

LIGHT COMPANY WITHDRAWS OFFER

Proposed Three-Year Contract with City is No Longer an Issue with City Dads.

COMPANY GIVES ITS REASONS Says that Financial Conditions Do Not Warrant the Expenditure of Such a Large Sum at This Time.

The proposed three-year contract for lighting the city streets and calling for an increase in the number of lamps has been withdrawn by the electric lighting company.

In January the contract for street lighting expires. The withdrawal of the proposed contract leaves the question unsettled. City commissioners are undecided as to what will be done next.

Following is the letter of the electric lighting company withdrawing the proposal:

"The Omaha Electric Light and Power company desires to withdraw the proposition now before you looking to a new contract for greatly increased illumination of the city streets, and asks that you consent to such withdrawal.

Reasons for our request are: "First—Financial conditions at this time are discouraging with respect to such an investment as we would have to make in new materials, involving but little less than \$100,000.

"Second—Installation of the proposed lighting equipment in time for use during the nearly winter months (when it would be most valuable) is not practicable.

The proposed contract, had it been adopted, would have made it possible for the city council to provide a large number of additional lights for portions of the city now unlighted. It would have also increased the annual cost of street lighting.

Because the street lighting fund is exhausted and the annual appropriation is inadequate, it is probable that the legislature will be asked to strike out the charter limitation and permit a larger appropriation for street lighting purposes.

Railroaders Will Observe Birthdays With Fine Spread

In the Rock Island offices birthdays appear to be the fad at this time, Tuesday P. F. Rutherford, C. H. Hubbell and J. P. Elissner observed theirs. Today Tom Houlihan will have a birthday of his own, but he will join with his associates and Saturday night the four will give a ball, a big supper and hold a reception in the new club house at Port McConnell.

The Fort McConnell club house some weeks ago was destroyed by fire, but it has been rebuilt bigger and more artistic than the old one.

The Fort McConnell club house is on the banks of the Platte river, near Valley, and for the opening it is planned to take the members and guests out on a special train over the Union Pacific.

Wyoming Visitor is Twice Misled by One Woman's Nice Smile

Charles Norman of Cody, Wyo., who is stopping at a local lodging house, tells this story to the police. In a cafe Thursday night, a woman smiled upon him. Before the evening was over, he said, she had extracted \$30 from his pockets. "Then," he turned detective and went out Monday night to find her and turn her over to the police. Norman's memory of the face was good, but her smiles again enraptured him, and instead of calling a policeman he again capitulated. When he awoke in a strange room he says he missed \$30 more.

Belgian Relief Should Be Faster

OMAHA, Nov. 17.—To the Editor of The Bee: I notice your list in aid of the Belgians is not growing very fast. Permit me to suggest that you stir up the good people of Omaha. At this time of the year the cold winds of the North sea are always very chilling to the poor hungry people of Belgium, and it is really our duty to help them, and that live where there is peace and plenty. I see other cities are gathering in much money for them. No braver, industrious, worthy people live anywhere. If you get people here interested, they will surely help while it is so sorely needed.

ALPHEUS RESTRAINED FROM RE-ENTERING JUNK TRADE

By order of the district court, after a week of court contest, Abraham B. Alphin has been restrained from buying rubber, rags or scrap metal, other than iron or steel during the next ten years in territory west of the Mississippi river. He was formerly partner of Aaron and Sam Ferrer in the Omaha Metal and Rubber company. The Ferrers bought out Alphin, who agreed not to re-enter the junk business. The former brought suit in equity when Alphin committed an alleged breach of the contract.

FOUR HUNTERS CHARGED WITH LAW VIOLATIONS

Four hunters, charged with violation of the federal law prohibiting hunting after sunset, will be given hearings before United States Commissioner Daniel Friday. The accused are Frank Tiro, 184 North Sixteenth street; Cross Bellis, 307 South Sixth street; Robert Grayson, 111 1/2 South and Arnold Jager, a local broker. E. C. Higgins, federal inspector, will testify against the shooters.

Senor Dominquez May Be Speaker at Farmers' Congress

Senor Leticio Dominquez, former secretary of agriculture of Mexico, will possibly be one of the principal speakers at the Nebraska Farm congress to convene in Omaha December 5, 9 and 10. The management is seeking an engagement with him. He is a noted speaker on agricultural subjects, and has some interesting sidelights on Mexico and the Mexican agriculturist. It is not certain yet whether he can be had for these dates, but the officers of the congress are working on the matter.

George Copeland of Elgin, president of the congress, was in Omaha yesterday going over the plan and program of the congress with E. V. Parrish, manager of the bureau of publicity, who is looking after some of the local arrangements.

Honore Plunkett, the noted Irish landlord, who holds extensive tracts of farm land and sections of city property in Omaha and throughout America, is also likely to be here at the meeting of the congress. He attended the meeting for a day or two last year, but it is not yet quite certain whether he can get here for the meeting this year.

Dr. B. H. Hibbard, professor of rural economics of the University of Wisconsin, is to be made one of the principal speakers of the convention. He is to speak on co-operative creameries.

A. E. Sheldon, head of the legislative reference bureau at the capital in Lincoln, is to be here to address the farmers on the Torrens system of land registration, which has caused some considerable comment among farmers, as well as among real estate men and abstractors.

Little Boy Sends Pennies as Xmas Present to Poor

The first Christmas package of this year has been checked in at the Omaha postoffice. The package is addressed to the Santa Claus Association of Omaha and is from Pool, Neb. The package contains, it is judged, about \$2.00 in pennies. The card attached reads: "These pennies are sent by a little boy who when I told him that some little boys and girls did not get anything for Christmas wanted me to send these pennies to them."

The pennies have evidently been taken from some penny bank by a sympathetic youngster who wants to make his brothers and sisters happy. Postmaster Wharton, in view of the fact that no Santa Claus association exists in Omaha, has taken charge of the package and will distribute its contents, according to the laws of the Postoffice department.

Grain Receipts on Omaha Mart Light, but Prices Are Firm

Grain receipts on the Omaha market were not heavy, but prices were firm and all offerings in good demand. There were fifty cars of wheat, twenty-eight of corn and twenty of oats. Wheat prices ruled from \$1.04 to \$1.06 and corn from 50 to 6 1/2 cents per bushel.

Durum wheat continued strong and at a premium over the winter variety, the prices ranging from \$1.11 1/2 to \$1.12 1/2. There were five carloads on sale.

METCALFE AND RANGER BUY RICHMOND'S PAPER

The Omaha-Nebraskan, the weekly newspaper edited by Henry C. Richmond, has been bought by Richard L. Metcalfe and Sidney J. Ranger, an advertising man well known in Omaha.

The first issue of the paper under the new management will be December 3. In the meantime the paper will be continued under the present management.

Mr. Metcalfe will be editor and Mr. Ranger will be business manager. Henry C. Richmond will become a member of the editorial staff of the new paper, and John Foley, formerly editor of the Schuyler Nebraska Sun, and Lee Metcalfe, will also be connected with the publication.

In a statement Richard L. Metcalfe said: "The Nebraskan will be devoted to the upbuilding of Omaha and Nebraska generally. It will strive particularly to create a better feeling between the metropolis and other sections of the state. Every possible effort will be given to make it an interesting paper as well as to make it of notable service to the public interests. In politics the Nebraskan will be democratic, but it will be independent enough at all times to voice the editor's views on public questions as they arise. It will not represent any factions, but if its advice is heeded petty party quarrels will be avoided and the leadership in Nebraska will be exerted to the building up of the party into an effective instrument for the public good."

TEMPERATURES RISING IN THE NORTHWEST

All through the northwest and in Nebraska, according to reports to the railroad, the cold weather is disappearing and Indian summer conditions are returning.

Out in Nebraska there were a few points reporting 18 to 20 above, but generally the temperatures were much higher. At many of the railroad stations temperatures of 26 to 45 above zero were recorded.

When the System is all run down Time-Honored Peruna is the Remedy.

Mr. L. A. Richardson, Marine, Illinois, writes: "I have been engaged in the retail drug business here for the past forty years. During this time I have seen many patent medicines come into use, flourish for one or two years and then gradually disappear. There are very few of these remedies that possess enough real merit to insure them long life. Peruna has always been a good seller with us, with a marked increase from year to year. The change in the formula some years ago, by the addition of the slightly laxative properties, has made it a reliable remedy for constipation and for colds. If taken in table-

spoonful doses by adults it will break up the worst cold in two or three days time. I take pleasure in urging my brother druggists to recommend it for these two ailments."

A vast number of people are troubled with habitual constipation, which is likely to complicate any little ailment they may acquire. If they catch cold, constipation adds an element of difficulty. If they have an attack of the grip, their old enemy constipation may appear.

The laxative element in Peruna, together with its tonic qualities, makes it a splendid remedy in all such conditions.

Those who object to liquid medicines can now procure Peruna Tablets.

BUSY DAYS WITH MASONS Scottish Rite Branch of Fraternity Initiates Large Class.

REUNION ATTENDANCE LARGE Large Number of Visitors Are Here from Over the State and Here and All Are Pleased with Their Reception.

Tuesday was a busy day with Scottish Rite Masons at their new cathedral, Twentieth and Douglas streets. During the morning hour the class that yesterday commenced treading the burning sands in search for the higher degree of Masonry assembled at 1:30 o'clock, and with T. L. Combs presiding as wis-

master, the 300 or so novices were prepared for the fifteenth degree, the Knight of the East, the Sword of the Eagle, that was conferred at 1:30 o'clock.

In the meantime the noon hour arrived and more than 800 members of the order were served at lunch in the dining room in the basement of the cathedral. There all the diners were the guests of the local lodge. The meal was in charge of Mrs. Scott, who for years has been the official caterer at the Masonic temple.

In conferring the fifteenth degree during the afternoon, Ed L. Hoag presided as worshipful ruler, Charles Wilson, high priest; Frank Stein, Frank W. Boyer, Sagon Seriah and Charles L. Shook, Zorobabel, prince of the house of Solomon. The setting for the occasions was the Apartment of the West, Ruins at Jerusalem.

The final portion of the degree took for its setting the Apartment of the East, Court of Cyrus, the King of Babylon, with Avington A. Edgington as Cyrus, king of Persia, and Fred W. Fitch master of the palace, John R. Stein master in chancery, and T. L. Combs master of finance.

Later in the day, and the last thing before the evening session, the seventh degree, Knight of the East and West, was conferred, with Fred C. Rogers as venerable professor.

Attendance is Large. The attendance at the reunion is exceeding the fondest expectations of the members of the local lodge. Large numbers of visitors are here from Iowa and Nebraska, while the attendance from the city is enormous. Everybody is pleased with the work, the cathedral and the reception accorded them by the members of the lodge.

While the Scottish Rite Masons do not desire to appear discourteous, they have found that it is impossible to show visitors through the cathedral this week. The crowds of Masons are so great and the class seeking degrees so large that visitors who are not Masons cannot be received or even admitted to the rooms.

Probably, however, Saturday evening the cathedral will be thrown open to inspection. This is being considered, but has not been finally decided upon.

BOYD SCHOOL TO GIVE PROGRAM THURSDAY

A program will be given by the Boyd School of Expression, with the Omaha Conservatory of Fine Arts, in the Metropolitan building, 2301 Harney street, Thursday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock. The program will be as follows:

- (a) Solvent poetique.....Fitch (b) Helre Katt.....Hubay (c) Will Hetherington....."Sery" (d) In the Morning.....Anonymous (e) D. E. Dawson.....Selected (f) William Hunt.....Selected

A Play—Thank Goodness, for the Table is Spread. Produced by Miss Petty, with Misses Gaines, Hughes, McLyman and Messrs. Fadden, Koster and Mangan in the characters.

INSANE CHINAMAN PROBLEM FOR OMAHA AUTHORITIES

The problem of an alien Chinaman, or one at least not a citizen of Nebraska, alleged to be insane and now confined in jail because of his actions, has been referred to the insanity board for solution. Wong Men is supposed to be the celestial name, and he is said to have been on his way from Duluth to San Francisco, when taken into custody at the Union depot, because he insisted upon kneeling before officials and praying to them incessantly.

The authorities have reason to believe he was born in this country, and if so he cannot be deported. One suggested solution of the case is that he might be placed on a train and sent back to Duluth, for the Omaha authorities say they have no desire to take care of an insane citizen of another state.

A Bitter Tonic aids digestion. Electric Bitters will increase your appetite, help digest your food and tone up your system. 50c and \$1. All druggists.—Advertisement.

SCHOOL AGENT HERE IN BEHALF OF HIS INSTITUTE

Rev. J. W. McDaniels, financial field agent for the Enterprise Institute of Chicago, a trade training school for young colored people, is in the city in the interest of his school, formerly located at Springfield, Ill. It is one of several similar institutes conducted by and for colored people, which while teaching trades, especially emphasizes the religious aspects of education. To many Omaha people, white and colored, Mr. McDaniels will be remembered as the conductor of an entertainment years ago in the old Kountze Memorial church at Sixteenth and Harney streets, when he took a number of children to his school.

Smoke Nuisance is Brought to Notice of Commissioners

"Arrest the engineers." This is City Commissioner J. J. Ryder's suggestion of a solution of the "smoke nuisance."

"Now, arrest the mayor and the smoke inspector," said City Commissioner Dan B. Butler.

But it is probable that neither of these courses will be followed, but the smoke inspector will be again urged to "enforce the ordinance."

Complaint of the smoke nuisance from the Colonial apartments have been made to the city council by the Coad Realty company.

Several complaints against the "smoke nuisance" in numerous public buildings, manufacturing plants and other establishments have been made to the city council.

The smoke inspector is still under orders to "clean up."

Bowes Asks Heavy Damages of Crane & Tuttle, Lawyers

A suit for \$50,000 for damages alleged to have accrued to the good name and standing of Harrison H. Bowes as a citizen and attorney are asked in a suit just filed in district court against J. Harry Tuttle and Thomas D. Crane. Bowes alleges that although he has practiced law here for thirty-four years, the defendants filed suit against him, one as guardian and the other as guardian's attorney for Theodore Gallagher, an incompetent, and that they alleged in their petition against him that he had been guilty of fraud and forgery in connection with a will made by Gallagher. He says he is not guilty of the fraud alleged against him, but that the allegations have damaged his reputation to the extent of \$50,000.

Special Train to Nebraska-Iowa Game

The Rock Island has completed arrangements for running a special train to Iowa City for the Nebraska-Iowa football game to be played there Saturday afternoon.

The Rock Island will handle the football team to and from Iowa City. The members will go over Friday. The special will start from Lincoln, but additional cars, both day coaches and sleepers, will be attached here for the Omaha people. The train will leave Omaha at 11:30 P.M. Friday night and reach Iowa City at 7:30 Saturday morning. Returning it will leave Iowa City at 10 o'clock Saturday night and reach Omaha at 6 Sunday morning. Both ways it will run without stops, except for coal and water.

ANIMAL OWNERS MUST FIX BARN FOR THE WINTER

Hans Nelsen, humane officer, states that all citizens who have not fixed up the sheds and barns which house their animals and have not provided blankets for their horses by next week, will receive an official visit from him. Hans now that cold weather is coming on, intends to make a house to house canvass to see that all animals are cared for in a proper manner.

GRANT HAMILTON SPEAKS AT LABOR TEMPLE FRIDAY

Grant Hamilton, member of the legislative committee of the American Federation of Labor, will speak Friday night at the Central Labor union meeting at Labor Temple on the history of events leading up to the adoption of the political policy of the federation, the election of the labor group in congress and legislation secured as a result of the policy.

CIGAR MEN OF STATE HERE TO FORM AN ORGANIZATION

Cigar manufacturers from various parts of the state are gathering at the Hotel Rome with a view to forming a cigar manufacturers' association. There is some talk of forming an association which shall be affiliated with the State Manufacturers' association, which is to meet in convention in Omaha beginning today for a three days' session.

New Grain Tariff is Postponed When Grain Men Protest

On protests filed by grain exchanges and boards of trade in central grain territory, the railroads are advised that the Interstate Commerce commission has suspended the grain tariff proposed to become effective to gulf and Atlantic ports December 1.

The tariff as proposed would have increased the freight charges 1 cent per 100 pounds from Omaha and all other grain markets. The hearing before the commission is set for some date in March, to be announced later. In the meantime the roads will operate under the old tariff.

Railroad officials assert that at the time of publishing the proposed tariff, October 28, the understandings with the grain men was that if the advance was uniform from all markets, there would be no protest. Grain men assert that there was no reason for the belief, and that they never intimated that they would not protest the proposed increase.

SOUTH OMAHA LAD MAY DIE FROM HIS INJURIES

Walter Korisko, 19-year-old son of Alois Korisko, South Omaha undertaker, will die as the result of the injuries sustained Sunday afternoon when a Ralston east-bound car ran into his buggy at Thirty-sixth and Q streets. Korisko and his father were directing a funeral, when the Ralston car came down the hill, striking the buggy in which the two were seated. Young Korisko suffered a fracture of the ribs and injuries to his head.

Advertisement for Chesterfield Overcoats. Includes text: JOHN A. SWANSON, Pres. The Nebraska WM. L. HOLZMAN, Treas. SECOND ANNIVERSARY SALE. Gentlemen, Your Opportunity! We announce for Wednesday A Most Extraordinary Sale Of America's Finest Silk and Satin Lined Chesterfield Overcoats. Lists prices for various styles: \$60.00, \$50.00, \$40.00, \$35.00, \$30.00, \$25.00, \$30.00, \$25.00, \$20.00, \$15.00, \$7.50, \$5.00.

Advertisement for Thomas Kilpatrick & Co.'s Two-Hour Sale. Includes text: We Will Be the Judges! You Will Be the Jury! We are conducting a series of experiments—Testing Out the Value of the Public Press—Trying Out the Value of Window Display. Thomas Kilpatrick & Co.'s Two-Hour Sale Wednesday Should Attract Hundreds of the Readers of this Paper. We displayed in one of our windows on Saturday a big assortment of ALL SILK CREPES—plain brocaded, printed and woven. With them a lot of the FOULARDS made by America's best maker. Goods measured from 40 to 44 inches wide. Sale is on today. Tonight we will know the value of a window AS A PULLER. Now Let's See What Publicity Will Do! Wednesday Morning at 10 o'Clock we will offer for Two Hours a lot of similar goods, priced previously at \$1.95 and \$2.25, from 10 till 12 noon 98c Per Yard WONDERFUL VALUE At the Same Time... About 10 pieces of all wool MELROSE, 56 inches wide. One of the very late fabrics. Colors—navy, Copenhagen, plum, wine, brown, tan, wisteria, black—for 2 hours only. 98 Cents a yard up to time of sale—and after this sale is over priced at \$1.75 a yard. We Will Publish the Verdict in Due Course Now Let Us See What We Will Sell. The Ad Club's recent manifesto is a sort of Magna Charta. In other words a great charter, a document which if lived up to will mean freedom of the press from all the sinister evils of big business institutions, with their faking, falsehood and fraud—and freedom of the people from the seductive wiles of the circus merchant. Keep it up Ad Men—more power to your elbow, your pen, your purse and your voice. Looks as if we were going to get a little winter, don't it? Thomas Kilpatrick & Co.