

EFFICIENCY SOUGHT IN SCHOOL SYSTEM

Hiring of Consulting Engineer Another Step Toward Securing of Economy and Best Results.

HEAT AND VENTILATION BETTER

Ramifications of the school system of Greater Omaha are more extended than the average citizen realizes. Recently the Board of Education engaged a consulting engineer at \$150 a month.

"What does the board want with a consulting engineer?" asked a patron in a conversation with a member of the school board.

Engineers and firemen are receiving instructions from an expert. Firemen are being taught that their work consists of something more than merely throwing in a lot of coal and if the fuel burns all is well.

In the first place, the coal is tested for heat units to determine whether the coal man is delivering coal of burning quality as specified in the contract. Then the ashes are tested to determine whether the firemen are getting "every pound of steam" there is in the coal.

A member of the board, more or less conversant with coal and such matters, observed that some of the firemen were shoveling out many pounds of half-burnt coal with ashes, which practice is being stopped. Efficiency in firing will be demanded of the school firemen. The application of draught to fires is being taught.

The matter of proper ventilation is regarded as highly important in the school room. An examination of some of the ventilating systems of the schools showed that the shafts receiving fresh air were so near the ground that dust and leaves were admitted and the leaves ground up by the fans which force the air into the rooms. These shafts will be placed near the roofs where dust and leaves cannot enter and corrupt the air which the children breathe.

At the Central High school the consulting engineer learned that the heating system is deficient. An underground flow of 200 feet will be abandoned and a stack placed near the boilers. This will cost some money, but it is figured that the improvement will save much in the end. The lighting of schools also will receive expert examination and improvement by the consulting engineer.

Thomas A. Fry, who has taken particular interest in this situation, figures that a great saving can be accomplished by the correct use of coal.

Kentucky Woman Asks Smith for a Hubby With Money

While he protests he is no matrimonial agent, R. A. Smith, of the Union Pacific colonization department, is besieged with letters from women, mostly of the east and south, who are anxious to have him find husbands for them out here in the central west. The latest letter comes from a Mrs. Alberta Spencer, who writes from Louisville, Ky. She says: "I see in your ad for buyers for rich land that out in your country the men seem to be more numerous than the women. Have you any rich widowers or bachelors who are hunting for wives? If so, I can give you the names of several widows who want rich husbands."

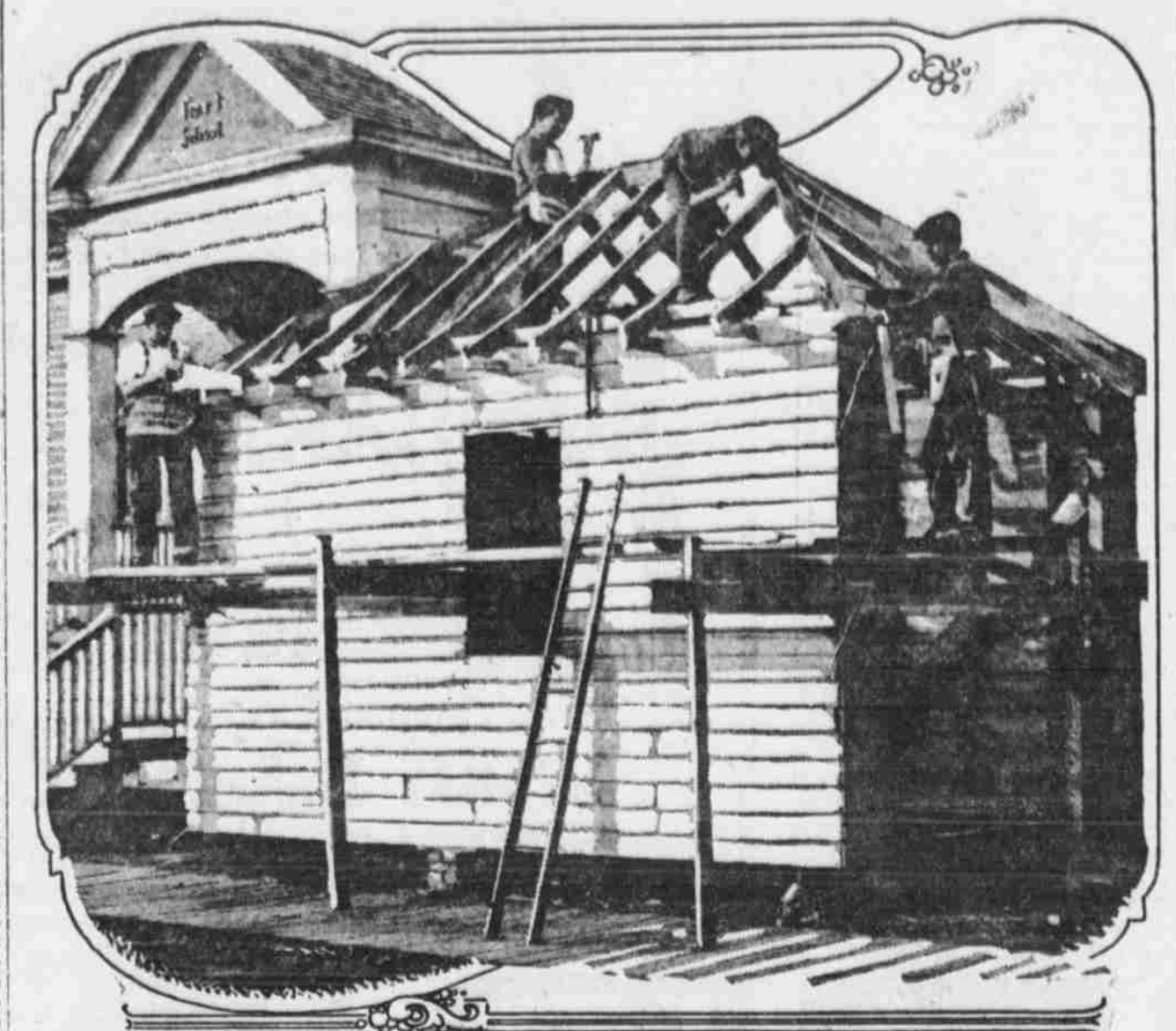
Hand Crocheted Christmas Gifts Easy to Make



By Katherine Krochet

Here are some crochet suggestions that will help you solve your Christmas problems. Any one of these attractive articles will make a very acceptable Christmas gift. The designs are all neatly and artistically worked out and each of the articles has a really useful value. The one for whom you make such a gift will prize it far beyond its actual value, just because it was the work of your own hands. I am giving you the instructions for the baby cap and you will notice that it is quite easy to make if you follow carefully the simple instructions. Material required—3 balls crocheted cotton, size 20. Ch. 5. Join. 1st R.—Ch. 2, B, t. under 5 ch. 2d R.—Dc. in ea. t. r. 3d R.—Ch. 2 (Bullion st.), thread around needle 17 times, insert needle in next dc., throw thread over needle, chain off 2 st., then 2 more, then 2 more, then draw thread through remaining over stitches, ch. off 1 st. and sp. r. 4th R.—Ch. 2, sk 1 bullion (B), 1 t. between next 2 ch. 2, 2 ch. picot in top of t., 4 ch. p. in same st., 2 ch. p. in same st., ch. 2, 1 dc. between next 2 B. sp. r. Join 4th R.—Sl. st., to top of center lp. on back

Fort School Students Putting Their New Talents to Real Practical Uses



The boys of Fort school have completed a garage which they expect to sell for the benefit of the school fund. This fund is used for the purchase of material and tools not provided by the Board of Education. The garage is the first pretentious work turned out by the carpentry department of the institution. The boys took the rough material and did all designing and finishing themselves, under the direction

of Robert Galt, with credit to themselves. These youngsters made the frames for the windows and inserted the lights. The framework is braced to make the structure extra strong. The garage is 12x16 feet and nine feet in height. The roof is hip-shaped and altogether it is a model garage. Every detail was carefully worked out. The boys feel proud of their achievement. They expect to build another

garage as soon as this one has been sold. After a while they intend to construct a small house. P. Gannon, principal of the school, watched the progress of the garage with interest. He has invited members of the Board of Education to view this splendid piece of work by the boys of Fort school. Superintendent Graff expressed pleasure when he learned the boys were such skilled workmen.

that the Kentucky woman has mercenary motives and is hunting money instead of a husband.

Two Fremont Men Wed in Montana

Fremont and Omaha friends are interested in the announcement of a double wedding ceremony performed at Miles City, Mont., November 15. Recently John F. Green and Henry Schueter, both of Fremont, left for Montana on a business trip. From there came the announcement of their marriage. Mr. Green to Miss Minnie Christiansen of Aberdeen, S. D., and Mr. Schueter to Miss E. Helen Simpson of Cleveland, O. The announcement comes as a complete surprise to the friends of the couples in this vicinity. Both couples will return and make their home in Fremont.

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OMAHA IS AFTER A PLACE ON AERO MAP

Gould Dietz, President of Aero Club, Says That Will Be Accomplished by Militia Flight.

TO ATTEMPT FLIGHT SUNDAY

Omaha and Lincoln will be prominently placed on the aero map of the country, according to President Gould Dietz of the Nebraska Aero Club, by the Nebraska National Guard aeroplane flight between the two cities Sunday and Monday. Adjutant General Phil Hall, Jr., of the militia announced, after a conference with Mr. Dietz and Captain Ralph McMillan of the aviation corps of the state militia, that the latter would positively attempt the flight if weather conditions permit. He will arrive from Lincoln about noon Sunday, plans to fly all around Omaha, if it is not too cold, and will then alight on the Field club golf links, where a crowd of Omahans will welcome him. Carrying a message from Governor Morehead to Mayor Dabman and also a package from General Hall to Gould Dietz, McMillan will seek to demonstrate the efficiency of aerial transportation in emergencies, such as might arise for the militia to handle in time of possible military activity.

Aerial Postal Routes. That the government may eventually establish an aerial postal route between Omaha and Lincoln is suggested by Gould Dietz as a possible result of the militia aeroplane's flight. Such aerial postal routes are already in operation in some parts of the country, and Postmaster J. C. Wharton of Omaha has said that he believes one will be established in Nebraska.

The militia organization expects to raise some money for aerial armory by making the flight. McMillan will take pictures of Omaha from his aeroplane, and will drop mimic bombs upon strategic points. In flying from Lincoln he will follow the Burlington railroad and stop a few minutes at Ashland.

Says Wife Believed She Was Controlled by Hostile Spirits

That his wife believed she was controlled by "spirits" which were hostile to him, was the testimony of John W. Taylor, a railway mail clerk, in a divorce suit brought against him by Addie B. Taylor.

Taylor testified that after the tornado of 1912, which struck the Taylor home, Mrs. Taylor believed she was controlled by these spirits which told her that he had purchased silk skirts and silk hose to give to other women. He also declared Mrs. Taylor said the spirits advised his resignation from the post office and that to please her he wrote out the resignation and then destroyed it. The Taylors have lived thirty years in Omaha and were married in Taumehau, August 7, 1879. Taylor is 61 years old.

WILLIAM STEVENSON DIES AT BUTTE MONT.

William Stephenson, aged 34 years, died of pneumonia in Butte, Mont., last Tuesday. His body, accompanied by his wife, will reach Omaha this afternoon and funeral services will be held tomorrow at 10 a. m. at the Hoffman funeral parlors. Mr. Stephenson was a son of James Stephenson and born in Omaha August 22, 1881. He received his education here, graduating from the Omaha High school, after which he went west, and for the last several years was engaged in mining at Mackay, Idaho.

Crude Oil Shortage Sends Gasoline Up, Says Omaha Dealer

Although gasoline is now selling for about 50 per cent more than it did last summer, retail dealers in refined oils declare that a still higher price is almost certain to prevail very soon. Prices now in Omaha are 14 to 15 cents per gallon, whereas early in the summer gasoline sold as low as 10 cents. "A raise in wholesale price of 1 cent a gallon has been made by the refiners since the last increase in the retail price," declares L. V. Nicholas, "and that wholesale increase must shortly be made up by the retailer. Within a few days at the latest gasoline prices will go up still further. C. L. Alliman, president of the Standard Oil company of Nebraska, a purely distributing company, also says that gasoline prices will probably increase again soon. "Shortage in crude oil, due to falling supply in some United States oil fields and the total cessation of the oil trade with Mexico and Russia, account for the high prices," he says. Although prices in Omaha and Nebraska are now lower than in the east and even in Texas and Oklahoma, where the crude oil is produced, they cannot remain so much longer, dealers assert. No relief is in sight, they say, from the effects of the crude oil shortage.

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CONGRESSMAN KINKAID STOPS HERE ON WAY EAST

Congressman Moses P. Kinkaid of the Sixth Nebraska district was in Omaha on his way east. He will be in Washington a week ahead of the opening of congress to look after accumulated matters of business for his constituents.

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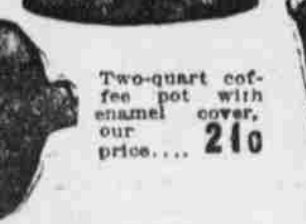
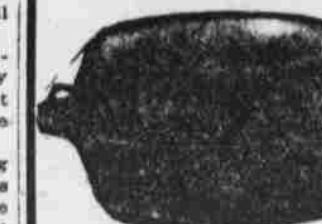
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