

SOCIETY

The Ladies' Missionary society of the First Congregational church enjoyed a very pleasant and profitable meeting with Mrs. Mary Mathewson on Thursday afternoon. The program was unusually interesting with readings by Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Kiddier, Mrs. D. S. Bullock, Mrs. J. S. Mathewson and Mrs. Guild. Mrs. Erskine read a short poem and Mrs. Mary Mathewson a paper. Very interesting pictures were used to illustrate the work of foreign fields for missionary work. The next meeting will be with Mrs. H. J. Cole the second Tuesday in May.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard celebrated their porcelain wedding Saturday evening at their home on Branch avenue. A large number of friends and relatives were present to help celebrate the event.

Mrs. Leo Borowak entertained the Altar society of the Sacred Heart church Thursday afternoon. In the evening she entertained the members of the choir.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shippee entertained the Rev. John Hinds and wife from Newcastle, Neb., at a 6 o'clock dinner Monday evening.

A Recital.

Misses Helen Craven, Leota Rish and Emma Berner, pupils of Mrs. Cora A. Beels, gave a parlor recital Friday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Craven on South Fifth street.

Personals.

Mrs. F. W. Congdon and daughters, May and Josephine, left today for their home in Hampton, Conn., after a visit of several weeks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stitt. Mrs. Stitt and Mrs. M. C. Hazen accompanied them to Omaha and will spend a few days with Mrs. H. L. Snyder.

A party of Meadow Grove's prominent citizens came to town in automobiles for "The Traveling Salesman." In the party were Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Mason, Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Kindred, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Crook, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bosse.

Mrs. W. S. Fox has been spending a week in Albion visiting with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Fox expect to leave next week for their new home in Spaulding, Neb.

Mrs. O. R. Meredith and Mrs. J. W. Oxman will return tonight from Waltham, Neb., where they have been attending a state meeting of the Woman's club.

S. M. Braden and C. E. Burnham leave tomorrow for Excelsior Springs, Mo., where they will spend a week or ten days.

Bishop Williams will come up from Omaha tonight and will be the guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. S. Wells over Sunday.

Mrs. S. M. Braden will go to Chicago tomorrow for a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. C. G. Culver.

A. P. Doe of Davenport, Ia., is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. George D. Butterfield.

Dr. and Mrs. E. Tanner came down from Battle Creek for the show.

Engagements.

The engagement of Miss Elouise Wood of Omaha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wood, to Harvey Milliken, formerly of Fremont but now secretary of a big wholesale paper company in Chicago, is announced. Mr. Milliken has visited in Norfolk.

The engagements of Miss Leila M. Craft and Joseph Anon Hight, and Miss Helen Itasca Friday and John Lemuel Ennis are announced by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Friday. The double wedding will take place June 15.

Hymenial.

Olney-Bogart.

Chatanooga (Tenn.) Daily Times: A wedding in which much social interest centered was that of Miss Elizabeth Bogart and Talcott Crosby Olney, which was celebrated last night at 6:30 o'clock in the old First Presbyterian church, on Georgia avenue. Long before the appointed hour the church was filled with friends and relatives of the young couple. Pews and Easter lilies massed the altar, forming an attractive background for the wedding party. A program of organ music was rendered by Miss Ethel O'Neal while the guests were assembling.

Just preceding the ceremony Miss Saba Donk, a close friend of the bride, sang "O, Perfect Love."

The bridal party entered as the Lobengrin march was played. The ushers advanced, two down either aisle, Joe Thompson walking with Robert Mayer, Gus Porter with Bartow Straug. Next came the maid of honor, Miss Alice Sharp, who was handsomely gowned in dotted pink chiffon over silk. She carried a shower bouquet of pink sweet peas and carnations, with pendants of pink tulle. Just preceding the bride was little Eleanor Williams, the dainty flower girl, gowned in a white linsley frock over pink silk. She carried a large basket of pink sweet peas.

The bride entered with her father, Dr. W. G. Bogart, as the groom came down an opposite aisle with the best man, Frank Bogart. She wore full bridal toilette of white chiffon, elaborately trimmed in lace, and carried a showed bouquet of bride roses and lilies of the valley. A spray of valley lilies held in place the long tulle veil. The wedding party formed a semi-

circle before the altar of palms and lilies, where the marriage vows were read by the Rev. J. W. Bachman, the bride's lifetime pastor. Mendelssohn's march was used as the recessional.

A pretty courtesy to the young singer of the bridal music was when the bride presented her bouquet to Miss Doak. Immediately after the church service the wedding party was entertained with a buffet supper at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Gaines Bogart, on Georgia avenue. Green and white were the prevailing colors employed in the decoration of the home, which was bright with smilax and roses. In the dining room the mantel and buffet were banked in smilax, mingled with white roses. The centerpiece on the table was an artistic arrangement of smilax and bride roses, the chosen colors being further carried out in the table appointments.

Mr. and Mrs. Olney left on the 10 o'clock train for an extended bridal trip which will include a tour of California and the west. Upon their return the young couple will be at home in the Alhambra, on East Fourth street, where they will go to house-keeping. The going-away gown was a tailored suit of blue cloth, with which was worn a tan straw with trimmings of blue.

As Miss Elizabeth Bogart the bride has been a popular member of the younger social set since her graduation a few years ago. She has resided in this city all her life, and by her grace and charm of manner has been a general favorite both in church and social circles. It is much gratification to her many friends that after her marriage she will continue to reside in this city. Mr. Olney is a newcomer to Chattanooga, having come here a few years ago to take the position as local superintendent of the Pullman company. He is well known in southern railroad circles, having held a number of responsible positions. Mr. and Mrs. Olney expect to be absent until some time in May. Among the out-of-town guests at the wedding were the grandparents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Bogart of Sweetwater, and F. W. Magill of Atlanta.

Larson-McWhorter.

Weaver Larson of Plainview and Miss Margaret May McWhorter of Norfolk were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. McWhorter on South Thirteenth street, Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. E. F. Hammond performed the ceremony. The bride was becomingly gowned in old rose. A wedding dinner followed the ceremony. The groom is a prosperous young farmer at Plainview, where the couple will make their home. They will be at home to friends after May 1.

The following relatives were present: Mr. and Mrs. F. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. J. McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. C. McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. A. McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. L. McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. W. McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. G. Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. T. Wainwright, Mr. and Mrs. B. Van Buskirk, Mr. and Mrs. B. Taft.

Gates Academy Notes.

The academy has recently received a gift of \$500 from a lady in the southern part of the state. This insures a continuance of the improvements begun last year.

The fourth and last term of the year began on Tuesday. Commencement is the 15th of June.

The principal was in Boyd county last week and preached in Spencer on Sunday.

Miss Pearl Johnson has resigned as director of the music department.

Frank Masden has been elected president of the Y. M. C. A. for the ensuing year, and Miss Edna Lamson president of the Y. W. C. A.

Hugh Montgomery, the manager of the baseball club, is now completing his schedule for spring games.

Wayne Normal Notes.

Attendance keeps up well. The new term will open April 25, when a number of new ones will enter. A number whose schools close the last of May will enter so as to get in the twelve weeks of normal training.

Mrs. Martiny and also Mrs. Miller, both of Winside, were college visitors one day last week.

The class in argumentation in the state university took the speech of Towne of New York and wrote answers to his arguments. Of the five published, three: Messrs. John and Walter Power and John Rohn, had their training in English in the Nebraska normal college.

Mrs. Helen Pile Newton was an arrival from Rochester, N. Y., for a visit with her mother.

Mrs. F. M. Gregg of Peru, who has been a Wayne visitor, was a college caller one day last week.

Pat Sauntyr died at his home in Platte, S. D., last Saturday. Prof. Fred Pile was in attendance at the funeral, which was held on Tuesday of this week.

The weather has been fine and as a result the garden is very promising. The men have nearly finished planting eight acres of potatoes.

In a few weeks excavation will be made for the foundation of a cottage which Mrs. Pile will build on some lots east of the new college building. This house will be modern in every respect. Already several parties have expressed a desire to rent it.

Rosebud Farm Brings \$24,000.

Herrick, S. D., April 16.—Special to The News: John Eckermann, who last fall bought the James Barrard half section near Herrick, last Saturday sold the farm for \$24,000 cash. Mr. Eckermann thinks that he will reinvest in another Gregory county farm.

ON THE Stage

"The Traveling Salesman."

They were all so natural—Bob Blake and Mrs. Babbitt and "Wattsy" and Julius—that you forgot you were at a play and imagined you were seeing real life in some little country depot or some small town depot in Nebraska. "The Traveling Salesman" was so fat and plump, as Mrs. Babbitt said, that you liked him the minute he came on and kept liking him more. You've seen him and the rest of "the boys" who were with him, a thousand times in Norfolk. They're at the Oxford and at the Pacific today and tomorrow and next week and next year. You knew him before he came out on the stage.

There were no thrilling climaxes to get a melodrama uproar of applause, but from the minute the curtain raised until Bob Blake telephoned for one preacher and two witnesses, there was a constant flow of rippling, sparkling American wit of keenest type—a humor that kept the audience ever-veering like bromo-selzer.

The slang that James Forbes has worked into the show is immense. And it's the real, true-to-life dope, too. It ought to be put up in little tins and sold, for it's so hard to remember at just one hearing.

"Make a noise like a hoop and roll away," says Bob—and he says a hundred other clever things that seem to hit the nail.

Mr. Kehrwald as "Julius" is as clever as a colored porter as one could wish to see. Mr. O'Neill as Tedd Watts is a traveling man you meet every day and people like him. Miss Huneker was highly acceptable as Mrs. Babbitt, but Miss Tyler was hardly as real and as human in her part as the rest of them.

The audience was the biggest of the season, there being a large number from out of town. There were a couple of hundred of north Nebraska's prominent traveling salesmen in for the show.

In the scenic production, Mr. Harris has lived up to his reputation. The beauty about it all was that it was so intensely natural that you recognized it.

Bryan Camp Disturbed.

Lincoln, April 16.—The Bryan campaign for county option in Nebraska lost a point last week when W. H. Price declared himself a candidate for the United States senate and announced that he stood for county option. Price, who is a democrat, and a Bryan democrat at that, was the first candidate in the state to declare himself as standing on the Bryan platform of county option.

But instead of being gratified at the Price announcement of adherence to the Bryan platform, the Bryans are very much put out at Price's actions. In fact, the Bryan plans have been fearfully upset for the time being, at least.

It has been learned that before sailing for South America, Mr. Bryan made arrangements for a full state ticket, every man to stand on the county option plank. The slate was not to be announced as a Bryan "make up," however, but each candidate was to come out on his own accord, seemingly, and take his stand on the Bryan slate.

But Price was not on this Bryan slate at all, and when he came out with his announcement he caused consternation in the Bryan camp. According to the Bryan list, W. H. Thompson, "the Little Giant" of the Platte," should have declared himself for the senate on the Bryan local option ticket, but he delayed too long and Price got in ahead with his announcement and statement of his platform. Thompson announced his candidacy all right, but neglected, until too late, to say that he stood on the county option platform.

Finds His Slate Broken.

Bryan cannot turn down Price, who has been a lifelong democrat, and was the very first to step into the fight to assist Bryan to carry the state for county option, although the "peerless leader" depends much upon Thompson in the coming fight. Bryan would like to help Thompson secure the nomination, but at the outset of the campaign he finds his slate broken and his arrangements shattered.

Thompson is a "standing candidate" for some office, and scarcely has an election occurred in the last fifteen years but that Billy Thompson's name has appeared on the ballot for some office. He bears the distinction, however, of always having lost his fight.

Price is said to carry around in his pocket much of the old time populist vote, and he is no mean foe in the fight for the nomination for senator. He is said to have been offered the congressional nomination in his district if he would consent to pull out of the senatorial race, but refused the offer.

Warm Fight Predicted.

The conservation congress held in Lincoln last week was made the excuse for a gathering of democratic politicians from all sections of the state, and a general interchange of views was indulged in. All agreed that the greatest battle ever fought in Nebraska among democrats will take place at the coming primaries on the question of county option. The leaders in the fight for county option will, of course, be the Bryans and Tom Allen. W. J. Bryan's brother-in-law. If William J. Bryan is not here to take personal charge of the campaign, his brother, C. W. Bryan, will take his place.

The opposition hosts will be under the command of Mayor Jim Dahlman, of Omaha, the smoothest politician of them all.

And Governor Shallenberger, although an advocate of the 8 o'clock law, will be an onlooker, hoping to benefit by the result of the fight. In fact, Governor Shallenberger has announced that he will stand for reelection on any platform the state convention chooses to build.

Not all democrats in the state are opposed to the Bryan county option plan, and Victor Wilson, a big democrat of Polk county, thinks county option will win out. He says: "I believe the democratic convention will endorse county option. I understand that Mr. Bryan is going to stump the state for it during the month of May, and it seems to me the party will place county option in the platform. I am not a candidate for anything, but will support Governor Shallenberger."

Wilson, in his desire to help Shallenberger, has a plan by which he hopes to shift the question of county option off the state convention and to the legislative conventions, thus permitting the governor to escape embarrassment. The plan is to pledge each candidate for governor or sign any prohibition bill passed by the legislature, and then to permit the legislative conventions to instruct their representatives to vote for or against county option, as the electors wish.

Although it will be two, or possibly three, weeks before Mr. Bryan returns to Nebraska, there is wide speculation among democrats as to what action he will take when he reaches Lincoln and discovers the serious defection among democrats, due to the Bryan county option announcement. He has been kept fairly well informed on these events, the cable being used very freely by his brother, but the many details of the big family row will not reach him until he arrives home. That he will plunge into the thickest of the campaign fight has already been announced, but whether or not he will attempt to force his ideas on the candidates themselves is not known.

But one thing, Nebraska democracy is cowering, half bold, half afraid, awaiting the coming of the former master.

Await His Homecoming.

John Strate.

John Frederick William Ludolf Strate was born at Lieme, Lippe Detmold, Germany, January 7, 1822. He died near Hoskins, Wayne county, Neb., April 10, 1910, at 82 m. aged 88 years, 3 months and 3 days. His death was caused by old age and pneumonia.

For some years the deceased had been feeble and ailing as the consequences of old age, but for six days only was he confined to his bed, when death relieved him from all earthly pain and woe.

Mr. Strate came to this country from Germany, in company with his wife, the 15th day of May, 1870, making their home from the first in this vicinity. In the old country Mr. Strate was a brick maker by trade, but took a homestead in this country and devoted himself to farming ever after.

He was one of the early settlers of his neighborhood and, consequently, endured all the hardships of pioneer life. The first years of his sojourning in this country were unusually trying, hail and drouth visiting and destroying to a great extent the promising fields of grain.

The deceased brother was one of the founders and main stays of the Reformed congregation, three miles southwest of Hoskins, and for some years an officer of that church. He remained a faithful member of the same to the end, although in late years he was not able to attend services and take an active part in the affairs of the congregation on account of failing health and strength.

Mr. Frederick Strate was joined in holy matrimony with his surviving wife, Auguste Sophia, whose maiden name was Drees, February 4, 1866, in Germany. This union was blessed with nine children, seven sons and two daughters, three of whom have preceded their father in death, two sons and one daughter, one of the sons having died in the old country. Those who are left to mourn the loss of a loving husband and father are: His bereaved widow, five sons, Frederick, Jr., Simon, Carl, Ernest and William, and one daughter, Mrs. Sophia Knebel, all of whom are living in this vicinity. Besides these there are four daughters-in-law, one son-in-law and eleven grandchildren, also more distant relatives and many friends. May their loss be his gain.

Funeral services were held at the Reformed church near Hoskins on Wednesday afternoon, April 13, after which interment was made at the cemetery of said congregation, Rev. Emil F. Franz officiating.

"BULLY," SAID THE COLONEL.

So Roosevelt is Coming West to Meet His Friends Out Here.

New York, April 16.—Positive assurance that Theodore Roosevelt will attend the annual frontier celebration in Cheyenne, Wyo., was brought here by F. G. Bonfils, proprietor of two western newspapers, in Denver and Kansas City, who returned from Europe on the Lusitania.

Mr. Bonfils said that he met Colonel Roosevelt at Khartum on behalf of many western cities desirous that he should return by way of the Pacific coast. This the colonel has been unable to do because of the approaching marriage of his son in this city but he told Mr. Bonfils that he wanted much to see his friends in the west. The Cheyenne celebration was suggested.

"Bully," said the colonel, "I'll be there. I know the language of the west and the people out there know mine. We understand each other."

Wire Operators Raised.

Cincinnati, April 16.—Ratification for the award of the arbitrators in

the matter of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern railroad and its telegraphers were voted by the men at a meeting in this city last night. Under the terms of the award, which became effective, each telegrapher in the service of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern, will get an increase of an average of three and a half dollars per month.

TO MEASURE A BLOW'S POWER.

M. Bertillon Has Invented a New Machine for Police Use.

Paris, April 16.—M. Bertillon, whose system of identification is in use by the police the world over, has added another ingenious contrivance to the mechanical methods of detection.

This new contrivance measures the blow which is struck, whether it be by a burlap's tool on a door, a window, or on a human being. The instrument consists of two dynamo meters which are placed at right angles, so that either the pressure or the horizontal traction can be measured. The method in vogue enables the measurer to transfer the power of the blow upon any other instrument or person that may be selected. The practical value of the invention lies in being able to determine positively, in cases of men who have been arrested on suspicion only, whether they could have dealt a certain kind of blow with a supposed weapon.

CHARGES THERE'S FRAUD.

Friar Land Matter Stirrs up Wrath of Colorado Congressmen.

Washington, April 16.—Representative Martin (democrat) of Colorado, who for weeks has been waging a fight in the house in an effort to show that the friar lands of the Philippine islands are being seized by the sugar trust, with the acquiescence of Attorney General Wickersham and the war department, gave out an interview in which he reviews his efforts, assails the government officials alleged to be involved, charges that information which would prove his contention is being withheld by the war department and demands a full congressional inquiry into the matter.

Mr. Martin characterizes the action of the republican majority in the house, in defeating his resolution calling on the war department for information in regard to the sale of the friar lands, as a blanketing move. He points out a number of alleged discrepancies in the reports sent by the war department to the house committee on insular affairs concerning the friar lands transaction, and accuses the government officials of duplicity and deceit. He charges the administration with having begun a "policy of exploitation in the Philippines," and declares that "if it had been falsely accused let it take off the lid." Mr. Martin announced that he was preparing a new resolution into the friar land question which he said would introduce in the house as soon as he had finished drafting it.

JAP SUBMARINE FOUNDERS.

While Maneuvering in Bay, the Vessel Gets Stuck.

Tokio, April 16.—A Japanese submarine founded today while executing movements in the bay of Hiroshi Mau.

Trainmen's Strike Threatened.

Cleveland, April 16.—A long distance telephone message from President W. G. Lee of the brotherhood of trainmen at Scranton says that the federated railroad organizations may be ordered on strike against the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad within forty-eight hours.

President Lee informed the officers at the headquarters of the brotherhood here that the railroad officials had declined an offer of an arbitration and that the strike order might be expected at any time tomorrow or tomorrow night.

Pierce County Enumerators.

Pierce, Neb., April 16.—Special to The News: Following are the census enumerators appointed for Pierce county: Allen precinct and Eastern precinct, Col. E. Manzer; Pierce, Blaine precinct, Cleveland precinct and Mills precinct, Chester A. Nelson; Pierce, Clover alley precinct and Willow Creek precinct, Isaac C. Barnes; Plainview; Dry Creek precinct, excluding Plainview village, Joseph Hladik; Plainview; Plainview village, Daniel L. Crellin; Plainview; Foster precinct and Thompson precinct, Burton A. Staley; Foster; Logan precinct and Plum Grove precinct, including Osmond village, A. M. White; Foster; Pierce precinct, including Pierce city, C. A. Reimers; Pierce; Slough precinct and South Branch precinct, Emil H. Grunwald; Pierce.

FRIDAY FACTS.

Dr. C. J. Verges went to Sioux City. Ben Foltz went to Omaha on business.

Mrs. G. A. Miller of Hadar was here calling on friends.

W. J. Gou returned from a business trip at Clearwater.

Mrs. F. Haase of Hadar was here visiting with friends.

Mrs. W. Beeman of Wayne was in the city calling on friends.

George M. Dudley bought back the baggage business of Weston and Bowden.

A regular meeting of the Damascus commandery, No. 20, is called for tonight.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Nye of Plainview were in the city enroute from Omaha to their home at Plainview in a new automobile.

A jury will decide the Emery Bonney case in Justice Eiseley's court this afternoon.

William Wetzel underwent an operation at a hospital at Hot Springs, S. D., a few days ago. His condition, according to letters received here by his relatives, is still considered critical.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Bishop are in the city visiting at the home of J. W. Ransom, after spending the winter at Los Angeles, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop are enroute to their home at New Haven, Conn. Mr. Bishop is the owner of the Bishop block here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cooley of Chadron, formerly of this city, are here visiting with friends. Mr. Cooley was for a long time employed with the Fair store. He is now connected with a general store at Chadron.

Mrs. Mary Buckles, who lost a son in the St. Paul mine disaster, writes Norfolk friends from Cherry that she will be here next month for a short visit. In her letter, which is dated recently, Mrs. Buckles says that thirty-one bodies were taken from the lowest level of the mine.

Sessions & Bell have had a general overhauling of their undertaking parlors. The front room and office have received new paper and a fresh coat of paint, a reception room has been constructed in which funeral services can be held, and a modern operating room is being constructed.

Thomas Peters, James McBrien and H. B. Schoesmith, all claiming to be Northwestern brakemen, and Howard Evans of Missouri Valley, Ia., who has been here working as carpenter assistant, were fined \$7.10 in Justice Eiseley's court for being drunk and disorderly. They all pleaded guilty to the charge.

The Norfolk high school baseball team are about ready for their game with Stanton, which takes place at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The boys have been practicing steadily for some time and a fast game is expected. The lineup: Harold Morrison, c; Kelleher, p; Mapes, ss; Durland, 1b; Landers, 2b; Odiorne, 3b; Briggs, rf; Ward, cf; Denton, lf; subs: Parish, Krantz and Wille.

The local board of the civil service bureau has received a letter from Washington to be prepared to hold a four days' examination of two persons of this territory for admission to the United States naval academy. The examination will take place at the local postoffice April 19. The letter does not mention the names of the applicants, but states that a sealed letter with full information will be sent soon, which will not be opened until the day of the examination. The first day of the examination, which takes up three hours, covers spelling, grammar and geography; the second day, three hours, United States and the world's history; third day, four hours, algebra, geometry; fourth day, two hours, arithmetic.

Town Wants Interurban.

That the Norfolk-Newman Grove interurban line, traversing one of the richest portions of Madison county, is a project that could be easily financed and one that is not by any means to be sneezed at, was the consensus of opinion of the Commercial club mass meeting.

Secretary Pasewalk of the club stated that 750 farmers would be benefited, their land being increased probably \$25 an acre in value. If 500 of those farmers would take stock to the amount of \$500 each, \$250,000 would be raised and he thought the financing of the balance of it would be comparatively simple.

A. Degner thought the matter worth serious investigation. S. G. Mayer said the Commercial club directors would fall short in their duty if they failed to make a thorough investigation of the possibilities of the plan. He thought it would mean a great thing for Norfolk and would raise values of farm lands.

The Commercial club is now working on the proposition, gathering the data necessary as a foundation.

Church Not Big Enough for Funeral.

Niobrara, Neb., April 15.—Special to The News: Instead of being held in the Presbyterian church as announced, the funeral service of Mrs. Frank Lenger was held in the opera house, as the church could not have held half the audience. The public schools dismissed and the stores closed for the service. Rev. F. E. Thompson preached the sermon.

Will Act On Freight Rates.

The time is ripe for Norfolk to take action looking toward fairer freight rates for this city, declared representative business men at the Commercial club mass meeting. And it was said that action will unquestionably be taken in the near future.

"I find it costs 19 cents to ship potatoes from Norfolk to Dallas," one man said, "and 19 cents for the same commodity from Fremont to Dallas; and 19 cents from Omaha to Dallas." The meeting didn't believe Norfolk was getting a square deal in that sort of discrimination.

It was stated that emigrant goods shipped from Fairfax to Norfolk came at a rate of 22 cents; the same rate applies from Fairfax to Fremont and the same rate from Fairfax to Omaha.

This didn't seem right to Norfolk business men.

"And there are hundreds of other instances just as raw," it was said.

FOR HELP OF EMPLOYEES.

Steel Trust Adopts New Measure for Relief of Injured and Killed.

New York, April 16.—Following an announcement of an increase in pay for employees of the United States Steel corporation and its subsidiaries estimated at \$9,000,000 annually, Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the executive committee, made public details of a plan for the relief of the employees injured at work and the families of men killed. The plan will be put in operation May 1 for a year's test and if successful the company hopes to continue it with such modifications as experience may suggest. The cost will be several millions a year and employees do not contribute.

For temporary disablement single men will receive 35 percent of their wages and married men 50 percent with an additional 5 percent for each child under 16, and 2 percent for each year of service above five years. For permanent injuries lump payments are provided, based upon the extent to which the injury interferes with employment and the annual earning capacity of the victim. Where employees are killed, their families will receive a sum equal to his wages for a year and a half, with an additional 10 percent for each child under 16 and 2 percent for each year of service above five years. In cases of injury a period of ten days must elapse before relief begins.

Business Change at Herrick.

Herrick, S. D., April 16.—Special to The News: A deal was closed whereby Fred Pfaff, sr., of this place traded his general merchandise store here for a half section of land near Chamberlain, S. D. J. H. Seller of Butte, Neb., are the purchasers and as they already own one stock of general merchandise here will, by consolidating the two stocks, make one of the largest stocks of dry goods and general merchandise in Gregory county.