LIQUOR LICENSES GRANTED

Police Board Overrules News' Protests and Issues the Documents.

PROTESTANT FAILS TO MAKE ITS CASE

Gilbert M. Hitchcock Has Busy Time Dodging the Point, but Board Finally Lets Him Out of the Hole.

At its afternoon and night sittings yesterday the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners granted 129 liquor licenses to saloonkeepers and twelve permits to druggists. Of the licenses more than fifty were to the Metz Brewing company, its members or its representatives. There still remain to be acted upon about 100 applications, of which seventy-one are those protested by I. J. Dunn, and which will be disposed of this afternoon at 2 o'clock, probably by a ruling in one test case. The rest of the 100 await the expiration of the necessary two weeks' notice. In the afternoon the "lack of good faith" protest of the Daily News, by Mel Uhl, was tested in the case of Hans Kruse, a Bee advertiser, and the twenty-two applications dependent upon that case were allowed. At night the Sherman-McConnell application was made a similar test for The Bee, and the six applications dependent upon it were allowed.

The hearing in this latter case was the most interesting feature of the day's proceedings, and was notable for the ambitious side-stepping of the publisher of the Morning World-Herald, which sells for 15 cents per week, and of the Evening World-Herald, which sells for 10 cents per week; and for the perpetual objecting of his attorney, James H. McCulloch, to any questions involving a full showing of the actual circulation of the two editions.

Testimony in the Case.

Attorney Simeral, for The Bee, called Roy Parker, advertising solicitor; G. R. Wright, collector, and Charles R. Sherman, president of the Sherman-McConnell drug firm, with whom they had had conversations relative to the publication of the firm's application for license.

Mr. Parker testified that Mr. Sherman had said, last Friday, that he took his notice to the World-Herald with the understanding that the granting of the license was guaranteed. Mr. Wright testified that December 13 Mr. Sherman had told him he had advertised previously in The Evening Bee; had no reason to believe its circulation had decreased during the year; had no proof of the circulation of the World-Herald, and did not at that time know what the firm would do.

Mr. Sherman verified the principal statements of the previous witnesses; said he had gone later to Mr. Hitchcock of the World-Herald for proof; had been shown the statement of Circulation Manager W. G. Crourse to the effect that the Daily World-Herald had a circulation of about 12,000; that he thought this a sufficient investigation, though he knew that one edition of the World-Herald was labeled "Morning" and another "Evening" and had never seen any publication labeled "Daily World-Herald."

Hitchcock's Circulation.

Publisher Hitchcock took the stand for his publication and testified that the Daily World-Herald consists of all editions published on any week day; that it doesn't make any difference whether a man takes this morning's, this noon's or tonight's edition, he gets the same news, editorial and advertising matter.

His cross-examination by Attorney Simeral was as follows:

Q.—Do you count the street sales in with your circulation total? A.—Yes.

Q.—How many do they average per day? A.—About 800.

Q.—How many at news and hotel stands? A.—I cannot tell.

Q.—About how many? A.—I decline to say.

Q.—In what edition does the market report appear? A.—The bulk of it in the morning.

Q.—When do the Board of Trade and stock market reports appear? A.—The abbreviated report in the evening and more fully in the morning.

Q.—You get the bulk of your news service from the Associated Press? A.—Telegraphic news, yes.

Q.—You have two contracts with the Associated Press, one for the morning and one for the night edition, don't you? A.—We have no contract at all.

Q.—You pay for two services? A.—We pay in a lump sum each week.

Q.—Does the Morning World-Herald or the Evening World-Herald have the larger circulation? A.—I decline to answer which.

On suggestion of Broatch of the board the question was made to read which of the editions had the larger circulation. Hitchcock's attorney objected and Hitchcock, upon the objection being overruled, declined to answer.

What He Doesn't Know.

Q.—Do the same persons take the Morning World-Herald and the Evening World-Herald? A.—We have no subscribers to the "Morning World-Herald" or the "Evening World-Herald."

This provoked a general laugh and the witness hastened to try to explain that he meant all were in the name of the Daily World-Herald.

Q.—What about the volume numbers on your editions? A.—I don't know. That's a freak of the composing room I pay no attention to.

Q.—Is it, then, a "freak of the composing room" that your morning paper is labeled as in its thirty-fourth year and your evening paper as in its eighteenth year? A.—I don't know.

Q.—You made a contract with the county to publish the tax list in just one edition, didn't you? A.—Yes, we did make that exception, I believe.

The Bee rested its case and on motion of Wright it was promptly declared the sense of the board that the protestant had not shown bad faith on the part of the applicant, Sherman & McConnell.

Not Anxious to See Figures.

The attorney for The Bee then offered to make a showing in the matter of circulation, proving by the books of each that the circulation of The Evening Bee is 9,065 in Douglas county; of the Evening World-Herald, 5,941; of the Morning World-Herald, 1,561, and of the News, 6,429. Hitchcock's attorney objected and the objection was sustained. After a few minutes in star chamber the board granted the licenses applications for which had been protested by The Bee.

All other licenses went through without a hitch, except those protested by Dunn or of immature notice and except that one applied for by Johnnie Wright of 105 South Twelfth street. This was denied on motion of Member Wright, "for the reason that applicant is not a fit person to keep a saloon."

Hearing on News Protests.

When the hearing of the protests filed by the Daily News was taken up at a previous meeting held in the afternoon it was briefly announced by Commissioner Wright that the board would follow the rule that only the question of good or bad faith on the part of the applicant in placing his advertisement would be considered and that the burden of proof would be upon the protestant. The case of Hans Kruse was then taken up and Mel Uhl, manager of the Daily News, was called for examination by Mr. Van Dusen, attorney for that paper. Mr. Uhl testified that he had mailed to Mr. Kruse a marked copy of his paper containing a "notice to liquor dealers and druggists" and also a letter notifying him that the News had the largest circulation in Douglas county. He mailed these after he had seen Mr. Kruse's advertisement in another paper.

Mr. Simeral, attorney for The Bee, objected on the ground that the applicant had then placed his advertisement. Being cross-examined by Mr. Simeral, Mr. Uhl said his letter did not give any specific figures of circulation.

In response to a question from Commissioner Wright, Mr. Uhl said he knew that at that time two other papers also claimed to have the largest circulation. Mr. Uhl testified that Mr. Kruse, although invited in his letter to do so, never called at the office of the News to ascertain as to the circulation of the News, and C. E. Rood, city circulator of the News, who was later put upon the stand, testified to the same effect.

Why Kruse Preferred The Bee.

Mr. Kruse, examined by Mr. Simeral, said he had advertised in The Bee on December 2 because he believed that paper to have the largest circulation and to that statement he added: "And I believe so today." That night after he had thought the matter over he decided that it would perhaps be best to place his advertisement in the World-Herald also and he did so, but at that time he had not heard anything from the News. He had received a notice from The Bee stating that that paper had the largest circulation and he believed it. He did not go to any of the newspaper offices to investigate the question of circulation.

Mr. Van Dusen argued that in not investigating the question of circulation Mr. Kruse had failed in a duty imposed upon him by the law when it required that the advertisement should be placed in the paper having the largest circulation and therefore that he was not acting in good faith. This point was overruled by the board and Chairman Broatch announced it as the opinion of the board that the protestant had failed to show bad faith on the part of the applicant.

Mr. Van Dusen then attempted to introduce evidence on the part of Mr. Rood as to the average circulation of the News for November and December, but each of his questions was overruled in turn on the ground that it was immaterial. On motion of Mr. Wright the board then announced as its findings that the protestant had failed to show bad faith on the part of the applicant and the protest was therefore overruled, and the board ruled that it would not go into the matter of circulation.

No license could be issued to Mr. Kruse because of the protest of I. J. Dunn, which has not yet been heard.

List of Licenses Granted.

When the night meeting opened, and after a star chamber session, during which the board had agreed upon its course, Mr. Spratlin immediately moved the granting of the following licenses and the approval of the bonds attached. The Daily News had protested these, but later withdrew its protests upon losing in the Hans Kruse case, which had tested the issue of good faith for all of them. The list includes:

Edgar Rothery, 322 South Eleventh; Owen McCaffrey, 111 South Sixteenth; Walter Steinmetz, 601 South Tenth; Nelson & Strongfellow, 1014 South Tenth; Joseph Schlitz Brewing company, 719 Ninth; Charles Krug, 111 South Fifteenth; Meyer Klein, 523 North Sixteenth; William Buthorn, 314 South Sixteenth; Nick Yaeger, 1204 Farnam; Peter A. Smith, 1812 North Twenty-fourth; Andrew Peterson, 621 Pacific; Hy. Rolff, 2569 Leavenworth; Hans Nielson, 2236 South Twentieth; Charles Nelson, 2516 Cuming; Gustaf Stepp, 1502 Williams; Joe Pert, 1728 South Thirteenth; John J. Parrott, 612 South Thirteenth; J. L. Boyle, 1024 Douglas; A. Haller & Co., 513 North Sixteenth; George C. King, 524 South Tenth; Kelley & Todd, 513 South Sixteenth; Hy. Hiller, 1309 Farnam; J. M. L. Schmidt, 1302 Dodge.

Licenses granted at the afternoon session of the board on unprotested applications were to:

Harry Ames, 1508 Harney; H. B. Peters, 1508 Farnam; Frank Swanson, 312 North Sixteenth; A. N. Frick & Co., 1001 Farnam; Fred Metz jr., 1101 Cuming; Iler & Co., 1308 Howard; Fred Hinzlker, 813 South Tenth; Oscar Johnson, 424 North Sixteenth; T. J. Foley, 1412 Douglas; Stout & Grunel, Fourteenth and William; Riley Bros. company, 1118 Farnam; I. A. Goldsmith, 901 Capitol avenue; Julius Treitschke, 522 South Thirteenth; August Stephan, 1306 Douglas; Walter Brandles, 1002 South Tenth; James Adams, 101 South Fourteenth; A. Gettleman Brewing company, 624 South Sixteenth; T. J. O'Brien, 1509 Farnam; Rome Miller, Iler Grand hotel; Peter Nelson, 1101 Farnam.

Jetter Gets His License.

The license of J. Martin Jetter, 1324 Douglas, was allowed over protest, Jetter agreeing to remove the Park theater annex, on which the protest had been based.

John Buck, 524 North Sixteenth; Fritz Hanson, 1124 Capitol avenue; Jetter Brewing company, 1323 Howard; Herman Scheffer, 324 South Thirteenth; Henry Hiller, 522 North Sixteenth; Metz Bros. Brewing company, 611 Leavenworth; A. M. Back, 1301 South Sixth; George W. Tierney, 2624 Farnam; W. F. Garrity, 123 North Tenth; Fred Rhump, 762 Capitol avenue; Storz Brewing company, 1517 North Sixteenth; Anton Linneman, 2202 South Thirteenth; James Fredrichson, 1717 North Twenty-fourth; Detlef Jensen, Thirtieth and Spalding; S. D. Hopkins, 1213 Douglas; John Dahmke, 612 South Sixteenth; Charles Nelson, 314 North Sixteenth; Anton Franek, 1260 South Thirteenth; Joe Wilsner, 1301 Webster; Louis R. Metz, 1801 St. Mary's avenue; Remington & Burke, 1021 North Sixteenth; Alfred Keller, 2802 North Sixteenth; Fred Metz, jr., 1109 Farnam; Emil Scurrie, 1124 Farnam; Julius Burster, 1401 South Thirteenth; John N. Fixa, 1520 Dodge; W. Lemp Brewing company, 1102 North Sixteenth; C Schlank, 1307 Douglas; H. J. Meyer, 207 South Thirteenth; W. F. Ostrander, 313 South Fifteenth; James Quinn, 311 North Sixteenth; John Linder, 1209 Douglas; Lentz & Williams, 1418 Farnam; Locke & Sanders, 402 South Thirteenth; John J. Kerns, 215 South Fourteenth; Julius Burster, 2402 Leavenworth; Ed Mauer, 1306 Farnam; Jacob Kopald, 703 North Sixteenth; William Krug, 151; Douglas (rear); P. J. Boysen, 225 North Sixteenth; J. E. Markel & Son, 1220 Douglas; Adolph Brandies, 1201 Douglas; D. W. O'Neill, 324 North Sixteenth; Anhauser-Busch Brewing association, 705 South Thirteenth; Ed Peterson, 224 South Fifteenth; Lerch & Van Sandt, 311 South Seventeenth; Peterson & Son, 1502 Webster; Emil Gall, 902 Douglas; Gladstone Bros., 1308 Douglas; Wollstein & Co., 522 South Thirteenth; William McKenna, 2827 North Sixteenth; William Mantz, 1724 Vinton; Frank Hamilton, 912 Dodge; John Busch, 2601 South Thirteenth; Western Distilling company, 716 South Sixteenth; Woolstein & Co., 422 North Sixteenth; John Kelkenny, 214 South Seventeenth; Fred Jensen, 2001 Cuming; Max Plothow, 1402 South Thirteenth; Fred Rhump, 2528 South Twenty-fourth; John A. Jensen, 714 North Sixteenth; Christ Jensen, 414 North Fourteenth Adolf Giese, 224 North Sixteenth; C. A. Lewis, 1522 Harney; William F. Wendhausen, 729 South Sixteenth; F. B. Hunter, 1816 Military avenue; C. A. Peterson, 1601 Vinton; A. Metz, 2001 Pierce; W. H. McKenzie, 713 North Sixteenth; Dominick A. Hart, 122 North Fifteenth; Charles Storz, 1801 North Twenty-fourth; Emil Seume, 1312 North Twenty-fourth; Daniel Hedgren, 902 South Thirteenth; F. Metz, jr., 2124 North Twenty-fourth; Andrew Nelson, 313 North Sixteenth; Sick Bros., 111 South Fourteenth; Joseph Czerwinski, 2401 South Twenty-ninth; Dillon & Co., 611 North Sixteenth; William Silk, 917 Davenport; Peter Peterson, 311 North Sixteenth; Charles Loftman, 1224 Howard.

After the Sherman-McConnell hearing the board granted the following licenses, the protest of The Bee having been withdrawn: Mrs. Mary Cumings, 3824 Sherman avenue; Peter Goos, 1308 Cass street; Kitchen Bros. Hotel company, 1509 Farnam street; John Wallace, 123 North Fifteenth street; H. F. Cady, 124 North Fourteenth street; Fred Drews, 1919 Farnam street.

Druggists' Permits.

Liquor permits were granted the following druggists: Hayden Bros., 1613 Dodge street; L. E. Peyton, 2401 Leavenworth street; Bell Drug company, 1216 Farnam street; Peter H. Ehlers, 2701 Leavenworth street; Myers-Dillon Drug company, 1523 Farnam street; F. M. Fogg, 124 North Twelfth street; R. W. Waltars, 1402 North Twenty-fourth street; C. J. Price, 1224 Douglas street; Haight & Adams, 2424 North Twenty-fourth street; S. A. Bavenach, 1402 South Sixteenth street; John Holst, 2702 Cumings street.

NEW BUILDING FOR NEW YEAR

Y. W. C. A. Will Erect a Home that Will Be Suited for Its Needs.

The Young Women's Christian association of Omaha proposes, during the year 1903, to put up a building which will accommodate the needs of its constantly growing membership, and one which will be a credit to the city. Housed at present on the third floor of the Paxton block, reached by a narrow entrance on the Farnam street side and by a single small elevator, this association finds itself cramped in every direction and its usefulness sadly curtailed for lack of room. Many of the prominent business men of the city have entered its dining room for a noon lunch, only to be astonished that a room which is crowded when occupied by 150 persons is forced daily to accommodate from 500 to 600 business girls and women, who prefer a homelike place in which to pass the noon hour and eat the daily lunch. The quarters occupied a year ago became so overcrowded last spring that the board of directors were compelled to rent additional space for offices and parlors, but as more tables were provided for diners more diners came, and the congested condition of the lunch room was but slightly relieved. The new parlors and offices, too, are as cramped as the dining room, while the gymnasium, the place provided for healthful exercise and recreation for the girl of sedentary life, has much too low a ceiling and a floor space much too small for the large classes gathering therein.

The business woman has come to stay, and that an association of this kind meets her particular needs is shown by the statistics of 1902. During this year 142,935 lunches were served, or an average of 502 each working day.

Letters have been received by the association from business men conversant with its work, all heartily commending its plans for 1903 and pledging their support and assistance in raising funds with which to erect the much-needed building. Messrs. Guy C. Barton, J. M. Woolworth and Thomas Kilpatrick have consented to act as an advisory committee in the good work, which is a guaranty of its being carried to successful issue.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

George Lane was arrested last night as a suspicious character.

The Jacksonian club will keep open house at its club rooms, 1417 Farnam street, from 6 to 10 p. m. New Year's day.

James Burner, accused of forcing a Webster street saloon man to provide entertainment for himself and a companion, will be given a hearing on January 16.

Arcadia E. Fywat asks the district court for divorce from Walter, whom she married at Norfolk July 27, 1897, but who, she avers, deserted her January 20, 1902.

The month of December has been a very busy one for Turnkey Kirk at police headquarters. During the last thirty-one days he has served 3,146 meals to prisoners.

Carl and James Bruner of 1717 North Seventeenth street were arrested yesterday afternoon by Sergeant Whelan on an amended complaint charging them with resisting an officer.

The park board held a brief meeting yesterday afternoon for the purpose of allowing current expense bills and transacting other business which was almost entirely of a routine character.

There will be a service in Trinity cathedral this morning at 10 o'clock. The organist and choir will render the music and Bishop Williams will be present and assist in the service. Every one is cordially invited to attend.

James J. H. Johnson, hailing from the Indian Territory, slept in the City lodging house last night because he is regarded with suspicion. At the time of his arrest the prisoner wore three pairs of trousers and four coats.

In the divorce suit of John against Matilda Reed the defendant has filed an affidavit alleging that although the plaintiff has a salary of $100 per month he has constantly annoyed her with litigation for some time past in an effort to secure right to the $8,000 she has in her own name.

Roy Christianeen of 223 North Twentieth street and James Brown of 2248 North Nineteenth street celebrated the New Year not wisely but too loudly last night by putting railway signal torpedoes on the street car rails at the intersections of Lake and Corby streets with Sixteenth. When arrested they had a pocketful yet to explode.

Three youths were arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer Ferris, charged with having stolen a bank belonging to the Salvation army, which contained a small amount of cash which had been placed therein by the almsgiving public. The boys, who are 13 years of age, are Jim Foreman, 1237 South Fifteenth street; Willie Vangat, 1418 William street, and Walter Heron, Eighteenth and Hickory streets. They were registered under the charge of incorrigibility.

Judge I. F. Baxter and Attorney E. C. Page are to have papers on "Interstate Commerce, Its Relation to the States and the United States," at the next meeting of the Unity club. This meeting has been postponed from Friday evening to Saturday evening because of the address to be given the former evening by President Schurman of Cornell on "Conditions in the Philippines." The Unity club meeting will be at the home of George W. Lininger and a full attendance is expected.

Health Officer Wooldridge yesterday discovered a case of smallpox at the residence of ex-Patrolman Edwards at 3464 Fowler avenue. Through private sources the officer was given a tip that an infectious disease was being nursed in the Edwards household and made a personal investigation of the report to determine its truthfulness. Upon looking into the case he found that Mabel, the 7-year-old daughter of Edwards, was ill with smallpox and had been for the last two weeks. He immediately placed the family under quarantine.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Charles A. McCloud of York is at the Millard.

J. A. Ryan of Fort Washakie, Wyo., is at the Millard.

H. A. Hubbard and wife of Lincoln are at the Millard.

C. F. Pettis is a Lincoln resident registered at the Millard.

W. H. Green has returned from a trip to the Black Hills and Colorado.

G. W. Holbrook, who is now temporarily located at Peoria, Ill., is in the city.

MEALS AT EIGHT CENTS EACH

What Lowest Bidder Proposes to Do for City Jail Inmates.

ALL BIDS LIKELY TO BE REJECTED

Chief of Police Suggests that No Contract Be Let, but that City Hire Cook and Do Feeding Direct.

Complaints of the rations furnished to prisoners in the city jail in the past and bids for the ensuing year, which are so low as to promise nothing better in the future, have caused the advisory board to seriously consider the idea of making no contract for the coming year and having the kitchen at the city jail conducted under the direct supervision of the police department. The bids which were opened by the board at its meeting of yesterday afternoon were as follows: George C. Thompson, 9⅛ cents per meal per person; C. J. Westerdahl, 8 cents; D. R. Cameron, 11¼ cents; Waldo Browning, 15½ cents; G. C. Burr, 16 cents; F. J. Festner, 11 cents; J. H. Haubert, 9⅝ cents; W. J. Huston, 9½ cents.

When these bids were read Chief of Police Donahue said that in his opinion it would be a great mistake to award the contract to the lowest, or, in fact, any of the lower bidders, for he did not believe meals which would be in any way satisfactory could be served for such prices as those named. He said there had been a great deal of complaint of the meals served by D. R. Cameron in the year past at the contract price of 11 cents, and when Mr. Cameron had been spoken to about it he always said that a good meal could not be served for that price.

Chief Makes Suggestion.

The members agreed that it would be impossible to furnish a meal of wholesome food for the lower prices named in the bids, and Chief Donahue suggested that as the city had its own kitchen at the jail and most of the utensils and conveniences necessary it would be practicable to employ a cook, buy supplies and serve meals without making any contract. After some discussion of the question of whether the board, in making a contract, would have to award it to the lowest bidder, the bids were all referred to the chief of police for further report after he has conferred with the city attorney as to the requirements of law.

Bids in detail to furnish the city with lumber for the coming year were received from the Cady Lumber company, C. N. Dietz Lumber company and George A. Hoagland and were referred to the clerk for tabulation.

The David Talbot Ice company proposed to furnish ice at 40 cents per 100 pounds and was awarded the contract, as theirs was the only bid.

Bids to furnish cement, sewer pipe, sand and brick were received from the C. W. Hull company and Sunderland Bros. company and were referred for tabulation. When these bids were read City Engineer Rosewater said that the prices on cement were very high and he would recommend buying that material in the open market, but the board took no action at that time.

The health rules recommended by Health Commissioner Ralph some time ago and already reviewed in The Bee were adopted and referred to the city council with the recommendation of the board.

BALL AT METROPOLITAN CLUB

Members and Friends Pass a Merry Evening Seeing the Old Year Out.

Beneath festoons of evergreens and wreaths of holly, members and guests of the Metropolitan club tripped merrily away the last hours of the old year in the spacious ballroom of the club house, the occasion being the New Year's ball for the benefit of the Weise Memorial hospital.

Of all the greetings accorded the New Year in Omaha none was so elaborate as this. From dusk last night till near dawn this morning the large building which houses the club at Twenty-second and Harney streets was a dazzling blaze of light from without, a softened glow within. Each of the three floors was thrown open wide for the affair. Every window shed glowing beams down upon the snow outside. From the wide canopy sheltering the entrance, through the halls and parlors, back through the billiard parlors and card rooms, upstairs in the ballroom, downstairs in the banquet hall, all was gaiety and gladness.

Fully sixty couples attended the ball, and beauty and magnificence were going begging. The elaborate gowns of the women, the stern evening dress of the men, the pure white of dozens of scurrying servants, the prevalent green of the decorations, all chimed in a harmony that blended perfectly with the strain which vibrated forth from an orchestra of twelve pieces, hidden amid a wilderness of palms.

From 10 o'clock till near midnight a dance program occupied the revelers. As the hour approached all gathered below in the banquet hall, 'round a board laden with American Beauties and with ferns. Just at the turning of the tide of time the company was seated, and an elegant repast consumed the next two hours. At the close, according to long precedent, Sam Frank, president of the club, gave a greeting to the New Year, a goodby to the old.

Music was heard once more in the ballroom, and all wended their way back to the waxen floor, there to complete a half-finished program of eighteen numbers. Hours later, as the last carriage door clashed shut upon the still night, the edge of morning bade farewell to the most successful New Year's ball in the history of the Metropolitan club.

In his capacity as chairman of the entertainment committee of the club, George Seligsohn was in active charge of the entire affair, being master of ceremonies. He was ably assisted in both the preliminary arrangements and the consummation by a staff of four, the remaining members of his committee being E. Fishel, S. Goetz, Henry Hiller and A. Mandelberg.

Leville Returns to Canada.

Without making a fight for his freedom, nor requesting that extradition papers be secured, G. F. Leville, who was arrested upon the request of Montreal, Canada, officials, consented to return to the Canadian city and face the proceedings which have been instituted against him. Leville was arrested for the Canadian authorities on a charge of forgery made by the London Rubber company. The officer arrived in Omaha from Canada Tuesday afternoon and departed on the first eastbound train. Leville was accompanied on the return trip by his wife and bright little daughter.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday as follows:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Guy Anderson, Missouri Valley, Ia.	21
Elsie Jones, Missouri Valley, Ia.	19
Leonard O. Holmburg, Omaha	22
Pearl C. Runkles, Omaha	20
John P. Culkin, South Omaha	28
Gillie E. Taylor, South Omaha	28
James B. Glover, Denver	22
Anna Nesladek, Omaha	22
James G. Orender, Burt county, Neb.	27
Mattie J. Bean, Burt county, Nebraska	16
George A. Harmon, Shelby, Neb.	23
Emma Schmitz, Omaha	20
Conrad Toulon, Chicago	29
Amanda Lawson, Oakalooza, Ia.	23
Joseph F. Starr, South Omaha	22
Pearl Homan, South Omaha	18

This Charming Head of Hair

WITH A CLEAN, SWEET, HEALTHY SCALP, WAS PRODUCED BY SHAMPOOS OF CUTICURA SOAP AND LIGHT DRESSINGS OF CUTICURA, PUREST AND SWEETEST OF EMOLLIENTS, AND GREATEST OF SKIN CURES.

Mothers everywhere warmly recommend CUTICURA SOAP, assisted by CUTICURA OINTMENT, the great skin cure, for preserving, purifying and beautifying the skin of infants and children, for rashes, itchings and chafings, for cleansing the scalp of crusts, scales and dandruff, and the stopping of falling hair, for softening, whitening, and soothing red, rough and sore hands, and for all the purposes of the toilet, bath and nursery, as well as for many sanative, antiseptic, cleansing and purifying purposes, which readily suggest themselves to women. Sale of CUTICURA SOAP greater than the combined world's product of other skin soaps. Sold throughout the world.

The above statement, with photograph of Miss Jones, is from her mother, Mrs. Carrie Jones, of Delphi, Ind., to whom all interested are referred.

ABOUT RAILROAD TAXATION

Real Estate Exchange Instructs Committee to Draw a Bill to Repeal Law.

At the meeting of the Real Estate exchange yesterday the report of the legislative committe was received, also a report of the conference held with the legislators Tuesday.

The tax committee reported through its chairman, F. D. Wead, who said that it appeared to the committee that not only the members of the Douglas county delegation, but the citizens of Omaha generally, are too indifferent as to the necessity of repealing that part of the charter which seeks to require the tax commissioner to assess the railroads on a basis different from that used in the case of other property. He said that it did not seem that either the legislators or the people comprehended the simplicity of the remedy required, which is not a revision of the revenue laws, nor extensive amendments to the city charter, but the repeal of one sentence in section 98 of the city charter.

The president of the exchange asked the committee as to whether the law should be repealed by the legislature or be left to the courts for a decision as to its constitutionality. The chairman replied by saying that the legislature should not impose upon the city of Omaha nor the people the expense necessary to carry the matter through the courts.

On the motion of J. B. Piper the tax committee was instructed to prepare a bill for the repeal of the section in question.

The secretary reported that he had written to the state officers of Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, North Dakota, South Dakota, Oregon, California and Wyoming to ascertain the systems used in those states to attract immigration and to show the resources and advantages of the states.

On motion it was decided to postpone for one week announcement of the names of those members delinquent in their dues.

FOUR MEN WITH THE TREMENS

Quartet in City Jail Entertaining Animals that Exist Only in Imagination.

Holiday cheer has filled the city jail with disordered imaginings and disembodied snakes during the last week. A. Frece of nowhere in particular was taken from the jail hallway Sunday night with a fully developed case. Anton Lieber of Casper, Wyo., and Albert Larson of 813 Hickory streets were taken into custody Tuesday night in a delirious condition, and yesterday morning J. E. Bacon of Plattsmouth joined the others. They are now under the police surgeon's care. One of the prisoners had a beamingly happy hallucination. When spoken to he says, "Go away; I am engaged." He seems to think that he is waiting for dinner to be served, the while talking to an agreeable and coquettish companion. Another of the four lives in constant fear that the cell wall will fall on him and spends much of his time holding it up and asking for assistance. A third thinks that the bars are loose and tries to screw them around. Another of the patients is unpleasantly affected by the sight of a practically complete menagerie, to judge by his monologue. The doctor thinks that the quartet will come around all right.

COMPETENT JUDGES.

Beauty Doctors Endorse Herpicide.

Women who make a business of beautifying other women come pretty near knowing what will bring about the best results. Here are letters from two, concerning Herpicide:

"I can recommend Newbro's Herpicide, as it stopped my hair from falling out, and, as a dressing, it has no superior.

"(Signed.) BERTHA A. TRULLINGER, "Complexion Specialist, 291½ Morrison St., Portland, Ore."

"After using one bottle of Herpicide my hair has stopped falling out, and my scalp is entirely free from dandruff.

"(Signed.) GRACE DODGE, "Beauty Doctor, 195 Sixth St., Portland, Ore."

BURLINGTON CUTS EXPENSES

Does Away with Advertising Bureau in Omaha for the Present.

Beginning January 1, the headquarters of the B. & M. in Omaha will be divested of its advertising department. The extensive work heretofore done will be transferred to the headquarters of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy. Both the advertising agent, Mr. Young, who goes to the Milwaukee, and the assistant, Mr. Fodrea, who becomes assistant to the general advertising man of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, lay down their duties here with the last of the year and neither place will be filled, for the present at least. General Passenger Agent Francis has decided to conduct the work of the office with his regular staff for a month or two, when he may select a new advertising man.

For some months past the heavy hand of James J. Hill has been felt in the managerial affairs of the Burlington. The well known policy of retrenchment and centralization which has distinguished the age of mergers for so many years has asserted itself and there is little doubt but that from now on Hillism in its most radical form will dominate things on the Burlington, as it does on the Great Northern and Northern Pacific.

This policy was observed in its incipiency on the Burlington in the transportation department. The consolidation and dispensing of trains was about the first evidence that the magnate from the North Star state had seized the reigns for good on the Burlington. On the Northern Pacific and Great Northern train service is cut down to the scantiest minimum.

In some instances on the Billings branch Mr. Hill's policy has gone into effect on the Burlington and it is a question that has attracted serious thought from railroad men whether this system will be extended along down the line.

Local railroad men are rather outspoken in their views on the transfer of the bulk of Burlington advertising from Omaha to Chicago. The sort of advertising that has been done at B. & M. headquarters under the general supervision of Mr. Francis has called for the most emphatic praise and it is insisted that it could be with no thought of improving the work that the change has been made. For that matter, the advertising department here has done a great deal of work for the two larger offices, Chicago and St. Louis.

CONGRESSMAN ROBINSON ILL

Omaha Surgeon Goes to Madison to Perform Operation on Patient.

Congressman John S. Robinson is suffering with appendicitis and is to be operated on at his home in Madison today. Dr. A. P. Condon of this city received a telegram from the congressman yesterday requesting him to come to Madison to perform the operation.

Mattress Workers' Ball.

The fourteenth annual ball of the upholsterers and mattress-makers of the city last night in Creighton hall was an entirely successful affair and much enjoyed by those in attendance. Dimick's orchestra furnished the music for twenty-four dances, which varied to suit all tastes. The floor was crowded until after 1 o'clock. M. R. Huntington was master of ceremonies and Sutton promptor. Messrs. Ed Study, J. McGrath, William Boles and Eugene Spencer composed the floor committee, and W. Huntington, R. Steepy, C. Turner and T. McGrath was the committee of reception.

Thurston Rifles Dance.

The Thurston Rifles saw the old year out and welcomed the new year in last night at their armory, 1318 Harney street. There were nearly 100 couples present to celebrate the occasion and they made the event a memorable one. In addition to its being the New Year's eve party it was the third formal dance of the season. In the center of the stage was the Gatling gun draped with flags and banked about with palms. The committee of entertainment consisted of Messrs. Parker, Walters, Lowe, Taylor and Clemens. Olsen's orchestra furnishe the music.

Rooney Fighting Drunk.

Ed Rooney of Brooklyn was drunk and disorderly last night and was arrested by Detectives Davis and Savage at Twelfth and Farnam streets. Rooney tried to fight the officers and it was necessary to beat him into submission. The patrol wagon was out on another call and the detectives had to walk their prisoner to the jail. He struggled all the way to that building and made a stand in the hall. Four men put him in a cell.

Mrs. McCoy's Will.

The will of the pioneer Nebraskan, Mrs. Margaret A. McCoy, has been filed. She gives $250 to the Deaconess' Home, $100 to the Old Ladies' Home, $500 to the Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church, $50 to the Swedish hospital, a cottage and her furniture to Eliza C. McCoy, a daughter-in-law, and $10 to Jennie Shipman for the purchase of a family Bible, in which her name must be inscribed. It has been reported that a daughter will contest the will.

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