

MUST PAY BILL, ANYWAY

Nels Mathliessen Does Not Understand Water Board Methods.

HOUSE VACANT THREE MONTHS

Nevertheless, Its Owner Is Charged \$1.50 for the Sake of Leaving the Meter in the Building.

"Talk about reducing water rates," said Nels Mathliessen, "I don't care so much whether I pay 25 or 35 cents when I am using water, but where we need a reform in the water board's methods is in their habit of charging people whether they use water or not. I just had to pay \$1.50 for the three months that my house stood idle."

Mathliessen's cottage is at 2917 Lake street. Some time last August his tenant moved out and he did not get another until late in December. But he got a bill just the same.

It reads, "For metered water consumed August 25 to December 18, 1913, 299 cubic feet, at minimum, \$1.50."

Ever since the day he landed in America from Denmark many, many years ago, Mathliessen has been toiling from early morn until late at night in humble employments in an effort to collect a little money that would take care of his old age. Some years ago he acquired the little house on Lake street. He is alone in the world, having no family. So he tries to rent the little shack for a few dollars while he presses clothes at the Barton laundry, 1629 Capitol avenue, to make a living. When he cannot get a renter for six months that is his loss, and the water board does not worry about him. It sends bills for water consumed while the property stands vacant.

Mathliessen paid the bill for \$1.50. What could he do? The boss decreed it.

DISTRICT COURT GRANTS DIVORCES TO MISMAID

Charles H. Bortell, who wedded Miss Mary Johnson in New York and was deserted by her three weeks later, was granted a divorce in district court. He is a traveling salesman.

Mrs. Marie Smith secured an annulment of her marriage to Oscar Smith.

Emma Dahlberg's request that her marriage to Fred Dahlberg be annulled, was granted.

Nina Wilcox secured a divorce from Frank Wilcox on the ground of non-support.

Andrew B. Greentree was divorced from Josephine Greentree, the grounds being desertion.

Drives Sick Headaches Away. Agonizing sick headaches cured by using Dr. King's New Life Pills regularly; keep liver and bowels in healthy condition. See all druggists.—Advertisement.

Pimples Will Not Be Pardoned

The Failure to Use Stuart's Calcium Wafers, a Proved Remedy for Pimples, Convicts You of Unpardonable Negligence.

Pimples are an offense to others and a crime against yourself. People have only tolerated you because they considered the condition of your face to be a misfortune against which you had no remedy. But now that it is universally known that Stuart's Calcium Wafers will cure the worst cases of pimples, blackheads, blotches, eruptions, and liver-spots, your continued negligence will be considered inexcusable.

The person with a pimply face is always unattractive and at a disadvantage in society. Those ugly disfigurements set at naught the effect of the most perfect features. If you have a face and figure that the classical outlines of a Greek statue, a mass of pimples would still destroy your beauty. A clear, fresh skin is absolutely essential to any real beauty.



"I Feel Like I Am In Jail, I Am So Awkward of These Pimples." A beautiful complexion is entirely dependent on a rich, pure, abundant supply of blood to the skin. Calcium wafers has long been recognized as the most effective of blood purifiers. Quick-acting, converting all impurities into gaseous form that readily escapes from the pores, it purifies the most vitiated blood in remarkably short order. Calcium sulphide is the chief constituent of Stuart's Calcium Wafers, which contain besides, certain mild alteratives that invigorate the blood. You will be surprised at the rapidity with which all face disorders will disappear, once the blood has been cleansed of its impurities through their use.

Stop being a nuisance and an annoyance to other people. You have a right to beauty and health and happiness. You have a right to the admiration and respect of others. Take the step that will gain you all of these. Get a box of Stuart's Calcium Wafers of your druggist and win back your birthright of beauty.

Two Clean Papers FOR THE HOME

The Youth's Companion AND The Evening Bee INCLUDING SUNDAY Both for 55c a Month Payable Monthly at THE BEE OFFICE

WILL READ FOR THE BENSON M. E. CHURCH.



Miss Grace Speick

WEAVER AGAIN HEADS CLUB

Carter Lake Directors Hold Their Annual Meeting.

FINANCES IN FINE CONDITION

Many Improvements Made and Provided for, and Other Betterments Already in Course of Construction.

Carter Lake club likes its old officers as was evidenced by the action of last night when in annual session the board of directors re-elected Frank L. Weaver to his third term as president and gave C. L. Dundy his fifth term as vice president. A. P. Whitmore was elected secretary and treasurer. The session was held in the offices of President Weaver, 628 Brandeis building.

Reports made by the officers to the board showed the club with a balance on hand of \$2,000 after the expenses of the year had been met. This showing excels that of any amusement club in the city.

The directors sanctioned the increase in dues and initiation fees that have before been recommended. Henceforth annual dues will be from \$18 to \$30 and the initiation fees \$10.

The organization has met its payments on the property it bought at Carter lake and has provided improvements for the coming year. Two hundred and seventy-eight steel lockers were added in 1913 with a dressing room for men. A dressing room for women of the same size is now under construction. Ten new showers baths are to be installed. The new water and sewer system has been completed at a cost of \$20,000. The club house is to be screened in below as well as above for the coming season.

Membership in the club has been limited to 1,000. It is now 900 and applications are being received each day. Receipts for membership dues for the first four days in January were equal to receipts during the whole of January during any previous year.

Spanish War Vets Install Officers

Before a large gathering of members and their friends, officers of Camp Lee Forby, of the local Spanish War Veterans and the Woman's auxiliary, General Henry W. Lawton, No. 1, were installed at the Swedish Auditorium, Sixteenth and Chicago streets, last night. Following the installation a musical program, refreshments and speeches by various members, afforded entertainment for those assembled. The officers of Camp Lee Forby installed, Henry F. Meyers, installing officer, were:

- Commander, Frank Whipperman. Senior vice commander, Fred E. Pero. Junior vice commander, Earl H. Nye. Treasurer, James H. Talbot. Quartermaster, Lindley M. Travis. Trustee, Nathaniel D. Herdinger. Sergeant-major, Horace D. Corneau. Historian, Charles Hatke. Surgeon, A. Sherman Pinto. Chaplain, Harry H. Kline. Officer of the day, Henry E. Olson. Officer of the guard, Walter E. Lane. Sergeant-at-arms, James H. Talbot. Quartermaster, sergeant, Augustus A. Tylee. Color sergeant, Ross Manchester and Axel Sund. Chief musician, William E. Stockham. Those of the auxiliary installed by Mrs. Lizzie Nyland, were: President, Mrs. Fred E. Pero. Senior vice president, Mrs. Earl H. Nye. Junior vice president, Mrs. Walter E. Lane. Chaplain, Mrs. William H. Underwood. Secretary, Mrs. Walter T. Jones. Treasurer, Mrs. Lindley M. Travis. Historian, Mrs. Josephine Neely. Patriotic instructor, Mrs. La Fern Burk. Conductor, Mrs. Lyman G. Wheeler. Assistant conductor, Mrs. Ora G. Lane. Sergeant-major, Horace D. Corneau. Assistant guard, Mrs. Jerry W. Vance.

MISS PANKHURST WINS HER HUNGER STRIKE

LONDON, Jan. 10.—Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, the militant suffragette, was today released from Holloway jail. She had been a prisoner since January 3, when she was arrested in the east end of London. She was in a state of collapse as the result of a week's "hunger strike."

Strangely to Work This Year. Detroit critics say that "Catcher Oscar Stange" will in 1914 perform the same sort of come-back that "Dove" did in 1913. It was a come-back in disposition more than anything else.

Advertisement for Green Gables Sanatorium, featuring a portrait of a woman and text describing the facility's location and services.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Greeks Are at Outs and Several Are Put Under Bonds.

FEVER VICTIM IS IMPROVING

Young Son of James Crajloek Is Showing Signs of Recovery After Siege with Scarlet Fever.

Signs point to an internecine war between the different clans in the local Greek colony, and the police are keeping a keen lookout for the first signs of trouble. Yesterday three members of one faction, John Corvas, Gus Matura and Peter Dets were rearrested on charges of threatening to kill after having been liberated in the morning on an appearance bond. The men are said to have been first arrested on complaint of Kula Yodis, proprietor of a Greek rool hall at Twenty-sixth and N streets. Yodis alleged that the three had thrown bricks through his window. The men were released on bond yesterday morning. An hour later Yodis is said to have appealed to the police to protect him against the three men who he asserted had threatened to kill him. The three were arrested by Officers Gaughan and Dworak and are held at the police station.

Patrol Conductor Jackson, who has followed the case with close application, stated yesterday that he expects to see trouble between the two warring factions. The police generally incline to the belief that the trouble started some days ago when one faction had leaders of another faction arrested for alleged selling of liquor without a license. When the case came to trial the complaining witnesses stated that they could remember nothing about the sale of liquor by the defendants. A discharge followed for lack of evidence. Since then, the police claim there is trouble brewing.

FEVER VICTIM IMPROVES

Reports from the home of James Crajloek yesterday indicated an improvement in the condition of his young son, who is in a serious condition as the result of scarlet fever. During Mr. Crajloek's enforced absence from the office of City Treasurer Martin, his place is being filled by Tax Commissioner James Fitzgerald, who is assisting Treasurer Martin during the rush. Fitzgerald has been elected tax commissioner by heavy majorities every time he ran, but his manners are as easy as an old shoe, and he works about the office of the city treasurer as his own work. The treasurer and the tax commissioner's office are in the same room at the city hall.

NEWS OF THE LODGES

The Loyal Order of Moose No. 305 of South Omaha on Tuesday evening next, January 13, will give a social. There will be an interesting program followed by refreshments at their hall, Twenty-fifth and M streets.

Members of Nebraska Lodge No. 227, Ancient Order of United Workmen, met at McCran's hall on Thursday evening and installed these officers for the term ending June 30:

Charles Nead, past master workman; Bernard A. Finerty, master workman; James C. Hill, president; Felix Haker, overseer; John J. Nightingale, recorder; William McCauley, financier; Thomas E. Hines, treasurer; Louis Groda, guide; Frank J. Miller, inside warden; J. Paul Lang, trustee; eighteen months.

First Presbyterian church, corner Twenty-third and J streets, Bible school in all departments at 9:45 o'clock. Topic, "The Rich and the Poor." Elder C. M. Rich and Mrs. W. M. Ratson, co-peripendents. Dr. Wheeler preaches at 11 o'clock. Topic, "Jesus, the Light of the World." The pastor will preach at 7:30 o'clock. Intermediate Christian Union at 8:30 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Kirkpatrick will conduct the service at 11 o'clock. Prayer at 11:15. All Protestant congregations, including the Episcopalian, will meet at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Kirkpatrick will conduct the service at 11 o'clock. Prayer at 11:15. All Protestant congregations, including the Episcopalian, will meet at 7:30 o'clock.

First Methodist church, services in the Old Fellows hall, Twenty-fourth and M streets. Rev. J. W. Kirkpatrick will preach at 9:45 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 11 o'clock. Epworth league at 4:30 p. m. in the new building. First Baptist church, Twenty-fifth and H streets. Rev. R. Hill, pastor. Services at 11 o'clock. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

United Presbyterian church, Twenty-third and H streets. Rev. W. A. Pollock, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Subject, "The Kingdom of God is Within You." Great Price. Young People's Christian Union at 6:30 p. m. No evening services.

SEVEN SEAMEN FOUND GUILTY OF MUTINY

WILMINGTON, Del., Jan. 10.—Seven members of the crew of the bark Manges Reva on trial in the United States court here this week on a charge of mutiny, were found guilty by a jury today. A recommendation to mercy was included in the verdict. Sentence will be imposed next Tuesday. The men found guilty are John David Reed, R. D. Williams, Alvin Anderson, Joseph Horstall, Charles Lyons, John Edlin and William Joyce.

COMPLAIN OF OMAHA'S WAYS

Local Manufacturers Discuss the City's Business Drawbacks.

RENTS AND TAXES ARE TOO HIGH

Members of Association Specify Instances on Which They Base Kick Against City's Business Methods.

Optimism for business during the coming year was the keynote at the monthly dinner of the Omaha Manufacturers' association at the Commercial club last night. Not a speaker at the talk-fest which followed the cabaret dinner, displayed a sign of pessimism for the season ahead. But the county commissioners, the Real Estate exchange, well intentioned charity workers, the legislators, and indifferent members of the association were scored delicately or otherwise, as the occasion seemed to demand. A. W. Gordon, in telling of the needs of the association, voiced some sentiments which were reiterated by others who followed with speeches.

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Have Root Plant in—New Beacon Press. Life Ins. Yes, Penn Mutual, Good. Electric Supplies—Burgess-Granden Co. Fidelity Storage & Van Co.—Doug. 1515 State Bank of Omaha—4 per cent paid on time deposits; 3 per cent paid on savings accounts. All deposits in this bank are protected by the depositors' guarantee fund of the state of Nebraska.

The Federal Trust Company confines itself solely to trustee and investment business and is therefore not affected by the ups and downs of finance. It is advantageous to estates of whatsoever size to have it named as executor or trustee.

Maeda Dancing Party—The Maeda society gave a dancing party at Armbrust's hall Thursday evening.

Mrs. Millard's Estate Appraised—The estate of the late Mrs. Frankie Barton Millard, appraised by order of the county court, is valued at \$179,767. Holdings to the amount of \$123,000 are in bonds of the street railway company.

Ad Club Meets Wednesday—"Printing from L. J. Advertiser's Standpoint" will be the topic of the address by Samuel Kees, Jr., Wednesday noon before the Omaha Ad club. The luncheon will be given at the Paxton hotel and there will be fifteen slides to illustrate the force and character of some samples of printer's ink.

Keeper and Inmates Fined—A disorderly house at 412 North Fourteenth street was raided by Sergeant Vanous and his aides Friday night and the keeper, Gertha Brown, and three inmates placed under arrest. Gertha was fined \$20 and the inmates were fined \$10 and costs and the other two forfeited bonds.

Home Curious to Pittsburgh—Omaha friends of Homer S. Curtis, who was formerly advertising manager of the Bennett company here, have just received word that he is leaving a position at Milwaukee to go to Pittsburgh. At the latter city he will be in charge of the advertising department of Kaufmann & Baer's new department store. He was with the Bennett company three years.

First Presbyterian Church People to Have New Building

The people of the First Presbyterian church are to have a new house of worship and it is to be located on property owned by the church at Thirty-fourth and Farnam streets. If the congregation approves the action of the building committee taken at the meeting held in the offices of Attorney Adams in the City National bank building last night.

At the meeting, plans of numerous churches were looked over and an official report on churches in general made by N. H. Loomis, who while in the east recently, visited a number of church properties, seeking information on cost, construction and styles of architecture. Upon his return, he brought a book of plans of a large number of the best appointed churches in the country. These last night he turned over to the committee, of which he is a member.

While nothing was done in the matter new church, it was decided to call a congregational meeting for 7:45 o'clock, the evening of January 21, to be held in the old church at Seventeenth and Dodge streets. At this meeting the committee will submit its report. This report will contain recommendations that the congregation authorize that steps to secure the vacant lot adjoining the church property at Thirty-fourth and Farnam streets be taken and that the committee be further authorized to take such action as may be necessary to secure the starting of the new building.

As the committee views the matter favorable action upon the part of the congregation will mean that work upon the building can be commenced soon after plans are adopted and a contract is let. It is the hope of the committee to have a portion of the new building, one of the wings, finished and ready for occupancy by next Christmas.

SQUASH COURTS AT OMAHA CLUB ABOUT COMPLETED

Three squash courts, with tile baths and lockers, costing \$5,000, are rapidly nearing completion at the Omaha club. When members of the squash club went over to the Omaha club upon the disbanding of the former, the idea originated of putting in the squash game as one of the club recreations. The necessary funds were raised by private subscription, and it is expected that the squash courts will be ready for service by February 15. They are in the west wing of the club building and are easily entered from the basement in the first floor of the club.

Exports from Germany Decrease

BERLIN, Jan. 10.—German exports to America during 1913 decreased about 2 per cent below those of 1912. The reduction was mainly due to the smaller quantities of hides and raw materials sent to the United States.

The Water Rate Suit

Having accomplished the object of the suit brought on behalf of the public to prevent the Water board from exacting extortionate and unreasonable rates for water, I shall instruct my attorneys, Messrs Stanley M. Rosewater and S. O. Cotner, to have it dismissed.

I tendered payment at the rate of 25 cents a thousand gallons, insisting that was all that could be rightfully demanded, and the board has now come down below my tender by reducing the rate to 23 1-3 cents.

In this suit I was acting for the general body of water consumers rather than for myself, as the amount involved in my own bill could be but a few dollars at most. The reduction forced by this suit as part of The Bee's campaign for lower rates will go to the benefit of the whole community, and what has been gained in establishing the right of the individual consumer to redress in the court will be worth more to them in the future. VICTOR ROSEWATER.

ECONOMY SALE ALL THIS WEEK AT MILTON ROGERS & SONS CO. 1515 HARNEY

Hundreds of people visited our store last week and took advantage of the large discounts we offered on our High Grade Goods and we have decided to run again this week. Note these few:

- RADIANT HOME STOVES: \$22.00 Oak Stoves will go at \$16.50; \$30.00 Base Burners will sell for \$24.00; \$56.00 Base Burners will sell for \$42.00; \$44.00 Steel Ranges cut to \$33.00. Cheaper stoves cut in same proportion. Now will you buy that stove?
SKATES: 85c Boys' Skates, special at 59c; \$1.25 Boys' Skates for 98c; \$1.50 Girls' Skates for only \$1.19.SLEDS: 75c Sleds will go now at each 48c; \$1.50 Folding Sled, now at only 59c.ENAMELED WARE: Large assortment of Enam. eled Ware—your choice 29c. Discounts on all holiday goods.

HOWELL AND HOCTOR MEET

Mayor of South Omaha Scores the Water Board Boss.

CONTRACT IS NOT CARRIED OUT

Magie City Head Declares Extensions of Mains Are Not Made Under Agreement Which Board Assumed.

R. Bescher Howell, general manager of the metropolitan water district of Omaha, and Mayor Thomas Hoctor of South Omaha, between whom sharp differences have in past months arisen, unexpectedly met in debate in Vinton school last night. Howell had finished his plea for municipal ownership of public utilities and had pointed with pride to what he said his Water board had done with the Omaha water plant when up rose Mayor Hoctor and said:

"I'm not a coward and not being a coward I want to say for my people that since the city of Omaha took over the Omaha plant we have pleaded and pleaded in vain with the Water board to extend our mains and thereby perform the plain terms of a contract we had with the old company—a contract this board assumed.

"Further let it be said that this board is charging the people for extensions of water mains, whereas mains were extended without charge by the old water company."

Beggar Tips Off Pointers on Graft

Frank Meyers of Toledo, O., was arrested last night by Detectives Murphy and Fleming while begging from passersby in front of the Her Grand hotel. Meyers was arrested by the same officers a month ago on a charge of vagrancy and at that time was possessed of two good arms. Last evening an empty sleeve aroused the sleuths' suspicions and placing the man in custody they soon found the missing member concealed beneath his shirt. Meyers then proceeded to deliver a lecture to a crowd which had gathered on what a lucrative calling that of the beggar is. "I make about \$3 a day from you suckers, so I should worry if they do pinch me once in a while" was his parting shot as he climbed aboard the patrol.

Thieves Take Stamp Machine from Hotel

Some time Friday evening thieves carried away the stamp machine from the desk of the Paxton hotel. The apparatus at the time contained \$12 worth of stamps and \$2 in cash. The case has been reported to the police.

Can't Endorse Stock Issues

"The greatest obstacle to our committee, however, is the fact that we have not been able to get capital and these manufacturers who want to come here together. Not long ago a man came there with \$50,000 in cash. A short time ago he went to Denver and took the \$50,000 with him. The Commercial club has an ironclad rule that it cannot endorse stock subscriptions in any concern. As a rule this operates justly, because many of the requests which come to us for endorsement come from such a distance that it is impossible for us to verify their statements if we should care to do so, and we are unable to label them any endorsers. In other words, when a manufacturer decides that Omaha is the logical place for his business and comes here ready to move or establish his plant in Omaha, we can merely meet him and wish him well. That is the extent of our possible activity. It should be increased. We should devise a plan to get these men and our investors together, and in addition we should have a fund of \$50,000 a year for the purpose of helping new industries get on a substantial footing here."

High Taxes and High Rents

T. B. Coleman of the association told of three families which had the chance to move to any one of three cities, one of which was Omaha, for the purpose of working in a packing plant. Upon investigation they found that rents for houses in Omaha were from \$5 to \$8 per month higher here than they were in the other two cities. They did not locate in Omaha.

Paul F. Skinner told of his concern's taxes this year. Having bought one of its buildings for \$50,000 cash, it was assessed on a valuation of \$45,000, and in addition after appealing to the county commissioners as an equalization board the assessment was reduced to \$40,000. Another building which it had bought for \$17,000 was assessed at \$25,000.

January Clearance Sale OF ALL Domes, Lighting Fixtures and Table Lamps. On account of the fire last August we were practically out of business until the first of December, and in order to dispose of the large stocks we had ordered previous to the fire we will place everything in the store on sale at greatly reduced prices. ONE-HALF OFF on All Silk Tub Shaped Shade Lamps. Burgess-Granden Co. 1511 Howard St.—Next Door to Gas Office.