

PUBLIC SCHOOL \$200,000 DEFICIT

Question Confronts Board of Education—Bond Issue or Policy of Retrenchment?

WHAT DO THE TAXPAYERS SAY?

What to do about its inherited deficit of approximately \$200,000 is one of the big questions perplexing the reorganized Board of Education.

That the board is keenly alive to it was indicated by President C. J. Ernst, who, after remarking in his "inaugural" address that the board was faced at the outset with such a deficit, said:

"We must endeavor to do our full duty to the children of our city and their parents; likewise to the employes of the board and to the taxpayers. And it will be no easy task to reconcile and adjust without fear, favor or prejudice all the conflicting propositions we will have to act upon."

Members of the board see two alternatives available in attacking this deficit. One is to vote bonds and with it to vote the other to retrench by cutting salaries or the upkeep of the schools, or both.

Which do the people prefer?

Early Relief in Bonds.

Admittedly, the bond issue would afford early relief and, it is pointed out by those favoring it, clear the decks for further advance along necessary lines. Retrenchment is said to be possible only at the risk of inefficiency.

There is no general complaint of extravagance in the conduct of Omaha's public school system. Salaries are wide to standards of other cities of this class, but they have only been so for two or three years. Previous to that they were below grade. It is regarded as extremely doubtful if the patrons of the schools would wish them again reduced.

The physical condition of the schools is also good, although more room is needed in certain places. It requires regular attention and expense, however, to maintain a good physical condition.

Someone has said that the upkeep cost might be cut, that is, instead of having \$30,000 worth of improvements and repairs made each year, restrict them to \$10,000. At that rate for five years the \$200,000 deficit would vanish.

In answer to this statement is made that sooner or later, not only the deferred improvements, but others in consequence of the delay would be required, so that at the end of five years the accumulated repairs might cost more than to have kept up with current needs.

Bulldog Keeps an Intruder at Bay Till Owner Comes

When the bartender at Walt Leming's saloon, 1215 Douglas street, opened the establishment for the day, he discovered that "Butch," the proprietor's big white fighting bulldog, had cornered an intruder who had gained entrance through one of the rear windows.

The man had taken refuge on top of the icebox, where he had crawled from the top of the bar. "Butch," with a far-away look in his eyes, was calmly seated at the foot of the refrigerator.

Leaving the dog to guard the fellow, the bartender opened the front door and stepped out to secure the services of the officer on the beat. His search took him to the corner and in the meanwhile Leming himself came through the back door. At the sight of him "Butch" forgot the intruder and dashed toward his master. As Leming was playing with the dog the icebox gentleman leaped to the floor and ran out the front door, where he made his getaway in short order.

Upon the return of the bartender, Leming was made aware of the fact and cursed his luck that the man had escaped.

"Although there was no cash in the register there are fifty-eight silver dollars set in the floor of the place and the only ralling which could easily be detached, is worth over \$60," remarked Leming. Anyway, "Butch," is some watchdog and received a good portion of "free" lunch for his prowess.

SOMETHING MUST BE DONE FOR KIDS

Mrs. Paul Getschman Urges Children Be Protected from Temptations with Playgrounds.

BIG HELP FOR THE YOUNGSTERS

Mrs. Paul Getschman, member of the Social Service board, says that it is more evident every day that something must be done for the children of Omaha in the way of playgrounds and to protect children against cheap dance halls and pool halls. In this regard Mrs. Getschman says:

"In the annual report of our city's condition, as published recently in the Bee, I notice an improvement of rather serious nature in all lines pertaining to business, but nowhere did I find even a mention of what is being done for the city's children. In other words, what should receive the greatest care, the best of attention, seems entirely neglected.

"Is our standing to be measured only by our bank clearings, the number of twenty-story buildings, the miles of paved streets? Or should we not rather remember that our greatest wealth is our children—unless I am wrong when I say that no parent would be willing to sell his child at any price. Yet these same parents who interest themselves in the improvement of the city's affairs, its building laws, water rates, etc., stand idly by as far as the conditions of child life are concerned.

Needs More Than Watching.

"It is not enough that the child receives careful attention at home, that his body and mind be trained in the right direction. Home influence counts for a great deal, but not for all. When the child goes to school, when it begins to seek outside entertainment, it will invariably follow a leader, someone who will appear to him as a hero, admirer and imitated, and that someone is usually not the sort of a companion the parent would choose.

"The school hours in this country are so short that the children have a great deal of time to themselves, therefore care should be taken that this time can be spent in wholesome surroundings. At present most of the playing has to be done on the streets and in the alleys, with results as is reported in the following statistics. In 1905 there were 108 cases handled in the juvenile court; in 1914 this number increased to 602, and 943 cases were handled by juvenile officials but settled out of court. How many more offenses were committed which did not come to the knowledge of the authorities cannot be ascertained.

Disclosures Are Startling.

"During the two years that I have served on the Social Service board, I have made some thorough investigations, with startling disclosures. These, with recommendations, are reported to the proper authorities, but it seems as if even they, without public sentiment backing them, are powerless to remedy conditions; in fact, I was told as much. I therefore appeal to parents to demand juvenile protection, in the nature of establishing well conducted playgrounds, keeping children away from the cheap dance halls and similar amusements, observing the curfew law, and like regulations for the benefit of the young. Make the officials take note of the child before it becomes a criminal, and make such provisions as will effectually prevent this."

Citizens to Hold Neutrality Mass Meeting Friday

For the citizens' mass meeting, to be held Friday evening at the city hall, to consider the neutrality of the United States in connection with the European war, a large committee has been secured to draft and present resolutions.

These men have consented to serve on the committee: Ex-Senator Norris Brown, Attorney Byron G. Burbank, Arthur Walsley of the Board of Education, Dr. Frederick Cohn of Temple Israel, President Henry Haubens of the Lion Bonding company, Attorney Arthur Miller, Dr. A. F. Jones, Rev. Thomas J. Mackay, rector of All Saints' church, Dr. F. A. Redback, Attorney T. B. Murray and Rev. Frank L. Haller of the state university.

A number of prominent speakers of Omaha and the state have been announced. The call for the meeting resulted from a conference of natives of the various warring factions, who met recently, following the introduction of the Hitchcock bill for the prevention of exportation of arms and munitions of war.

BUSINESS MEN ASK FUNDS FOR CHARITY

Three Committees of Prominent Omahans Start Three Days Campaign for Money for Poor.

TEN THOUSAND IS EXPECTED

Bright and early yesterday three committees of prominent business men began a canvass of the city to raise funds for the year's work of the Associated Charities.

E. W. Dixon, president of the Associated Charities and of the Orchard & Wilhelm company; Harry Doory of the World Publishing company, and W. Farnam Smith, real estate man, comprised the committee that will canvass the retail district.

Charles T. Kountze of the First National bank, Frank W. Johnson, governor of Ak-Sar-Ben and president of the Midland Glass and Paint company, and Charles C. George, president of George

& Co., made up the committee to visit the wholesale district.

The third committee, which will cover the office buildings and general interests, was made up of Charles F. Junod, chairman of the finance committee of the Associated Charities and general agent for Nebraska of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance company; Dr. Ira W. Porter, sovereign physician of the Woodmen of the World, and Robert Burns, treasurer of the Associated Charities and local investment broker.

The three committees will report at the University club each day for luncheon, again in the evening, and will also start out from there each morning. Progress in their campaign for funds for the exclusive and helpful work of the Associated Charities will be reported from day to day. It is expected that at least \$30,000 will be raised for the year's work of the organization, which is the leading charitable association in Omaha and the hub around which others are conducted.

VOGEL DISCHARGED IN POLICE COURT

L. N. Vogel, 141 North Twenty-third street, who, while driving an auto, collided with a hobo at Twenty-fifth and Hamilton streets on January 1 and

seriously injured two small boys, was discharged in police court.

Numerous witnesses testified in Vogel's behalf, declaring he did all possible to avoid the collision and help the boys after the accident.

No More Piles

Simple Home Remedy Easily Applied Gives Quick Relief—and Costs Nothing to Try.



Pyramid Pile Remedy gives quick relief, stops itching, bleeding or protruding piles, hemorrhoids and all rectal troubles in the privacy of your own home. 50c a box at all druggists. A single box often cures. Free sample for trial with booklet, mailed free, in plain wrapper, on request to Pyramid Drug Co., 416 Pyramid Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

Tipperary Turban and Belgian Hats Are Latest Note

"Nothing but fabric hats and satin hats for early spring wear. This is the ultimatum delivered by D. B. Amundsen, buyer for the Brandels millinery department, who has just returned from eastern markets. Ottoman cord is 'le dernier cri' in materials, being slightly wider and heavier ribbed than the Ben-galine cord, which has waned in popularity.

"The war note is still uppermost in millinery styles. The Belgian 'foraging cap' is the inspiration for most of the styles, which are all small. Tipperary turbans and Chin-chin hats are still good and the Lady Duff-Gordon sailor is the only sailor to be worn."

The newest notes comes in the voluminous veils hanging, way past the shoulder, which will be worn very much with the new turbans.

"Band" and the new "bathsheep gray," which was introduced at the eleventh hour, are battling for supremacy, but both are very good and are especially adaptable to be combined with bright colors. Frois, especially grapes and cherries, are looking up very popularly.

Avon tones, bright orange, tints of red and purple also promise to be very good this season, according to Mr. Amundsen.

South Side is Much Aroused by Series of Loud Explosions

If it had taken place in England there would have been a sudden call for the home guard, a fleet of darting planes would have swept skyward, the unopened cans would have commenced to streak the night with flashes of flame, and Arnold Bennett would have taken his pen in hand to dash off a few lurid adjectives at the nation's foes.

But in reality it happened at Tenth and Pierce streets, so results were not so spectacular. With a mighty roar successive explosions that blended in one, shattered the morning silence, then a number of metal plates crashed to the ground.

A "spirited" pedestrian slid down a flight of basement stairs, a milkman dropped a bottle of pasteurized milk and expostulated, a railroad engineer gave a nervous yank at the bell rope and a resident telephoned for the police.

The patrol dashed up and emitted a score of men with drawn clubs, who found that five manhole covers had been blown into the air, presumably by gas. No one was injured and no damage was done.

St. Barnabas Vestry Buys Site for New Church to Be Built

The vestry of St. Barnabas' Episcopal church has purchased the southeast corner of Fortieth and Davenport streets as a site for a new church. At a meeting of the parish Tuesday evening the action was announced.

It is planned to erect a temporary house of worship on the new property this year. As soon as the parish gains in membership and a sufficient building fund is secured a large, permanent edifice will be built. Says Father John Williams, rector emeritus of the parish, Rev. L. A. Holmgren is now rector, and ever since he came here last fall the parishioners have been planning to move from Nineteenth and California, where they have been for more than thirty years.

The old property, including a large lot, the church and rectory, will be put on the market. It has been the sentiment for some time that the place of worship should be moved farther into the residence district.

A consideration of \$7,000 is said to have passed for the new site.

Kind-Hearted Folks Find Job for Martin

Clarence Martin, husband of the young mother found at a clock Tuesday morning by the police, will have a job. Joseph Davis, 324 Jones street, and Cadet Taylor, collector of customs, both read the story published in The Bee's Bee, and set out to help the little family. They communicated with Police Officer George Emery, who has been devoting his spare time to the trio, with the result that Martin is to have a job as a machinist's helper.

Over a score of others who refused to give their names offered to give temporary assistance, and these were at once referred to Martin himself, who is still living at 233 California street.

Special Tax Levy Next July to Pay Jail Feeding Bill

A special levy of probably one-eighth mill will be made by the Board of County Commissioners next July to pay Sheriff McShane's jail feeding bills under the new 25-cent per day rate agreed upon by the board and the sheriff, according to a plan made by Commissioners Best, McDonald, Hartz and O'Connor. To avoid a heavy draft on the already overworked general fund is the object of the arrangement.

In order to make a special levy legal by securing a judgment against the county and in accordance with a previous understanding with the board members, Sheriff McShane has filed and appeal from the board's recent action allowing him \$27,782.25 of his \$23,227.17 claims. A judgment will be secured for the former amount. A special levy to pay the judgment will then be legal.

Suits or earlier claims started by the sheriff, while the test case tried in supreme court was still pending, also will be disposed of by judgments according to the new rate and payment by special tax levy.

Be Pretty! Turn Gray Hair Dark

Look young! Nobody can tell if you use Grandmother's simple recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back that natural color and luster to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also cures dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any drug store for "Wreth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get a large bottle of this famous old recipe for about 30 cents.

Don't stay gray! Try Wreth's. It is possible that you've darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy.

Rotarians Report \$2,100 Benefit for Charity from Ball

The features of the Rotary club noon-day luncheon was a discussion of the question whether the limitation to membership of one representative to any line of business or profession should be maintained or modified for the purpose of expansion. But the views elicited were almost one way—in favor of keeping to the original plan and holding the bars up.

For the Pavia's charity ball committee, Chairman Dan Baum reported net proceeds to be \$2,100, for which vouchers were being drawn to distribute the money to the different local charities. As but 30 per cent of those who had bought tickets had indicated their preference, the allotment of the rest is made by the committee. The expenses over and above the guaranty to the Pavia's company had been held down a trifle over \$90.

The club voted to send Superintendent Graff as its representative to a Rotary meeting in Wichita next week, and adopted unanimously a resolution to the memory of its former president, F. I. Kilick.

Baranek Gives More Books to Library

S. Baranek of Baranek & Son, at whose drug store at Sixteenth and William streets the Bohemian deposit edition of the public library is maintained, has made a second donation of books in the Bohemian language to the institution. They will be circulated free from his store. Altogether he has given several hundred volumes to the public library.

MEMORAH CHARTERED BY THE NATIONAL SOCIETY

Jacques Rieur, local representative of the convention of the Intercollegiate Menorah society, held in Cincinnati last week, gave his report to the members of the Menorah society at their meeting Tuesday evening at the Russian synagogue.

He reported the receipt of a charter from the national society. Mr. Rieur, who was elected a member of the national Menorah council, announced that many prominent Jewish speakers will be obtained to address the society in the next few weeks.

Bad Cold? Get Relief At Once Without Quinine

You can end gripe and break up a severe cold either in head, chest, body or limbs, by taking a dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" every two hours until three doses are taken.

It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and muffled! Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only 25 cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine.

NEUMATISM CONQUERED

I say that I can conquer neumatism with a simple home treatment, without electrical treatment, without wearing bands, or to fast any other of the usual treatments recommended for the cure of neumatism.

Don't shut your eyes and say "impossible," but put me to the test.

If you have tried everything you ever heard of, and you still have neumatism, when I see you, I will write you more fully, and will show you the simple home treatment, which cures neumatism, and should also relieve the eyes, the throat and give great benefit to all other troubles and help the general health.

This special offer will not be held open indefinitely. It will be necessary for you to make your application with a soon as this discovery becomes better known I shall close sending free treatments and shall have a large number of this discovery which will be in proportion to the great value. So take advantage of this offer before it is too late. Remember the low cost, you are actually making F. H. DeLano, 18-W DeLano Bldg., Syracuse, N. Y.

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January Clearance Prices that mean Big Reductions Without Quality Sacrificed

Thousands of beautiful garments at half and even more than half reduction from former prices.

One lot of beautiful dresses in the most popular fabrics, colorings and designs, for street and evening wear, made to sell to \$25.00, choice..... \$7.95

All Other Gowns and Dresses at Half Price.

Pretty Marabou Scarfs—Made to sell at \$4.00 and \$5.00, will be closed out Thursday, while the last, at choice..... \$1.00

Silk Underskirts—Made to sell at \$3.00 to \$4.00, good colors, at..... \$1.50

Long Crepe Kimonos—That sold regularly at \$2.50 and \$3.00, at..... \$1.50

HAYDEN'S

The Most Marvelous Values and Assortments in Women's Ready-to-Wear Apparel We've Ever Shown in January Clearance



Rare Opportunities for Saving on Merchandise You Want Right Now

Although prices are so surprisingly low, you'll find our high standard of quality unquestionably maintained.

One Lot of Nobby WINTER COAT STYLES—Popular fabrics and colorings, that sold at \$15.00 and \$18.00, on sale, to close, at..... \$5.00

25 Fur Coats—That sold to \$50.00, in Russian pony and Sable Coney, your choice of the lot, \$19.50

All the Cloth Coats—That sold at \$25.00, \$30.00 and \$35.00, Thursday, in one big lot, your choice, at, each..... \$12.50

Plush and Velvet Coats not included. One Lot of Sealette Plush and Satin Skin Coats—To close..... \$10.00

All Fur Coats, Fur Sets, Fur Scarfs and Muffs at Half Price

In Domestic Room Women's Flannellette Kimonos full length, all sizes and good colors, on sale, Thursday, at choice..... 35c

In Domestic Room Wool Dress Skirts, made to sell to \$2.00, sweaters, caplin and novelties, most wanted styles..... \$1.98

In Domestic Room Gingham Bungalow Aprons, with caps and petticoats to match, 3 pieces, 95c value, Thursday..... 50c

Our Great January Embroidery Clearance Begins Thursday

All kinds of Embroideries, Swiss, Nainsook, Organdie, Cambric, etc. Matched sets and Broken sets, insertings, edges, flouncings, robes, corset covers, beadings, galoons; regular 50c to \$3.00 a yard values, at 2 1/2c, 3 1/4c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 19c, 29c, 39c, 49c, 59c, 79c, 95c, \$1.29, \$1.49 a yard.

The Greatest Value Giving Embroidery Sale of the Season. See Windows.

You'll Fall for These Nobby Hats at Once

They're made of silk and satin in all colors and are suitable for immediate wear. Trimmed, \$4.98 to \$15.00

THE NEW TIPPERARY SAILORS

They're all the go in the east and are destined to become very popular here. Untrimmed, \$1.98 to \$3.98

Sheets, Pillow Cases, Bed Spreads

Greatly Underpriced—Linen Department Center Room

All our high grade \$1.25 Sheets at this sale, each..... \$1.00

All our high grade \$1.00 Sheets at this sale, each..... 79c

All our high grade 89c Sheets at this sale, each..... 69c

All our high grade 79c Sheets at this sale, each..... 50c

All our high grade sheets, usual 50c values, sale price, each..... 39c

Bed Spreads, sold up to \$7.50 and \$10.00 each, at this sale, each..... \$5.00

Bed Spreads, sold up to \$5.00 and \$6.50 each, at this sale, each..... \$3.50

Bed Spreads, sold up to \$3.50 each, at this sale, each..... \$1.98

Bed Spreads, sold up to \$2.50 each, at this sale, each..... \$1.25

Pillow Cases, usually sold at 29c, sale price, each..... 19c

Pillow Cases, usually sold at 22 1/2c, sale price, each..... 15c

Pillow Cases, usually sold at 19c, sale price, each..... 10c

In Our Famous Domestic Room—January Clearance Sale of White Goods Continued Thursday

25c India Linon and Persian Lawn..... 18c

19c India Linon and Persian Lawn..... 15c

15c India Linon and Persian Lawn..... 10c

10c India Linon and Persian Lawn..... 7 1/2c

12 1/2c 36-inch Nainsook, for underwear..... 5c

18c large bleached Turkish Towels..... 15c

15c large bleached Turkish Towels..... 11c

10c large bleached Turkish Towels..... 7 1/2c

We have a full line of Long cloths, at 7 1/2c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 18c, 25c.

36-in. bleached Muslin, 10c value..... 5c

36-in. Brown Muslin, 9c value..... 4 1/2c

8 1/2c White Shaker Flannel..... 5c

For Quality Goods and a Saving of 25 Per Cent to 50 Per Cent On the Cost of Living, Try Hayden's First—It Pays

10 bars Best "Em All" Lenoxx, White Russian, Diamond C or Laundry Queen White Laundry Soap, 5 lbs., best White or Yellow Cornmeal for..... 15c

5 lbs. the best Rolled White Breakfast Oatmeal for..... 14c

15-c. cans Colgate Blue, Red and White Tooth Paste, 1 lb. each..... 7 1/2c

4 lbs. best hand picked Navy Beans for..... 74c

2-lb. cans Fancy Sweet Sugar Corn Meal..... 74c

2-lb. cans Japan Wax Green, String or Lima Beans, for..... 74c

4 cans Oil Sardines for..... 80c

5-lb. can solid packed Tomatoes, per can..... 84c

8 cans Lu Lu Scouring Soap, 1 lb. each..... 80c

5 cases Silex Scouring Soap..... 130c

Yeast Foam, per pkg..... 30c

Grape Nuts, per pkg..... 30c

25-cz. Jar Pure Fruit Preserves, 4oz. Parker House Cakes, bottles, 74c

2 C. C. Corn Flakes, 1 lb. each..... 30c

46 varieties Loose-Whisk Famous Cookies, made in Omaha, regular 10c selling, per lb..... 84c

MacLaren's Peanut Butter, lb. 14 1/2c

Hersey's Breakfast Cocoa, lb. 20c

Golden Santos Coffee, lb. 20c

The Best Tea, 5 lbs. for..... 124c

THE WRETH'S SAGE AND SULPHUR TEA FOR GRAY HAIR

15 lbs. the best Red River Early Ohio Potatoes for..... 80c

For Quality Goods and a Saving of 25 Per Cent to 50 Per Cent On the Cost of Living, Try Hayden's First—It Pays

12 lbs. fancy Cooking Apples to the peck for..... 74c

Demand your weight; the law requires it.

Hubbard Squash, per lb..... 30c

Old Beets, Carrots, Turnips or Parsnips, per lb..... 20c

Fancy Holland Seed Cabbage, per lb..... 15c

1 lb. Fancy California Cauliflower, per lb..... 15c

Fresh Beets, Carrots, Turnips, Radishes or Shallots, bunch..... 40c

Large Soup Bunches..... 10c

2 Large Green Peppers..... 10c

2 stalks Fresh Celery..... 10c

2 heads Fresh Lettuce..... 10c

Fancy California Cauliflower, per lb..... 15c

Fancy Cape Cod Cranberries, per quart..... 74c

Fancy Head Lettuce, head..... 74c

The Best Mixed Nuts, lb..... 15c

Old Jacket Pure Apple Cider, per gallon..... 85c

Another Blanket of Snow Covers the State

According to the weather reports to the railroads all Nebraska is again covered with a blanket of snow that fell Tuesday and Tuesday night. In most portions of the state there were light rains most of the day, turning to snow during the night. The snow ranges from one-half to two inches in depth and in many localities is slush.

The temperatures throughout Nebraska this morning were from 15 to 24 degrees above zero, with a little colder in the west portion and over in Wyoming and Colorado. Nearly everywhere clear and calm was the rule.

A Real Foe To Health is a Weak Stomach

From this source arises such ills as Poor Appetite, Nausea, Heartburn, Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Bilioousness and Constipation. You can conquer and fortify the system against such foes by the timely use of

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