

PRISONERS' MEALS WON'T BE REDUCED

Sheriff Clark Denies Story Which Commissioner Lynch Had Printed.

NO REASON TO CHANGE

Sheriff Clark vigorously denies the story which Commissioner Lynch had printed as part of his fight on the sheriff that the prisoners in the county jail are to be reduced to two meals a day.

"I believe the prisoners are better satisfied with three meals a day and I don't see any reason why we should feed them only two," said the sheriff.

The Big Challenge.

Commissioner Lynch has been emboldened to issue a quasi-challenge to the sheriff to debate the jail feeding row before improvement clubs.

"There's nothing to debate," replied the sheriff when told of the proposed verbal battles. "There is no issue—if there is it's a dead one—at stake.

At Lynch's instance, the county board disallowed the sheriff's bill for meals for the jail for January, later coming out with the excuse that there was no money in the general fund to pay the claim if it wanted to.

Yo, Ho! Dan Cupid Captures Another Omaha Sailor Man

Page Dan Cupid, please! Officers of the navy recruiting station in the federal building want to know something.

When Emmet A. Chapman, pharmacist's mate, first class, breezed into work Wednesday morning he was wearing a tulip and a rose.

William W. McDonald, Here Most of His Life, is Dead

William W. McDonald, head of the McDonald Bros. Brass foundry, until his retirement three years ago, and a member of a pioneer Omaha family, died at his home, 2230 Burdette street, Wednesday morning following a month's illness.

Mr. McDonald is survived by his widow, a brother, County Commissioner McDonald, and a sister, Mrs. James Mahoney of Council Bluffs.

Ward Burgess Finds the Coast Country Prosperous

Ward M. Burgess has just returned from a trip of a month during which time he was on both coasts. He went from here to New York and from there to California, where he has put in most of the month in a winter vacation.

Mr. Burgess says the car shortage situation is still bad, though he finds it is easing up a bit. "The west coast is prosperous; business there is good," said Mr. Burgess.

Janitor Sets Off County Treasury Burglar Alarm

Police are voicing a desire to have an investigation of the burglar alarm attached to the vault in the county treasurer's office.

For Children's Cough

You cannot see anything better for your child's cough and cold than Dr. King's New Discovery. Contains nothing harmful. Guaranteed. At Druggists. 5c.—Advertisement.

"We Can't Get Our Coal," Still The Complaint of Omaha Dealers

Usual Drop in Price May First is Not Scheduled to Take Place This Year.

COAL SHORTAGE TO BLAME

Though coal ordinarily drops somewhat in price about May 1, local coal dealers say they see no prospect as yet. At least they say they have no information that leads them to believe there will be a drop this spring.

PREDICTS U. S. WILL SOON BE IN WAR

Director of Alexander Hamilton Institute Warns Business Men to Prepare.

ADDRESSES ROTARY CLUB

The United States cannot help being drawn into the European war, unless Germany backs down; also, the war will terminate before the end of this year, either because of this country's entry into it or from exhaustion.

Mr. DeBower spoke on "America's Business Opportunities and Responsibilities." He has been addressing business men's organizations throughout the east and middle west.

On Brink of War.

The fact that the United States is on the very brink of war was pointed out by the easterner, who declared that obviously there was no way out of it unless Germany backed down.

Big business men should be better organized, he advocated. They should organize, he said, for their own good, regardless of party lines.

He spoke in favor of the profit-sharing plans of some of the big corporations, declaring that the laboring men should be taken into confidence by the business leaders—their employers.

Superintendent Clark of the State Industrial school at Kearney was a guest of the club. He warned Omaha business men to make provisions for the lads when they come out of the school lest they go wrong again and become menaces to society.

Big Buyers Still Pay High Prices for Coal

Though the Building Owners' and Managers' association members have talked for a couple of years about the possibility of buying their coal supply for the big buildings of the city in a co-operative way, they have not yet arrived at anything definite.

Recently D. C. Patterson, real estate man, offered to build them a storage house for this coal, and lease it to them or let them use it on some basis satisfactory to both parties concerned.

"I certainly think it is time something should be done," said Byron Hastings, president of the Building Owners' and Managers' association.

In the Promotion of Health

It is imperative that you keep THE STOMACH NORMAL THE BOWELS REGULAR AND THE LIVER ACTIVE

To That End—Try HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters

let them stand on the sidings any place in the country. We have no recourse. We are helpless in the matter."

Mr. White has on his desk a letter stating that the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron company, one of the largest producers of hard coal in Pennsylvania, has none of its own product at its St. Paul yards, and other northern and lake cities, such as Duluth.

The fact that cars have been hard to get has curtailed the mining of coal, according to coal dealers here, for when the breakers are full and there are no cars to haul it away, the mining stops, or is cut down for the time being.

Local coal dealers, however, see no reason why they should be compelled to pay the increased price at the mines this year. "We are simply a lot of fools, to be standing in line bidding against one another for the visible supply," said Victor White.

SMOKE INSPECTOR FILES COMPLAINTS

Ten Alleged Violators of Ordinance Ordered to Appear in Police Court.

MORE ARE TO COME LATER

William A. Chrisman, city boiler and smoke inspector, has filed in police court the first group of complaints in his campaign to abate the smoke nuisance. He says others will follow.

These persons are charged with violation of city ordinance governing abatement of dense black smoke and are summoned to appear in police court Friday morning:

Dr. Harold Gifford, for the Lyric building, Nineteenth and Farnam streets; Frank B. Martin, for the Wellington Inn building, 1815 Farnam street; Joseph Hayden, for Hayden Bros. building, 1618 Douglas street; F. F. Hamilton, for Merchants' National bank building, Thirtieth and Farnam streets; M. D. Dimery, for the Farnam building, Thirtieth and Farnam streets; T. C. Byrne, for the Byrne-Hammer dry goods building, Ninth and Howard streets; B. Towle, for the O'Brien Candy company, 801 Douglas street; Charles Harding, for the Harding Ice Cream company, 808 Harney street; C. Hyson, for the Omaha Cold Storage company, 801 Farnam street; J. C. Carpenter, for the Carpenter Paper company, Ninth and Harney streets; Elmer Neville, for the Neville block, Sixteenth and Harney streets, and L. B. Wilson, for the World-Herald Building company, Fifteenth and Farnam streets.

Cave Man No Longer in Style, Says Fitzgerald

The day of the cave man has passed, according to Police Judge Fitzgerald. So he told a gang of youths who were on trial for fighting.

"Men no longer go out and get their girls with clubs," he declared, as he discharged the lads with a warning. "Let the girls go with whatever young men they choose."

Other youths in the case were Hawker and J. Jorgensen and Byron Madsen.

Savage Will Appear Before the City Council

Rev. C. W. Savidge, pastor of the People's church, states he will appear before the city council this morning and will ask for the privilege of the floor.

SHOE SHOP

That's what we are offering to the ladies of Omaha. A style their own—individuality and character. A shoe that is just for you. That's what we call exclusiveness.

Benson & Thorne are showing a most charming and distinctive assemblage of smart Spring Footwear for every function, original in design and graceful in appearance, with a maximum of perfection and style, fit and workmanship at a price attractively moderate.



Pearl or Silver gray and ivory and field mouse, with French kid covered heels, turn or light welt soles—button or lace patterns; sizes 2 1/2 to 8, widths AAA to D's, at..... \$12.00

Beautiful white wash kid boots, 9-inch patterns with small wood covered heels, with turn soles, at..... \$7.95

ENJOINS THE WHEEL TAX TEMPORARILY

Judge Leslie Decides in Favor of Ten Corporations Fighting Ordinance.

FINAL HEARING SOON

Judge Leslie of the district court has granted a temporary injunction in the case brought by ten Omaha corporations against the city, Mayor Dahlgren, City Attorney Rine, City Prosecutor McGuire and Commissioner Parks, seeking to enjoin them from enforcing any of the provisions of the wheel tax ordinance, which should have gone into effect March 7.

The judge's decision at the hearing for a temporary injunction now holds the matter in statu quo until the court decides whether it should be made permanent. The hearing for a permanent injunction will probably be held in Judge Leslie's court within the next two weeks.

At the time the petition was filed by the corporations the court issued a restraining order, which held until the hearing for a temporary injunction.

Claim Tax is Null

Counsel for the plaintiffs alleges that the wheel tax ordinance, which provides that each person, firm or corporation owning or operating any vehicle upon the streets of Omaha annually register the same, a penalty being specified for its violation, is null and void and was attempted to be passed without authority of law.

The following corporations are involved in the suit: Omaha Ice and Cold Storage company, C. W. Hall company, Sunderland Bros., Uppdike Lumber and Coal company, J. T. Stewart Motor company, Omaha Van and Storage company, Lee Huff, Gordon Warehouse and Van company, McShane Motor company, L. V. Nicholas Oil company and the Omaha Merchants Express and Transfer company.

Four People Are Being Sought Here By Their Relatives

Officer Frank Murphy of the police "lost and found" department, is seeking to locate four persons, for whom relatives have inquired.

Ed Flint of Hastings came to Omaha a week ago to take treatment for rheumatism; his half-brother, C. W. Moon, writes the police. Moon has been unable to locate Flint in any hospital since then.

Fred Willson, supposed to have lived at 859 Pine street two years ago, is sought by his brother-in-law, C. A. Oliver, of Pittsburgh. There is no house at the number given. Officer Murphy says, and he has not yet found a trace of Willson.

Claire Nan, who was married to William Mahen of Fremont, is sought by a relative, Frank Brown of Vancouver, B. C., who thinks she may be known here.

Mrs. Olive Pitt has asked police aid in finding her husband, W. C. Pitt, 75, who has not been heard from since he came to Omaha some time ago. He is supposed to have visited Jack Fauster of this city.

Savidge Will Appear Before the City Council

Rev. C. W. Savidge, pastor of the People's church, states he will appear before the city council this morning and will ask for the privilege of the floor. It is his intention to express himself on the subject of pool halls and if time will permit may touch on a few other topics.

This is the minister who recently made a slumming tour and lost his notes.

STRIKE ORDER WILL BE IGNORED HERE

Such is Opinion of Men Close to the Trainmen Operating from Omaha.

NO ORDERS YET RECEIVED

Railroad trainmen working in the local yards and coming into the city from off their runs, as well as railroad officials in the headquarters of the several roads, assert that, aside from what appears in the daily papers, they know nothing new in the trainmen's strike situation.

Local trainmen assert that up to this time a strike order has not been received and that they have had no intimation that an official one is coming. Such an order, they say, would come from the brotherhood chiefs, and none of them reside here.

They assert that the headquarters of the locomotive men is in North Platte; the conductors, Cheyenne; the brakemen, Laramie, and the firemen, Creston, Ia. Men here are not talking, saying that this is a matter entirely in the hands of the chairmen. However, men who are close to the trainmen say that if a strike order should come it would be ignored by a large majority of those working on roads running out of Omaha.

Officials of the roads assert that

they are not anticipating a strike order, going upon the theory that the railroad men would not quit now, especially at a time when the constitutionality of the Adamson law is being considered by the United States supreme court. As to the status of the strike situation, they contend that they are ignorant of what is being done, if anything, to hold it off, that being entirely in the hands of the executive committee of all the roads and which has headquarters in Chicago, New York and Washington.

Sugar Combine Says It Operates On Low Margin

New York, March 14.—Profits from operations of \$9,756,379 are reported for 1916 by the American Sugar Refining company in the annual statement issued today, as against \$2,991,465 in 1915. The company's balance sheet shows assets of \$129,979,776, an increase of \$7,971,901 over 1915.

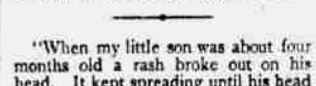
The turnover of the company, according to the statement of President Earl D. Babst, approximated \$200,000,000, leaving a manufacturing profit of about 4 1/2 per cent. This percentage, it is claimed, is "outside of the Chicago packers, the smallest margin of profit in the manufacturing world."

Tables accompanying the report show that the company's business in 1916 amounted to 34 per cent of the whole sugar production, cane and beet, as against 75 per cent of the entire output in 1894.

The company, it is stated, has nearly 20,000 stockholders, one-half of whom are women.

Cuticura Heals Little Boy Of

Distressing Rash on Head. Developed Into Eruptions. Hair All Fell Out. Lasted for Six Months. Cuticura Healed at Cost of 75c.

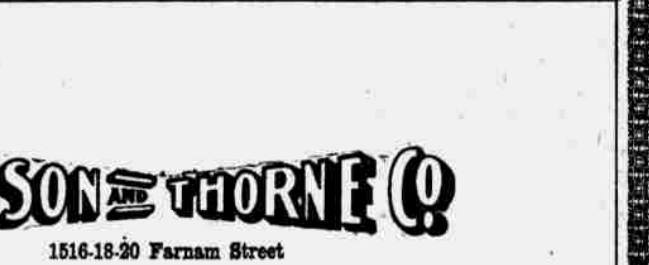


"When my little son was about four months old a rash broke out on his head. It kept spreading until his head was covered and the rash soon developed into large, deep eruptions. Hewould scratch and rub his head on the pillow and did not sleep. His hair became thin and dry, and all fell out. This lasted for six months.

"A friend advised me to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and I got them. After I used one box of Cuticura Ointment and one bar of Cuticura Soap his head was healed." (Signed) Mrs. S. Brant, Box 95, Harris, Minn., Sept. 15, 1916.

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Bee want-ad takers are now at your service until 10 p. m. A good time to write your ad is after dinner, when you have time to think of what you wish to say.

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