

MOUNT GOES TO FREMONT

NORFOLK TRAINMASTER IS TO BE TRANSFERRED.

LEAVES NORFOLK NEXT SUNDAY

E. O. Mount, For Twenty Years a Norfolk Citizen, Becomes Trainmaster at Fremont for Northwestern—Other Officials Are Shifted.

By a shifting of Northwestern railroad officials, effective next Monday, Trainmaster E. O. Mount, who has made his home in Norfolk for a score of years, is transferred to Fremont.

M. E. Pangle, now trainmaster at Chadron, comes to Norfolk to succeed Mr. Mount. Trainmaster John Leppla, who has been stationed at Fremont, and whose place Mr. Mount goes to fill, is transferred to Chadron as assistant superintendent of the Black Hills division. The office of trainmaster at Chadron is abolished.

News of the change was made public in two circulars sent out to Northwestern agents last night. The circulars are signed by C. H. Reynolds, superintendent, and approved by S. M. Braden, general superintendent.

Mr. Mount has lived in Norfolk for many years, having come to this city in the capacity of a train dispatcher in June, 1889.

Later he became chief train dispatcher in this office and then trainmaster.

Mr. Mount will go to Fremont Sunday to assume his new duties. He spent the afternoon in Fremont Tuesday looking for a house, and upon his success in finding a suitable residence will depend the date when his family will be removed to their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Mount have always taken an active part in the social life of Norfolk and their departure will be regretted by a great many warm friends.

In his new position, Mr. Mount will have a larger field of operation, having charge of the Fremont headquarters.

TUESDAY TOPICS

S. Beck is in Valentine on business. C. M. Thompson, the Newport banker, was in Norfolk Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Schram returned last evening from a visit in Omaha.

Judge A. Van Wagonen of Sioux City was in Norfolk over night.

F. G. Stiles is home from a visit with relatives in Kansas and Missouri.

Mrs. Fred Linerode and Mrs. Harry Owen returned at noon from a visit to Omaha.

Ex-Congressman J. J. McCarthy of Ponca was brought to Norfolk Tuesday noon by legal business.

C. O. Pratt, F. L. Waite and E. J. Waite of Cambridge, Mass., are the guests of W. J. and C. C. Gow.

Misses Minnie and Caroline Krueger returned to Firth, Neb., after a few weeks' visit with Rev. and Mrs. Witte.

Herman Melcher from Wisconsin, Arnold Pasewalk, Obed and Ernest Raasch drove to Battle Creek to spend the day.

Miss Lydia Squires left this morning for Peru to attend the state normal for four months. She has been teaching school in the Raasch district.

Mrs. Will Martin and Mrs. Jesse Reynolds and three sons of Denver are here visiting their father, Judge L. G. Westervelt. They will remain for two or three weeks.

Mrs. Minnie Juhl, accompanied by her daughters, Laella and Clara, have returned from Omaha, where they went to attend the wedding of their cousin, Miss Mary Peterson.

Despite the early hour several members of the senior class were at the station this morning to say good-bye to A. G. Kennedy, a high school instructor, who leaves the Norfolk schools this year. Mr. Kennedy went to his home in Weeping Water.

L. A. Rothe was in Lynch on business.

Clyde Whelan returned from Columbus last night.

Miss Anna Leu returned last evening from a short visit in Columbus.

Miss Minnie Klug left yesterday for Stanton where she will visit at the home of Frank Klug and family.

Attorneys Jack Koenigstein, M. D. Tyler and E. P. Weatherly arrived home last evening from Madison.

C. H. Groesbeck has gone to La Crosse, Wis., to attend to business matters with the Gund Brewing company, whom he represents in this territory. Mr. Groesbeck will return Friday noon.

E. M. Norton arrived in Norfolk last night from Wheatland, Wyo., to attend the marriage of his daughter, Miss Fannie Norton, to Mr. L. P. Pasewalk Wednesday. Mrs. Norton arrived in Norfolk today from an eastern visit.

The Degree of Honor will meet Wednesday afternoon in G. A. R. hall.

The first of a series of two musical recitals, which promise to be unusually delightful, will be given this evening in the Auditorium by pupils of Prof. Ludwig Koenigstein. Prices will be 10 cents for children, 25 cents for adults.

President J. M. Pile of Wayne college was to have delivered the commencement address at Orchard Saturday evening but was taken ill. As a substitute President Pile secured Robert I. Elliott, formerly of Norfolk, now a law student at the state university.

The Norfolk Plumbing and Heating company has secured the contract for putting in the heating plant at the new school building at Orleans, Neb. The plant is modeled after the Norfolk high school plant.

P. A. Shurtz has moved his jewelry stock from O'Neill to Norfolk, where he has stored the stock in the building

on Norfolk avenue until recently occupied by Max Venger. The latter has gone to Genoa to engage in the clothing business.

P. M. Barrett has moved his saloon from the Oxnard hotel building to the first door west of his former location, fixing up the building which he has been using as a warehouse. The building has been repaired and overhauled. The former location of the bar will be used altogether as a pool room, the new saloon ordinance requiring saloons and pool rooms to be separated.

Four weeks ago, Jake Weber, a farmer living near Pierce, mysteriously disappeared and as yet no trace of him can be found. There are many theories but no results. On the day that he disappeared, he ate his dinner as usual and without a word to anyone, got up and went out and vanished. He had on his work clothes. His wife later discovered that he had taken \$50 with him which goes to show that his act was premeditated.

The Omaha trade excursionists who go to Wyoming this week will return home over the Northwestern, by way of Norfolk, the latter part of the week. The train will consist of ten coaches. The trade boosters will stop in Norfolk only long enough to change engines. No formal stops will be made this side of Chadron. The train equipment is the finest to be had, including electric-lighted coaches. Two dining cars are to be carried by the train.

The two north Nebraska winners in the recent state oratorical contest, which was held in Norfolk, were trained by elocutionists well known in Norfolk. Miss Anna Vasholz of Stanton, one of the first prize winners, was trained by Mrs. Peters of Stanton, formerly Miss Maude Tannehill of this city. Miss Blanche Putney of Oakdale, another first prize winner, was trained by Miss Gilberta Durland of Plainview, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Durland.

The last of the corn to be sold in the May market on the Chicago board of trade has left this region. The extraordinary jump-up in the price attracted an unusual quantity of the yellow grain from out the granaries of northern Nebraska and southern South Dakota and it is said that the elevators in this territory have not witnessed such activity in months as they saw during the past week. The corn which left Sunday was about the last that could get into Chicago in time to be graded and sold under the high May price.

The Farmers Grain and Live Stock company will start business Wednesday at the former Updike elevator on Philip avenue. The stockholders have effected the following regular organization: Directors, Herman Buettow, Obed Raasch, Fred Braasch, C. F. Haase, C. L. Low, J. W. Ray and A. E. Craig; officers, Herman Buettow, president; Fred Braasch, vice president; Obed Raasch, secretary; C. L. Low, treasurer; John Phinney, manager. Mr. Phinney will select his helper. The company is capitalized at \$25,000 with about \$8,000 subscribed.

The advance orders for seats must look up quite materially if Norfolk is to see "The District Leader" on Friday, June 5. Although a goodly number of advance subscriptions for tickets have been received, not enough have yet attached their signatures to seat-orders to insure the attraction. "The District Leader" is so well known to all who have kept posted upon the musical comedy successes of the season in the cities, as to need no detailed accounting. It was written by Joseph E. Howard, who wrote "The Time, the Place and the Girl," and also "The Flower of the Ranch." Norfolk had an opportunity last winter to see "The Flower of the Ranch," but the advance sale of tickets failed to guarantee that attraction and it looked for Fremont. There are a number of other cities after the open date of June 5 for "The District Leader," though Norfolk has the option in case a guarantee is assured. Another day remains in which the theatergoers of Norfolk and surrounding towns may decide whether or not they want to see "The District Leader" here.

GREGORY COUNTY BOOKS

REPORT OF EXPERT ACCOUNTANT IS SUBMITTED.

COST THE COUNTY ABOUT \$1,200

Expert Accountant Maurice Fitz Gibbon of Sioux City Has Been Conducting a Special Auditing of the Various Offices.

Fairfax, S. D., May 28.—Special to The News: Expert Accountant Maurice Fitz Gibbon of Sioux City, who has had charge of the special auditing of the books of various officers of this county, made his report to the board of county commissioners.

The report is full and complete and shows an enormous amount of work in its preparation as well as in the work of the special auditing.

Most of the officials are highly complimented for the efficient and thorough manner in which the business of the county is now conducted.

The work cost the county a little more than \$1,200.

Divorce For Breitingers. West Point, Neb., May 25.—Special to The News: A divorce has been granted to Mr. and Mrs. William Breitingers, old residents.

Buy Livery Barn. West Point, Neb., May 25.—Special to The News: Sanders Bros., late of Howell, have purchased the livery barn and stock of Buse Bros. here.

A MODEL ROAD WANTED

COMMERCIAL CLUB WANTS FEDERAL EXPERT SENT HERE.

FOR GOOD ROAD DEMONSTRATION

G. T. Sprecher Enlists Commercial Club in Effort to Have the Government Conduct a Demonstration in Good Road Making in This Vicinity

The Norfolk Commercial club will try to have the federal government send a good roads expert to Norfolk to give a practical demonstration of good road making.

Messrs. S. G. Mayer and G. T. Sprecher were appointed as a special good roads committee by the club directors yesterday afternoon.

The subject of good roads was brought before the directors by Mr. Sprecher, who has been a good roads enthusiast for many years.

Mr. Sprecher pointed out the value of systematic road making and the poor results that had been obtained in the past through haphazard methods and temporary repairs. He thought that Norfolk should try to get the government to give a demonstration of good road making in this vicinity. Where the government takes up this work it sends an expert and meets all of the expense of the sample road. The directors agreed with Mr. Sprecher and instructed him in conjunction with Mr. Mayer to enter into the necessary correspondence.

Norfolk has already shown her interest in better roads. Before Mr. Sprecher appeared before the club the directors had appropriated \$250 to be used in cooperating with the county in putting in better condition the country roads leading into Norfolk. The money will be expended under the direction of County Commissioner Burr Taft.

The Commercial Club Auxiliary is studying the King road drag and has voted to have a new drag built.

The Sturgeon administration is going to lay general attention to all Norfolk streets. The city council has agreed to keep the small street grading wherever it is needed.

THE AUXILIARY MEETS.

Takes up Lawn Competition Again. Next Meeting a Smoker.

The Norfolk Commercial Club Auxiliary, at its meeting last evening, took up the question of a lawn competition again. It was agreed that it would probably be best not to ask Norfolk avenue merchants to contribute the prizes but to vote prizes without outside soliciting. The auxiliary voted to divide the expenses of the prizes with the parent club if the club directors would agree to the plan. The woman's club is willing to take charge of the competition again.

The Auxiliary voted for immediate efforts to increase its membership. The next meeting will be in the nature of a smoker.

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

P. Paul is home from a visit to Kearney.

A. C. Peterson was in Creighton Wednesday.

L. A. Rothe of the Citizens National bank, went to Lynch on business this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jenkins were up from Madison to attend the Pasewalk-Norton wedding.

Forest Norton and Mrs. James McKinzie of Albion were in Norfolk Wednesday for the Pasewalk-Norton wedding.

F. L. Kautzman, sales manager for the Ready-Advertising cigar company, has gone east on business connected with the company.

Mrs. L. E. Wallerstedt and children have gone to Ashland to spend Sunday, after which they will go to their new home in Mitchell, S. D. The residence vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Wallerstedt will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Nicola.

M. C. Hazen was in Madison Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Mills has returned from a visit in Wayne.

Mrs. Frank Benzer and Miss Moratz were down from Hoskins.

Miss Faye Canine of Lincoln is the guest of Miss Georgia Blakeman.

Harry Woodward and F. W. Taylor leave for an outing near Wood Lake.

Henry Miller and son of Orchard were visitors at the William Klug home yesterday.

Judge A. Van Wagonen of Sioux City and J. A. Van Wagonen of Pierce were in Norfolk yesterday.

Charles Sutherland and Mr. Brown, the latter a traveling representative of the Peters Shoe company, leave Thursday for an outing near Wood Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed C. Engle and Mr. Engle's father and mother who are visiting at the Engle home, will leave Thursday evening for Wood Lake, where Mr. Engle has an interest in a club house.

Mrs. C. A. McKim has returned to Lincoln after a visit with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Matrau, during the school commencement. Her sister, Miss Grace Matrau went to Lincoln with her. Dr. McKim visited at the Matrau home a day or two.

Butte will celebrate the Fourth with a three days carnival.

Today the fat men play the lean men of Wisner on the base ball field of Wisner.

M. Halpin is remodeling two residences owned by him, one on South Seventh street and one on South Fourth street. Both will be made modern.

Antelope county supervisors have offered a reward of \$250 for the arrest

and conviction of a horse thief. This action was taken as a precautionary measure.

The Northwestern runs a special train from Long Pine to Alnoworth on next Saturday evening for the benefit of the people who want to hear Mr. Bryan's Decoration day address at Alnoworth where he speaks at 8 o'clock. Mr. Bryan speaks at Long Pine at 6 p. m.

The town of Butte was threatened by a small tornado the other day. The storm missed Butte but created considerable disturbance over the country. At the home of Miss Nell Copland five miles west of Butte the storm took out two windows and then scoured a good portion of the lighter household belongings through the windows. No one was at home. The storm also blew up several other stories.

Grand Island Independent: John Mattes, Jr., president of the Sons of Hermann of Nebraska, who impressed many even outside of the order with his earnestness, his ability and his capacity for large duties, is mentioned as a candidate on the democratic ticket for secretary of state. Were it certain—instead of otherwise—that the next secretary of state would be a democrat, that party could not do better for itself or for the people at large than to select the Nebraska City man mentioned. It would be a recognition of the German population of the state as well as a nomination for which the party would never have cause to regret. Any man of the ideals expressed by Mr. Mattes in his address on "The German in politics" is likely to make a good, honest and efficient officer.

The national convention of the Travelers' Protective association will be held in Milwaukee, Wis., beginning June 22 and will continue throughout the week. It is expected that there will be an attendance of between 5,000 and 8,000 travelers and their friends on this occasion and the Wisconsin division is making elaborate plans for their entertainment. The business sessions will dispose of a number of important matters of interest to the traveling public. One subject of importance will be the encouragement of legislation in all states and in congress to bring about the use of steel fire-proof cars on all railroads. It has been calculated that the largest percentage of loss of life and limb on railroads is due to the telescoping and burning of cars in train wrecks, which renders it impossible to release the victims before it is too late to save their lives. The entertainment program for the week is especially elaborate and will tend to sustain the reputation held by Milwaukee as a convention city.

Details of Council Meeting. Council met in special session at 7:45 p. m., Mayor Sturgeon presiding. Present, Winters, Kaufman, Degner, Fuesler, Dolan, Hibben, Absent, Garvin and Craven.

The property owners in sewer district No. 2 were assessed 42 cents per foot; district No. 3, 58 cents per foot; district No. 4, 54 cents per foot.

Moved by Dolan, seconded by Degner that special meeting adjourn.

Council met in regular session at 8:00 p. m., Mayor Sturgeon presiding. Present, Winters, Kaufman, Degner, Fuesler, Dolan, Hibben; absent, Garvin and Craven.

The application of Ed Grant for liquor license was read. There being no remonstrance filed, it was moved by Kaufman, seconded by Dolan, that license be granted. Ayes, Winters, Kaufman, Degner, Fuesler, Dolan. Not voting, Hibben. Carried.

Moved by Dolan, seconded by Winters that request of Kaufman to be allowed to erect hand stand on Fourth street be granted. Carried on roll call with full vote.

Moved by Fuesler, seconded by Winters that Smith Bros. be allowed to put a gate across Fourth street to be used only in transferring horses and to be locked open at all other times, gate not to be permanent. Carried on roll call with full vote.

Moved by Winters, seconded by Hibben, that city attorney draft ordinance for pool and billiard tables, occupation tax to be \$15 per year. Ayes, Winters, Kaufman, Degner, Fuesler, Hibben. No, Dolan. Carried.

The contract for crossings was awarded to M. Endres at 14 cents per square foot.

The contract for sidewalks and approaches was awarded to Robert Klug.

The city clerk was instructed to file deed from Stitt to city of Sixth street.

A street light was allowed at corner of Eighth street and Pasewalk avenue, to be located by public works committee.

Sidewalks were ordered put in on the west side of South Eighth street, in front of lots 5, 6 and 7, block 8, on south side block 8 from Eighth to Ninth street, on Pasewalk avenue and on east side of block 8 from Pasewalk avenue to Taylor avenue on Ninth street.

On motion of Hibben, seconded by Fuesler, petition for sewer district No. 5 was granted.

Moved by Kaufman, seconded by Winters that gas light be placed on South Fourth street, to be located under direction of public works committee. Carried on roll call with full vote.

Chief Krantz reported that 300 feet of new hose was tested and taken to Third ward, and was instructed to bring in report of auditor of all fire apparatus at next meeting.

Moved by Winters, seconded by Degner, that Mr. Cronk be appointed to inspect privy vaults and also make report of condition of alleys. Carried on roll call.

Moved by Kaufman, seconded by Winters, that city attorney be instructed to have ordinance No. 217 amended by striking out section 15, and that the mayor be empowered to appoint one or two scavengers if necessary.

AN ALL NIGHT SESSION

CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNS AT 4 THIS MORNING.

A NEW SEWER ENGINEER

A Merry Row Over the Sewer Scrap Kept Councilmen in Council Chamber All Night—New Saloon License. Officer Fraser at Junction.

Just before 4 o'clock this morning the Norfolk city council adjourned. A few minutes before the sun climbed over the hill the last weary councilman slammed the door of his home and vowed not to run next time. It was a council meeting that broke all time records.

There is nothing so productive of a lengthy council session as a merry row. There were hot words last night and this morning between the mayor and the city engineer, the net result being that the latter's resignation as sewer engineer was again tendered. The resignation was accepted by the council, that body instructing the mayor to engage a new sewer engineer with the understanding that County Engineer Thatch of Madison should be secured if possible. The city engineer tendered his resignation as sewer engineer because of a dispute between him and the sewer contractor as to the way the loose dirt should be put back in the trenches. The council found enough sides to the story to keep them up all night.

The council did some things last night, however. Here are some:

Saloon license granted to Ed Grant in old Jarner location, making twelve retail saloons.

Pool hall license fixed at \$15 a year. Sewer district No. 5, a one block extension on South Tenth street, started on its legal course.

City sidewalk contract awarded to Robert Klug at eight cents a square foot with five year guarantee.

City cement crossing contract awarded to M. Endres at fourteen cents a square foot.

Six hats, coats and stars ordered for use of special police.

Appointment of R. M. Fraser as Junction night officer confirmed.

Old stone from high school building purchased.

Automatic telephone ordered in city hall in place of present phone.

Permit granted for erection of a speaker's stand on Norfolk avenue and Fourth street for Bryan day.

While Governor Sheldon Refuses to Take the Movement Seriously, it is Reported from Lincoln That He Will be Pushed in the Race.

Lincoln, Neb., May 27.—While Governor Sheldon declines to take the matter seriously, an effort is to be made by the republican delegation from Nebraska to impress the Chicago convention with the idea that it would be good politics to name Sheldon on the ticket with Taft, as the vice presidential candidate.

It is figured that Hughes will not permit his name to be used and that the indications now are that he will be again a candidate for governor of New York; that Fairbanks will refuse and that Cortelyou will be offensive to the west. Therefore it will be good politics to make a western man Taft's running mate.

Governor Sheldon does not believe that the west will be considered in the makeup of the ticket. He says that easterners class Taft as a western man, Ohio being west of their horizon of vision, and that the east will insist upon naming the man for second place. This is not conceded by the Sheldon boomers, but the general impression of the politicians is that the republican leaders are fearful of what might happen to the state or legislative ticket if Bryan should carry the state by a big majority, and are suggesting Sheldon for vice president in the hope that it would head off any such catastrophe to have a Nebraska running for vice president of the national ticket.

A Bargain. It is human nature to look for bargains and here is one that will please you. From our large stock of imported and domestic pictures, banners and hangers we have selected 500 of our choice premium picture, "The Bride," size 20 by 28 inches, lithographed in beautiful colors, and agree to mail one of these attractive productions, postpaid, together with "The American Farmer" or "Everybody's Home Journal," monthly for one year, to each person sending us 50 cents, postage or money order. If you desire to secure one of these beautiful pictures, mail us your order promptly as we have only a limited number of the pictures in stock.

Address The Krokobola Company, Olney, Ill.

Notice. The county board of equalization will meet at the court house in Madison, Nebraska, at 1 o'clock p. m. on June 9, 1908, and will continue in session at least three days. Any person having cause for complaint on account of his assessment should appear before this board.

Geo. E. Richardson, County Clerk.

"HOG" DAY AT VALENTINE. Record Was Broken—Almost \$3,000 Worth of Porkers Bought.

Valentine, Neb., May 25.—Special to The News: Saturday was hog day in Valentine. It was a record breaker for the number of porkers that were brought in. Nearly \$3,000 worth of hogs were brought to the local markets and were paid for at the rate of \$4.70.

ARTIFICIAL ICE HERE

NORFOLK COMPANY ORGANIZED TO MAKE ICE.

WILL BE IN MARKET JULY 15

Encouraged by Prospective Ice Farmers Norfolk Men Have Organized a Company to Manufacture Artificial Ice—Ten Ton Capacity.

An artificial ice plant will be doing business in Norfolk by the middle of July. The plant will have a capacity of ten tons of ice daily. It will be operated under the name of The Pure Ice company, with H. C. Matrau, T. Wille, D. S. Hullock and E. A. Bullock as the incorporators and stockholders.

The organization of the company, while only completed today, was projected some months ago when it became apparent that Norfolk was up against an ice famine if dependent on the natural product. The contemplated capacity of the new plant is such that it will fill up the gap in the local supply. The capacity is about half the local consumption.

The artificial ice plant will be operated in connection with the electric light plant, the exhaust steam from the boilers being utilized to obtain a supply of pure water.

Work will start at once on the building to house the ice plant, which will be erected in the rear of the electric light plant, adjacent to a sidetrack to give shipping facilities. The new building will be 28x10 feet and will have a storage capacity of fifty tons. E. A. Bullock and H. C. Matrau will go to Omaha in the morning to arrange for the purchase of machinery.

The company expects to supply to a certain extent this year the outside demand for pure ice. A good demand for the artificial product has already been found up the Bonesteel line.

A cold storage plant, while often operated in connection with an artificial ice plant, is not in the immediate plans of the new company.

The company is to be incorporated for \$15,000.

Pasewalk-Norton. At a quiet wedding and in the presence of a small party of friends and relatives, Mr. L. P. Pasewalk and Miss Fannie Norton, two young people who have been prominent in the social life of Norfolk, were married at the home of P. F. Bell, the bride's uncle, on Koenigstein avenue Wednesday morning. The ceremony was performed by Dr. D. K. Tindall.

The marriage rites were performed at 10 o'clock. A simple ring service was used. The bride and groom were not attended.

The wedding march was played by Mrs. C. D. Jenkins of Madison, a sister of the bride. The march was a piece of Mrs. Jenkins' own composition. Miss Norton was attired in a simple white dress of pongee.

The guests at the wedding included only a very few friends and relatives.

A three-course breakfast was served after the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Pasewalk left at noon on the Northwestern for Fremont where they take the Union Pacific for Colorado. They will be "at home" to friends on North Twelfth street after July 1.

Mr. Pasewalk is cashier of the Norfolk National bank and has been prominent both in business and social circles in Norfolk. His father, the late Ferdinand Pasewalk, was one of Norfolk's first citizens. Mr. Pasewalk is a Norfolk boy by birth.

The bride of Wednesday's wedding has always been very popular in Norfolk society, being a young lady of many pleasing characteristics and early virtues. Miss Norton continued to make her home here, living with her uncle, Mr. Bell. Miss Norton, like other members of her family, is an accomplished musician.

ACTORS FACE TRAGEDY. Want Will Stalk Along the Rialto This Summer.

New York, May 23.—The coming summer gives every promise of being the hardest one in years for members of the theatrical profession. It has been a long time since there has been as disastrous a season theatrically as the one just closed, and there is no prospect of any better times for the actor for many months.

In the height of the season it was estimated that more than 2,000 actors and actresses were out of work in New York, the largest number of unemployed in the profession for many years. Several hundred companies that started in the season with every prospect of success were forced to close soon after the coming of the financial depression, which followed close on the opening of the theatrical season.

For this reason, even of the actors who secured positions, thousands were forced to be satisfied with very short seasons and were, therefore, unable to lay by the amounts required to keep them through the summer when work in their profession is always slack.

The Actors' Fund, the great charity of the theatrical profession, is not in a position to carry on the work which it will be asked to do, for at the annual meeting held a few days ago a deficiency of more than \$20,000 on the year's work was reported. The question of living through the summer is a serious one to hundreds of players, and Coney Island and other similar resorts are overrun with members of the profession, who are seeking work of any sort that will provide food for the summer months.