

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Baroophagus. Lighting Fixtures, Burgess-Granden Co. Have Root Print II—Now Bacon Press. Fidelity Storage & Van Co.—Doug. 1216. To Give Ice Cream Social—The Ladies' Aid society of the Lowe Avenue Presbyterian church will give an ice cream social Thursday evening at the church, Fortieth and Nicholas streets. Changes Made—Miss Irene Smith, who has been in charge of the night stand at the Hotel Home for some months, has resigned and will take charge of the cigar stand at the Paxton hotel, beginning Thursday. Bids for New Church—Bids have been opened for the construction of the St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran church building at Twenty-first avenue and Evans street. O. F. Nelson is the lowest bidder, at \$3,674. The contract will probably be let sometime today. Ralph Sunderland Back—Ralph W. Sunderland, vice president of the firm of Sunderland Bros., has returned from California, where he went a year ago for the benefit of his wife's health. He says that Mrs. Sunderland is very much improved, but that she probably will remain there this winter. May Be a Burglar—Fire Inspector Barney McArdie has reported to police authorities that a young fellow of prepossessing appearance has been "liming up" several residences with apparent intent to rob them. The inspector has found at several homes that the fellow, representing himself to be an inspector, has gone through the whole house, in no case was anything stolen. Visiting Relatives—Patrick Carroll, son of Peter Carroll, Neureka pioneer, is visiting his brother, McCarath Carroll of this city, at the family residence, Seventeenth and Jackson streets. Patrick arrived in Omaha from a Moravia ranch, Wednesday, where for several months he has been enjoying the life of a wild and woolly cowboy. Carroll will spend several days in Omaha before starting on a trip into Canada, where he has been left a considerable estate by a recently deceased relative. 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A., 26 1/2 West Adams street, Chicago.

KINGS MAY SEEK DIVORCE

Mother of Mrs. King Files Answer to King's Charges. SAYS SHE CAME ON INVITATION Also Declares that She Was Not Extravagant in Buying Baby Clothes, but Bought Them with Her Own Money. A divorce suit is to be the next move in the eventful married life of Leslie L. King, manager of the Omaha Wool and Storage company, whose wedding last September to Miss Dorothy A. Gardner of Chicago, known as one of that city's beautiful girls, was a notable social event. According to excellent authority attempts at reconciliation have failed, their former differences having been accentuated by Mr. King's injunction suit to prevent his mother-in-law, Mrs. Levi A. Gardner, from continuing her visits at his home, and the beautiful residence at 3202 Woolworth avenue, prepared by Mr. King for his bride, will not again be occupied by the young wife. Mr. King's suit was given wide publicity. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner filed affidavits in district court yesterday answering the injunction suit, which is still pending, though no hearing has been held, as Mrs. Gardner and her daughter immediately left for Chicago as soon as the suit was started, which was a little more than two weeks after the birth of a baby son. Mrs. Gardner's affidavit says that although she visited her daughter three times in six months she came each time by invitation and was never told that her presence was not desired. She asserts that she was moved in all her actions only by anxiety to do the best for her daughter and that what advice she gave was asked by her daughter in connection with her relations as a wife. She denies that she induced Mrs. King to go to Chicago in December and says that Mr. King only persuaded her to return home by making a trip to Chicago. Mrs. Gardner asserts that the statement that she was extravagant in the purchase of a wardrobe for the baby is an "unqualified falsehood" and that she herself paid for all the baby's clothes she bought. She alleges that on one occasion shortly before Mr. King started his suit the family telephoned to the police station when Mr. King became "abusive."

Howell's Half Truths and Whole Lies

The boss of the water works is using a 'little of the taxpayers' money to blow his own horn by post card purporting to tell what great things he is doing. The purpose, of course, is to ease up popular wrath at the broken promise of lower water rates by pretense that the extortionate charges are offset by other benefits. The exhibit, however, is but an ingenious concoction of half truths and whole lies. Howell says: "The only property tax paid by the people of Omaha on account of the water plant is a hydrant tax, formerly levied to pay a hydrant tax to the Omaha water company." This is a palpable perversion, for in addition to paying the hydrant rental tax the people have also been saddled with \$100,000 of taxes formerly paid by the water company, and which the water company would continue to pay if it retained the plant. Howell says: "The last full year's taxes paid by the Omaha water company was for 1911, and that year the company paid the city of Omaha on account of occupation and all other taxes \$50,649.07." This is a deliberate deception. The water company's taxes for its last year were in the neighborhood of \$90,000. If the water company were still paying taxes on its plant this what it would have had to pay, computed on the last tax rate levied, applied to the last assessment made:

Location	Assessed Valuation	Rate of Levy	Amount of Tax
South Omaha	\$121,900	.0515	\$ 6,277.85
Dundee	3,585	.0732	262.02
East Omaha	3,785	.0272	102.95
Florence (personal)	144,790	.0832	12,046.52
Florence (realty)	122,385	.0832	9,982.43
Omaha	792,840	.0880	69,769.92
Totals	\$1,089,385		\$88,441.70

Omaha occupation tax 3 per cent on gross earnings, about \$15,000 Federal and state corporation taxes, about 1,000 Grand total of taxes shifted to other taxpayers 114,441.70 Howell's assertion is a quibble to throw dust in the people's eyes. Of his exhibit of profits approximately \$115,000 represents taxes unloaded upon the people, for which they are entitled to commensurate reductions in water rates, but which they have not had.

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BOON FOR OMAHA COMMERCE

Burlington Extension in Wyoming Opens Up New Territory. COMPLETED IN A FEW MONTHS Is Direct Line to Yellowstone National Park and Holdrege Says It Will Be Ready for Service in the Fall. General Manager Holdrege of the Burlington has returned to Omaha from an inspection trip over the new lines that are now or soon will be under construction in Wyoming in the neighborhood of Casper. According to Mr. Holdrege, 7,000 feet of track are being laid daily on the line from Powder river to Casper and grading on the line running east from Casper will be started as soon as possible. "The new lines when completed," said Mr. Holdrege, "will increase Omaha's business territory as regards the Wyoming country that is now only reached by very indirect lines. We will have a

RAISED PARCEL POST LIMIT HAS INCREASED BUSINESS

If the present "rum of heavy parcel post packages continues to pour into the postoffice it will be necessary for the local office to purchase an automobile for the delivery of these packages. This statement was made by Assistant Postmaster James L. Woodward. Since the twenty-pound package limit went into effect there have been a large number of fifteen and sixteen-pound packages into Omaha. Letter carriers can carry but one or two of these packages on their deliveries and the special men to handle these packages can carry but a small number. As yet no twenty-pound packages have been received at the local office. Most Wonderful Healing. After suffering many years with a sore, Amos King, Port Byron, N. Y., was cured by Bucklen's Arnica Salve; 3 cents. For sale by Featon Drug Co.—Advertisement.

TRIO FINED IN COURT FOR THEFT OF CANTALOUPE

Gross Rose, 1716 Cass street, Morris Schialange, 1920 North Twenty-first street, and H. Naele, 1813 Cass street, were fined in police court for the theft of twelve crates of cantaloupes from the Trimble Brothers Commission company. Rose was fined \$5 and costs and the others each \$20 and costs.

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PEACE OFFICER STAGNO HURT IN ELECTION FIGHT

While the voting upon the gas franchise was in progress at the polls of the First district of the Second ward, 1813 South Tenth street, Tuesday afternoon a fight resulted from an argument regarding the ballot of one of the voters and before the melee could be stopped Peace Officer N. L. Stadnomi was badly bruised up. Stadnomi was appointed to office by Commissioner Moorhead and was also acting as an interpreter. A party of Italians had come to vote, but one of their number could not read the ballot. According to the law it must be marked in such an instance by the judge at the poll. Several of his friends objected to this and after an exchange of words a fight was in full progress. Inspector R. T. Coffey finally brought about order. Commissioner Moorhead said yesterday that he did not know in what manner he would proceed, but he proposed to prosecute the disturbers.

YOUNGSTER OVERCOME BY HEAT WHILE RUNNING RACE

Joseph Rynes, Jr., 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rynes, 215 South Sixteenth street, was overcome by heat when he was running a race with a neighborhood boy at Sixteenth and Vinton streets. He was taken to the police headquarters, where he was given medical attention and then taken home.

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WARNS FRIEND FROM TRIP

Robert Hayes Suggests Danger and Saves Railroader from Death. HAD CHOSEN THE CALIFORNIA Was to Have Taken Passage on Ill-Fated Vessel Had it Not Been for the Solitude of Returning Traveler. Because he is possessed of a remarkable intuition of what he calls "hunches," Robert Hayes, freight solicitor for the Burlington in Omaha, was the means of preventing a friend and business associate from going to his death in the steamer State of California, which struck a rock and sank in Gambler's bay, Alaska, Sunday morning. Hayes had just returned from his vacation in Alaska and he stopped in Seattle for a few days, meeting his many railroad friends and acquaintances. While there, Hamilton Taylor, employed in the Great Western freight department in Seattle, informed Hayes that he was contemplating a trip to Alaska and he had about decided to book passage on the State of California, as he thought it to be the safest of the ships on the Alaska run, it being entirely of steel construction. Rocks Uncharted. Hayes, however, is a good judge of building construction and he had come to the conclusion that wooden boats would not telescope if they struck rocks, while steel boats would be sure to. And, as the Alaska boats are frequently caught in heavy storms that drive them, in all directions and as many of the rocks in the Alaska straits and bays are uncharted, Hayes believed a wooden constructed vessel to be safer than one steel constructed. Accordingly, he gave Taylor his views on the subject and Taylor took the advice and booked passage on a wooden vessel, leaving Seattle the same day. Hayes saw the State of California in Seattle four days before it went to its

Rain Falls in Some Parts of the State

A rain fell in several places in Nebraska Tuesday and Wednesday, but most the showers were local and did not fall over any great extent of territory. Norfolk and Fremont, two cities that have been receiving more or less precipitation all summer, reported that good local rain fell in their vicinity Tuesday while Kearney reported that a hard rain fell in the adjoining territory. Gothenburg also reported that a heavy rain fell Wednesday morning and indications pointed to more.

UNION PACIFIC MEN FINISH INSPECTION

President A. L. Mohler, General Manager Charles Ware and Director of Traffic B. J. Winchell, all of the Union Pacific, will arrive in Omaha in Mr. Mohler's private car attached to No. 16, at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The officials have been making a tour of inspection of the new Union Pacific lines and cut-offs that have been built recently in Nebraska, and will make arrangements for the movement of traffic from various points touched by those lines.

ANNOYING CRAP GAME HAS BEEN BROKEN UP

A crap game, which has been causing residents in the vicinity of Hancom park considerable annoyance during the summer, was broken up by Officer Plimpe Tuesday evening, when he routed a crowd of young boys and arrested Jim Hollander, aged 17 years, living at 629 South Thirtieth street. Hollander was reprimanded by Judge Altstadt and given a thirty-day suspended sentence.

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