## BUM CHECK ARTIST REAPS A HARVEST

Young Lad Gets Omaha Merchants to Cash Fake Checks Purported to Be His Allowance.

HE ESCAPES CITY UNSCATHED

A smooth young check artist, whose apparent innocence and simplicity disarmed all suspicion, "worked" Charles Black, S. J. Leon and a number of other Omaha merchants so cleverly a short time ago that they are loath to confess how. easily they "fell" for the swindle.

Since discovering that they were victimized they have nursed their outraged feelings with deep but secret chagrin, and are now saying, "Never again" every time they think of the

It happened about ten days ago, and the facts have just leaked out. An honest-faced youth, hardly more than 20 years of age, bought about \$5 worth of officials of the recommendation by Prinhaberdashery and other goods at Leon's, cipal S. W. Moore of the local High Black's, and several other stores.

"Now, I know I shouldn't ask you to cash a check for a stranger," he said, ferred the Harvard scholarship is being Barrington, the latter supposed to rup, 1326 North Twenty-third street. be president of the Barrington Hardware company of Fall River, Mass., whose name was printed on the check. "But my uncle sends me my allowance in check form, so if you will cash this I'll appreciate it very much.

Finshes Imposing Letter.

The customer then showed a letter, signed by Barrington, written on the hardware firm's letterhead and addressed "Dear Nephew." When the Omaha merchants saw the letter and sized up young "Pickett" as a nice, innocent youth traveling on a wealthy uncle's pocketbook, there was no suspicion of a swindie. So the visitor got about \$10 in stores he "stung" and carried away a rangements:

more clever than he appeared, for he was careful to pay his hotes bill with real money, thereby avoiding the inconvenience of "getting in bad" with the national detective agency employed by the Hotelmen's Protective association

#### Chicago Asks Help of Omaha in Getting **New Postoffice Lots**

Chicago wants Omaha to help it get a desirable two-block location for a new postoffice. A letter has been received at the office of the Associated Retailers' of Omaha, from what is known as the "Interstate Committee on New Chicago Postoffice." The letter is signed by Mayor Thompson and the president of the Chicago Commercial club, president of the Chicago Association of Commerce, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' president of the Chicago

special postoffice committee. The letter points out that a new postoffice must come in Chicago, but that the appropriation as proposed in congress is not large enough to make it possible to purchase these two lots where Chicago wants the postoffice located There is enough money to buy a smaller ot, but the letter points out that the building must cover two blocks if it is to be large enough to handle the increased

The attention of the Omaha men called to the fact that much of Omaha's mail is handled through the Chicago office and that adequate facilities in Chicago then mean prompt service to Omaha. Therefore, they ask that Omaha help them by passing resolutions favorable to the buying of the two lots, and send he entered the public service, twelve them to Chicago, that they may be embodied in a book of similar resolutions being compiled to be submitted to con-

Helen Keller, blind girl, Boyd theater

#### TWO HOUSES RANSACKED BY THIEVES SUNDAY NIGHT

The home of R. H. Findley, 2001 Kansas avenue, was entered Sunday night by a burglar, who broke the glass in a rear door and ransacked the house. Mr. Findley reported that watches, rings and other valuables of the value of \$100 were

The apartments of J. G. Jaros and J. A. Devine, 2822 North Twenty-fourth street, were ransacked by burglars Sunday night. A report to the police states that articles valued at \$100 were taken. A window was raised in this instance.

#### WEDDINGS AT Y. M. C. A. PROVIDED WITH MUSIC

Because a music studio is next door to the Presbyterian headquarters at the week a couple were married by Rev. office he had one of his pupils, Dean called home. Mr. Kline is 60 years old. Davidson, sing "I Love You Truly," and Prof. Kratz played a wedding march.

#### BILL BRYNE PASSES THE SMOKES: HE'S A GRANDDAD

Orpheum theater, is a grand-dad. A son Nathan Bernstein will make an address was born early yesterday to Mr. and next Sunday morning at Trinity Meth-Mrs. Will N. Chambers, Mrs. Chambers odist church. He will speak on "The having been Ruth Bryne before her mar- Jew as a Citizen," taking the place of

Don't miss this. Cut out this slip, en-close with 5c and mail it to Foley & Co., FOR THE EXPRESS COMPANIES Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey department a matter of determining th and Tar compounds, for coughs, colds and croup; Foley Kidney Pills, for pain should be required to deliver packages in sides and back, rheumatism, backache, in Greater Omaha. A petition from South kidney and bladder allments, and Foley Side business men was received by th Cathartic Tablets, a wholesome and city commissioners. thoroughly cleansing cathartic, for constipation, biliousness, headache and sluggish bowels. Sold everywhere.-Advertise-

SOUTH SIDE LAD WINS FINE RALSTON AGAIN



JAMES NORTHRUP.

Confirmation by Harvard university school that upon James Northrup, member of the June graduating class, be conas he produced one for \$15, payable to eagerly awaited by the young man and Edward Pickett and signed by Edward his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. North-

#### BANQUET FOR THE CLOTHIERS

Good Time is Assured the State Dealers When They Come to Convention.

GOOD SPEAKERS ARE CARDED

At the second annual convention of the Nebraska Retail Clothiers, to be held in Omaha at the Hotel Fontenelle, February 15 and 16, the following program has change at each of the half-dozen Omaha been arranged by the committee on ar-

fine outfit of furnishing goods.

"Pickett" left the Rome hotel early the next morning for parts unknown, and when his fake checks came back to the Omaha merchants, protested, all they could do was to pay the protest fees of about \$1.50 each, charge the \$15 worth of goods and cash to "profit and loss," and put long marks to the account of "experience."

It is thought that "Pickett" was far angements:

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discussion; "Advertising a Clothing Store."

Wednesday—Foreneon: Reports of committees; next convention; election of officers; other business: "Ginger Talk," Charles Beno, director lowa Retail Clothiers; "Developing the Sales Force." O. N. Magee, Lincoln: discussion led by N. P. Sass of Thomas Kilpatrick & Co. of Omaha. Afterneon: Greetings. J. Frank Barr, Federation of Nebraska Retailers; address, "Turnovers." C. W. Russell, vice president M. E. Smith & Co.: "round table discussion, everybody, led by Fred H. Barclay, Pawnee City, Evening; 5:30, banquet, Hotel Fontenelle, tendered by Manufacturers and Jobbers' association of Omaha; W. L. Holzman of Nebraska Clothing company, toasimaster.

The banquet to be held Wednesday evening at the Hotel Fontenelle will be an

ning at the Hotel Fontenelle will be an invitation banquet. All visiting clothiers are invited to attend this banquet, as the same is tendered by the Omaha manufacturers and jobbers. Besides the banquet, there will be features introduced which will be entertaining and interesting, and every visiting clothier will be assured of a royal good time.

#### BEISEL THROWS CHAPEAU INTO TREASURER RACE

county treasurer's office, who believes it is about time he was promoted to the

So he has filed for the nomination on the republican ticket for county treasurer. Mr. Beisel threw his chapeau into the circle four years ago and lost the nomination by a very small margin. This corporations were forced of necessity to year he expects to win, and those who take their financing east, but many of are in a position to know say he is a formidable figure.

business firm of J. M. French & Co. and H. G. Streight & Co. up to the time that who are handling the same."

#### WIFE ABUSER AROUSES WRATH OF JUDGE FOSTER

to the county jail for driving his wife and children from their home with the temperature 20 below zero, has again been sentenced for annoying them. He was pardoned shortly after his first offense. and Sunday night went to the house, tried to get in and finally broke a window. "You dirty dog," said Judge Foster,

'you ought to be hung instead of helped to escape a punishment you deserve a hundredfold." The thirty days' sentence was delivered in such a manner that Sequist will be compelled to serve the entire sentence,

#### JOSEPH KLEIN UNDERGOES APPENDICITIS OPERATION

ance circles, having charge of the local office of the Equitable Life Insurance Toung Men's Christian association build- Immanuel hospital, where he underwent ing weddings frequently held there do an operation for appendicitis. Compileanot lack for musical accompaniment. Last tions had set in before the operation took place, and the surgeons felt that Julius B. Schwarz. When Lee G. Kratz, the outcome of the operation might be director of the association glee club, doubtful. Mr. Klein's son, attending the wedding next door to his Berkeley college, in California, has been

#### NATHAN BERNSTEIN WILL TALK AT TRINITY CHURCH

In connection with the collection for the benefit of Jewish war sufferers, in Gental "Billy" Byrne, manager of the which Christian churches are aiding, the pastor, Rev. J. F. Poucher.

## TO DEFINE DELIVERY LIMITS

Helen Keller, Boyd, Saturday matinee Helen Keller, Boyd theater, Saturday

## IS A BUSY VILLAGE

Stove Works Operating at Full Capacity and Furniture Plant

#### SERUM COMPANY IS PROSPEROUS

The Ralston Stove Works at Ralston are again operating at full capacity, after running with a reduced iron molders were put to work, which means an increasing of the force all the way down the line. Some twenty-five men were put to work and the total number of employes now ranges between fifty and

The Raiston furniture factory, recently ought up at a receiver's sale by M. Levy, who later got the Dodds Lumber company of Gancha and other companies interested in the plant, is now running at full capacity and is turning out a considerable volume of furniture. Orchard & Wilhelm of Omaha have contracted to act as sole selling agents for the entire output of this plant, and have put some extra men on the road to handle the work. The Orchard & Wilhelm company handles this output through its jobbing

Serum Plant Busy.

At the same time the Omaha Serum company, which located a plant at Ralston only a year ago, is at this time enjoying especial prosperity, since it has a contract to supply all the serum for a big plant of this kind in Illinois which happens to be under quarantine at present. As soon as the Illinois plant was placed under quarantine it began to order its serum from the plant at Ralston, and the result is that this item alone has kept the local plant exceptionally busy, and has now for some months brought in a handsome check each month.

Raiston business men are now talking of submitting a bond issue for the purpose of establishing a municipal electric lighting system. The village now owns its water plant and is getting good water, with excellent fire pressure from the standpipe located on high ground. The municipal water plant there has given such satisfaction that the sentiment for a municipal lighting plant is growing steadily. It is now considered likely that a proposition to issue bonds in the sum of between \$10,000 and \$30,000 may be submitted at the spring election with a view to raising money to install the lighting

#### Laborer is Buried Under Cave-In at First National Bank

Charlie Vito, a laborer at the excava tion for the First National bank building, Sixteenth and Farnam strets, was buried when a bank of earth caved in on him Monday afternoon. Other workers rushed to his rescue ad he was quickly dug out, apparently none the worse. A doctor examined him and then he went back to work,

#### ENTIRE BOND ISSUE OF THE FAIRMONT CREAMERY SOLD

The entire \$200,000 stock issue, recently made by the Fairmont Creamery com-Brinker & Co., investment security house Still another hat in the ring-this one of Omaha. Fifteen years ago the Fairbelonging to I. L. Beisel, deputy in the mont Creamery company had but five 360 stockholders in the Trans-Mississippi valley.

"It is only recently that Omaha recognized as a financial center of first importance," said a representative of the Burns-Brinker company. "In the past, securities at home. There is now more He has lived in Omaha continuously for money in Nebraska; local institutions thirty years. His children have grown have proved their stability, and investors up here. He was connected with the like to see the property where their money is invested, and know the men

#### JERRY TELLS OF BEING WITNESS AT OWN INQUEST

police records that ever testifed at his own post-morten, was arrested Saturday evening for a minor offense. Police Court Clerk Marcell remembered the incident and Jerry related the facts. "A good minny months ago your honor, there was a fella kilt down at the target factry near South Omaha. The body was idintified as meself, an' when they hild the topsy on 'im. I wint to the plaze an told the corner I wasn't dead." Not having the heart to fine such a noted individual, the judge allowed him to depart un

#### COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS HOLD AN ENTERTAINMENT

given Saturday evening at the Swedish auditorium by Qmaha council, No. 118. United Commercial Travelers. Preceding a luncheon. Judge A. L. Sutton spoke on the betterment of educational condicompany, is in a serious condition at tions for children. A pleasing program immanuel hospital, where he underwent of music was furnished by Miss Grace Vodica, Miss Henzie, Miss Kellion, Miss Gillian and J. C. Herman. A lecture, "The Ray of Hope," was given by Past ounseller I. W. Pope. Similar socials will be given monthly by Omaha council. Lawrence Jay is secretary.

#### JOHN BROWN CONVICTED WITHOUT GOING ON STAND

"John Brown, John Brown! Brown!!" sang the city prosecutor Monday morning, as he sought the where abouts of the above mentioned gent, who was charged with being a drinking

Court Sergeant Wilson opened the door of the bullpen to bring forth John, whose name was just being called for the third

"Lies a-mouldering in the grave," sang John in dulcet tones from a corner of the enclosure. He was guilty of the charge, but for a number of reasons was not requested to testify.

#### LESSEE SUES OWNER FOR TURNING OFF WATER AND GAS

Bessie Pryor, lessee of a house at 169 St. Mary's avenue, has sued the owner May H. Riley, in district court, for \$200 damages, alleging that she turned off the water and gas.

## Wharton Makes Himself Guardian Over Judgment-Lacking Dan Cupid

woman's heart."

decides she has been too ready to give

Dispatches from Washington state that

If 16-year-old Agnes meets 18-year-old of watchful waiting on Albert. Maybe Albert at a dance or a party and if Ag- the \$10 a week won't materialize, he nes loves Albert as woman never loved points out. If Albert really loves her, a tentative outline for the betterment of before, and if Albert loves Agnes with nothing will discourage him. The posta love that can never die, and if, in spite master can even hand out some of the In scope this plan follows the plan outof all this, Agnes' parents are so short- Libbey stuff. sighted as not to permit Agnes to receive letters from Albert, what are they to do? and make richer and nobler those tender of lamp which has been tried in South A number of love-lorn infants have been

ents who will not be convenced that at before its time loses the full richness of bey would say.

Wharton, representing the United States government, the postoffice, the soaring eagle and the waving Stars and Stripes. And he has issued an order that when Albert her heart and that her parents MAYOR OF BENSON WOULD clerk at the g. d. window sees a aren't so unreasonable after all. child of 16 (who is a woman if she loves and knows she is loved) asking for letters, she shall be reported to him.

Ains, when even the government will try to stop such a lovely young man as Albert from writing to her, such a purfick gempleman and with a good position and the promise of \$10 a week after the

Several of these children have been given fatherly heart-to-heart talks by John C., and no one can do it better. He calls their attention to the duty they owe to their parents who have nurtured them and he advises Agnes to adopt a policy

### Burkett Shows Up With Patch Over Eye

Boom or boomerang?" This was the first question popped at former Senator E. J. Burkett when he showed up on the streets of Omaha, with a neat patch over the outside corner of his left eye. He admits it is to boom-

A painful boil developed in that most onspicuous place, and the attending surgeon provided the patch. Otherwise the candidate for vice president on the republican ticket is pursuing his chances with his accustomed vigor,

#### NEEDED LITTLE STIMULANT. SO HE STOLE FOUR QUARTS

Dan Daughe, who stole four quarts of liquor from Jabez Cross' saloon, Fourteenth and Douglas streets, was sentenced to ten days in the county jail. 'Hi was in need huf a little stimulant, your worship," told Daughe, whose Teuton name belies his Cockney accent, "an not 'aving so much as a penny, hi 'elped meself." "If you call four quarts of liquor a little stimulant, I plty the man who buys you a regular drink," deivered the judge.

## **GREY-HAIRED AT 27** NOT A GREY HAIR AT 35

Am One of Many Living Examples That Grey Hair Can Be Restored To Natural Colour and Beauty. I SEND YOU THE PROOF PREE



to receive free of charge Mrs. Chapman's com-piete instructions to restore grey hair to mat-ural color and beauty of youth. Cut this oft and pin to reur letter. Good for immediate use only: I cent stamp for postage required. Address Mrs. Mary K. Chapman. Apt. 491. N. Old P. O. B.: Providence, R. I.

#### Plan New Type of Electric Lamps to Replace Arc Lights

City Electrician Curran has prepared the electric lighting system of the city lined two months ago. It is proposed to "Time itself, young lady, will mellow replace the arc lights with a new form blossoms of affection new burgeoning in Omaha. Commissioner Jardine has beer sing the general delivery at the local the budding heart of womanhood," he working with the city electrician on this postoffice to circumvent their cruel par- says. "The rose plucked from its stem matter and he finds that 700 additional lamps of the new type may be installed is 'a girl is a woman if she loves and its beauty. Love doesn't steal at once without increasing the total cost of the knows she is loved," as Laura Jean Lab into the heart. He enters softly, mod- service. At present there are 2.370 elecestly and gradually; and finally, after a tric lamps in Greater Omahta and under But, alas, there sits an Argus-oyed cen- long time, takes full possession of that the proposed plan there would be apsor in the person of Postmaster John C. greatest of God's gifts to men, a true proximately 3.110. It is expected the matter will be brought to the city coun-After one of these talks Agnes usually cli on Tuesday.

## TRADE JOB FOR SHERIFF

instructions are being sent out to all postoffices to exercise a censorship over C. L. Mather, mayor of Benson, has filed for the republican nomination for juvenile general delivery window corsheriff of Douglas county.

## Ouch! Backache! Rub Lumbago or Stiffness Away

Rub pain from back with small trial bottle of old "St. Jacob's Oil."

When your back is sore and lame of umbago, sciatica or rheumatism has you stiffened up, don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacobs Oil" at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub it right on your back, and by the time you count fifty the soreness and lameness is gone. Don't stay crippled! This seething, penetrating oil needs to be used only once. It takes the pain right out and ends the misery. It is magical, yet absolutely harmless and doesn't burn the

Nothing else stops lumbage, sciatica, backache or rheumatism so promptly. It never disappoints.-Adverti-ement.

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Thursday, January 27, 1916

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FELIX M. WARBURG, Treasurer American Jewish Relief Committee, New York

and mail to

HARRY B. ZIMMAN, Chairman War Relief Committee Omaha, Nebraska

# Brandeis Stores

All Suits and Furnishings from the KING-PECK \$137,000 Stock Will Go On Sale Thursday

-These are the sections of the great King-Peck sale in which most men are especially interested, because it involves merchandise which practically every man is in the market for at any time, particularly when he can save a considerable amount. And our assertion to you men is that you have never known a greater bargain event than this. Please read our ads in Wednesday afternoon's papers.

The Sale of Men's O'Coats and Boys' Clothing