

BUSY SUNDAY FOR KOCHAN

Omaha Bohemians Make the Day Pleasant for Their Countryman.

DINNER AND RECEPTION FILL THE TIME

Great Violinist Finds Himself the Willing Guest of Men and Women of His Own Nationality in Omaha.

Kochan's Sunday in Omaha was crowded with entertainment and of an entertaining and apparently he found pleasure in all of it. At 1 o'clock he went from the Paxton to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Rosicky, 1015 William street, where a dinner was served. Those at the table besides Kochan and his host and hostess were: Miss Emma and Rosie Rosicky, John Rosicky, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Vachek, Bureh, and Miss Bureh, Miss Anna Kalina, J. S. D. Barnek, Mr. Frank Zak of San Francisco, Miss Marie Novacek and Mrs. Nellie Swoboda.

The dinner was genuinely Bohemian, including such Bohemian dishes as Bohemian souper, boiled beef with mushroom sauce, yeast paprika, roast pig with sauer kraut, topped with Polish sauce and kolace, or Bohemian pastry. To all of this the artist did such justice as to indicate that he is distinctly of the earth earthy.

After the dinner and until 6 o'clock he and Mr. Spindler sat in a conversation which related largely to the fatherland. "They entertained us more than we were able to entertain them," remarked Mr. Rosicky afterward.

Reception in the Evening.

The early evening Kochan spent at his hotel, the afternoon drive having been deferred until today because of the weather. At 8:40 he and Mr. Spindler arrived, under escort of Mr. Bureh and Mr. Coriak, at Bohemian hall, Thirteenth and Martha, where nearly a thousand of their countrymen and countrywomen had been waiting nearly two hours to receive them. The quartet, with Mr. Rosicky and Colonel Mitchell took the stage, and Mr. Rosicky introduced the two visitors, Kochan following with a neat little speech, much applauded, in which he thanked the audience for the reception and intimated that it would not be his last visit here.

The party remained more than an hour and was then driven back to the hotel. While at the hall they enjoyed a part of the program of the regular monthly entertainment given by the dramatic and musical societies of the Bohemian Turner society. This program included the cuckoo song by a mixed chorus, an overture by the orchestra, under the leadership of Prof. A. Korisko; a recitation, "The Candidate for Suicide," by Miss Mirasky; a duet, "Our Father," by Mr. Sramek and K. Rmet, accompanied on the piano by B. Pock; a farce, "Advertising for a Bride," by members of the Tel Jed Sokol; Schubert's serenade, by Master Frank Mack and Master Joseph Sramek, accompanied by Miss M. Sramek; and a drama, "The Gypsy," in which Colonel Mitchell and other members of Tel Jed Sokol starred.

Dinner Saturday Night.

At the dinner given Kochan and Mr. Spindler at 8:20 Saturday night by Mr. and Mrs. Vachek Bureh, 1233 Center street, there were present Kochan, Mr. Spindler, Mr. and Mrs. E. Rosewater, Miss Blanche Rosewater, Mr. and Mrs. V. Hossman, Mrs. M. Letovsky, Mr. J. F. Fridge, Mr. Frank Zak and Mrs. Vachek. The party was at the table until after 12 o'clock, with Kochan and Mr. Spindler relating their experiences in America.

Kochan's concert tonight is to be a purely professional performance, without introduction and without interruption, except perhaps for a presentation of some memento by local Bohemians. At last night's reception he was given handsome bouquets by the Young Ladies' auxiliary of the Bohemian Turner society; the presentation being made by Miss Ondracek and Miss Mirasky.

Tomorrow morning the artist and his party leave for Minneapolis, where he plays tomorrow night. He will be at Racine on March 25, at Cedar Rapids, Ia., on the 27th, and in New York on the 29th, his contract for sixty concerts to terminate there. Whether he will leave this country at once or do a little touring on his own account now seems in doubt.

FUNERAL OF S. R. MUMAUGH

It is Largely Attended by Brother Masons and Militiamen and by Friends.

The funeral of S. R. Mumaugh, whose death occurred in the Thurston hotel Saturday afternoon, was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the chapel in Brailley & Dorrance's undertaking rooms, near the junction of Center and 14th streets. Rev. E. E. Smith of the First Methodist Episcopal church officiated.

The services were largely attended by members of the Masonic order. Many members of the Thurston Rifles, of which the deceased was a veteran, having served in the Philippines, were in attendance also, while numerous friends of the deceased, who were unable to gain admittance to the chapel, stood with bare heads upon the sidewalk surrounding the building during the service.

The body reposed in a black broadcloth casket, which was nearly half from view by the floral offerings from friends. A large square and compass, the Masonic emblem, surrounded the whole.

Rev. Smith preached a tender discourse, in which he alluded to the Christian training of the deceased, who at one time was a prominent and earnest member of the First Methodist Episcopal church, and who later was associated with the Young Men's Christian association in Chicago, being one of the officers. When the pastor had concluded his remarks many of his auditors were weeping.

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CAUGHT IN HOTEL LOBBIES

Travelers Tell of Their Observations in Different Parts of the Country.

Rev. Henry Williams of Des Moines, district secretary of the Baptist Board of Foreign Missions, is in the city in the interest of foreign missions. In response to an inquiry as to the growth or decline of missionary work in the foreign fields, he said:

"I can speak only of the Baptist missionary work in foreign fields. In the 1840s we had but two missionaries in the foreign field. Today we have 478. The missionary spirit is growing and the number of conversions among the heathen is annually increasing. They crave western learning, and only our missionaries—men of all denominations—are teaching them, but they cannot do the subject justice because they have so much else to do. During the Boxer uprising in China 128 missionaries gave up their lives and 40,000 native converts were sacrificed to the Boxer hate and fury. Still, the natives crave the gospel of Christianity and are asking for more missionaries. During the last year 16,000 converts were baptized through the Baptist missions in foreign lands."

Hon. Frank Currie, representative in the legislature from Davenport and adjacent counties, was in the city over Sunday. He said: "You know, of course, that the revenue bill has passed the house and I am of the candid opinion that it will pass the senate also. We hope to get through with the session on April 1, although there is much to do, and much that will be left undone because of the limited time that remains to us."

J. S. Mercer, a prominent ranchman of the Big Horn basin, is in the city, leaving the next day for the west. He said: "The reports of the heavy losses of cattle in the basin during the winter are very much exaggerated. There has been no loss but from natural causes. I think that the recent stories of the sheep trouble up in the Snake river and Hat Creek are greatly exaggerated. Instead of 500 of Mr. Storrer's sheep being killed I am rather inclined to believe that the number will be reduced to less than 200. There always will be more or less trouble between the sheep and cattle men in that section and in every section where the two increase come together. I do not know just how the problem is to be solved, but it will adjust itself in time. Yes, there are thousands of sheep in the Big Horn basin and they are damaging the ranges very perceptibly. We manage to keep the cattle ahead of them and thus do not suffer so much as in the districts where the sheep get ahead of the cattle."

Judge Hallett of Beatrice is an Omaha visitor on leave from his duties in Beatrice he says: "Everything is political, as usual, here, and the factions are as bitter as ever. As I do not live directly in the city, I am not particularly interested. However, the liquor question is being talked up as a strong feature in the campaign. This with the factional differences in the dominant party and the effort to secure an anti-election promise for the city attorneyship, of which the mayor has the giving out, is creating lots of worry to the candidates. One faction wants the present city attorney, W. C. Dorsey, retained and the other faction demands the appointment of Judge M. B. Davis to that office. Oh, it's a hot time here."

INTEREST IN CITY OWNERSHIP

Inquiries for Information on the Subject Come from All Sections of the Country.

How widespread the interest is in the subject of municipal ownership is being strikingly illustrated by the letters of inquiry being received by Victor Rosewater as a consequence of his paper on "Municipal Electric Lighting Plants" at the recent national convention held by the Reform club at New York. "I have been getting requests for copies of my paper and for my opinion on various aspects of the question from all sections of the country where the issue of private versus public service is up or in prospect. Last week, for example, letters came from Birmingham, Ala.; Boston, Mass.; Chicago, Ill.; Lincoln, Neb.; and Frank Fort, N. D.—this apart from newspaper clippings, marked papers and trade journals. Municipal ownership sentiment is certainly spreading, as the people put more study on the subject."

FAVORS TREASURER HENNINGSON

Hungarian Society of Omaha Endorses Present City Treasurer for Re-election.

At a regular meeting of the Hungarian society at Twenty-fifth avenue and Cumma street yesterday the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, City Treasurer Henningson has made an enviable record in his collection of taxes and whereas such faithful work has placed our city in a better financial position than it has been in for years, Resolved, That this society, though not a political body, endorses Mr. Henningson to the position and that we pledge him our support.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

J. A. DeArcy, advance agent of the James O'Neill company, is a guest at the Hotel Hamilton.

John A. Nelson of Waukegan, Kan., and W. Darling of El Paso, Tex., were Sunday guests at the Hotel Hamilton.

A. V. Saunders of Fort Morgan, Colo., prominent in irrigation matters out there, was a Sunday visitor in Omaha.

James Barr of Washington, D. C.; V. I. Chavich of Denver, J. L. Thomas of Chicago, and M. O'Malley of Evanston are at the Hotel Hamilton.

J. H. Hoffmann of Beatrice is visiting in the city for a few days. He is connected with the Neidhardt monument and marble works of that city.

Mr. Frank Currie, Peer of Perry, Okla., J. R. Wilson of Papillion, L. B. Moe of Fremont and W. I. Goodfellow of Buffalo are in the city.

John Storrer of Lusk, Wyo., is in the city. He is a leading sheep man of that section, and while here had 30 of his sheep had been killed by the cattle men up on the Hat Creek ranges.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Casey Declines the Republican Nomination for Tax Commissioner.

NOW IT IS UP TO CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Convention Gave It the Power to Fill Vacancies—New and Old Committees Are to Meet Tonight.

P. S. Casey declined yesterday he would not accept the republican nomination for tax commissioner. In speaking of the matter before a number of friends Sunday forenoon and addressing a Bee reporter, Mr. Casey said: "It was only an hour before the meeting of the convention when I was apprised of the fact that I was to be nominated for tax commissioner. It is true I was taken by surprise, but I told the committee that I did not care to break into politics." Continuing, Mr. Casey said he did not want the office and had made up his mind not to accept it. He intends sending a formal notice to the chairman of the republican city central committee today notifying the committee of his withdrawal from the race. It will be up to the central committee now to fill vacancies, as the convention gave the committee the authority to do so. It was rumored on the streets last evening that Samuel W. Hall would decline to run for a member of the Board of Education, but no one seemed to know about it. Mr. Sandwall was not inclined to say whether he would be a candidate or decline.

There is to be a meeting of the new city central committee and the old committee at the office of City Attorney Murdoch this evening. At this meeting the affairs of the old committee will be turned over to the new committee. Probably when the new committee organizes it will proceed at once to fill any vacancies on the ticket.

All the republican candidates are so well known that an introduction is hardly needed. Both George Housman and James Phillips, nominees for councilmen from the Fifth and Sixth wards respectively, are well known employees of packing companies. For the Board of Education, R. C. Young, C. M. Rich and Fritz Sandwall have been nominated. Young is in the employ of a packing house. Rich is a member of a local central committee and owns one of the largest jewelry stores in the city.

Since the refusal of Mr. Casey to accept the nomination for tax commissioner the republicans are casting about for a suitable candidate. John R. Schultz is being favored, but Mr. Schultz said yesterday he would not accept the position, as he intended spending the greater portion of the spring and summer on his farm at Arcadia.

As for the democratic nominees, J. J. Fitzgerald has been nominated for the office of city clerk. He is a well known figure in the city and has been successful in the democratic party, also he would not have been renominated. It was expected that Broderick and Quenneville would be renominated, although they asserted they would keep out of the convention.

The democratic nominees for members of the Board of Education are: E. P. Roggin, formerly a republican; Stephen Vail, a leader in labor circles here, and John Schneider, who is employed at one of the packing houses.

Mayor Koutsky will, according to law, issue an election proclamation ten days before the date of election, April 7.

PROTESTING AGAINST POLICE BOARD.

Copies of the resolution adopted by the republican city convention protesting against the passage of a bill now before the legislature regulating the fire and police departments of the city of South Omaha are being distributed to the members of the legislature.

The protest from the convention is supposed to voice the wishes of the people. It is asserted that there is no need of paying three or five men to look after the city's affairs, but that the work can be done by three or four men.

Major Koutsky said to a Bee reporter last night that he would sign ordinance No. 1120, the stock inspection ordinance. This ordinance provides for the appointment of an inspector and defines the duties of the inspector.

MAGIC CITY GOSSIP.

A meeting of the Board of Education is to be held tonight.

J. J. Ryan is back from Oregon, where he spent two weeks.

The city council is to meet in adjourned session this evening.

Mrs. W. B. Olin has gone to Lancaster, Mo., to spend the winter.

Mrs. J. B. Ashe, while still seriously ill, was reported some better yesterday.

The republican city central committee will be held this evening.

John Klein has been laid up the last four days with a severe attack of the grip.

A delegation from Omaha visited the local lodge of teamsters yesterday afternoon.

Local business men do not like the idea of a strike here, as it would mean a loss of business.

Emmett, the 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Dr. Thomas H. Enser has returned from a visit to his home in the west.

AT THE PLAYHOUSES

"The Old Mill Stream" at the Boyd.

Mr. Daniel Sully and his own company, to his little play "The Old Mill Stream," a comedy in three acts. The cast: Robert Ryan, better known as "Uncle Dick Flood," his nephew John T. Powers Sam Wilber, a young farmer. Harry Dickson, an old settler. W. F. Kokman Gus Shults, a young attorney. Robert Ryan, Dr. Rufus Winnie, the county physician. Margaret Ryan, the district school teacher. Lydia Winnie, the doctor's daughter. Leslie Lyle Gil Cooper, a child of the Cattle Kingdom. The peace-maker. The Baby.

Somebody must have done "The Old Mill Stream" just before the get away last night, for it got out of its course and capered around the paddock like a lamb on a warm April day. It took the hurdles like a bird, and the water jump didn't seem to worry it at all. This was doubtless due to the excellent spirits in which Robert Ryan, the good old miller, found himself after he had contemplated in private the intense satisfaction he would derive from the confounding of the wisecracks of Mink Hollow, a local humorist, who was undoubtedly exalting in the extreme. This exuberance proved contagious, for it spread to others in the company, and the total result was as gingerly a performance as the new Sully play is likely to ever get. The large audience of Omaha admirers of Mr. Sully's comedy, who were in the house, were rewarded and rewarded the efforts of the star and his associates with much applause and were repaid with much occasion for honest merriment, and some little incentive to sober reflection on the part of all and one of the curtain at the end of the second act, and in a very neat speech referred to his long-continued coming to Omaha and the many fast friends he has made here, very plainly saying that some of these latter could not too swift for him, and he doesn't consider himself a stranger.

Seriously, the piece is reminiscent of "The Corner Grocery" and "The Parish Priest." It has the good points of both. In a quiet way it tells a very interesting little story, somewhat involved, but one that works to the satisfaction of all and one that gives Mr. Sully an excellent opportunity to preach nice little sermons to everybody and to pose as an all-round benefactor from Benefactorville. His methods are the quiet, earnest sort, and his humor is of the rich, brilliant type native to his race. Mr. Kokman supplies the German dialect which Mr. Sully finds necessary as a foil for his Irish brogue, and does it very well. Others in the cast are quite equal to the requirements and the performance is as satisfactory as the play is worthy.

VAUDEVILLE at the Creighton-Orpheum.

This week's bill at the Creighton-Orpheum presents some novelties, and at least one decidedly ambitious one. Yola Yerberi, the dancer, comes equipped with enough scenic effects to stock a five-act drama and the bill of the night is so well planned that the most appropriate scene is shown at the right time. Egypt is represented by a view of a Theban temple, Spain by an entrance to a tea garden, Spain by the fandango, France by that well known painting, "La Bande Joyeuse," Germany by a pretty picture of a castle, and the rest by classic statuary. The dances themselves are given with appropriate scenery for each, a miniature stage being erected and the scenery changed between each, while each dance is given in its own proper setting.

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YEAR OF RAILROAD BUILDING

Revised Table Brings Out Best Twelve Months of Construction Since 1888.

NEBRASKA SHOWS UP WELL IN RETURNS

Two Companies in This State Built Over Seventy-Three Miles of New Track During Last Calendar Year.

Last year was the heaviest for railroad construction in the United States since 1888, according to the revised table published in the last issue of The Railway Age, which says:

In The Railway Age of January 2 last was published a table showing the number of miles of new construction completed in the United States during the calendar year 1902. At that time reports had not been received from all lines, and we were now able to present the accompanying revised table, in which 13 miles are added to the 5,569 miles then reported, bringing the total up to 5,582 miles of track laid in 1902 on 246 lines in forty-four states and territories.

This is the largest mileage built in one year since 1888, when 5,066 miles of line were completed, although railroad in 1901, and it exceeds the mileage of 1901 by 516 miles.

The relative positions of the states and territories as respects the amount of new construction, are not materially changed by the additions which have been made since the first issue of the table. Nebraska stands first with 64 miles, Oklahoma second with 52 miles, Texas third with 49 miles, and New Mexico fourth with 33 miles. The new mileage in Nebraska is important changes in several other states. The growth and development of three of our states, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, which are candidates for statehood, is indicated by the fact that they built 1,331 miles of new line in 1902, which is more than one-fourth of the total for the entire country.

According to these figures, the total railroad mileage of the United States (main line) at the end of 1902 was 102,450 miles. Track laid from January 1 to December 31, 1902:

No.	Miles.
Alabama	14
Arizona	14
Arkansas	25
California	14
Colorado	5
Connecticut	1
Delaware	1
Florida	10
Georgia	10
Idaho	11
Illinois	14
Indiana	10
Indian Territory	11
Iowa	14
Kansas	5
Kentucky	6
Louisiana	1
Maine	4
Maryland	1
Massachusetts	1
Michigan	17
Minnesota	10
Mississippi	10
Missouri	14
Montana	10
Nebraska	64
Nevada	1
New Hampshire	1
New Mexico	33
New York	6
North Carolina	1
North Dakota	5
Oklahoma	52
Oregon	2
Rhode Island	1
South Carolina	1
South Dakota	5
Texas	49
Vermont	1
Virginia	9
Washington	1
West Virginia	18
Wisconsin	11
Total in forty-four states and territories	664
Track laid by since 1888 is shown in the following table:	
1887	1,993
1888	2,106
1889	2,106
1890	2,106
1891	2,106
1892	2,106
1893	2,106
1894	2,106
1895	2,106
1896	2,106
1897	2,106
1898	2,106
1899	2,106
1900	2,106
1901	2,106
1902	2,106
Total	21,060

SHIP BURNS IN MIDOCEAN

Norwegian Bark Consumed by Flames, from Which Britons Rescue Sailors.

FUNCHAL, Madeira, March 22.—The Norwegian bark Tabitha was burned at sea on March 1, in latitude 34 south, longitude 51 west. The British steamer Tarragona picked up the crew and landed them here after two had died of exposure.

DEATH RECORD.

Herbert Hunt.

LEXINGTON, Neb., March 22.—(Special.)—The funeral of Herbert Hunt occurred yesterday from St. Peter's Episcopal church in this city. Mr. Hunt, who was a native of England, located in this county in 1874, and made a beautiful home, known as Huntville, in what is now Hillside precinct. This place was his home for many years, and he was a generous host to his neighbors. A short time ago he purchased a home in this city to live in his days in comfortable ease. Last Sunday he was stricken with congestion of the lungs and passed away three days later. He leaves an aged wife and three married children. He was 72 years of age, and will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends.

William Lacey.

WEST POINT, Neb., March 22.—(Special.)—Word was received in this city of the death of William Lacey at Morgan Park, Ill. The deceased was one of the earliest settlers of Cumma township, having homesteaded in Cumma township in 1867. He was 55 years of age and was especially noted for his great love of trees. The orchard planted by him on the old homestead is the finest, largest and most productive in the county. He took a prominent part in the early development of this county and was universally respected for his sterling manhood. He leaves three children.

Peter Kill.

Peter Kill, one of the old residents of Omaha, died Sunday morning at his home, 710 Pierce street, of Bright's disease. At the time of his death Mr. Kill was 76 years of age. He had resided in Omaha for the last forty years. He leaves a wife and three daughters. The funeral will be Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock from the residence, the body to be interred in the German Catholic cemetery.

Mrs. Mackay's Mother.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Mrs. William A. Duer, mother of Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay and of Miss Caroline Duer, died today in the Waldorf-Astoria of a stroke of paralysis. She