AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Mayor Hoctor Amazed at Alton's Wish to Buy New Patrol.

ONE FROM OMAHA IS ALL RIGHT

Executive Says It Is as Good as New, Having Been Used Eight Months, and Has Three Good Tires.

Mayor Thomas Hoctor weighs approximately 300 pounds, of which, when angry, he is able to deposit 250 pounds upon an insurgent political follower. Last evening the mayor so willed at a meeting of the council and it is expected that his honor will have no further trouble with that body for some time to come.

President Thomas Alton, who has long played Brutus to his honor's J. Caesar, introduced a motion calling for the purchase of a new patrol wagon from the Anderson company of Kansas City at a nominal consideration of $790. Speaking to his motion, Mr. Alton commented briefly upon the recent purchase of fire hose some two weeks ago at a cost of $1.10 a foot. He disclaimed any responsibility in the matter and mentioned that he had been informed that the same stuff could be purchased for less money than was paid for it. He spoke slightingly of any policy of economy that would skimp in the matter of a police patrol after paying $1.10 a foot for fire hose. Councilman Williams inquired as to the state of the funds available for the purchase of the wagon and Mayor Hoctor ironically remarked that perhaps the chairman of the committee might be able to tell about that.

Alton Wanted Style.

The chairman did tell. Alton said that a police patrol was needed in South Omaha. He said South Omaha ought to have a good first class patrol. From the fervor of his remarks the president of the council felt deeply the importance of the resolution. Not any old patrol wagon would do. Not a mere conveyance on four wheels, not a second hand affair used for eight months by the Omaha department and now as good as new except for one tire that is bad. Mr. Alton wanted a good patrol wagon—a first class one—something, it appeared, that might be rated among city's permanent assets.

From what Alton said the inference might be drawn that if there was one thing that South Omaha could afford to "blow itself to," it was a new first class police patrol—something that would be as ornamental as necessary to South Omaha—a thing of beauty to delight the eyes of a patriotic council and a joy to all future prisoners and coppers. Riches seconded the motion. Then there was silence for exactly one-half second.

Chance for Bargain.

When the curtain went up for the second act it disclosed Mayor Hoctor with glazed eye, horrified expression and in a fine frenzy over the idea of spending $790 for a patrol wagon from Kansas City when a patrol wagon with one bad tire and only used for eight months could be bought from Omaha at a cost of only $350—bargain rates given only to South Omaha by a friendly administration in Omaha. His honor spoke. He said many things that would give one to understand he approved of the Omaha purchase as strongly as he disapproved of the purchase of a new wagon at $790. He said the purchase of the Omaha wagon would mean a saving of $1,000 to the people of South Omaha. He explained that the wagon was as good as new and needed only one new tire to make it perfect.

Then he concluded with this epic: "If this council tries to purchase a wagon at this cost I will write a veto so hot that it will take asbestos to carry it."

Deep silence! Clerk Wheeler calling for a vote! Everybody with the mayor except Alton and Riches, who had moved and seconded the motion, respectively. Constitutionalists routed!

One Veto Follows.

Hoctor then completed the slaughter by vetoing the ordinance to compel Armour & Co. to install a sidewalk in front of the plant. He gave reasons and the council sustained his veto. The rest of the evening was tame. Offerman & Co. got the contract for installing a sewer culvert at Monroe street between Twenty-third and the county road. Councilman John Cavanaugh introduced a motion raising the license fee of pawnbrokers to a higher figure. He said the figure would probably be in the neighborhood of $500. He also moved a resolution compelling transfer men to take out dray licenses. Then the meeting dissolved for a week.

President Leigh Ill.

President of the School Board E. R. Leigh is ill at his home, 728 North Eighteenth street. Mr. Leigh was taken sick some days ago with a slight cold. The malady increased and he was compelled to relinquish his duties as city prosecutor to City Attorney Henry Murphy yesterday. It is thought that Mr. Leigh is suffering from grippe. His condition yesterday was said to be unchanged.

Willie Houlebek with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Houlebek of Red Oak, Ia., came to Omaha a few days ago to spend the holidays with friends at 3622 North Nineteenth street, Omaha. Christmas day, while the other children were rioting over the gifts from Santa Claus, Willie became listless. A fever developed and a doctor was called. Yesterday he died from scarlet fever. He was 7 years of age. The circumstances of the child's death have well nigh prostrated the parents. Because of the nature of the disease he will be buried privately from Brewer's chapel this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in Laurel Hill cemetery.

Death of Mrs. Bennett.

Mrs. Bessie Bennett, wife of Howard Bennett, aged 26 years, died Saturday at the South Omaha hospital from pneumonia. She will be buried this morning at 11 o'clock from Brewer's chapel to Schwab's cemetery at Papillion.

Burlington Asks Delay.

City Engineer Herman Beal has informed the city officials that the Burlington Railroad company has requested a stay of eight days before acting upon the city ordinance calling for two new viaducts over the Burlington tracks in the west end of the city and another on the east side.

Packers Cut Forces.

For weeks past the local packing houses have been decreasing their forces. During the last two weeks it is estimated that more than 800 men have been seeking work daily at the packing house gates. The number of applicants for "flaps" or beds at the police station is also noticeable. Of the transients, it is noted that nearly all of them are making for the big centers of population in the east.

The hope is held out locally that when the cattle season opens up in the spring there will be more work in the packing houses. In the meantime, unless the cold weather comes the many who annually get work cutting ice will be deprived even of this.

Teachers' Examinations.

Superintendent of Schools N. M. Graham has announced the coming examination for positions as teachers in South Omaha. This examination, which will be held under the old system of local examiners, will end the practice in South Omaha. Hereafter the local teachers will take the state board examination for teachers' certificates. The following is the schedule marked out for the ones who wish to take the examination:

Notice is hereby given that the board of examiners for the school district of the city of South Omaha will hold a teachers' examination at the high school building beginning Friday, January 2, at 8 a. m. and continuing for two days. No one will be allowed to take this examination who is not eligible under the rules and regulations of the Board of Education.

During the examinations the following program will be adhered to:

Friday, January 2—Orthography, psysiology, English composition, algebra, arithmetic, theory and art, American history, music, botany, physical georgraphy.

Saturday, January 3—Reading, geometry, geography, English literature, civics, American literature, English grammar, penmanship, drawing, history of education.

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Open Wednesday evening.

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Magic City Gossip.

Nice furnished room for rent. 1606 No. 23d St. Phone South 1031.

The annual meeting of the Live Stock exchange will be held next Monday at the Exchange building.

The annual installation of officers at the South Omaha aerie of Eagles will be held at the Eagle hall January 6.

Office space for rent in Bee office, 2318 N street. Terms reasonable. Well known location. Tel. South 27.

Police Officer Joe Potach last night found a lady's muff at Twenty-fourth and N streets. It is held at the police station for identification.

Thomas Sheehy, formerly of this city but now of Chicago, will return to his home in a few days after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Sheehy.

The janitors of the public school have organized under the laws of the labor federation and have received their charter. They held their election last week.

NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION BIDS DAVIDSON FAREWELL

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Dr. W. M. Davidson, superintendent of the Washington schools, who leaves Wednesday to take a similar position in Pittsburgh, was given a real Nebraska send-off tonight in the large ball room of the Woodward apartments, donated by ExSenator and Mrs. John M. Thurston. Nearly 200 of the Nebraska colony were present.

Dr. Davidson replied feelingly to the words of commendation and congratulation delivered by Congressmen Stephens, Lobeck and Barton, and by the president of the Nebraska association, F. A. Abbott. Dr. Davidson goes to Pittsburgh leaving behind him the love of 60,000 children and 1,200 teachers.

After the speech-making the following association officers were elected: President, Congressman Dan Stephens of the Third Nebraska district; vice president, W. E. Andrews; treasurer, H. A. Harding; secretary, Bruce Cleveland.

A short musical program preceded the speech-making and the "good-bys," participated in by Misses Dorothy and Margery Snyder of Omaha and A. Clifford Wilkins of York.

QUAKER OATS COMPANY IS SUED FOR MILLIONS

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—The Quaker Oats company, its directors and the directors of the Great Western Cereal company were made defendants in a suit for $10,000,000 damages filed in the United States district court today by William A. Tilden and Charles D. Thompson, receivers of the Cereal company. The suit, was brought under section 7 of the Sherman anti-trust law and was the result of the sale of the trade names and properties of the Cereal company to the Quaker Oats company, June 22, 1911.

TO OPEN BIDS FOR CITY SUPPLIES NEXT TUESDAY

Bids for $200,000 worth of city supplies were received by the city commission and referred to the department of finances and accounts for tabulation. The contracts, upon recommendation of Commissioner Dan B. Butler, will be let at the council meeting next Tuesday.

Zabern Incident is Beginning of a Political Upheaval

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—That the last has not been heard of the Zabern incident is indicated today in the press reports of the conventions of the centrist and liberal parties, held last night. Not only the retirement of Imperial Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg, but a complete upheaval in the parliamentary system of Germany is predicted.

The clerical leaders, Matthias Erzberger and Adolph Groeber, in the course of speeches delivered at the party convention at Ulm, declared that the Zabern incident was "probably the beginning of a great political struggle in Germany, in which compromise is scarcely possible."

The newspaper at Mannheim, which voices the views of the liberal leader, Ernest Basserman, says today:

"A grave crisis is impending in Germany. Mr. Bethmann Hollweg is isolated and his fall from power would not be lamented by the liberals."

The conservative newspapers for some time have been campaigning against the imperial chancellor as bitterly as have the radicals and the social democrats.

Advertises Son and Daughter for Sale for Three Thousand

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—For Sale—To Whom It May Concern: I, the undersigned, Stephen Godo, will sell my daughter, Margaret, 6 years old, for $2,000, and my son, Stephen, jr., 8 years old, for $1,000 to any person who will give them a good home.

This advertisement was inserted in the local newspapers today by a widower who is earning $10 a week as a cattle slaughterer. He says he is unable to care for the two children, but is unwilling to part with them without recompense.

MONEY MAKES REDS HARD FOR MISSIONARIES TO SWAY

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—The wealth of the Indians in Oklahoma makes it difficult for missionaries to direct them in the ways they should go, said Mrs. John Markoe today to the members of the Indians' Hope association at the Protestant Episcopal church here.

Mrs. Markoe, who presided at the meeting, in making a plea for the support of missions among the Indians, said the work has become harder because oil and coal had been discovered on the lands owned by the Indians, yielding to some of the aborigines an income of as much as $3,000 a month. It is difficult to direct a wise use of this money after it leaves the agent's hands, she said, owing, in part, to the evil influence of white neighbors.

Year a Freak One in the Jayhawker State

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 30.—The year 1913 in Kansas will go down in the records of the government weather buerau as a period of freaks according to statements by bureau officals here today. The summer in the state was the dryest recorded in twenty-seven years, yet the year as a whole was one of the wettest in that same period. Rainfall to date is 35.9 inches while the annual average is 33.7 inches.

AEROPLANES WILL DRIVE SLEDS ACROSS THE SNOW

LONDON, Dec. 30.—An interesting feature of the equipment to be used by Sir Ernest H. Shackleton on his proposed expedition next year across the Antarctic contirent will be sledges driven by aeroplane engines and an aeroplane with clipped wings to aid in propelling the sledges over the ice.

The transcontinental party will consist of six men and 120 dogs. The animals chosen will have been accustomed to work in Alaska and Siberia and will be handled by experienced Canadians.

Key to the Situation—Bee Advertising.

Fight for Chance to Caddy for President

PASS CHRISTIAN, Miss., Dec. 30.—President Wilson played eighteen holes of golf today for the first time in many weeks. He made some of the holes under bogey and defeated his opponent, Dr. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N., something he rarely does.

A half dozen youngsters clambered on the running board of the president's automobile when it entered the golf grounds and engaged in a free-for-all fight for possession of his golf club. The president laughed heartily as he leaned out and separated the contestants, while one of the secret service men told the boys if they did not behave and take their turns each day they would not be permitted to caddy for Mr. Wilson. After that a truce was declared.

After the golf game the president spent the rest of the day indoors, sleeping during the afternoon.

College Yells Given in Many Tongues

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 30.—College yells in twenty-two languages were given at the banquet closing the convention of the American Association of Cosmopolitan clubs tonight. The next convention will be held at Ohio university.

SEX HYGIENE LECTURES DELIVERED TO THOUSANDS

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Sex hygiene lectures were delivered to 21,534 pupils in high schools and normal colleges here in November, according to the report of Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, superintendent of schols, made public today. Two hundred and thirty pupils, 1.06 per cent of the membership, were excused on protests of their parents that they objected to the lectures.

Women outnumbered the men in the special sex lectures delivered to adults in the schools. The attendance records showed 2,302 women attended compared with 670 men.

PROTEST WITHDRAWN AND LICENSES ARE ISSUED

Protest against the saloon license of John A. Beckett, 503 South Eleventh street, was withdrawn and the city commission, sitting as an excise board, ordered the license issued. Five other unprotested licenses were also ordered issued.

Egan Files Another Suit.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—George W. Egan, a Sioux Falls attorney, has sued the Sioux City Tribune for $10,000, based on attacks on Egan while he was gubernatorial candidate in South Dakota. Already he has secured verdicts against two South Dakota papers.

Persistent Advertising is the Road to Big Returns.

Iowa News Notes.

LOGAN—Jack Crawford, charged with complicity in the disappearance of the Harrison county fair bell, was apprehended at Perry, Ia., Saturday afternoon. He was brought here by Deputy Sheriff M. D. Myers.

FORT DODGE—M. E. Cox feels that he should have $5,000 from the man whom he charges alienated his wife's affections. The alleged affinity is Charles O. Anderson, also of Fort Dodge. The case will be tried in January.

FORT DODGE—John Cunningham, John Burke and Walter Cameron of Clare, who figured recently in a country roadside affair in which Charles Donahoe, mayor of Clare, was fearfully beaten up, were bound over to the grand jury on an assault with intent to commit murder charge, after a hearing in justice court. They were released on bonds of $5,000, $2,000 and $1,000, respectively.

FORT DODGE—Fort Dodge will vote January 27 on the question of a new franchise for the Fort Dodge Telephone company, that it is hoped will settle the telephone rate war that has been in progress here for the past six months. Last autumn, when improvements were installed in a newly built and equipped building for the telephone company, rates were raised in violation of the franchise the company held. The council enjoined the company from charging the increased rates and the matter has been pending since then. A new franchise has been planned with certain rates stipulated and demanding for the city 1½ per cent of the net profits of the company.

Culls from the Wire

The annual convention of the Chi Zeta Chi fraternity began at Augusta, Ga., yesterday.

The business section of Buffalo, W. Va., was destroyed by fire of a mysterious origin yesterday. The loss is $125,000.

Colonel Henry Exall, president of the National Corn exposition, died at his home at Dallas, Tex., of heart disease. He was born at Richmond, Va., in 1848.

Three police officers were seriously injured in a riot at the Sidney Blumenthal company's silk mill at Shelton, Conn., where a strike has been in progress for several weeks.

Jules Vedrines, the French aviator, arrived at Cairo, Egypt, yesterday, thus bringing to a successful end a flight of nearly 3,000 miles, which began several weeks ago from Paris. In his air voyage, Vedrines made various stops.

Authorization for the first foreign division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which is in convention at Atlanta, was made by the executive council of the association in a preliminary session.

Every man, woman and child in Chicago will receive at least one urgent invitation to go to church Sunday, February 1, according to plans made yesterday at a meeting of representatives of the Protestant and Roman Catholic churches.

Manuel L. Quezon, resident commissioner from the Philippines in congress, asserted upon his return yesterday from Manila that since the announcement of President Wilson's policy the Filipinos are more friendly toward the Americans than they ever were.

The Right Rev. Anton Christian Bang, bishop of Christiania and primate of the Norwegian church, died at Christiania yesterday. Bishop Bang was at one time secretary of the late King Oscar of Sweden, when Norway and Sweden were united under one flag.

Seth Goodwin, a farmer living near El Dorado, Kan., was burned probably fatally while impersonating Santa Claus at a belated Christmas celebration in a county school house last night. Goodwin's cotton beard caught fire from a candle on the Christmas tree.

With the filing yesterday of petitions from ten counties, aggregating 25,693 names, the proposed law providing for total prohibition in California will go on the general election ballot in 1914. The total number of names now represented on the petition is 41,045.

Dr. Emma E. Musson, professor of otology at the Women's Medical college, and well known throughout the country as a throat and eye specialist, died yesterday at her home at Philadelphia. She was 50 years of age. Dr. Musson was a leader in suffrage movements.

Glover Manning, a Jessup, Ga., bridge tender, was shot to death yesterday while attempting to arrest two negroes who were being pursued for an alleged assault on an old woman at Hortense, Ga., last Saturday. Manning sought to stop the fugitives on the bridge.

Mrs. Thadius A. Thompson, wife of the United States minister to Colombia, was operated on at a Baltimore hospital yesterday. Her physicians reported that the operation was successful and that the patient was doing well. Mrs. Thompson was brought there from Bogota a month ago by her husband.

Liberal concessions to the homesteaders of Alaska, on whom the future development of the natural resources of the territory depends, are recommended by Clay Tallman, commissioner of the general land office, in his annual report submitted to the secretary of the interior yesterday.

The grand jury which considered the cases of the two negroes charged with the killing of James Coleman, a well-to-do farmer, adjourned last night at Chestertown, Md., without returning an indictment. As a result friends of the murdered men were in an angry mood and the local authorities feared an outburst.

"Segregation" will be the general subject before the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People at its annual meeting in New York on January 5. Many of the addresses, it was announced, will deal with the recent investigation of charges that negro employes are discriminated against in government departments at Washington.

Ownership of school lands granted to many states upon their admission to the union, may be affected by a suit filed in the United States supreme court yesterday involving more than 250,000 acres in Alabama, ceded to the state in 1819. The Alabama courts have held the title of an individual good as against the state. The supreme court is asked to dismiss the state's appeal.

An agreement of counsel was reached yesterday whereby the fourth trial of Dr. B. Clarke Hyde, charged with the murder of Thomas H. Swope, a millionaire philanthropist, will begin at Kansas City January 12. Dr. Hyde was convicted of first degree murder at his first trial, but the supreme court ordered a new trial. At the second trial one of the jurors escaped from the jury room and a mistrial resulted. At the last trial the jury was unable to agree.

High school fraternities were criticized yesterday by speakers at the annual convention of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity at Atlantic City, N. J. It was said the methods of initiation of these societies was "the cause of much trouble that had come to the fraternities in general," and that resolutions will be presented at today's session which would make all members of high school fraternities ineligible to membership in Phi Gamma Delta.

Photos of Panama Canal Feature of Steamer Line Book

The newest photographs of the Panama canal with an interesting story of the progress of the work to date are presented in an attractive booklet issued by the Hamburg-American line. With the gradual rising of the water in the great ditch the appearance of the canal zone has been completely transformed. The beauties of the West Indies are also shown in many attractive illustrations. The booklet, which runs to sixty pages, is attractively produced and will be found of permanent value to everyone who has visited the West Indies or contemplates making the cruise.

Now that the great waterway is in actual operation, thousands of tourists are availing themselves of the opportunity to visit the canal and actually cruise on its waters and pass through the great locks. The booklet is for free distribution and may be had by applying to the advertising department of the Hamburg-American line, 45 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Favorable Seasons to Attend Cruise of World on Cleveland

Harry Shields of the H. C. Shields' Tourist agency, 311 South Fourteenth street, and who represents the Hamburg-American line in Omaha, says the Orient-India cruise of the steamer Cleveland, sailing from New York on January 15, will far eclipse anything ever before attempted in the way of a cruise to the Mediterranean, as it includes a visit to Bombay, India, Columbo, Ceylon and many other points of interest in the far east.

The cruise is of ninety-three days' duration and covers a distance of 20,004 miles. An important advantage of it lies in the fact that all countries in the itinerary are visited during the height of their most favorable seasons, when their beauties are not influenced by unwonted climatic conditions unsuited to the average traveler. Egypt will be seen in the midst of the glamor and life of its winter season. Spain, Greece and Italy will be visited in the springtime, when these countries are at their best for sightseers, and India during a season when the days are similar to those of our own summer and the nights cool and refreshing.

Mr. Shields says the steamer Cleveland is among the finest cruising vessels afloat and has made six cruises around the world.

CUNARD STEAMSHIP CO. ORDERS A NEW LINER

An order for a new liner to handle the Canadian trade has been placed by the Cunard Steamship company with the builders of the Mauretania. The new ship is to be known as the Auranta and will be a 14,000-ton boat, the largest in the Canadian service.

SIOUX CITY BACHELOR TAKES WIFE IN BROOKLYN

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—J. O'Donovan Rossa, Sioux City's best known bachelor, today surprised his friends by getting married in Brooklyn, N. Y., to Miss Eleanore O'Rourke, a woman of wealth, considerably younger than he. Rossa is an attorney. He is a son of O'Donovan Rossa, famous Irish agitator, now in feeble health at his Staten Island home.