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seasonable Weather Contributes to Strength of General Market.

BOOTS AND SHOES TAKE BIG JUMP

Trade Excursion to Pacific Northwest Already Bears Fruit for Merchants of the City.

A week during which there was a fair svery man in every house busy all the time. Some of the jobbers had called the time. Some of the jobbers had called the pevious week, with its somewhat light business, a "breathing spell." The week just closed made the jobbers get up and hustle to make up for the breathing spell.

A few spring days serve to show the average consumer that he can't get through the season without a pair of exford shoes or show Mr. Householder that he can't squeeze through the summer by borrowing his neighbor's lawn mower. And therefore they come and buy, and the increase of trade all over the country is concentrated and registered at the jobbing houses.

Some of the Omaha establishments report already returns from the trade excursion. Increased orders are noted from towns in the far northwest along the route of the excursion. There are many inquiries re-

in that territory who are seeking to know just what advantages there are in trading at Omaha, the market town to which their attention has been so directed within the last two weeks. The jobbers look for a very material increase from this source within the near future. thin the near future. Weather Herps moots and Shoes

The arrival of spring weather and the rising of the thermometer to somewhere near its normal position at this time of the near its normal position at this time of the year was a life-saving event to the shoe and boot interests here as elsewhere over the country. An immediate effect was felt when the warm days came. Dealers seemed to have been waiting for just a sign of spring and the orders came in rapidly. Merchants sized up liberally on all classes of spring and summer goods and any danger of a slump in the season's business has been averted. If the weather continues at all favorable June will be far better in the boot and shoe trade than June of a year ago. And jobbers believe the business of May and June together will exceed that of the same months last year in spite of the slump in the May trade.

There has been no change in the price of rubber goods, though the jobbers have tearsomely apprehended it now for at least three months. The higher grades of kid

The higher grades of Shoes in general are still going up and in the last week there was a slight advance on heavy shoes and staple footwear of all kinds.

The fruit market is easy with an abundance of almost everything seasonable with the exception of cucumbers, which still continue to be scarce and sell at from 76 cents to be scarce and sell at from 10 canal 35. Strawberries have been éasy and y plentiful, seiling at \$2.50 to \$2.00. a have been plentiful, but wax and m beans have been scarce. New toes climbed up 2 cents a pound, but aid stock is still plentiful at 35 cents bushel. Oranges advanced alightly: cents lower on the crate with prices Cabbage remained firm and California onions appeared.
California onions appeared a st \$7.50 a crate.
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business showed a particular street of the street

been somewhat betated during the recool weather. The trade on lawn mowers was "simply tremendous," to quote one of the jobbers. There was a correspondingly large demand for slokies, scythes, hose and goods of the same class. The trade in general supplies of hardware was very heavy and the hardware business as a whole exceeded the husiness of the corresponding week last year nearly job over the corresponding week last year nearly job.

Advance Goes Into Effect. The threatened advance mentioned in this column last week on barbed and smooth wire, nails and other fourth class freight, was placed in effect on Thursday. The advance is one of 5 per cent and was the result of increased tariffs on fourth class freight put into effect by the eastern railroads a few weeks ago.

A peculiar feature of the apring trade is the fact that winter goods are already being shipped to customers in response to

laccal jobbers, fortunately, had a good supply of this class of goods on hand and the merchants are taking advantage of this. Therefore coal scuttles, stove pipe, elbows, stove boards and similar goods are being shipped in the same lot, with lawn movers and hose and fly acreens.

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There is considerable complaint from hardware dealers on the slowness of freight. One man declared it frequently takes carload lots of goods ten days to reach Omaha from Chicago, whereas the trip used to be made in not to exceed four days. This tardiness on the part of railroads, coupled with the fact that the mills are far behind with their orders, threatens somewhat of a congestion in the market.

Dry Goods Lively.

ics.

The prices continue uninterruptedly on
e upward path. Carpet warp advanced
iother cent during the week; white sheetstead of is per cent as formerly.

Plain ribbons are very high and the supply is very scarce and the demand is very strong. It is now not a question of price on ribbons, but a question of getting any stock at all.

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A rise in the price of table olicioths has been announced to go into effect soon. Manufacturers advanced the price a few weeks ago, about May I, but the local jobbers have been selling their stock at the old price. This stock is now nearly exhausted, and the higher price will be placed in effect as soon as the jobbers buy their new stock.

Groceries Are Active.

A gratifying condition of trade has been showing in groceries during the week. Prices have ruled fairly firm, with no advances above those announced as likely herelofore in canned goods and dried fruits. Sugar is the same, though the demand is naturally less than it would have been with a large fruit crop in prospect.

Cheese has eased, owing to improved pasturage and an increased number of factories now in operation. It is claimed, however, that prices will not reach as low a level for June as last year, and speculators are buying cheese up even now for cold storage.

Canned goods and particularly fruits have advanced. Spot stocks are reduced to a greater extent than usual at this time of the year. Packers remain dubious regarding the future and many have withdrawn their prices altogether, while others have advanced them to a point where jobbers are not anxious to take hold.

California dried apricots will be very scarce and prices will rule 25 cents a pound. The outlook is for a fair crop of peaches, but the canners are bidding up to high levels on prices. All lines of California truits advanced during the last week ½ to I cent a pound, with the exception of raisins.

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Coffee has been firm and the demand fair. Undesirable coffee is a little easier. The available stock is 50,000 bags greater this month than unual at this time of the year, a condition in favor of the consumer.

age when the farmer was ready to despair. There has been a fair domand for drugs and chemicals during the week. Prices continue firm: but few changes have occurred. Optum is a trifle higher and should reports that are now in regarding the dumaged crop in Smyrna be comfirmed, prices will probably advance. Quinine is lower. Price is now if cents in 100 cunce cans. Business this week compares very favorably with the corresponding week last year. Seasonable weather is having its effect on trade.

There has been considerable activity in the linseed oil market, which is firm and influenced to a marked extent by the outlook of the flax seed crop. There have been no changes from our last quotation, but there is indication that there will be advances of a cent or two cents a gallon soon. Turpentine has been unsteady the past week, but has sought a strong level on account of a lively demand. The report

Windsor Place, were guests of Mrs. D. Shandy on Thursday.

Rev. K. G. Hiller and little daughter,
Evelyn, were guests of friends in the
neighborhool on Thursday.

Mrs. E. Grover and sister, Miss Myrtle
Blake, were guests of friends on West
Dodge attent on Thursday. Dodge street on Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ryder, nee Miss

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ryder, nee also Anna Gantz, are much pleased with their new home at Pine Bluff, Wyo. Miss Bessie Faverty has been staying with Mrs. R. M. Henderson the past week, as she has been on the sick list. Mr. F. Josiin and bride, who was re-Mr. F. Josin and bride, who was recently married, will soon become residents
of their new home in East Ambier.
Albert Faverty has accepted a position
as painter for the Chicago & Northwestern
Rallroad during his vacation from college.
By mistake in print, last week, Clarence
Darling, represented Shylock in "The
Merchant of Venice," instead of Clarence

Long, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Rosenbaum and wife of Arlington were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. J. Cunningham the last

weelt.
Mr. and Mrs. Etison and daughter
were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George
Blakely at their home in East Ambler the first of the week.

The pupils of Beals school united with the primary room in giving the latter's teacher. Miss Allie Harading, a fine flower shower on Tuesday.

The teachers of Beals' school gave the class of 8th grade graduates a most de-lightful outing and picnic at Krug's park,

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Little Miss Grace Sheares entertained nine of her schoolmates, Friday afternoon, at her home in East Ambler, the occasion being her ninth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Emory and daaughter, Miss Ethel, who left Sunday for a summer outing in Colorado, reached their location, "Grimisson," on Wednesday.

Mr. Roberts and daughter, Mrs. Chas. Roberts and sister, Mrs. John Blake, were the guests of the daughter, Mrs. J. Butts and family, the first of the week.

Miss Vers Boyer, of Alliance, Neb., arrived on Friday last, to spend a few weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Long and attended the graduation of her cousin. Mess Gurths Long.

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Miss Finley Bonewitz, to North Wednesday to attend the wedding r niece and cousts. Mabei White to Mr. Daay.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Walsh have returned from their month's visit in New Jersey and the Jamestown exposition, whither they attended as delegates of the Woodmen of the World.

Mrs. J. Wolfe is entertaining her sister.

Mrs. Ros. of Portland. Orc. She leaves on Wednesday next on a six month's trip to Europe visiting relatives, whom she has not seen for many years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Shandy attended the funeral of their old friend, Mr. C. Hourigan on Eighth and Pacific on Friday. He was accidentally hurt by falling from his engine on Tuesday and died that evening at the hearts.

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Mrs. D. Shandy of the heights most royally entertained the Ladies' Aid society on Thursday. A most appetizing dinner was served by the hostess. A fine quilt was completed for Mrs. Randolph. There were seventeen present and the proceeds were \$2.5. The next meeting of the society will be at the home of Mrs. William O'Connor. Forty-fifth and Center. June 27. Let all come, as this is the first time at her spacious home.

The large reception hall as well as adjoining rooms of Beals school was taxed to their utmost capacity on Wednesday evening by a most appreciative audience of patrons and friends to witness the graduating exercises of the eighth grade. The glass of seventeen was assisted in singing by the seventh grade, and surely their teacher. Miss Pearson, deserves much credit, as they sang to perfection. Miss Gertrude Roossig gave the valedictory "Ten Years Sence." which elicited much laughter. Miss Lessis Payerty responded, giving the future of Miss Roessig, as a finished "pdima donna music being her forte.

The quotations by the class on Shake-spears were fine. Miss Olive Grosjean's violin solo was surely grand, and her talent will be pursued to completion. Superintendent Davidson, wife and daughter were honer guests of the evening, and in speare were fine. Miss Office Grosjean's violin solo was surely grand, and her talent will be pursued to completion. Superintendent Davidson, wife and daughter were honor guests of the evening, and in this part of the program. He save his most wonderful address. His theme being "The Problem of the American School" and his large audience gave him rapt sttention and hearty appiause to what was truly the best patriotic scholarly speech they had even heard. His advice to patron and pupil was surely helpful to all. The ten graduates and assistants who presented "The Merchant of Venice" delighted all, as during the whole of the play, which is long, not one mistake occupred. At the close of the lengthy program punch was

Mr. and Mrs. Travis left for Morrill, Nebr., Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Mary Pilant has been sick the past week and not able to be out of the house. Mr. and Mrs. George Siert attended a susicale at the Borglum studios last Tues evening. sa Prudence Tracy went to Nebraska Tuesday night for a few days' visit th relatives.
F. C. Baird, of Osceola, Ia., spent

rescent, ia., spent Friday here visiting elatives and friends.

The Christian Endeavor society held a locial meeting at the home of Mrs. Sarah fracy, Tuesday evening.

W. R. Weber, of Wayne, Neb., spent a couple days here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Weber, sr. Mrs. Dr. Snyder and Mrs. Flynn of Omalia were the guests of Mrs. Johannah Franklin Wednesday afternoon.

The Fleasant Hour club have sent out invitations for a social and dancing party at Pascale's hall on the evening of Wednes-

June 19.

she joins Mr. Stuben, who has gone into business there.

Mrs. Williams, of Denver. Neb., attended the funeral of her brother, George Nelson, who died last Friday and was buried Sunday.

John McElroy, who has been in the Black Hills for the last six months, working at his trade, that of a stone mason, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. McLane left Thursday for Arlington to visit for a few days with relatives and friends. Prof. McLane is the principal of the Florence schools and has given the best of satisfaction.

Mr. Jasper Smith went from here to Milo, Ia. last Saturday to look after some business interests which he has there. He returned Thursday and will remain a few days and then return to his home at Sunnyside, Neb., where he has a ranch.

Miss Anna Potter, who has been teaching in the public schools of Long Pine for last the returned thursday and standard principal in the public schools of Long Pine for last the principal princi

lass Anna Potter, who has been teach-ing in the public schools of Long Pine for last nine months, returned home last week. After a few days' rest she accepted a po-sition with Boyles Business college in Omaha, where she will teach shorthand during the summer.

The building of residences in Florence keep right on. Some of the finest of residences are being built all the time. In fact there are no cheap buildings going up, all of them are of good size and very substantial, and the most of them are being built on property that is wholly paid for. of them are of good size and very substantial, and the most of them are being built on property that is wholly paid for. The Eagles held their regular meeting Wednesday night. It being business and social entertainment night, an invitation came from Omaha through D. H. Christie to attend a stag and smoking party at Myrtle hall next Wednesday night from business men of Omaha. The lodge accepted the invitation and will attend in a body.

body.

Ernest Travis and Miss Eva Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Johnson were married Saturday night at the home of the bride's parents in Florence. Both of the bride's parents in Florence. Both of the young people are well and favorably known here, Mr. Travis being in business for several years in Florence, but now in the lumber business in Morrill. Neb., where they will make their future home. Miss Johnson was raised here. The Odd Fellows of Omaina No. 216, Danebrog. Benson No. 221 and Jonathan No. 225 of Florence, together with the Encampment Triangle No. 70 of Benson will hold memorial services over the graves of the departed brothers. They will meet at the gales of Forest Lawn cometery Sunday afternoon at 3.30 and march from there to the graves, holding their services. Committees will be appointed to visit graves in various cemeteries so they can be decorated.

The Florence Canning company reports

The Florence Canning company reports that about half of the acreage of tomatoes for the factory have been put out and more is being set out every day. The season is about two weeks behind, but with favorable weather from now on the entire crop will clear the frest, if not extra early. The weather has been unfavorable for the plants. Nearly all the early tomatoes were killed and there will not be very many to go on the market before the general crop is ready.

Secretary of War Makes Address at Banquet in St. Paul.

TAKEN ILL DURING THE DAY

with Attack of Acute Indigestion While at Fort

Snelling.

BT. PAUL, June 15.—It looked for a time tonight as if the banquet which was given at the auditorium tonight in honor of Secretary of War Taft, would not be graced by the presence of the secretary, who was taken suddenly ill while reviewing the troops at Fort Snelling shortly after noon. The banquet was billed to commence at 6 o'clock, but it was not until 7:46 that the secretary reached the se secretary reached the banquet hall. Looking somewhat pale, but with his face strode down the long line of banqueters and the 2,000 seated at the tables and as many more who occupied seats in the boxes and balconies rose to their feet and cheered lustily. To the Associated Press the secretary stated that he was feeling much better. and that his attack was merely a severe fit of indigestion, which undoubtedly had been brought on by the continuous series of ban quets which had been tendered him since The banquet tonight, which, except for

he left Washington on his western trip. the visit to Fort Snelling, was the only function which the secretary was able to attend, was given on the immense stage of handsomely gowned women. Palms and potted plants were scattered in picturesque profusion about the banquet hall, while thousands of silk American flags floated

When Secretary Taft raised his voice to peak his voice was strong and he was tram lines. heard in all parts of the great auditorium. He said:

the hospitality from a great many people; from those in the Philippines many hund reds of miles away, from Panama, Cuba, at my right hand to run the risk of several winters in Washington; but it has remained for me to surrender to the twin cities of "Seriously, the condition in which I find

nyself tonight is my own fault and I can refer to Archbishop Ireland for the truth of the saying that 'you may bray a fool in mortar among wheat with a pestle and his foolishness will depart from him.' I don't know whether that is the St. James or the Douay version, but the substance is correct. The fact is that I caught a coid and added to my indiscretion by eating too heartly of the cheer provided for me at my various stopping places and I am confronted with a weakness that I ought not to confess. I ought not to be here now, but a desire to come and witness this wonderful greeting and I want to make this statement just as strong as if I were to make a speech for an hour, which I am not going to do. I had hoped to invite your attention to what has been accomplished in constructing the Panama canal and to give you an idea of what we have been doing down there on the isthmus, but I you an outline of what has been done."

Secretary Taft then outlined briefly the plans which were made for the prosecution of the work. "It is great evidence of progress to get to such a state that in April we excavated \$50,000 cubic yards. Then in amicably settled and we will take out amicably settled and we will take out 1,000,000 cubic yards a month, that would mean 12,000,000 cubic yards a year, and at that rate we ought to complete the canal office a books. Each and N. Wester St., Chicase

ergy can do."

After a few words of excuse for cutting his address so short Secretary Taft said goodby and then, before the cheering had subsided, he was out of the door and into an automobile on his way to the home of

HALF MILLION FOR

Harry Posner of Howard, Kan., Lett Large Sum by Father Who Dis-

shild. His father disappeared and he had not heard from him in years until today. Posner said today he was born in Provi-

"If the wealth turns out to be real." he said, "I shall go back to New York to the orphanage, where I was taken because I was a baby without a home, and look up my early history."

MOVING VANS ARE UPSET

the auditorium. Plates were laid for 2,000 to many amusing scenes. In some cases, banqueters, while the soxes and galleries the strikers induced the nonunionists to surrounding the stage were thronged with unharness the horses and abandon the vans full of furniture in the street. Many unfortunate householders were forced to sleep in empty flats during the campaign. In numerous instances the vans, when not accorded police protection, were overturned in the street, to the dismay of the owners of the articles, the scattered furniture in Calif. & Oregon Exp... 5:58 pm overland Limited..... 8:58 pm many instances completely blocking the

COUNTY OFFICIAL NOTICE.

NOTICE—TO FHE TAXPAYERS OF Douglas County, Nebraska: The County Board of Equalization will sit for the purpose of equalization will see that the purpose of the county of the purpose of the county days." Therefore, all persons owning real estate or personal property subject to taxation, should call and examine their assessment, that any errors as to valuation, etc. may be adjusted by said board as the law provides. Section & chapter 18, article 1, Statutes of Nebraska, makes it the duty of the Board of County Commissioners at their regular session in January in each year to prepare an estimate of the necessary expenses of the county during the ensuing year. The estimated expenses of the county of Douglas for the year 1907 are as follows:

For General Fund 15,000.00

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Los Angeles Limited ... a 12:55 pm a 9:35 pm
Colorado Special ... a 11:55 pm a 6:50 am
North Platte Local ... a 7:42 am a 6:15 pm
Beatrice Local ... b 7:42 am b 6:15 pm

Chicago & Northwestern. Chicago Daylight a 7:05 am St. Paul-M'apolis Exp. a 7:50 am

Lincoln-Chadron ... b 7:40 am a10:35 am
Deadwood-Lincoln ... a 5:00 pm a 5:05 pm
Casper-Shoshoni ... a 3:00 pm a 5:05 pm
Hastings-Superior ... b 3:00 pm b 5:06 pm
Fremont-Albion ... b 6:02 pm b12:50 pm
Los Angeles Limited ... a 9:50 pm a12:35 pm

St. Louis Express.....a 6:30 pm a 8:30 am St. Louis Local (from Council Bluffs).....a 9:30 am all:15 pm Stanberry Local (from Council Bluffs).....b 5:00 pmbi6:15 am

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Chicago Great Western. St. Paul & Minneapolis. 8:39 pm St. Paul & Minneapolis. 7-44 am Chicago Limited 6:40 pm Chicago Express 7:45 am Chicago Express 2:30 pm Illinois Central.

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