

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Disney Watches at Edholm's. Have Foot Print in—Now Grand Press Electric Fans—Burgess-Reason Co.—Today's Complete Movie Program—classified section today, and appear in the various moving picture theaters offer.

RAIN AND SNOW SOAKING STATE

Twelve Inches in Some Places Help the Growing Crops—Hard on Live Stock.

SHORN SHEEP ARE SUFFERING

There is no let up in sight yet, according to the local weather bureau.

"Rain probably today, with continued cool and unsettled conditions," is the forecast.

It was somewhat warmer in Omaha Wednesday than it was Tuesday, 39 being the lowest temperature registered.

Colonel Welsh said it might snow in Omaha during the next twenty-four hours, but if it does, it will be only slight flurries.

Ground Thoroughly Soaked. Reports received by the Union Pacific, Burlington, Northwestern and Rock Island railroad offices, indicate that the storm that set in Tuesday, continued all Tuesday night and well into Wednesday.

Having been general over the whole of Nebraska, Kansas, most of South Dakota, Wyoming, Colorado, and well over into Iowa, soaking the ground thoroughly with rain and melting snow.

According to the railroad reports, generally through Wyoming, Colorado and western Nebraska, today the weather is clearing and temperatures rising.

The rainfall of the last twenty-four hours was the heaviest of the season and, according to data kept at railroad headquarters, it was the heaviest snowfall ever known this late in May.

To Help the Crops. Railroad officials who have made a study of crop conditions assert that the rain and snow will be beneficial to wheat and that wherever the temperatures were low enough so that snow fell, the Russian flies and chinch bugs will be killed.

It is conceded that in western Nebraska, Colorado and Wyoming, where heavy snow fell, sheep losses will be very heavy.

With native cattle, it is not thought that the storm will cause any losses, but with cattle shipped in from Texas and other southern sections, it is believed that many will be chilled to death on account of not having become acclimated.

While clearing weather is reported at many western Nebraska points, especially in the southern half of the state, snow continues to fall in the northwest.

For instance, at Alliance, the Burlington report reported rain all Tuesday. It turned into snow during the night and covered the ground to a depth of ten inches, and the storm continued unabated.

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Along the Northwestern reports to headquarters showed four to six inches of snow over the entire system from Long Pine, Neb., to Lander, Wyo., it generally having been preceded by a heavy rain of twelve to fifteen hours' duration.

Through the southern portion of South Dakota similar conditions maintained, with much heavier snow in the Black Hills and over the country to the north.

Heavy Rains in Dakotas. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 19.—(Special Telegram)—Heavy rains, which appear to be general throughout South Dakota, clear into the Hills region, commenced falling today and are continuing tonight, with the prospect of not abating before tomorrow.

No Frost at Cambridge. CAMBRIDGE, Neb., May 19.—(Special Telegram)—Two inches and a half of rain has fallen here in two days. Temperature has fallen, but there has been no snow or frost.

HAMILTON GETS ENOUGH OF FAVORITE COLOR FOR ONCE

Red has always been the favorite color of E. O. Hamilton, president of the Omaha Building Owners' and Managers' association.

The court refused to interfere with the position of city firemen, in which William Bowes was installed by Mayor Nathan and his two aides, on May 5, holding that it is not an official position, but is merely "a job."

PROMINENT MEN ASK FOR STAY OF EXECUTION

John O. Yelzer Tuesday circulated a petition to be telegraphed to the governor of Arizona, asking for a stay in execution of the death penalty for two years for five who were sentenced for execution.

John C. Cowin, G. D. Meiklejohn, G. M. Hitchcock, G. D. Lebeck, Norris Brown, James C. Delman, Benjamin S. Baker, Mayor, J. H. Millard, John J. Sullivan, Victor Rosewater, Frank M. Bristol, John M. Thurston, A. L. Burton, Joseph Polcar, "Spring L. Kennedy."

Get Rid of "Spring Fever." A lazy liver and sluggish bowels will overcome any ambitious and energetic man or woman and make them feel all tired out, dull, stupid and lifeless.

Get Your PIANO At Hospe's

ALEXANDER SLIPS. The St. Louis American club has released Catcher Walter Alexander—who was farmed out to Oakland last season—to the Kansas City club of the American association.

JOHN BASSETT MOORE, formerly American counsellor of state, presiding at the opening of the Mohonk conference.



Should the Other Counties Send the Poor Families Here?

Small Douglas county, the only county in Nebraska enforcing the mothers' pension law, pay pensions to families who come to Omaha because they are unable to get assistance in their home counties, and further deplete an already exhausted general fund.

This question was put to the county board by Juvenile Judge Sears in connection with a case of a family of a mother and four young children, who are admitted to be worthy applicants for aid.

The Associated Charities is urging Judge Sears to grant a pension to the family which came from Plattsmouth, in Cass county, after a residence there of twenty-five years.

If Judge Sears grants the pension he will be assisting the "get a pension in Omaha" movement in which the other counties in the state are joyfully boosting by sending their poor persons here.

Omaha Real Estate Men Raise Big Sum

It was announced that the sum of \$1,000 had been raised by a special committee for the entertainment of delegates to the national convention of real estate exchange at Los Angeles when they pass through Omaha.

25c Cotton Suitings, 5c

16 1/2c Blea. Twills, 11 1/2c

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15c Wash Goods, 7 1/2c

1.00 Hand Bags, 59c

50c to \$1 Belts, at 10c

Jewelry to 50c, for 5c

Palm Olive Soap, 5c

35c Brooms at 19c

85c Clothes Baskets, 59c

29c White Aprons, 15c

50c Fancy Silks, 25c

25c Bordered Scrim, 15c

1.48 Untrimmed Hats 50c

DENTISTS ATTEND SPECIAL CLINICS

Specialists Conduct Sessions for Nebraska State Dental Association in Convention.

ELECT OFFICERS LAST NIGHT

An extraordinary array of the celebrated specialists in dental surgery is gathered at the annual meeting of the Nebraska State Dental society, now holding its sessions in the Fontenelle hotel and its clinics and exhibits in Creighton Dental college.

"Our program this year is by far the finest we have ever had," said H. J. Porter, secretary and superintendent of district societies.

"The expense of bringing the specialists here to hold clinics and give lectures will in itself amount to upward of \$1,500.

"These big features are attracting a large attendance and delegates are still arriving. The attendance won't reach its maximum until Thursday, when there probably will be 300 here.

"The attendance is well distributed from all over the state, even to the extreme western border.

Many Women Attend. One thing that dentists notice is the increasing numbers of the fair sex who are entering the profession.

Dr. W. T. Roseman of Fremont attended some of the sessions. He is nearly 80 years old and the oldest practicing dentist in this state.

May the Month for Colds. Haden your system with Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It kills the cold germ. Cures the cough. Only 25c. All druggists. Advertisement.

Apartment, flats, houses and cottages can be rented quickly and cheaply by a Bee "For Rent" Ad.

COURT ORDER STOPS CUT IN LIGHT RATE

Judge T. C. Munger Issues Restraining Order on Application of Light Company.

GIVES COST OF THE PLANT

Suit was filed yesterday in the local division of the federal court by the Omaha Electric Light & Power company against the city of Omaha to stop the city from putting into effect the recently enacted ordinance, No. 8810, which is the ordinance for the much-talked-of lower electric light and power rates in Omaha.

Federal Judge T. C. Munger has granted the plaintiff an order restraining the city from putting the ordinance into operation, May 19 is the date when the new rates would have become effective.

Judge Munger set May 27 at 10 a. m. for the hearing on the application for a temporary injunction.

Company States Its Cost. The plaintiff company in its petition sets forth a number of facts and figures regarding cost, profits, etc. The cash cost of the entire property up to the end of last year is stated to be \$3,244,414.

The plaintiff company declares that if the proposed rates had been in effect last year it would have resulted in a loss of \$188,415 revenue to the company and would have left only \$1,107,103.13, which would have been a return of less than 5 per cent on the valuation set on the property for taxation purposes.

The company's capital is \$3,700,000. It has bonds outstanding amounting to \$2,100,000 and other interest bearing obligations of \$200,000. It owns an equity of \$500,000 in the plant in Council Bluffs.

The action of the company is not combative; it is an appeal for reason. We had promised a material reduction in rates and were prepared to make that promise effective when the now-enacted ordinance was enacted.

"We believe in the regulation of public utilities (for many years I have advocated regulation), but such an ordinance as the one in question is devoid of the spirit of regulation; it proposes confiscation and creates costly, time-wasting and deplorable litigation.

"Our company will, however, try to arrange matters that its customers will not suffer loss through any action which has been or may not be taken by the public authorities."

POSTOFFICE EMPLOYEES FORM "ANTELOPE" CLUB

A large number of the clerks and carriers are planning on forming a booster club to be named the Royal Order of Antelope Nebraska.

This organization will be social in character and is not in any way connected with the Letter Carriers' association or the Postoffice Clerks' association.

On Saturday night at the Rome hotel there will be held a smoker and stag party open to all employees of the post-office.

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY. "EVERYBODY'S STORE". Store Hours: 8:30 A. M. to 6 P. M. Saturday Till 9 P. M. Thursday, May 20, 1915. A Budget of "Specials" in the Basement Thursday. That are of more than ordinary importance. These as guide posts to real ECONOMY.