

On The STAGE

NEW YORK DRAMATIC LETTER.

New York, Feb. 25.—"Excuse Me," "The Twelve Pound Lock" of "Nobody's Daughter" serves to add the third to a trio of very interesting new plays along the Great White Way. "Excuse Me" is perhaps a play without a plot, but it is intensely novel and has sprung into instant favor at the Gaiety theater. Rupert Hughes is the author of the work which he calls a "Pulman Carnival," which applies exactly for the action takes place in an overland limited train and the series of episodes follow one another with few minutes of lost time.

"The Twelve Pound Lock" is the latest offering of J. M. Barrie and Miss Ethel Barrymore is presenting it at the Empire theater with "Alice, Sit-by-the-Fire" in addition. The double bill gives the Empire audiences what is called "An Evening With J. M. Barrie." "The Twelve Pound Lock" is a one-act satire on the snobbishness of maternal success, and takes well.

"Nobody's Daughter" is a new play in the repertoire of the New Theater, which is to close soon. The play has aroused various opinions from the critics, and although it is splendidly acted has not met with the great favor accorded "The Piper" which doubt could be presented as a regular attraction for the rest of the season and draw splendid houses. "The Blue Bird," remains as a very heavy rival of the Peabody play in the New Theater's repertoire.

WAS LEAVING HER HUSBAND.

Wife of Indian on Rosebud, Runs Away to Parents Near Atkinson. Naper Advertiser: Last Tuesday evening Marshal Anderson was called to the phone by parties at Dallas and instructed to be on the lookout for a lady horse thief supposed to be headed this way.

The next morning a lady answering the description given rode into town on horseback with a gun strapped onto her cowboy saddle and was immediately apprehended by our marshal. Her horse was placed in the Briggs livery barn and the lady given a room at the Rosebud hotel.

Upon reaching her room the lady broke down completely and admitted that her name was Mrs. Charles Stinson and that she was leaving her husband never to return and that he was the author of the telephone message that stopped her. She stated that the horse she was riding belonged to herself, and that she was on her way to the home of her father, Isaac Mellspauch, who lives fifteen miles south of Atkinson.

She stated further that she had been married six years, that her husband was a mixed blood Sioux Indian and that life with him had reached the limit of endurance. That he had beaten her and otherwise abused her until a short time ago she had made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide that she might free herself from her unhappy existence. She begged the marshal to return her revolver that she might end it all.

After assuring the unhappy lady that if her story proved true he would no longer detain her, the marshal called up parties living near Atkinson who identified her and she was allowed to go her way in peace.

Oakdale News Items.

Oakdale, Neb., Feb. 25.—Special to The News: H. W. Johnson arrived from Leigh to take possession of the farm recently purchased by him through the Manville real estate office of Henry W. Hopkins, and is moving out his car load of personal effects.

Miss Fannie Means who has been visiting relatives at Neligh the past few days, returned.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wildermuth returned home after having been gone several months on a visit to points in Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Galoway, a son.

Berrett Cunningham, who lives two miles east of town, is moving to a farm near Clearwater which he purchased last summer.

Atkinson.

Mrs. Joseph Angell is recuperating in Norfolk this week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Hale.

Mr. King, who lives alone a few miles south of town, was kicked by a mule while out trying to catch up some horses, and received a broken leg. In some manner he succeeded in dragging himself to his house, where he remained without either fire or food for over twenty-four hours, being found there by neighbors. He was brought to town and placed in the sanitarium under the care of Dr. Sturdevant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stilson attended the convent play at O'Neill Wednesday evening.

Little Janice O'Brien, who has been sick for two weeks, was operated on Tuesday afternoon by Dr. Douglas and is now gaining rapidly under the care of a nurse from Omaha.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church held a colonial tea at the home of Mrs. Becker Wednesday evening, which was a success both socially and financially.

The educated horse, "Crickett," owned by A. O. Perry, appeared on the stage after the moving picture show and performed some wonderful stunts to a large and appreciative audience.

Newman Grove News.

Newman Grove, Neb., Feb. 25.—Special to The News: Mrs. W. S. McCartney of Loretto, passed away at

the Methodist hospital in Omaha Tuesday afternoon, following an operation. The body was brought out to Newman Grove Wednesday night and the funeral services were held from the M. E. church here Friday afternoon, with interment in the Emerick cemetery. Mrs. McCartney was a daughter of Mrs. Mary S. Switzer of this city and leaves to mourn her death a husband and four children.

Samuel Conram, one of the pioneer residents of this city, passed away Tuesday evening after a short illness, aged 80 years. Funeral services were held from the M. E. church Friday morning, with interment in the Hope cemetery.

The conference of the Nebraska district of Trinity church, the Norwegian synod meets this week and next at the church in this city. A large number of the ministers of the state are expected.

Franklin Twiss, another old resident of this place, died at his home in this city Monday, aged 91 years. Funeral services were held from the late home Wednesday morning with interment in the Hope cemetery. He leaves to mourn his death, a widow and three sons, Fred of Texas, Aura of Norfolk, and Edgar of this city.

To Reorganize Neligh Lodge.

Neligh, Neb., Feb. 25.—Special to The News: Final arrangements have been made for the reorganization of Neligh camp No. 184, Woodman of the World. Under the directions of Deputies Putnam, Wilson and Morrison, a large number of new members will be brought into the order next Monday evening. The meeting will be held in the Masonic hall. Several of the old members who reside in neighboring towns have signified their intentions to be present at this meeting.

LINDSEY DEFENDS WOMEN.

Says That Only Occasionally is Corrupt Female Politician Found. Albany, N. Y., Feb. 25.—"Occasionally a woman in politics is found to be corrupt," said Judge Ben B. Lindsey of the juvenile court of Denver, speaking before a mass meeting of suffragettes in the assembly chamber, "but where one woman is found crooked there are about 100 men."

Judge Lindsey took exception to statements in an article written by Richard Barry on conditions in Colorado, a suffrage state, saying that many of them were falsehoods.

"The recital of things which have been done or have not been done in the suffrage states," he said, "and the advancement of the theory that because women have not passed certain laws they should be disfranchised, also might be applied to the state where men alone vote. It would be logical."

"Another statement has been made that the women of Colorado have not tried to get through the legislature bills regarding child labor. This is a deliberate lie.

"Last year I had seven of these bills drafted. Three I gave to a woman in the legislature and the others I distributed among four senators. The woman got the three bills passed but the senators got not even get theirs out of committee."

He referred to woman's work as police and as probation officers and said he believed each had done more good than forty men could have, or would have done.

Bryan Talks at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—The two days' meeting of the conservation congress concluded with an address by W. J. Bryan who arrived from an extended stay in the south. Mr. Bryan declared his sympathy with any movement looking to the preservation of the state's resources and pledged his support to any rational national conservation movement.

THREE NEBRASKANS KILLED.

Dynamite Explosion in Nehawka Quarries, Proves Fatal. Lincoln, Feb. 25.—Three men were instantly killed and their mangled bodies thrown high in the air by an explosion of dynamite in the Nehawka stone quarries, near here. The dead: P. A. Hart, foreman of the men. Herbert Vanwinkle.

Pate Clark, home in Kansas City. Hart lived with his family at Weeping Water and Vanwinkle's home was at Nehawka. The men were charging a hole in which a quantity of dynamite had been placed to loosen the rocks and the mass was in some way ignited. Several men were in the pit where the explosion occurred but most escaped injury.

Don't Be a Grouch.

Stanton Register: The bookworm of the south makes the people lazy, but it doesn't do half the damages that the grouch microbe does to the people of all towns. The grouch destroys all sunshine of the home and does great injury to business in all places. He is a boon companion of the knocker, but far worse. If you have the grouch, take something for it or by the time you come to die your acquaintances will feel relieved at your passing away. There is one sure way to get rid of the grouch, that is to see good in everybody and forget that people do wrong.

Rothschild's Yacht Aground.

Cape San Antonio, Cuba, Feb. 25.—Baron Rothschild's yacht Almah, with the baron and a party of friends aboard, is aground twelve miles south of Cape San Antonio on the south side of the island. The vessel is in no immediate danger.

BIG PRICES FOR HOGS.

\$4,320 Paid to William Moderer of Beemer for 45 Animals. Beemer, Neb., Feb. 25.—Special to The News: William Moderer of Beemer held an annual sale of Duroc Jersey hogs, netting \$4,320 for forty-five hogs, averaging over \$96 each.

The highest price for an individual was \$300, bought by an Illinois man; the second was \$227.50.

Richards Bill On the Way.

Pierre, S. D., Feb. 25.—The Richards primary bill is on its way and the people of the state will say November of next year what its destination shall be. The presentation to initiate the law was presented in both houses by Secretary Polly.

The house committee reported a couple of the small special appropriations and the strength of the house anti-appropriation crowd will be felt out on these. The house general bill is almost ready for presentation and will carry \$2,292,679, an increase of \$202,165 over the same bill of two years ago.

The house appointment bill was given a warning up heat, but was put back until Monday to see what the senate will do with its bill at the meeting in committee of the whole this evening.

The disappointed ones are working hard to break the committee bill and the light promises to be a warm one. After slaughtering seven bills at the forenoon session the house settled down and pushed through a number of minor bills, none of great general importance.

Governor Vessey issued a call for donations for Chinese famine sufferers to be forwarded to C. L. Bronson, head of the state Red Cross society at Mitchell.

More Troubles in Gas Plant.

Discovering a leak in the gas system on Third street and Norfolk avenue last night, the Norfolk Light and Fuel company shut all gas supply off at 9 o'clock. There were no serious results from the gas fumes with the exception of the fainting of Mrs. Paul Luebeck, whose cellar was filled with gas escaping from a defective sewer.

The cellars in the Automatic telephone office and Schenzel meat market were also filled with gas by way of the defects in the sewer.

A number of residents were awakened early this morning by the smell of gas. Having left the lights burning throughout the night, the gas escaped from the open jets in the early morning when it was turned on.

The company has turned off the gas east of Fourth street and are now digging up the pavement to find the leak on Third street. The practice for an entertainment which takes place in the Christ Lutheran schools had to be abandoned last night because the lights had gone out and because one member, who is to take a leading part, an employee of the Luebeck store, was so affected that he could not proceed with his part.

Creighton Boy Under Wheels.

Chester Cramer, an 18-year-old boy of Creighton, Neb., was run over by Northwestern train No. 406 in the Junction yards Friday afternoon and it is possible he will lose his left leg, over which the wheels of one car passed.

Cramer says some one pushed him from the car platform, on which he was standing, and his leg went under the wheels. The young man was taken to the home of his brother-in-law, Conductor O. P. List, 1208 Madison street, where Dr. P. H. Salter, the Northwestern surgeon, attended him.

Cramer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Cramer, who have been farming near Creighton but left that vicinity recently for Minnesota. Chester Cramer was enroute to Minnesota from Creighton to join his parents when the accident occurred.

To Disfranchise Student Voters.

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—A bill to disfranchise students living in Lincoln and other towns was recommended for passage by the senate after a hard fight against it by the dry forces.

The senate passed R. H. No. 21, appropriating \$8,000 for the orthopedic hospital.

The committee of the whole took up for consideration S. F. No. 116 by Bartoe, relating to insurance, requiring mutual companies to divide their surplus when they change to stock companies or go out of business. It was received for third reading.

S. F. No. 128 was taken up. This is a bill to place public utility corporations under the control of the state railway commission. Senator Reagan of Douglas offered an amendment excluding all cities of more than 25,000 inhabitants. This amendment met with considerable opposition. Senator Tibbets opposed it because he wanted it left in to kill the bill. Senator Skiles was of the same opinion.

Senator Jansen presented a joint resolution requesting the governor to appoint a joint committee of seven to include the governor, lieutenant governor and speaker of the house to visit San Francisco the coming summer to arrange for a proper display of the resources of Nebraska at the Panama Exposition.

To Reopen Omaha Probe.

After it had supposed its work all finished except for drafting a report, the committee appointed to look into alleged election frauds in Omaha has decided to go after more evidence.

It was stated that a meeting will be held here Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at which more testimony, both documentary and oral, will be introduced.

It is said that some of the poll books will be brought down for inspection.

Chairman Harrington does not care to say just what witnesses will be brought before the committee.

Admits He Has Two Wives.

Butte, Neb., Feb. 25.—Special to The News: Daniel Holler appeared before Judge Harrington and pleaded guilty to the charge of bigamy. His wife No. 1 and little girl about 4 years old were here ready to give evidence in the case.

SOCIETY

Pleasures of the Week.

Mrs. Bruce R. Ramer entertained a company of twenty-five ladies at a pretty 1 o'clock luncheon on Wednesday at her home, 311 North Eleventh. The birthday anniversary of George Washington was observed in the decorations throughout the rooms, and in the attractive table appointments. A beautiful dark red carnation at each place added to the beauty of the tables. In the game of cards that followed the luncheon the high score favor went to Mrs. Asa K. Leonard and the all cut to Mrs. Ludwig Koenigstein.

Mrs. H. C. Sattler was hostess at a musical on Wednesday afternoon. The rooms throughout the home were beautifully decorated with the national colors, while carnations used in profusion added to the effect. The program rendered by Prof. Otto Vogel on the violin, accompanied by Miss Carrie Thompson was a rare treat, and thoroughly enjoyed by the twenty-five guests present. At 5 o'clock Mrs. Sattler served a dainty refreshment.

Mrs. Belle Turner Bennett of Mt. Vernon, Ia., and Miss Nelle Grant of Madison enjoyed a house party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George N. Beels from Saturday to Monday. In honor of the guests Mrs. Beels entertained at luncheon Monday Pheasant, Rastede and Ulrich and Miss Linda Magdanz of Pierce, and Mesdames Hutchanson, Gettinger, Beaman and Miss Clara Berner of Norfolk, and Miss Maude Whittia of Battle Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Gentle entertained a company of young ladies at a 6 o'clock dinner on Wednesday evening. The event was to celebrate the twenty-first birthday of Miss Mary Odiorne. The other guests who found places at a prettily laid table were Misses Mellie Bridge, Helen Maynard, Eloise Dietrich, Ruth Norris and Martha Davenport.

Washington's birthday was celebrated by a very pretty dancing party, given in Marquardt hall by Prof. Otto Vogel's orchestra. The hall was handsomely decorated with flags and bunting. The music was fine and thoroughly enjoyed by a large company. Punch was served throughout the evening.

Mrs. S. F. Erskine entertained a large company of ladies at a 1 o'clock luncheon today. Bridge furnished entertainment for a pleasant afternoon. Mrs. Erskine was assisted in serving by Miss Mary Odiorne and Miss Laura Durland.

The Ladies Aid society of St. Johannes church are richer by \$40 as the result of a bazaar and lunch which was given in the rink on Tuesday. The ladies were very much pleased with the patronage they received.

Mrs. Bruce R. Ramer entertained at a second luncheon on Friday. Twenty-four ladies were seated at small tables and served to a dainty three-course lunch. After lunch five hundred was played. Mrs. J. C. S. Wells won the high score prize and Mrs. Burt Mapes the all-cut.

Mrs. D. C. Colegrove entertained the members of the Tuesday Bridge club at lunch. Mrs. J. C. S. Wells and Miss Fale Burnham were visitors. The high score favor in the game of bridge went to Miss Burnham.

The ladies of the W. R. C. served a splendid chicken pie dinner in G. A. R. hall on Wednesday. Supper was also served at 6 o'clock and the ladies feel well repaid for their work, as they were well patronized.

A number of old time friends dropped in unexpectedly on Wednesday afternoon to help Mrs. I. Powers celebrate her birthday anniversary. The ladies brought refreshments and a jolly afternoon was spent.

The Luther league of St. Johannes church gave a basket social in the rink on Tuesday evening. The neat sum of \$30 was added to the treasury, and the young people present had a jolly time.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church enjoyed an all day session in the home of Mrs. Percy on Thursday. Much work was accomplished and the meeting was a pleasant one.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Copperrua and Mrs. Erskine returned to their home in Port Huron, Mich., on Thursday after a visit with their daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. H. C. Oldfield, on North Ninth street. Mrs. Oldfield accompanied her guests to Omaha.

Mrs. M. A. McMillan went to Omaha today to visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harding and be present at the wedding of her granddaughter, Miss Ruth Harding, to Mr. Samuel Rees.

T. E. Odiorne and family are planning to move into the Box house, on North Tenth street, where they will make their home until they decide where they will locate permanently.

Dr. P. H. Salter and W. A. Witzigman returned from Omaha Wednesday evening, where they enjoyed the automobile show.

Mrs. J. C. S. Wells, Jr., came down from Osmond on Friday for a little visit with her sister, Mrs. P. H. Salter.

Judge Powers and family are nicely settled in their old home, corner of Ninth street and Koenigstein avenue.

Miss Dorothy Salter came home Friday from Sycamore, Ill., where she is attending Waterman Hall.

Society at Neligh.

Neligh, Neb., Feb. 25.—Special to The News: Members of the Reviewers club of this city, one of the four federated organizations of Neligh, again gave their annual entertainment and supper to their husbands on Wednesday evening of this week at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Rice. The committee of this occasion consisted of the hostess, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. J. C. Jenkins, Mrs. Mae Untank and Mrs. H. A. VanKirk. In commemoration of the event, George Washington's birthday, the rooms were decorated with the stars and stripes, and each guest found places at the tables with their names inscribed on the handles of red cardboard hatchets.

The supper consisted of four courses and was to a degree highly complimentary to the committee in charge, and thoroughly demonstrated the efficiency of the ladies as adepts in the culinary art.

The entertainment part of the program consisted of short addresses by the following: Mrs. D. W. Beattie, "Washington's Ancestors and Early Life." Mrs. C. J. Allison, "Romances of Washington." Mrs. E. T. George, "Washington as a Soldier." Mrs. G. N. McDougal, "Washington as a Statesman and a Man."

At the conclusion of the above addresses the hostess arose and stated that she had a peculiar rendition of George Washington and his little hatchet, the same being contributed by J. C. Jenkins and that he alone was responsible for its authenticity. As an introduction to his lengthy speech, she said: "Ladies and Gentlemen: You are probably not aware that the Reviewers club has for an honorary member, or perhaps I had better say, an incumbent, a man of unusual literary ability. It is authentically stated that he has been seized with such outbursts of oratory, which were of such magnitude and brilliancy, that the noonday sun was obscured; the birds ceased to sing; the chickens went to roost; the green grass withered and died; the leaves even dropped from the trees as though the long winter had set in. Naturally the neighbors failed to appreciate these paroxysms and the attending conditions, and remonstrated with him. The talented orator brooded in moody silence for awhile, but finally his literary genius began to eke out through the end of his pen, and we have as a part of our entertainment this evening one of his brilliant efforts."

The closing feature of the evening was a progressive assemblage of pictures during the life of Washington, and caused much merriment by those who participated. First honors were awarded to M. J. Romig, who was presented with a framed portrait of the distinguished hero, whose birthday was celebrated throughout the United States on Wednesday of this week.

Nebraska Beats Kansas.

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—Kansas suffered its first defeat of this season at the hand of a conference team when Nebraska won the basket ball game by a score of 38 to 25.

SOUTH DAKOTA AT A GLANCE.

Miss Josephine Perkins is to publish a weekly paper at Morrilton.

Judge Robert Tripp has opened a session of the circuit court at Parker. S. J. Conklin, clerk, is in a critical condition and his chances for recovery are slight.

George O. Woodford, aged 73 years, is dead at Huron. He was a Beadle county pioneer.

Louis Anderson of Watertown and Miss Alam Dahlquist of Huron were married at Huron.

Henry Honiker of Ipswich has been arrested by Illinois officers for kidnapping his own son.

The commissioners of Edmunds county are planning to erect a new county jail at Ipswich.

H. A. Hildebrandt has been appointed county treasurer of Watertown. He succeeds L. J. O'Toole, deceased.

The remains of C. W. Van Eas, a South Dakota pioneer, who died at Pierre, have been interred at Huron.

Hiram A. Park, head of a large wholesale business at Watertown, is dead at Miami, Fla. He was 73 years old.

Representatives Burke and Martin have written friends that they are opposed to the Canadian reciprocity treaty.

Ernest Blake, who deserted from the United States army, has been arrested by United States Deputy Marshal Edwards at Mitchell.

After twelve years in the South Dakota courts, the estate of Thomas McClellan, who died in 1898, leaving property valued at \$30,000, is to be settled.

Christian Keppler, farmer, living twelve miles from Aberdeen, dependent over repeated attacks of asthma, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head.

Burglars who were trying to effect an entrance into the residence of C. J. Novotny, Yankton, were discovered, but succeeded in getting away before the arrival of the police.

Mrs. Krueger, Kimball, was granted a divorce and \$15,000 cash, together with the custody of her child. She claimed to have found her husband in an Aberdeen hotel with another woman.

FOR FUTURE PHONE BUSINESS

Nebraska Telephone Company Engineer Makes Estimate Here. J. H. Becker, commercial engineer of the Nebraska Telephone company, with headquarters at Omaha, was in the city Friday making an interesting estimate and study of Norfolk.

The future telephone business of his

company for the next five, ten, fifteen and twenty years in Norfolk has been estimated by this engineer in only a few days' stay.

The probable number of telephones to be installed in five years in this city and the number within twenty years from today are estimated by him. This estimated growth of his company's business in this city is based on the history of the past and the judgment of the best informed men in the city as to what the growth of the town will be.

This estimate is being made at this time because the company is expending a large amount of money in the new underground service. The estimate will be used by the superintendent in charge of the underground work and from its information this superintendent will build his tiling and conduits large enough to allow for many years' business. The placing of cables in these conduits will also be affected by this estimate, which will probably provide for conduits large enough for cables for work for the next ten years.

Bank Robbers in Iowa.

Fort Dodge, Ia., Feb. 24.—Robbers early today dynamited the bank of Caldwell, near Fort Dodge, and later rifled the postoffice. They obtained little of value. The robbers escaped towards Des Moines.

Report a Steamer Burned.

Constantinople, Feb. 24.—A local newspaper reports the Turkish steamer Hurriet, filled with Moslem pilgrims, was burned at sea. Not one of the passengers and crew escaped death. Official confirmation of the report is lacking.

FRIDAY FACTS.

L. D. Noll went to Elgin on business.

Miss Mae Barrett went to Chicago on a business trip.

L. H. Hinds returned from a business trip to Lincoln.

Mrs. Frank Gishpert of Pierce was a visitor in the city.

Jack Koenigstein returned from a business trip to Lincoln.

Miss Irma Barsach of Dallas was here visiting with friends.

Mrs. Fred Ziemer of Hoskins was in the city visiting with friends.

Mrs. Aaron of Hoskins was here visiting with her daughter, Miss Metta Aron.

Dr. P. H. Salter and W. A. Witzigman returned from a business trip to Omaha.

William Page and Ray Templin of Stanton were in the city visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Schulz of Stanton were in the city visiting with the F. R. Lenzler family.

Fred Flitter of Creighton is in the city spending a week's visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. O. H. Monroe of Fond du Lac, Wis., is in the city visiting with Mrs. A. B. Baldwin and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Woelschlagler of Hoskins passed through the city enroute to Fairfax to attend the funeral of a relative.

Miss Agnes Smith is confined to her home suffering with an attack of the grip.

One applicant for a night's lodging was accommodated in the city jail last night.

Fred Harder has succeeded William Martell in the Emil Koehn saloon. Mr. Martell has gone to South Dakota.

City Engineer Tracy says citizens on Thirteenth street from Koenigstein north to Nebraska avenue are circulating a petition for a new sewer district.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cabanis, Miss Edna, was operated on Friday for adenoids, the operation being performed by Dr. P. H. Salter, assisted by Dr. E. L. Brush.

Another sign of spring was brought to notice Thursday night when members of last year's "Overland Four," a local talent comedy company, gave a musical entertainment on Norfolk avenue.

The faking shoe string vender who made believe that he was a cripple by carrying along with him a brand new crutch to work on the sympathies of tenderhearted Norfolkers, has left the city. Chief of Police Marquardt was in search of the gentleman yesterday, but reports the man cannot be found.

William Toft, a former Marshall, Mo., business man, has arrived in the city and will open a five, ten and twenty-five cent store in the Richards block about March 15. Mrs. Toft and her daughter are also here and the family is now in search of a house.

H. E. Moss of Hastings, district deputy of the Elks, has wired B. C. Gentle from Omaha that he will be in Norfolk Saturday to visit with the local lodge at its regular meeting.

The Christ Lutheran church congregation have completed plans for their entertainment which takes place tonight in the schoolhouse on South Fifth street. A large attendance is looked for.

About five Norfolk men applied at the postoffice for information regarding the positions in the civil service in various bureaus as automobile machinists. The examinations for this position close Saturday.

John Beck, the young German who was accidentally shot by a friend at target practice at Fremont Wednesday, is well known by Carl Portwig, a Fair store employe here, who says Beck has no relatives in this country. According to Mr. Portwig, who worked with Beck for about a year, the young man came from the fatherland only a few years ago.

Another dog fight entertained the sun-bathers along Norfolk avenue yesterday afternoon. A large water spaniel and a bull dog were the principals, the contest being about evenly matched, if not a shade better for the bull dog, which tried to put his fangs around the throat of the spaniel. Chief of Police Marquardt's appearance on the scene put a stop to the combat.

The jury in the case of A. Morrison

versus Rosemond M. Gibson, in which the plaintiff asked for \$147 due him for