

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Several Saloons Are Said to Be Operating Without License.

BOARD OF EDUCATION TAKES NOTICE

Acting Mayor Adkins Says He Will Take Action as Soon as He Receives Official Notification—Maggie City News.

Information reached the Board of Education a few days ago to the effect that several saloons were operating without a license. This information caused a motion to prevail directing the secretary of the board to at once notify the council of this fact and at the same time make a demand for the license money due the school district. It has been stated by the board that seven saloons were running without a license and that only one drug store in the city had complied with the law.

An investigation of the records in the city office shows that the city treasurer has received the license fee from eighty-seven saloons and one drug store. By the payment of this license money \$37,010 has been turned into the school fund. Since May 1, when all liquor licenses expire, the city council has ordered issued ninety-one liquor licenses for saloons and one drug store license. The applications show that four saloons are running without a license and at least six drug stores have not made any attempt to comply with either the state law or the city ordinances.

Up to last night the communication from the Board of Education had not been received at the office of the city clerk, but it is expected daily.

When this matter was called to the attention of Acting Mayor Adkins yesterday afternoon he announced emphatically that if the Board of Education would furnish him with a list of the saloons running without a license he would have such places closed at once.

Continuing on this subject the acting mayor said: "It is an injustice to the saloon men who have paid their \$1,000 license fee to permit the operation of any saloon without a license. As soon as the matter is called to my attention officially I propose to order police to close such places until such time as the license money is paid into the city treasury."

For years past the druggists have violated the law by neglecting to apply for a license, which costs \$100, and the school district is the loser. Attorney Green of the Board of Education stated yesterday that he would, if directed by the board, proceed at once against the liquor dealers and druggists who are operating without a license.

With four saloons running without credentials the school district is kept out of the use of \$1,000. The district needs this money and members of the board say that the license must be paid, or else the saloons in question must close.

Closing L. Street Viaduct.

The announcement has been made that the L. street viaduct will be closed on Monday for about sixty days. By the closing of this bridge the tracks at the stock yards will be compelled to use either the L street viaduct or else the grade crossing at L street. While the Q street viaduct is considerably out of the way, the street crossing is more so. No teams will be allowed to cross the tracks at the foot of N street, the stock yards company having erected a fence on the west side of the tracks to prevent teams from crossing. It is reported that the stock yards company will place the L. street viaduct in first-class condition during the time it is closed. Something needs to be done to this bridge at once, as it is in a dilapidated condition.

Clark Works Streets.

Just at the present time Street Commissioner Clark has his hands full. He is doing the best he can with a small force of men and quite a number of street improvements are being made. He is making plans for the work to be done in filling washouts, constructing new crosswalks and repairing sidewalks outside of the permanent sidewalk district. At Monday night's meeting of the council a dozen or more motions were passed instructing the street commissioner to make certain street or sidewalk repairs during the time it is closed. An effort is being made by the administration to cut down expenses in the street repair department and for this reason there has been some delay about making repairs which are really needed.

Another Bridge Wanted.

As soon as City Attorney Lambert returns from his trip to the Pacific coast he will be called upon by the council to draft an ordinance requiring the Rock Island road to erect and maintain a bridge over the company's right of way at Jefferson street. A number of requests for a bridge at this point have been made and the council has decided that the first step directed toward compliance with the requests of the petitioners.

Building Committee Meets Tonight.

A meeting of the building committee of Ancient Order of United Workmen lodge

EGZEMA'S ITCH IS TORTURE.

Eczema is caused by an acid humor in the blood coming in contact with the skin and producing great redness and inflammation; little pustular eruptions form and discharge a thin, sticky fluid, which dries and scales off, sometimes the skin is hard, dry and fissured. Eczema in any form is a tormenting, stubborn disease and the itching and burning at times are almost unbearable; the acid burning humor seems to ooze out and set the skin on fire. Salves, washes and other external applications do any real good, for as long as the poison remains in the blood it will keep the skin irritated.

BAD FORM OF TETTER.

"For three years I had Tetters on my hands, which were very annoying for the time to swell to twice their natural size. Part of the time I was in the form of running sores, very itchy, full and causing me much discomfort. Four doctors said the Tetters had progressed too far to be cured, and I could do nothing for me. I took only three bottles of S. S. S. and the sores were completely cured. This was fifteen years ago, and I have not had Tetters since since seen any sign of my old trouble."—Mrs. L. B. Jackson, 1121 Madison St., St. Louis, Mo.

S. S. S. neutralizes this acid poison, cools the blood and restores it to a healthy natural state, and the rough, unhealthy skin becomes soft, smooth and clear. S. S. S. cures Tetters, Eruptions, Pimples, Salt Rheum, and all skin diseases due to a poisoned condition of the blood. Send for our book and write us about your case. Our physicians have made these diseases a life study, and can help you by their advice; we make no charge for this service. All correspondence is conducted in strictest confidence.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

NO. 66 WILL BE HELD AT THE HALL TONIGHT

For the purpose of organizing a corporation, this committee has been working on plans for securing funds for some time and now proposes to form a corporation and elect directors in order that the work may have some standing. The lodge owns a fine building lot at Twenty-fifth and M streets and proposes to erect thereon a structure to cost not less than \$10,000.

Cuddington Gets Back.

Zack Cuddington returned yesterday from Colorado, where he spent three weeks among the hills. While away Mr. Cuddington visited the Colorado Springs street fair. This was of special interest to him, as he was one of the promoters of the South Omaha street fair. He closed attention to business, Cuddington managed to get separated from his money at the fair. He said that it was a bigger graft than the South Omaha show, but many people here do not believe him. A charge was made to get into the merchants' display and then another charge to get into the Midway. Then it was a case of charge every time one turned around. Mr. Cuddington asserted that the rough riding exhibitions were not as good as those given in South Omaha during the fair, neither were the displays of fireworks.

No Committee Meeting Yet.

The special committee of the city council appointed Monday night to confer with the corporations in regard to the building of a sewer along Mud creek had no report to make up to last evening. As far as could be learned, no effort had been made by the committee to meet with the corporation managers for the purpose of discussing this matter. It is thought now that the department of General Manager Howe of the Armour company for Europe will delay a consultation until his return. All the committee wants to know is how much money the corporation will pay for this sewer and how much is expected from the city. Then, when this information is obtained, some steps may be taken.

Maggie City Gossip.

N. D. Mann is back from an eastern trip. Miss Nora Gilchrist is visiting in Manitowish, Colo.

Miss Anna Levy has returned from Columbus, Neb., where she visited friends.

Fred Shanshan returned from the south yesterday on the Pacific coast.

Robert C. Howe, general manager of the Omaha Brewing company, is on the sick list.

Mrs. George L. Darr, who has been quite sick for a week or more, was reported as being able to go out today.

And now it is stated that a viaduct across the tracks to the stock yards may not be built for some time.

J. W. Christie, father of Sam and Harry Christie, returned yesterday from a two months' stay with relatives in Minnesota.

Henry Grogan, general manager of the Armour Packing company at this place, left last night for a two months' European trip.

John J. Jankovic, who was in the south yesterday for the first time since he was overcome by the heat a couple of weeks ago.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Grogan, thirty-third and L streets, was buried at St. Mary's cemetery yesterday afternoon.

Police Judge King is on the sick list. The judge has been feeling badly for several days and yesterday was unable to preside over his court.

NEW BUILDING AT BELLEVUE

University of Omaha Will Have a Men's Dormitory For Use This Fall.

C. W. Partridge of Omaha has secured the contract for a men's dormitory, which is to be erected at Bellevue college. The contract price was \$10,000. This will be the six building on the college grounds at Bellevue. It will be two stories and a basement in height. The building will be 50x90 feet in size and will be of rough pressed brick, with stone trimmings. In the basement of the building there will be a gymnasium and bathrooms. The upper floors will be used as apartments for the men students and professors of the college. The building will be similar to the other college buildings in architecture. It will be located on the west side of the campus. Work on the structure will begin at once and the contractor is under bond to have it completed by November 1.

Baltara's Rival.

Baltara had no rival but George Sandi, some critics consider the twin stars. This woman, acknowledged by all the world as the second, if not the first, of French novelists, was certainly the most remarkable woman of her age, and the greatest authoress in the world's history. Her story is a wilderness of green, exciting and eventful as that of any of her heroines; the revelations made in her Histoire de ma vie would furnish material for a dozen novels of the present day. An interesting pamphlet giving outline of her life will be sent on request.

AGENTS WANTED.

George Barrie & Son, 1313 Walnut street, Philadelphia.

Romance of Topo Chico

Four miles above Monterey toward Topo Chico, uplifted from the dust and dead heat of the plain, lies the hacienda of Jose del Casa, the Alcalde, relates the Chicago Record-Herald. His white house sits on a hillside in a wilderness of green, surrounded by 5,000 acres of vines, and corn lands and billowing meadows that reach from edge to edge of the steep-walled table mountain of which his estate is the crown and glory.

Patricia, his only child, is, with a black hair like a storm cloud and the oval, luminous face of a Botticelli Madonna, had spent three years with the Ladies of the Sacred Heart in Paris. She had seen the boulevards and sniffed from afar the gallantry and gaiety of the French capital, and therefore she yearned and moped amid the desolate splendor of her Mexican home.

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CIRCUS IN TOWN TODAY

Ringling Brothers' "Greatest on Earth" Makes Its Appearance.

ALL BOY IS NOW IN HIS GLORY

Parade Moves Along the Principal Streets Early This Morning—Big Line of Attractions is Promised.

This is circus day—afternoon and evening—with a rip-roaring parade this morning for a starter. The parade which the parade will traverse is as follows: Starting from Twentieth and Paul streets, on Twelfth to Cumings; Cumings to Eighteenth; Eighteenth to Davenport; Davenport to Seventeenth; Seventeenth to Dodge; Dodge to Sixteenth; Sixteenth to Douglas; Douglas to Twelfth; Twelfth to Farnam; Farnam to Sixteenth; Sixteenth to Dodge; Dodge to Seventeenth; Seventeenth to Davenport; Davenport to Eighteenth; Eighteenth to Cumings, and from there back to the show grounds. The parade starts at 9 o'clock a. m.

The afternoon performance will begin at 2 o'clock; doors open at 1 o'clock. Evening performance begins at 8 o'clock; doors open an hour earlier. Tickets are on sale at Kuhn's drug store, Fifteenth and Douglas streets, at the same price charged on the grounds. It was the intention to more fully cover Sixteenth street with the parade, but the bad condition of that thoroughfare prevents.

The dead walls of the town and the columns of the newspapers have announced the circus for several weeks. The small boy has been a dream of good behavior. It is "Yes ma'am" and "No sir" from morning till night, and the cheerful way in which he runs errands and obeys the family orders to stay indoors at night is almost too good to be true. He is subject to little rascals just the same. He is subject to these spasms when the circus comes along, for any boy, with a normal heart, would stake his chances on wearing a golden halo brighter than miss the "world's greatest."

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The boy knows this show comprehends about everything under the sun that comes under the label of odd, funny, or sensational. He knows it has three rings, two big stages, a racing track and about every type of rare wild animal that is known. He does not need the pictures of the windows and walls to post him about these matters, and in all probability he will tell the story better to his elders if they are curious about such wonders. He will tell you glibly it takes sixty-five cars to haul the big show; that twelve of these are sleeping cars, two of them dining cars and one an all-night lunch car. He will swear that there are 108 horses, 300 circus riders, acrobats, trapeze performers and so on in the 600 men and that it takes more than 600 workmen to put up and take down and care for the properties of the circus each day.

The Ringling Bros. are western-born and full of the ginger of the soil. They have built up their great enterprise from small beginnings. It is now a national institution. They have brought together one of the finest zoological collections in the world and have a gymnasium and bathrooms. The grizzly bear is the rarest and most expensive of wild creatures. The Ringling Bros. have over \$20,000 invested in this specimen. Thirty elephants, nearly twice as many as are in the United States outside of this collection, are an important feature of the animal show.

Among the circus features that stand for pre-eminence is the marvelous riding of Amelia Peckley, a young slip of a girl, hardly 15, who has acquired great fame abroad in the Hobbies of European fame; John O'Brien's sixty-one-horse act; Lockhart's and Souder's elephant comedians, the Davoma family, acrobats; the flying Fishers and Peckleys, Madame Noble with her bucking horse, Jupiter; Albert Randall, with his comedy mules, "Thunder-bolt"; John Rooney, champion summer sault rider of the world; Mlle. Tournour, trapeze performer; Joseph Le Fleur, French gymnast; William Devan, Australia's great rider, and Jessie Leon and Labelle Carmen and the Macellios. There are more than 100 acts in the ring performance. The show will be here one day, giving two performances, on 2 o'clock and 8 o'clock.

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DOUBLE WEDDING CELEBRATED

Society Event at First Baptist Church Entertains an Otherwise Dull Season.

At 7 o'clock last evening at the First Baptist church on Park avenue occurred the double wedding of Miss Louise Kelley and Mr. Leslie Curtis of Victor, Colo., and Miss Mabel Kelley and Mr. Fred Able of Salina, Kan. Rev. T. J. Mackay of All Saints' church officiated.

It was an especially pretty wedding, the brides being gowned in white and white-organza. The first couple, Miss Louise and Mr. Curtis, was attended by Miss Louise Burgess and Mr. Shepherd of Kansas City and Miss Mabel and Mr. Able by Mrs. A. A. Arter and Mr. Robert Waite of Chicago. The church was decorated with palms and ferns and was well filled with friends. A reception followed the wedding at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Emma Kelley, 1708 South Twenty-eighth street.

Both young women are widely known in Omaha, having lived here since childhood, and both have been prominently connected with the kindergarden work of the city schools for several years, Miss Kelley having been director of the kindergarden at Park school and Miss Able director at the Mason school. Mr. Able is well known in the city, having been prominent in musical circles previous to his departure for Salina, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. Able left last evening for their respective homes in Victor, Colo., and Salina, Kan.

A. H. Davis, Mt. Sterling, Ia., writes: "I was troubled with kidney complaint for about two years, but two \$1 bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure effected a permanent cure."

Seasonable Fashions

3898 Boy's Norfolk Suit, 4 to 12 years.

Boys' Norfolk Suit. No. 3898—The Norfolk suit, as here shown, is one of the latest modes for little boys and growing lads and will be much worn in the early fall. The original is made of thread in a mixture of browns and tan with chevrons of green, but all wool suitings are suitable for cool weather, wear, cloths, duck and galatea for summer suits.

The Kickerbocker are cut on the most approved tail lines, and can be gathered into bands below the knees, as illustrated or drawn up to the required size by means of buttons. Through the collar, the jacket is made with a smooth yoke, the collar pointed at the lower edge and finished with a collar that rolls over with the fronts to form lapels. Below it the jacket portion is laid in box plaits and a belt passes over the waist under or over the plaits, as desired. The sleeves are in coat style, and a patch pocket is stitched to each front below the belt.

To cut this suit for a boy of 8 years of age, 4 1/2 yards of material 27 inches wide, 2 1/2 yards 44 or 50 inches wide, will be required.

The pattern 3898 is cut in sizes for boys of 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 years of age.

For the accommodation of The Bee's readers these patterns, which usually retail at from 25 to 50 cents, will be furnished at a nominal price, 10 cents, which covers all expense. In order to get any pattern enclosed 10 cents, give number and name of the reader to whom the pattern is to be sent.

Allow about ten days from date of your letter before beginning to look for the pattern. Address, Pattern Department, Omaha Bee.

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NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

Readers Are Returning to the City and Bookellers Are Busy.

COLLECTION OF SHORT GOLF STORIES

Mayne Lindsay Writes a Thrilling Novel—Omaha Boy's Creditable Contribution to World's Literature.

Book sellers of Omaha report a greatly improved demand for books since the beginning of the month and it would appear that the advent of cooler weather has stimulated a desire once more to read, and with the very great and interesting selection of new and valuable works it ought to be no trouble for anyone to find something pleasing. The most important work of the week, so far, is "The Porrtact Collection of Short Stories," which with the publication of Mr. Van Tassel Sutphen's contribution to the series includes three volumes. The rich yet tastefully ornamented cloth cover, with portrait of the respective author stamped in gilt has had the advantage of a novel experiment in binding which has pleased the eye and proved generally attractive. It is an handsome specimen of the American book-binding art, and is well likely to see. The "Nineteenth Hole" is the title of the third volume and is from the pen of that entertaining "golfer," Mr. Van Tassel Sutphen. Mr. Sutphen, like his brother-in-law, Mr. Spurgeon, is a man of various attainments. He is a writer of the romantic literature of golf. Some three years ago he published a collection of stories called "The Golfside," which through timely approached at first, was subsequently taken up by golfers, who lauded his work for its originality and its golfers caught the infection. "The Nineteenth Hole," it may be explained to the uninitiated, is the smokeroom where the players assemble after the day's play to refresh the inner man and rehearse the day's events of the sport. No more apt or more felicitous title could have been thought of for Mr. Sutphen's second collection of short stories, which is sure to receive a cordial welcome. Mr. Sutphen's novel, "The Cardinal Rose," published last fall, is now in its third edition and is also selling well in England, where it was recently published. Harper & Bros., New York. Price, \$1.15 net.

Mayne Lindsay, the English novelist and author of "The Valley of Sapphires," has forth a new story under the very appropriate title, "The Whirligig." One thing at least may be said in its favor that no reader will question; it is different from most everything else that has been written. The hero of the story is one of those great cities of the world who has lived in all around the world, but is without a home in any. He is known as an Englishman of a pacific character, a stranger to violence. In the course of his wanderings he visits the small German principality of Hildesheim, in the time that it is in a political fever caused by the reforms, headed by a former intimate of the ruling prince, with whom he quarrelled and organized the reforms. This man, Count Gottfried von Incke, and Rothfeld, the Englishman, are suitable for cool weather, wear, cloths, duck and galatea for summer suits.

Another beautiful book from the Bureau of American Ethnology is now ready for general distribution. It is a history of the Kiowa Indians, by James Mooney, one of the most delightful writers of Indian lore. The author, who starts out in a musical career without giving due weight to the artistic, is a richly trained musician as a technical performer. Another artistic poster has been issued by the Appleton & Co. This one advertises "Mills of God," by Elmer Macartney Lane. The decorative design is printed in black. A medallion silhouette in rich bronze occupies the center of the poster. The simplicity of the color scheme has resulted in making a most effective and artistic production. One of the latest literary undertakings of the late Sir Walter Besant was the completion of a popular work for which he had special qualifications, "The Story of King Alfred." The American rights have been secured by L. Appleton & Co. and the book will be published in the month of August. Its intrinsic interest and its timeliness in view of the approaching anniversary will doubtless contribute for the work an exceptional popularity. The astonishing success which has attended the publication of such popular memoirs of French history as Lady Jackson and others of this class, together with the publication of the Court and Court Memoir Series, has induced the publishers, L. C. Page & Co., to issue a set of English historical memoirs by John Hennings Jesse. These works are not ephemeral productions, but have stood the test of fifty years and stand pre-eminent among works of this character. The much talked-of Aaron Burr revival is now at its height. That there is an unusual interest in the subject of Burr and the unwelcome and unfortunate accompaniment of the current number of the Century, the forthcoming issue of the Century, the Ohio historian, Dr. William Henry Venable, entitled "A Dream of Empire." The latter book, though on the market but a short time, has already scored a success. If a curious tale can attract the attention of the public "Anting-Anting Stories," just announced by Small, Maynard & Co., should be sure of success. The volume takes its name from a Filipino word signifying a charm worn by women to protect their owner from injury or death, and the subtitle of the book explains that it is a collection of strange tales of the Philippines. The author is Sargent Kayme, a new name in literature, but the name of one who seems to have had rare opportunities for studying the life of the inhabitants of our new possessions.

Charles Major, the author of "When Knighthood Was in Flower," will call his second book "The Bears of Blue River." In this popular author has taken his vivid pictures of historical adventure right into his own state, though as he says, it is "away back in the days, when Indiana was a baby state." The stories, which form a continuous narrative, are the real bears and of the sort that will make this book enormously popular. Doubleday, Page & Co. are the publishers and it is to appear early in the autumn.

The general run of fashion plates are the despair of those women whose nature has been never since been reformed of the various colored pictures, making it a work of art as well as an interesting study for students of ethnology. In describing one of the various objects of religious veneration among the Kiowas, all of them pictured and looking more or less like fantastic feather dusters, he says: "The 'Old-Woman-Under-the-Ground' belonged to the Kinep band of the Kiowas. It was a small image less than a foot high, representing a woman with flowing hair. It was exposed at the sun dance ceremony and by some unexplained jugglery the priest in charge of it caused it to rise out of the ground, dance in sight of the people and then sink into the earth."

A few years ago it was stolen by a crazy Indian from the priest who guarded it and has never since been recovered, although there are stories in the tribe of hunters related in the mountains or beside unfrequented streams who have caught a glimpse of a smiling dwarf with disheveled hair, who vanishes as soon as discovered, and is believed to have been the lost "Old-Woman-Under-the-Ground" of their idolatrous veneration.

Current Magazines.

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A few years ago it was stolen by a crazy Indian from the priest who guarded it and has never since been recovered, although there are stories in the tribe of hunters related in the mountains or beside unfrequented streams who have caught a glimpse of a smiling dwarf with disheveled hair, who vanishes as soon as discovered, and is believed to have been the lost "Old-Woman-Under-the-Ground" of their idolatrous veneration.

Frank Burlingame Harris, a former High school teacher, has written a story for the daily papers, and his new book, "The Road to Ridgeby's," will have for them a double interest. After leaving Omaha he published a book giving an account of experience while traveling in Italy and to countries. Later, when convinced by failing health that his days were numbered, he expressed a desire to leave as a remembrance of his life a volume which should embody his very best work and he labored long and faithfully upon it that he did not live to see the proof sheets, though he had the satisfaction of knowing that it was accepted by the publisher. "The Road to Ridgeby's" is a story of farm life and contains a number of interesting and accurately the many varied experiences of rural life in Iowa, both the bitter and the pleasant. While the character of the writer has given new interest and the reader soon finds himself in sympathy with them. There is a decided romantic flavor to the story. The advent of a college-bred wanderer of the road into the community on the road to Ridgeby's will be a most interesting story to the reader. He is engaged as a farm hand by Farmer Ridgeby, meets and falls in love with his daughter, Sibby Ann, and proceeds to make life at least interesting for the club who is engaged to Sibby Ann and hopes to marry her by dangle over her head a mortgage on her father's farm. Sibby Ann is a Vassar college graduate and an interesting character. She soon discovers that Newton Mills is also college-bred and a bond of sympathy is quickly established between them. The attitude of the club toward Sibby Ann causes Newton Mills to interfere and he is stabbed. The Vassar farm girl nurses him back to health and finally admits that he has won her love and the tale ends pleasantly. Small, Maynard & Co., Boston.

"Four Leaved Clover" is the attractive title of a paper-covered novel by Maxwell Gray. It is not without considerable interest. D. Appleton & Co., New York.

"The Devil's Diary" is something entirely new and is from the pen of L. M. Elshemus. A voluminous writer of both fiction and verse. Several of his books have been reviewed in these columns. The new book is a compen-

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