

## FEVER CASES HERE NOW NUMBER 300

Dr. Connell Makes Public the Total Cases and New Quarantine Places.

### NEW CASES ARE REPORTED

According to a statement made by Health Commissioner Connell, there are approximately 300 scarlet fever cases in Greater Omaha at this time. The records show 215 places under quarantine, with more than one patient in a few instances. In the city emergency hospitals there are seventy-four scarlet fever patients.

The doctor has yielded to various requests that publicity be given to the scarlet fever situation.

"I do not see wherein the city will be benefited by giving the number of cases reported each day unless the names and addresses are made known. I am willing to give the latter information every day," said Dr. Connell.

Cases reported during the four days were: January 31, eighteen; February 1, eleven; February 2, ten; February 3, ten. Four of the cases reported on Wednesday were children excluded from public schools by nurses who are making the school inspections.

### New Quarantine Places.

The following were placed under quarantine Thursday:

- Agnes Hushman, 304 Farnam.
- Miss Nova, 112 North Twenty-fourth.
- Martin Buchler, 250 Woolworth avenue.
- Leroy Sims, 415 Bancroft.
- Earl Shapiro, 302 Willis avenue.
- Hazel Smith, 243 Taylor.
- Helen Wintrob, 157 Ohio.
- Bessie Dulin, 518 North Nineteenth.
- George Burns, 2407 California.
- J. Segur, 811 South Thirty-sixth.

### No Need of Apprehension.

Considering the population of Greater Omaha, Dr. Connell does not regard the scarlet fever situation here as serious enough to cause any apprehension. He reiterates his contention that there are various other Nebraska cities with more cases in proportion to population. He notes that many of the victims are adults, which is an unusual feature of a scarlet fever outbreak.

It is stated that many of the 300 cases are in the convalescent stage or nearing that stage.

## Victims Identify Doran Boys as Chaps Who Held Them Up

Gilbert and Arnold Doran, who were arrested by police after they had succeeded in escaping a raid made on 1009 California street, were identified by Roy A. Cole and Earl Whitaker as the men who held up and robbed them. The Doran boys were arrested on suspicion of this holdup. They were also identified by Vern Armstrong, an employe of Dresher Bros., who was held up, robbed and forced to pilot the holdups around the city in a joy ride in a Dresher machine some months ago.

## IS THIS A VIOLATION OF AMERICAN NEUTRALITY?—The latest ship to arrive with guns mounted in its stern is the Italian liner Verona. The captain explained that the guns were ordered placed on the ship by the Italian admiralty, to be used for defense only.



GUN ON STERN OF S.S. VERONA

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## WELSH CAN SEE NO DANGER OF FLOODS

Heavy Blanket of Snow and Thick Ice Offer No Cause for Alarm.

### ALL DEPENDS ON THE THAW

Thousands of farmers whose fertile acres lie in the rich "bottom" lands of Nebraska and Iowa are beginning to cast apprehensive eyes upon the thickening snow blanket over the country and the thick ice in the rivers, and scores of them have written to the local weather bureau to ask the united question:

"What is the outlook for floods this spring?"

"I can't answer the question," says Colonel Welsh. "The mere fact that we now have a good bit of snow and that the ice is nineteen inches thick on the river at Omaha and twenty-two inches at Sioux City does not indicate floods. If spring will just come on in an orderly and decent and sane manner, the old Missouri will carry away all the superfluous water."

**Depends on Thaw.**  
"The main cause of floods is a thaw in upper rivers while the lower channels still remain choked with ice. In that case the great volume of water coming down from the north is obstructed by this frozen barrier and flows out upon the land."

"While our flood stage here at Omaha

is nineteen feet, there is a good deal of "bottom" farm land that a sixteen-foot stage would put under water.

"Generally speaking the danger from floods in this part of the country has vanished. This is due principally to the cultivation of the land. In its present state it absorbs most of the moisture. This used to flow off of the hard, virgin prairie and into the streams. Much water is taken from the streams for the use of man and beast and in the aggregate this subtracts a considerable volume from the water."

"Since 1881 when, on April 24, the water rose to a stage of 23 feet at Omaha and you could take about and row from Eighteenth and Nicholas to the middle of Council Bluffs, we have had no serious floods."

"And we are not at all likely to have any."

## Real Estate Agents Must Clean Walks

Real estate agents who fail to observe the city ordinance relative to cleaning sidewalks of snow will be assessed the cost of such work by the city. The following letter has been addressed to all real estate men by City Engineer Bruce:

"For years the city engineering department has been receiving from all parts of the city complaints of sidewalks being covered with snow and ice during the winter and with dirt and mud during the spring and summer; such complaints as a rule are made of vacant lots and lots occupied by vacant buildings."

"The present city administration is completely out of patience with such conditions as have in times past, existed in front of hundreds of vacant properties in this city and they are thoroughly determined to overcome such conditions in the future."

"Hereafter all sidewalks adjoining any properties that you may own or control and which you fail to clean, as provided

by the city ordinances, and keep free of dirt, mud, ice, snow or other obstruction of such nature will be cleaned regularly as often as the condition seems to require and the full cost of so doing will be assessed as a special tax against the abutting property."

"If you wish to conserve the best interest of your clients, advise them what to expect in the future."

## Omaha is Taken to Trimming by Jeff Highway Directors

Omaha is definitely to be omitted from the route of the Jefferson Highway, which is the proposed road from Winnipeg to New Orleans.

Randall K. Brown, chairman of the executive committee of the Commercial club, and E. V. Parrish, manager of the bureau of publicity as vice president and member of the board of directors, respectively, of the Jefferson Highway association, were beaten at every turn, by fair means and foul, which meeting was called to hear contests and new claims for recognition on the highway.

"They deliberately violated their own constitution and by laws," says Mr. Parrish, "in that they refused to appoint a neutral committee of engineers to consider Omaha's claims, even when we offered to pay the expense of the committee's investigation."

"President Meredith reprimanded the delegates from the chair, openly accusing them of violating their agreement made at New Orleans some months ago in this respect, but they went ahead with it."

"They admit that the route as at present laid out has some 100 or 400 miles of dead mileage in it the way it meanders around to touch certain cities not on a direct line, while Omaha is in fact in a direct line. So we could do nothing with them."

## DUNDEE FOLKS NOW ANXIOUS TO KNOW

Will Storm the City Citadel Monday to Urge Immediate Viaduct.

### TIRE OF MANY YEARS' DELAY

Dundee Improvement club members and others interested in the construction of a viaduct across West Dodge street are beginning to feel that at the city council meeting of the whole meeting next Monday morning the city commissioners will take an attitude of insisting that the Missouri Pacific begin to show some signs of activity. Other improvement clubs are discussing the matter, and altogether it is becoming a matter of deep public concern.

"Patience has ceased to be a virtue. The city started this matter six years ago and won litigation through all of the courts, and further spurring for time on the part of the Missouri Pacific will be with poor grace," remarked a member of the Dundee club.

About a year ago an unpaved stretch of Dodge street, on either side of the tracks, was paved, the railroad company paying \$2,000 toward this improvement. An impression has prevailed that this pavement might tend to postpone or prevent the construction of the viaduct. City Engineer Bruce states this pavement is only "temporary" and has no legal connection with the viaduct.

### Not to Elevate Tracks.

As for the possibility of the railroad company deciding to elevate tracks from a point near Cumming street to a point near Leavenworth street, one of the city commissioners in touch with the situation declares this would cost upward of \$750,000, and he does not believe the company will go into this expense at this time.

The city engineering department feels confident the viaduct will be built. It is now up to the city council to enforce the legal rights of the city by requiring the Missouri Pacific to proceed without further delay.

That the Missouri Pacific has been playing hide-and-seek with the city officials is the opinion of some who know this situation from Alpha to Omega.

The Locust street viaduct is not near completion, and this is another matter which the Missouri Pacific officials will

be required to explain next Monday morning.

And as for the Dundee people, now honest-to-goodness citizens of Greater Omaha, they intend to fight it out on these lines if it takes all winter and next summer, to paraphrase a familiar expression.

## Heavy Snow Delays Street Car Lines in the Morning

The snowfall Thursday night gave the street railway people plenty to do and it was after 9 o'clock before cars on the busy lines were running on their schedules. Sweepers were out early and run over the lines and everything cleared up in good shape for the first rush of the day.

Later in the morning when team and automobile traffic started the vehicles went onto the car tracks, the space cleared of snow furnishing the best roadway. These vehicles drew the snow onto the rails, where it melted by reason of the friction and then froze. The freeze made a bad rail and when car wheels struck the icy spots and the cars stalled. Salt cars were run out and by 10 o'clock cars on all lines were running in good shape.

## UNION PACIFIC OFFICIALS MEETING IN CHICAGO

So far as officials are concerned, the headquarters of the Union Pacific are about deserted. With the exception of President Mohler about all of the officials have gone over to Chicago, where they are to attend a meeting of all general agents of the system that will be in session over Saturday, closing with a banquet Saturday night. The attendance comes from the territory east of the Rocky mountains.

## ESCAPE RAID, BUT ARE NIPPED MOMENT LATER

When detectives raided an establishment at 1609 California, Gilbert and Arnold Doran, inmates, beat a hasty retreat and escaped. Gilbert left by a window. They were later arrested on information that they were the two young fellows who held up and robbed Roy A. Cole and Earl Whitaker of their watches and some cash at Twenty-ninth and Farnam streets several nights ago.

## A Child Doesn't Laugh and Play If Constipated

Look, Mother! Is tongue coated, breath feverish and stomach sour?

"California Syrup of Figs" can't harm tender stomach, liver, bowels.

Mother! Your child isn't naturally cross and peevish. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver and bowels need a cleansing at once.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, remember, a gentle liver and bowel cleansing should always be the first treatment given.

Nothing equals "California Syrup of Figs" for children's ills; give a teaspoonful, and in a few hours all the foul waste, sour bile and fermenting food which is clogged in the bowels passes out of the system, and you have a well and playful child again. All children love this harmless, delicious "fruit laxative," and it never fails to effect a good "inside" cleansing. Directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are plainly on the bottle.

Keep it handy in your home. A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."—Advertisement.

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## The Event All Retailers Look Forward To

# Merchants' Spring Market Week

Omaha, February 28 to March 2, 1916

Market Week in Omaha has become an institution---an event which every retail merchant in our trade territory looks forward to with interest and pleasure. It means the six spring days when he can visit the greatest market in the west, and from its wealth of offerings select the goods he needs for his spring business. It also means a most enjoyable trip for the members of his family, providing them high class entertainment, the memory of which lives for many a day.

## Bring Your Family and be Our Guests

We can safely promise you one of the most jolly visits you ever made to market, if you will be our guests during this week. Three most entertaining affairs have been planned for you and your family---affairs which we can enjoy in common, mingling a little real merriment with business.

We want you to spend an evening with us at one of Omaha's splendid theaters. We invite you to compete for several hundred valuable prizes during another evening. We shall be happy to have you dine with us at Omaha's beautiful million-dollar hotel, The Fontenelle, and afterwards dance to your heart's content.

*Don't forget the dates--Feb. 28th to March 2d.  
And don't forget to come and bring the family.*

## Omaha Wholesalers and Manufacturers Association