

### New Trial Asked For Cashier of Defunct Bank

Attorney for Ray Lower in Affidavit Charges Juror Was Prejudiced—State Lost \$300,000 in Cash.

Lincoln, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—An attempt will be made at Wahoo next week to throw the state to the expense of a third trial of Ray Lower, cashier of the defunct Valparaiso State bank, who has been convicted twice.

C. J. Southard of Omaha, one of Lower's attorneys at the recent trial at Wahoo, has made it public since the trial and has filed an affidavit to the effect that four years ago he was counsel in a suit filed in Saunders county brought against Frank Hledik, one of the jurors, who found Lower guilty of wrecking the bank and causing a loss of \$300,000.

The suit which Southard brings out in his affidavit is one brought by Mrs. Katie Houston against D. H. Templeton, ex-Saunders county sheriff, and his four bondsmen to reimburse her for the killing of her husband, George D. Houston, in a liquor raid conducted by the sheriff, Hledik, in the attorney claims, was one of the bondsmen.

### Sergeant Slated for Police Lieutenantcy



Al J. Samuelson, Police Sergeant A. J. Samuelson was recommended to be made lieutenant of police by Chief of Police Dempsey yesterday. This officer has been on the Omaha police department since 1903. He is 55 years old.

### Halts Promotion Of Jim McDonald

Commissioner Butler Throws Suspicion on Actions of Wounded Policeman.

The proposed promotion of Acting Captain James R. McDonald, wounded in a gun battle last Monday, ran into a snag yesterday in the city council chamber, when the subject was referred to the mayor's department, upon the motion of Commissioner Butler.

In explanation of his action Butler stated that, in his opinion, the matter should be thoroughly investigated, and promotion given where it was deserved. Rumors have been current that McDonald was wounded without once firing his weapon. This was emphatically denied by Commissioner Dunn.

### Car Owner Charged With Insurance Fraud Conspiracy

A state complaint was filed yesterday by the county attorney's office, charging I. J. Barsky, film exchange manager, 314 South 17th street, with conspiracy to have his automobile stolen and collect \$500 insurance.

This charge resulted from the confessions of Harry W. Brown, 214 Dresden apartments, and George M. Monar, 219 Webster street, who were arrested in the act of towing Barsky's car away.

According to the confessions, they were to receive \$100 for stealing the car, police said.

### Barrows Ordered Returned To Washington for Trial

David W. Barrows must return to Washington, D. C., to answer a charge of altering government checks. Federal Judge T. C. Munger signed an order yesterday for Barrows' removal to the capital, where he formerly was a government employe.

### New Year's Party

Seymour camp, Woodmen of the World, will give a New Year's eve party at the club rooms, 1517 Capitol avenue, this evening for all members and their friends. There will be entertainment, dancing and refreshments.

### Name City Attorney

West Point, Neb., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—Robert R. Moodie, was appointed by the mayor as city attorney to fill the unexpired term of the late John H. Lindale.

### Brief City News

Hurriedly Deposed—George Martin represented himself to be a federal agent Thursday night and took him into custody. Martin now resides in the city jail.

Flowers to Shutins—The homes of sick postal employes and local hospital wards were brightened yesterday, when the flowers given Charles E. Black, postmaster, by his many friends, were distributed among them.

Army Depot Closed—The quarter-master supply depot at Twentieth and Hickory streets long maintained to serve army posts in this district, has been put on the "inactive" list, according to Major Samuelson, in charge.

Chalbone President—Harry C. Chalbone was elected president of the Omaha Aero club at the annual banquet and meeting of the club in the Loring hotel Thursday night. The club will hold weekly meetings during the coming year.

Wanted for Bad Checks—Police and federal authorities are searching for one "Doc Ross," wanted in several cities for passing worthless American Express checks, according to word received at Central police headquarters yesterday.

\$7,000 Missing—Sovereign Commander W. A. Fraser of the Woodmen of the World declared yesterday that a final check of the accounts of David Ammons, charged with appropriating the order's funds, shows that the missing funds will total \$7,000.

Who Will Get It?—A squabble is in prospect over the disposal of \$9,607, the remainder of the funds received for the Burlington Aero congress. Both guarantors to the fund and contributors alike are of the opinion the money should be distributed among them.

Mark of Recognition—As a mark of recognition for services rendered by the Boy Scouts in averting a serious wreck on the Burlington route near Omaha, October 2, the railroad has made arrangements to improve the water supply system for the Boy Scout camp at Camp Gifford.

Want Omaha Laborers—City Commissioners John Hopkins, Joseph Koutsky and Joseph Hummel were named a committee to confer with the board of education relative to hiring Omaha labor for the construction of the new Technical High school rather than to import men.

Loss Fight for Property—District Judge Wakely decided against Earl and Joy Sutphen and Gladys Sutphen Kiplinger yesterday, in their legal fight for the valuable ground where the Joseph Koutsky stands at Fortieth and Davenport streets. The Sutphen claim title to the ground through the will of their grandmother.

### Youth Held Here For Burglary Is Son of Official

Plea for Clemency Toward Prisoner Received From Oklahoma City Chief of Police.

John B. (Jack) Williams of Oklahoma City, who was bound over to district court yesterday for breaking and entering, is the son of M. J. Williams, state industrial commissioner of Oklahoma, according to a message received by Chief of Detectives Van Deusen from John Hubatka, chief of police at Oklahoma City, today.

Chief Hubatka urged Chief Van Deusen to exercise clemency toward young Williams here, asserting that he was an "admirable young man, and that if he were guilty of the offense here it is probably his first offense."

On the heels of this message from Chief Hubatka, however, arrived a letter from police at Jackson, Tenn., offering a \$250 reward for the arrest of "Jack" Williams, who is wanted there for robbing a wealthy home and escaping with \$1,000 worth of clothes and jewelry. Detectives say the Williams held here is the one wanted in Jackson. Williams has not been questioned about the Jackson crime yet.

When arrested a week ago Williams told police his father was a state official in Oklahoma, but they did not believe his story. He was caught prowling in an apartment at Twenty-sixth and Dodge streets by armed tenants, according to police.

### Viking Lodges Entertain For Benefit of Invalid

Viking Lodges of Greater Omaha will give an entertainment followed by a dance in the Swedish auditorium New Year's eve. The greater part of the program will be given in English. Two plays, "In Want of a Servant" and "Considerable Courtship," will be given.

The Viking male chorus, consisting of singers from the three Viking lodges, will be heard in public for the first time. A good orchestra has been engaged for the dancing and refreshments will be served free.

Proceeds above expenses will be used to defray expenses of a member who is now in a hospital and beyond hope of cure.

### Eleven Employes Confess Thefts From Firm's Stock

Eleven young men, employes of M. E. Smith & Co., have confessed to stealing merchandise from the company's stock, according to Guy C. Kinko, an official of the firm. Special operatives discovered the systematic thieving by working in the place unknown to the culprits.

The loot recovered yesterday, after a search of the men's homes, consisted mostly of silk shirts and hostery. No complaint had been filed against the accused at a late hour last night.

### Sugar Beet Growers Get \$850,000 Payment

Scottsbluff, Neb., Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The December payments to farmers of the North Platte valley for sugar beets amount to \$850,000 and the entire payment this year to nearly \$5,000,000, according to figures from the various Nebraska factory districts.

This month the Scottsbluff factory makes a final payment of \$267,493, the Gering factory, \$223,458; the Bayard factory, \$213,940, and the Mitchell factory, \$137,158.

Bayard and Mitchell factories will end their sugar making campaign this week, but the factory at Gering will remain in operation until January 5, and that at Scottsbluff until January 9.

### Marsh Agrees to Cut in His Salary

State Auditor Joins With Governor in Attempt to Lower State Operating Expense.

Lincoln, Dec. 30.—(Special.)—For the first time since Governor McKelvie installed the code departments in state government and stripped him of considerable power, George Marsh, state auditor, joined the McKelvie bandwagon today and offered to join the governor in voluntarily consenting to a reduction in salary, despite the fact that constitutional officers may stand pat and fight a reduction.

Governor McKelvie made this same offer when he called expending agencies together two weeks ago and asked them to prepare a list of economies and salary reductions in their departments. Marsh's salary was raised to \$5,000 a year at the last session of the legislature, together with those of the secretary of state and state treasurer. A statement issued by Marsh follows:

"In view of the fact that a contemplated reduction of 5 per cent of the constitutional departments, except the heads of the departments created by the constitution, such reduction applying mainly to those receiving the smaller salaries, and in a spirit of fairness and that justice may be done to all, I, the head of one of the constitutional departments, am perfectly willing to accept a reduction on the same basis of salary, provided all other constitutional departments signify a willingness to do the same."

### Omahan Nabbed as Suspect in Pisgah (La.) Bank Robbery

R. L. McFarland, an employe of the Omaha Fur and Tanning company, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detectives Aughe and Franks for investigation in connection with the robbery of the bank at Pisgah, La., last week. The arrest was made on statements by four youths arrested in Council Bluffs a few days ago in connection with the robbery.

### Couldn't Cure Wife.

Harry Miller tried to cure his wife of the liquor habit, but failed, according to his petition for divorce in district court yesterday.

### Pedersen Funeral.

George A. Magney will conduct the funeral services over the body of John C. Pedersen at the Pedersen home, 3426 Lincoln boulevard, at 2 this afternoon. Mr. Magney was a close friend. Burial will be in Forest Lawn cemetery.

### Pool Halls Licensed.

Seventy-three pool hall licenses were approved by the city council yesterday.

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Plain Tailored Suits  
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Original Prices on Every Garment

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# Great After-Christmas Clearance Sale of Ready-to-Wear

Continues Saturday

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|------------------|------------------------|
| Women's Suits    | Men's Coats            |
| Women's Dresses  | Men's Suits            |
| Women's Coats    | Boys' Coats            |
| Women's Furs     | Boys' Suits            |
| Juniors' Dresses | Infants' Coats         |
| Juniors' Coats   | Infants' Caps and Hats |
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Girls' Wool Dresses and Suits **\$3.95**

Boys' Overcoats and Suits **25% Reduction**

One Special Group at \$3.95

Six styles cunning serges in navy blue, trimmed attractively with bright-colored wool embroidery.

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Great warm Overcoats of sturdy all-wool material. Splendid Suits, most of them two-trouser models.

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Flannel Middies Reduced to **\$2.95 and \$4.95**

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FOR men who have waited to purchase their suits and overcoats, this sale offers a wonderful opportunity, and the prices on many garments have been cut more than half.

**SUITS AND OVERCOATS**

Formerly sold up to \$30	NOW \$12.50
Formerly sold for \$30 and \$35	NOW \$17.50
Formerly sold for \$40 and \$45	NOW \$21.75
Formerly sold for \$50 and \$60	NOW \$33.75
Formerly sold for \$65	NOW \$37.50
Formerly sold for \$70 and \$75	NOW \$41.00

Berg Clothing Co.

1415 Farnam St.

### The Bee's Free Shoe Fund

These additional donations to The Bee's Free Shoe fund which closed last Saturday, have been received:

Previously acknowledged	\$2,214.18
L. R. S.	1.00
Prarie	6.55
Shubert, Neb.	2.00
A. J. B.	5.00
John M. Egan, Feunoy, Waterloo	1.00
John M. Egan, Feunoy, Waterloo	1.00
Charles E. Walters	2.50
Florence Smiley	1.50
A. Harper	1.00
A. Grand	1.00
Mrs. Arthur Schoeman, Louisville, Mo.	2.00
Mrs. J. T. Columbus, Neb.	10.00
A. Friend, West Point, Neb.	1.00
Mrs. John Linsborg, Waterloo	1.00
Neb.	1.00
A. Friend of the Children	1.00
Bliss, Neb.	1.00
Bliss Bird Band, Hirst Memorial Methodist Church	3.00
A. Friend of the Kiddies, Hayes	1.00
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