

Aldrich Talks of Roosevelt.

Lincoln, Dec. 22.—Commenting last evening on the filing of the name of Col. Roosevelt for the presidential preference primary election in April, Gov. Chauncey Aldrich said:

"Without doubt his name would go on the ballot in every state in the union if Col. Roosevelt would even give the slightest indication that he would sanction it, and he would be nominated for president at the next national convention just as surely as he was in 1904."

"Here in Nebraska there is a latent sentiment that needs but slight encouragement to become the dominating political force in the state. And in spite of Col. Roosevelt's declaration that he is not wishing to be a candidate for office under any circumstances, the people of this country may put him in a position that he may feel it to be his moral and patriotic duty to accept the nomination."

"The people elected him to the position when he wanted it and it would be his grateful duty to become a candidate because they want him."

"Col. Roosevelt could carry Nebraska and the west by even a greater majority than he did before, which was a record breaker. It is my opinion that not only here in the west, but over the entire country, his nomination would cement and harmonize into a coherent working force the entire republican party."

Roosevelt Won't Discuss It.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Col. Roosevelt was informed of the move to enter his name in the Nebraska primaries and declined to comment upon it. Col. Roosevelt spent the day in New York. He said on his return that he expected to remain at Sagamore Hill until after the holidays, and would spend Christmas in unity with his family.

Dakota Rural Carrier Held.

Pierre, S. D., Dec. 22.—Sheriff Coleman of Sully county last night arrested Frank Ripley, a rural mail carrier, on the charge of being implicated in the black hand cases of that county, in which two wealthy ranchers were threatened with loss of their buildings by fire unless several thousand dollars were surrendered.

Ripley will be taken to Oneida, the county seat, today for preliminary hearing.

Slugged by Highwayman.

Milford, Neb., Dec. 22.—W. D. Alexander, a merchant of this place, was slugged by a highwayman last night and is in a dangerous condition. The robber got away with \$200.

He is thought to have made his escape on a train passing through here shortly after the robbery, and police in other cities have been notified to be on the lookout.

Dead in a Rain Barrel.

Huron, S. D., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Minnie Isenbuth, wife of a commercial traveler, was found dead in a rain barrel here yesterday afternoon. She is supposed to have fallen in while attempting to dip out water.

Governor's Son Insane.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 22.—Insanity proceedings were begun today against Malcolm C. Patterson who shot R. T. Zal, a Port Orchard liverman Dec. 7. The complaint was filed at Port Orchard, Patterson, who is the son of former Gov. Malcolm R. Patterson of Tennessee, is held in default of \$7,500 bond, on a charge of assault, placed against him when it was found that Zal was not fatally wounded.

Russia Wants to "Get Even."

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—A legislative proposal to provide for tariff war schedules applicable to the United States at the expiration of the Russo-American treaty of commerce and navigation of 1832 has been introduced into the duma by ex-president Guichukoff and other signers representing the octoberist and nationalist parties which control the majority of the duma.

The bill proposes to raise existing Russian duties by 100 percent and also to impose a duty of 100 percent on articles which are admitted free under the present Russian tariff. Besides these impositions it proposes also to levy double the gross weight tax established by law of June 21, 1901 on merchandise arriving by sea and to levy double tonnage tax. Should the present American tonnage tax be raised to the disfavor of Russian vessels, then the Russian tonnage tax will be correspondingly increased.

It is said the schedules are to be applicable to all countries which do not grant to Russia the most favored nation treatment in commerce and navigation.

The proposal will be submitted to a financial commission.

The necessity for the proposed legislation is explained in an accompanying declaration in which it is stated that the regular American tariff schedules which will be applicable to Russian goods at the expiration of the treaty of commerce and navigation of 1832 will be so high as to have a prohibitive character, and that they greatly exceed the Russian normal tariff and navigation taxes which would be naturally applicable to American goods in the absence of the treaty.

CENSUS FUND IS CUT.

About Half the Force of Clerks Under Durand Will Be Fired.

Washington, Dec. 22.—As a result of the action of congress yesterday in allowing only one-half of the \$1,000,000 asked for to continue the work of the thirteenth census, a wholesale dismissal of clerks from the census bureau is expected. Friends of Director Durand suggested that he might retire as soon as he could readjust his office to meet the limits of the appropriation.

It costs approximately \$250,000 a

month to run the bureau with the present force, which numbers about 2,500, and which, it is said, will be reduced to 1,000. Director Durand, Assistant Director Falkner, the six chief statisticians and the heads of the various bureaus had a conference, and it is understood plans were made for laying off a part of the force on Jan. 1 and for a further reduction a month later. It is estimated that some of the census reports may be delayed one or two years on account of the decision of congress to cut the appropriation.

Stock Promoters Plead Guilty.

New York, Dec. 22.—Pleas of guilty were made today by Shelton C. Burr, president; Eugene H. Burr, secretary-treasurer; Charles H. Tohey, vice president; and Edwin Wesley Preston, an official of the Burr Brothers, inc., stock promoters. Their offices here were raided last November, the men charged with using the mail in a scheme to defraud investors.

Says Roosevelt Only Can Win.

Columbus, O., Dec. 22.—Declaring that Col. Theodore Roosevelt is the only republican who can lead his party to victory next year, Walter F. Brown of Toledo, chairman of the republican State central committee, proposed the selection of Ohio delegates-at-large to the national republican convention by a convention of delegates elected from each district of the state, in a statement issued here. In making this recommendation Chairman Brown points out that under the call of the national republican national committee the delegates cannot be chosen in a party primary.

ROBBERS MURDERS A FARMER.

Henry Ford, Near St. Joseph, Found Slain, Body Set Afire.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 22.—Henry Ford a farmer, was found dead in his home near Pautett, this county, by a neighbor last night. There was a bullet hole in his head and his body was enveloped in flames which were put out before much damage to the house was done. Ford was a bachelor and lived alone.

He did not believe in banks, and was thought to have kept large sums of money about the house. It is believed that he was murdered by a robber.

NOTE FROM MISSING GIRL?

Mailmen Find a Mysterious Message in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Written as if in a hurry, on the back of an old envelope, a note was found by mailmen making collections here which appeared for help for an "imprisoned girl," and the writing was believed by Mrs. Anna Buehler, foster mother of the missing Violet Buehler, to be that of her adopted daughter. The note read:

"Mailman—Help—I am held a prisoner in room 917. Notify the police. Help quick! Room 917."

The message was unsigned, and it failed to identify the building. Police searched all buildings of more than eight stories near Market street and Jackson boulevard, where the note was found, but could find no trace of an imprisoned girl. They thought the message a hoax until late last night, when Mrs. Buehler's writing it appeared to her to be the Violet's writing. She took the note, and said she would have a handwriting expert examine it.

TAXICAB TURNS OVER.

Omahans Get Hard Falls at Leavenworth and Eighteenth.

Omaha, Dec. 22.—Two men were seriously hurt and one slightly injured here early when an automobile taxi cab turned turtle after skidding around a corner. As a result of the accident Albert Smith, manager of the Paxton hotel taxicab service, and Hymie Burksky, one of his drivers, are in the hospital. Samuel McCune, a passenger, was cut and bruised, though not seriously.

The taxi was driven rapidly down Leavenworth street. When Burksky turned it into Eighteenth the car skidded and one of the wheels broke. The driver lost control of his car and it climbed a curb, passed between two telephone posts and turned turtle in a vacant lot.

Omaha Fighter Wins.

Omaha, Dec. 22.—Al Gray, colored, of this city last night knocked out Bob Heller of Avoca, Ia., in the fourth round of what was scheduled to be a six round bout. Heller was badly used up, while Gray finished with but a slight scratch on the ribs. It was Gray's fight from start to finish. In the fourth round, having closed Heller's eyes with two left hooks and a few short jabs, Gray landed an uppercut on the point of Heller's jaw, from the effects of which the latter did not recover for over a minute. Heller weighed 195 pounds and Gray was six pounds lighter.

T. R. Did Not Ask Harriman for Cash.

New York, Dec. 22.—The following correspondence between Theodore Roosevelt and George R. Sheldon, treasurer of the republican national committee, was public here:

"New York, Dec. 15, 1911.—Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, Oyster Bay: Dear Mr. Roosevelt—Ever since the election of 1904, the story has been continuously published and never denied, except by you, that you asked T. H. Harriman to contribute money to aid in your election, and that he thereupon raised or contributed \$250,000 to the national committee fund. Knowing this to be untrue, I several times suggested to my superior of the national committee, that the facts be plainly stated. Mr. Harriman believed the books and records of the national committee and although always

carried on by him with the highest sense of integrity and honor, he never, like all of his contemporaries, would consent to any publicity.

"This feeling has been changed in the last few years by the laws requiring full publicity in elections. It seems therefore to me that now, in justice to you, the facts in the case ought to be known."

"Everyone knew and conceded that in the election of 1904 you would carry the state of New York by a large plurality, but it was generally believed that Mr. Higgins would be defeated. The democrats centered their efforts on the election of their candidate for governor."

"About a week before the election, Mr. Odell, then chairman of the New York state committee, came to Mr. Bliss and told him that unless he had \$250,000 from the national committee the state ticket would be defeated. Mr. Bliss told Chairman Odell that he had no money to give, but would see what could be done. He visited E. H. Harriman at his office and explained to him the urgency of the situation as told by Mr. Odell."

"Mr. Harriman thereupon called up several of his friends on the telephone and next day handed Mr. Bliss \$160,000. Mr. Bliss himself raised \$80,000. This sum of \$240,000 was handed directly to Chairman Odell, and never in any way went into the treasury of the national committee which had in charge the presidential election. I have personal knowledge of all the main mentioned facts."

"Very truly yours, (Signed) George Sheldon, Treasurer Republican National Committee."

"Office of Theodore Roosevelt, Dec. 19, 1911.—Mr. George R. Sheldon, 62 Cedar street, New York City: Dear Mr. Sheldon—I thank you for your letter, and I am glad that you have written. There is little for me to add to what you have said. I never directly nor indirectly, in any shape, way or form, asked Mr. Harriman or anybody else to contribute a dollar to aid in my election. Moreover, on the only occasion on which Mr. Harriman ever spoke to me on the subject, he did so at his initiative, and so far from there being any request from me to him, he made to me the request that I would aid in getting the national committee to contribute some of its funds for campaign expenses of Mr. Higgins, the candidate for governor in New York state."

"He at that time stated to me that the election of Mr. Higgins, in which he was especially interested, was doubtful, and that he earnestly hoped that the national committee would devote some of its funds from the national to the state campaign where the need was great, and where, he believed, the election of Mr. Higgins to be in jeopardy. As shown in your letter, this was precisely what the national committee did."

"Very truly yours, (Signed) Theodore Roosevelt."

SEND IN THEIR TRUNKS.

The Year Has Ended for the Great Army of Commercial Travelers.

The year of 1911 has ended, so far as most of the commercial travelers are concerned. Most of them have come in off the road until after the first of January, and have sent in their trunks to the wholesale houses for next year's samples. Only a few are left in the game through the holidays—the grocerymen, the meat men, the fruit men and others handling lines that demand constant replenishing.

As a rule, the past year has not been as bountiful a one as was 1910. Many of the boys on the road have this year cut out certain territory in which business was not up to par. Prospects for next year, however, are said to be much better.

No Pardon Yet for Sheriff.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 22.—After an all-day hearing on the application of Sherman W. Morris, alias Frank Sheriff, for a pardon from the state penitentiary, where he is serving a twenty-five years' sentence for the murder of John Walsh at Leadville, Colo., in 1892, the state board of pardons adjourned without being able to reach a decision. No decision will be reached it is now said, until after the holidays.

PLAN NEW TARIFF BILL.

Republicans Will Get Together and Frame Up a Measure.

Washington, Dec. 22.—A wool bill framed according to President Taft's recommendation of the tariff board report on schedule K, will be prepared by the house republicans on the ways and means committee.

Republican leaders in the senate who have similar plans suggested that senate and house republicans would get together during the Christmas recess and have a bill ready by the time the democrats have a measure ready to report.

Regular republicans in the senate say they will frame a bill that will put the issue of protection clearly up to the progressives, and force them on record. The progressive leaders retorted that they were already on record in favor of a protective duty equal to the difference in the cost of production here and abroad.

NEW SCHEME TO STOP DIVORCE.

Bride and Groom to File "Declaration of Intentions" Previous to License.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 22.—That a "declaration of intentions" be filed by the prospective bride and groom thirty days prior to the issuance of a license to marry is one of the requirements of a bill to remedy the divorce evil to be presented to the next session of the Kansas legislature. This requirement, Judge Sims holds, will diminish cases of "love at first sight"

and make marriages more stable. A tentative draft of the bill was completed today by Judge John T. Sims of the probate court of Wyandotte county, Kansas. Judge Sims prepared the bill at the request of the Kansas session of probate judges. The bill also requires that a published announcement of the marriages in the official county paper be made during two consecutive weeks following the filing of the declaration. Another requirement is the passage of a physical examination to ascertain that there is no insanity or hereditary disease on either side. Each county is to have a board of three physicians appointed by the governor to make the examinations.

CHICAGO POLICE ALLIED WITH VICE.

IS AND HAS BEEN FOR YEARS AN UNHOLY COMBINE THERE.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—"There is, and has been for years, a connection between the Chicago police department and the criminal classes of the city," says a preliminary report to Mayor Carter Harrison, made by the city civil service commission which has just made an exhaustive examination of the police department.

The report followed within a few hours the dismissal from the service of John Revere, the second police inspector to lose his position as a result of the investigation.

Another official, Lieut. John (Sandy) Hanley, was exonerated, and Capt. Bernardo Baer was sent to the mayor for action on charges of inefficiency and neglect of duty. This brings the number of disciplined officers to more than a dozen.

Other pointed and direct charges are made in the commission's report to the mayor, and drastic changes in the administration and organization are recommended. The assertions are these:

"That a bipartisan political combine or ring exists, by and through which the connection between the police and criminal classes is fostered and maintained."

"That to such connection may be charged a great part of the inefficiency, disorganization and lack of discipline existing in the department."

"That the police department as now numerically constituted, can enforce any reasonable regulation in regard to gambling, crime and vice, if honestly and efficiently administered."

"That inefficiency arises through grave faults of administration and organization."

"The Fortune Hunter."

A handful of Norfolk people encouraged high-class theatricals to come to this city, by attending the presentation of "The Fortune Hunter" at the Auditorium last night. Those who did go enjoyed one of the most delicious comedies that has been seen in the history of the Auditorium. Despite its comparative smallness, the audience was an enthusiastic one.

The story of the play, which ran a year ago in serial form in The News, is too well known to repeat. The humor of the piece is wholesome and sparkling throughout. And besides the comedy, there's an interesting story worked out.

William Rosell as Nathaniel Duncan, the young man who goes to a small town in search of a rich man's daughter, is exceedingly clever and has his audience with him from start to finish. John King as Henry Kellogg is likewise an exceedingly capable actor. The entire company, for that matter, is a good one. The stage settings are elaborate and realistic.

BOXERS MUST BREAK CLEAN.

To Be No Hitting in the Clinches in New York.

New York, Dec. 22.—Clean breaks is the rule hereafter for boxing bouts in New York state. Since the new state law controlling the sport went into effect last spring there has been some confusion regarding breaks, some referees allowing boxers to hit with one hand free.

A BEAUTIFUL SNOW PICTURE.

Never Was the Earth Clothed More Fantastically Than Friday.

Never did this part of the earth look prettier than it did in its gown of white lace trimmings, Friday morning. With four to six inches of snow on the level, and strips of whiteness three inches deep decorating all the trees and their branches, the picture was an extraordinarily fantastic one. The snow had fallen so easily and so calmly that it stayed where it lit, stacking up high ridges on every thing within reach.

BROTHER OF MRS. DISHONG.

Member of "The Fortune Hunter" Company Had a Sister Here.

John Beck, who played "Pete Willing, deputy sheriff," in "The Fortune Hunter" at the Auditorium last night, is a brother-in-law of Dr. Dishong, until recently assistant superintendent of the state insane hospital here. Mrs. Dishong is Mr. Beck's sister. Mr. Beck spent a part of yesterday at the hospital, meeting friends of the Dishongs.

Dowling-Gilland.

Madison, Neb., Dec. 22.—Special to The News: At 7:30 last evening at the home of the bride's parents, Miss Nora Elizabeth Gilland was joined in holy wedlock with Raphael Grant Dowling. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Gilland, and has grown to womanhood in this city. For several years she has held a responsible position on the staff of the Madison Post. Mr. Dowling is a son of

Soiomon Dowling and is well known in Madison, having practically lived here all his life. Judge William Bates was the officiating magistrate.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to George Lewis Klentz and Elsie Minnie Kohlhof, both of Norfolk.

Richeson Recovering.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Everything pointed today to the rapid recovery of Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, accused of the murder of Avis Linnell, and who so mutilated himself in his cell at the Suffolk county jail that a drastic operation was found necessary.

REV. MR. SHELDON RESIGNS.

Author of "In His Steps" Will Take a World Tour.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 22.—Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps" and many other books, today resigned the pastorate of the Central Congregational church at Topeka, which he has held for twenty-three years. He will devote himself to a tour of the world, visiting missions and Y. M. C. A.'s.

Battle Creek News.

Mr. and Mrs. John Aldag and little son were visiting last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Augusta Setzkorn, in Pierce county.

Ed Little, an old Battle Creek boy, arrived here last week from Russell county, Kan., for an extended visit with his sister, Mrs. James Rowland, and family.

Adolph Mantey drove over from Bloomfield Saturday for a week's visit with relatives.

Mrs. Ralph Simmons is dangerously ill with pneumonia.

George Sheerer, one of the directors of the Battle Creek Valley bank, sold his bank stock to G. C. Benning, at present head cashier of that institution.

"Cal" Osborn, formerly of this place, after a week's visit with relatives, returned Tuesday to his ranch in Cherry county, twenty miles from Mullen.

Mrs. Bertha Senko, accompanied by her son, Martin, departed Sunday for Canada, for a two weeks' visit with her mother.

Otto Rodekoeh of this place and Miss Leonora Raasch were married Wednesday at Norfolk. They will go to housekeeping on a farm four miles west of Battle Creek.

Irwin Rogers and Herman Eyl are on the sick list.

Student Otto Key of the Lutheran Concordia university at St. Louis, Mo., and a son of Prof. E. D. Key of this place, will occupy the pulpit at the Lutheran church here Sunday morning.

Station agent and Mrs. Lewis Whitney were the recipients of a bright little daughter at their home Saturday night.

Christmas eve with trees and exercises will be observed here in all our churches.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Warnke were visiting Sunday and Monday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reimer Hintz, at Neligh.

A blaze created an excitement at the Doering Drug store Monday noon. It originated from leaking gasoline at the generator of the lighting plant. Before the fire fighters arrived with the hose cart and engine the fire was extinguished by those in the store. Prof. M. G. Doering, although had his right hand badly burned.

The funeral of Mrs. Agnes Whitla was held Tuesday forenoon, and the remains laid to rest in the Prospect Hill cemetery at Norfolk, by the side of her husband, the late David Whitla.

The funeral of E. J. Brink was held Thursday morning at the Catholic church, Rev. Father Walsh officiating, assisted by several Catholic divines from abroad. The burial took place at the Catholic St. Patrick's cemetery north of town. The attendance was very large.

THURSDAY TIDINGS.

Dr. C. J. Verges returned from Omaha.

William and Henry Klug went to Stanton to attend the funeral of August Moeller.

Miss Beth Sprecher went to Omaha for a two weeks' visit with her grandmother, Mrs. A. Yost.

Mrs. Pippin of Norfolk returned from Battle Creek, where her son, John Williams is sick.

Misses Letha and Merle Blakeman will return this evening from Simpson college to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Blakeman.

J. R. Meek and family of Herrick, S. D., are in the city, guests at the home of P. Curran. They are on their way to Mayville, Mo., where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

A. J. Koenigstein has purchased a fine seven passenger touring car.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Balleweg was operated on Thursday for adenoids.

The lobby, writing room and waiting room in the Oxnard hotel are being redecorated.

The installation of officers for Damascus chapter No. 25, will take place Friday Dec. 29.

The Savoy cafe, managed by R. N. Zimmerman, was opened for business Thursday in the Hagey building on South Fourth street.

Invitations are out announcing the coming wedding of Miss Elsie Kolof and George Klentz. The wedding will take place Thursday, Dec. 28.

A large number of justice cases have appeared recently on Judge Elsieley's docket. The cases include suits to recover moneys amounting from \$25 to \$200.

Benjamin Willey, a last year's Norfolk high school graduate, is "making good" in Sioux City. Mr. Willey is now engaged in installing small private gas plants throughout the country surrounding Sioux City.

Turkeys and other fowl for the

usual holiday dinners are bringing about the same price as they did just before Thanksgiving day. Turkeys are plentiful, and go at 25 cents a pound; geese and ducks, 15 cents; chickens, 12½¢.

When paying his water rental a south side citizen made a complaint to Judge C. F. Elsieley that he would like some way public protest against the use of "red" and greasy water which he declares is being pumped into his home through the city water works.

The property of Chief of Police Marquardt and Ex-Water Commissioner Brummond on Madison avenue and Fifth street is being sought for by "hotel men," according to rumor. Mr. Marquardt declares he has had many inquiries from men he believes want to build a hotel.

Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. E. J. Custer were held by Rev. J. W. Kirkpatrick at the First Methodist church at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Interment was made in Prospect Hill cemetery. The pallbearers were: H. B. Dixon, C. C. Clark, M. R. Green, M. P. Sulter, Frank Carrick, O. W. Rish.

C. E. Hartford only recently discovered that he has a broken rib. Last Thanksgiving day Mr. Hartford in a friendly tussle with a relative sustained an injury to his ribs, but the pain which followed increased and only recently a physician notified him that "his broken rib" was healing satisfactorily.

A mass meeting of Northwestern railroad trainmen and engineers was held yesterday morning at Railway hall to listen to addresses on "Followship" by Supt. of Motive Power Robert Quarle, and Assistant Supt. of Motive Power Pratt. Master Mechanic Graham was also here. Besides the local train, sixty-five of whom attended, Gen. Supt. Braden, Supt. Reynolds and Trainmaster Pangle were present.

South Norfolk News.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Schaffer, Jr., went to Ravanna at noon for a two weeks' visit with Mrs. Schaffer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, former residents of South Norfolk.

Mrs. Apfel and daughter, Anita returned from a shopping trip to Omaha, Tuesday evening.

Superintendent of Motor Power Quale, Assistant Superintendent of Motor Power Pratt, General Storekeeper Tucker of Chicago, and Master Mechanic Graham of Missouri Valley were at the shops yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Nichols returned from Omaha last evening, where they were shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Waud went to Arthur, Ia., to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Waud's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Benedict, formerly of this place.

Miss Winnifred Temple of David City was here yesterday on business.

Miss Sylvia Smithers, who has been quite ill with quinsy, is reported some better.

Mrs. Noonan and four children left for Kansas yesterday to spend Christmas.

Hoenhke-Wachter.

Miss Elsie Hoenhke and Julius Wachter were married Thursday afternoon at the groom's home, two miles west of Hadar, Rev. Mr. Brauer of the Hadar Lutheran church performed the ceremony. The wedding was a quiet one and only the immediate relatives were present.

Rodekoeh-Raasch Festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Rodekoeh, who were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Raasch, west of the city, Wednesday evening, will be at home to their friends near Battle Creek after Jan. 1. The groom is a prosperous young farmer. The bride was Miss Leona Raasch.

Following the ceremony, which was performed in the presence of 150 friends by Rev. John Witt of St. Paul's Lutheran church, an elaborate wedding supper was served, at which numerous toasts were responded to. Prof. Doering of Battle Creek acted as toastmaster.

The bride was gowned in a pretty creation of white embroidery. She carried carnations and roses. Mr. Meyers of Norfolk played the wedding march. The contracting parties are both members of prominent families of this community.

Christopher Oetter.

Christopher Oetter, a farmer living five and a half miles southeast of town, died at 8:20 Wednesday morning, a victim of tuberculosis. Mr. Oetter is survived by a wife, two sons, aged 10 and 12 respectively, and a daughter, aged 8. Funeral services will probably be held from the Christ Lutheran church Saturday afternoon. Interment will be made in New Lutheran cemetery. Rev. J. P. Mueller will have charge of the services.

Was to Wed: Is Near Death.

E. E. Truelock, driver of the Norfolk fire team, is reported near death at Geneva, Neb. A telephone message from Geneva summoned his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Truelock, to that place this morning. The message reported that the Norfolk fire driver was dying. It is believed an abscess on his kidneys is the cause of the Norfolk boy's serious condition.

A few days ago Truelock left Norfolk for Omaha, where he consulted physicians in regard to his ailment. It was said that Omaha physicians pronounced the case a serious one and that he would have to undergo an operation. Truelock is engaged to be married to Miss Agnes Barnes, formerly