

**CAUSES CONSTERNATION**

**An Alarm of Fire Turned in This Noon.**

**DEPARTMENT QUICK TO RESPOND.**

**Little Damage Done—Only a Few Old Railroad Ties Burn.** Destruction of Adjacent Buildings Narrowly Averted—A Furious Gale Blowing at the Time. Everybody Was Anxious.

From Friday's Daily.  
A little before noon the sounding of the alarm told that there was a fire in the Second ward.

With the furious gale that was blowing from the southeast, crowds of people were in the streets in a moment eagerly inquiring where the fire was. Consternation was depicted on their countenances. Nor was it strange. As dry as it is, the possibilities of the city being fire swept were not pleasant to contemplate.

Investigation, however, located the fire among some railroad ties in the dooryard of Samuel W. Storm, corner of First street and Park avenue.

The neighbors had formed a bucket brigade, before the department arrived, and held the fire in abeyance until a few streams turned on with the hose extinguished it completely.

No one seems to know how the fire originated but it is not unlikely that a spark from the chimney of the house lodged among the dry timbers and ignited them.

It was a narrow escape from a fire which would, had it obtained headway, destroyed the house and barn and other adjacent buildings.

There was a general feeling of relief when it was understood how slight damage was done and that the fire was out.

**FRIDAY FACTS.**

The streets are getting dusty again.

Burt Mages goes to Wayne tomorrow.

P. D. Correll of Plainview was in the city today.

C. F. Mitchell of Creighton is a Norfolk visitor today.

Ferdinand Koch of West Point spent the day in Norfolk.

Columbus is working very persistently to secure a cotton factory.

Mrs. M. C. Walker entertained the ladies in the Heights this afternoon.

The farmers are busy and so is everybody else that has a disposition to work.

A. Halverson, representing an Omaha barber's supplies house, was in the city this morning.

The festive tramp is abroad in the land once more, and mosquitoes and other pests will soon be on deck.

Admiral Schley's contemplated visit to Omaha, as the guest of Ex-Senator Manderson, which was set for next Monday, has been deferred until a later date, owing to serious injuries sustained by Mrs. Schley by a fall, a few days ago.

J. M. Collamer has sold his residence property, on the corner of Madison avenue and Eleventh street, to A. E. Campbell of Meadow Grove, who will remove to this place. Mr. Collamer and family intend to go to Sioux City, where they will occupy one of his houses.

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen will hold its convention this year at New Orleans. It convenes next week. Conductor John Beck, of the F. E. & M. V. R. R., is delegate from the Elkhorn Valley lodge, No. 101. He leaves for the Crescent City next Wednesday.

At Reading, Pa., April 27th, H. C. Mahanna and Mrs. Mary Troop were married, at the home of the bride. Mr. Mahanna is the popular division superintendent of the F. E. & M. V. R. R. After an extended eastern trip, Mr. and Mrs. Mahanna will take up their residence at Fremont.

Arthur P. Childs of the Madison Reporter, in this week's issue of that paper, bids his readers farewell, announcing that on Monday next he begins work in Norfolk on the Times-Tribune. He says: "We dislike to leave Madison but needs must when the devil drives, and our devil (necessity) forces us to other fields."

Fred Hollingsworth, the genial loco-

motive engineer of the F. E. & M. V. company, has written a book in which are told his varied experiences as a railroad man. The book will be brought out by an eastern firm. Fred's many friends will be eager to obtain a copy of his book as soon as it appears, and hope that it may prove a profitable business venture as it no doubt will be an interesting and thrilling narrative.

Neligh Leader: Judge Robinson of Madison, has been retained by the Inghram boys to assist the county attorney in the prosecution of A. O. Hoisington of Elgin, charged with the stealing of a cow, the property of their mother, now deceased. The defense is represented by Judge Barnes of Norfolk, and it is said that he will attack the legality of the statute upon which the prosecution is based. It is presumed the case will be among the first jury cases tried at the next term of court.

There is a noticeable advance being made this season by the farmers and residents of this section in the planting of fruit and shade trees. They can be seen going out by the wagon load every day. It is an indication of the deep concern that is taking possession of the people to make their homes beautiful and to raise, themselves, their own fruit. There is a good deal of small fruit already raised in this region. Northeastern Nebraska is well adapted to the production of most kinds of small fruit and within a few years its annual output in this direction will not be of small value.

The railroad building that is going on in western Nebraska and Wyoming is creating a lively demand for laborers. The wages paid are \$1.75 and \$1.85 a day. Large numbers are leaving daily from Omaha and there is a call for all who can be obtained. An Omaha firm, who makes a business of employing men says: "The demand for common laborers this spring is greater than it has been in 15 years. We have had a long experience in this business and do not recall a time when there was so much work offered the unskilled toiler." In view of such testimony there is little excuse for able bodied men to be tramping about the country and little sympathy should be shown the professional hobo.

George W. Schwenk returned this noon from a trip to North Manchester, Ind., where he was summoned some ten days ago by the illness of his father. He arrived there eight hours after his father's death but was present at the funeral services and stayed some days at the old home. The Rays of Light, published at North Manchester, Ind., says of Mr. Schwenk's senior: "Mr. Schwenk was born in Germany February 23, 1830, and was aged 69 years, 1 month and 28 days. He came to America about the year 1850 and settled in Ohio, and afterwards moved to this county, locating in the vicinity of Urbana, where he engaged in farming for a number of years, and then moved to a farm near this place and later retired from active work and moved to his late home in the Third ward. He was married to Caroline Haupt, September 27, 1851. To them were born four sons and four daughters, three sons and three daughters still survive. The funeral services occurred Sunday from the Lutheran church of which he was a member, conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. F. Thomas. A large concourse of sorrowing friends followed the remains to their last resting place in Oaklawn cemetery."

The day has been one of the most disagreeable of the spring. The wind has blown a furious gale since early morning from the southeast and great clouds of dust have made life tedious on the street and out of doors, while indoors the housewife has gone distracted by the sight of her rooms, so recently cleaned, filled with the grimy sand and the furniture covered with dust. White coverlets have turned black and dark closets have not escaped the invasion of the sifting sand. Business houses and offices have suffered in the same way. The outlook is made encouraging by the promise of the weather bureau that there is to be rain tonight followed by cooler weather. There has been very little rain in this locality the past month. Old timers, who are credited with knowing the signs of the times, declare that there will be plenty of rain during next month and June. In Iowa and Illinois there has been immense rain fall this spring which has greatly delayed seeding. While more rain is wanted here, less rain is wanted there. Such a day as this has been, impels all to eagerly desire a change in the running of the weather part of the program. Added to the feeling of general discomfort and inevitable uncleanness, the peril from fire in the towns and the growth of the crops on the farms call loudly for rain and considerable of it.

**Letter**

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice May 1, 1899:  
Mrs. E. E. Carder, Miss Maud Davis, Guy N. Hamilton, Miss Mattie Herrod, Mr. Oscar Lewis, Joseph Messer, Mr. Grif Pertull, Mrs. Anna Quinn, Mrs. Chas. Speece, Maud Van Kleek, Mrs. Rene Warner, Prof. R. H. Wade, H. K. Wolfe, Ph. D.

If not called for in 30 days will be sent to the dead letter office.

Parties calling for any of the above please say advertised.

P. F. SPRECHER, P. M.

Why not shake the grip? Go to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and lose it.

**SATURDAY SIFTINGS.**

The ice man has supplanted the coal man.

Asa K. Leonard went to Omaha this noon.

Prairie fires are raging in the western part of the state.

Miss Mae Olney is up from Madison visiting her parents.

E. M. Norton went to Chicago today in the interest of his acetylene lighting plant.

The May number of the Golden-Rod Workman is being issued at The News office this week.

The board of education has been making visits to the different departments of the public schools the past week.

The Ladies Aid society of the Presbyterian church are meeting with fine success in securing articles for their sample sale that they are going to hold soon.

The Journal office is being removed from the first to the second floor of the steam laundry building. The growing business of the laundry demands the use of the entire first floor.

The meeting of the Northeast Nebraska Press association at Wayne, Monday the 8th, promises to be an interesting and profitable occasion to all members of the craft in this section.

Mrs. E. J. Schoregge returned yesterday from St. Charles, Minn., whither she was summoned by the death of her mother. Her sister, Miss Josie Zechus, came with her for a few weeks' visit.

J. K. Hutcheson is a delegate to the convention which is to be held at Detroit, Mich., by the Order of Railway Conductors, May 9th to 18th. Mr. Hutcheson and family leave for the east next Saturday and will visit their old home in London, Canada. Mrs. H. and the children will spend the summer there.

That good times are abroad in this part of the country is undeniable. A printer in Nebraska City was robbed of \$5 the other night. Such items are discouraging to calamity orators, but however startling they may seem must be accepted as true until disproved.

The school mates of Miss Bessie McFarland surprised her last evening at her home. They remembered that it was her 15th birthday and to the number of about thirty made the house ring with their laughter and their glee. It was pronounced a very happy evening by all present.

One plain drunk was lodged in the city cooler last night. He was discharged this morning on his promise to go to work and not imbibe any more tanglefoot. This noon a boozey farmer, living some miles northeast of the city, was taken in charge by Officer Spaulding on Norfolk avenue. He resisted the officer and put up quite a strong argument with his fists against the proposition of being the guest of the city. He was, after something of a struggle, finally landed behind the bars where he will be given a chance to sober up and then will have a hearing before Judge Hayes.

Street sprinkling is now the subject that is agitating the minds of the business men of Main street. The clouds of dust that have blown for the past week on that thoroughfare have been sufficient to demonstrate what the condition of things will be during the summer without daily sprinkling. Yesterday pledges were taken up among those doing business between Third and Fourth streets and today the same paper is being passed among the merchants on the balance of the avenue. It is probable that a sufficient amount will be pledged to guarantee payment for the work, and so, Fred Kleutz will begin regular duty with his street sprinkler Monday morning.

The ladies of the Congregational church are much gratified over the result of their experiment in conducting an Industrial store. It has been open every Saturday since mid-winter for the sale of such goods as are contributed, and a fairly good business is reported. Two objects are served: Those wanting second-hand goods, or new aprons and other clothing made by members of the society, at low prices, know where to find them, and the church treasury is also benefited by the sales made. Although it was understood when the store was opened that the trial would be made until June, it is now quite likely that it will remain open as a permanent business and benevolent institution of the city.

Further reports received in regard to the storms that have prevailed in Missouri, Iowa, and further south in this state, do not lessen their horror. The loss of life was appalling and the damage to property immense. Norfolk and vicinity have been especially fortunate this peculiar season. During the winter, when the inhabitants of Wyoming, the Dakotas, Minnesota, Iowa and Kansas were storm swept and beleaguered with snow blockades, this section of Nebraska was untrammelled by any such difficulties. Cold weather prevailed, but there was a conspicuous freedom from snow falls or bad storms. During this month farmers have had every opportunity to finish their seeding without any disturbance from storms, and although high winds have made it somewhat disagreeable there has been nothing of a cyclonic nature to disturb the

peace or safety of the community. If next month provides plenty of rain, northeastern Nebraska will bud and blossom like the rose and prosperity will continue its sway.

Is it any wonder that the people get tired over the delays of the law? Is it strange that they complain of its irregularities? Is it singular that they think "money talks" against the promptness of justice? Read this from the Sioux City Journal: "Frank M. Dorsey, who was convicted in the United States district court for Nebraska for illegal banking at Ponca, and sentenced by Judge Carland to six years in the penitentiary at Sioux Falls, is preparing to go to Idaho, where he will remain until the conclusion of the case. A right of appeal was allowed by Judge Carland, and Mr. Dorsey's attorneys are preparing to appeal the case to the United States court of appeals at St. Louis. If the decision of the federal court is affirmed by the court of appeals, it is said an attempt will then be made to have the case certified up to the United States supreme court. This course will require about two years, and during this time Dorsey will be in Idaho. He intends to engage in the mercantile business and will operate stores in the mining camps."

Work on the city well progresses daily. The depth now reached is 710 feet. The sand rock has again been passed and they are now boring through shale again. This is not encouraging to the striking of a flow of water very soon. However, the distance toward the center of the earth is being lessened constantly and it will soon be known what the formation is to the depth of a thousand feet at least. Those who are enthusiastic over the project are sanguine something will be struck—if it isn't water it may be gas, coal, a gold mine or greenbacks in some form. There is money in that hole in some form or another. Meantime, those who did not favor the pushing of it deeper, grow more serious and wise looking as each day passes without any thing more resulting than increased taxes, and feel that the facts sustain them in their position. It all depends—as everything else does—on the point of view taken. It is altogether too early to discuss the final outcome but it should be remembered by the differing disputants that "he laughs best who laughs last."

**MONDAY MENTION.**

Alvin Low went to Sioux City.

Mrs. Phippen of South Norfolk is very sick.

W. E. Bishop of Pierce was in the city today.

C. T. Seeley of Madison is in Norfolk today.

Miss Adah Gerecke returned from Omaha.

William Reinhardt went to Carroll this morning.

Col. Bob Scott of Battle Creek was in the city today.

Another one of those delightful million dollar rains fell yesterday.

G. W. Hitchener of Plainview was a Norfolk visitor this morning.

R. C. Milligan left for Cherokee, Iowa, this morning on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Marshall rejoice over the arrival of a baby boy at their home.

Owen Bros. shipped several more carloads of graders to Julesburg over the U. P. this morning.

Officer Spaulding ran in a drunken bum this morning who has been sobering off in the city cooler since.

The Times-Tribune will soon vacate its present quarters which James Coyle will occupy with his grocery stock.

The national flag floated to the breeze in Norfolk today because of Dewey's victory in Manila harbor one year ago.

Collamer & Grant are to move into the store building now occupied by James Coyle as soon as the latter removes to his own store.

Charles Hibbon's two-year-old child broke its arm this morning. A physician was called and set it and the child is now resting comfortably.

Martin Erickson was before the police court this morning charged with being disorderly. He obtained his freedom, upon payment of fines and costs to the amount of \$8.

D. F. Campbell, his son Roy, and his sisters, Mrs. Hattie Campbell of Orange, and Mrs. M. C. Ferris of Los Angeles, California, are visiting at the homes of A. J. and W. H. Johnson. They arrived Saturday evening.

An alarm of fire was turned in from the Third ward about 6:30 o'clock last evening caused by a slight blaze in the cellar of E. M. Norton's residence. The fire was put out before the department arrived at the scene of action.

"There's no place like Nebraska." So declares John McKerrigan, who, after a two months' sojourn in Muskegon City, Mich., has returned to his old home, and is now looking for property in this vicinity. His family came back with him.

Mrs. Dan Koenigstein and children, and Mrs. J. H. Hulif and daughter went to Lincoln this morning. The ladies represent the local chapter at the grand lodge, Order of Eastern Star, which convenes there this week. Mr. Hulif goes to Lincoln tomorrow.

Up to about 9 o'clock Harry Loder's was the only open saloon in the city this



Some grocers are so short sighted as to decline to keep the Ivory Soap, claiming it does not pay as much profit as inferior qualities do, so if your regular grocer refuses to get it for you, there are undoubtedly others who recognize the fact that the increased volume of business done by reason of keeping the best articles more than compensates for the smaller profit, and will take pleasure in getting it for you.

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morning and the thirsty, who did not understand the situation, began to wonder if a drought had really struck the city. The council meeting was soon over, licenses granted and the usual reports where those in search of wet goods could find them were open for business.

**TUESDAY TOPICS.**

The street sprinkler is on deck today.

A storm is threatening this afternoon.

Ed Luikart left over the Elkhorn this morning.

J. M. Shickley of Geneva was in the city today.

Robert Storton went to Sioux City this morning.

The Palace of Sweets has put in a fine new soda fountain.

J. S. Swanson of Fremont was a Norfolk visitor this morning.

Rev. W. R. McKim of Hartington is in the city visiting his mother.

The Wednesday club meets tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. N. A. Rainbolt.

Geo. H. King and Frank Lundak of Niobrara were in the Sugar City this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Mayer are rejoiced over the arrival of a bright baby boy at their home.

Miss Minnie Baumgartner left for Box Butte last night where she will spend the summer with her mother.

Dr. C. A. McKim was called to Battle Creek yesterday to attend a very fine horse belonging to Senator Hale.

The band stand, which has stood on the corner of Norfolk avenue and Fourth street for several years, is being moved to Pasewalk's grove today.

The Jubilee Singers went out to the asylum this afternoon and gave a concert to the patients. It was much appreciated by the unfortunates.

Mrs. Dot Thornburg of Oakdale and Mrs. Charles Hole and Mrs. Puert of Fremont were guests of Mrs. L. L. Fairbanks over night and attended the May party at South Norfolk.

The executive committee and officers of the G. A. R. of the northeast Nebraska district met at Plainview Saturday. Mr. H. C. Matrau, the district commander, was present and states that it was decided to hold the annual reunion this year at Plainview, July 11 to 14. The prospect is flattering for a large attendance and a rousing good time.

Parties have rented Pasewalk's grove for the season and there is now a prospect that Norfolk will have what it has so long needed—a public park. Already marked improvements are being made about the premises. Paths are being made, swings for the children placed and booths erected where soda water, ice cream, candies and lunches will be sold. It is planned to open the park to the public next Sunday afternoon. It will provide a pleasant place for all who desire a quiet walk, and will be a great relief from sauntering along dusty roadways. Seats and benches will be provided so that rest and recreation can be obtained.

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If not, drink Grain-O—made from pure grains. A lady writes: "The first time I made Grain-O I did not like it but after using it for one week nothing would induce me to go back to coffee." It nourishes and feeds the system. The children can drink it freely with great benefit. It is the strengthening substance of pure grains. Get a package today from your grocer, follow the directions in making it and you will have a delicious and healthful table beverage for old and young. 15 and 25c.

THE NEWS' JOB department is complete in every particular.

**WEDNESDAY WRINKLES.**

W. J. Gow went to Omaha yesterday.

J. R. Carter of Madison was in Norfolk today.

C. A. Martin of Battle Creek spent the day in the city.

Rev. F. P. Wigton will hold services at Osmond next Sunday.

E. M. Locke of Hoskins was among Sugar City visitors this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Correll of Plainview are in the city today visiting friends.

Mrs. B. Grant returned from Butte, Montana, yesterday, after an absence of some months.

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Scofield left for Ohio this morning. They will stop in Columbus a few days visiting friends.

The Ladies guild of Trinity church will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. W. H. Dexter at 2:30. A full attendance is desired.

The concert, given by the Slayton Jubilee Singers at the Methodist church last evening was attended by but few owing to the very violent storm which prevailed at the time. Those who were present speak of their work as excellent.

The heavy rain of last night prevented any work being done by the council. Brummond and Dexter were the only two members present and they made an adjournment to 7 o'clock this evening. Attorney Witham and City Attorney Bart Mages were also present.

Rev. Dr. Murray of Fremont is to address the people of Norfolk at the Congregational church Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 12, 13 and 14. The meetings will be held under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon league. Dr. Murray is spoken of as a man of unusual ability and power.

The program of the Northeast Nebraska Press association to be held at Wayne Monday next has just been received at The News office. Many questions of live interest to the fraternity are to be discussed and there is no doubt but what all who attend will have a pleasant and profitable time.

M. Benedict shipped two cars of cattle to Chicago and they were on the market Monday. That day there were 22,000 cattle in the yards and his tipped the market, no other lot offered equalling them. Mr. Benedict's cattle averaged 1,485 pounds each. THE NEWS is pleased to chronicle such items. It speaks better than any words could do of the kind of farmers that live in the vicinity of Nor-

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