

VICTUALERS HAVE A PICNIC

Grocers and Butchers Abandon Business for One Day's Outing.

MERRY THOUSANDS GO WITH THEM

Biggest Excursion that Ever Left Union Station Was that Which Made the Trip to Missouri Valley Yesterday.

The first section of the train bearing the members of the Retail Grocers' association and Butchers' union who attended the annual picnic of the associations at Missouri Valley yesterday arrived at the union station upon its return shortly before 1 o'clock last night.

An hour later the second section, with every car crowded to the utmost, duplicated the first section. At 10 o'clock the third section arrived and on this was the band and officers of the two associations, who made just a little more noise than the other two.

It took four special trains to carry the excursionists to Missouri Valley, the first section of which left Omaha at 7 o'clock. When the train arrived at the Iowa town it was to find every business house closed and every business man and his clerk and family assembled at the station to form an escort to the fair grounds, where the picnic was held.

It had been announced that prominent speakers would address the education of the multitude, but they failed. David H. Mercer was on hand, loaded to the upper, but the committee failed to call upon him, as the contests, in which all were interested, took up too much time and the people were too busy enjoying themselves to listen to speakers.

The contests were spirited and full of ginger. No winner had a walkover unless it was George Munro, who beat Robert Smith in a horse race, because the latter knows not the ways of the jockey. An interesting game of ball was played between the grocers and a team from Modale, in which the Omaha boys knocked out of the game by a score of 5 to 2.

Watermelon contests, quantity eaten, and not time considered, J. D. Debraun winner, Harry Elliott, second. Physicians believe both will recover; traveling men's race, L. J. Hoden; who went the entire 100 yards; married women's race, Mrs. A. C. Dace; unmarried women's race, Miss L. E. Allen; washboard race, O. C. Brown; roadster race, Mayor E. B. James of Missouri Valley; running horse race, O. D. Wilson, first, George Hoagie, second; George man's horse race was won by George Munro of Omaha, with Robert Smith of Omaha a close second.

William Newline, second. The best gentleman waiter of the ground was W. Boh and the best woman waiter, Miss Deets Winsberg. The prize for the prettiest baby was won by Arthur Rood, son of Mrs. H. A. Rood. A 110-gallon load of Missouri Valley because he was 91 years of age, and no one on the ground was an elder. Mrs. H. M. Bell, age 78 years, was presented with a shopping bag for being the oldest woman on the ground. One of the most amusing contests of the entire day was the slow mile race. It was so slow that it was impossible to keep the time. After H. had been forgotten that the start had been made, T. Erwin astride a beautiful bay, crept over the wire, a winner.

Over Four Thousand There. It is estimated that over 4,000 people attended the picnic and of this number over 2,000 went from Omaha. At 7 o'clock yesterday morning Abbott's division had assembled at Fifteenth and Farnam streets and soon thereafter clerks and business men with their families began to drop from every incoming street car. Soon after 9 o'clock a parade was formed, with T. Erwin, M. McCarthy, Russell and Cooper in the lead and the twenty-six musicians in the line. In the line were 128 members of the two associations, who marched to the station, arriving at 1:25. Two sections had already gone and the marchers piled into the third. With them piled in several hundred other people and the train pulled out at 1:40, with the five cars loaded to the guards.

During the afternoon Officer McCarthy, the special body guard of the picnicists, discovered Bertha Liebke, better known as "Fighting Bertha," wandering through the crowd. Notwithstanding Bertha's protests and her threats to create a scene by fainting, she was removed from the grounds and turned over to the Missouri Valley officers, who knew her well.

They men had the arrangements of the picnic to charge and are largely responsible for its success. Joseph Ernst, Henry Hoffman, John Rasmussen, Henry Schuauer, Justin Peterson, Louis Hermann, V. F. Kunel, George F. Moore, Harry Mitchell, W. J. Hines, H. P. Fisher, H. Boffet, D. Green, E. D. Frank, C. L. Porter, J. Harris, John Peterson.

NEW DIRECTOR OF GYMNASIUM

J. C. Penland to Succeed F. B. Barnes at Young Men's Christian Association.

F. B. Barnes, who has for five years past been physical director at the local Young Men's Christian association headquarters, will leave Omaha September 1 to accept a similar position with the institution at Cambridge, Mass. The change is in every way an advance. The gymnasium at Cambridge is the best in Massachusetts and the equipment is elaborate. Mr. Barnes will have more help, shorter hours and a better salary.

A thousand athletes in Omaha will be pleased to hear of the promotion. Mr. Barnes came here September 13, 1897, and has built up the gymnasium from a membership of 100 to 1,000 now. The total attendance his first year was 7,500. The last year it was 24,000. The director has followed this line of work from the first, having now spent twelve years in it. He was first two years in the Young Men's Christian association gymnasium training school at Chicago, then physical director at Terre Haute, Ind., five years, then at Chicago one year, and then came to Omaha.

Secretary F. L. Willis has been in the east and has returned. J. C. Penland, who has for three years been the physical director at Rock Island, Ill., to fill the vacancy.

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SANITARIUM SITE SELECTED

Soldiers' Hospital Will Be on High School Hill at Hot Springs.

Captain H. E. Palmer, member of the board of managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, has returned from Hot Springs, S. D., where, with other members of the board, he participated in locating the site for the new sanitarium for all these homes. This site is on the plateau of the plateau overlooking the handsome Evans hotel, on what is known as High School hill, and is as near the center of the city of Hot Springs as it is possible to get.

"All the members of the board, as well as the people of Hot Springs regard the location as the most suitable that could possibly have been selected. In fact it is nothing short of ideal," said Captain Palmer, who is enthusiastic over the settlement of this important step in the establishment of the sanitarium.

There are nine national homes for disabled volunteer soldiers in the United States, the general home being in Dayton, O., and this sanitarium is to be a hospital for all these homes.

"When you consider that 61 per cent of all the disabled soldiers are suffering from malaria and kindred diseases, you will readily appreciate the valuable function this sanitarium has to discharge and the actual need for its existence," said Captain Palmer.

Work on the construction of the buildings will begin as soon as the board of managers can comply with the law giving them exclusive jurisdiction over the grounds which will become a reservation, exempt from all taxation. As legislative action is first necessary, this work cannot start until about the middle of next January, at least, but as soon as these technical preliminaries are disposed of bids for the contracts will be advertised and the work rushed through with all possible dispatch.

What the entire cost of the building will be cannot be told now. The original appropriation made by congress is \$170,000. More will be called for as fast as required to promote the completion of the institution.

Captain Palmer, who will be the nearest to a resident board member, will have the management of the sanitarium when completed.

HOW UNION LABOR MEN FEEL

Plumbers' Union Sends Hot Letter on Police Board to Governor

The sentiments of the union labor people in regard to the new Mercer-Union police board are fairly expressed in the following letter which the Plumbers' union has just ordered its secretary to mail to Governor Savage:

Dear Mr. Governor: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. in relation to the Mercer-Union police board. I am glad to see that you are so anxious to have the best possible police board for the city of Omaha. I am sure that you will not be disappointed in the result. I am sure that you will not be disappointed in the result. I am sure that you will not be disappointed in the result.

President McVey of the Central Labor Union will send copies of the letter to the various labor unions of the city and it is likely, he said, that the other unions would either endorse the letter or write a similar one to the governor.

FIND DEAD MAN IN A BOXCAR

Indications that He Had Committed Suicide by Taking Strich-Wine.

In an open boxcar of the St. Louis & Southern railroad, standing on the Missouri Pacific tracks at Fifteenth and Locust streets, a man was found about 7:30 o'clock yesterday evening lying dead, with his face pressed on a pair of shoes and a half-empty bottle of strich-wine on the floor beside his foot. The man had been dead at least since early morning, at which time he was noticed lying in the car. There was nothing about his person to identify him and his pockets contained only ten cents and a cigarette case. The police have been notified and the body has been removed to the morgue.

Early yesterday morning when Elmer Fisher and George Harty were going to work they noticed a man lying in the car, but thought nothing of the matter, as it is common to find men sleeping in the cars. It was not until they were returning home with their father, W. Deber, and Henry Orisk that they saw the prostrate figure. His suspicious being aroused, investigation was made and the fact of death discovered.

He was a man of about 40 years of age, five feet eleven inches tall and rather thin. He had sparse black hair, slightly curly and mixed with a little gray; brown mustache, also partially gray. His eyes were blue and his nose slightly Roman. He wore blue overalls, white socks, a shirt and had a new pair of shoes.

Elmer Fisher, who is 16 years old, thinks that the body is that of Will Davis, who lived at the foot of Grace street, but he is not at all positive.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kilkenny have returned after a fortnight's sojourn at Hill Beach, N. J. They were accompanied by Captain George J. Crane, who has returned from the Pacific coast, where he has been spending his vacation.

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Although Congressman Mercer gave it out on his return from Washington that as soon as he had adjusted the police commission matter to his liking he would take up the question of a congressional convention, both Mr. Mercer and his chairman, Tom Blackburn, still profess complete ignorance as to whether they will allow the republicans to express their choice for the congressional succession.

Chairman Goss of the republican county committee also expressed himself as still in the dark as to the program. "I do not know anything about the congressional convention," he says, "and as to the county nominating convention, I do not think it will be held before the latter part of September. We certainly cannot take any steps for the selection of delegates to the congressional convention until we know whether there is to be a congressional convention, and how it is to be made up."

Now that the Mercer police board has been appointed, a meeting of the congressional committee is, however, expected before long. It is rumored an apparently good authority that Mercer and his supporters have abandoned their scheme for nominating the congressional candidate by direct primary vote under the Crawford system, although, as a matter of fact, they have been hesitating since as to which plan would prove more advantageous to Mercer, the direct nomination or the direct delegate convention. The excuse they give for their cooling ardor toward the Crawford system is that they have discovered legal difficulties in the way, although no legal difficulties were visible when the same kind of a scheme was sprung in Mr. Mercer's interest two years ago.

According to this same authority the Mercers are in a quandary whether they should recognize the congressional delegates already selected by Washington and Barry counties, one of which is instructed for Mercer and the other against him. By calling for a direct primary nomination Mercer would lose the seventeen votes already carried in Washington county, while his chances of making gains in Barry county would not offset the probable loss in Washington. The prospects, therefore, favor a call for a congressional nominating convention in which the delegates already selected in Washington and Barry counties will be entitled to seats as well as the Douglas county will be invited to elect delegates.

Discrimination Against Douglas. Another question presented is whether the Douglas county delegates shall be chosen in county convention or be selected at the ward and precinct primaries and sent directly from the primaries into the congressional convention. This would constitute a discrimination against Douglas county, but a little thing like that would not phase the Mercer management.

The delegates already selected in the two outside counties are under an assumed apportionment of one to every 100 or major fraction of the votes cast for Mercer in 1900, and on that basis Douglas county, which cast 13,620 votes for Mercer last time, would be entitled to 136 delegates.

As it takes twenty-five days under the primary election law to give notice for holding a nominating convention, the date for the congressional nomination cannot be earlier than the middle of September. With the custom to name the county ticket toward the latter part of September, it will be up to the county committee to decide whether double primaries should be held as close together as a week or two, one for the campaign for the congressional nomination and the other for places on the county ticket. By consolidating and putting all the nominations into one date a saving would be effected, but as Mercer has given it out that money is no object, the Mercers will probably prefer to go alone.

A Sure Cure For Diarrhoea.

Coming as it does, in the hottest season, when a man can't get a good, safe, sure and quick cure for diarrhoea is a very desirable. Anyone who has given a trial will tell you that the quickest, surest and most pleasant remedy in use for this disease is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. There is no loss of time when it is used, as one or two doses of it will cure any ordinary attack. It never fails, not even in the most severe and dangerous cases.

RELIES ON FORMER DECISIONS

City Attorney's Contentious in Quo Warranto Case Against New Police Board.

City Attorney Connell, who notified that the Mercer police board had selected for the old board's demand for possession, said that a petition and brief in quo warranto would be prepared without delay.

"There is really no hurry in the matter," said he, "since all the courts have adjourned, and we cannot get immediate relief anyway. However, I'll get it at it as soon as I can get away from these injunction cases that are now taking all of my time in the district court."

"In drawing up the brief I shall not try to distinguish the program from its position that the board should be appointed by the governor; that would be undertaking too much at this time, and in this case is unnecessary. I shall content rather that the ruling should apply to the present board. My contention will be that whether or not it is the duty of the governor to appoint the board, the governor had no right to appoint a board to take the place of the present mayor's board, since its members' right to office under the expiration of their terms has been already adjusted by the supreme court. He instead of asking the court to reverse itself I shall simply ask it to stand by two of its former decisions."

The former decisions are the State against Moore, the State against Kennedy. The case against Moore included all the commissioners then serving with him, as well as the commissioners appointed by former Governor Holcomb, just as the present quo warranto proceeding will include Mayor Mercer, his commissioners and the Mercer commissioners. The case of the State against Frank A. Kennedy included all of his associates on the board and the commissioners appointed by former Governor Forney. It was urged in this action that the appointment of Forney was returned by the judgment against the same, but by the judgment against the same, but by the judgment against the same.

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PLUCKY WOMAN HOLDS THIEF

Makes Man Prisoner in Her Kitchen While She Calls Police.

Mrs. Joseph Murphy arrested a thief who had stolen her \$100 diamond ring, locked him in her kitchen for an hour and a half, searched him and compelled him to return the ring. She then held the man a prisoner, summoned an officer and then returned to prosecute.

Mrs. Murphy was engaged in the ordinary occupation of making bread in the kitchen of her home, 1714 South Thirty-second avenue. Before going into the kitchen she had left her ring on the telephone in another part of the house. While she was engaged in her work of a neighbor, who was at work on the roof of a neighboring house, came to use the telephone. When after he left Mrs. Murphy missed the ring. She immediately sent for Mr. Rail.

When Rail walked into the kitchen Mrs. Murphy promptly locked the door and accused him of the theft. He denied it and Mrs. Murphy insisted. She then took an inventory of his pockets, but found nothing. After keeping him locked in the room for over an hour she went to the telephone and called for the police. At the sight of the officer Rail weakened and admitted his guilt and in company with Mrs. Murphy and the officer he returned to where he was at work and there, buried in the cellar, was the ring. Mrs. Murphy informed the officer that she would not prosecute.

MAY HAVE TWO HUSBANDS

Maggie Carroll, Who Was Married Barrett, Said to Be Too Much Married.

Attorneys are in district court looking over the files in the case of Maggie Barrett against Dennis, her husband, and the reason is said to be that Maggie is now under arrest in North Omaha with a warrant of Council Bluffs, whom she married eight days after her divorce decree was signed by Judge Raab July 11 last. The decree was granted on the ground of the alleged cruelty and drunkenness of Dennis, who is janitor of the High school in South Omaha, but it was never admitted to filing because the costs were unpaid, so that Maggie is technically still Mrs. Barrett and not Mrs. Carroll. Even had it been filed she could not have legally married Carroll until the expiration of six months or in next January. It is said, too, that Barrett had the same sort of complicated condition when he married her, not having been divorced from her sister sufficiently long.

DATE FOR BANKERS' MEETING

Second and Third Days of October Set for Nebraska Association Convention.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Omaha clearing house it was decided to hold the meeting of the Nebraska Bankers' association October 2 and 3 in the city of Omaha. This date will make it convenient for the bankers to attend the ball given by the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben on the evening of October 2.

The meeting this year will partake more of the festive than that of last year. The program will be made up of a number of interesting meetings was discontinued because of the death of President McKinley, and the annual banquet was omitted. The committee is now at work on the program for the coming meeting and it will be announced in a week or two.

TRAINMEN TO BE "DOCTORS"

To Be Taught How to Give Medical Attention to Emergencies.

The Northwestern has decided to introduce an innovation in the form of a medical and surgical department. This action has been decided on as a result of a plan laid by General Manager Gardner and Dr. Owens, general surgeon of the company. Trainmen are to be taught the rudiments of medical science and surgery so they can give medical attention to themselves and co-workers in case of emergency. A school for the instruction of all these employees will be established and each man is to carry a "doctor's" case when on the road, as is done now by the Union Pacific and other trainmen.

Second to Arrive Home.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The Viscount de Clinchamps, who is the French member of the party headed by Harry de Windt, which set out from Paris on December 15, 1901, for an overland trip to circumnavigate the world, called for home today on the steamship La Bretagne. The viscount's arrival in Paris will complete his trip and he will be the second member of the party to arrive home. The de Windt party started out with four members. The two that are still traveling are De Windt himself and another Englishman named Harding.

Chilgrens Litter II.

"My little boy took the crap one night," says F. D. Berglund of Manning, O., "and grew so bad you could hear him breathe all over the house. I thought he would die, but a few doses of One Minute Cough Cure relieved and sent him to sleep. That's the best I've heard of the crap." One Minute Cough Cure is absolutely safe and sets at once. For coughs, colds, croup, grip, asthma and bronchitis.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Preliminary steps to the establishment of a state jurisdiction of the Catholic archdiocese of Omaha were completed Tuesday evening when the case of Clevington court in Arlington hall, when it was decided to hold a picnic at Krug's park Thursday, August 11.

Dan McBride, who lives at 1209 Davenport street, while in a state of intoxication, yesterday afternoon, fell into a narrow crevice of a building at Thirtieth and Davenport streets and suffered a severe cut on the back of the head and numerous bruises about the body. He was taken to the police hospital and is now recovering. After which he was locked up. At the time of the accident McBride was sitting on the second rail of the car and was thrown away and some how managed to slip through the window.

Miss Swenson, a 15-year-old domestic in the family of H. G. Rockefeller at 214 Sherburne street, was thrown by a northbound car about 9:30 o'clock on Friday evening, trying to alight at the corner of the avenue and Broadway. She was thrown from the car and her head struck the ground. She was taken to the hospital and is now recovering. Her parents live at 214 Sherburne street.

It was at first thought that the girl had been killed, but she later rallied and is now known to have suffered nothing more serious than a deep cut on the back of the head. The sufferer was removed from the car and taken to the hospital. She is now recovering. Her parents live at 214 Sherburne street.

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Here is a seeming long story. But read it. There is information in this. It is more than an "ad."

It would be of interest to every man who buys a cigar to know the condition of affairs now existing in the cigar market.

The slam-bang, headlong tendency for years with nickel factories has been to get quantity of out-put and to get the cost of making down to the lowest possible notch. The idea has grown to be general among nickel factories that nickel buyers have no taste and that a roll of straw if it could be made to look like a cigar would do as well as anything else. But cost to you has always been the same. And think of the profits! The only drain on them has been the need of tin-horn advertising and blazing the way like a circus.

These factories combined and with the price of their "popular" 5 cent brands down as low as \$17 a thousand they now feel in a position to dictate the trade of the country.

Nominally the price is kept up to what a decent 5 cent cigar should cost, but inner schemes on the goods bring it down to \$17 and the result loads up the dealers and naturally such goods are the plentiful ones.

Bondy & Lederer were not with the "quantity" crowd. They are today the largest independent factory in America. They got busy trying to do something unusual. With capital and patience they have been able to succeed. The result is their own raising of genuine Vuelta tobacco on American soil from sprouts transplanted from the choice Abajos district of Cuba. Escaping duties they are able to put this stock into a cigar, costing dealers \$35 which dealers are expected to sell you at 5 cents. That cigar is the "Tom Keene." Just try it and note the exquisite Java coffee-like flavor. That is the American Vuelta. It is a success. It is a good joke on the "quantity" around who now control (not with smokers who know) the 5 cent market.

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