

# Work Starts at Once on Ideal Home

### Building Specialists Endorse Plans and Specifications of Firesafe Home.

### Every Part in Harmony

Keen interest is being displayed in the plans and specifications of the "Ideal Firesafe Home," which is to be erected by The Omaha Bee. Inspected by experienced construction specialists, these plans have received hearty endorsement for their completeness and practicability.

The ideal of the architect, Charles W. Rosenberry, was to include everything that a family could expect to find in a house valued at the construction price of \$18,000. In drawing up his specifications he has attempted to keep the house in perfect harmony with the city hall, so that everything in it should be in keeping with the rest of the house.

Everything in Harmony. "Every architect is somewhat like a prospective home owner," said Mr. Rosenberry. He has in mind the things for which he especially cares. Some people prefer to limit the expense on the outside of their home and place more of the value inside. Again, others wish a "laboratory living room," and in order to complete this would find it necessary to stint the work in other parts of the house.

Location is Slightly. The house is located in Happy Hollow addition, on a fine slightly lot on Fifty-sixth street, between Burt and Cuming streets. The addition has been artistically laid out with winding streets, and Fifty-sixth street, running in a northeasterly curve, will give this home a south-east exposure. On the south side will be situated a beautiful sunroom. To give the house the proper balance the garage has been planned to match the sunroom on the north. Direct connection of the garage with the house will permit it to be heated in winter.

Construction work will commence at once. The ground has all been measured and staked for the cellar, and graders will soon complete their part of the job. Constructor Dave Johnson will then begin the foundation work.

Every Sunday in The Omaha Bee the progress of the work will be covered with articles giving the reasons for each detail of construction.

## Pictures of Sleet Storm Will Be Shown at Strand

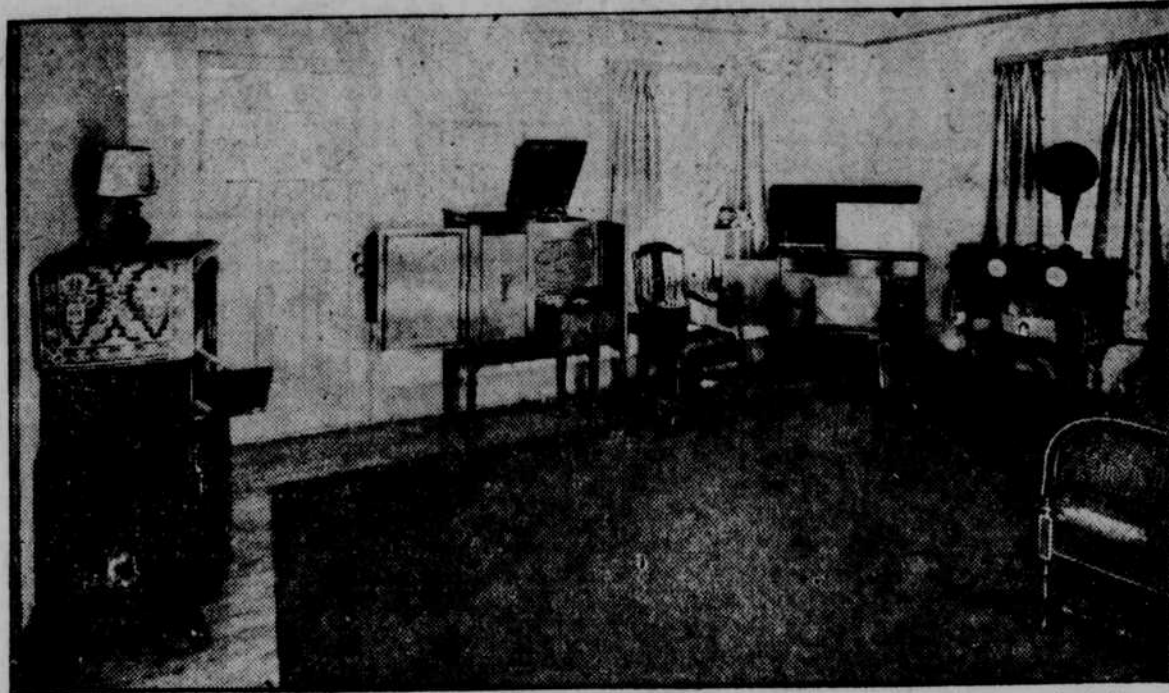
Motion pictures of the recent sleet storm will be shown at the Strand theater all week in conjunction with Norma Talmadge's picture, "The Only Woman," starting Sunday.

Some of the scenes of the sleet picture show scenes that seem to come from fairyland, lovely traceries of ice on trees, shrubbery fences and hedges. It also shows part of the \$540,000 damage reported by the telephone company, many stretches of fallen poles and wires, as well as views of crews rebuilding the lines.

## Don't Stand on Chairs to Trim Tree, Is Warning

"Don't stand on chairs to trim the Christmas tree; buy or borrow a step ladder," says a warning being distributed by the Omaha safety council through 14 women's organizations. It is part of the home safety program. "Use electric lights instead of candles on Christmas trees," the warning continues. "If you put a lighted candle in the window, be sure the curtains are fastened back so that nothing inflammable can reach the flame."

## Orchard and Wilhelm Opens "Radio House"



Because power stations and other factors make radio receiving difficult downtown, the Orchard & Wilhelm company has opened a "Radio house" at Forty-eighth street and Woolworth avenue where the Brunswick Radiola and Radio corporation receiving sets are on display and demonstration.

The Orchard & Wilhelm company is giving daily concerts from 2 p. m. to 9 p. m. with free admission. Mrs. Pett who has recently been graduated from the Brunswick-Balke-Cole-lander company's school of instruction in Chicago, will be hostess every afternoon and evening.

## Aged Woman Claims to Have Served in Union Army of Civil War as Man

Plattsburg, N. Y., Dec. 13.—The melodramatic tale of an aged Plattsburg woman who served throughout the Civil War in the guise of a male member of Company B, Fifty-third Massachusetts regiment, was bared here today.

Mrs. Peter Johnson, inmate of a county farm, says she did war service under the name of Saul Hill. If her story is proven the woman warrior will ascend from her lowly position to the status of a pensioned lady.



MRS. MARY ANN JOHNSTON.

Revelation of the strange and almost unbelievable situation came about today when Mrs. Johnson described her military experiences to emissaries of the American Red Cross.

The aged woman—now nearing the century mark—declared she served in the United States navy after the Civil war came to a close. Her sex Unlearned. "No one with whom I fought ever knew I was a woman," Mrs. Johnson said.

Mrs. Johnson today told the following story to the Red Cross investigators: "I was born Mary Ann Murphy on February 7, 1840, in Plattsburg. My father was killed in the Old Fort at Plattsburg. Mother died when I was 8 years old and I was adopted by Benjamin Hill, of that city. I lived with that family until I was 16. At that time we lived in

him devotedly, as though he were my own brother. I followed him to Camp Groton. I started my journey at midnight and got as far as Whalom marshes, now Whalom park, where I was picked up by a group of men who were traveling in a barge to Camp Groton. The men rolled me in coats and blankets and got me into camp. I asked to see Colonel Davis or Lieutenant Pratt, but this was refused. I was then taken at my request by my brother Tom. After begging to be taken along with Tom and his companions, he agreed to enlist me as a man and keep the secret. A week before the men had enlisted a wife of one of their comrades, who went through as a man.

"I was taken to New York, my hair was clipped and I was given a uniform and enlisted as Saul Hill, 18 years old, of Company B, Fifty-third Massachusetts regiment. I went to Missouri and served during the remainder of the war, about a year and a half. I was given \$110 when I enlisted and \$110 when I was discharged. I remember Captain Corey well."

From this point Mrs. Johnson's memory appears to be hazy. She spoke of Westvale, and Orange, Mass.; South Vernon, Vt., and a colt she called Mr. Vernon, Bennington, Vt.; Montreal and Quebec, Canada. Peter Johnson, a Dane, followed her around from place to place and she finally married him.

With great emphasis Mrs. Johnson told that after her service in the civil war she enlisted in the United States navy from Key West. She platonically recalled on one occasion when her ship landed in Quebec and she says the royal party of England was to go aboard that night. As they laid the gang plank from the boat to the royal palace coach she succeeded in going ashore against all orders.

Queen Victoria? She says she found a beautiful lady seated on a bench beside her was a huge valise. She asked protection of this old lady and asked her advice as to how she would escape from service and told her secret, that she was a woman, and had served five years and nine months as a male sailor.

## T. H. Maenner Co. Buys New Tract

### Work to Start at Once on New Dundee Addition.

Announcement is made by the T. H. Maenner company, builders and architects, of the recent purchase through George & Co. of a 40-acre tract extending from Happy Hollow addition west to Lake George and from Underwood avenue to Western avenue. The engineers are working on the plat and it is planned to let grading contracts immediately so that the work will be well under way in the early spring.

This is the first land development work undertaken by the T. H. Maenner company on its own account, although in the last few years the company has been instrumental through its building operations in building up and developing many of Omaha's better additions.

"This is one of the largest and most important development projects of the year," said C. C. George, president of George & Co., who negotiated the deal. "The tract is to be developed along the same lines as the present Happy Hollow addition, under the supervision of the same engineers. It will be the policy of the T. H. Maenner company to cooperate fully with other builders in the addition, with the end in view of continuing this as one of Omaha's most desirable residential districts. All lots will be fully restricted, both as to cost and style of dwellings to be erected, which will include both two-story houses and one-story bungalows. Announcement of prices and sale will be made at a later date."

## Buck Company Has Busy Year

### Company Has 25 Homes Under Construction at Present Time.

D. E. Buck & Co. report a satisfactory business for this month, having sold six houses during the first 10 days of December. They have 10 houses under construction which they are building to order for the owners and 12 more more houses now being built by them to be ready and offered for sale about April 1.

Mr. Buck reports that they are breaking ground for three more medium-priced homes at Forty-seventh and Wakarusa streets next week, which will make a total of 25 homes under construction at this time. The only difficulty is in getting the homes built fast enough to supply the demand.

This firm is building in Standard Place, Minne Lusa and Benson. The following is a list of sales made for the first 10 days of this month, total consideration amounting to \$33,650:

- 2616 Fowler avenue, \$5,750. 4054 Bedford avenue, \$4,650. 1214 Ohio street, \$5,650. 7008 North Thirtieth street, \$6,000. 1008 Poppleton avenue, \$5,900. 4663 Pierce street, \$7,600.

## Now Is Time To Buy Land

A letter received last week by M. A. Larson of Central City, president of the Nebraska Realtors' association, from J. E. Jones, a farm loan mortgage banker, says good corn land will never again be available at the price at which it can now be purchased.

Jones' letter also quotes a statement by Guy Huston of Chicago, another farm loan banker. Jones' opinion is that the increase of the manufacture of corn into various food products such as corn oil, corn starch, sugar and various other commodities is going to increase the demand for corn to such an extent that the amount consumed will be limited only by the supply.

In a private home she fell down stairs and was severely injured. She was sent to a hospital and from there to the poor farm. The woman said that her brother, by adoption, Tom Hill, died in 1911. He served as a railroad engineer for many years, she said.

Mrs. Johnson described in great detail the battle of Antietam and other engagements she was in. She said that a scar and powder marks on one of her fingers was due to a bullet wound in the civil war. She has lost all correspondence and records of her case, but she believes that at some time or other some historical society had a book written about her.

The Red Cross has certified the service of Tom Hill, but has found no record of Saul Hill, Company B, Fifty-third Massachusetts regiment. Record is found, however, of a Joseph Hill in Company G, Fifty-third Massachusetts regiment.

A request from the Red Cross has been sent to J. Brainerd Hill, pension attorney, the Adjutant-General of Massachusetts, Daughters of Veterans, Convent of St. Rock, P. Q., through the Canadian Red Cross and the Tewksbury (Mass.) hospital, and several other organizations for information they may have of the woman.

## White Birch Wood

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## BURGESS-NASH HOURS CHANGED

Store hours during the holiday season at Burgess-Nash company will be from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. beginning Thursday, December 18, until Christmas, according to an announcement made by T. P. Redmond on Saturday. "We believe that the late hour in the morning is a humane way to treat the employees," said Mr. Redmond. "The girls will be more rested and the customers will find it easier to shop."

## Property Sales Total \$159,300

### 24 Deals of Over \$4,000 Each Reported in Omaha in Week.

There were filed last week in the office of Register of Deeds Pearce 24 real estate deals of \$4,000 or more each. The total of these transfers was \$159,300.

Following is a list of the properties and the districts in which they are located:

- Northwest—R. C. Reardon to Anna Deeb, 1816 North Forty-fifth avenue, \$4,000; D. E. Buck to Southern Mortgage and Finance company, 2440 South Forty-fifth street, \$6,250; Barker Barber company to W. E. Davis, 2508 North Forty-fifth street, \$6,250; Barker Barber company to W. E. Davis, 2508 North Forty-fifth street, \$6,250; Barker Barber company to W. E. Davis, 2508 North Forty-fifth street, \$6,250; Barker Barber company to W. E. Davis, 2508 North Forty-fifth street, \$6,250.

## Troop No. 24 Celebrates Fifth Anniversary

The fifth anniversary dinner of Troop No. 24, Boy Scouts of America, was celebrated at the Omaha Athletic club Friday night.

The members of the troop, together with Charles G. Levings, Scout Executive and Camp Director, Executive Perkins, and Camp Director Meyer, D. V. Marshall and "Spike" Kennedy.

Badges for five years' service as a commitment of Troop 24 were presented to Mr. Meyer and Mr. Marshall.

Before the dinner, the scouts were given a swim in the club pool. There were 26 scouts at the dinner. M. M. Levings, who has been scoutmaster of this troop for six years, presided.

## Brandeis Will Be Open Nights Until Christmas

In keeping with its usual custom of assisting gift seekers who cannot find what they want in the stores, the Brandeis store, beginning Thursday will remain open until 9 p. m. each night until Christmas.

## Engineering Company to Hold Meet in Chicago

The Concrete Engineers' company will have a general office in Omaha, and district sales offices and warehouses in Chicago, Kansas City, Dallas, Des Moines, Detroit, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, St. Louis and Peoria, will hold its annual sales convention in Chicago this year, at the Drake hotel, from December 17 to 29, inclusive.

## Doane College Notes.

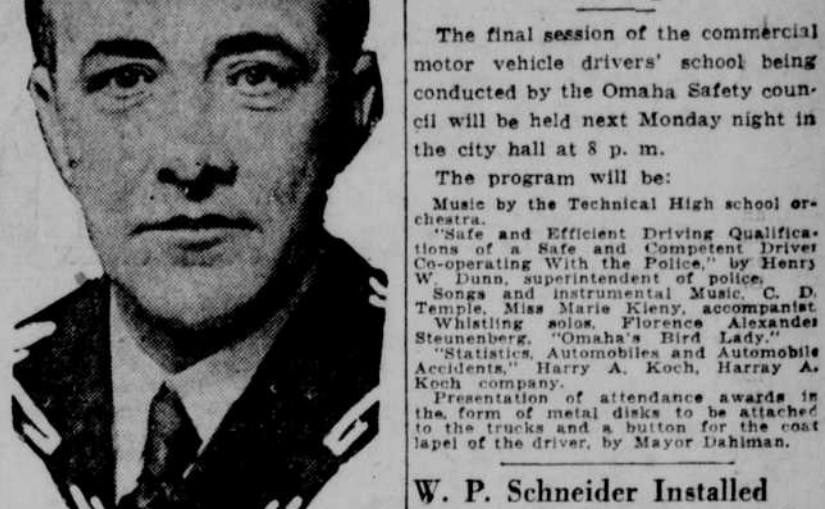
Monday was the day fixed for the Olympic contests between the freshmen and sophomores to decide possession of the flag. The girls of both classes also had practiced faithfully for the football struggle and a camera man was planning to take moving pictures of the game. However, went on with their class suppers and partying. The classes, however, and yell. The juniors entertained the seniors.

Mrs. C. V. Kettering has been ill for the last week. The football banquet served at Gaylord Hall was the 17th affair of its kind. The banquet was given in honor of the decorations and favors of Orange and Black. Frank H. Korah, Jr., was a most sustaining and witty speaker.

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## Former Day Laborer Becomes Judge

### Special Musical Program to Feature City Hall Meeting.



Eleven years ago John L. Walsh worked as a day laborer in New York city and studied law at night. He has just been appointed as a justice of the supreme court of New York city by Governor Alfred E. Smith.

Table Rock—Mrs. A. D. Dort, 58, long-time resident of Pawnee county, but recently of Enid, Okla., died at an Omaha hospital, where she had submitted to a surgical operation. The body was brought to Pawnee City for burial. Her husband was killed a few years ago in an auto accident at Enid, Okla.

## W. P. Schneider Installed as Legion Post Commander

Falls City, Dec. 13.—William P. Schneider, real estate man and first lieutenant in the A. E. F. during the world war, was installed as commander of Falls City post No. 102, American Legion. Other officers installed are Alvin A. Burger, vice commander; Frank Kramer, adjutant; Tom Garvey, finance officer; Dr. H. R. Miner, chaplain; and Jesse Dunn, sergeant-at-arms. Lloyd Peterson and Charles Hohaus, adjutant and commander, respectively, of Adam Schellinger post No. 8, Nebraska City, were the speakers.

## Southern California HOTELS and RESORTS

Table with 4 columns: Location, Max. Temp., Min. Temp., Mean Temp. for the week ending Saturday, November 29, 1924.

## Hotel Virginia LONG BEACH

Come where Sunny Southern Seas invite you—to California, the Great Winter Playground. Every diversion imaginable. The Gopher's Paradise—20 Courses within an hour by motor. Privileges Virginia Country Club to guests. The Virginia is California's Resort Hotel de Luxe—magnificent appointments, homelike atmosphere, unobtrusive service. American Plan. Write for beautifully illustrated literature. G. M. BURBANK, Manager.

## W-O-O-D

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No loss of strength, blood or time. Tonad, a most efficient and modern home remedy that is now revolutionizing the old method of treating these important glands of the human body, besides affording a powerful remedy of inflammation and catarrh of the nose and throat. The Tonad treatment is carefully compounded in a Specialist's own laboratory. Hundreds of adults and children have regained their health and happiness through this proven humanitarian method.

## Good Cheer

Since the world began, the beautiful story of Christmas has been told through pictures. They live in the memory of your readers long after words have been forgotten.

Let pictures reflect the Yuletide Spirit in your products and service; to bring good will and a stronger bond of friendship between yourself and patrons.

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Advertisement for Castoria, showing the product box and a child. Text: "Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA".

MOTHER! Fletcher's Castoria is a pleasant, harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Teething Drops and Soothing Syrups, prepared for Infants in arms and Children all ages.

It has been in use for more than 30 years to safely relieve Constipation Wind Colic To Sweeten Stomach Flatulence Diarrhea Regulate Bowels Aids in the assimilation of Food, promoting Cheerfulness, Rest and Natural Sleep without Opium To avoid imitations always look for the signature of Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co. Proven directions on each package. Physicians everywhere recommend it.

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