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"Prof." Al. Dresher Makes Assertion About "Dirt Blocking Ventilation."

Clothes Cleaned at Dresher's Keep You in Health, Says He.

"Yes Sir!" said Al Dresher of the firm of Dresher Brothers, Cleaners and Dyers with the \$57,000 plant at 2211-2213 Farnam St. "You'll live longer and better if your clothes are cleaned often."

"You see it's this way," added Al, with a confidential smile that seemed to invite a clothes cleaning order, "what good is the natural system of ventilating pores in one's skin if the pure, fresh air cannot get to the pores. I mean by that that the air spaces 'twixt the weaves and threads of your clothes are blocked if they're soiled and filled with dirt, etc., and when they're blocked the air doesn't come through."

Al is a good talker and a swift talker, but he is known for the truth at that. There is much in his theory. He has proved by numerous tests that a clean piece of fabric may be breathed through while a soiled piece of the same fabric may not be breathed through. Al contends also, and has proof to show that uncleaned clothes are hotter in summer and colder in winter.

At any rate one feels and looks better in garments that are cleaned, and the "system" in vogue at Dresher's immense plant has brought down cleaning costs to so low an ebb that anyone and everyone is nowadays expected to have his clothes cleaned and pressed regularly and often.

Some might say that the clothes cleaning art is one that may be employed only by city folks because of the lack of suitable cleaning establishments in the smaller towns, but such is not the case, for Dresher's Mail Order Dept. places the entire plant at the disposal of people living even a thousand miles away. In fact, Dresher's pay return charges on any sized bundle to any point in America. And most of your clothes may be sent by Parcel Post, so the expense of carrying couldn't be very great even if out of town folks were to pay it both ways instead of one.

If you care to know more about the hygienic of clean clothes get "Al," the "Professor" on the phone personally—just call Tyler 345 and ask for "Al." If "Al" isn't there "Sam" has just as good a story to put up. After you've had your chat tell Dresher's to send a wagon to your home for your clothes.

Or leave your clothes at Dresher's Tailors, 1515 Farnam St., or at the Dresher Receiving Station in the Brandeis Stores.

**Good Housewives Make This Cough Syrup**

To quickly cure the most stubborn cough and break up a cold in six to eight hours, there can be nothing better than the following simple remedy, for it has been tried in thousands of cases with wonderful success. Its popularity is increasing because of its cheapness and positive curative virtues. Obtain of druggist a 2 1/2 oz. package of Essence Mentho-Laxene; empty into a pint bottle. Then make a syrup by pouring a half pint of boiling water over a pint of granulated sugar. Stir, cool and fill up the bottle with syrup. Full directions for use are enclosed in the package. This home-made syrup effects a saving too, of from two to three dollars as compared with labeled cough medicines.—Advertisement.

**WELLS BEER THE OLD RELIABLE**

Call Tyler 1000

If You Want to Talk to The Bee or to Anyone Connected with The Bee.

**BACK TO PEN FOR FAINTING BERTHA**

Sentenced to Hard Labor at Lincoln by Judge English for Stealing a Parse.

HAS A LONG POLICE RECORD

"Fainting Bertha" is again from Omaha. It is news that will soon circulate in underworld circles all over the United States.

This woman, probably the most widely known female police character in the country, once more heard a judge pronounce a penitentiary sentence upon her when she pleaded guilty to "stealing" a parse containing \$1.14 from Mrs. Rozella Long in a local 10-cent store.

"From one to seven years in the penitentiary, at hard labor but without solitary confinement," said District Judge English.

"My only request is that I be taken there at once," said Bertha. There was the usual touch of the theatrical about her and she was in no wise afraid of the court.

It was Bertha's first "fall" since Rev. Charles W. Savidge's attempt to "cast out her devil" more than a year ago, a "fall" being the thieves term for a conviction and prison sentence.

Taken to Lincoln at Once.

Judge English directed that she be taken to Lincoln at once in order that burns caused by an attempt at suicide while she was incarcerated in the city jail might be treated there.

Bertha Liebecke was the name given the woman at birth by honest, hard working parents, residents of Council Bluffs. "Fainting Bertha" she became by reason of a trick which she acquired of "fainting" into the arms of a prospective victim of her nimble fingers. Frequently, too, when arrested by officers who knew nothing of her, the trick gained sympathy for her and caused her release.

For several years, however, the fainting trick has been so well known that she has no longer employed it.

Bertha is 35 years of age. She attended the Council Bluffs schools until she was 16 years old, when her father died. Later, after an illness, her mental condition became defective and her first confinement in a public institution was the institute for the feeble minded at Glenwood, Ia. Later, according to her story, she was led to a similar life by an aged man.

Her first instruction in real crime came the first year of the Omaha exposition, when a young thief with whom she associated taught her how to pick pockets and do other kinds of stealing.

Arrested in Illinois.

Bertha became one of the most successful girl thieves in the country, but later was confined in an asylum at Clearfield, Ia. Nine months later she was released after having undergone a severe operation. She went to Chicago and there received her first penitentiary sentence, being sent to Joliet, then to Elgin.

She escaped from Elgin and eventually turned up in Omaha and from there went to the penitentiary at Lincoln where she served several years. This completed her penitentiary record, but she has been inside of a large number of jails in many cities.

Rev. Mr. Savage's attempt to "cast out the devil" from Bertha was given up by him several months ago. She became involved in several minor difficulties, eventually "falling" when she lifted a pocket book.

**News from Omaha's Near Neighbors**

**Valley.**

Horace Ayer left for his home in Nevada Tuesday.

John Monahan made a business trip to Omaha Monday.

John Robinson came from California Tuesday on a business trip.

Mrs. Steele went to Fremont Thursday to visit Mrs. Moore in the hospital.

Mrs. John Fitzgerald returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit with her father at Dacatur, Ia.

William Flynn purchased the farm belonging to L. Robinson just a mile east of Valley this week.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist Episcopal church held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. McAlister Wednesday.

Mrs. Cecil Moore, grammar school teacher, went to the Fremont hospital for an operation Saturday. She is getting along well, but will be unable to take up her school duties for a month. Ben Wertz of Fremont is supplying her room. Everett Kemurigave an interpretation of "That Printer of 'Doll's'" to a very appreciative audience in the opera house Tuesday evening. It was considered the best number ever given in any Valley lecture course.

The members and friends of the Second Baptist church gave a very enjoyable farewell reception at the church Tuesday evening for their pastor, Rev. Mr. Hasabild, who is giving up the pastorate to be state Sunday school missionary. He began his new duties Wednesday.

**Bennington.**

Detlef Deeler was an Omaha visitor Wednesday.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sell.

A baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Odell last Sunday.

It is reported that Mrs. Minna Timme is quite ill at her home in Omaha. Mrs. Minnie Witte and daughter, Mabel, visited at the home farm several days this week.

August Holdorf has bought property from Mrs. Henry Sedje and will move here after March 1.

Thomas Currah, formerly depot agent here, is at the Methodist hospital in Omaha, where he was operated on for a mastoid abscess.

A reception was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Hans Ott on Thursday evening at the Woodmen hall. Dancing was indulged in and lunch served.

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gottsch last Sunday in honor of the twentieth anniversary of their wedding.

Last Saturday afternoon fifteen young women pleasantly surprised Mrs. Gottsch Backus with a miscellaneous shower. The bride-to-be, whose engagement to Theodore Muckelbauer of Elkhorst was announced a short time ago, received a number of dainty and useful gifts.

**Elkhorst.**

Carl and Paul Pfeiffer visited in Omaha a few days this week.

Thomas Hickey of Spring Grove, called on friends here, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Otte of Rosalie are visiting relatives here.

Harry Winterburn, who was sick with the grippe, is now recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meyers are visiting friends in Iowa this week.

Mrs. George Heilmann moved Thursday into the late William Schmidt house.

Mrs. John McArdle and daughter, Angela, returned to their home in Omaha Sunday.

Mrs. and Mrs. Herman Fredrickson of Grandstone, S. D., visited last week at the J. A. Gibbons home.

Walter Bull, who is attending the agriculture college at Lincoln, is quite ill with pneumonia. He is reported as improved, but not out of danger.



"BILL" HAYWARD AND NEW YORK'S JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, to investigate public service commissions. Left to right—standing: Assemblyman Burt, Counsel William Hayward, Assemblyman McQuiston, Assemblyman Donohue, Assemblyman Kincaid and Assemblyman Knight. Below, left to right: Senator Mills, Senator Lawson, Assemblyman Maier, Senator Thompson, chairman; Senator Foley and Senator Cromwell.

**Culls From the Wire**

Fred A. Hines of Los Angeles, Cal., past imperial palatine of the A. A. O. N. of Mystic Shriners of North America, died at Scranton, Pa.

A bill to appropriate \$50,000 for an Alabama building at the San Francisco exposition virtually failed in the legislature at Montgomery when the senate finance committee reported it adversely.

The deadlock between representatives of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers and the Independent Sheet and Tin Plate Manufacturers over the acceptance of a reduction in wages by the men was broken at Pittsburgh. The men agreed to accept a cut in wages of from 6 to 11 1/2 per cent. The employers promised to maintain the standard of their employees and to increase wages on a sliding scale as market prices of their product goes higher. Factories in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Illinois and Missouri are affected.

In accordance with the elector's views expressed last November, the lower

house of the Oregon legislature at Salem passed a bill prohibiting the sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquors within the state except for sacramental purposes. Physicians are permitted by the measure to administer liquor personally and importation of two quarts monthly is allowed individuals for private consumption.

When the court which is trying 130 men accused of election frauds adjourned at Pikeville, Ky., there had been made eight additional convictions, ten cases were dismissed, one indictment was returned to the next grand jury because of defect in its drawing, another was quashed and in a third the jury failed to agree. W. T. Homer, a negro, Bartlett minister, was fined \$100, the largest fine of the day. All others found guilty were disfranchised and fined in various amounts.

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**WOMEN WILL NOW MAKE OWN BREAD**

Mrs. Burnett of Woman's Club Says it May Be Better, but Will Not Be Any Cheaper.

WILL NOT TAKE ANY ACTION

Although Mrs. F. J. Burnett, leader of the home economics department of the Omaha Woman's club, states that the high price of wheat will induce many women to bake their own bread, she does not believe they will be getting their bread any cheaper. "The bread will be much better bread, but I doubt whether it can be baked at less cost at home," she said.

Mrs. Burnett says it is woman's queer business sense that accounts for her return to home baking because of the high price of flour. "Women will pay out the amount of a sack of flour and after they have it in the house will forget that they have paid the amount of the flour and will consider that their bread costs them nothing, because they have no baker's bill to pay," she explained. "They actually believe they are saving money."

"My department will take no action on the present high prices because there is nothing we can do. Then it does not affect us as much as it does the poor working woman, who buys a loaf of bread her way home from work to feed her family. She is the one that will suffer because of the high price of wheat."

Mrs. Burnett declared that cornmeal, rye and oatmeal could be utilized instead of wheat flour, but would not vouch for its popularity as a substitute.

Many Disorders Come from the Liver

Constipation, headache, bilious spells indicate a sluggish liver. The tried remedy is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Only 25c. All druggists.—Advertisement.

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A WONDERFUL ROCKIER BARGAIN. Built along graceful lines with high back and broad roll seat. Has neatly curved arms and panel back neatly carved. Very strongly constructed and positively worth \$3.00. Special price for this week while a small quantity lasts at only **1.69**

A VERY NEAT DESIGN IN A WELL MADE SOLID QUARTER SAWED OAK LIBRARY TABLE. Top measures 42 inches, fitted with one large stationery drawer and roomy magazine shelf. Has four heavy scroll legs and exceptionally well made throughout. Specially priced for this sale at only **8.98**