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THIS IS THE GRANDEST BARGAIN OF ALL.

EVERY KIND OF LACE THAT IS NEW AND PROPER AND PRETTY FOR SUMMER WEAR---ALL WORTH FROM 5 TO 10 TIMES THE PRICE

At which they will be sold today on our Bargain Squares.

3c Yard 5c Yard 8c Yard 10c Yard

Men's and Ladies' Tan Shoes Worth $5.00 cut to $2.75

Men's Calf Shoes—all styles of toes— $2.25

Men's Calf Shoes— $1.50

Our entire stock of Summer Shoes in Tans and colors—button, lace and congress—high and low cut—

Will Be Closed Out at Once,

This closing out summer shoe sale begins tomorrow

WITH FEARFUL REDUCTIONS IN PRICE.

Ladies' button Oxfords Worth $4.00 $2.50

Ladies' Stiletto Oxford Ties—Worth $4 in black and colors, cut to $2.50

Ladies' Southern Ties Worth $3.00 cut to— $2.00

Ladies' $3 Oxford Ties $1.59
Ladies' $5 patent Oxfords $1.59
Ladies' $4 Oxfords cut to $2.00

ALL BOYS' MISSES' and CHILDS' SHOES GO AT HALF PRICE.

Ladies' Four Dollar Shoes— 2.50

Ladies' Three Dollar Shoes— 1.50

Ladies' Six Dollar Shoes— $3

In the Basement—Ladies' Hand Turned Oxford Ties— 35c

Men's $2.50 White Canvas Shoes now $1.00
Men's $5.00 new coin toe Calf Shoes $2.75
Men's $3 Summer Low Shoes, now $1.75
Men's Bicycle Shoes, $1.00, $1.75 and $2.50
Men's $2.00 Tan Lace Shoes, now $1.25

Ladies' $3.00 Kangaroo Bicycle Shoes cut to - - - - - - $1.59
Ladies' $1.50 Linen Oxford Ties cut to - - - - - - - - 75c
Ladies' $2.00 White Canvas, hand sewed, kid trimmed Oxfords cut to $1.25
Ladies' $2.25 Fancy Buckle, One Strap Slippers cut to - - 1.50
Boys' Needle Toe Tan Lace Shoes cut to - - - - - - - 1.50
YOUTHS' NEEDLE-ROUND-SQUARE- TOE TAN SHOES CUT TO - - - 1.25

ELKS ARE COMING TO OMAHA

Local Delegation Secures the Convention for Exposition Year.

WILL BRING THOUSANDS TO THE CITY

Members of the Order in This City Will Commence at Once to Lay Plans for Entertaining the Visitors.

The national convention of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States will meet in Omaha in 1898. The Omaha delegation, now at the Cincinnati convention, has been untiring in its efforts to secure the convention for the exposition year, and a brief telegram which was received by Exalted Ruler W. B. Taylor today brings the intelligence that the efforts have been successful. The telegram is signed by C. S. Potter, Mose O'Brien and E. A. Brandt and states that the convention will be held in Omaha in 1898 and that George E. Cronk of the Omaha lodge has been elected grand trustee.

The grand lodge of Elks is one of the most desirable conventions that has been mentioned in connection with Omaha and the local Elks are jubilant over their success. The grand lodge will bring about 15,000 delegates to Omaha, exclusive of the additional number of Elks who will accompany them. All past exalted rulers are members of the grand lodge and most of them attend the annual sessions. Besides these all the local organizations within a radius of 500 miles are largely represented. There are 1,000 Elks in St. Paul and Minneapolis and it is expected that fully 500 of them will come to Omaha. Then there will be large delegations from Sioux City, Sioux Falls, Des Moines, Kansas City, St. Louis and numerous other western cities, so the local Elks figure on a total attendance of fully 20,000. These are almost entirely composed of representative men whose sojourn here cannot help but result in incalculable benefit to the city. The task of entertaining such a gathering will be tremendous, but the Omaha lodge will begin the preliminary work in time to make sure that nothing is neglected. Local members propose to give their guests such a reception as will make them enthusiastic partisans of Omaha and expect to receive adequate assistance from the commercial and other interests of the city.

Not a Tramp Lodging House.

A number of tramps have been in the habit of using the tent of the American Volunteers on Fourteenth, near Dodge street, for sleeping quarters. They have been warned away a number of times, but still persist. Thursday night William Diamond was caught snugly ensconced in a nest formed of chairs and was lodged at the station on a charge of trespass. He was fined $5 and costs yesterday morning, but the sentence was suspended on condition that he never would do so again.

Excursion to Milwaukee, Wis.

On July 15, 16 and 17 The Rock Island Route will sell tickets to Milwaukee, Wis., at $14.75 for the round trip, good for return until August 5. For full information call at City Ticket Office, No. 1602 Farnam street.

HEAD OF THE FAMILY DISAPPEARS.

Widow Who Lived in the Neighborhood is Also Missing.

The people in the vicinity of Twenty-first and Cuming streets, together with a few additional individuals, have found a choice bit of scandal, prolific of gossip, in the almost simultaneous disappearance of John Johnson, a saloon keeper at 2101 Cuming street, and Mrs. Mina Clausen, who has been the buxom proprietress of a restaurant two doors west of John's place of business.

"I believe that they have eloped," said a friend of both yesterday morning, shaking his head. "They have been very good friends and I think that their departure at the same time is more than a coincidence."

Johnson has been the head of a family which consists of a wife and five small children. He runs the saloon at Twenty-first and Cuming streets and is reputed to own the property without encumbrance. Mrs. Clausen is a widow, without children, and ran the restaurant for some time past. Last Friday she left. She employed a woman to take charge of the place and run it on the money that came in. It is said that she purchased a ticket to some point near Salt Lake, although it was understood that she was going to visit friends in Colorado.

"If I am not back in a week," Mrs. Clausen told the friend to whom she turned over the establishment, "this place is yours." The week has expired and Mrs. Clausen has not returned.

Johnson left on the Fourth of July. Some days prior thereto he sent his family into the country to spend the holiday on his brother's farm. He was expected on the Fourth to take part in the celebration, but did not put in an appearance. On Wednesday the brother came to the city to discover the reason of his absence and learned that Johnson had not been seen since last Saturday. He reported the fact to the wife and the latter came to the city Thursday.

One very significant fact which leads to the belief that Johnson eloped is that when his wife searched their joint wardrobe she discovered that he had taken all of his clothing. Before that she believed that he had gone away on some trip, but when she found his wardrobe gone she reached the conclusion that he intended to stay a long time. The family and friends, however, are hoping almost against hope that he will come back and intend to put in the next few days in an investigation.

Johnson left some $75 behind him, although it is said that he overdrew his bank account. His wife, however, is in possession of the saloon and property upon which it is located. She also has a farm near the city.

FIGURING ON A CITY JAIL.

City Council Will Consider the Proposition Today.

One of the matters that is scheduled for consideration at the special meeting of the city council this forenoon is the question of a city jail. There are several propositions before the council and these were referred back by a committee, without recommendation. The one which seems to find the most favor with the members is that submitted by Irving Allison, whose previous proposition was rejected. He offers to erect a two-story brick building at the northeast corner of Sixteenth and Leavenworth streets. It will be sixty-six feet square. The plans include a basement. The city is asked to furnish the iron and steel for the cells and pay a rental of $250 per month.

James Hassett offers to build a jail at Fourteenth and Howard streets, which is to cost at least $15,000, and for which the city is to pay $1,600 a year, and also liquidate all city taxes. Barker Bros. offer to lease the Garfield block on Howard street for $300 per month, or lease the east forty-four feet of the building for $200 per month.

GERMAN SAVINGS BANK CLOSED.

Officers Say that the Concern Will Pay All Depositors.

The German Savings bank closed its doors yesterday morning and went into voluntary liquidation. State Bank Examiner Cowdery was sent for and was put in possession by the directors in accordance with the following resolution which was passed at a meeting of the directors Thursday evening:

"Whereas, The long continued business depression throughout the country has made it difficult to realize satisfactory profits from savings bank business, and as we do not find it sufficiently remunerative as to profits, we deem it unwise to continue the business of this bank; therefore, be it

"Resolved, By the Board of Directors of the German Savings bank, that we now voluntarily take the necessary steps to wind up the affairs of this bank as soon as practicable."

The officers of the bank stated yesterday morning that every dollar of deposits would be paid in full. The deposits amount to $311,262.59, while the assets aggregate $469,959.35. The bank has a surplus of $25,000 and net undivided profits amounting to $25,000, besides unpaid capital stock amounting to $400,000. Some of the most substantial business men in the city are stockholders in the bank and its management has been regarded as very conservative. Its assets are mostly in the form of first mortgage liens on realty and are regarded as ample security. It was announced also that the directors would not ask for the appointment of a receiver, but would assume charge of the affairs of the bank, under sufficient bond, and pay off all obligations as fast as possible.

County Treasurer Heimrod stated that there was about $25,000 of county funds on deposit in the German bank, but that he had not the slightest fear that the county would lose a cent. "The bounty is secured by a bond of $100,000," he said, "and it will only inconvenience us temporarily."

City Treasurer Edwards said the city had no money on deposit in the German bank, but the Police Relief association had $3,222.27 in that institution.

WORK OF A GIANT FIRECRACKER.

Fourth of July Accident Causes Fred Barker's Death.

Fred Barker, the expressman who was so badly injured by the explosion of a giant firecracker on the evening of the Fourth of July, died at the Presbyterian hospital yesterday morning. He lived at 4136 North Thirty-eighth street. His death was due to a fracture of the skull.

Barker had been celebrating the day in a lively fashion about the corner of Fifteenth and Douglas streets, and toward evening turned his attention from a cannon that he had been using to some giant firecrackers that he had purchased. One of these exploded while he was bending over it. His face and body were fearfully burned and he sustained a fracture of the skull. The operation of trepanning was performed in order to relieve the pressure on the brain. After suffering great agony for five days he died early yesterday morning.

Paying Off the Debts.

City Treasurer Edwards is taking up the obligations which the city incurred to the local banks in order to meet its bonded obligations since last October. A lot of registered warrants are also being paid off. Warrants amounting to $26,000 were taken up Thursday and $20,000 more was taken up yesterday. The payments of taxes are not so heavy as previously, as property owners prefer to wait until near the end of the month, when the next month's interest is added.

MASON'S GAME WOULD NOT WORK.

Failed to Turn a Trick on the Man from Buffalo.

J. W. Mason, who also goes under the name of J. C. Hickman, was very coarse in his work when he tried to flimflam a stranger at the union depot, and for that reason he is now occupying a cell at the police station.

Upon one of the afternoon trains Thursday was a passenger, G. M. Douglas, whose home is in Buffalo, N. Y. Douglas alighted from the train to study the architectural beauties of the Mason street depot, and while engaged in this occupation was accosted by Mason. Mason apparently sized up his man as a sucker, for he attempted to work the baggage racket upon him. He had reached the point when a friend appeared on the scene and excitedly remarked that he must have $50 to get his baggage out of the hands of the railroads. He had a $10,000 check in his possession. Douglas was onto the game and at this stage politely excused himself, and returned in a few minutes with Detective Fleming. Mason was arrested, but the other fellow got away.

Douglas was unable to remain in the city and consequently Mason is booked as a suspicious character. He is well known to the police, having been arrested a number of times.

REPUBLICANS AND THE EXPOSITION.

Endorsement by the State Convention of South Dakota.

Thomas H. Wells of Hot Springs, S. D., was in the city yesterday on his way home from the republican state convention, held at Aberdeen.

Before the adjournment the following resolutions, endorsing the Transmississippi Exposition, were adopted by a unanimous vote:

"Whereas, The holding of a Transmississippi and International Exposition at Omaha, Neb., in 1898, will be of incalculable benefit to the entire west, and particularly to South Dakota; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the republican party pledges its best endeavors and support to the end that the coming session of the legislature shall make ample appropriation for the collection and placing of complete exhibits of the vast agricultural, mineral and other products of our state at the said exposition."

GROCERS WILL TAKE AN OUTING.

Members of Retail Association Will Go on a Picnic.

A meeting of the directors of the Retail Grocers Association of Omaha was held Thursday evening at the rooms of the Commercial club. The excitement of the contest going on in Chicago detracted considerably from the meeting, but still the members were able to transact what little business came up and an early adjournment was had. It was definitely decided to hold a grocers' picnic, and August 13 was selected as the date. It will probably be held either at Ashland or Weeping Water.

The following committees were appointed:

Transportation—F. A. Jones, E. D. Evans, Charles Courtney, A. Peterson.

Program—H. J. Hughes, Fred Odifer, W. J. Hunter, Charles Hanley.

Printing—William Fleming, O. J. Wilde, E. C. Johnson.

The king of pills is Beecham's—Beecham's.

Summer Excursions.

Tickets at greatly reduced rates are now on sale to all summer resorts. For full particulars call at Rock Island Ticket Office, No. 1602 Farnam street.

MUSICAL PROGRAM AT THE PARK.

Seventh Ward Band Will Furnish the Entertainment.

The following program will be rendered by the Seventh Ward Military band at Hanscom park tomorrow afternoon, commencing at 3 p. m.:

PART I.

March—Bombasto ..... Farrar
Respectfully dedicated to the Seventh Ward Military band.
Selection—Pirates of Penzance ..... Sullivan
Medley of Sweet Old Songs ..... Dalbey
Patrol of the Gnomes ..... Ellenberg

PART II.

March of the Marines ..... Brooke
Waltz—Columbian Exposition ..... Hermann
Dance—American Characteristic ..... Bendix
Selection—Hunter and Hermit ..... Dalbey

PART III.

Selection—O, Fair Dove! O, Fond Dove! ..... Schlepegrell
a Kentucky Jubilee Singers ..... Carnes
b Gathering of the Coons ..... Faltkhauer
Medley—Selection of Operas ..... Beyer
March—Selwonkle ..... Perkins

Railway Notes and Personals.

L. J. Irwin, western agent of the Cumberland Gap Dispatch line, with headquarters in Kansas City, is in town.

J. F. Hartsough, traveling freight agent of the Louisville & Nashville, is in the city.

A. W. Eberhart, formerly assistant passenger agent of the Northwestern in Omaha, and now traveling freight agent for the same road in Iowa, is visiting friends about town.

John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil company, came into Council Bluffs Thursday night in a private car over the Northwestern line. Yesterday morning a private car of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas road was attached to the Elkhorn train and the millionaire left for a trip over the latter road.

Depot Conference Postponed.

Yesterday was the time set for a conference between representatives of the Burlington, Rock Island and the Milwaukee roads on the matter of a new union depot for Omaha. So far as is known the conference is off. General Manager Holdrege of the B. & M. is up in the wilds of Wyoming on a fishing trip and President Perkins is still in the east. A prominent Burlington official stated yesterday morning that he did not believe that the conference could be reached before the end of the month.

Carl Insists on Being Bad.

A warrant was yesterday morning issued for the arrest of Carl Blumberg, an 11-year-old boy, on the charge of incorrigibility. The complainant is the mother, who lives at Twenty-fifth street and Patrick avenue. She stated that the lad had run away frequently, but that the most aggravated case occurred about ten days ago. At that time the boy deserted the family roof tree to take up his abode with two colored boys who reside in the neighborhood and has positively refused to return.

Triumvirate Club, Emancipation Day Picnic, Fremont, Neb.

The Triumvirate club has arranged for a grand excursion and picnic to be held at Chautauqua grounds, Fremont, Neb., August 4. Dr. M. O. Ricketts, orator of the day, assisted by Hon. E. H. Hall and Fred L. Smith.

Day program—Band concert by Demick's band; boating; bathing; cycle races; 100-yard dash running race; ladies' race, fifty yards.

Evening Program—Grand concert and reception at Masonic Temple; refreshments of all kinds will be served on the grounds.

Fare, $1 for the round trip. Train leaves Webster street depot 8:15 a. m. Positively no liquors will be sold on the train or grounds. By order of committee.

CHRISTIAN UNION CONVENTION.

Meeting Will Be Held in This City Next Month.

Councilman Benewa is busy arranging for the reception and entertainment of the national convention of the Christian Union of the United Presbyterian church, which will meet in Omaha August 19. This society is similar to the Young People's Society of Epworth league of the Methodist church, and although its national convention is not such a vast affair as the convention in Washington, it is expected to bring at least 6,000 delegates and visitors to this city. There are about 3,000 delegates and ordinarily the aggregate attendance is fully double the number of delegates. The proceedings of the convention will occupy five days.

Tried to Stand the Policeman Off.

Charles Atherton, a young fellow who has been arrested a number of times on petty offenses, got into trouble again yesterday by stealing a base ball from a small boy named Charles Anderson. The boys live near Eighteenth and Leavenworth streets. After taking the ball away from Anderson the larger boy struck him several blows in the face, knocking him down. A warrant was sworn out for Atherton's arrest and although found at home the officers had considerable difficulty in serving the paper. A party named Guy Deland attempted to interfere with the officers and he was also taken to the station.

Deaths of a Day.

ST. LOUIS, July 10.—Colonel James Flintham Howe, a pioneer citizen of St. Louis, died yesterday after several weeks illness. Colonel Howell was one of the executors of the will of Captain Eads, the famous engineer, whose daughter, Elizabeth, Colonel Howe married. The deceased gained his military title in the war. He became connected with the Wabash railroad in the '70s and filled the position of vice president and general manager.

Tires of Her Marriage Bonds.

J. J. Bertha Harms has applied to the courts for a divorce from Hann Johnson Harms on the ground of desertion and cruelty. She sets forth in her petition that she was married to Harms in Nemaha county, this state in September, 1886, and lived with him until June of the following year, when he deserted her. She alleges that he was cruel and abusive during the time they lived together.

Note of Thanks.

The Sisters of Mercy tender their grateful thanks to the children of Mary of St. Berchman's academy and in a special manner to the Rev. Superior, Mother Hibbetts, Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. Templeton for the useful gifts presented to St. James' orphanage.

Had Money and Disappeared.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 10.—The police have been notified of the disappearance of Curtis Gibson of North Bangor, Franklin County, N. Y. Gibson arrived in this city recently and when last seen had $14,000 in his possession. It is feared that he has been murdered.

Troubles in the Business World.

NEW YORK, July 10.—J. N. Collins & Co., retail dry goods dealers at 8 to 10 East Fourth street, assigned to Alfez H. Elker, with preferences of $53,500.

The Cost.

Only a trifle more than at your own home.

$5.00 a week for good accomodations; $10 for better; $20 for the best, at Hot Springs, South Dakota.

Half rates via the Burlington, July 24th.

Call at ticket office, 1502 Farnam St., and get full information.

SUDDEN DEATH OF FRANK HURD.

Ohio's Well Known Free Trade Leader Succumbs to Apoplexy.

TOLEDO, July 10.—Hon. Frank Hurd died a few minutes before 9 o'clock this morning. His death was caused by several strokes of apoplexy, the first occurring at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. This was followed by others in rapid succession. Ten days ago he was taken with a slight attack of dysentery which made it necessary for him to remain in his room. It was not considered dangerous, however, and he gained rapidly from the effect of the attack. The city is in mourning over the sudden death of its most prominent citizen.

Mr. Hurd's death occurred at his room in the Boody house. There were present at the time Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark and Mr. Henry Curtis of Mount Vernon, and four physicians. Mrs. Clark is a sister of Mr. Hurd. The only other surviving relative is Mrs. John Delano, granddaughter of Hon. Columbus Delano of Mount Vernon. Mr. Hurd was unconscious for several hours prior to his death. There will be special services tomorrow forenoon at St. Francis de Sales church, this city, after which a special train will carry the body to Mount Vernon, where services will be held and where the remains will be interred.

Music Teachers' Association.

DENVER, July 10.—The Music Teachers' National association, whose annual convention is now being held in this city, has elected the following officers: President, H. W. Green, New York; secretary, H. S. Perkins, Chicago; treasurer, F. A. Parker, Madison, Wis.; executive committee, R. Huntington Woodman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Frank Herbert Tubbs, New York; Louis Arthur Russell, Newark, N. J.; program committee, Harry Rowe Shelley, Gerritt Smith and John Cornelius Gregg, all of New York City. It has been decided to hold the next convention in New York City in July, 1897. Many instructive papers have been read and concerts and recitals are given daily by some of the leading pianists, organists and vocalists in the country.

How Would You Like

to bathe in a bath tub 250 feet long and 75 feet wide?

You can at Hot Springs, South Dakota.

Half rates via the Burlington, July 24th.

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Special Session is Probable.

MADISON, Wis., July 10.—A special session of the Wisconsin legislature is probable to relieve the distress caused by the recent supreme court decision holding invalid the village corporation law. A delegation from the village of Wauwatosa has appeared before Governor Upham and asked him to call a special session. Wauwatosa has been enjoined by Court Commissioner Krez of the Milwaukee circuit court from exercising any of its functions as a village. The action was brought by a saloon keeper who was refused a license. The governor gave the delegation to understand that if it could be shown that the villages were wiped out and that there was no other remedy, he would call a special session of the legislature.

For Rheumatics,

consumptives, invalids of all kinds.

For everyone who is weak and wants to get strong.

Hot Springs, So. Dakota.

Half rates via the Burlington, July 24th.

Call at ticket office, 1502 Farnam St., and get full information.

J. F. Elfrist, who lives at 2823 Meredith avenue, has reported to the police that his chicken coop was raided a couple of nights ago and twenty spring chickens stolen.