

WILL CELEBRATE FOURTH

NORFOLK FIREMEN DECIDE ON BIG CELEBRATION.

PRECEDED BY CARNIVAL WEEK

The Norfolk Firemen last night determined to ask Parker's White City Company for week ending with Fourth of July.

With the blowing snow of a February blizzard whirling through the air, Norfolk is setting about to make preparations for a week's carnival and a big Fourth of July celebration. To celebrate the Fourth with an elaborate holiday and to precede the celebration with a week's carnival was the decision of the executive committee of the Norfolk fire department at their meeting last night.

The committee decided to ask for Parker's "White City" for the week ending July 4, the week to close with a big celebration that would be a north Nebraska event. Last year Norfolk spent the Fourth in nearby towns.

The financial motive of the new plans of the fire department is to raise funds to help meet the expenses of the state association in Norfolk next winter.

The department has chosen this executive committee to have charge of the association meeting next winter and, incidentally, the mid-summer carnival to raise funds for the winter meeting: J. E. Haase, chairman; C. E. Hartford, chairman entertainment committee; R. H. Reynolds, chairman banquet committee; V. A. Nenow, chairman reception committee; V. V. Light, chairman hotel and decorating committee; Fred Hellerman, chairman advertising committee; H. W. Winter, chairman finance committee.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

George Brooks of Bazile Mills was in Norfolk yesterday.

T. G. Hight was expected Wednesday evening from his South Dakota homestead.

Dr. G. A. Young, superintendent of the Norfolk insane hospital, is in New York on a vacation trip.

Mrs. J. Earle Harper of Clearwater is in Norfolk on a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Walker.

Justice George Lambert went to Madison today to testify as to the status of a suit brought before him.

Miss Elizabeth Sharpless has returned from Omaha and is again the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jack Koentgenstein.

E. A. Bullock went to Omaha today to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the state electrical association.

Millard South, a Doane college student who has been in Norfolk on a visit with his parents, returned to Crete yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clark left yesterday to visit with Mrs. Clark's father and mother at Roscoe, Mo. En route they will stop in Kansas City for a short visit with relatives.

M. C. Hazen returned Wednesday morning from Neligh, leaving on the morning train for Madison, where the suit brought by John A. Wishard against D. A. Ommerman was ready for trial in the district court.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: H. Solenberg, Jr., W. Dixon, Meadow Grove; L. E. Champney, Dallas, S. D.; P. Dawson, Endicott; E. L. Bedal, Blair; Mrs. J. C. Coombs, Spencer; C. S. Smith, Madison; F. Fritz, Pierce.

S. Beck left at noon for Spencer.

A. Beattie of Oakdale was a Norfolk visitor.

Mrs. W. F. Gilbert was up from Madison.

L. P. Kerbel of Spencer was in Norfolk Wednesday.

A. J. Durand left at noon on a business visit to Omaha.

Dr. H. T. Holden was in Hadar Wednesday afternoon.

R. W. Rohrk, the Meadow Grove banker, was in Norfolk.

Chief of Police J. F. Flynn was in Madison Wednesday afternoon.

T. M. Elder and L. R. Elder of Atkinson were in Norfolk yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Loch were Battle Creek visitors in Norfolk Wednesday.

Father Tevis is spending the week in Dale and Broken Bow in Custer county.

C. A. Smith left yesterday with a party of twelve land buyers bound for Texas.

County Attorney J. A. Van Waganen passed through Norfolk Wednesday returning to Pierce from Lincoln.

Ed Weber was in Norfolk returning to his home in Odessa, Wash., after a visit with relatives in Pierce.

Miss Fay Livingston will go to Battle Creek to attend the funeral of Miss Barbara Scott in Battle Creek Thursday.

C. W. Pratt of Stanton is a north Nebraska boy to join the navy.

The married ladies of Crofton entertained their husbands at a leap year dance.

The W. R. C. will serve chicken pie dinner in G. A. R. hall on Washington's birthday.

Post F. T. P. A. will hold a regular meeting Saturday, Feb. 22, at the Oxford hotel at 2 p. m.

ping two car loads of mixed pickles to an Omaha purchaser.

An examination in the Sunday school teachers' training course will be given a week from next Monday evening.

Miss Floy Faucett of Norfolk won the piano in a subscription contest conducted by the Sioux City News.

The public sale scheduled for the James Coyle farm was postponed from Tuesday until next Monday, Feb. 24.

The fifth dance in the series given by the Elks will be given next Friday evening in Marquardt hall. Dancing at 8:30.

Madison county lost an old settler last week in the death of W. H. Jenkins, a prominent farmer living south of Meadow Grove.

The Antelope County Fair association was organized at a meeting in the Neligh court house. Shares at \$2 each are to be sold over the county.

W. S. Fox, the Union Pacific conductor, is to erect a substantial residence on Koenigstein avenue between Twelfth and Thirtieth streets.

Mrs. J. B. Maynard and Mrs. J. C. Stitt on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons were hostesses at 1 o'clock luncheons given at the home of Mrs. Stitt.

A north Nebraska paper says that eastern markets may still be panic afflicted but that in the great northwest "everything is lovely and the goose hanks high."

The ladies guild of Trinity church will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Gysin. A full attendance is requested as important business is to come before the meeting.

Winside Tribune: A bunch of kids bombarded a freight engine last Saturday afternoon with snowballs and succeeded in breaking out a window in the cab before they quit.

A dancing party will be given in Marquardt hall on Friday evening, February 28, the dance being given in return for the leap year dancing party given by the Trinity guild.

On Thursday the Ladies Aid society of the First Congregational church will meet with Miss Martha Davenport, Mrs. Odiorne assisting. All ladies of the congregation are invited.

Homer Hill, charged with deserting his eighteen year old wife whom he married on March 21, 1906, was bound over to the circuit court last Monday by Judge Chambers in Bonesteel. Bond was fixed at \$500.

Jack O'Leary, dropping wrestling for the prize ring, takes on a twenty-round fight at Dallas, S. D., next Friday with Pat Stephens. The fight will be called at 9 p. m. Friday. Stephens is said to be a heavier man than O'Leary. The latter has been in training in Norfolk.

A new orchestra has been organized in Norfolk by a number of young people of this city. Among those in the orchestra will be: Harry Butler, cornet; Walter Howe, drums; Harry Paul, trombone; Miss Helen Friday, piano; Herman Schelly, violin; Lorin Bruggeman, violin.

Leaving a boiler of scalding water setting on the floor while she stepped to another room on an errand, Mrs. John Kellogg of Verdell a moment later was startled by a scream. Rushing into the kitchen she found her little two-year-old daughter in the boiler. The child died within a few hours.

J. H. Conley, deputy president of the Eagles, recently held a successful meeting at Hartington where eighteen new members were added. On March 9 Mr. Conley will start on a regular trip of inspection, visiting the Eagle lodges at Valentine, Crawford, Chadron, Alliance, North Platte, Grand Island, North Bend, Fremont and Blair.

Valentine Republican: The railway annual ice harvest is quite an item in a financial way to this community as the pay roll for the work each year averages something like \$2,375.00, and a greater portion of the help is local. Take this amount and it will be seen that sufficient cash to buy considerable family necessities is put into circulation through the ice business, and every little helps, you know.

Pilger Herald: Max Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hill, met with what might have been a fatal accident. He and his older brother were scuffling over a rifle, when it was discharged, the bullet striking him in the right side of the breast. The bullet struck a rib and glanced around to the right side, lodging in the flesh where it still remains. He suffers no pain to speak of and unless something unforeseen happens will get along alright.

Columbus Telegram: Columbus is the home of a real live playwright. In a recent letter John Neumarker writes that he is now staging one of his own plays, with a company of his own. And this in addition to performing his duties as dramatic critic for a large New York daily paper, and serving as instructor in a dramatic school in Brooklyn. He expects to visit Columbus next summer, but does not promise to bring along his company.

Fremont Tribune: Delegates to the annual meeting of the Young Men's Christian association convention at Norfolk, including the Fremont and Fremont college representatives, returned from Norfolk. They occupied a special car attached to the train down the main line of the Northwestern. Some of the Omaha and Lincoln men arranged to spend a portion of the day in Fremont and made an inspection of the new building here. "The convention was a good one and the biggest ever held in Nebraska," said Secretary T. C. Marsh of the Fremont association when he arrived home. "We all had a good time."

Pierce Leader: Wednesday forenoon an awful tragedy was almost enacted in Pierce. Jake Rall, the father of Mrs. August Freeman, formerly Mattie Rall, and who is implicated in the lawsuit now pending, drew a revolver and bowie-knife upon the

and defendant in the above suit. Rall had been drinking and was in an ugly mood, and wanted to start things, but bystanders blocked his little game, and he showed the white feather. As a result the officers of the law took him in hand and he was assessed a fine of something like ten and the trimmings for pursuing wild and woolly tactics in a civilized community.

Butte Register: Josiah Coombs and Frank Braithwaite met with quite an accident last Sunday while on their way to Butte with their big Rambler automobile. It happened just as they were rounding the first sharp corner this side of Spencer. Josiah was at the helm and it seems that he didn't slow down enough and as a result the big machine "slewed" over, run off the grade and turned turtle, breaking one wheel into many pieces. However the occupants were hurled into the air and landed at a safe distance, uninjured, but badly shaken up. Of course such accidents are bound to occur and all first class automobilists must get used to it sooner or later.

Josiah will get his diploma now just as soon as he succeeds in running over some poor, unfortunate, old duffer and caving in his "slats."

Hoskins Headlight: The wrestling match scheduled for last Saturday evening between J. D. Walton of Norfolk and Herman Perela of Orchard, was attended by a very small audience, the match two weeks before being such a tame affair that the people had lost confidence in the wrestlers. The match was by no means called off on this score, however, and a very interesting bout was given. Walton won the first fall in twenty minutes, after a fine exhibition of holds and strength. At the second call to the mat the contestants went at it in earnest, and finally Perela was given the decision, at the expiration of eight minutes. The third and final bout was called a draw at the end of fifteen minutes, Perela having injured his left knee in the second bout, and the gate money being insufficient to continue under the circumstances. At the conclusion of the match Mr. Walton spoke of starting a wrestling school in Hoskins.

J. M. Hugin of Hoskins has an odd relic. It is a sheet of printed paper, which in its original state, was about six or eight inches square, but folded down to an inch square and petrified. It is in such a fine condition of preservation that letters can be discerned upon it by the aid of a magnifying glass. That these letters are discernible after the paper has been exposed to the different stages of petrification is strange and puzzling. Mr. Hugin found this little curio over fifty years ago in the heart of the Rocky mountains in Wyoming, and the regiment of which he was a member was making that memorable march over the old California trail into Utah to subdue Brigham Young and his Mormon followers in 1857. This piece of paper was evidently dropped some ten or twelve years before by some one who passed over the trail during the great rush to the gold fields of California, and underwent certain chemical and atmospheric conditions which reduced it to its present state. Mr. Hugin has been requested to send it to the Smithsonian institute at Washington where it will be examined by the scientists there. Their deductions will be sent him.

Omaha World Herald: While in Omaha Miss Grace Cameron, who is presenting "Dolly Dimples" here, is being entertained by her sister Mrs. Bruno C. Hansen, 1018 North Thirty-third street. She and her parents and her brother held a family reunion Sunday, her parents being Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Kerr of Falls City. Her brother, C. H. Kerr, is musical director and manager of the company. "It has been a number of years," said Miss Cameron Monday, "since I lived in Omaha. I began my musical education in this city under the direction of Mrs. Herman Kountze. Since going into the theatrical work I have had a number of important engagements. I was prima donna with the Bostonians and afterward I was with 'Foxy Quiller,' 'When Johnnie Comes Marching Home,' 'The Tenderfoot,' 'Nancy Brown,' Savase's grand opera company, 'The Normandy Wedding,' 'Piff, Paff, Puff,' and then I had a vaudeville tour to South Africa." The music for the piece, Miss Cameron is now presenting was composed by her brother, C. H. Kerr, who for three years was musical director for Hammerstein's theater, New York. He has been gone from Nebraska some fifteen years and in that time has been making a name for himself in the musical world.

Plainview News: Congressman Boyd is a busy man down at the nation's capitol these days. We note with pleasure that he gets almost everything he goes after in the way of appropriations. Tuesday's dailies contained a report where he had secured a \$12,000 appropriation for the rebuilding of the bridge across the Niobrara river, connecting the town of Niobrara with the Santee agency. Congressman Boyd is the right man in the right place and his constituents are now glad that they made it possible to serve them. His re-nomination and election is not questioned by anyone.

Atchison Globe Sights.

Industry is a better friend than talent.

The more a man knows, the more he hates a fool.

A bright Atchison girl says there are two kinds of young men here: those who take the girls places, and those

WILLIAM BOCHE BELIEVED DROWNED

PROMINENT FARMER HAS DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT.

WAS LAST SEEN WEDNESDAY

FOOTPRINTS, APPARENTLY HIS, LEAD TO HOLE IN ICE.

SON THINKS HE IS DROWNED

Started Toward Fred Boche's Camp.

Brother of Herman Boche, Who is to be Tried Next Week for Second Killing—Had Just Sold His Farm.

The dead body of William Boche was found late Thursday on a sandbar a half mile below the hole in the ice through which he was believed to have sunk Wednesday.

The body had been carried down stream by the Elkhorn's current till it struck a sand bar at the Henry Kohlloff farm.

The remains have been taken to the family home, on the Elkhorn.

William Boche, a prominent farmer living southeast of Norfolk, and a brother of Herman Boche who is waiting trial for murder next Monday, has disappeared from his Elkhorn river farm. A man's footprints have been traced from the Boche farmyard to the Elkhorn river, while out in the river is a hole in the ice through which Boche is supposed to have fallen.

Word that William Boche had probably gone through the ice of the Elkhorn was brought to Norfolk early Thursday afternoon by Paul Boche, a son. The son said that he was convinced that his father's body was beneath the ice, accidentally drowned.

Was Last Seen Wednesday.

William Boche was last seen by his wife Wednesday morning. Wednesday evening the family became alarmed and that night and Thursday morning a search was made. Footprints which they had every reason to believe were William Boche's were marked in the snow leading to the Elkhorn river. The tracks led to the river and there stopped. Out in the river was the open place. This hole has been scraped with poles but the water is running.

Headed For Fred Boche's Camp.

South of the William Boche farm and across the river is the camp of Fred Boche, a cousin, Madison county's giant hunter and trapper. It is towards this camp that William Boche is supposed to have been going when he crossed the treacherous Elkhorn.

William Boche is a man of some fifty years, nearly all of which have been spent down on the Elkhorn river two or three miles south of Norfolk. His father William Boche, sr., was a pioneer Madison county settler who died last February leaving, it was thought, several hundred dollars in gold buried on his premises. Some put the amount at \$4,000.

William Boche is a married man with three sons and a daughter, the youngest a young man of about eighteen. A brother, Herman Boche, is to be tried for murder in the district court at Madison, the trial being set for next Monday when he must answer for the slaying of Frank Jarner last May.

Was About to Move Away.

William Boche was about to leave Madison county for a farm in Knox county near Bloomfield. He had sold the 160-acre farm south of the city to J. H. Conley and had secured a farm near Bloomfield upon which he and his family were to move this spring. In this connection Mr. Conley left Thursday morning for Bloomfield. Next Wednesday Boche was to hold a sale of farm implements, hay and other things which he did not care to take north. His farm on the Elkhorn was valued at \$11,000.

Was Due in Norfolk.

Wednesday morning one of the Boche boys started to Norfolk with a load of oats. William Boche was to follow with a horse and buggy. A little later he was seen by his wife. He was then out in the yard fixing some of the things he was going to put in the sale. That was the last she saw of him.

The son failing to find his father in Norfolk returned home. The horse was still in the barn but it was suggested that the father might have walked to Norfolk, not an uncommon practice. The son took a second load of oats to Norfolk in the afternoon and not finding any trace of his father here, returned home. Wednesday afternoon Boche had an engagement with Mr. Conley and the latter wondered that he did not appear.

Family Becomes Alarmed.

The family became alarmed Wednesday evening. With no trace of the missing man since Wednesday morning and with the footprints in the snow leading to the river, the family Thursday had little hope that his body was anywhere but under the icy waters of the river.

Inquiry among relatives and neighbors developed that Boche had apparently vanished from the countryside Wednesday morning, leaving the car

in the river the most plausible explanation of his disappearance.

Was in Good Spirits.

William Boche, according to friends who have seen him lately, was in good spirits and thought well of his prospective change of location.

Witnessed Ives Killing.

Nineteen years ago William Boche was a witness to the killing of George Ives of Tilden by his brother Herman. In fact, it was to save William Boche's life that Herman Boche claimed caused him to attack Ives with an ax. Ives had been gathering young cottonwood trees along the banks of the Elkhorn on Boche land not far from the place where William Boche is supposed to have gone through the ice. Herman Boche was acquitted.

BUTTERFIELD & SON START Y. M. C. A. FUND

THEY WILL GIVE \$2,500 TOWARD NORFOLK BUILDING.

ONLY ONE PROVISION IS MADE MUST BE ON SAME LOT AS PROJECTED PUBLIC LIBRARY.

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS SOON

W. H. Butterfield & Son of Norfolk Have Started the Y. M. C. A. Building Fund With a Liberal Sum—Similar Contribution in Sight.

W. H. Butterfield & Son announce their willingness to contribute \$2,500 towards a Y. M. C. A. building for Norfolk.

The condition upon which this contribution is made is that the projected Norfolk public library and the Y. M. C. A. building shall both be located upon the same lot.

More to Follow.

It is confidently expected that other contributions of like amount will be secured.

Arrangements for a general canvass of the city are now being perfected.

Woman's Club to Help.

At a meeting of the Woman's club, which has been instrumental in the movement for a Carnegie library in Norfolk, it was voted to assist the Y. M. C. A. project in every possible way.

Contribution Will Please.

The announcement of the willingness of W. H. Butterfield & Son to contribute \$2,500 upon condition that both buildings be located upon the same lot, will please Norfolk.

This generous contribution will mean very much, indeed, toward these two public institutions which Norfolk so much desires, and a universal sentiment of sincere appreciation will unquestionably go out from all Norfolk to W. H. Butterfield & Son.

Theirs is one of the wealthiest firms in northern Nebraska. The family is prominent in Norfolk and the state. W. H. Butterfield has extensive ranching and live stock interests. George D. Butterfield, junior member of the firm, is president of the Nebraska National bank of Norfolk, one of the important financial institutions of Nebraska.

THURSDAY TIDINGS.

A surprise party was given Wednesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Jay Halverson on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary.

Bishop H. W. Weaver of Denver will, it is announced, dedicate the new \$25,000 Methodist church building at Albion on Sunday, April 26.

Madison county friends have been informed of the marriage of Miss Myrtle Rice, formerly of Warnerville but now of Milwaukee, to William Oretz, a business man of the latter city. Miss Rice has many friends in the county and in Norfolk.

Manager G. T. Sprecher of the Nebraska Telephone company is doing very well after the operation in Omaha Monday for the removal of a small cancerous growth from his lip. Mr. Sprecher has left the hospital and will be back in Norfolk Saturday or Sunday.

Fred E. Blust and L. A. Hansen, members of the firm of Blust & Hansen which has purchased the Aug.

LIBRARY AND Y. M. C. A.

PROPOSITION FOR JOINT SITE FOR TWO BUILDINGS.

BEGINNING TO GROW IN FAVOR

Would Make it Easier for Both Committees to Raise the Amount of Money Required and Give Desirable Location for Both Buildings.

The proposition advanced by The News that the interests of the public library and the Y. M. C. A. building would probably be best served by making joint cause in the purchase of a single lot on which to place both buildings, at first viewed askance, is beginning to grow into favor and may be adopted as the solution which will serve to secure for Norfolk both the Carnegie library and the Y. M. C. A. building.

Yesterday two prominent Norfolk citizens, one a man who has the interests of the library at heart, the other one of the principal supporters of the Y. M. C. A. building campaign, said that the one-lot idea was coming forward and that under present circumstances it was probably a proposition which ought to be adopted. The joint site suggested by The News was the corner lot, 100 by 176 feet, south of the federal building, and it was this site that both gentlemen had in mind.

Both men took the very earnest position that neither proposition should appear in the public mind as any way opposed to the other.

One of the men outlined a course of action that may bring a library site within easy reach. He proposed a conference between the library board and the executive committee of the Y. M. C. A. building campaign as soon as the latter committee is organized. Then if an agreement could be reached the Y. M. C. A. committee could agree to purchase part of the lot from the library board at a stipulated price, a sum which would probably reduce the amount to be raised by library subscriptions to a sum within easy reach of the library board.

The site south of the federal building has been generally accepted as the ideal location for the library. It finds favor with Y. M. C. A. supporters because it would place the building a little nearer the Junction and the railroad men.

Independent telephone service in Norfolk is still held up pending the arrival of equipment. At present the independent company's subscribers are limited to nineteen farmers on two farm lines which the company has constructed. A Zacek, Charles Duell, G. Reucker, Frank Duell, George Hoffman, Wm. Wand, George Kimmeler, John Dinkle and C. L. Low and William Preusker, William Low, Mike Rinke, J. H. Massman, A. B. McGibben, L. L. Low, J. A. Walmsey, C. Shipman, J. M. Lederer and H. Groninger are the farmers on these first lines which have been connected with Battle Creek, pending the construction of the city lines in Norfolk.

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Some people are so apt to say the wrong thing that it isn't safe for them to talk even to themselves.



Always the Same
Calumet Baking Powder
The only high grade baking powder sold at a moderate price.

Karo meat market, are to bring their families to Norfolk. Mr. Hansen comes from Tilden. Mr. Blust from Avoca, Iowa. Mr. Karo will engage in the stock business.

Governor Crawford was announced this week as a visitor in Gregory county. The South Dakota chief executive who wants to secure Senator Kittredge's seat in the United States senate, was expected to speak at Burke and Gregory and possibly in other Gregory county towns.

The splendid church home of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran church is virtually completed save for the arrival of the stained glass windows. While how much delay will be occasioned by the non-arrival of the windows is not known, it will be at least a month before the building can be dedicated. Definite arrangements towards dedication will not be made until the date is more certain.

Bruno Hansen was visiting his father at Tilden when his visit was cut short last week by a message from his next door neighbor in Omaha telling him that a big water main had broken in the basement of Hansen's home. From the telephone conversation Mr. Hansen inferred that the water was spouting from the upstairs windows. He took the first train to Omaha, where he found that the piano was not floating, that the upholstered furniture was still glued and the damage was confined to the plumbing.

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MOTOR NOW IN WISCONSIN

NEW CAR WILL BE TRIED OUT IN THAT VICINITY.

SEVERAL MORE TO BE BOUGHT

A Dispatch From Chicago Says That the Motor Which was Taken Off the Norfolk-Bonesteel Run is Now in the Northern Division.

The Northwestern's motor car which was recently taken from the Bonesteel run, is out of the repair shops and has been sent to Wisconsin for branch line work. The arrival of the car in Wisconsin is referred to in the following Chicago dispatch:

"The management of the Chicago & Northwestern road has decided to use gasoline motors for branch line work in Wisconsin. The fact of these cars which is to be put in service between Evansville and Afton, Wis., arrived here yesterday after a successful trip from Omaha. The car traveled only in daylight and no attempt at a record was made, but it is stated that on some portions of the route a speed of sixty miles an hour was attained. The car has been in use for several months between Norfolk, Neb., and Bonesteel, S. D. It was purchased from the Union Pacific railroad, which, it is stated, has agreed to build several more similar cars for the Northwestern. The car is driven by a 200-horsepower gasoline water-cooled motor, and will seat sixty passengers."