

WOULD KNOW ALVORD BETTER

W. H. Green and Other Real Estate Men Ask for More Specific Identification

NO DISCREDIT OF THE NEW APPRAISER

E. A. Benson Thinks Exchange Should Leave Matter to Water Board and Rely on Its Selection Without Public Inquiry.

The Real Estate exchange met at the Commercial club yesterday and after considerable discussion of the water works appraisership adjourned without any action.

W. H. Green brought the matter before the exchange. "I have a matter of the greatest importance," said he, "and one which I think calls for action on our part. The Bee had an editorial last night which voiced my views. It appears that nobody knows the appraiser for the city except Mr. Boyd, who, I am informed, recommends him highly. None of the members of the council know Mr. Alvord, whether he is a man of the company or for the people. I do not mean to say anything against Mr. Alvord, who doubtless is a capable and fair man, but in case he should turn out to be slightly favorable to the water company it will cost the city a million or two. The two appraisers have the choosing of the third and if they are both favorable to the company we will lose out badly."

"There is no contract, or at least I have heard of none, under which he comes here and he can charge the city what he chooses. Of course the matter of a thousand or two makes little difference in a transaction of this size if we get a good man. I do not mean to say anything against Mr. Alvord, but I think the people should know something about the matter. I understand that it is even now a question with the chairman of the water board as to whether the franchise or the company should be paid for. If this engineer understands that we are to pay for this franchise it will cost us millions. Without question we want the water works, but we must not put a burden on the city which will take generations to pay. Mr. Alvord has been in the employ of water companies, but this is not anything against him; but why do we not know anything about him?"

Suggests Check on Appraisers.

"I think the council should hire a man to assist Mr. Alvord in the appraisement and that this man should submit a sealed appraisement to the council in the afternoon. The other figure has come up for consideration, so that the council may have some security that it is really getting at the value of the plant."

Chairman Harrison thought Mr. Green's remarks were to the point and that Benson and Alexander Charlton took the opposite view. "We have a water board," said Mr. Benson, "in whom I had supposed everyone had confidence. Mr. Alvord has a reputation as an experienced engineer and I have heard of him for years. I think that if we feel that we do not know all we should about him we should go quietly to the members of the board who appointed him and not talk the thing over here."

Mr. Charlton thought action premature. "The appraisers' action must come before the board for approval," he said. "If when this report is made it doesn't look right, then we can take action."

It was moved that a committee consisting of W. A. Harrison and C. L. Stanton be appointed to talk with the members of the board in regard to the appraisement, but after discussion the motion was ordered laid on the table.

ENGINEER ALVORD IN OMAHA

Appraiser Selected by the Water Board Spends a Day in the City.

Engineer John W. Alvord of Chicago, who is to be the city's appraiser in the water works purchase, arrived in Omaha yesterday morning and met with the water board in the afternoon. He was taken in hand by Chairman Boyd of the board and was put in touch during the morning with the men who have been connected and are familiar with the water plant. Mr. Alvord returned to Chicago last night. There was not time for the trip to the pumping station, as had been proposed.

At the conference Chairman Boyd said: "There is absolutely no information to give out. Mr. Alvord has been getting acquainted with the board members and other city officers and getting a general idea of what his work will consist of. As to the time when the appraisers will begin actual work, all I can say is that it will not be before several weeks as the water company has not prepared an itemized inventory."

Ewart Family Troubles.

James B. Ewart of Lincoln has filed answer to the supplemental petition of his former wife, Lizzie Ewart, in which she asks the court to leave the order regarding the custody of the children remain as it is for the present. He alleges that his former wife is seeking to create a rift in the minds of the children against their father and that in this she is seconded by her mother and sister, and that she on occasion wrote to her protesting against such action.

OMAHA COLLEGIAN WINS HONOR

Glen Wharton Plucks a Few Laurels at Princeton University Commencement Exercises.

In response to information from Princeton that Mr. Glen Wharton had taken highest honors of a cum laude degree at the university commencement, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wharton of this city sent their son a cordial message of hearty congratulations on his achievement. Young Wharton is a graduate of the Omaha High school, having served as his class president and taken commencement honors when he graduated here. He will complete his education by beginning a full course in the Harvard Law school at Cambridge next fall, preparing to go finally into the practice of law.

WIDOW REZEK BRINGS SUIT

Wants Damages Because Her Husband Was Fatally Struck in Saloon.

Because her husband was killed in a saloon row a South Omaha last February Rosa Rezek has brought suit against the saloon keeper and his bondsmen to recover \$5,000 damages. According to the petition Joseph Rezek, the husband, and Patrick Shea were drinking in the saloon of Anton Bazar at South Omaha, when both became drunk in a quarrel Shea stabbed Rezek so that he died. The plaintiff alleges that the death was the result of the liquor supplied by Bazar and therefore sues him and his bondsmen for the amount of the bond.

Mayor and Engineer to Talk.

The West Omaha Improvers have a meeting scheduled for Thursday night in the church at Forty-first and Dodge streets, which they use for a hall. The sole object of the meeting is to discuss the proposed sewer for consideration will be the Saddle Creek sewer. Mayor Moore and City Engineer Rosewater have been invited to talk on the proposition and have accepted.

DIED.

WEEK BACH-Gus, aged 4 years 2 months, at 114 1/2 N. June 8, at the family residence, 317 South Twentieth street. Funeral from home at 3:30 p. m. Friday, June 12. Services at 9 o'clock at St. Mary Magdalene church, Seventeenth and Douglas. Friends invited.

Ladies' Low Shoes Special at \$1.59 and \$2.50. J. L. Brandeis & Sons Boston Store.

THURSDAY BARGAIN NEWS

\$10 and \$12.50 Skirts at \$5.98-\$6.98

The swell new etamine, voile, Venetian skirts made with all the new ideas and stylish trimmings, all with the wide French flares, have been sold regularly in our suit department at \$10, \$12.50—tomorrow as a great Thursday special, at 5.98-6.98

All silk shirt waist suits at \$6.98

The new all silk shirt waist suits, the fashionable suit for summer wear, made with tucked fronts, clerical collar, the new sleeves and backs, formerly sold at \$12.50—special Thursday's price at 6.98

\$25.00 Tailor-Made Suits at \$10.00

Light weight tailor-made suits in the beautiful and dainty shades designed especially for summer wear. They come in etamine, voiles, covert Venetians, light weight melons, etc. Low cut, collarless blouses, postilion backs, pouch sleeves, etc., worth well up to \$25.00, Thursday special, at \$10

Walking Skirts at \$4.98

Smart new walking skirts in the late stylish effects, handsomely trimmed, hip yokes, flared and all the novelty effects and in the popular jar cloths for separate skirts, worth \$10, at 4.98

Shantung Coats 5.98

We are showing a beautiful line of shantung coats, the most beautiful and popular summer wrap for women. All the dainty new 1903 effects, from \$19.00 down to 5.98

The New "Princess" Girdle at \$2.49

The beautiful new Princess Girdles, a loose fitted chain girdle in bead effects with tassel ends, large medallion buckle, jeweler's price \$5, Thursday special at 2.49

Ladies' \$5 Trimmed Dress Hats at \$2.95

Hundreds of beautiful new summer effects in ladies' and misses' trimmed dress hats in both black, white and colors at two dollars and forty-five cents will make Thursday a lively day in our big second floor millinery section. These hats regularly priced would be \$5, Thursday 2.45

Magnificent Dress Hats at \$4.95

An imposing gathering of magnificent white and black dress hats awaits your choosing for Thursday. In the assemblage are represented all of the very newest designs from across the sea, mostly large flat effects of horse hair chiffon, beautiful chip, etc., trimmed with all species of dainty white flowers and wide silk and velvet ribbons. Most stores would ask \$7.50 and \$9.00 if they had them. Thursday 4.95

\$1.75 trimmed street hats 25c

50c white pique Automobile caps 25c

75c Leghorn flats 39c

75c quality new Crown sailors 39c

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BLAZE AT BENNETT STORE

Over Twenty Thousand Dollars of Damage in a Few Minutes.

FIRE IS CONFINED TO DISPLAY WINDOWS

Spray of Water and Smoke Bring About Damage to Goods on Main Floor—Loss Covered by Insurance.

Fire broke out at 5 o'clock yesterday morning in the large display windows of the Bennett department store at the corner of Sixteenth and Harney. The windows were filled with fragile and combustible material and the entire ground floor corner was in flames in a moment.

There is only a frail wooden partition separating the large display window from the main floor of the store, but this was sufficient to keep the fire confined to the limits of the corner windows until the fire department reached the scene. The firemen soon had the blaze under control.

The fire caught from an incandescent electric light wire at the Sixteenth and Harney street corner. The heat was so intense that the big plate glass windows at this corner burst outward with a crash and in an almost incredibly short time the fire was creeping toward the store above.

The fire quickly spread to the Harney street front and in three minutes display windows were soon destroyed, and three windows immediately west, in which was a display of children's clothing, were wrecked in a twinkling.

Eleven Plate Glass Windows Go.

The fire extended to the main entrance southward on Sixteenth street and nearly everything in these windows was also destroyed. Six of the large plate glass windows on Sixteenth street and five on the Harney street front were destroyed. The main floor was filled with smoke, but business continued.

Many of the clerical force of the establishment were pressed into service by removing the stock of silks and other dry goods adjacent to the burning windows. Fortunately the force of the fire was outward, and no damage resulted to the interior of the building, nor did the fire communicate to the upper stories. There was considerable damage to stock by smoke and water. The handsome wax figure of the June bride was among the articles destroyed. The total loss, including the smoke and water damage, will be between \$20,000 and \$25,000, fully covered by insurance.

The store has been closed until Saturday to permit the adjustment of the loss by the insurance men.

Electrician Makes Investigation.

City Electrician Patton started to make an investigation of the origin of the Bennett fire yesterday. He secured part of the wiring in the windows and some of the fixtures and took them to his office in the city hall for a critical examination. At noon the electrician said he had not ascertained enough facts to base conclusions upon, but expected to be in a position to make a report later. Portions of the naked wire with insulation undestroyed brought to the city hall had portions of paper clinging to them. It is the second shop window fire that has occurred in Omaha during the last two years and the city electrical department is anxious to find out whether it was caused by poor protection of the wires.

City Electrician Patton said, yesterday afternoon: "An examination fails to determine, as is usually the case, whether the electrical wiring caused the blaze. However, flexible cord was used in the windows, which is directly forbidden by city ordinances. It was placed in these windows after the store had been inspected by a representative from this department."

FREE GIFT COUPONS WITH EVERY PURCHASE. MEN'S 50c UNDER-SHIRTS and 25c DRAWERS. HAYDEN'S. WOMEN'S 25c VESTS ON SALE. 10c. THE RELIABLE STORE.

\$45,000.00 Spot Cash Purchase

Finest Summer Underwear on Sale.

Several of the largest leading underwear mills of the country closed out to us for spot cash their entire surplus stock of summer underwear. The rainy, backward season has made them anxious to unload, and as their season was over, they made the prices ridiculously low for spot cash. THIS GOODS ARE HERE AT HAYDEN'S, AND ON SALE.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR

In tremendous quantities and most astonishing variety. Every garment full fashioned, absolutely new and perfect in every way. The fabrics are the best selected balbriggans, lises, linen, silks, etc., etc. In ribbed and plain and net, in white, flesh and all the desirable shades, all go on sale without reserve in four lots—worth up to \$2.50—sale prices 75c, 50c, 35c and 25c.

THE WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR

Will prove a pleasant surprise, on account of its excellent workmanship, exquisite finish and high quality, in all the best fabrics and colors. Women's Lisle Thread Vests on sale at 25c, 35c and 50c. Women's Fine Vests and Pants, in ribbed and plain effects, in all colors, in lisle threads, Egyptian cottons, etc., etc., worth up to \$1.00, on sale at 50c and 35c. Children's Vests and Pants in this grand sale at 35c, 25c and 15c.

12 1/2c TOWELS 8 1/2c

Extra heavy double warp unbleached Turkish towel, large size, 12 1/2c value, at 8 1/2c. 6 1/2 TABLE LINEN 60c. 7 1/2-inch full bleached table damask, guaranteed purest of linen, neat floral designs and borders to match, \$1.00 value, at 60c. 7 1/2c and 50c Mercerized Waistings 15c. We have placed on one big table all our imported white mercerized waisting in basket, oxford and madras weaves, full pieces, all the 1903 patterns, worth up to 50c, for one day at 15c.

35c White Waistings 18 1/2c. One big table imported waisting, in all the new weaves, not a yard worth less than 35c, for one day, at 15c. 25c Sheetings 18 1/2c. 5c extra fine quality bleached sheeting, 8 1/2 inches wide, for one day at 15c. 10 yards Bleached Sheetings 61c. Soft finish bleached muslin, yard wide, 55c quality, for one day—16 yards for \$1.00. Extra heavy feather ticking, regular 15c per yard, 12c. 30-inch wide Shaker flannel, regular 84c, per yard, 5c. \$1.25 extra heavy full size Marseilles pattern bedspreads, each 5c.

Special Sale on Hammocks and Croquet Sets. Large assortment of hammocks and croquet sets selling at 50c, 75c and upwards.

HAYDEN BROS.

QUITE THE THING. These days to present the graduate with some gift from the jeweler's stock. We are showing hundreds of nice pieces that would be kept for years in memory of a graduation day. Spend a few minutes in our store. Look for the name.

S. W. LINDSAY, Jeweler, 1516 Douglas Street.

Bailey The Dentist. Porcelain Inlay Filling. BETTER THAN GOLD AND THE SAME COLOR AS THE TOOTH. LET US ADVISE YOU.

DREXEL SHOE CO., Omaha's Up-to-Date Shoe House, 1419 Farnam Street.

Misses' and Children's Welt Sole Shoes. Genuine Goodyear welt soles—box bottoms and the foot-form last—wide calf or kid uppers—the sole is always smooth next to the foot and not rough and uncomfortable as in the case in machine-sewed, that are often represented as welt. We have a line of these genuine welt shoes that are the highest type of the shoemaker's art—they prevent enlargement of the joints and allow a natural growth to the foot—5 to 8, \$1.50—\$4 to 11, \$1.75—\$1.14 to 12, \$2.25—\$4 to 6, women's sizes, with spring heels, \$3.00.

MacCarthy Tailoring Company, cow located at 304-306 S. 16th St. Next Door to Wabash Ticket Office. Phone 1608.

COPLEY JEWELER. He Sells Watches, Hawk's Cut Glass, Goblets, \$25.00 doz. Hawk's Cut Glass Wine Glasses \$15.00 doz. Hawk's Cut Glass Peb Glasses \$15.00 doz. Everything in glass. 2155.16th BLDG. BLOCK.

Very Low Special Excursion Rates to Boston, Mass., Saratoga, N. Y., and Chautauque Lake in June and July. Liberal terms and stop-over privileges. On and after June 14 the new fast train from Chicago to Buffalo and intermediate points, 5:15 p. m. daily.

THE WABASH RAILROAD. "In the Good Old Summer Time" offer many special rates to Boston, Indianapolis, Baltimore, St. Louis, Saratoga, Detroit, Atlanta and other points. Call at city office, 1601 Farnam, or address HARRY E. MOORES, G. A. P. D., Omaha, Neb.

Minneapolis and return June 13 and 14, via The North Western Line, the only double track route, 1401-1403 Farnam street. \$10.00—\$10.00—\$10.00—\$10.00.

For Sale—Due bill on one of the best New York City hotels at a good discount. Address E 94, care Omaha Bee.

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One of Our Long Suits. The fact that the same prices are made to those who come to our store has made this department very popular, and old evidence of the appreciation of our CUT OF TOWN friends, naturally, we prefer to have patrons come to the store, but a mail order receives the same prompt attention as a customer in person. If you don't find what you are looking for in our daily price change, write us sending a list for quotations and then compare the prices we quote with those in SO-CALLED UP-TO-DATE CATALOGUE. \$1.00 Peruna—all you want 61c. \$1.00 Bexine Pills 75c. \$2.00 Genuine Castoria 24c. \$2.00 Doan's Kidney Pills 35c. \$2.00 Bar-Ion 40c. \$1.00 Colomulsion 75c. \$2.00 Temptation Tonic 25c. \$1.00 Dr. Pierce's Remedy 64c. \$1.00 Miles' Nerve 70c. We did not join the Miles' combine. 25c Miles' Anti-Pain Pills 24c. \$2.00 Chester's Genuine Penicillin Pills \$1.00. OPEN ALL NIGHT.

SCHAEFER'S CUT PRICE DRUG STORE. Two Phones—747 and 707. S. W. Corner 16th and Chicago Sts.

THE NORTH-WESTERN LINE. The Best of Everything. ONLY \$10.00 Indianapolis and Return JUNE 13 & 14. City Offices—1401-1403 FARNAM ST. OMAHA. TEL. 824-861.

GRADUATION GIFTS. We Close Saturdays at 5:30.

MEN'S WEAR. \$1.00. \$1.00. \$1.00. \$1.00.

Wabash Clothing Co. CLOTHES FOR MEN AND WOMEN.

Follow the Flag. The St. Louis World's Fair Grounds. Round Trips.

Indianapolis—sold June 7th, 8th, 9th, 14th, 15th. \$19.40. St. Louis—sold June 15th, 16th and 17th. \$13.50. Boston—sold June 24th, 25th, 26th. \$31.75. Boston—sold June 30th to July 4th. \$33.75. New York—sold July 4th and 5th. \$37.20. Saratoga—sold July 4th and 5th. \$32.20. Atlanta—sold July 6th, 6th and 7th. \$32.10. Detroit—sold July 14th and 15th. \$21.50. Baltimore—sold July 17th and 18th. \$32.25.

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Women's Muslin Underwear. These Specials go on Sale Thursday Morning. There's only a few of each lot—so come as early in the morning as possible.

LADIES' MUSLIN DRAWERS—made of good quality muslin, full cut and well made, with hemstitch and three rows small tucks, a regular 25c quality—for 15c

LADIES' CAMBRIC UNDERSKIRTS—made of fine quality cambric, well made, with full tucked flounce—regular 50c values—for 25c

LADIES' MUSLIN GOWNS—made of fine quality muslin, extra wide cut, and good length, with tucked yoke and ruffled sleeves—a regular 50c quality—for 39c

EXTRA SPECIAL—Thursday we will place on special sale, 120 dozen low neck, sleeveless vests, for ladies—they are fine lisle finished, cotton jersey ribbed—full taped—a 15c quality—for 6c

Extra Special...

36 Dozen Ladies' Wrist Bags—go on Sale Thursday Morning—95c

They are strictly new styles, made of genuine seal and walrus—they have the best imported frames—silk lined with inside pocket—all colors and sizes—positively a 75c quality—for 95c

Nebraska Clothing Co.

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