

NEST EGG FOR NEW YEAR

City Government Has Balance on Hand Instead of Deficit.

ALL DEPARTMENTS PRACTICE ECONOMY

Mayor Moors and President Kart Pleased Over the Financial Show-ink Made at the Close of the Old Year.

The city of Omaha begins the new year with a small balance in the city funds. Last year a deficit of more than \$100,000 was loaded upon the 1901 tax levy.

Yesterday morning the city council held a special meeting and passed a general appropriation ordinance containing all the unpaid bills of 1901.

The ordinance provides for the payment of all bills in full, and the members of the council and the mayor made an examination of the various funds and found that after the payment of all the bills in the ordinance there will still remain a balance in all except the water and lighting funds.

The balance which remains in the general fund is slightly more than \$15,000. The balances in other funds vary from a few dollars to several hundred dollars.

Mayor Expresses Satisfaction. "Throughout the year I have warned the heads of various departments that I would not tolerate an overlap and it is very gratifying to me to find that all departments have kept within their allowance."

The condition of the city funds is very encouraging to the councilmen," said Myron B. Kart, president of the city council. "It has required considerable vigilance on the part of the mayor and other city officials to keep all expenditures within the appropriations. Our only regret is that the water and lighting funds are overdrawn."

Children Like It. "My little boy took the croup one night," says F. D. Reynolds of Mansfield, O. "A little grew so bad you could hear him breathe all over the house. I thought he would die, but a few doses of One Minute Cough Cure relieved and sent him to sleep."

SPECIAL EXCURSION To Central America. Leave Omaha January 12th, via St. Louis, New Orleans, Puerto Barrios, Guatemala City, San Jose, returning in time for Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

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New pianos in all the latest designs and rich fancy woods, \$148, \$108, \$188 and upward.

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QUICK WORK BY THE POLICE

Three Detectives Do Some Lively Work After "Cocaine Ann" Perpetrates a Holdup.

Helen Johnson, colored, alias "Cocaine Ann," picked the pockets of J. T. Graham, a Wyoming stockman, at Tenth and Capitol avenues yesterday morning, securing \$145, and in less than five minutes she was in jail, the money was recovered and the witness for the state subpoenaed.

It was one of the quickest cases in the history of the department and was handled by Detectives Donahue, Heifield and Dunn. At 7 o'clock yesterday morning Jesse Milo, standing at Eleventh and Capitol avenue,

with Milo as a guide, they went directly to the famous Midway saloon, and there found the victim of the robbery. He was standing in the bar room, bewildered, not knowing which way to turn.

On the second floor, in a room occupied by the housekeeper, the sleuth found "Cocaine Ann." She was lying on the floor of a bed, so thoroughly exhausted by her lively spirit that she could scarcely speak.

Meanwhile an officer had searched the vacant lot designated by Milo and had found the purse the woman had thrown away. In her haste to get rid of the incriminating evidence she had failed to take out all the money and there still remained in the pocketbook two \$10 bills. This made up the \$145 which Graham had lost.

A complaint of larceny from the person who had been robbed was made against "Cocaine Ann." It is a notorious thief and has been in trouble many times before. Six weeks ago she dressed in male attire, armed herself with a pistol and, going to the rooms of her lover, a negro named Dingel-spiel, called him out and shot him in the shoulder. The German who lost \$250 to a knife-fingered thief last Saturday, claims Wyoming as his home.

JUST AS THE BEE ASSERTED

Postoffice Department Confirms Denial of Reported Exclusion of Second-Class Publications.

The Bee's editorial denial of the report that the Postoffice department had excluded from the mails second-class publications subscriptions to which had not been paid in advance, had just been repeated by the postmaster's private office yesterday morning when Third Assistant Postmaster Minden was heard from. He sent in the daily bulletin an official confirmation of the statement that the department had made no such ruling and explained that the only possible excuse for the news bureau sending out the alarming report that it did was the action recently taken in the case of a New York publication which had acquired an immense circulation by a cheap premium plan and then persisted in sending the paper when the subscribers asked that it be discontinued.

Announcements of the Theater.

The bill on view at the Orpheum this week has been a gratifying success, the biggest attendance of the season having been witnessed by the regular family matinee will be given tomorrow, and for Saturday night Will M. Cressey and Blanche Dayne will change their bill by request, presenting "The Key to C," which was a tremendous success last season, when these two talented comedians were a feature of the Orpheum road show.

Mortality Statistics. The following deaths and births were reported to the city health commissioner for the week ending at noon Thursday: Deaths—Carrie Taves, 214 North Ninth, aged 47; Mrs. Herman Small, 2336 Dodge, aged 68; Leopold Doll, 331 Jones, aged 35; Thomas Proctor, 21 Joseph hospital, aged 28; Myrtle O. Brown, 323 Manderson, aged 12. Births—Robert Hodgson, 428 North Fortieth, girl; Harvey Hoffkamp, 1754 Leavenworth, girl; Grace Beckwith, 363 North Twenty-seventh, girl; John Sheehy, 417 North Twenty-fifth, boy; James Evers, 409 North Twenty-fifth, boy; George Nichol, Forty-eighth and Hart, boy.

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City ticket office 1324 Farnam; phone 314.

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

Business at Court House Starts Off at Lively Pace.

COUNTY JUDGE BUSY WITH MARRIAGES

Mary Adams, First Witness of the New Year, Tells Pivotal Story in Trial of Divorce Case Brought Against Her.

Business in all departments of the county government started off on the first business day of the new year with a rush that set a promising pace.

The first happy couple to get a marriage license this year was Martin M. Tucker, aged 45, and Emma Phillips, aged 35, both of Omaha.

The first civil case was one of Police Judge Gordon's periodical mandamus proceedings to compel the city council to pay him his salary. It was brought before Judge Keyser and the hearing was adjourned until Friday morning.

The first filing in the office of the clerk of the district court was an appeal from a replevin suit. The title of the case is George P. Abbott against Frank Franck, and the property involved is one set of harness.

The first witness the new year saw in the Adams divorce case was Mrs. Mary Adams, the first wife of Joe Adams, and from whom he is trying to obtain a divorce in Judge Dickinson's court.

The first payment of taxes was made by P. C. Peters & Co., who paid the sum of \$5.57 on personal property.

The first official action of the Board of County Commissioners was the ordering of three coffins and the digging of three graves in the county's plot in Forest Lawn cemetery. Two were for infants and the other for a colored woman.

FIRST DEED OF THE YEAR.

The first deed recorded by the register of deeds was one conveying one acre of ground in Pullman Place between Charles D. Layton, Mayella V. Williams, the consideration being \$250.

Extraordinary Basement Bargains

All the large size damaged cotton blankets worth up to \$2.50, 80¢ at 25¢ each.

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Business for Auditorium

Committees Return from Kansas City and St. Louis and Submit Reports.

At a meeting of the Auditorium committee yesterday a report was received from D. J. O'Brien and J. E. Ut on the method of raising funds by the Kansas City Auditorium company.

The resignation of Frank Burkley as a member of the board of directors was received and the question of his successor referred to the executive committee.

JOE BARDWEEL IS SEEN

Cousin of Murdered Man Meets Him on Street in South Omaha.

Joe Bardweel, the Assyrian who is believed to be the man who stabbed contractor by the name of Saldy to death on South Thirtieth street a few weeks ago, was seen in South Omaha yesterday.

Heedrah Saldy, a cousin of the murdered man, who cannot speak a word of English, met Bardweel in South Omaha yesterday and grappled with him. A crowd gathered about, but Saldy was unable to explain his purpose in holding Bardweel. The police appeared and, presuming that it was merely an altercation, separated the men and Bardweel disappeared hurriedly.

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HAYDEN BROS. YOU RECEIVED one or two odd forks or spoons as Christmas gifts. Let us make up the set for you. We can furnish them in any make.

Special Clearing Sale on Cameras Prior to counting stock on January 1 we will offer our entire stock of Kodaks and Cameras at greatly reduced prices.