

**OFFER LIBRARY TO CITY**

**WOMEN'S CLUB ANXIOUS TO COMPLETE THEIR WORK.**

**COUNCIL NOT READY TO ACCEPT**

**Vote That the Library Fund Shall Not be Available Until a Carnegie Building is Ready to Receive the Books. Dissension Among Library Board.**

Some discussion exists among members of the city library board at this time on the proposition of the board taking over and maintaining the present public library which was started by the Woman's club and which has been supported and built up by a library committee of the club.

The ladies connected with the club who have devoted a good deal of time the last two years in their successful effort to establish a library here, are anxious to have their work completed by the city accepting the library as a gift. The control of the library would then pass into the hands of the library board and the expenses of the library would be met from the city treasury.

While the Women's club committee in charge of the library at this time is willing and anxious to make the transfer the same unanimity does not exist on the part of the library board named last year by the mayor. Some of the men on the library board are opposed to taking the library over until a library building is secured. One of the men succeeded at the council meeting this week in getting the city council to vote that the library fund should not be available until a Carnegie building and site were secured.

Councilman Kauffman, who is in as close touch with the library situation as any member of the council, supports the position taken by the women's club.

A meeting of the Women's club's library committee was held Friday afternoon and a meeting of the library board called for the evening.

**SATURDAY SIFTINGS.**

August Borgmeyer of Tilden and L. C. Rieger of Meadow Grove were in the city yesterday.

J. W. Humphrey was in the city during the morning. Mr. Humphrey is now located in Omaha.

F. E. Martin, editor of the Enterprise, and T. D. Best, mayor, were in town from Battle Creek, having made the journey in Mr. Best's new car.

Miss Bertha Howe, who went to Wilbur, Neb., a short time ago, is having a serious time with one of her ears, and is under a physician's care.

Louis Dudley is home from all winter in California. He saw the great fleet come into the harbor at Los Angeles and says that it was an impressive sight. Mr. Dudley likes California.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy stopped in Norfolk on their way from Denver to Lowell, Mass. Mrs. Murphy was formerly Miss Charlotte Kuhl.

W. T. Croft, Northwestern train dispatcher, has returned from Hot Springs, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. Bishop of New Haven, Conn., who have been spending the week in Norfolk, left yesterday for Pierce. They will leave for the east Monday, merely passing through Norfolk.

Miss Nell Schwenk is ill with an attack of appendicitis.

The Queen City Glove and Rug company is beginning to receive advance orders for its new glove.

Miss Nellie Howard, who has been a toll operator with the Nebraska Telephone company, has resigned to accept a position with the Norfolk Long Distance Telephone company.

Miss Ethel Doughty has been placed in charge of the sale of tickets for the Y. M. C. A. benefit concert to be given a week from Monday at the Methodist church under the direction of Prof. Otto Voegt of Wayne.

Miss Larson of Newman Grove, who has just completed a course in the business college, has accepted a position as stenographer in J. H. Conley's office. Charles Miller, who was with Mr. Conley, has a position with Smith Brothers.

The Meadow Grove State bank held their regular annual meeting Thursday. The directors elected are J. H. Harding, J. A. De Wolfe, P. Michaelson, H. E. Mason, John Risk, W. A. Witzgman and William McIntosh. The directors re-elected the old officers: W. A. Witzgman, president; J. H. Harding, vice president; H. E. Mason, cashier; W. I. McIntosh, assistant cashier. The directors declared the regular dividend.

Dr. C. W. Ray, pastor of the Methodist church of Norfolk, has an illustrated article in the current issue of The Classmate, an important church paper for young people published in New York. "How People Live in Syria" is the title of Dr. Ray's sketch, the basis of which is a personal visit to the country described.

A short service of prayer for the late E. L. Barrett was held Friday afternoon at the home of his son, P. E. Barrett. The services were conducted by Rev. John M. Hinds of the Second Congregational church. In the evening the remains were escorted by a delegation of Norfolk members of the Modern Woodmen to the Northwestern depot, the body being taken to Ainsworth for burial.

In a recent issue of a banking journal two group associations of Wisconsin bankers meeting in a joint meeting at Lacrosse, Wis., find reason to congratulate themselves because by meeting together they have been able to arrange for an address on "The Lesson of the Panic" by President Roberts of the Commercial National bank of Chicago. The fact

that the joint attendance would probably reach 200 is also commented on. All of which indicates something of the kind of meeting that the northeast Nebraska bankers held in Norfolk last month.

The Nebraska National bank has made arrangements to become the general guardian of all the keys of its patrons and friends. The Nebraska bank is distributing a chain key ring which has several special merits. The device for removing or adding keys is simple and reliable. The chain feature is the neat metal "tag" calling for the return of the ring to the bank if lost. Each ring has a special number which is assigned to a name on the "key ring record" of the bank. This is expected to result in the recovery of many key rings which would otherwise never be returned.

Robert Stoughton, known by nearly every traveler in north Nebraska as "Bob," will be missing from the Omaha bus. He has quit the bus this week and next Tuesday leaves for England to visit his father and sisters not far from London. It is twenty years since he left England and a dozen years of the twenty have been spent in Norfolk. Mr. Stoughton does not know whether or not he will remain in England. If he decides to return to America he will come back to engage in some kind of business in Norfolk. Not long ago he shared in a comfortable estate left by an aunt. His father who is now retired is one of the men who made London look so enticingly profitable.

**DAD SPOILED ELOPEMENT**

**GUY WILBERGER, ANOKA BARBER FOILED IN ATTEMPT.**

**SEQUEL TO WHISKER STORY**

**Along About Arbor Day Anoka Beards Were Allowed to Go to Seed for Want of a Mower—Here's What the Barber Was Doing.**

There's a sequel to the story of the shavess week at Anoka, which it will be remembered happened along about Arbor day. Arbor day didn't have anything to do with the case, except that the men of Anoka were too busy trying to uproot whiskers to devote many hours to tree planting. But that's all past and gone. There's fresh news in the situation.

Guy Wilberger, the barber who left Anoka in its sad bewhiskered plight, has been guilty of another offense. He tried to elope with a girl. Guiltier still, he allowed the enraged father to head off the wedding.

It was down at Beaver City that the elopement was attempted. At Norton, Kan., it was blocked. Miss Alma Zime, aged sixteen, was the intended bride of the Anoka barber who left the town's whiskers to grow up and go to seed while he sought a helpmeet. Miss Zime is the daughter of a family living near Beaver City and incidentally reputed to be wealthy. The girl has been attending the Beaver City high school. She was said to be worth several thousand dollars in her own name. But what mattered that? Wilberger had been visiting relatives at Beaver City off and on. That's how he came to get acquainted with Alma Zime. And that's why he left the whiskers of Anoka to grow up and look like a scraggly, unowned lot.

Saturday morning Alma left the high school grounds at 9 o'clock. She and Guy, Guy and she, started to Norton in a carriage, intending marriage.

But that's where their plans went wrong.irate papa appeared in Beaver City, learned of the elopement, set officers on the trail and recovered his daughter before the ceremony took place. Guy was placed under arrest—and all because he failed to get the ceremony completed before the officers came along. In that case it is to be presumed the enraged and angered parent would have forgiven all and blessed them, the children.

**FOUR APPLICATIONS APPROVED**

**Valentine Board Grants Four Licenses and Rejects One.**

Valentine, Neb., May 4.—Special to The News: At a meeting of the village board the applications for saloon licenses were acted upon. Those presenting petitions were: John G. Stetter, W. R. McGeer, W. F. A. Melten-dorf, Hershey & Parry, and Geo. A. Corbin. The first four were granted but the application of Corbin was rejected. All blinds and curtains were ordered removed and windows which obstructed the view are to be remedied. At a former meeting the license fee was increased from \$800 to \$1,000, so the town derives the same revenue from four saloons as it formerly did from five. The school receives \$2,400 of this and the village \$1,600. Every provision of the Slocum law is to be strictly enforced.

**Former Resident Dead.**

Valentine, Neb., May 4.—Special to The News: Word reaches here from New Mexico that Niel O'Connor, a former resident of this county, died there from tuberculosis. He left here last fall, going there in the hopes of effecting a cure for his affliction. A wife and two children survive him.

Seeds, including snake and other cucumber, prehistoric and other corn, both sweet and field, penicillaria, squash, melon, mammoth sunflower, and hundreds of other seeds, 1 cent and up per packet, (also seed in bulk) direct from grower to planter. Garden Guide and descriptive price list free. Address H. M. Gardner, seed grower, Marengo, Nebraska.

**AGED PRISONER GUILTY**

**MAN, SEVENTY-ONE, CONVICTED OF KILLING WIFE.**

**LET OFF WITH MANSLAUGHTER**

**Evidence Showed That He Poisoned His Wife, But on Account of His Extreme Age, the Jury Compromised on a Verdict of Manslaughter.**

Miller, S. D., May 2.—The jury in the Kammel murder case returned a verdict after deliberating for ten hours of manslaughter in the first degree against the seventy-year-old defendant. Four ballots were taken, the jury standing eight for conviction, as charged, and four for acquittal.

However, on the fifth ballot a compromise was effected, resulting as above stated. Those voting for conviction were Riley, Wilkins, Spers, Cook, Nickerson, Monour, Johnson and Furman; while Eaton, Chase, Rowen and Wangness were for acquittal. Gustave Kammel was charged with having poisoned his wife last December by putting poison in the oatmeal. The evidence was circumstantial, but the reputation of the defendant where he lived was not good, which no doubt aided materially in his conviction. Sentence will be passed today by Judge Boucher, if an appeal is not taken.

The crime for which Gustave Kammel stands convicted was committed near this city in the month of December when his wife, from whom he had recently separated, was found dead, and a son who lived with her was very sick with symptoms of poisoning.

An examination of the dead woman's stomach by a chemist revealed large quantities of arsenic and several circumstances served to place the aged husband under suspicion.

It was known that he had sought to have her sign papers transferring title to property which he was seeking to sell, and he had repeatedly made remarks tending to show that he would be pleased to have her die so that he might not be hampered by her opposition. With the money which he was to receive for the sale of his land he was planning a visit to the old country and it is thought that this disappointment embittered him until he was rendered desperate.

Gustave Kammel is now past seventy years of age and with a sentence of four to fifteen years it is unlikely that he will outlive his term of punishment.

**West Point Notes.**

West Point, Neb., May 2.—Special to The News: The teachers' county convention for Cuming county has been called to meet at Wisner on May 9. Two sessions will be held, morning and afternoon. County Superintendent Miss Emma R. Miller and Prof. W. T. Stockdale will be in charge of arrangements.

The Women's club of West Point met at the home of Mrs. H. L. Wells. A discussion of "John Milton" was first on the program, after which quotations from Sir Thomas Browne were given. The following papers were then read: "Selections from Paradise Lost," Mrs. M. Schmitt; "John Bunyan," Mrs. W. C. Smith; "Pilgrim's Progress," Mrs. P. M. Moodie; "Sir Isaac Newton and the Royal Society," Mrs. A. F. Walla. The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. R. D. Sharrar.

A delegate convention of the Volunteer fire department of West Point is called to meet on next Monday evening.

At the last meeting of the city council a saloon license was granted to John C. High, making nine licenses granted in the municipality for the year. Another application is expected to be filed. All licenses were granted without protest or remonstrance.

Joseph J. Strahle and Miss Lena Scharfen were united in marriage at St. Mary's Catholic church by Rev. E. A. Klemenz, assistant pastor. The groom is a resident of Grand Island and the bride the daughter of Frank Scharfen of Sherman township. The couple will make their home at Grand Island.

Some weeks ago Rev. P. A. Jetter, pastor of the German Methodist Episcopal church of West Point, resigned his pastorate. In this week's local papers appears the following: "German M. E. church. This is to certify that P. A. Jetter is no longer connected with the Methodist Episcopal church at West Point, or anywhere else. J. G. Leist, presiding elder." The public are left to draw their own conclusions from this extraordinary announcement.

A marriage license was issued this week to Julius Malzahn and Miss Lizzy Lemm, both well known young people of this vicinity.

J. P. Latta, a democratic politician of Tekamah, Neb., has announced his candidacy for congress for the Third congressional district.

**New Creamery is Coming.**

Norfolk is to have a new \$10,000 creamery. The plant will occupy the Olney building and will be installed within less than two weeks. J. L. Kudrle of Sioux City, for the past eight years manager of the creamery operated in Sioux City by Hathaway & Co., is the new manufacturer to be welcomed to Norfolk.

Mr. Kudrle has just rented the Olney building from A. J. Durland, to take possession May 15. The F. L. Estabrook produce business will occupy a portion of the building, all of the balance of the structure being occupied by Mr. Kudrle's creamery and butter renovator. The machinery for the big new

creamery has already been ordered and will arrive in Norfolk shortly.

The creamery which Mr. Kudrle will install is expected to employ a number of people and will be a splendid institution for the city and that Norfolk people will be pleased with the decision of Mr. Kudrle to locate here is self evident in advance.

**Object to All Licenses.**

With remonstrances filed against every applicant for a retail liquor license in Norfolk this city has every prospect for a short sojourn in the "dry" column.

The new administration will come into office at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. The applications for saloon licenses and the remonstrances against issuing them will be read to the city council at that time. It is probable that no immediate action will be taken Tuesday morning but that an early date for the hearings will be set.

**Expire at Midnight Monday.**

The saloon licenses now existing will expire at midnight next Monday evening. No saloon can open after that time until a license is granted by the city council. Nor can any saloon which has received a license open for business if an appeal from the action of the council is taken to the district court. Accordingly the length of the Norfolk "drought" will depend upon the course of the remonstrators in appealing to the district court. Judge Welch will convene the district court at Madison on May 18.

Attorneys Jack Koenigstein and M. D. Tyler, according to present arrangements, will represent the men who have made applications for saloon licenses.

**Matter of Appeals.**

Mrs. Brewer, president of the local W. C. T. U., stated this morning that while hearings would be held in all of the cases of remonstrances filed, the matter of appeals to the district court was entirely in the hands of Elmer E. Thomas, the Omaha attorney.

It is stated that the first remonstrances filed were drawn up by W. W. Quilvey of Pierce. E. E. Thomas, however, is the attorney who will prosecute the remonstrances.

**Fourteen Remonstrances.**

Remonstrances have now been filed against the fourteen applicants for retail licenses: R. L. Beveridge, William G. Berner, J. F. Walton, William Stokes, Emil Mueller, W. E. Koehn, Ray Weber, P. M. Barrett, C. A. Tarpenning, A. H. Reineccus, C. F. A. Marquardt, Martin Sporn, James A. Kelecher and John Weidenfeller. A remonstrance was also filed against Charles Rice, who is seeking a wholesale license. Twelve saloon locations are represented in the licenses filed this spring, the places of business being the same as last year.

The demonstrations which were filed last evening were against Chas. Rice, Martin Sporn, James A. Kelecher and John Weidenfeller. It was charged that Martin Sporn, who has been in Charles Rice's place, was running the saloon without a license. Screens in the principal allegation in the other three remonstrances.

**Witnesses Called.**

The city clerk yesterday afternoon issued some fifteen subpoenas on behalf of the remonstrators calling for the appearance of witnesses at the city hall at 9 a. m. Tuesday. Some of the witnesses named were minors. More witnesses will be summoned, it is stated.

Elmer E. Thomas of Omaha, the anti-saloon attorney, will not speak at the First Congregational church Sunday morning although preliminary arrangements had been made along that line.

**Civic Federation.**

A meeting to organize a civic federation in Norfolk has been called for Sunday evening in the audience room of the First Methodist church.

The call was addressed to "all persons interested in law and order." The meeting is said to be non-denominational.

The meeting will be presided over by Elmer E. Thomas of the civic federation of Omaha.

**U. C. T. Preparations.**

Norfolk council No. 120, U. C. T., attained its ambitious goal, initiating member No. 120 Saturday night, in advance of the coming of the state U. C. T. convention, which will be held in Norfolk Friday and Saturday of next week, May 15 and 16. S. H. Anderson was the 120th member to be taken into the local council.

A baseball game between members of Norfolk lodge No. 653, B. P. O. E. and the U. C. T. men was arranged for Saturday afternoon, May 16. The proceeds to go to the Y. M. C. A. fund.

Details of the big convention were arranged and committees appointed.

The following committees were appointed: Finance—J. D. Sturgeon, A. C. Rand-kiev, O. L. Hyde, George H. Spear, S. R. Carney.

Entertainment—S. F. Erskine, D. S. Day, Fred Gettinger, C. A. Rickabaugh.

Music, badges, printing—Frank H. Beels, A. L. Lager, M. W. Beebe.

Decorations—E. C. Engle, A. E. Chambers, E. B. Kauffman.

The following banquet program was announced: E. A. Bailey, grand counselor, presiding officer.

J. T. Thompson, toastmaster.

Invocation, Dr. Chas. W. Ray.

Words of welcome, Mayor J. D. Sturgeon.

"Our Wives and Sweethearts," Col. R. J. Woods.

Response, Mrs. O. L. Hyde.

"The Travelling Men as Boosters," C. E. Burnham.

"Travelling Men and the Newspaper," N. A. Huse.

"Relation of Railroads to the Travelling Man," C. H. Reynolds.

"The Good of the Order," C. B.

Miles, past supreme counselor.

Local officers are: A. E. Chambers, senior counselor; E. C. Engle, junior counselor; A. Randklev, past senior counselor; D. S. Day, conductor; C. H. Taylor, page; C. A. Rickabaugh, sentinel; George H. Spear, secretary and treasurer; A. L. Lager, C. A. Blakey, E. A. Moore, executive committee.

**South Dakota Politics.**

Sioux Falls, S. D., May 5.—The new South Dakota primary law is not making a hit among all classes of voters. Twenty-four counties dispensed with it in March to save trouble and expense. Many citizens believe it has multiplied the opportunities for manipulation and ring rule.

Under the old plan the candidate for a state office went into the caucuses and the county conventions in the contest for delegates to the state convention. The people had several opportunities to accept or reject him. The caucuses were usually well attended and every precinct sent delegates to the county conventions. Representation to the state convention had increased until 1,500 or more delegates assembled to nominate a state ticket.

Those who dislike the primary system say it is a farce and a fraud so far as the selection of state candidates is concerned. Any man is, of course, at perfect liberty to announce his candidacy and circulate his petition. In theory this is all very nice but in actual practice there seems to be little or nothing to it. No man unless he is a sort of a freak politician, goes after a state office until he has first sounded the local and state leaders and has assured himself of some support.

The net results of the primary to date show that the people have less to say about the choice of candidates than they had under the old caucus and convention system. The progressive ticket is composed largely of first-termers. But the other candidates, Glass for congress, Vessey for governor, Polley for secretary of state, and Robinson for railway commissioner, were put upon the ticket by a coterie of politicians in conference at Huron. The rank and file of the dear people had nothing at all to do with making these selections.

It was felt necessary to place the nomination for secretary in the Black Hills. Did the people make the choice? Not by any means. Lieutenant Governor Shober was sent to the Hills as an emissary of the leaders to induce Grimshaw, Polley or someone else to take the Black Hills niche on the ticket.

So, too, the candidates on the stalwart ticket have been named not by the people but by the leaders, by men who devote some time and means to politics. Under the new system someone must do this work. The people's only say-so will come at the June primaries when they are permitted to choose between two machine-made tickets. In exchange for this privilege they have surrendered the caucus county convention and the state convention. Many South Dakotans will tell you that the primary hasn't made good, and never will.

It has been many years since the democracy of the state felt so hopeful. This year it is out to elect a governor and it hopes to muster enough legislative votes at Pierre, with the help of a few uncompromising republican factionalists who may refuse to be whipped into line for Kirtledge or Crawford, as the case may be to choose the next senator. The democracy sees an opening and it will have tickets in practically every county in the state.

South Dakota twice elected Andrew E. Lee a democrat to the office of governor. It was a big turn-about for the state, which had been overwhelmingly republican. Unlike Governor Johnson of Minnesota, Lee escaped a boom for the presidency and upon retiring from office went back to his mercantile and farming interests. All the men who voted for him twice before are still in the state. The democrats expect to hold a goodly part of the strength he had before and, in addition, win the votes of others who are disgusted with the row within the republican party. Hundreds of voters say that there will be no peace in the republican ranks until the party has been licked good and hard. Lee, they assert, is just the man to do the job.

Adversity will bring the republican party to its senses and pave the way after the necessary discipline for another eight or ten years lease of power.

There is just a chance therefore that the next governor will not be either a Browne or Vessey or the next senator either Kirtledge or Crawford. The democrats are playing a shrewd game and they have some good cards. They can run Lee for governor and if by a trick of fortune they should control they can elect him to the United States senate. If they prefer to keep him as governor they can send Pettigrew or Chauncey Wood or one of the Johnsons to the senate.

The June primary will therefore not bring peace and rest to the republican factions. The nominations will have been made, but there still remains a canvass for election. Hardest of all, the wounds of the factionalists must be closed and some sort of peace patched up. Unless it is done a dissatisfied element can prevent the dominant faction from partaking of all the fruits of its victory.

There are some who contend that the factional wounds can never be healed. The Sioux Falls Press is the leading organ of the progressives. W. C. Cook, chairman of the state central committee, is a part owner of the plant and business and beyond question has a potent voice in shaping the policies of the paper. But should Kirtledge carry the primaries in June, it is a ten-to-one shot that the Press will not support him for senator in the canvass ending in November. Any good

democrat will command the support of the Press in preference to Senator Kirtledge. This indicates the gulf that divides the two factions. The Press professes to be independent in politics and it is just as likely to support Bryan or Johnson for president if either is nominated as it is Taff or any other republican except, possibly, La Follette. The paper as stated is owned in part by the republican state chairman. Surely party lines are not galling in South Dakota at the present time.

Thomas A. Way, once a Warwick in Iowa, is playing the role off and on in South Dakota. In Iowa he was for Cummins and in South Dakota he is for Crawford. Mr. Way is said to have furnished some of the money that is boosting the Crawford regime.

He helped to buy and equip a Water-town daily paper and has imported an editor from the progressive preserves in Iowa to run it. The Minneapolis & St. Louis road, with which Mr. Way is prominently connected, and the Chicago & Northwestern, for which Mr. Crawford was general attorney from 1897 to 1904, are said to be backing the Crawford candidacy for the senate. The progressives do not deny that they are spending large sums of money. Not all of it can be accounted for by the "sinews" furnished by Messrs. Richards, Way et al. Where then does the rest come from? The stalwarts contend that money controlled by the Mormon church has been sent into the state to defeat Senator Kirtledge for the fight which he made against the seating of Senator Smoot. The progressives insist on an assertion and the stalwarts have no means of proving it.

W. S. Bowen, one editor of the Press and a Kirtledge fighter, is now holding an editorial position on former Senator Dubois' paper at Boise City, Idaho and in recent editorial comment contends that the allegations of the Kirtledge men are well taken. The Mormon church, he says, makes it its business to interfere in just such instances and it has an abundance of money to spend to defeat its political enemies.

The sincerity and consistency of Governor Crawford are attacked by the stalwarts in campaign literature. Notwithstanding the executive is more aggressive than defensive and asserts that the farmers are with him.

The governor made the primary a stepping stone, just as La Follette did in Wisconsin but there was a time when he was so hostile to the system that he wanted to do away with the local primary in his own county of Beadle. Mr. Crawford's legislative career began in 1889 when as a member of the last territorial legislature he voted against the double damage liability of railroads and for the gross earnings measure which was prejudicial to the home builder and helpful to the Northern Pacific railway. In 1890, when a member of the state senate he voted against the anti-trust bill, which was supported by Mr. Kirtledge, who was also in the senate and became a law. It is asserted that as attorney general and a member of the state board of assessment Crawford was always active in seeking to reduce the assessment of the Northwestern railroad and that sixty days after finishing his term as attorney general he became the state counsel for the Northwestern system.

Crawford says that Kirtledge was and is opposed to the primary and fights him hard on that ground. Gamble wrote from Washington to Pierre advising members of the legislature to reject the primary petition, yet Crawford made an alliance with Gamble and assisted in acquitting him and returning him to Washington.

The average stalwart is honest in his belief that Crawford is two-faced and treacherous and toga mad. The governor, he says, is a reformer simply because he was kicked out of the inner circle of the republican party.

But by a neat coup Crawford has contrived to keep the opposition explaining and if it be true that the farmers are with him, as he asserts, he will be the next senator. His success will be the bitterest pill that the old-time machine men have been called upon to swallow.

TELEGRAPHY—Learn at Boyles College, Omaha, Neb., Official Training School U. P. R. R. Dispatcher's wire; Station Blanks; Positions absolutely guaranteed. May work for board. Booklet "D" free.

**Preparing For Bryan.**

Ainsworth, Neb., May 4.—Special to The News: Great preparations are being made for the reception of William Jennings Bryan, who speaks here on the evening of Decoration day. A non-partisan mass meeting was held at the court house Saturday evening for the purpose of starting these preparations. The following executive committee was appointed to manage the reception: Judge Potter, Col. J. H. Hart, R. E. Osborn and E. E. Humphrey, democrats; L. K. Alder and John M. Cotton, republicans, and Dr. G. O. Remy, Rev. H. C. Van Valkenburgh and B. S. Harrington, independently (not populists, but strictly independents.) This committee held a session Monday evening to begin work.

The warmer weather of the past few days has started vegetation again. Mrs. Ed Troxel of Manville, Wyoming, is visiting her parents, Will Remy and wife.

Meslames Harrington and Williams left Sunday morning for Omaha to attend the grand lodge of the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Mazie Langley, who has been visiting her parents, Fred Finney and wife, left for her home in Crawford Saturday night.

Mrs. Charley Howe returned Saturday night from a visit of two months and a half in continental Europe—Germany, principally.

J. C. Sherman is in New York on business.

Mrs. George Carpenter was called

to New York one day last week by the serious illness of a relative.

Dr. Mefferd will move his stock of drugs and jewelry from Friend, Nebraska, to this place and combine with his stock here.

It is said that the fruit is not all killed, though a week of freezing would seem to have finished it.

The funeral services over the remains of the late Elijah Lawler Barrett, who died in Norfolk Wednesday from injuries resulting from a fall, were conducted from the Congregational church Sunday at 11, and the funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Van Valkenburgh. The remains were placed in the South Ainsworth cemetery, followed by a large number of friends and relatives. The Modern Woodmen camp assisted in the services.

**TUESDAY TOPICS.**