Council Bluffs

PIONEER BUILDER IS DEAD

John Hammer Expires at Home of Daughter in This City.

ERECTED FIRST OGDEN HOUSE

First Maker of Brick in City and Successively Constructed Many of Town's Business Structures.

John Hammer, one of the real pioneers and builders of Council Bluffs, died Monday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Schicketanz, 140 Benton street, of the infirmities of extreme old age. He celebrated his eighty-ninth birthday anniversary on October 3. He had been a continuous resident of Council Bluffs since the spring of 1855.

Mr. Hammer was born in Germany on the Rhine on October 3, 1824. He came to the western world with his parents when he was 5 years old. They tarried a while in eastern New York, but when he was still a very small boy they went to Lorraine county, Ohio, near the town of Elyria, where he grew to young manhood, and where he won as his bride Mary J. Packer when she was 18 years old. After two of their children were born there the young husband came west and selected Council Bluffs as the site of his future activities.

Builds Log House.

He built a little log house on Stutsman street and housed his family in it, when he returned to Ohio two years later and brought them here. In this house the third child, Mrs. Clara Schicketanz, was born.

Mr. Hammer was a builder by nature and about his first work here was to begin the manufacture of brick. He used the first brick burned to construct for his family what was then one of the finest residences in the town, and which still stands as a comfortable home at 200 Harmony street. A few years later he graded away a high hill on the opposite corner of Harmony and Benton streets and built the brick house in which he died and in which he lived during all of the remainder of his life.

His brickyards dominated the building material market and he became and remained for many years almost the exclusive builder of brick structures in the town. No other man who has lived in the city could point to as many substantial buildings as his monuments. Nearly all of the old store buildings in the town were built by him and many of them are still standing as the substantial business blocks of modern times.

Builds Ogden House.

He never sought to hoard the large amounts of money he made. He built the first Ogden house entirely from his own resources at a cost of nearly $300,000, and made it the finest hotel west of Chicago at that time. The esteem in which he was held was evidenced at the opening of the hotel, when a splendid banquet was given. At the tables sat governors of several states in addition to Iowa and Nebraska, which was then a territory, and other men who afterwards became prominent in the nation's history. When it was discovered that the builder of the hotel was not present a committee of citizens was appointed to fetch him. He was carried into the big dining room on the shoulders of the men and seated at the head of the banquet tables. When the hotel was destroyed by fire in 1874 the loss was total. Through the negligence of the insurance agents to whom had been entrusted the duty of placing the policies, the entire amount of insurance elapsed just three days before the fire. It was a heavy blow, but Mr. Hammer started at once to rebuild. With a little aid he completed the present hotel building, much inferior to the first, at a cost of $135,000.

Built Many Structures.

Among the other large buildings constructed by him as a contractor were the old City Mills on the corner of Bryant street and Washington avenue; the old court house that was razed to make way for the present building; the old high school on the hill; the old Pacific house; the Crystal Mills on South Main street; the Shugart-Beno block; the Everett block; the Officer & Pusey bank building and all of the other buildings between it and the old Pacific house, including the DeVol buildings; the John Bennett block; the Clark building on the corner of Broadway and South Main street and the First National bank building on the opposite side of the street, and many smaller business buildings, in addition to scores of private residences.

In those days he was the only builder of brick structures in the town and for years did all that was done. Among his small army of workers were "Uncle Jimmy" Wickham and Owen P. Wickham, both of whom began in the humble capacity of hod carriers and mortar mixers. They learned the building trade with him and always received all of the help and encouragement he could give them. Chris Straub was also a worker in his employ during those active times and thus gained the knowledge that afterwards helped to make him wealthy.

Two daughters, Mrs. Mayme Gray of Kansas City, and Mrs. Clara Schicketanz of this city, survive their father. Both were at the bedside yesterday. Mrs. Hammer died at the Benton street residence in 1893. Lewis Hammer, the well known local capitalist, is the only surviving brother. The funeral will probably be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at the Benton street residence. Burial will be in the family lot in Fairview cemetery.

PE-RU-NA DID WONDERS FOR ME.

MRS. ROSA BOYER

Mrs. Rosa Boyer, 1421 Sherman Ave., Evanston, Ill., writes: "If any one has reason to praise Peruna it is surely myself."

"Last spring I became so run down from the serious effects of a lingering cold, that several complications united in pulling me down. I could neither eat nor sleep well, and lost flesh and spirit.

"I finally tried Peruna and it did wonders for me. In two weeks I was like another person, and in a month I felt better than I ever had before.

"I thank Peruna for new life and strength. I send you two pictures, so you can see what Peruna has done for me."

Some people find it more convenient to take tablets than fluid medicines. This is especially true of busy men who have some catarrhal affection, or some trouble with the stomach that does not actually prevent them from working as usual. We have had the Peruna made into tablets for those who prefer to use them that way.

Every one ought to get a copy of the latest edition of the "Ills of Life." It contains many astonishing testimonials and a great many suggestions for people who wish to get well and who wish to keep well.

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City Solicitor Presents Plans for Creek Change

At the meeting of the Real Estate exchange yesterday City Solicitor Stuart made a lengthy written report embodying all of the proposed plans for the improvement of Indian creek and pointing out the various methods permissible under the present state laws for raising the money to pay the large bill of costs. He outlined the plans of Benezette Williams submitted in 1883, when that noted engineer came here and devised the general sewer plan for the city which is now being carried out.

The Williams' scheme was based upon the primary necessity of diverting the water carried by the creek at some point to prevent disastrous overflows in excessive storm periods. One was a tunnel through the bills at the city limits near the Krettek place, which would divert the floods collected upon nearly ten square miles of drainage area outside the city and carry it to the Missouri river via Big lake. The other plan was a closed tunnel of large dimensions starting at North Main street and opening into the Big lake outfall. Williams favored the tunnel at the city limits and estimated the cost at that time to be $210,000.

Present day methods of tunneling have cut down this cost to considerably less than $100,000, according to figures secured by Mayor Maloney. This plan involves the construction of a dam at the city limits and tunnel through the highest point of the hills, which would be considerably less than a mile. To secure the money to do this City Attorney Stuart pointed out the state law that permitted the levying of a general tax covering a series of years.

The solicitor's report also covered the cost and the methods of raising money to pay for the construction of a closed sewer for the portion of the creek running through the central part of the city. He pointed out that it could be done under the main sewer tax law enacted by the last legislature and also under the drainage law of several years ago and the costs principally assessed to the benefited property. If the tunnel plan should be followed the creek channel would only have to provide passageway for the storm water collected on an area of three square miles, while the tunnel would take care of the rainfall on ten square miles of surface. No action was taken by the exchange.

BRIDGE WORKMEN FIND MONEY IN GROUND

Vague suspicions that the old bridge over Indian creek on North Main street may have afforded a place of concealment for robbers' loot was entertained yesterday when workmen engaged in excavating where the old bridge had stood uncovered a number of silver coins. They were dimes, quarters and half dollars, and had evidently slipped out from a point half up the bank on the north side, directly underneath the old bridge. There would have been no possibility of the money having been lost by persons passing over the bridge, as it was not scattered. Suspicions were further strengthened when the diggers found a piece of fuse, such as burglars use, lying near the point where the money was found. The workmen found $3 in silver after the first coin was thrown up. Interest in their work became intensified and the further excavations were conducted with great care.

SCHOOL TREASURER RECEIVES TAX MONEY

School Treasurer George S. Davis yesterday receipted for $70,904.37, the last half of the school tax collections for the year. The amount was a trifle less than was handed in by County Treasurer J. P. Christiensen for the spring turnover.

Collections for November and December yet remain and will be turned into the school fund at the end of each month. The amounts, however, will not be large, approximating only a few hundred dollars each month, as the bulk of the taxes are paid prior to April 1 and October 1 each year. The large amount given to the school treasurer yesterday will be thus apportioned among the following school funds:

Schoolhouse fund	$15,107.88
Teachers' fund	33,778.23
Contingent fund	14,306.34
School bond fund	2,722.19
State apportionment	5,089.83
Total	$70,904.37

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were yesterday issued to the following named persons:

Name and Address.	Age.
Eliza F. Smith, Lincoln	90
Martha Watkins, Lincoln	18
Richard Demeller, South Omaha	26
Mary Schafers, Council Bluffs	19
James W. Keys, Horton, Kan	73
Elizabeth Anderson, Denver	18
Ben Dalamond, Omaha	24
Ida Shindler, Omaha	20
Frank Harris, South Omaha	32
Sophia Plentka, Hope, Kan	28
Frank Nichols, Grand Island, Neb	34
Lillie Case, Grand Island	23

Girls wanted for wrapping and packing candy. Also experienced chocolate dippers. Do not apply unless you want steady employment for fall and winter. John G. Woodward & Co., "The Candy Men," Council Bluffs, Ia.

HALLOWE'EN NOVELTIES OF ALL KINDS AT STATIONERY SECTION

Wednesday In The Harvest Sale

ANNOUNCING FOR MONDAY
SALE OF DRESS DOODS
See Sunday's Papers for Particulars.

ORKIN BROTHERS

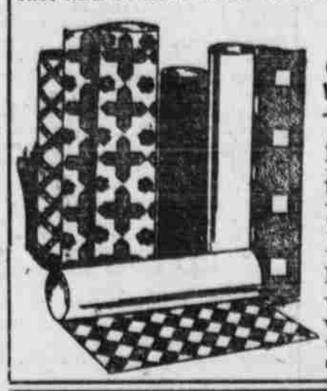
ANNOUNCING FOR FRIDAY
SALE OF ENAMELWARE
See Harney Street Windows and Papers For Particulars.

A Great Purchase of Three Carloads of Finest Quality

LINOLEUM At About 1/2 PRICE

Goes On Sale Wednesday Morning at 8 O'Clock

HERE are the greatest bargains in Linoleum offered by any store in town. And as proof of the statement all we ask is comparison of the values offered. It's the stock from one of the best mills in the country. Strictly first quality. Better set your alarm clock for an early breakfast and be here when the sale starts and share in the great bargain harvest. None sold to dealers.



65c Printed Linoleum Wednesday at SPECIAL! Yes, indeed, this is "special." printed linoleum, six feet wide, in a good assortment of patterns for selection, values to 65c, Wednesday at, square yard **27c**

75c Linoleum, 47c Printed linoleum, 12 feet wide, 25 patterns from which to make selections. Regular 75c quality, Wednesday sale price, square yard.....

$1.50 Linoleum, 97c Inlaid linoleum, 6 feet wide, all the best patterns, colors run through to the back, regular price $1.50, Wednesday square yard .....

WEDNESDAY IN THE ECONOMY BASEMENT

WHITE CHINA Wednesday 1/3 Off

GOOD news indeed for china painters. An opportunity to select the choicest pieces of white china for decorating purposes at exactly one-third off the regular price.

Our ENTIRE STOCK IS INCLUDED

And it's doubtful if you'll find a line of white china anywhere in town that's as complete in every detail as this one we offer. We need the room it occupies for our holiday lines that are coming in, hence this great reduction in the price. Wednesday at one-third off the regular selling price..... **1/3 Off**

Remarkable Values for the Harvest Sale

Women's $15 Coats, $5.00 SPECIAL! A great group of women's winter coats in a big assortment of desirable styles, values to $15.00, Wednesday for..... **$5.00**

Women's $25 Coats, $9.50 SPECIAL! Cloth coats, chinchillas, plushes, etc., all late styles, values to $25.00, sale price Wednesday, your choice for only.... **$9.50**

Women's $1 Gowns, 79c Flannelette night gowns, double yoke front and back; $1 values **79c**

Women's Sacques, 39c. Women's dressing sacques, fleece lined, 50c values, choice **39c**

Women's $1 Waists, 49c. Made of flannelette and chambrays, 75c and $1 values for..... **49c**

$1 House Dresses, 69c Light or dark colors, all sizes, regular $1.00 values for **69c**

Women's 12½c Hose, 8c Black cotton, full seamless, regular 12½c values, pair **8c**

Child's Underwear, 19c. Boys' and girls' underwear, vests, pants, union suits, 25c and 35c values for **19c**

Child's Night Gowns, 49c. Boys' and girls' outing flannel pajamas, night gowns and rompers, Wednesday **49c**

Men's $2 Underwear, 98c. Samples, heavy wool, values to $2, Wednesday, each **98c**

50c Mufflers, 25c. Knit mufflers for men and women, assorted styles, slightly imperfect, 50c quality **25c**

Men's 50c Caps, 39c. Also for boys, good selection, regular 50c values for **39c**

Child's Sweaters, 98c. Boys' and girls' sweaters, regular price $1.50, each **98c**

Child's Sweaters, 48c Sweaters for little boys and girls, splendid values at 98c, Wednesday in the basement, choice... **48c**

Men's 19c Mittens, 12c, Men's mittens, fleece lined, big values at 19c, Wednesday, in basement, special, per pr..... **12c**

MELOROSE Beauty Cream

MOST women know that actresses make a study of keeping young and beautiful as long as possible. Marguerita Sylvia is one of the many clever and fascinating women of the stage who believe in Melorose toilet preparations—she says they're best of all. Have you tried them? Melorose massage cream is a perfect cleanser, which makes freckles, tan, wrinkles, black heads, chapped hands and face, etc., vanish into nothingness. This cream does not grow hair or turn rancid, but keeps its dainty flower fragrance, 50c size here Wednesday..... **45c**

Melorose Face Powder and Rouge, 50c size **45c**

GALEGA TABLETS VAUCAIRE

It is a flesh builder, bust developer and tonic for undeveloped or nervous women, and contains genuine imported galega. A trial box will prove its merit to you. This sale $1.00 boxes for..... **89c**

Orkin Bros.—16th and Harney Sts. — Orkin Bros.—16th and Harney Sts.

Minor Mention

Council Bluffs Office of The Bee is at 14 NORTH Main St. Telephone 43.

Davis, drugs.

Victrola, $15. A. Hospe Co.

Corrigans, undertakers. Phone 148.

Woodring Undertaking Co. Tel. 550.

Blank book work. Morehouse & Co.

GARDNER PRESS, printing. Phone 53.

FAUST BEER AT ROGERS' BUFFET.

Lewis Cutler, funeral director. Phone 97.

Bradley Electric Co., wiring and fixtures. Phone 393.

The highest grade optical work in the city is done at Leffert's.

C. E. LAUSTRUP PIANO CO. New location, 340 Middle Broadway.

See Borwick for wall paper and painting. 209 and 211 S. Main street.

Scientific watch repair work, the kind that is appreciated, at Leffert's.

Spectacles and eye glasses, $1 and up. Wormly Drug Store, 352 West Broadway.

TO SAVE OR TO BORROW, SEE C. B. Mutual Bldg. and Loan ass'n., 123 Pearl.

BUDWEISER on draught. The Grand. Budweiser in bottles at all first-class bars.

MASONIC GRAND LODGE FOBS. Nickel or silver plated, 50 and 75 cents. Leffert's, Jeweler.

Exceptional piano bargains this week at A. Hospe company, 407 West Broadway, Council Bluffs, Ia. Easy payments.

Have your overcoat cleaned; new velvet collar saves you buying a new one. Cook's Cleaning Works, 236 West Broadway. Phone 178.

Suit for divorce was yesterday filed by Jessie Ellsworth against her husband, George E. Ellsworth. She alleges cruelty as the basis of her suit, and asks for the custody of their three minor daughters. She also asks the court for a restraining order preventing her husband of disposing of his personal property until after the hearing of the case in court.

The committee on bridges and city property, to whom was passed the responsibility of buying a new typewriter for use in the city clerk's office, have decided upon buying the one recommended by Deputy Clerk Ward. It will be a wide carriage machine and will take the place of the old style Oliver that has long done service there.

Jorgen Nelson, 76 years old, died yesterday at the home of his son, Henry Nelson, in Boomer township, after five days illness from heart trouble. Mr. Nelson had lived in the county for twenty-five years. The funeral will be held this morning at 10 o'clock from the residence. The services will be conducted by H. A. Reichenbach of this city. The only surviving near relative is the son at whose home he died.

Owing to the fact that the Butchers' and Grocers' association was holding an important meeting last night, and two of the aldermen are members, and owing to the additional fact that there was no business of importance left unattended to at the special adjourned meeting on Thursday afternoon, there was no council meeting last night. The fact was not made generally known that there would not be a meeting and the usual number of citizens who gather each Monday night at the city building found the upper hallway dark, as was also the council chamber. The regular meeting will be held next Monday night.

Tears, that were real and easily fetched, saved A. D. Walters, a laborer, 41 years old, from spending ten days in the city jail. He was convicted in police court yesterday morning of deliberately and maliciously smashing a big whisky bottle on the street pavement near the city hall and had spent the interval since his arrest Saturday afternoon in the city jail. It was his experience in the sober hours that followed that wrung from him the tears in police court. The stiff jail sentence was remitted after it was imposed upon the conviction that Mr. Walters would keep his promise never again to throw broken glass into the street.

Upon a warrant issued by Justice Joseph upon an information filed by County Attorney Capell Constable Sherman Humphrey went to McColm drug store on West Broadway late Sunday night and seized two jugs of whisky, which, it is claimed, was being used for illegal sales. McColm will be cited before the district court judges to answer to the charge of contempt. He was included in the last raid engineered by a Des Moines man and a couple of alleged "detectives" and was adjudged guilty. In addition to the $25 fine and the $25 so-called "attorney's fees," he was permanently enjoined from dispensing alcoholic liquors. The seizure of the whisky, which was labeled glycerine, will be taken as prima facie evidence of his liability of punishment for contempt.

Responses from the mayors of several towns were received yesterday to the invitation of the Automobile club and Commercial club to attend the Lincoln highway banquet at the Grand hotel on Thursday night. Acceptances were received from the mayors of Avoca, Walnut, Carson and Macedonia announcing that delegations of five to fifteen would be sent from these towns. Other responses from various parts of the county brought the total number of acceptances received during the day to more than fifty, assuring the presence of at least 200 outsiders at the banquet. Owing to the vague manner in which the information was first given out some misapprehension has arisen. The Commercial club sent out 300 invitations, each enclosing a complimentary ticket, and the impression arose that no charge was to be made for any of the banquet tickets. This is not the fact. A charge of $2 is to be made to all local people who sit at the tables and the free tickets are only to be given to outsiders, of whom there are expected to be at least 200, and the total number is expected to exceed 500.

Robert Young, the veteran engineer at the Broadway pumping station of the city waterworks, has returned from a three months' trip to his old home in England. Mr. Young turned on the steam when the pumps were started for the first time after the completion of the water plant in 1883, and until he was granted a leave of absence three months ago for an indefinite period, had performed that duty every day since. "Bob" was pretty nearly awe-struck when he realized that the one cherished dream of his life was about to be realized, and he was in a state of quiet exultation at the moment of his departure that led his friends to fear that he might back out through sheer timidity. But timidity is an unknown quality, and Mr. Young had the time of his life in merry old England. He revisited every spot that was at all familiar to him, hunted up all of the old acquaintances who had not found better homes in other lands or gone to their long rest. So far as joyousness and the keen appreciation of little things was concerned he was a boy again every minute he spent in the old environments. That he did not forget his friends here at any moment was evidenced by the fact that he sought some little memento to bring them that had associations they would appreciate. He brought a genuine blackthorne stick for Mayor Maloney, which he presented yesterday. It was grown in the very hedge the mayor's father had helped to trim.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers filed Monday were reported to The Bee by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company:

Annie Laura Moore and Charles Moore to Anna VanKirk, e½ of the sw¼ of 35-74-42, w. d.	$ 1
Edward H. VanKirk and wife, Cecelia to Anna VanKirk, e½ of sw¼ of 35-74-42, w. d.	1
A. A. Chaffey and husband, George, to F. J. Schnorr, lot 4, in block 6, in Mullin's subd. to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	100
Clara B. Hart, executrix, of the estate of Ernest E. Hart to Sarah McMicken, n½ of lots 1 and 2, in block 16, Mill addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	1
Edwin A. Wood, widower, et al. to Joshua Davis, north 5 ft. of the south 35 ft. of lot 9, in Davis' Park addition to the town of Avoca, w. d	100
Jessie A. Tyler and husband, C. R., to Lou M. Minear, lots 14, 15 and 16, in block 8, in Jefferies' subd. to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	7,000
W. H. West and wife, Lora W., to Frank Pike, lot 8, in block 12, in the town of Oakland, Ia., w. d.	1
Dick R. Lane, trustee, to C. N. Voss, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, in block 1, in the town of Minden, Ia., w. d.	1
Josephine Schilling and husband, Charles, to Joshua Davis, the south 10 ft. of lot 8, in the Davis' Park addition to Avoca, Ia., w. d.	200
F. T. True and wife, Anna C., to Walter W. Lutz, lot 4, in block 27, in Burn's addition to the city of Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	1
The Grover & Layman Realty Co. to Ruby Rockwell, lot 205, in Belmont addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	130
H. G. McGee and wife, Margaret L., to Joseph Shea, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, in block 27, in Railroad addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	600
Twelve transfers, total	$7,935

Pale Girls and Frail Women

suffer discomfort—are languid, fretful and nervous, because their blood is thin or insufficient, but if those so afflicted could fully realize the wonderful blood-making properties of SCOTT'S EMULSION they would not deprive themselves of its benefits.

Nourishment alone—not drugs or alcohol—makes blood—and *Scott's Emulsion* is the essence of medical nourishment free from wines, alcohols or opiates.

SCOTT'S EMULSION *after meals fills hollow cheeks, overcomes languor and makes tranquil nerves.*

Refuse Substitutes.

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Attack of Mob on Jews Prevented by the Police at Lodz

KIEV, Russian, Oct. 28.—The second act of the Beilis trial was begun today with the submission of evidence of medical and religious experts on the alleged practice of ritual murder. Strangely enough, in an orthodox country, Father Prenaites, a Roman Catholic priest, figures as the principal ecclesiastical denunciator of the Jews.

The testimony of the orthodox Archimandrite, Ambrosius, was read today, telling of alleged ritual murder practices with much detail. All cases mentioned were based on hearsay from converted Jews, however. Part of the day was occupied by the reading of the minutes of the preliminary inquiry.

A serious affray occurred this afternoon at Lods between Christian and Jewish army recruits. Only the prompt action of the police prevented a mob attack on the Jews.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—Correspondence between Lord Rothschild and Cardinal Merry del Val is published here, the papal secretary of state confirming the statement that Pope Innocent IV issued an encyclical in which he declared that the charge of ritual murder as applied to Judaism was baseless and wicked invention, and that other popes made similar pronouncements.

This has a bearing on the trial of Mendel Beilis, charged at Kiev with the murder of the Christian boy, Yushinsky, as part of the case of the prosecution is an affidavit by the priest, Father Prenaites, presenting alleged historic proof that ritual murder of Christians was sanctioned by Judaism and pronouncing statements to the contrary, attributed to the popes, forgeries.

HATPIN WOUND PROVES FATAL TO HOLDUP MAN

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—John Niemets, holdup man, died of a hatpin wound here today. When Niemets attacked Mrs. Josephine Karmuenisk recently, the woman, who is six feet tall and weighs 200 pounds, stabbed her assailant behind the ear with her hatpin. Blood poisoning set in.

When Run Down

in physical condition it is usually because the action of the organs of digestion has become irregular or defective. Then there is need for a safe and speedy medicine to relieve the ills which occasionally depress even the brightest and strongest. The one remedy you may take and feel safe with is

BEECHAM'S PILLS

(The Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World)

The first dose gives speedy relief in sick-headache, biliousness, constipation, lack of appetite, heartburn, dyspepsia, and lasting improvement follows the timely use of this favorite and reliable home remedy. You will become healthier and stronger, and more cheerful if you let Beecham's Pills

Pick You Up

Sold everywhere. In boxes. 10c., 25c.

Directions with every box point the way to health and are especially valuable to women.

PILES No Money Till Cured

Fistula and All Rectal Diseases cured without the knife. Permanent cures guaranteed. Write for Free Illustrated book on Rectal Diseases and testimonials of hundreds of cured patients in Nebraska and Iowa.

DR. E. R. TARRY - 240 Bee Bldg., Omaha, Neb.