

OUSTER SUIT DISCLOSURES TO BE PROBED

"Something Doing" is Promise of County Attorney as Judges Decide to Call Session.

District court judges have decided to call a grand jury to investigate various charges of a criminal nature arising out of the Lynch ouster trial disclosures.

County Attorney Magney says there will be "something doing." The date has not been definitely fixed, but March 8 is set as the probable date when the investigations will begin.

BRIBERY CHARGES.
Bribery charges involving public officials will be investigated; charges of conspiracy between public officials and others to defraud the county by suppression of liquor license applications; the operation of "Riverside," in which Tom Dennison, Billy Nesselhouse, Jack Haskell and ex-County Commissioner "Johnny" Lynch are alleged to have been interested, without a liquor license, and other avenues of alleged graft and public corruption in city and county administration will be delved into under the direction of the county attorney's office, according to a statement issued by County Attorney Magney.

SWEEPING INVESTIGATION.
"I intend to make the grand jury inquiry the occasion of a sweeping exposure of the intrigues and underground work which was touched upon in the Lynch hearing," said Mr. Magney. "We will stir something up; you can be sure of that."

Judge W. A. Redick, presiding judge of the district bench, declined to state the date fixed for convening the grand jury.

"There are one or two matters that must be looked into yet," he said.

Has Wide Scope.
The grand jury is composed of 16 men and during the time the inquisitorial body is in session all routine police court cases from the South Side and Omaha police courts must be brought before it.

Investigations of a more serious nature are taken up by the grand jury by its own motion on request of the county attorney or any citizen.

"The grand jury can get at facts and evidence which would be practically impossible for the county attorney to bring before the grand jury," Mr. Magney said. "It can compel the attendance of unwilling witnesses and a man may be forced to testify against himself before the grand jury, while he would be exempt from such testimony in a court trial."

"The grand jury is the right way to get at these corruption suspicions we have. I predict there will be 'something doing,' and no mistake."

BILL JACKSON SIGNS TO PILOT OMAHA THIS YEAR

Bill Jackson, ex-Federal leaguer and manager of the Peoria team in the Three-I league last year, will manage the Omaha Western league club this year.

Bill Rourke, owner of the Omaha club, returned home from Des Moines, where he attended the schedule meeting, Wednesday morning and upon his arrival here found Jackson's acceptance of terms waiting for him. Jackson was in Des Moines Sunday and had a conference with Rourke. He agreed to manage the Rourke's if he could get his release from Peoria. Then he returned to Peoria and when Rourke arrived in Omaha he found a wire from Jackson saying he had made arrangements for his release from Peoria.

Willingness of Peoria to release Jackson is taken as an indication that Peoria has no hope of being represented in base ball this year.

Jackson led the Peoria crew to a pennant in the short Three-I season last year and then when the team switched to the Central league to finish the season accepted a tailender's standing and whipped through to third place.

Jackson is not only a successful manager, but is a first-class first sacker, and he will play that bag for the Rourke's.

Implement Inspection and Repair Week for Farmers

This is implement inspection and repair week, designated by United States Department of Agriculture. Farmers everywhere are urged to overhaul their farm implements and tools in order to catalogue what repairs will be needed.

Omaha implement houses are calling the attention of their dealers throughout the territory to the importance of implement inspection and repair week. They are asking them to call the attention of the farmers to its importance. Implements and repairs are hard to get in large quantities on account of the shortage of many materials and the difficulty with the car situation.

Farmers and implement dealers who have been in Omaha during the week say that in many parts of the state plowing will begin the first of next week if weather conditions remain favorable.

Thirty-Day Jail Sentence Echo of Wild Horse Case

Charles N. Acker came into the office of United States Marshal Flynn Wednesday morning and announced that he was ready to go to the county jail for 30 days. Acker was convicted of perjury in connection with the famous "wild horse" case. Federal Judge Woodrough sentenced him just a month ago and, at his request, allowed him 30 days to go back to St. Paul, Minn., and put his extensive business affairs in such shape that he could leave them for 30 days. He returned promptly on schedule and is now serving his 30 days.

STOECKER SAYS ROHEMIAN GIRL IS NOT HIS WIFE

Real Estate Operator Files Answer to Divorce Action Brought by Alleged Common Law Mate.

William F. Stoecker, whose alleged common-law wife, Theresa Stoecker, is suing for divorce and \$100,000 alimony, has filed an answer in district court declaring she is not and never was his wife and has no right or status as a wife.

Theresa Stoecker, now managing the Colonade apartments, owned by Stoecker, alleges the relation, upon which she bases her action for divorce and alimony as his wife, began October 12, 1914, when she went to live with him under a mutual interchange of vows.

Mrs. Stoecker is a winsome Bohemian girl. She says she met Stoecker, wealthy Omaha real estate operator, four days after she arrived in America.

Sought Political Honors.
She declares Stoecker is worth \$300,000 in Omaha and Douglas county real estate. Stoecker was at one time a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Nebraska. She filed her divorce petition January 24, 1918, alleging Stoecker had treated her with extreme cruelty and had failed to give her money during that month, with the exception of \$90, which she had collected as rent from the Colonade.

After the filing of the divorce action Stoecker left the town and took up residence in Chicago. He returned recently. He is now a guest at a hotel.

Owns German Dachshund.
Stoecker is the owner of a blooded dachshund "Felix," now in Mrs. Stoecker's possession. "He left Felix with me when he went away to Chicago," said Theresa in her quaint manner. "He is a dachshund, a little, long, German dog—you know what I mean. And then last Friday Mr. Stoecker came out to the house and ordered the maid to get 'Felix' for him."

"He told the maid he didn't want Felix to associate with me." "I let him take 'Felix' for a ride, but I felt so badly that he brought him back to me. 'Felix' is the best friend I have. I've cared for him since he was a puppy."

Mr. Stoecker's first wife, Hulda Stoecker, to whom he was married in April, 1887, filed divorce proceedings in 1912, but died in 1913 before the decree was granted. It was about a year later that he met Theresa, who seeks divorce and alimony as his alleged common-law wife.

Police Search for Sneak Thief Who Robs Apartments

Police are searching for a "wardrobe thief" who is causing many young women grief by entering their apartments and stealing their gowns and jewelry.

Miss Louise Christian, Lincoln apartments, 2102 Chicago street, reported to the police that a sneak thief stole gowns and jewelry.

A plush coat, two gowns, a traveling bag, a gold pin, two gold rings, beads and a jewelry box are missing. C. E. Sharaban, 624 South Sixteenth street, reported that someone entered his room at the Dillon hotel and stole three suits of clothes, light overcoat, a suitcase and a traveling bag containing pictures and a Masonic apron.

Real Estate Men Start "Own-Your-Home" Campaign

Omaha real estate men will banquet at the Blackstone Thursday night. It will be the opening event of the "Own-Your-Home" campaign the Omaha Real Estate board has been so long planning. The banquet is scheduled for 6:30 o'clock.

Mayor Dahlman is among those scheduled for a 10-minute talk. Rev. Hart Jenks is another. Charley Black is to make a short after-dinner talk. E. A. Benson will be toastmaster and Harry Christie, president of the Omaha Real Estate board, will preside.

Two Holdups Reported to Police; Obtain Nothing

Two holdups were reported to police Tuesday night.

Edward Hart, 224 North Nineteenth street, was stopped near an alley between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets about 10 o'clock by two unmasked men. Harry Overstreet, 360 South Twenty-sixth street, was halted shortly before midnight by a pair answering the same description at Twenty-sixth street and Dewey avenue. Nothing was obtained by the highwaymen.

Woman Loans German Telescope to Navy

One pair of "eyes" in the American navy will soon be assisted by a German "eye" in the search for the elusive submarine. Through the courtesy of Mrs. George Schuler of Decatur, a high-powered telescope has been loaned to the navy for the duration of the war.

"I brought the glass with me when I emigrated from Germany 30 years ago," said Mrs. Schuler, when she presented the glass to Ensign Condict of the navy recruiting station. "I got everything I own in this country and I wish to do all in my power to prevent ships with our boys on from being sunk by the kaiser's submarines. If you can use this glass I will willingly give it to you with my blessing and I hope some boy will carry it clear into the city of Berlin."

This glass, together with about 30 others, has been sent to the Navy department and will shortly be in use on American ships.

BELL-ANS Absolutely Removes Indigestion. Druggists refund money if it fails. 25c

Thursday's Offerings Are UNUSUALLY Good New Spring Apparel and Petticoats at Popular Prices

New Spring Suits, at \$25.00

Smart Styles for the New Season

DESPITE the advanced cost of materials and trimmings, we have obtained a stock of Suits to sell at \$25.00, that represent superlative value.

Fashionable Spring styles, copies of much higher priced models, splendidly tailored, perfect in line, and all new and novel designs and trimmings.

Men's Wear Serge, Shepherd Check Velours, Navy Blues Gabardines and Hair Line Worsteds

The conservative plain tailored models. The pleated Norfolks. Models with buckled belt. The pleated shorter coat designs. The ripple back or "bustle" effects, button or braid trimmed models rows of tailored stitching.

All Have the New Skirts, With or Without Pockets

Navy predominates as the most favored color, but black and the new tan Rookie shades also come in for a large share of attention.

Sizes for Women, From 34 to 44

Other Suits From \$29 to \$225

Exclusive creations in all the fashionable materials and new shades—new styles arriving daily.

Second Floor

New, Clever Dresses for Spring

of Serges and Wool Jersey

Showing features adapted from higher priced models. Braids, buttons, smart, contrasting shades for trimming, etc. Lovely Satin Collars; Georgette and Taffeta combinations. Very fascinating in their style and general make-up and just right for early Spring wear.

A very, very moderate price for so much merit.

Special for Thursday, at \$15.00

Another Group at \$12.50

This is an extremely interesting announcement, coming right at the beginning of the season. Choice of one lot of serge and wool Jersey Dresses, an extraordinary offering; all good styles. Special at \$12.50

Second Floor



Sweaters, \$4.95

An exceptional stock of fine woolen knitted sweaters, sample lines of high grade makers; many of them one of a kind; plenty in white, with color combinations, also dark colors; sizes for women and misses, including a few fiber silk sweaters; worth from \$7.50 to \$12.

Your Choice \$4.95

Buy them for Now, for Summer and for next Fall and Winter Wear.

Second Floor

\$5 Silk Petticoats, at \$3.69

Twelve Different Styles to Choose From

Changeable Taffeta Silk, in the bright Spring hues. Silk Jersey Tops and Taffeta Flounces. Hemstitched Ruffle Pleatings, Accordion Pleatings and Shirrings; all lengths and waistbands.

You will want to purchase your Petticoats before you make definite plans for your Easter outfits—and here is an opportunity to purchase excellent styles and materials in fascinating wear, at a very low price.

\$3.69 for Thursday

Second Floor

"Billiken" Shoes

in complete size and style assortment.

We are now ready to fit little feet with this excellent footwear at moderate prices.

The big thing in buying Shoes for little folk is to know that they will not pinch or hurt in any way—that will permit the boys and girls to go romping on their way rejoicing.

We found in "Billiken" Shoes, just this sort of Footwear, and because they are so good, we have the exclusive agency for them in Omaha.

"Billiken" Shoes are made without nails or bulging stitches to cut or injure tender little feet. "Billiken" Shoes are made with ample room for every toe—each one a "five-room apartment."

We could talk "Billiken" Shoes—or rather talk their talking points indefinitely—but the proof of the Shoes is in the wearing—try them and you will be convinced. We take special pains to fit children's shoes with extreme care.

(Priced According to Style and Size.)

Main Floor, Rear

Greatest Efficiency In Sewing When You Use The FREE

With the "Free" Sewing Machine, you will see almost without effort. It runs faster, works easier and will give the most satisfactory results of any Sewing Machine that we know of.

In these early spring days, when you will want to make so many things, you will find that the addition of "The Free" Sewing Machine to your working outfit will enable you to make things in a jiffy, and make them right, too.

"The Free"

may be purchased upon an initial payment of \$1.00 and paid for at the rate of \$1.00 a week.

In all finishes of wood and an ornament to be proud of in any household.

The "Free" is guaranteed and insured. Liberal allowance made on your old machine. Come in and see it today.

Specials

For Thursday

"Brandeis," new \$26.00
"Brandeis E," new \$24.50
"Brandeis B," new \$22.50
"Our Special," new \$20.00
7-Drawer Singer, used, \$18.00
One Wheeler & Wilson, used \$12.00

Hemstitching and Picoting neatly executed, at moderate prices.

Main Floor, Rear

Stylish Spring Skirts, \$5.95

Serge, Plaids and Stripes, for women, misses and small women. A few Blouses, two or more Skirts, and your Spring wardrobe is reinforced to such a degree that you have many changes for every ordinary occasion.

We are splendidly prepared to show you exceptionally good styles in Skirts right now, and we invite you to look at this lot at \$5.95 particularly, in women's and misses' sizes. Included in this grouping are Skirts in extra sizes for stout women, from 32 to 40 sizes.

Special at \$5.95

Second Floor

Look for This



When Buying A Victrola

Look for the name VICTROLA and "His Master's Voice." A trade mark famous the world over, and one that always stands for the sign of the best musical instrument that the world has ever produced—THE VICTOR VICTROLA.

Nine new models, all genuine Victrolas, and you can surely select the style best suited to your needs. COME IN AND SEE THEM.

The Victor Victrola is the musical instrument by which all others are measured—it stands supreme for tone and interpretation.

You cannot afford to let another day go by without putting one of these in your home—enjoyment for all the family.

Let us talk it over with you—and also permit us to demonstrate with a few of the newest Records in our Sound Proof Parlors.

Main Floor, Pompeian Room

Three Big Bargain Days In This BASEMENT

Rousing offerings in every needful for Spring, together with some astonishing prices on Winter wear that it will be good policy to buy for another year.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday Three Days Brimful of Opportunity for Thrifty Buyers

Brandeis Stores

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