

HOMESTEADERS ARE ARRIVING.

Gregory Filling Up—Henry Roeckh Dies Suddenly. Gregory, S. D., March 3.—Special to The News: Great preparations are being made to take care of the homesteaders when they come to file as all have to come here to file whether they ship here or elsewhere.

There are a great many that have purchased land in this part that are shipping in. There have been several special trains of immigrants during the past week that have shipped to Gregory.

Henry Roeckh, a merchant of Gregory, died very suddenly yesterday. Land Office Change. Pierre, S. D., March 3.—J. L. Lockhart and D. W. March succeeded H. E. Cutting and A. Wheelon as register and receiver of the Pierre land office. The outgoing parties have served the government a little over eight years in the positions which they now vacate.

South Dakota Congressional Bill. Pierre, S. D., March 3.—Ewert's congressional apportionment bill passed the senate and was messaged up to the house where its fate is doubtful. The bill proposes to make one district out of the southeastern part of the state and another out of the northern part of the state east of the river and all that part of the state west of the river.

The bank deposit insurance bill is on in the senate calendar for passage today.

Real Estate Transfers.

Real estate transfers for the week ending February 27, 1909, compiled by Madison County Abstract & Guarantee company, office with Mages & Hazen.

Gottlieb Preuss to Robert Preuss, W. D. Cons. \$6,000. N 1/2 ne 1/4 and n 1/2 se 1/4 28-24-3 and ne 1/4 and sw 1/4 and part s 1/2 nw 1/4 and nw 1/4 sw 1/4 21-24-3.

Annie Nelson to William Babrielson, W. D. Cons. \$1,400. North 36 feet of lot 12, block 10, R. R. Addition to Newman Grove.

E. V. Hall to H. C. Sattler, W. D. Cons. \$3,000. Part of the ne 1/4 ne 1/4 a 3-24-1.

Frank M. Smith to Maggie E. Whitman, Q. C. D. Cons. \$1,100. N 1/2 9-22-1. N. P. Rowlett to Maggie E. Whitman, Q. C. D. Cons. \$1,100. Nw 1/4 9-22-1.

M. C. Garrett to Maggie E. Whitman, Q. C. D. Cons. \$200. Ne 1/4 9-22-1.

J. J. Clements, sheriff, to M. Inholder, Sheriff's Deed. Cons. \$760. Pt. of sw 1/4 of 23-24-1.

George D. Buttery to H. E. Owen, Q. C. D. Cons. \$1,000. Lot 8, Bear's School Lots to Norfolk.

Herman C. Sattler to Ferdinand Pofahl, W. D. Cons. \$700. Lots 3 and 4, block 5, Klug's Subdivision to Norfolk.

Andrew J. Durland et al to William Hill, W. D. Cons. \$250. Lot 6, block 4, Pasewalk's Fourth Addition to Norfolk.

J. Hess to Louis M. Knudson, W. D. Cons. \$150. Lots 11 and 12, block 14, R. R. Addition to Newman Grove.

Chris P. Christiansen to R. Lanman, W. D. Cons. \$3,000. Lots 3 and 4, block 2, Pasewalk's Third Addition to Norfolk.

August H. Lenser to John E. T. Sporn, W. D. Cons. \$5,100. W 1/2 ne 1/4 25-24-2.

Albert Viergutz to Fred Leu et al, W. D. Cons. \$500. Lot 8, block 3, Pasewalk's Second Addition to Norfolk.

John Book to Joseph A. Dankey, W. D. Cons. \$1,550. Block 2, J. F. Duncan's Addition to Madison.

William Foltz to Ernest Freudenburg, W. D. Cons. \$10,000. Se 1/4 33-22-2.

August Lenser to Henry C. Matthes, W. D. Cons. \$10,660. E 1/2 w 1/2 of 1-24-2.

Claud L. Carson to Josef Grell, W. D. Cons. \$2,172.50. Pt. of ne 1/4, nw 1/4 7-21-3.

Christian D. Schmitt to Fred P. Schmitt, W. D. Cons. \$9,500. Ne 1/4 16-21-3.

Fred P. Schmitt to Christian D. Schmitt, W. D. Cons. \$12,000. Se 1/4 11-21-2.

George Earl to Anna C. Smith, W. D. Cons. \$150. Part of block 29, Fritz Addition to Madison.

Hattie Fawcett to Minor C. Hazen, W. D. Cons. \$3,500. Lots 1 and 2, block 11, Durland's First Addition to Norfolk.

Charles D. Busted to Albert J. Kirstein, W. D. Cons. \$5,200. S 1/2 sw 1/4 14-22-2.

Henry C. Thomson to T. K. Hansen, W. D. Cons. \$2,900. Lot 1 and part of lot 2, block 10, Kimball & Blair's Addition to Tilden.

J. D. Wittse to Fred Klug, W. D. Cons. \$350. Lot 6, block 5, Klug's Second Addition to Norfolk.

John U. Staud to Henry C. Thomson, W. D. Cons. \$3,500. Part of Lot D, Tilden.

Edwin H. Lulkart to Celia M. Nelson, W. D. Cons. \$600. Pt. of n 1/2 ne 1/4 8-24-4.

Sheriff Succeeds Petrie. Chamberlain, S. D., March 3.—Sheriff J. E. Parnley of this city has received notice of his appointment as deputy United States marshal to succeed John R. Petrie who recently resigned the position.

Won't Rename Wheaton. Pierre, S. D., March 3.—Food Commissioner Wheaton admits that he is down and out, and that he will not receive reappointment to his present position.

He has failed to secure the desired amendments to the pure food laws and the pure drugs act is not at all to

like, although in the latter case he was able to change the enforcement of the act from the pharmacy board to the commissioner's department.

Wheaton finds his strongest opposition among the druggists of the state, who bitterly fought his ruling on the method of handling proprietary medicines.

GOTCH TO MEET TURK. Big Mat Bout Will Be Held in Chicago Next Month.

Frank Gotch and Yussif Mahmoud, the Turk, will wrestle for the world's championship in Chicago, on April 14. The big grapplers have agreed finally and the match was definitely settled. It is to be catch-as-catch-can, two in three falls, for a purse of \$10,000.

JAIL BREAKER CAUGHT. Tony Maule, Caught at Verdigré, is Returned to Valentine.

Valentine, Neb., March 2.—Special to The News: Tony Maule, who broke out of jail and got away about six months ago, and who was caught at Verdigré, was brought back to this city by Sheriff Rosseter. As he is alleged to have stolen a horse from Mat House to get away on his case it is much worse than it was.

North Nebraska Deaths. J. M. Patrick, an old settler of Stanton county, died at Arlington and was brought to Stanton for burial Thursday.

He was born in Virginia in 1826. Mrs. Fred Hans of Stanton died Saturday morning at 5 o'clock after an illness of five days of pneumonia. She was about forty-three years old and one of the leaders in Congregational church work in Stanton.

SENT BACK TO OLD VIRGINIA. Woman and Five Children Make First Trip in Covered Cars.

Battle Creek Enterprise: Mrs. Lou Wingate and five children, who were loaded onto the county by the refusal of Tilden relatives to give them even temporary shelter, left last Thursday for Grayson county, Virginia, from whence they came. Superintendent Johnston of the poor farm went to Tilden Wednesday and succeeded in getting \$100 from the relatives to defray expenses of the family for the return. This, with a little aid from the county, was sufficient to land them in Virginia after having enjoyed their first trip on the covered cars.

TUESDAY TOPICS. Burt Mages was in Wayne yesterday.

E. A. Bullock is in Chicago on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ray have returned from a trip through the south. Superintendent C. H. Reynolds and Trainmaster M. E. Pangle went to Lincoln yesterday.

Senator W. V. Allen of Madison was in Norfolk over night, leaving this morning for Stanton.

Dr. P. H. Salter was called to Stanton yesterday to see Mrs. Herman Volker, who suffered a dislocated and broken shoulder in a runaway accident.

Knox Tipple, who has recently returned from an all winter's trip to Boston, New York, Baltimore and Washington, will be in Norfolk for the next few weeks.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: Mr. and Mrs. R. Nichols, Madison; M. R. Dutcher, Plainview; Walter J. Schultz, Pierce; A. D. Kernes, Bonesteel; S. D. E. C. Sweet, Madison; Thomas T. Green, Hoskins; Senator Allen, Madison; George W. McCrady, Pierce; Ed Mohr, Osmond; J. E. Johnson, Wisner.

The Wednesday club will meet with Mrs. A. Bear.

Robert Blatt has moved his household goods from Meadow Grove and will reside in this city for a while.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the First Congregational church will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the church parlors.

Lunch was served in the Ben Hur hall last evening, following the initiation of a candidate into the order.

D. Rees has gone to Des Moines on business.

Rev. Carl Martin of Norfolk is visiting in Madison.

Attorneys M. C. Hazen and E. P. Weatherby were in Madison Tuesday.

R. B. Hall is in from the road for a few days, recovering from a severe cold that threatened to be an attack of the grip.

Mrs. E. J. Schorerge left yesterday for Rochester, Minn. where she will undergo an operation.

A little daughter of George Risor has been very ill.

A little son of August Heckman of Hadar is very sick.

City Attorney M. C. Hazen has been suffering from an attack of the grip for some days.

Father Buckley officiated at the funeral of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Kauffman held Tuesday afternoon.

The Ben Hur lodge is preparing to give a play in Norfolk, put on by amateur talent here. "The Man from Nevada" is the piece selected.

Under the Nebraska game law the season for shooting ducks and geese remains open until April 10. Ducks have already been seen and local duck hunters are oiling their guns.

The city election will be held a month from next Saturday, or in five weeks. Nominations by the conventions must be made fifteen days before election. Both city conventions, therefore, must be held before March 23. Caucus and convention calls will probably be made within the next week.

M. B. Foster of Madison has been engaged to defend Peter Unruh, the Tyndall, S. D., man accused of insurance frauds.

Unruh, according to a report from Madison, has been mayor of Tyndall, postmaster, county clerk and a member of the legislature. Speculation on the board of trade is said to have been the cause of his downfall.

Magazines of out door life state that quails in New York state and other points in the east were frozen during the past winter, suffering the same fate that overtook so many of the quail flocks on the prairies of the northwest. John Ray was in from west of Norfolk last week and stated that all the quail, which were about his farm, are apparently dead.

A fourth millinery store will be opened in Norfolk the first of April. The store will be some thing of an innovation here, occupying a room on the second floor of the Bishop block.

The store will be known as the "Norfolk Millinery parlors" and will handle pattern hats only. Miss C. O'Connell of Omaha, a sister-in-law of R. Y. Appleby of Stanton, and a milliner from North Bend, Neb., will conduct the store, occupying the room formerly used by the Green Dragon club.

J. J. Welch, a prominent Northwest-ern railroad man, is prominently discussed as a possible candidate for the council from the fourth ward. Mr. Welch is generally classed as a Democrat although like Pat Dolin, the retiring councilman, his political affiliations have never been nailed down to any narrow limits.

On the Republican side in the Fourth ward Bert Donner and W. H. Shippee are put forward as possible candidates. Second ward Republicans have brought out John Gesterling, one of the pioneers of the city, as a candidate for the council.

A street cleaning force of one man, Frederick Reed, prisoner in the city jail, is doing service on the city streets in battle with the stream of mud paste which overflows the crossings, brings a mixture of profanity and urgent demands for paving. Reed was arrested last night and being without funds was assigned to the street gang, an institution which is almost forgotten in Norfolk. He will do service for three days. Reed brought his family to Norfolk from Pierce last fall, but it is said that through drink he contributes little to their support.

UNRUH WAIVES PRELIMINARY. Bond of Alleged Insurance Swindler to be Placed at \$3,000.

Madison, Neb., March 3.—Special to The News: An agreement was reached today whereby Peter Unruh, the Tyndall man charged with passing forged paper, agreed to waive preliminary hearing and to be bound over for trial at the district court under \$3,000 bonds. It was also agreed that additional instances of alleged cashing of forged checks and drafts should be entered in the complaint. Four instances were originally set forth, but since the filing of the complaint other checks and drafts cashed by Unruh in Norfolk as B. B. Thomas have come to light.

Witnesses who were here for the preliminary hearing were: Deputy U. S. Marshal Tracey of northern Iowa, S. H. Dickman of Mountain Lake, a banker, Davis Ewert, secretary of the Menonite Aid plan, Cashier J. E. Haase of the Citizens National bank of Norfolk, W. A. Kingsley of the Pacific hotel and B. W. Jonas of the Norfolk postoffice.

S. D. ATTORNEY GENERAL MOVES. Asks Supreme Court to Dismiss Cases on Two-Cent Fare Law.

Pierre, S. D., March 3.—Under orders from Judge Carland of the United States court, Attorney General Clark, in the state supreme court, today moved for dismissal of the cases brought in that court on the two-cent passenger fare law. The court took the matter under advisement. The railroads had asked injunction against the law.

KANSAS BANK GUARANTY READY. Accepted by Senate and House and Up to Governor's Signature.

Topeka, March 3.—The bank guaranty law, as reported by the conference committee, was today accepted by the house and senate and is now ready for the governor's signature.

THURSDAY TIDINGS. Mrs. J. C. Myers left at noon for Lincoln.

Mrs. J. H. Kierstead of Tilden is visiting at the home of her son, Dr. H. J. Kierstead.

Boyd Blakeman has gone to Long Pine to spend several months with his aunt, Mrs. Ensminger.

Mrs. George D. Butterfield left at noon for Hot Springs, Ark., where Mr. Butterfield has been for a week.

D. Baum has gone to Chicago, Mrs. Baum accompanied him as far as Marshalltown, Ia., where she will visit her sister.

Miss Margaret Dredge, who has been visiting with her brothers, J. W. Duncan and J. L. Duncan, has returned to her home in Creighton.

The Beemer Times declares that one Jim Thompson of O'Neill, who was arrested recently in Beemer, looked suspiciously like "Kid" Jensen of Norfolk.

Miss Regina McGhan is absent from the A. L. Killian store on account of illness.

The Episcopal bishop of Nebraska, Dr. A. L. Williams, will visit the Norfolk Trinity church next Sunday, holding confirmation services at 11 a. m.

J. M. Covert has moved from Fourth street and Madison avenue to 421 South Fourth street, the telephone number changing from B154 to F 48.

The Ladies' guild of Trinity church will meet with Mrs. J. W. Gibson on Friday afternoon instead of Thursday. The service which was to have

been held at 4:30 Friday afternoon will be held at 7:30 Friday evening.

Fremont Tribune: Mrs. C. H. Reynolds of Norfolk was the guest last evening at the home of E. O. Mount on her way to join her husband, Superintendent Reynolds of the Northwestern who is in Lincoln this week.

The Norfolk jewelry store is again without a proprietor, a recent purchaser having moved the entire stock away. It is presumed that the Shook Jewelry company of Omaha, the jobbers who rent the building, will replace the stock in a short time.

A district organization of rural mail carriers will probably be formed in this city on May 31. The following committee on arrangements has been appointed: J. E. Risk of Madison county, R. N. Hopper of Stanton county and William Smith of Cumby county.

Snow banks on Norfolk avenue were attacked yesterday by a street grader, the snow being spread over the street. There is every indication that this spring will see Norfolk avenue in the worst condition in years as regards mud and the demand for paving more urgent than ever.

Tom Lee of Omaha, a former assistant prosecuting attorney of that city, was in Norfolk Wednesday morning on his way to Madison to look up matters connected with the Jarmer suit against the bond company which bonded the Jarmer saloon. Lee appears for the company in the case.

Among the new cottages which are to be built in Norfolk this spring are two cottages to be erected by J. W. Ransom and two cottages to be erected by R. F. Bruce, all four being erected for renting purposes. One of the Bruce cottages will be on South Eleventh street, the other on Cleveland street at the Junction. Mr. Ransom will put up a modern cottage on Phillip avenue and Eleventh street and a similar cottage on South Fifth street adjacent to the P. A. Shurtz residence.

Further details of the death of Mrs. J. W. Phillips, formerly of Norfolk, in New Plymouth, Idaho, recently are given in a copy of the Payette Independent. Mrs. Phillips died in a hospital at Boise, Idaho, February 20, after an illness of seven weeks. Her husband and two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Lynch and Mrs. W. E. Parker, were with her at the time. Mrs. Phillips was married to J. W. Phillips in Norfolk on April 19, 1896. Two children were born. The funeral was held from the Catholic church.

A chilly night, freezing water in the streets, helped the slush situation, preventing the snow from melting too rapidly.

M. B. Cox has rented his farm here and he and Mrs. Cox will spend the next few months in the east. Mrs. Cox is now in Coleridge.

It was John McAllister, a land man at Atkinson, who had a rather close escape in Council Bluffs last fall from falling into the hands of a gang believed to have been the Council Bluffs swindle organization, whose exploits in New Orleans, Council Bluffs and Little Rock have lately earned them nation wide fame. McAllister was brought to Council Bluffs on a big land deal. The land in question was said to be held by a colony of Germans and it was represented to the Atkinson man that they were suspicious people and that ready cash was necessary to secure the bargain. It is reported that McAllister took something like \$10,000 to Council Bluffs with him. After he had met the men who posed as Iowa bankers the transaction was postponed until past banking hours. McAllister's suspicions were confirmed when the party entered a room in a hotel and one of the members locked the door. Then the Iowa men were all for hurrying the deal through. McAllister raised such a protest that he managed to get out of the room. Outside he found two policemen. "We are here to protect you," they told him. The Nebraska land man told the officers he would back them up and wanted the three to go back and make arrests. But the police would have none of this. They told the land man that he wanted to catch the first car and get over into Omaha before he was killed. They then hustled him out of the building.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were District Judge Guy T. Graves, Pender; Frank Phillips, Henry Warnkey, F. Theising, Fairfax, S. D.; J. L. Packard, Monowi; H. C. Smith, Long Pine; J. F. Glaze, Lynch; J. M. McMullen, Fairfax, S. D.; George H. Knittel, Carlock, S. D.; E. W. Usher, M. C. Beck, Dallas, S. D.; Jacob Coombs, Spencer; Joe Koch, Lamro, S. D.; C. M. Lundall, Wayne; W. F. Lety, William Raines, Creighton; John S. Russell, Albion; John Sherman, Naper; C. F. Engelshaupt, Emmet; W. B. Donaldson, Pierce; E. H. Lulkart, N. Hitchcock, Tilden.

Pope Has Better of His Cold. Rome, March 3.—The pope has got the better of his cold but is not yet permitted to resume audiences, which probably will be suspended until next week. He is transacting business every day, however.

VOLCANO SMOKING AGAIN. Colima in Mexico Again Throwing Out Sparks—People Scared.

Colima, Mexico, March 3.—The Colima volcano is smoking again and throwing out sparks. The people are in terror.

Queen's Cold Better. London, March 3.—Queen Alexandra's condition is improving this morning and her cold is yielding to treatment.

Hands Off Mexican Relics. Mexico City, March 3.—The Mexi-

can government today gave out an order to customs officials on the borders of this country not to allow archaeological relics to be taken out of the country.

BERLIN IN GRASP OF BLIZZARD. Fully Fifty People Seriously Hurt by Falling in Icy Streets.

Berlin, March 3.—Berlin is in the grasp of a blizzard today. Snow fell heavily throughout the night and this morning traffic was at a standstill.

Fully fifty people were seriously hurt by falling in the street.

Over 15,000 unemployed men were today at work cleaning away the snow from roadways. Trains from eastern provinces are snowed up and suburban trains were many hours late.

INSURANCE COMPANY MEETING. Old Directors in Elkhorn Life and Accident, Are Re-elected.

The fifth annual meeting of policy holders in the Elkhorn Life and Accident insurance company was held at the offices of the company in this city Tuesday afternoon.

The old board of nine directors were re-elected and are as follows: Dr. P. H. Salter, J. B. Maylard, Jack Koenigstein, Burt Mages, George D. Butterfield and R. E. Williams, all of Norfolk; Dr. R. H. Morse, Wisner; Joseph C. Osborn, Battle Creek, and Thomas F. Memminger of Atoka, Oklahoma.

A copy of the company's annual report to the state of Nebraska for the year 1908 was submitted to those present, who were entirely satisfied with the showing made by the company. Increases were made in the amount of insurance in force; admitted assets; premium income, etc. In fact, increases were made in every item where increases should be made. It appears from the report that the directors will be able to make the usual increase in dividends payable to policy-holders this year.

The annual meeting of directors, for the election of officers, which usually meets immediately after the policyholder's meeting, was postponed until Saturday evening of this week at 7:30 p. m., because of no quorum.

Servia Gives Up Demand. London, March 3.—It was learned conclusively here today that Servia, in accordance with advice, has withdrawn the demand for territory compensation from Hungary. A report from Vienna to the contrary was erroneous. The question of Autonomy for Bosnia was never raised.

WINTHROP FOR THE NAVY. Transfers from Assistant Secretary of State.

Washington, March 3.—President Elect Taft today announced that the selection of Beckman Winthrop as assistant secretary of the navy has been accepted. Winthrop at first accepted the position of assistant secretary of state but later reconsidered.

Hepburn Counted Out. Des Moines, March 3.—The recount of votes for congressman in the Hepburn-Jameson contest, was finished in Union county today. This completed the work and failed to change the result.

2,000 GREET JEFFRIES IN N. Y. Ex-Champion Reaches Gotham—Not Sure He Could Get Into Form.

New York, March 3.—Two thousand persons greeted James J. Jeffries on his arrival here today.

So enthusiastic was the crowd that it was necessary to call the police to force a passage for the former pugilistic champion and his wife, from the train to a carriage.

Jeffries said today that he is in fine condition but he is not sure that he could get into championship condition after four years' retirement from the ring.

BRYAN MULE TO OHIO COUNTY. Montgomery County, in Buckeye State, Made Biggest Gain.

Dayton, O., March 3.—Congressman Cox is in receipt of a letter from William J. Bryan asking for a certified statement of the presidential vote in Montgomery county, stating that the returns seem to show that that county is entitled to the Bryan mule, having made the largest Democratic gain.

Herrick Declines Ambassadorship. Washington, March 3.—Myron T. Herrick of Ohio yesterday for business reasons declined an ambassadorship at the hands of the incoming president.

To Cut Out Tubercular Pupils. Grand Island, Neb., March 2.—Special to The News: The board of education here has ordered the appointment of a medical examiner for school children supposed to be afflicted with tuberculosis. The intention is to cull tubercular children from the schools.

Sam Story is Brought Back. Valentine, Neb., March 2.—Special to The News: Sam Story was brought back yesterday from LeGrand, Ore., by Sheriff Rosseter, and his preliminary will be held some time soon. He is the man who left Douglas, Wyo., with Fred Smith, the man who was murdered here last October. It is known that Story was here in Valentine about that time and the case is awaited with interest.

Save Old Man From Sharpers. Trilled from Sioux City to Norfolk by three sharpers from the Iowa city, only police interference prevented Fritz Rand, an old man of sixty-five, a former Rosebud homesteader, from being separated from a \$3,000 note. Separated from his pursuers by Chief

Peters, the old man spent the night under official protection in Norfolk and left this morning on the Northwestern for Bonesteel, S. D.

In Sioux City the former homesteader had been touched for everything but his ticket to Bonesteel. This put him at the mercy of the sharpers, who followed him to Norfolk and showed themselves to be good fellows by making up his cash deficiency by spending money for him. The old man when brought up from the Junction showed signs of having been drinking. The game was to have the old man sign over his note, which was given him when he sold his farm near Bonesteel in 1907. The pretext was that the sharpers could sell it for him, if properly signed over.

Norfolk people who discovered the game appealed to the police and Chief Peters broke up the party in a Norfolk avenue saloon.

The note had \$16 interest due. No arrests were made.

New Dates for Convention. To secure the presence of a prominent member of the interstate commerce commission in Norfolk, the annual convention of Nebraska commercial clubs set for the seventeenth and eighteenth of this month will be held two days earlier, on March 15 and 16. The banquet will be held on the evening of the sixteenth.

The change in the date of the convention was made by the Commercial club directors yesterday afternoon at the instance of the state president, H. M. Bushnell of Lincoln. Mr. Bushnell wired that a certain member of the interstate commerce commission could be secured for an address if the convention was held two days sooner. The address of the interstate commerce man will be delivered on the sixteenth.

Mohler Will Be Here. The convention will bring a number of prominent men to Norfolk, among others A. L. Mohler of Omaha, vice president of the Union Pacific and counted as one of the three men who stand at the head of the Harriman railroad system.

The detailed program of the convention will be made public in a few days.

Trade Marks Offered. Some twelve of fifteen suggestions for a town trade mark were placed before the directors, the competition having closed yesterday. The designs were turned over to a committee consisting of W. A. Witzigman, I. M. Macy and F. A. Beeler.

A Park Committee. The following park committee was appointed to formulate plans for securing a public park. Burt Mages, chairman, W. J. Stadelman, P. M. Barrett.

OVER BANKS AT PIERCE. No Damage From Water Anticipated Unless From Ice.

Pierce, Neb., March 3.—Special to The News: The water has been running rapidly in the river at this point the past twelve hours. It is now over the embankments and running around the dam on both sides. It is not thought much damage will be done unless the ice, which has not yet broken up, forms a jam. There are many high drifts of snow on the ice, which may cause considerable damage when the ice breaks up.

Hughes-Reese. Ainsworth, Neb., March 3.—Special to The News: Mitchell Hughes, a prominent young farmer living near Ainsworth, and Miss Ella Reese, a prominent young lady of this city, were married at Chadron where the groom has friends. After a short honeymoon trip they will be at home on the farm near town.

Taft Policies Are Outlined. Washington, March 2.—The five subjects of broad policy with which the new president will start his administration are authoritatively outlined as follows:

The Philippines come first, largely because Mr. Taft, against his will, was sent there by President McKinley.

Second is the Panama canal. He has visited the isthmus five times. He began his work on the isthmus when he took charge of it as secretary of war five years ago. Mr. Taft believes that the canal was acquired honestly, and that the lock system is the proper one on which to build the canal.

Third, the new president is decided in his views about judicial procedure in the enforcement of the laws. He will ask of congress only such additional laws as may seem to him and to the five lawyers in his cabinet to be necessary. Some of these laws will repeal some that are on the federal statutes, or at least amend them.

Will Perfect Corporation Laws. It is Mr. Taft's idea, built on the foundation of his career as a judge, to put every law governing great corporations in such perfect shape that the beginning of an action will mean its successful ending, if the evidence justifies success.

Fourth comes the "breaking of the solid south." Briefly, the "referee" system, in which one or a very few men in each southern state have dictated federal appointments because of political services, is to be abolished.

Has Navy Reorganization Plan. And "in the back of his