

WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.

George W. Phelps of Madison was here. A. T. Barber of Grand Island was here. C. I. Bernard of Plainville was here. George E. Schiller, after a few days' visit here, returned to his home at Central City. George W. Smith of Columbus was a visitor in the city. C. F. Mitchell of Creighton was in the city on business. Dr. C. J. Verges returned from a business trip to Madison. C. L. Anderson returned from a business trip to Naper. S. Randolph of Omaha was in the city transacting business. J. Bloom of Creighton was in the city transacting business. Sheriff C. S. Smith, enroute to Newman Grove, was in the city. Attorney John A. Ehrhardt of Stanton was here transacting business. J. L. Thornburn, special agent of the Aetna Insurance company, has gone to Chicago to attend a company meeting. Mrs. John Kehler, who has been here visiting with the A. W. Pinkhouse family, has returned to her home at Creighton. Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Foster, enroute from Cheyenne to Sallina, Kan., who were here visiting with the Charles Sheeler family, have gone to Iowa for a few days' visit with relatives. H. J. Sanders of Howells was a visitor in the city. M. J. Sanders returned from a business trip to Pilger. Dr. P. H. Salter went to Foster on business. Robert Klug went to Lincoln on business. H. E. Mason of Meadow Grove was in the city. M. R. Smith of Niobrara was a visitor in the city. Mrs. Risor of Fremont and Mrs. J. C. Bishop of Lincoln are in the city. Captain I. S. Johnson of Stanton was in the city visiting with Captain C. L. Anderson. Among the day's out-of-town visitors in Norfolk were: E. E. Erickson, Newman Grove; Dr. and Mrs. Howell Wakefield, J. H. Friedericksen, Center; Joe Trout, J. Platte; Henry Erickson, Hastings; Dan Schindler, Pierce; Dr. J. W. Selzer, Pender; Nila Haning, Winnebago; Grace E. Manall, Madison; H. J. Sanders, Howells. John Schwichtenberg has gone to Hoaks, where he will build a new barn on his farm. A steel ceiling is being placed in the Abe Lytle loan office. Other remodeling is being done in the office. Handsome new book cases and a new set of law books have been installed in the offices of Mapes & Hazen. A special meeting of the Elks has been called for next Saturday evening, to discuss plans for future quarters. Asa K. Leonard, R. D. McKinney and B. T. Reid returned from a successful hunting expedition at Enola Tuesday night. Sol G. Mayer returned last night from New York, where he and Mrs. Mayer, with their children, have been visiting for two months. At the regular meeting of the company No. 3, held in the city hall Tuesday night, John Bland and John Rice were initiated as new members. The Ladies' Aid society of the First Congregational church will meet in the home of Mrs. P. H. Salter, with Mrs. G. B. Salter assisting, Thursday afternoon. Herbert King, who will manage the new automobile garage on East Norfolk avenue, has purchased the F. Z. McGintin's residence on West Norfolk avenue. Word was received from Rochester, Minn., reporting the successful operation on Mrs. R. F. Schiller. Mr. and Mrs. Schiller will return to Norfolk Friday. Morris Irvin and A. Kuyers were among the large party of hunters at Enola Tuesday evening. The hunters report the ducks plentiful, but flying too high. Frank Twiss, a former Norfolk boy, who has been manager of the Lock hotel at Pierre, S. D., has been placed in charge of the Widmann hotel at Mitchell, S. D. Friday is St. Patrick's day. Among the foremost of the celebrators will be Mike O'Hara of Norfolk, who reports he has ordered a green vest with pearl buttons as large as dollars. Earnest Truelock has completed the building of the firemen's lockers in the city hall. The lockers are neatly built and the firemen who have viewed them declare them satisfactory. Much stock from the north is being shipped through Norfolk to the South Omaha market. A double header with an extraordinary large number of cars passed through here Tuesday night. In a private gymnasium on Philip avenue Tuesday evening, Cleo Lederer in a wrestling match defeated several high school athletes. The young men are preparing to be in condition for the opening of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. The freight business on the various railroads of this city is reported rapidly increasing after the regular slump. Most of the freight consists of merchandise and the carload lots for Norfolk shows an increase over that of other towns. These reports by the railroads show up very well for a prosperous year. Judge R. E. Evans of Dakota City, who was in Norfolk Tuesday in connection with the Virginia land case being heard by Judge Isaac Powers, is referee in the famous Omaha Chief of Police Donohue case, in the supreme court. Judge Evans reports that he has heard almost the entire oral testimony in this case. With the exception of one member of the local national guard company, the entire company have declared themselves ready to go to the front.

The exception referred to is a member of the company who declared to the commandant that because he is physically unable to stand the heat of the southern climate he will be unable to accompany the soldiers. Workmen Tuesday commenced operations on the construction of the William Kell cement factory on Madison avenue, west of the Union Pacific tracks. The factory will be made of artificial stone and one story in height. Mr. Kell recently purchased the lot and at the same time ordered artificial stone machinery from the east. Robert Klug will build a similar factory near the same place. With the completion of these two factories Norfolk will have three cement block factories. Edward White, a hack driver, was arrested on a charge of vagrancy by Patrolman Sasse at 1 o'clock Wednesday morning. White has been sleeping in various hacks during the night and several hack drivers have complained of missing money. They also charge White with being slightly insane at times. He was found guilty of the charge in Judge Eiseley's court Wednesday morning and remanded to jail until after Judge Eiseley further considered his case. He will either be given a thirty-day term in the county jail or a regular money fine. Dr. C. A. McKim has received from Governor Aldrich his official appointment as assistant state veterinarian. Dr. McKim will have charge of this district, but will be under supervision of the state veterinarian for duty in any part of the state. President C. B. Durland of the Associated Board of Charities is having large placards printed on which will appear the names of officers and committees of the association. These cards will be placed in conspicuous places in various offices and buildings for the purpose of reference to strangers to any of those who are concerned. Judge Isaac Powers, appointed by Judge Munger as special referee in the United States circuit court case of an important Virginia and Knox county (Nebraska) land deal, held a term of court in his office, in the Bishop block, Tuesday afternoon. The court adjourned late Tuesday afternoon and will reconvene at Bloomfield at a later date to be set by Judge Powers. Edward C. Reynolds of Bloomfield, one of the defendants in the case, was present at the taking of testimony. Three witnesses were examined, while the remainder of testimony was taken from record evidence and exhibits. Among the attorneys interested in the case who were present at the hearing were: Senator W. V. Allen, Madison; Judge R. Evans, Dakota City; Judge Keleher, Creighton; Attorney W. D. Funk, Bloomfield; Judge Powers returned from Virginia only a few months ago, where he was engaged in taking testimony in connection with this case. John Robinson, proprietor of the Norfolk Metal company, is in peculiar trouble. Wednesday morning he discharged two employes because they insisted on drinking whiskey while on duty, and a few moments later he was arrested by Chief of Police Marquardt on charges filed by J. A. Jenkins, one of the discharged employes, who claims Mr. Robinson threatened to kill him. When Robinson appeared before Judge Eiseley he was let go on his own recognizance and the trial was set for late this afternoon. Mr. Robinson's story of the affair shows that Jenkins came here from Omaha a week ago and had no money. Mr. Robinson gave him work and Wednesday morning he declares, Jenkins was drunk and his companion had also been drinking. He did not object until he discovered both drinking whiskey out of a bottle in his place of business and when he made known his objection the men abused him. He then discharged both. The men, he says, entered into a conspiracy against him and filed the charges, which he claims have no foundation. Kill Prohibition in Iowa. Des Moines, March 15.—The Iowa senate today killed the resolution for a constitutional prohibitory amendment convention by adopting the committee report for indefinite postponement, 27 to 21. Barefoot Boy Also Arrives. Unlimited reports of robins, meadow larks, blue birds and black birds; and little Peter Graham walking up and down Norfolk avenue barefooted, announce the fact that spring has really arrived. Peter Graham is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Graham and the slight of him trudging along the cement sidewalk on his tiny barefeet caused much comment on Norfolk avenue Tuesday morning. Syracuse Still in Rowing Game. Syracuse, N. Y., March 15.—The Syracuse university boat crews have been saved. The students have guaranteed the payment of the \$6,000 and the athletic governing board last night gave Coach Teneycke authority to go ahead with his plans. The orange will be represented at Poughkeepsie this year. Movement for More Paving. A movement is on foot to pave North Ninth, North Tenth and North Eleventh streets as far as Prospect avenue, and Norfolk avenue west to Thirteenth street. Petitions calling for such paving are now being circulated. Refuse Quincy a Franchise. Bloomington, Ill., March 15.—President Bloomington says the southern clubs will not be represented in any manner at any meeting of the league until the northern clubs agree to grant Quincy a franchise. Meadow Grove News. F. W. Colegrove, carrier on R. F. D. No. 2, who has been off duty on account of sickness, is able to be out again and expects to be able to re-

sume his duties in a few days. L. L. Frye shipped a car of mighty good horses and mules to the South Omaha market Sunday evening. N. Lee left for Canada on the noon train Saturday, where he has purchased land and expects to make his future home. His car of stock and household goods went out the fore part of the week in charge of Lee Hoffman. Mr. Lee's wife and family will follow him in the near future. The Meadow Grove News has again changed hands. C. W. Clifton having sold it to M. N. Collins. Mr. Collins has had about eight years experience in the newspaper business and during a part of this time he was employed on The Norfolk Daily News. E. B. Woods, manager for the Chicago Lumber company at this place, has commenced the erection of a fine large residence on the lot he recently purchased from C. C. Wilson, on North West street. The mill has again resumed operation with E. E. Neely at the wheel. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Colegrove of Redmond, Ore., came in on No. 1 Monday for a few days' visit with their son Frank, who has been quite ill. A call has been issued for a citizens caucus at Beech's hall Thursday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of nominating three trustees to be placed on the ticket at the coming village election. G. A. Alyea, traveling representative of the Advance Thrasher Co., came in Saturday night and remained over Sunday with his family. The concert and dance given by the Omaha Concert Co. at the opera house Friday night did not call out a very large attendance, but those who were there report a very nice time, with plenty of good music. J. W. McCallum is grading up his lot and putting it in shape to commence the erection of a new dwelling as soon as completed. George Mulder was in town the latter part of the week looking after business for the Lytle Construction company of Sioux City, with whom he is connected. V. E. Twiss, H. H. Dye and J. L. Dye left Sunday evening with three cars of stock and household goods for Chaplin, Sask., Canada, where they expect to establish permanent homes. Their families followed on the noon train Monday. Charles Botsford, who recently moved here from Freeport, Ill., has leased the property known as the East hotel, and after renovating it and making a few improvements has opened its doors to the public. Oakdale News Notes. Mrs. Hansen of Fremont was up over Sunday from Fremont visiting relatives. O. B. Manville real estate agency sold the P. E. Cowin forty acres, three miles northeast to Wendell Warner. R. M. Anderson was down from Enola Sunday visiting his family. R. M. Nesbit returned from Omaha, where he has been for several days attending the retail merchants convention. The Boosters have been busy today putting in the new hitching post. They make a large improvement in the looks of the streets. They still have more to put in. Mrs. McKinney, who is visiting at the home of D. C. Leach, gave those in attendance at the Methodist church a treat in the way of a very beautiful solo. She has a splendid voice. Miss Alice Evans and Miss Lewis from Neligh were down from Neligh to attend the services at the Methodist church. They were the guests of Miss Jennie McCoy while here. The prospects are good that the glee club of the Wesleyan university will give their entertainment here on the 20th of April, although not definitely decided. SOUTH DAKOTA AT A GLANCE. O. H. Tarbell is in a precarious condition at Watertown. The annual May musical festival will take place at Mitchell May 18 and 19. L. G. Oehsekreiter of Wenster has entered on a forty-day fast. The annual meeting of county auditors will be held at Pierre March 25. The people of Glenham are rejoicing over the starting of a mill at that place. J. W. Browning of Atlanta, Ill., has been elected superintendent of the Brookings schools. Commencing tomorrow night evangelists will hold a series of revival meetings at Mitchell. The annual convention of laymen of the Methodist church will be held at Sioux Falls March 15 and 16. Colonel Adams died at Mitchell of paralysis and will be buried at his former home in Richard Center, Wis. Michael Smith, aged 28, bartender at Aberdeen, attempted to commit suicide by shooting. His employer entered the room in time to snatch the gun from his hand. Despondency is given as the cause. Lemmon residents presented Capt. E. P. Barrett with a handsome cane upon the eve of his departure for Minneapolis. Captain Barrett was the first newspaper at Lemmon and the first auditor of Perkins county. Neligh News Notes. Neligh, Neb., March 16.—Special to The News: At a recent meeting of the school board of this city Dr. R. W. Chamberlain was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of W. L. McAllister from Neligh. The election of superintendent and teachers was taken up at this meeting. Two high school teachers and one for the sixth grade are still vacant. The following were re-elected for the ensuing year: Superintendent, C. A. Mohrman; Gertrude Alton, Mrs. Owen Housh, Percie Cass, Grace Jackson, Leona Shenefelt, Mildred Thornton, Grace Warner, Mae Chavanaugh. Simon Roby and wife left the first of the week for Sheridan, Wyo.,

where they will make their future home. Bert Wattles went to Lincoln Monday morning to be absent a couple of days on business. W. L. McConnell, wife and daughter were passengers Tuesday morning for Omaha. George Sellery was confined to his home by sickness last Thursday. Columbus Penn and wife returned home from their winter quarters in Florida last Thursday afternoon. C. L. Wattles, H. B. Hauser and N. B. Switzer went to Omaha last Friday to be present at a meeting of a Masonic gathering. John Getchell, Jr., received medical treatment at Tilden on Friday of last week. He is planning to return to Culver Military academy about the first of April. Frank Moses was down from Clearwater last Friday on business. Charles Gildersleeve and wife went to Cherokee, Ia., on Friday of last week to be absent a short time. Albert M. Cool of this city has recently been granted an increase of pension under the special act. He will now receive \$14 per month. C. J. Allison left for Lincoln, Colo., Tuesday morning, where he is interested in lands in that vicinity. Arthur Ritchie has accepted a position as helper for the Northwestern railroad and left for Meadow Grove Tuesday to resume his duties in the depot at that place. G. W. Park was up from Oakdale Tuesday on business. Mrs. R. J. Forsythe has been confined to her home by severe illness the past several days. Carl Krebs of Albion was in town Thursday and Friday visiting his many friends in this city. F. L. Putney of Tilden was renewing old acquaintances in Neligh the first of the week. Mrs. J. W. Spirk was compelled to leave for Omaha last Friday, where she underwent an operation on Monday of this week. The latest reports from the patient is that she is recovering nicely. Mrs. C. H. A. Smith left for Stanton Monday to visit a few days with friends. Mrs. Ruby Parrish was an Omaha visitor Sunday and Monday. Sam Huff will look after the business interests of John McAllister during the absence of the latter in California. Mrs. N. L. McGintin went to Stanton Tuesday morning for a short visit with relatives and friends. C. H. A. Smith was transacting business in Omaha a couple of days this week. Ewing News Notes. Mrs. S. P. Borden, who has been visiting a sister at Battle Creek, returned home Monday. A Kilgore is spending a couple of weeks with friends and relatives in Iowa. At the late meeting of the township board \$25 was voted for the building up of the roads leading to Ewing. Henry Fry and daughter were disappointed on going to Norfolk to meet his sister from Iowa to find that she had come via the Short Line to Orchard. Walter Furlay has resigned his position in Wunmer Bros. store and is going into the box raising business with J. S. Weverling. Contractor Davis has four residences to erect and has already signed the contracts for them. This is the beginning, the end is not yet. H. R. Porter has resigned his position in the Hoy store and has accepted a chief clerkship for Wunmer Bros. The change is considered a promotion. "Montann" Gene Sullivan will act as referee at the boxing contest Friday evening. What with a dispersion sale of fancy and pedigreed cattle and hogs and the ten-round boxing contest of Gotch and Kane, all roads will lead to Ewing St. Patrick's day in the morning. As a preliminary to the bout proper on St. Patrick's night, Clarence Thompson of Ewing and an athlete from Stafford named Wellman, in a catch-as-catch-can wrestle for the championship of northwestern Nebraska will be an interesting feature of the evening. A rumor to the effect that an erstwhile widow of Ewing and a prominent widower of Neligh were recently wedded turns out to be incorrect. It is too bad, as many intended congratulations are now up in the air. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craig and J. A. Combes went to Sioux City to consult a specialist, and have returned greatly relieved. Even the eyes of Sandy Griswold would have twinkled with envy had he witnessed a feat performed on the banks of the Elkhorn the other day. S. W. Brown, Jr., cashier of the Pioneer bank, pumped five loads of shot into a flock of ducks flying overhead and succeeded in bagging eleven of them. It just rained ducks for a while. A new steel structure will take the place of the old wooden bridge just east of town. The county board has appropriated \$5,000 for that purpose. ROASTS BOSS COX. Cincinnati, March 15.—In a sensational utterance Judge Frank Gorman of the court of common pleas today dismissed the contempt charges against George B. Cox, banker and political leader. He declared the utterances of Cox, which were published after the latter's indictment for perjury, were "insolent and false." In dismissing the charges Judge Gorman followed the finding of a majority of the committee of the three attorneys appointed to investigate circumstances of the interview. Two of these men held that neither Cox nor the newspaper that published his remarks regarding the grand jury and the court, was in contempt. The other member of the committee absolved the newspaper, but held that it was

the province of the court to determine whether Cox should be held on the contempt charge. In his finding Judge Gorman said he agreed with the minority of the committee that Cox was found guilty of contempt, but in view of the fact that an affidavit charging prejudice had been filed against him by Cox, he said he would abide by the findings of the majority of the committee. Japan a Buffer if China Awakes. "In the years to come when China has awakened either as a great military power or as a mighty commercial people whose millions dwarf the memory of the Anglo-Saxon race of today the American people will find that in teaching Japan its first footsteps in the kindergarten of western civilization its broad minded ancestors were rearing a friend that would be needed in times of stress," declares Dr. M. Usuke Yamaguchi, M. A., Ph. D., M. D., graduate of Yale, who is taking a course of studies at Columbia Medical school. "I think Lieutenant Hobson's theory that Japan is preparing for war with America has been pretty well exploded, but I would like to point out some of the reasons why anything but a friendship between the two countries is impossible. "I was born in Japan and grew up there. I have been the pastor of one of the greatest churches in Japan, and to make my work more thorough there I have come back to America and become a doctor of medicine. I know Japan. I graduated from Yale, was four years at the Western Reserve Medical school in Cleveland and have lived a great deal in New York, and I know America. "There were always reasons why Japan could not attack America successfully. There have for many years been sentimental reasons why she would not if she could. It was America who came knocking at our doors when we were a close corporation, a stay at home provincial people. "In the kindergartens of Japan today the little children are taught patriotism, which becomes a fierce fire in every breast. The little ones are taught the story of how our American sailors came to Japan and pointed the way to occidental civilization and how the United States was the first and best friend we had in the congress of world powers. Japan never forgets this. What we are today as a great world people we owe to America, and does any one think that we shall so soon forget? "Modern Japan is too busy to think of the impossible task of mastering a great country like America. It has been suggested that we want the Philippines. Now, it is not generally known that the climate of the Philippines is as bad for Japanese as it is for Americans. "Japan Busy Colonizing. "We have been trying to colonize and settle Formosa, but after all the time we have held that island we are still fighting there to maintain a stable government and to establish decent laws. We are trying to colonize it, but at tremendous cost in treasure and men. It is not yet a paying proposition. And what would the Philippines be? Formosa offers a fertile field for our overgrowing population for at least twenty years to come, and our most barren island in Japan is hardly settled. It has room for millions of more people. "I have often pointed out that it would be impossible to send a Japanese fleet with soldiers to Hawaii to hold those islands against the force that America could risk there. Even if we took Hawaii how could we come on and attack any part of America and hold it long enough to get our breath? If we were to seize the Philippines in some unguarded moment, wouldn't they be an elephant on our hands in the supreme struggle with the United States that would follow? It would leave our home country exposed to attack. "Japan Too Poor to Fight. "Finally, Japan's finances are not in a condition to warrant its undertaking such a foolhardy thing as war with America, and so far as I can see we have pretty well mapped out how we are going to spend our spare cash in the next fifty years by the things that we are planning to do in Korea, Manchuria and Formosa. "Like all the rest of the world, we are preparing for emergencies. We are training our young men to shoot, and we are building battleships and forts. The problems in the east are too great. China is awakening. No one can tell at this moment what turn the great sleeping mystery of the ages will take when she wakes up. "What would happen if Napoleon, the faulty bestirrer himself, a Napoleon, an Attila or a Mahomed should step forward and point to world empire? It would be in such a case that the wisdom of Japan in maintaining an armed list would be vindicated. The rest of the world would be glad that China's nearest neighbor, impregnable on its own islands, as England, was a sea power capable of acting as policeman for the awakened giant. And you may rest assured that modern Japan would cast its lot with the rest of the world as against such a monster."

Chadron and Mrs. Kluge is well known at Hadar and this vicinity. For some time she has been teaching at Santee in the mission school. INSURED AGAINST BANDITS. But Robbers Themselves Conducted the Profitable Business. The bandits of Manchuria and Mongolia have adopted a new way of acquiring at least a portion of the goods of the traveler. These mounted highwaymen in bands not only constantly attack the peaceful native population, but even rob travelers in broad daylight. As a provision against this danger an insurance bureau where one buys a banner at a cost of about one-fifth-hundredth of the value of the property to be insured is established there. This banner carried by a traveler will save him from the bandits' attack, for, curiously enough, they themselves conduct this insurance business. But it has its limitations. "We paid our premium at the insurance bureau," says a Japanese traveler, "secured a red banner, and our party then started from Harbin, using several sturdy porties for ourselves and the carrying of our luggage. After traveling about ten miles we reached a small town called Takka. "Several of our customers came to see us in the evening and warned us that there were many mounted bandits in the neighborhood. When we told them there was no cause for anxiety on their account because of the insurance they informed us that by it our safety was guaranteed only on the highways, but that the bandit bureau was not responsible for what might happen inside of any building." SNAPSHOTS OF THE MODES. Individuality to Point of Freakishness a Characteristic of New Parasols. Individuality that goes to the point of freakishness is a characteristic of the parasols of 1911. While there are some absolutely plain styles that depend for their effect upon the beauty of the silk of which they are made, more parasols are to be found of odd shape and with unusual trimmings. Quite odd and pretty is the star shaped parasol. This is made of two four-pointed silk tops placed one above the other, with the points and spaces alternating so that the center is double and there are eight pointed sections of single silk. Black and white effects in sunshades are wonderfully good, and the

Port, Maine, to Cape Hatteras. The storm is moving eastward from the great lake region. Decidedly cold weather is predicted by the weather bureau for the entire country east of the Mississippi within the next fifty-six hours. Valentine Nominees. Valentine, Neb., March 15.—Special to The News: At the citizens caucus held here, Howard Laporte, Clyde Davenport and George Chapman were nominated for the town board, Laporte and Davenport have been on, but their term expires this spring, and Mr. Chapman will take the place of Mr. Keely. WOMAN CHILDSAYER INSANE? Her Man Friend Was an Expert at Making Embroidery. Albany, N. Y., March 14.—With a long list of witnesses, many of them women, summoned to testify to the mental unsoundness of Mrs. Edith Melber, on trial for the murder of her little son, it seemed today that the defense might not be able to report before tomorrow their experts upon whose testimony they hope to establish the fact that the defendant was mentally incompetent when she committed the crime. Mystery continues to attach to the reason of the defense for insisting on the attendance in court of Howard Kirk, who has figured as Mrs. Melber's closest friend prior to the tragedy for which she is on trial. Imposing exhibits of art embroidery by Kirk, piled on the desk of the defendant's counsel, are highly stimulative of curiosity. A Redmonite Chosen. Dublin, March 15.—Augustine Roche, a Redmonite, was elected today to the seat for the north division of Louth made vacant by the court's decision that Richard Hazleton's election at the last parliamentary pollings was secured by fraud. Today's refusal was unopposed, Timothy Healy refusing to contest the seat from which he was ousted by Hazleton. Robins Stay All Year. Burke, S. D., March 15.—Special to The News: Gregory county people have been passively interested in the excitement attending the discovery of the first 1911 robin in Nebraska, as noted by The News' correspondents in various parts of that state. Robins have been plentiful in this vicinity for the last six weeks, and the fact that they appear about February 1 each year probably explains why the occurrence excites no comment, it having become the regular annual thing, so that the people here do not seem to realize that there is anything remarkable about it, and no one has thought it worth while to try to explain it or find out why it is so. However, this week the subject was brought to mind by Charles F. Deegan, a ranchman living on Whetstone creek, twelve miles north of Burke. Mr. Deegan says that robins do not come to this part of the country from the south any earlier than they do to any other part of the country, but the secret of their early appearance here each year lies in the fact that they never leave. He declares that he can show anyone a robin within ten minutes' walk of his house any day in the year. It seems that nature has provided in a canyon on Mr. Deegan's ranch a natural winter home for birds, where they stay instead of migrating upon the approach of winter. Mr. Deegan describes the place as a deep canyon sheltered from the north winds by a high bluff. At the base of this bluff is a row of hot water springs—small geysers, as it were—and the steam and warm vapor arising from these, it is presumed, overcomes the frigid atmosphere of winter and keeps the temperature of the canyon near temperate all winter. Mr. Deegan declares that snow falling in the canyon melts nearly as fast as it falls, the ground always being warm, owing to the reservoirs of hot water which evidently underlie the locality, and that the grass and other verdure near the springs does not die, but remains green and continues to grow all winter. And here the robins and other birds remain all winter enjoying the comforts of a steam heated flat until spring, when they scatter over the surrounding country and select places for summer housekeeping. Mr. Deegan declares that the birds which winter in this canyon usually start housekeeping earlier in the spring than those which come in from the south, and is confident that they are already nesting this year and that within a week or two he will be able to invite doubters to come and view young robins in the nest. He states that he is going to attempt the growth of tropical plants and trees in the canyon, although that his efforts will necessarily be on a small scale, the entire area of the canyon being not over an acre. However, he will try lemon and orange tree "this year, and if he is successful with them will endeavor to lay out and develop a real tropical garden on a small scale. The canyon is now heavily timbered with large trees and shrubbery indigenous to this soil and climate. Mr. Deegan was formerly a resident of Lindsay, in Platte county, Neb., and is a man of unquestioned veracity. His reports have excited a great deal of interest here and his place will undoubtedly be visited by parties from this town in the near future, and some project along the line of a winter resort may be broached. The News' correspondent was raised in the town of Bassett, in Rock county, Neb., and remembers when a boy of thinking it strange that the first robins each year arrived apparently from the north instead of the south, as the books teach. The reason is now undoubtedly made plain in the discovery of the Deegan canyon.



ONE PIERCE HOUSE GOWN.

bordering is seen in a great many models. This is the most attractive house gown with the waist cut in one, with the sleeves after the latest fashion, and the closing is made at the left front. The skirt is narrow without exaggeration. JUDIC CHOLLET.

This May Manton pattern is cut in sizes from 34 to 42 inches bust measure. Send 10 cents to this office, giving number, 694 and it will be promptly forwarded to you by mail. If in haste send an additional two-cent stamp for letter postage, which insures more prompt delivery.

FRANK CARRICK ENDORSED.

Third Ward Republicans for Him for Water Commissioner. Frank Carrick received the unanimous endorsement of the Third ward republican caucus for the nomination for water commissioner, in the convention Thursday night.

Below Zero in the North. St. Paul, Minn., March 15.—One degree above zero was the official temperature here today. To add to the discomfort after the temperature weather of the last week, a wind estimated at sixty miles an hour, swept over the city.

In northern North Dakota and Canada zero temperatures prevail. Devils' Lake, N. D., reported 2 below; Winnipeg 6 below, Minnedosa 12 below, Quappelle 8 below and Prince Albert 8 below. The forecast is for continued cold today and tonight.

Duluth, Minn., March 15.—With a drop of 70 degrees in eighteen hours the thermometer this morning on the city streets showed five below zero.

Cold Wave Moves East. Washington, March 15.—Stormy weather will prevail along the Atlantic coast tonight and warnings have been displayed all the way from East