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