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HAYDEN'S THE RELIABLE STORE.

GRAND SALES SATURDAY IN ALL DEPARTMENTS

FROM THE NEW YORK FIRE SALE PURCHASE.

HAYDEN'S THE RELIABLE STORE.

The biggest bargains ever offered in new stylish, up-to-date merchandise. You get what you want and save money at Hayden Brothers'.

WOMEN'S SKIRTS

There is no other business connected with our house that we give the attention we do our skirt department. We can say without fear of contradiction that we have more skirts and do more business than all the houses in Omaha combined. We put on sale another lot of Degginger & Aarons skirts from 237 Market street, Chicago. These are the very best women's pedestrienne skirts we know of; perfect in hang and finish, and will be on sale at $7.50, $8.90, $10.50 and $12.00.

700 women's skirts from the house of Max Solomon & Co., in rainy day and dress skirts; the greatest variety of medium priced skirts ever shown in Omaha; there are none better made for the price 4.95

775 women's skirts from Brown & Jacobs, Grand street, New York, worth up to $6.00, on sale for..... 2.90

200 fine sample skirts from Sofranski Bros., Fifth avenue, New York, in voiles and etamines, on sale at $8.00, $10.00, $12.00, $15.00 and up to..... $25

WOMEN'S WAIST DEPARTMENT.

Waists in all the new sheer materials, in heavy vestings and fine imported lawns, beautiful, stylish garments, every one on sale at..... $5

200 waists, beautiful lawns and heavy vestings, on sale Saturday; we will also include etamies and other materials, on sale at..... 2.90

50 dozen women's lawn waists, worth $3.50, on sale at..... 1.50

25 dozen waists, on sale at 39c

50 dozen women's waists at 75c

Women's Suits, Skirts and Waists

These being bought for cash and sold for cash we can save you at least 25 per cent. Only houses paying cash, buying large quantities and selling for cash in large quantities can save money to their customers.

Right in the middle of the season we have taken a decided step for one day only. We have gone through our women's tailor-made suits and find about 250 more garments than we ought to have at this time.

On Saturday we will take all these suits that sold as high as $15.00 and put them on sale at 12.00

All the women's suits that sold as high as $20 will go at..... 15.00

All our $30.00 and $35.00 suits will go at 25.00

All our $40.00, $45.00 and $50.00 suits will go on sale at..... $35

All our suits above $50.00 and up to $125, on sale for..... $45

150 suits, silk lined jackets, new styles, on sale at..... 5.00

WOMEN'S SILK COATS.

We have more women's silk coats on hand than all the houses in Omaha combined. In all the styles, ping pongs, blouses and Monte Carlos.

Women $8.00 silk coats on sale at 5.00

Women's silk taffeta and peau de sole coats, worth $10.00, for..... 7.50

Women's $15.00 silk taffeta and peau de sole coats for..... 10.00

25 sample coats for $12.50, $15.00, $20.00 and $25.00.

Saturday in Hayden's Big Black Silk Dept

If you are thinking of buying Black Silk for a drop skirt, Black Silk for one of the new wraps or short coats, in fact Black Silk of any kind for any purpose, then don't fail to visit this department Saturday.

BLACK PRIMA DONNA PEAU DE SOIE, 36 in. wide, almost twice the common width, guaranteed to wear, warranted pure silk, and perfect in every way, ask for the Prima Dona, it is worth $3.00, in this sale for only 1.75

THE GREATEST BLACK TAFFETA SALE ever held in Omaha.

20-in. Black Rustling Taffeta, worth 75c, on sale 45c

27-in. Black Rustling Taffeta, worth $1.00, on sale 59c

36-in. Black Rustling Taffeta, worth $1.50, on sale 88c

42-in. Black Rustling Taffeta, worth $2.00, on sale 1.39

54-in. Black Rustling Taffeta, worth $2.50, on sale 1.69

We again off you an opportunity of buying the FAMOUS PRIDE OF THE LOOM, BLACK TAFFETA. When our present stock is sold the price of Pride of the Loom Taffeta will be $1.50. It is just as fine and heavy as any $2.00 silk, is full 27 in. wide and only 95c

Sale on Fine Shantung and Pongee Silks. Heavy coarse Shantung Pure Silk, worth $1.00, on sale 69c

Fine Shantung Pongee Pure Silk, 24 in. wide, on sale 75c

Embroidered and Stripe Pongee Silk, on sale 69c

30-in. Cloth of Gold, the new silk for shirt waist suits 98c

Pongee Silks, embroidered in Polka Dots, only 98c

WINSLOW TAFFETA STILL SELLS FOR ONLY 1.00

High Grade Dress Goods Sale

Fifty-eight-inch Priestley's Corded Sicilians, in black and blue, at $2.50. These goods are Cravennetted and are considered indispensable for spring and summer. Shirtwaist suits for walking, riding or golfing skirts, or for a suit to wear during the summer vacation. Suitable for wear in sunshine as in rain.

48-inch black mohair serge. Just the goods you want for the coming dusty and hot weather; as cool and dressy as silk, but a much better wearer. Reduced for this sale to $1.50 a yard.

We have put on sale today a line of cream wool suiting for summer wear at about half their regular price—goods that can only be seen in our high grade dress goods department — armure, canvas, basket, finetta, crashes and voiles. You must see this line to fully appreciate the value and style.

The new Bannockburn suitings in gray, with a little red, blue or green invisible plaid effect. One of the swellest fabrics shown this season. At only $1.50 a yard. 48-inch wide.

Suitings in plain granite and the neat weaves so popular this season in gray, blue, brown and green mixtures, 46-inch wide, at 85c a yard for this sale.

In the Big Domestic Room

AT THE LINEN COUNTER.

50c TABLE LINEN, 25c

50c Union bleached table linen, 64-in. wide, at yd..... 25c

40c TABLE LINEN, 22 1-2c

40c half bleached table linen, 58-in. wide, at yd..... 22½c

6 1-2c TOWELING, 3 3-4c

6½c red and blue check glass toweling, 18-in. wide, at yd..... 3¾c

8 1-2c TOWELING, 5c

8½c extra heavy all linen brown crash, at yd 5c

7 1-2c TURKISH TOWELS, 4c

7½c bleached Turkish towels, double warp, at 4c

Saturday in the Domestic Room

Wool Dress Goods, Scotch Tweeds, Granits Cloths, Zibetlines and Cheviots, worth up to $1, for $48c.

50-in. Black Cheviot, worth $1.25, for 75c.

A great variety of all-wool Dress Goods, worth up to $3.00, for 49c, 75c and 98c.

Remnants of all-wool and Silk and Wool Challis, worth 75 to $1.00, at 49c.

WASH GOODS.

A large assortment of Imported Printed Madras, suitable for Ladies' Shirt Waists and Children's Dresses, worth 50c, for 25c.

Mercerized Silk Novelties, in dark colors, the latest styles of Dress Fabrics, suitable for the present season, worth 50c, for 25c.

Mercerized Chambrays, in light grounds with dark stripes, the newest Shirt Waistings, worth 50c, for 25c.

Mercerized Ducks, plain colors, stripes and figured, suitable for Ladies' Waists and Children's Dresses, worth 50c, for 50c.

The Imported Ginghams, in light and dark stripes, suitable for Ladies' Shirt Waists and Gents' Shirts, worth 35c, for 15c.

Printed Piques, in light grounds and dark figures, suitable for Shirt Waists, worth 25c, for 10c.

Printed Dimities in Light and Dark Colors, worth 15c for 5c.

Hardware, Stoves and Housefurnishings

UP-TO-DATE GOODS AT UP-TO-DATE PRICES.

16-inch lawn mowers at $2.89.
Garden hose, 5c.
Hardwood hose reels, 49c.
4-quart sprinklers, 19c.
Round double burner oil stoves, 89c.
Steel shingling hatchet, 25c.
Nickel plated clawhammer, 9c.
25c turkey dusters, 15c.
Potts' iron handles, 5c.
Dover egg beaters, 5c.
50-lb. decorated flour cans, 59c.
4-section clothes racks, 39c.
Garden rakes, 15c.
Kitchen meat saws, 25c.
Hardwood towel rollers, 5c.
Wood frame wringers, $1.09.

WATCH FOR OUR NEXT WEEK'S SALE ON REFRIGERATORS.

Optical Department

What's wrong?
Your eyes?
Why?
Probably you need glasses. Come and let us examine your eyes. They may be the cause of your headaches.
Cut prices.

Great Cap Sale

Children's sailor caps and hats from the New York fire sale, worth 35c, on sale at 10c.

Men's and boys' caps, worth 50c, on sale at 25c.

Men's and boys' golf, yacht and automobile caps, worth $1.00, on sale at 50c.

Ladies' Furnishing Sales

Ladies' drawers, corset covers, skirts, gowns and chemise, nicely trimmed and made of fine quality cambric, worth $1.00, at 50c.

Ladies' nightgowns and skirts, very handsomely trimmed with fine valenciennes lace and Swiss embroidery, worth $2.50, at $1.50.

Ladies' fine nainsook gowns, low neck and short sleeves and high neck and empire style, worth $1.50 and $2.00, at 98c.

Redfern corsets, with princess hip and hose supporters attached, warranted genuine whalebone filled, made of French contee or batiste, at $3.00. La Grecque belt corsets for stout figures at $2.50.

A full line of R. & G., W. B., erect form, Kabo, Thompson Glove Fitting and W. C. C. corsets, in all the up-to-date styles, at $1.00 and up.

Ladies' plain black and fancy hose, 25c quality, at 12½c.

Ladies' black lace hose at 12½c, worth 25c.

Ladies' plain black and fancy hose, 50c quality, 25c.

Boys' and misses' ribbed hose at 12½c, worth 25c.

Boys' and misses' Wayne knit and Shawknit hose at 25c, worth 35c.

Ladies' sleeveless vests, in fine ribbed and drop-stitch silk tapes, worth 25c, at 10c.

Ladies' fine lisle thread combination suits, umbrella style and fine lace trimmed, worth $1.00, at 50c.

Ladies' high neck, ankle length and long sleeve combination suits, in fine jersey ribbed Harvard mills brand, worth $1.00, at 50c.

Children's dark calico dresses, trimmed and in all sizes, from 1 to 6 years, worth 50c, at 25c.

Children's madras and gingham dresses, trimmed with embroidery, in all sizes, from 1 to 6 years, worth $1.00, at 50c.

China Department

Fancy opal bric-a-brac, beautiful and useful, consisting of nut bowls, vases, card trays, pickle and olive dishes, bouquet holders, turines, etc., 50c values, 10c.

French china teacups and saucers, per set, 69c.

Something new—the Little Wonder incandescent gas burner, complete with etched globe and double support mantle, worth $1.50, 59c.

Fine wine glasses, 20c set.

Imported majolica pint pitchers, 10c.

Crystal covered water jugs, very fine, 50c.

Plain white cups and saucers, 2c each.

Great Hat Sale

250 dozen men's hats from the great New York fire sale just arrived. Better hats and better styles—a sale surpassing any and all efforts ever made by us or any one else.

The season's newest creations, all the popular shades and quality sold at $2.50, on sale at $1.50 and $1.00.

Extra Special Shoe Sale Saturday

1,500 pairs of men's and women's shoes made by one of the best shoemakers in the west on sale Saturday in the main shoe department. These goods are made in the latest styles and in all the leathers, including the celebrated Baker's Corona, the shiny leather that does not break through the upper with any reasonable wear, on sale at $3.48, $2.98, $2.48 and..... 1.96

2,500 pairs boys', youths' and little gents' satin calf lace, worth $1.50, on sale at..... 98c

700 pairs women's dongola lace, worth $1.50, on sale at 300 pairs misses' dongola lace, worth $1.50, on sale at..... 98c

100 pairs men's satin calf congress, worth $1.75, on sale at 200 pairs child's box calf lace, worth $1.50, on sale at..... 48c

1,200 pairs men's house slippers, worth 75c, on sale at..... 69c

500 pairs little gents' satin or dongola lace, worth $1.00.....

We have the best grain lace work shoes in the west with a heavy tap sole for..... 1.35

300 pairs Misses' vici kid lace shoes, worth $1.75, at..... 1.35

400 pairs child's dongola lace turn sole, worth 75c, at..... 49c

Sole agents in Omaha for the celebrated STETSON and CROSSETT shoes for MEN, and the BROOKS BROS., ULTRA and GROVER shoes for WOMEN.

See the Sixteenth street window.

Hayden's Great Reduction Sale Groceries

Pearl Hominy per pound..... 3½c
German Sago per pound..... 5c
Fancy Pearl per pound..... 4¾c
Fancy Split Lentils per pound..... 6½c
Good Japan Rice per pound..... 5c
Neutrita, new breakfast food, per pkg..... 10c
Malta Ceres, per pkg 10c
Mayflower Oats, 5-lb. pkg..... 19c
Granola, 1-lb. pkg..... 11c
10 lbs. Pure Buckwheat, for..... 35c
Large sacks Pure Granulated Cornmeal 15c
10-lb. sack Graham Flour for..... 25c
2-lb. pkg. Pancake Flour for..... 7½c
Breakfast Cocoa per can..... 10c
1-lb. pkg. Condensed Mincemeat for..... 5c
1-lb. jar Whole Fruit Jam for..... 12½c
2-lb. can, or one gallon, Apples for..... 12½
2-lb. can very fine Pumpkins for..... 3½c
2-lb. can very fine Baked Beans for..... 5c
2-lb. can very fine California Peaches..... 12½c
2-lb. can very fine California Plums..... 12½c
2-lb. can very fine California Apricots..... 12½c
2-lb. can very fine String Beans for..... 5c
2-lb. can very fine Lima Beans for..... 5c
2-lb. can very fine White Wax Beans..... 5c
2-lb. can very fine Apple Butter for..... 5c

Great Sale on Coffees

GREAT QUANTITIES OF COFFEE ARE NOW BEING RECEIVED.

Liberian Coffee per pound..... 11½c
Santos Coffee per pound..... 12½c
San Salvador Coffee per pound..... 13½
Golden Rio Coffee per pound..... 15½c
Martinique Coffee per pound..... 18½c
Interior Java Coffee per pound..... 20c
Private Growth Java Coffee, lb..... 22½c
Mandeling Java Coffee, per lb..... 25c
O. G. Java per pound..... 28c
Maracaibo Coffee per pound..... 30c
Arabian Mocha per pound..... 33c
Java and Mocha per pound..... 35c
Milled Maracaibo Coffee, per lb..... 35c

Dried Fruit Sale

Fancy Peaches per pound..... 12½c
Fancy Peaches, No. 2, per lb..... 10c
Fancy Pears per pound..... 12½c
Fancy Pears, No. 2, per lb..... 10c
Fancy Apricots per pound..... 13c
Fancy Apricots, No. 2, per lb..... 11c
Seedless Sultana Raisins, per lb..... 20c
Fancy Loose Muscatels, per lb..... 12½c
Raisins, 4 cr., per pound..... 11c
Raisins, 3 cr., per pound..... 10c
Raisins, 2 cr., per pound..... 8½c
Silver Prunes per pound..... 12½c
Fancy Prunes per pound..... 10c
Ruby Prunes per pound..... 8c
Special Prunes per pound..... 8c
Prunes No. 2 per pound..... 6c
Prunes No. 3 per pound..... 5c
Fancy Evaporated Apples, per lb..... 5c
Cleaned Currants per pound..... 7½c

CANNED MEAT SALE.

1-pound tins Vienna Sausage..... 12½c
½-lb tins Vienna Sausage..... 7c
½-lb. tins Potted Ox Tongue..... 7c
¼-lb. tins Potted Ox Tongue..... 5c
½-lb. tins Potted Chicken..... 12½c
¼-lb. tins Potted Chicken..... 7c
½-lb. tins Potted Turkey..... 12½c
½-lb tins Potted Turkey..... 7c
½-lb. tins Veal Loaf..... 7c
1-lb tins Veal Loaf..... 15c
½-lb. tins Ham Loaf..... 7c
1-lb. tins Ham Loaf..... 15c
½-lb. tins Beef Loaf..... 7c
1-lb. tins Beef Loaf..... 15c
1-lb. tins Corn Beef..... 12½c
2-lb. tins Roast Beef..... 12½c
½-lb. tins Corn Beef Hash..... 7c
1-lb. tins Corn Beef Hash..... 12½c

MEAT PRICES.

No. 1 Hams..... 12½c
No. 1 Bacon..... 12½c
Leaf Lard..... 9¾c
Roast Beef—6c and..... 10c
Boil Beef..... 3c

HAYDEN BROS.

HILL AND HARRIMAN AT ARMS

Consider Dissolution of Agreement to Enter Each Other's Chosen Territory.

OLD RIVALRY MORE ACUTE THAN EVER

Harriman Threatens to Build Into Seattle, While Hill Plans California Extension—Complicates Big Immigration Movement.

On the eve of probably the greatest immigration movement in the history of the west is threatened an outbreak of the old Hill-Harriman rivalry which promises a disturbance in railroad affairs and a serious complication of the immigration situation which it was supposed had been placed upon a safe equilibrium as the result of an agreement entered into by Hill and Harriman. That agreement was that Hill should keep out of Harriman's territory on the Pacific and that Harriman should not trespass upon Hill's exclusive ground further up the coast. It is the threatened dissolution of this compact that causes the apprehension. Both magnates are understood to have taken under serious consideration the advisibility of dissolving their agreement.

The story of the Hill-Harriman affair is a long one. Mr. Hill is authority for the statement that he and Harriman made such an agreement as this. On his last visit to the north Pacific he gave out the statement that by such a league he had agreed not to build south into California and Harriman not to extend his lines to Puget Sound. In the meantime Mr. Hill begins to view, with grave apprehension, the pending results of the Union Pacific's aggressive campaign for colonizing the northwest and becomes dissatisfied with the "agreement." Harriman has too good a gateway at Spokane to suit the merger magnate and so it is now said that both men are on the verge of breaking their contract and cutting into the field single-handed and independent for all they can get, thus promising as bitter a warfare, probably, as ever was fought in the west.

Plans Aggressive Campaign.

It is a well known fact that last year the Union Pacific laid the plans for its extensive northwest colonization. It established a central agency at Chicago under direction of G. M. McKinney and branch agencies all over the west for the sole purpose of invading the Hill territory with home settlers. It was but natural, therefore, that Harriman would want to get nearer Seattle and the Puget sound country with his own lines than Spokane, which point he reaches by means of his Oregon Short line from Portland. It is understood also that Hill did not have to court Harriman very persistently in order to get him to take under consideration the dissolution of their agreement. The fact that Hill threatens to drag his tracks on down into California, with terminals at Eureka and other nearby points, thus placing his lines in a position to successfully compete with the Union Pacific there, seems to have no deterrent effect upon the Harriman interests. As it is, Harriman with his gateway at Spokane is able to give the Burlington a pretty good rub for Missouri river traffic, and if he is enabled to build into Seattle, either from Spokane or Portland, he will manifestly be a big gainer. Harriman once made a proposition to Hill for a traffic agreement over the Northern Pacific into Seattle, but this was rejected and then a threat was made by Harriman to extend his line up from Portland to Seattle, but this seems to have been sidetracked by this mutual compact. Twelve years ago the Union Pacific people went so far as to have a survey made for a line into Seattle, so that their longing to get into the Hill country is no new thing.

California Bids Hill Enter.

Of course if the Harriman project is carried out Hill would practically be obliged to run his Northern Pacific down into California and this is what he is said to have determined on. Owing to the unsettled and unsatisfactory status of railroad affairs in California Hill's advent, it is said, would be met with great delight. In fact, it is reliably reported that since the traffic agreement between the Santa Fe and the Southern Pacific, which has become a subject of investigation by the Interstate Commerce Commission, has taken effect the shippers of California have offered substantial inducements to Hill to enter their territory. The report even goes further and says that certain moneyed interests of the golden west have tendered their good offices as a means of facilitating Hill's entrance.

Numerous elements and conditions enter into this situation, but it is believed that if the Harriman interests could be dissuaded from their avowed determination of colonizing the northwest, recognized as distinctly Hill's territory, toward which they are vigorously and aggressively pressing, war could be averted. But no one seems to think that this could be done and therefore a lively and prolonged skirmish is thought to be inevitable.

BURNING BUSH EVANGELISTS

Unique Religious Services at Schlitz Roof Garden for the Next Ten Days.

The "Burning Bush" evangelists of the Holiness association, which is to hold services at Schlitz roof garden for ten days, arrived in Omaha yesterday. The party is composed of Mrs. Kent White of Denver, Arthur F. Ingler and wife of Chicago and "Black Susan" of Syracuse, N. Y. The party will be joined here Saturday by Duke M. Farson and E. L. Harvey of Chicago. This sect has been recently at work in Chicago and the New England states, where they have been dubbed "Jumpers," because of their peculiar action during their religious services, none of the members apparently being able to control their nerves and muscles, but jumping, clapping their hands and shouting during exhortations and prayers. The sect has existed in Kansas for several years and their services have attracted the attention of crowds because of their novelty.

Have You Traveled

on the Black Diamond Express? Have you enjoyed its comforts and the beauties of the scenery along its route? If not, you have missed an entrancing experience and should supply the omission when you next go East. It runs between Buffalo and New York.

TO REACH DELINQUENT TAXES

Extra Clerks in Treasurer's Office Preparing Record for Cleaning Up.

TO PUT SCAVENGER LAW INTO EFFECT

Plan Contemplates the Collection of Millions of Dollars of Back Taxes and the Clearing of Incumbrances.

A force of eighteen extra men is working in day and night shifts in the office of the city treasurer making records of all taxes due the city and unpaid between the years 1860, when the city began its corporate existence, and May 1, 1903. This is in accordance with the terms of the new "scavenger" law, which is expected to clear up more than $4,000,000 owing the city in back taxes. South Omaha and the county generally will gain in smaller proportion, and some of the proceeds should be in the official strong boxes by the close of the year.

The records now being prepared in the office of the city treasurer are to go into permanently bound books, containing complete information and descriptions of property, the books becoming the property of the county treasurer's office, where they receive the addition of similar books from all over the county. Although the books from the city treasurer's office should be complete on May 1 they will not be ready, and it will be necessary for Treasurer Hennings to go into court and ask for an extension of time. He thinks the work can be done about May 24.

Complete Delinquent List.

For the first time in the history of the city of Omaha a complete delinquent tax list is to be compiled and published with the name of every property owner who has not contributed his share toward the municipal government. This feature is a new one and will continue in vogue until the law is changed, but never again will the record go back more than one year from the time it appears in the newspapers.

Briefly, the scavenger act provides that the country treasurer shall keep a permanent record of delinquent taxes, showing the kind and amount of every tax against each tract, as well as the total amount due. This record shall have a formal statement attached to it and shall be filed with the clerk of the district court not later than July 1. It then becomes a petition and is the commencement of a suit to enforce the taxes.

This petition, when filed this year, will institute one of the very largest suits ever begun in Omaha, containing thousands of names and descriptions of property, the taxes concerned mounting into the millions. Notice of the filing of the petition and the amount due on each tract is then published four weeks. Those who wish to contest the taxes must file answers by September 1. A default decree is entered against all land when no contest is made. Lands defaulted are sold under order of the court after advertisement, in November each year.

Provisions of the Law.

The following important provision is made, which is the meat of the whole law:

When less than four years' taxes are delinquent lands must bring full amount of taxes, interest and costs, but when four or more years are delinquent, lands may be sold to the highest bidder regardless of the amount due and without appraisement. In the latter case the bid may be raised by any person within eighteen months by filing with the county treasurer an offer of a premium. The highest premium must be accepted. Sales draw interest at 12 per cent per annum. The period of redemption is three years for the ordinary sale and two years for the sale where four or more years are included.

City Treasurer Hennings is accredited with the framing and passage of the law. He is of the opinion that it will bring from $200,000 to $300,000 in delinquent taxes this year.

GERMAN COMMISSION COMING

Will Visit Omaha in May on Tour to Investigate Agricultural Conditions.

The Union Pacific is making special arrangements for the transportation of the forty-five Germans who are coming to this country next month to study the agricultural conditions scientifically. They land in New York May 2 and proceed directly to St. Louis as the guests of Adolphus Busch. They will then proceed west, accompanied by a representative of the Agricultural department at Washington, Mr. Busch and others, taking in Kansas City, St. Joseph and Omaha. In this city they will make a special trip to the packing houses and stock yards and then go west on the Union Pacific, visiting all the beet sugar factories in this and other western states. They are due to sail from New York June 26. The party will include many of the most prominent figures of Germany. Their mission will be to study the methods and conditions of American farming with a view of introducing some of them in their native country. When the party leaves Omaha it will be accompanied by George L. McDonaugh, the Union Pacific's special immigration agent.

SIGNS NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR

First Methodist Church Secures Services of Prof. Stanley of St. Joseph.

The music committee of the First Methodist church Thursday closed an agreement with Prof. Ben Stanley of St. Joseph to act as organist and choir director of that church. Prof. Stanley has for several years directed the festival chorus of 150 voices of St. Joseph and also served as organist and choir director at the First Presbyterian church of that city, having been assisted in the latter position by his wife as soprano soloist. Mr. Stanley is also a tenor singer. He was for a number of years a student of organ and chorus work at Munich, Bavaria. Knowing of the Omaha offer the music committee of the St. Joseph church met last Sunday at the close of the service and offered Mr. Stanley an inducement equal to that offered here if he would remain, but believing that Omaha offered better advantages he declined it.

Beats All Its Rivals.

No salve, lotion, balm or oil can compare with Bucklen's Arnica Salve for healing. It kills pain. Cures or no pay. 25c. For sale by Kuhn & Co.

INSURANCE MAN DISAPPEARS

Arthur Wolfsohn Suddenly Leaves Omaha Because of "Social Threats."

BRIEF CAREER IS ABRUPTLY TERMINATED

No Signs of Financial Trouble Evident at His Hartford Life Insurance Office in the Bee Building.

"I hope you will not be angry at me, for I know you will be surprised when I tell you that I have left Omaha. But I had to leave on account of social threats."

Thus wrote Arthur Wolfsohn, formerly agent of the Hartford Life Insurance company in this city, with offices in the Bee building, to S. W. Moody, general western manager for that company, with headquarters at Chicago. Mr. Wolfsohn's letter was dated April 4 and written or at least mailed at Cincinnati.

"The letter came like a bomb-shell to me," said Mr. Moody, who has come to Omaha to check up the affairs of the office. "I could not have been more surprised. Mr. Wolfsohn was doing a splendid business and I supposed was a steady man."

Of the details of Mr. Wolfsohn's case Mr. Moody is as yet entirely ignorant. No one else has been found who can offer any light upon them. Miss Huxford, the stenographer last employed in Wolfsohn's office, is wholly in the dark as to the character of her former employer's trouble and no book or paper in the office reveals a single trace. Not a sign of a letter from "the woman in the case," presuming from Wolfsohn's letter that there is one, has been found. All the correspondence which Mr. Moody has been able to locate is of a business nature and contains nothing to indicate that Wolfsohn ever did anything but hustle for life insurance. No financial discrepancies have been discovered.

Disappears March 21.

According to Miss Huxford, Wolfsohn left the office March 21, after paying her up to date. When he failed to return or write for a week she thought he had taken a longer business trip than usual and when two weeks elapsed without hearing from him she decided something was wrong. Having received Wolfsohn's letter from Cincinnati Mr. Moody came to Omaha Thursday from Chicago to look into the situation.

Wolfsohn came to Omaha last October, having just been employed by Mr. Moody at Chicago. He had been located at Grand Rapids, Mich., as the representative of the Equitable and was presented to Mr. Moody with the highest recommendations as an insurance man.

Wolfsohn was a stylish dresser and rather "dashing" in appearance. He was single and apparently about 33 years of age. While quick and impetuous he possessed a sort of native reticence. He had surrounded himself with many friends here, it is said, and had become very well known in a social way. Shortly before his disappearance he had begun arrangements for larger and more elaborate office quarters, despite the suggestions from his head office that he probably would do as well to proceed a little more slowly with his developments. In his letter to Mr. Moody, Wolfsohn said he could not explain his trouble, but that he would "see" Mr. Moody some day and then would explain "all." In the meantime Mr. Moody will look for a successor to Wolfsohn and pick up any little bit of information about those "social threats" that came to him.

INVITE DEATH DEALING WIRES

Boys Burn Electric Wire Poles and Serious Results Might Follow.

City Electrician Schurig has had the police and health departments take steps to prevent the destruction of electric light wire poles near Twenty-third street and Central boulevard. These poles carry wires through which is sent alternating currents running as high as 8,000 volts. Householders have dumped manure around the bases of the big fifty-foot poles and boys have set the dry heaps on fire. Saturday one pole was damaged so that it had to be replaced and the same thing occurred again Sunday, the fire being put out just in time to prevent the pole from being burned through. Had it fallen and let the high-current wires reach the ground serious results might have followed.

The city electrician has about finished locating the bunch of fifty new arc lights. His latest designations are as follows: Twenty-eighth avenue and Binney, Thirty-third and Seward, Twenty-first and Cass, Twentieth between Elm and Castellar, Twenty-ninth and Pacific, Twentieth and Leavenworth, Thirty-second and Corby, Tenth and Boulevard, Second and Francis, Thirty-fourth and Davenport and Thirty-first and Hamilton.

WORK ON THE PUBLIC PARKS

Curtiss Turner Park is Being Made More Attractive for This Summer.

Curtiss Turner park at Thirty-first and Farnam street is to be a far more attractive spot this year than heretofore. One corner of the park, which was low, has been filled and laborers are now grading, planting shrubs and flowers and laying cinder walks. Some sodding will be done and the place generally improved. Hanscom park has been put in spring condition and is looking especially well at this season of the year. Work on the Central boulevard is being retarded for various reasons, the chief one being delay in letting the contract for the ornamental viaduct at Leavenworth street.

What Makes Ruby Lips.

The pure, rich blood made by Dr. King's New Life Pills. They promote beauty. Give clear skin, rosy cheeks. 25c. For sale by Kuhn & Co.

Teaching Bertillon System.

P. J. Ahearn, a United States secret service officer, is in the city and will remain for a period of eight or ten days, during which time he will give Captain Webb and the United States marshal and his deputies a number of demonstrations in the Bertillon system of measuring and identifying criminals. Mr. Ahearn is covering the country and teaching the United States officers more of the system than they are now familiar with.

YOST TALKS TO EMPLOYES

Strikers Refuse to Join Those Who Participate in Conference.

MEN AT WORK SAY THEY ARE SATISFIED

Telephone Company President Insists that Linemen Are Receiving Better Than Union Wages and Have No Grievance.

The linemen's strike, involving men on the Nebraska Telephone, Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies' lines, reached no new developments yesterday. No negotiations have been entered into or promised between the contending parties. The strikers claim their men all over the state have quit and that the strike is complete. Many of the out-of-town linemen have come into Omaha and are gathering at Labor temple, the central headquarters. Others, they say, will be in the city as fast as they can get there.

The Western Union and Postal have little work that is pressing now and therefore are not seriously disturbed by this strike. The telephone company, however, has considerable work on hand.

Yost Confers with Strikers.

President Yost of the Nebraska Telephone company, who has just returned to the city, held a conference at his office yesterday with about forty linemen, ground workers and inspectors over the issues of the present strike. As only a few of these men had joined the strikers no settlement was due from this conference.

"There was nothing to settle," said President Yost, "for the men all told me they had no grievance and were perfectly satisfied with their lot. One who had struck was urged by his fellows to present his grievances and replied that he had none, then left the office. These men will work if given the opportunity, and are not influenced by some walking delegate.

"As soon as I got home I sent an invitation to the boys to meet me at my office at 2 o'clock this afternoon to talk over matters, but the business agent forbade the strikers to come and I suppose only a few of those present had struck. I don't know how the strikers expect to reach any settlement when they arbitrarily refuse to meet us on our own invitation. We are always ready to confer with our men when they are dissatisfied. We fail to see any grounds for dissatisfaction now. We are paying $2.75 a day for city men, which is more than they pay at Kansas City, where they get better rates than we do. As I understand it all the men ask is for us to make some further recognition of their union, which seems to me unnecessary and uncalled for so long as we pay union wages and better. We will not submit to any one dictating to us who we shall employ and who we shall discharge. We must attend to those things ourselves."

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