

BUILDING OWNERS WILL CO-OPERATE

Retiring President, Ernest Sweet, Tells of Work Accomplished During the Year.

CONTEST STANDPIPE CHARGE

At the annual meeting of the Building Owners' and Managers' association of Omaha at the Royal hotel, the outgoing president, Ernest Sweet, made an address, as follows:

"During the year a number of applications have been admitted to membership and one beloved member has passed to his final reward. Much routine work has been accomplished. A year book and roster of members has been published and given a wide distribution. Our annual banquet was given at the Fontenelle hotel on March 6, when addresses were made by Thomas H. Kimball, vice president of the American Institute of Architects, and J. H. Brandt of Chicago, president of the National Association of Building Managers. On this occasion the great architect recognized the value of the competent building manager's assistance in planning, and the famous manager explained the necessity of cooperation with a competent architect.

Better Understanding

"This event was of nation-wide importance, as it was the opening gun in a campaign for a better understanding and greater co-operation between architect and manager the country over. These addresses were subsequently printed in pamphlet form and mailed to all members of the national association.

About August 1 the manager of our municipally-owned water works added to the regular water bills an additional charge of \$3 per annum for each stand pipe that any owner might be progressive enough to have in his building, regardless of whether the said stand pipe was ever used or whether it was metered to measure any water that might be used through it. The plain unfairness of this charge can be better appreciated when attention is directed to the fact that the up-to-date owner of the well equipped and usually fireproof building would be penalized for installing apparatus which fires may be quenched in their incipient stages, thereby lessening the danger of conflagrations with their attendant losses; enormous consumption of water, higher insurance rates, and higher tax levies for additional fire fighting apparatus, affecting the modest home owner as well as the owner of large buildings. On the other hand, the owner of thousands of lower buildings not equipped with stand pipes, some of which, however, cover large areas of ground, and bring enormous rentals, although real fire hazards and in a dilapidated condition, are not asked to pay this penalty to help swell the water board's surplus, which already amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

To Contest the Charge

"The members of the association after having obtained legal advice, have withheld payment of this charge, pending further developments.

"The recent proposed expenditure of a large amount of money for a new fire alarm system should receive careful attention. The usual value and indefinite promises of lower insurance rates should be taken for what they are worth, and definite figures isolated upon, if the proposition is to be favored.

"The Omaha association has been particularly favored by having one of its members chosen for secretary of the National association, with headquarters at Omaha, while the offices of the total address at the national convention at Atlanta were given by Omaha members. The National association has been aptly styled the 'University of Co-operation', and learning in mind that the essential idea manifests itself in co-operation, it becomes necessary for effective co-operation, that we should know each other. We must not only be neighbors, but friends and intimates.

"We must, therefore, when opportunity offers, come together and familiarize ourselves with each other's process of thought in dealing with the various problems which collectively make up our life work. Co-operation should be the keynote to influence our relations with one another and inspire our thoughts and actions."

Chief of Chadron Police Is Dead

CHADRON, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special).—The funeral of James O. Hartzell, chief of police, was held Thursday at the First Christian church. James Otto Hartzell was born at Marquette, Minn., August 16, 1878, and died at Chadron, S. D., January 14. He leaves his father, Solomon Hartzell, wife, at first Mary C. Boruff, of Albany, Mo.; daughter, Mrs. Guy Romble, of Chadron; brothers, Lewis, Fran, Irwin and Robert, and two sisters, Mrs. Robert Dickson, of Los Angeles, and Mrs. John Whitstone, of Kildeser, N. D. The Elias were in charge at Greenwood cemetery. Deceased was one of the most popular men in Chadron, coming here with his father in 1894 with one of the first colonies, settling in what is now Dawson county.

THOMAS COUNTY DEMOS RECOMMEND SLATE

THURSDAY, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special).—A mass convention of democrats met at the court house here Thursday to endorse men for offices of Thomas county. A full ticket was recommended to the voters for their consideration at the primary election.

Following the regular order of business, resolutions were adopted commending the administration of President Wilson for his successful efforts in the maintenance of peace in the midst of the chaos of war on every hand, and endorsing his candidacy for re-election.

A second resolution was adopted with an emphatic protest against the efforts of anti and military politicians and of big business to force a proposition that it was believed would ultimately result in war to the great injury of every citizen interested in the country.

WOMEN'S INITIATIVE AT STOLLA

STOLLA, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special).—Arrangements were made to hold a Farmers' institute at Stella Monday, January 17. P. L. Gaska of the University farm will speak on "The Nature and Care of Our Soil" and "The Boy and the Farm." Miss Frances Wagon of Stella will speak on "Practical Hints on Home Dressmaking" and "The Efficient Kitchen."

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Leading Players in "Belive Me Xantippe"



Miss Ella Williams

Maurice Clark

UNI PLAYERS WILL SHOW TALENT HERE

Nebraska Students Will Present "Belive Me Xantippe" at the Brandeis Theater.

OMAHA BOY PLAYS THE LEAD

The University Players, composed of students of the dramatic department of the school of fine arts of the University of Nebraska, will present the four-act comedy, "Belive Me Xantippe," at the Brandeis theater, matinee and evening, January 22.

"Belive Me Xantippe" was written by Frederick Ballard of the class of 1906 of the University of Nebraska. It was written while Mr. Ballard was taking a master's course at Harvard during 1913 and was the Harvard prize play that year. It was given a professional production in New York City and on the road in the east and was quite a success. It has never been seen in Omaha.

Omaha Boy Plays Lead

Maurice Clark, an Omaha boy who graduated from the Central High school in 1912, plays the leading part in the play. He is said to be quite accomplished in the dramatic art and critics have ventured as far as to say his portrayal of

the lead in "Belive Me Xantippe" equals the work of some of the best professional actors on the American stage. Miss Ella Williams plays the lead opposite Mr. Clark. Miss Williams is a Buffalo, Wyo., girl and the only member of the cast not a resident of Nebraska. The Nebraska dramatic department is a new department and little attention was given it until a year ago. Since that time it has earned a reputation that has extended all over the country. Nebraska is the only state university in the west which makes dramatic a part of the school curriculum.

Students Are Managers

The University Players are staging the production at the Brandeis theater on their account. Harold Campbell and Maurice Clark of the east are acting as business managers and are doing the work with the co-operation of the University club and the local Nebraska alumni. Seats will go on sale at the Brandeis theater box office Monday morning.

The cast of characters and the students who portray them are as follows:

George McFarland, alias MacGinnis, a wealthy New Yorker; Maurice Clark, William, his valet; Harold Campbell, Thornton Brown, a lawyer; Ella Williams, Arthur Sole, a detective; Ladislav Kubik, Dolly Kamman, the sheriff's daughter; Wren Wislitzky, a jailer; Harold Campbell, "Buck" Kamman, a sheriff; Niel Brown, "Simp" Calloway, a bad man.

NEAR COLD WAVE HEADED THIS WAY

Thermometer is Dropping Fast and Blizzardy Conditions Prevail in the West.

SNOW AND COLDER FOR TONIGHT

Another "near cold wave" is swooping down on Omaha, according to the weather bureau. The thermometer began to drop early in the day. It registered a maximum of 9 above zero during the night and stood at 7 above at 7 a. m. By 10 a. m. it had dropped to 3 above, and still going down while the north wind blew.

"Snow and colder tonight, Sunday fair and continued cold," is the prediction of the weather bureau. North Platte had 4 below and Valentine 10 below at 7 a. m. Havre, Mont. was the coldest station in the United States, with 39 below. They're having a real hot spell up in Prince Albert, Canada. They were sweltering at a temperature of 4 below zero. That's warm for Prince Albert.

Cold Wave Coming

The cold wave has again struck the northwest and is moving in the southeast direction, according to the morning reports to the railroads. Already it is well over the lake and in Nebraska.

Friday morning, Alliance reported a temperature of 2 degrees above zero. This morning the temperature had dropped to 10 below. Numerous other points in the western and northwestern portions of the state, where Friday the temperature was above zero, this morning reported 3 to 5 below.

All through eastern and central Wyoming the temperature dropped from 9 to 10 degrees below, whereas Friday morning they were 10 to 24 above. Light snows were general over the state this morning and blizzardy conditions were the rule. Up through Wyoming and northwestern Nebraska a twenty to thirty-mile per hour wind was blowing.

BEATRICE MAN CHARGED WITH BREAKING PAROLE

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special).—Charles Githens, wanted here for breaking his parole on a forgery charge, and who was arrested at Washington, Kan., was brought back to Beatrice Friday afternoon by Sheriff Anton and lodged in the county jail. Githens passed a forged check for \$300 on Robert Harris, a merchant of Holmerville, and because his wife and children were in straitened circumstances Judge Patterson of the district court paroled him home with the agreement that he was not to leave Gage or Jefferson counties.

ACTORS AND ACTRESSES ATTEND STAGE HANDS' BALL

To raise money for the benefit of their death fund the stage employees of this city will give a ball Tuesday evening at Washington hall. As there will be a company playing at each of the Omaha theaters that night, there will be a large attendance. The advance ticket sale has been large and the boys are all looking for the time of their lives.

Don't Suffer Needlessly

An eminent physician states that fully 80% of all diseases have their origin in stomach troubles. If you suffer from dyspepsia, indigestion, bad breath, belching, soft stools, uncomfortable feeling of your stomach, unprofitable feeling of your stomach in performing the functions that nature intended. Delay often results in a rapid undermining of the entire system, resulting in the utter breaking of health. However, whenever the stomach can take care of food and properly distribute nourishment to all parts of the body, healthy conditions are sure to result. Stomach ailments should avoid harsh purgatives, which generally serve to aggravate the trouble, and promptly give TABLETS STOMACH TABLETS. Being absolutely free from harmful and habit forming ingredients and containing the best known acid neutralizer, combined with pure, soothing, strengthening and healing ingredients, scientifically combined, their action while in the system has been beneficial to any stomach sufferer. TABLETS STOMACH TABLETS are sold on a positive guarantee of satisfaction or your money refunded by all reliable druggists. If your druggist should happen to be out of them, he will gladly get them for you.—Advertisement.

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Broken Bow Man Is Charged with Deserting Family

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special).—Ed Boyer, a mason by trade, has been bound over to the next jury term of district court by County Judge Ford in the sum of \$1,000. Boyer is charged with deserting his wife and four children, having left them November 28, last. Boyer was brought here from Seward, where it is understood, he had commenced divorce proceedings against his wife.

The Board of County Supervisors met in regular session this week and reorganized for the year 1916. J. H. Phillips of Anselmo was elected to succeed himself as chairman. The present board comprises Supervisors Phillips, Dewey, Hayes, Walker, Blakeslee, Mills and Schuleringer.

Frank Jenkins, oldest son of Ray Jenkins, of this city, had his leg broken in two places by having a horse fall on him. Friends of Sheriff Wilson, who has served two terms, are circulating petitions throughout the county asking that his name be placed on the democratic ballot for a third term.

While examining the interior of the new Old Fellows' building, now in course of construction, George Kirkpatrick fell into a pit and sustained a severe fracture to the right leg. Mr. Kirkpatrick is 73 years old and a prominent farmer of the West.

Treasurer Hall is Denied Rehearing in Ridgell Fee Case

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram).—The supreme court has denied the application of State Treasurer George Hall for a rehearing in the suit brought by Fire Commissioner W. S. Ridgell to compel the state treasurer to pay warrants drawn for the payment of expenses of the commission. In the original suit the supreme court held against the state treasurer, and the latter asked for a rehearing. The court denies the application, declaring that "where a supposed act of the legislature and the constitution conflict, the constitution must be obeyed and the statute disregarded."

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