

PATCHING UP AN AGREEMENT

Railroads Plan to Stop Rate Cutting to the West.

REBATE ON TICKETS SUGGESTED AS REMEDY

Scheme is Subject to the Approval of All of the Lines in the Interested Territory, However.

After a two days' deliberation, the passenger men of the western roads have reached an agreement on such of the low rates as affect intermediate points between the Missouri river and points in the northwest to which the new rates were made applicable.

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BUILDING ROADS IN WESTERN IOWA.

Illinois Central and Northwestern Preparing to Construct New Lines.

Grading outfits which are at work on the Fort Dodge & Omaha road are moving out to the line of action to be ready for work when the frost is sufficiently out of the ground to permit of operations.

It is said that Boyer valley in western Iowa will be alive with graders this summer. The Northwestern will be at work on one side building its new branch line and the Illinois Central people on the other.

Saves Railroads Much Money.

Personal engines will no longer be the custom on the Milwaukee and Santa Fe roads. The spirit of the age to get out of any machine or appliance all there is in it without any attempt at bushing or strengthening or wearing qualities is spreading to the locomotives, which in the past have been considered a thing of life.

New Policy of Santa Fe.

NEW YORK, March 29.—The February statement of earnings and expenses of the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe railway is accepted in railroad circles here as indicating the best of things. Under the new methods for reducing the road's percentage of operating expenses to a reasonable figure, the proportion of operating expenses last month was 68.10 per cent, against 75.60 in February last year.

Freight Depot Bids are Ready.

John R. Webster, general manager for the Omaha Bridge and Terminal company, has the bids for the construction of the freight depot which his company is to erect, and after examining them has decided to accept the one which has been offered by the company which will award the contract.

Goes into the Hotel Business.

Joe Shearson, who for a number of years has been superintendent of the dining car service on the Northwestern road, has resigned the position to take effect April 1. He has secured the contract for operating the terminal eating house of the Central railroad of New Jersey at New York City, and the privileges of all the States island steamboats, which are said to be valuable contracts.

Presidency Offered Herrick.

CLEVELAND, O., March 29.—It is stated that Colonel Myron T. Herrick, one of the receivers of the Wheeling & Lake Erie road, which is about to be reorganized, has been offered the presidency of the company when his duties as receiver cease. It is understood, however, that Mr. Herrick has declined the offer and will sever all official connection with the road as soon as the reorganization has been effected.

State of Texas Railroad.

GALVESTON, Tex., March 29.—In the federal court today, T. J. Smith completed the acquisition of the Galveston, LaPorte & Houston railroad, purchased at receiver's sale some months ago, by paying \$275,000, making a total of \$425,000. The presence of C. P. Huntington here gives rise to a rumor that the Southern Pacific is the real purchaser.

Weighing Government Mail.

Government mail weighers have begun work at Council Bluffs weighing all the mail carried on either mail or express trains in Iowa. The weighing process will continue for thirty-five days, and upon the report an average will be reached on which to base the mail carrying contracts with the railroads for the next four years. Two men are en-

RAILROAD NOTES AND PERSONALS.

John P. Evans of Salt Lake City, connected with the Oregon Short Line, is in the city.

Joe Mik, passenger director at the Burlington depot, is off duty temporarily owing to sickness.

Cornelius Vanderbilt and party, traveling in a West Shore private car, passed through Omaha this morning eastbound.

The Union Pacific has been asked for bids to transport two companies of the Twenty-fourth infantry from Fort Russell, near Cheyenne, to San Francisco, which is interpreted to mean that the colored heroes of San Juan are to take a whirl at the Philippines.

A GREAT WORK.

Many Acknowledgments from Members of the Century Club.

Though the offer of the Century Club has been before the public but a short time, the Bee has already received many acknowledgments from friends, who have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded. The sets of the Century Dictionary and Cyclopaedia appear to have given particular satisfaction in families where there are boys and girls.

"I write this to tell you how pleased Mrs. L., David and I are with the Century Dictionary and Cyclopaedia. I purchased a set for my son, and I have to say that it will be a great boon to our household, for you know how many troublesome questions my boy asks. It answers all the questions that will puzzle even the wisest heads. We find that the Century relieves the pressure and answers absolutely everything that I had not examined it. I classified it in my mind with some other reference works that I own. Now we feel rich and independent with the Century in our possession, and doubtless we shall soon serve very wise to our neighbors."

This letter is but one of many similar letters that have been received by the Bee. They come from professional and business men, and they mention the Century's usefulness in business as well as in the family circle.

NEW GOVERNMENT BUILDING.

There is Much Yet to be Done Before the Structure is Fully Completed.

Although John Latenser has finished the work of supervising the construction of the new government building, there is still considerable work to be done before the final completion of the structure. On or about April 1, he will abandon his office in the building and devote much of his time to the plans and specifications of the new school houses which the Board of Education proposes to construct this season.

At this time Mr. Latenser is inviting proposals upon department plans and specifications for fireproof storerooms in the upper story of the new government building. The present arrangement of the ceiling, decorations or more rooms which can be used for the purpose of storing records and valuable papers that are not in constant use. These rooms will be similar to vaults and will be provided with shelving, pigeon holes and compartments.

LENTE SEASON CLOSING.

Holy Week is Being Observed as Usual with Great Solemnity by the Catholic Churches.

The last seven days of the Lenten season are designated as Holy week and are observed with great solemnity in the Catholic churches of the country. Thursday before Easter Sunday is designated as Holy Thursday and is a day of fasting and prayer. Upon this occasion services will be held in St. Plomin's cathedral, Bishop Scannell presiding. The week is regarded as the penitential season in commemoration of the Lord's passion and death.

This morning a large number of priests, including those of the city and a number from out of town, will gather at St. Plomin's cathedral, where they will take part in the pontifical mass and the consecration of the holy oils. This ceremony will be under the direction of the following: Assistant priest, Rev. Choka; assistant deacons, Revs. Kelly and Jenette; deacon of the mass, Rev. Smith; subdeacon of the mass, Rev. Glauber; book bearer, Rev. McNamara; cross bearer, Rev. Vleck; deacons for the oils, Revs. Calvin and McCarthy; masters of ceremonies, Revs. Carroll and Senson. The twelve other priests who will take part are Revs. Marquardt, Eustach, Patrick, Vranek, Gleason, Bronsgeest, Maritz, Barry, Hedeisel and the representatives of the parishes of West Point, Columbus and Grand Island.

WANT EXPOSITION STAMPS.

Demand is steadily increasing among collectors for the new \$125 Worth is Received.

Now that they are about all gone, people throughout the country are beginning to realize the value of the Transmississippi and International Exposition postage stamps. People are writing to Postmaster Martin almost daily, asking for sets of the stamps. These orders he is unable to fill, as the stamps are practically out of stock.

One of the largest orders for exposition stamps has been received from a man at Napa, Cal., who sends the money and writes that he wants \$50 worth of ones, \$50 worth of twos and \$25 worth of fours. The order can be filled on everything except the twos, as there is plenty of all of the other denominations at the office.

"Give me a liver regulator and I can regulate the world," said a gentleman. The druggist handed him a bottle of Dr. Williams' Little Early Risers, the famous little pills.

DIED.

ZISKOVSKY—Mrs. Anna, March 28. Funeral will take place Thursday, March 30, at 2 p. m., from family residence, 3415 Fifth street. Relatives and friends are invited.

THE DENVER TRAIN

is the Burlington's Denver Limited—leaving Omaha 4:25 p. m.—arriving Denver 7:10 a. m. This is the train that carries the mail.

BOSTON STORE EASTER SALE.

Special Bargains in Fine Millinery and Ladies' Tailor Made Suits.

GREAT SALE OF BOYS' EASTER SUITS.

Every Department in Our Entire Establishment is Overflowing with New Easter Goods—Buy Today—Don't Wait Until the Last Minute.

EASTER MILLINERY. At \$4.98, 100 pieces of a grand array of exquisite copies of the most expensive imported French model hats—perfect dreams of beauty. Not one in this lot worth less than \$10.00.

At \$3.98, ladies' and misses' most fashionably trimmed hats. You must see them to realize their real beauty. All shades of fascia, heliotrope, black and black and white, at \$3.98.

Ladies' trimmed Easter hats and toques, very becomingly and tastefully gotten up, made by hand, and for this Easter, at \$2.98.

Ladies' very handsome spring silk waists, in elegant fancy figured taffetas, and the newest plain colors, such as cerise, turquoise, royal blue, violet, red and white, made with shirred backs and front, go on sale at \$2.98, \$4.98, \$5.98.

\$15.00 LADIES' TAILOR SUITS, \$5.98. \$5.98 for ladies' nobby, new man-tailored suits, made of the finest cloth and broad cloth; in all the new shades of royal blue, browns, and black. Box jackets, silk lined. All the new circular cut skirts, with buttons on back; actually worth \$10.00; on sale at \$5.98 a suit.

LADIES' TAILOR MADE SUITS. \$12.00 boys' ladies' exceedingly large, man-tailored suits, handsomely trimmed with silk braid in beautiful designs; made of very fine Venetian, silk taffeta lined jackets, skirts with buttons on back; actually for this Easter sale at \$12.50.

BOYS' AND CHILD'S EASTER SUITS. Children's new vestee and junior suits, worth \$4.00 and \$3.00, actually for this Easter, at \$2.98, \$3.98, \$5.00.

Children's fancy vestee suits, worth \$6.00 and \$7.00, actually for this Easter, at \$4.98, \$5.98.

Knee pants suits, new extreme style, worth \$8.00, go at \$5.00. Boys' long pants suits, worth \$7.50 to \$10.00, go at \$5.00.

Boys' all wool casing long pants suits, worth \$5.00, go at \$2.98. MEN'S AND BOYS' NEW EASTER SUITS, CAPS AND NECKWEAR.

Big lot all new spring suits in hats, caps and fancy neckwear shown for first time today.

MEN'S NEW SPRING CLOTHING.

In our improved and bettered clothing department, we show today complete lines of new spring

TOP COATS.

In the new colors and cuts. And MEN'S FINE SUITS. With silk and satin linings, as complete as any.

No finer garments made. At any price in ready-to-wear clothing, at \$12.50, \$15.00, \$12.50, \$9.98.

BOSTON STORE, OMAHA. N. W. Cor. 16th and Douglas.

Announcements.

This evening will be Elks' night at the Orpheum. They will attend the theater in a body to do special honor to their fellow members and friends. The program will be in two acts and embraces such talent as Mrs. Ella Matheson, Misses Nellie Paris, Blanche Miller, Esther Ross, and the Starlets, Kittle Lowe, Bessie Fitzpatrick, O'Rourke, Brennan, Rush, Warren, Ensign, and Messrs. Ed Copley, Ed P. Muller, George Best, R. K. Lewis, D. O'Neil, Dickerson, Cock, Willard Barrows, Frank McConnell, F. E. Ryner, J. V. Brennan, Jack Kelly, Chris Camp, Harry Cokerell and others. It is a play with good songs, dances and specialties and local jokes will have full swing.

"The Rough Mr. Ryder" is from the pen of a prominent young lady resident of this city, and being played by local talent it ought to show what our home people can do in the amusement line. Among the many funny specialties may be mentioned "Fingering Off Again, On Again, Gone Again, Fingering," "She Only Had a Dollar in Her Purse," "He Found His Money in a Sawdust Barrel," "Big Time Liz," "Mamelle Marie, From Gay Paree," "Willie Off the Yacht," "Well! Shake Hands and Kiss Your Baby Good-bye," "The Girl I Loved in Sunny Tennessee," "The Stars and Stripes Forever," "The Jolly Musketeers," "I Wonder What Am That," "The Cuban Sweetheart," and dozens of others. Mr. Gotz will stage the production.

The great success both artistically and financially which attended the engagement of the Danmore Opera company here several seasons ago has made the music-loving public feel that a visit from another organization of a similar nature would prove just as great a success. The announcement, therefore, that Manager Charles A. Ellis has been induced to give one performance here on Thursday evening, April 6, at Boyd's, was received with great satisfaction, and the opera selected, Bizet's popular "Carmen," is undoubtedly as good a selection as could possibly be made for the occasion. Many well known singers, some of them who have been heard before in this city, are included in the cast of principals and the presence of a grand symphony orchestra and a fine chorus and ballet all will go far toward making an evening of the greatest enjoyment to those who attend.

Sam'l Burns, 1318 Farnam, says only two days more of 15 per cent reduction sale.

Easter Dyes by Mail.

Send us 7c in stamps and we will send you by RETURN MAIL a package containing 6 different colors for dyeing eggs and 8 sheets of Calico paper for marking the decorations on eggs. Remember, only 7c for the dyes—no postage.

WATCH OUR DRUG CUTS. Duff's Malt Whiskey, we sell 50c. Ayer's Malt Whiskey, we sell 50c. Ayer's Hair Vigor, we sell 50c. Mexican Hair Grower, we sell 50c. The Celebrated Hair Oil, we sell 50c. Uncle Sam's Tobacco Cure, we sell 50c. Brown's Tooth Powder, we sell 50c. Menthol's Toiletum Powder, we sell 50c. Gt. Bottle Good port or sherry, we sell 50c. Pinkham's Compound, we sell 50c. Family Balm, we sell 50c. Malted Milk, we sell 50c. Borden's Condensed Milk, we sell 50c. Wine Cardui, we sell 50c. Large bar imported green castle soap 50c. Write for catalogue of drugs and rubbers.

Sherman & McConnell Drug Co. 1513 DODGE ST., OMAHA, MIDDLE OF BLOCK.

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Burlington Station—10th and Mason Sts., Telephone, 310.

HAYDEN BROS.

The Greatest Bargains Yet.

DRESS GOODS.

Special sale on tailor suits every day this week. The largest line in Omaha at from \$9e to \$7.50; prices cut almost in two. We have also a sale on goods for children's school and fancy dresses. All our 35c will go at 25c, our 40c at 35c, our 50c at 45c, our 75c at 55c, our 95c at 75c. The sale will last only the remainder of this week. As immediate buyers of Priestley's crepe, Coulthart's crepe, Coutere's crepe, at 25c less than you will pay for the inferior grades on the market. All goods manufactured by these firms are stamped on the cloth every five yards.

Landsdowne, confined to Hayden Bros. for \$1.00 per yard.

DRESS GOODS IN THE BASEMENT.

Cashmeres, 30 colors, at 5c per yard. Novelties, 100 pieces worth, novelties at 10c, 15c, 15c, 44-112, storm serge worth 50c per yd., on sale at only 35c. The best place in the country to buy cheap dress goods. All new from the manufacturer.

BIG SILK SALE TO LAST ALL WEEK.

Commencing Thursday, prices reduced in every direction. Biggest silk values ever offered in the city. Fourteen to 24 in wide, printed Indias, figured Chinos, worth up to \$1.00, all on bargain square at 25c. Best 2, changeable gauzines, in all shades, double warp French twills, washable crepes, worth up to 75c, on sale at 25c. Lot 3, swivel silks 30 in. wide, amber stripes, summer silk, bust grade white, all 10c, on sale at 5c, price, 35c. Lot 4, fancy stripes, new plaids and checks, rich novelties and broads, worth \$1.50, all on sale at 45c. Lot 5, foulards in blues, pinks, browns, greens, gray and all light shades; you can select our best grades worth \$1.00 and \$1.25 for only 35c.

EASTER NOVELTIES IN FANCY STRIPES.

Over 500 styles at big reduction in prices; 75c, worth \$1.00; 85c, worth \$1.25; 95c, worth \$1.25. Ask for them in wide, white, 75c. Winslow taffeta can be had only at Hayden's; all other taffetas are only 15c. 10c, 12c, 15c, 18c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 95c, 1.00, 1.10, 1.20, 1.30, 1.40, 1.50.

SPECIALS IN GROCERIES, CHEESE AND BUTTER.

Bearsley's shelled codfish, per can, 7c; 3-lb. can solid packed tomatoes, 75c; 2-lb. cans white sugar corn, 6c; 14 bars laundry soap, 10c; 100 lbs. large packages 5c; large new Valencia raisins, 5c; new California prunes, 5c; new evaporated raspberries, 15c; fancy high grade Minnesota flour, 30c; fancy high grade flour, 25c; Swallow flour, 65c; Hygeia creamery butter, 18c; best Elgin creamery, 15c; very best butter, 14c; fresh dairy butter, 12 1/2c; 12 1/2c; fresh eggs, doz., 10c; Red Cloud Canadian cheese, only 14c; Herkimer county double cream, 14c; fancy domestic Swiss cheese, 14c; fancy Swiss cheese, 14c; each 2c. We have a big sale on meats in our meat department.

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Associated Charities.

After the long and severe winter just experienced and the large demands for assistance upon our association, the treasury is not only exhausted, but our indebtedness is considerable. We are compelled to appeal to our generous citizens to help us to clear this off and to give us sufficient funds to enable us to carry on our work with efficiency. We therefore ask you to contribute an entertainment for our benefit to take place at Boyd's theater on Monday and Tuesday, April 10 and 11. It is a very interesting two-act musical comedy entitled "The Rough Mr. Ryder" and will be participated in by a large number of our best known ladies and gentlemen, assisted by a professional orchestra under the skillful direction of Mr. Thomas P. Getz of "A Night in Bohemia" fame. We can safely guarantee it to equal, if not excel, anything given in this city. Tickets to be had of A. Hoopes, Clement Chase and our office, 1510 St. Mary's avenue. JOHN LAUGHLIN, Secretary.

Mercer hotel, 12th and Howard streets, Omaha, \$2 per day. F. J. Coates, Prop.

HOD CARRIERS HOLD OUT.

Bricklayers Consequently Are Doing No Work on the New Union Depot.

Brick work on the new Union depot continues at a standstill. The hod carriers are holding out for 20 cents an hour, and the bricklayers can do no work without them so as to bring the material to them. The superintendent of the building says the hod carriers have made no demand for an increase in pay, and gives as a reason why the work has not been resumed the fact that the foreman is indisposed. He insists that the contract is not being delayed through the strike which is on, but that there is a plenty of work to which the hod carriers can turn their attention during the present lull in bricklaying. When asked if he thought he could secure all the men wanted to take the place of the strikers, he said strictly for the present. He said the 400 workmen are around the building. It is understood they are perfecting their organization, and securing the co-operation of those who might be induced to take the vacated positions.

For frost bites, burns, indolent sores, eczema, skin diseases, and especially Piles, Dr. King's Witch Hazel Salve stands first and best. Look out for dishonest imitations who try to imitate and counterfeit it. It's their endorsement of a good article.

GREAT REDUCTION IN RATES.

Via "Rock Island Route." To points in Utah, Montana, Washington, Oregon and California. Call at city ticket office, 1223 Farnam street.

Children for Adoption.

A girl 2 months old, with dark brown eyes. Another girl 2 weeks old. A boy nearly 2 years of age, with good looks and another 3 weeks old. Also two other girls, ages one week and three weeks. Inquire at Child Saving Institute, 504 South Eighteenth street.

A ten-word want ad costs you but 85 cents for 7 days in the Morning and Evening Bee.

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You'll find in our showing of Suits the very latest effects—styles not to be found elsewhere in Omaha.

New Shirts—New Waists—New Ties—New Kid Gloves.

Specialties for Easter

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Gold Alloy Filling, \$1.00

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