

HARRISON GETS SENTENCE

Kearney Man is Fined and Imprisoned for Mischief of Mails

WILL BE UP FOR BLACKMAIL AFTER TERM

Story of Escapes of Prisoner Who Was Son of a Forger

Minister in Nebraska, Kansas

Fred J. Harrison of Kearney, recently indicted by the federal grand jury for using the United States mails for the purpose of blackmail and who entered a plea of not guilty several days ago, later appeared before Judge Munger, withdrew his plea of not guilty and entered a plea of guilty.

November 4 last R. A. Fess, a jeweler at Kearney, received an anonymous threatening letter saying that the writer belonged to an organized gang of burglars and that unless Mr. Fess inclosed \$50 in a cigar box and placed it in a certain locality in Kearney he would have his house burned and his jewelry store robbed.

Eight camps were represented at the last meeting of the Modern Woodmen of America promotion committee. The anniversary meeting to be held in B. & M. camp's hall on the evening of January 2, received the earnest consideration of the meeting, which it intended to make a red letter day in the history of woodcraft in Omaha.

Chas. Gordon, No. 83, Order of Scottish Clans, held its regular meeting Tuesday last. One new member was initiated and another passed the ballot. Great preparations are being made for the annual Burns celebration in Washington hall the evening of January 23.

Bankers Union lodge, No. 1, gave a fancy paper dress ball Monday evening at Washington hall with about 100 couples in attendance. Kowalski's orchestra furnished the music. The affair was under the general management of Deputy J. F. Kelly, with Arthur Theodore and John Swanson as assistants.

Omaha tent, No. 7, Knights of the Macabees, met in regular review last Thursday evening and about 100 sir knights were present. Five candidates were initiated and twelve applicants were elected into membership.

Branch No. 82, Ladies' Catholic Benevolent association, at its regular meeting Friday evening, December 11, elected these officers for the year 1904:

Omaha council No. 6, Royal League, elected these officers for the coming year:

Street Car Company Wins Gets Decision in Case Brought by Widow of Nathan S. McLean.

The case of Mrs. Nathan S. McLean against the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Company was brought to an end yesterday when Judge Fawcett sustained the motion of the defendant in which the prayer was made that the case be taken from the jury and that a verdict be found for the defendant.

In finding for the defendant Judge Fawcett said the evidence was not what it should have been in order to show conclusively that the plaintiff in this case was not responsible in a large measure for his own death. It was held that he knew of the time of the cars, that he was walking on right-hand track when a car passed by his own safety should have prompted him to take the left track, and further that he thereby contributed to the causes leading up to his death.

MARTIS, Mable J., beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Martis, December 22, 1903, aged 9 years 3 months 23 days. Cause of death, scarlet fever.

EGGNOES OF THE ANTE ROOM

Grand Commander Fred W. Vaughan of the Nebraska Knights Templar has issued the following greeting to the Knights Templar of Nebraska:

The committee of the grand encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America on Christmas observance has prepared the following sentiment for the members of the order:

To Our Most Eminent Grand Master, Henry Bates Stoddard: As a hundred thousand knights at one moment look southward, so a hundred thousand hearts go forth to him with glad Christmas greetings.

The grand master sends the following response: To one hundred and forty thousand knights in the north, the south, the east and the west, greeting: "Sweet Christmas joy be thine. To make my fondest dream complete The bells tinkle out my message sweet, And this is what they seem to say: 'God bless you all on Christmas day.'"

Eight camps were represented at the last meeting of the Modern Woodmen of America promotion committee. The anniversary meeting to be held in B. & M. camp's hall on the evening of January 2, received the earnest consideration of the meeting, which it intended to make a red letter day in the history of woodcraft in Omaha.

Chas. Gordon, No. 83, Order of Scottish Clans, held its regular meeting Tuesday last. One new member was initiated and another passed the ballot. Great preparations are being made for the annual Burns celebration in Washington hall the evening of January 23.

Bankers Union lodge, No. 1, gave a fancy paper dress ball Monday evening at Washington hall with about 100 couples in attendance. Kowalski's orchestra furnished the music.

Omaha tent, No. 7, Knights of the Macabees, met in regular review last Thursday evening and about 100 sir knights were present. Five candidates were initiated and twelve applicants were elected into membership.

Branch No. 82, Ladies' Catholic Benevolent association, at its regular meeting Friday evening, December 11, elected these officers for the year 1904:

Omaha council No. 6, Royal League, elected these officers for the coming year:

Street Car Company Wins Gets Decision in Case Brought by Widow of Nathan S. McLean.

LIST OF STAFF OFFICERS

Assignments as Made by Rearrangement of General Staff of Army.

SEVERAL CHANGES ARE MADE AT OMAHA

The following announcement from the War Department gives the list of staff officers assigned to duty with the new military divisions just created by the general staff of the army:

Northern Division—Headquarters, St. Louis, Mo., General John H. Bates, commanding; personal aide-de-camp, Captain W. M. Wright; first lieutenant, Van Leer Willis; chief of staff, Major E. J. McClernand; assistants to chief of staff, Major James A. Irons, Captain David D. Gailard; adjutant general, Lieutenant Colonel James Parker; chief engineer officer, Captain William B. Ludlow; inspector general, Colonel Charles H. Hoyle; assistants to inspector general, Lieutenant Colonel Frank West, Major William A. Nichols.

Department of the Missouri—Headquarters, Omaha; Brigadier General T. J. Wint commanding; adjutant general, Major Charles R. Noyes, Ninth Infantry; judge advocate, Captain William H. Doane; chief quartermaster, Major Estcourt Sawyer; chief commissary, Major William H. Bean; chief surgeon, Colonel Charles B. Byrne; chief paymaster, Major J. C. Muhlberg.

URGES HIGHER EDUCATION

Prof. B. Simek of Iowa University Lectures on Subject in Bohemian Hall.

Prof. B. Simek, instructor of botany of the Iowa university, Iowa City, addressed a large gathering at Bohemian hall, South Thirteenth street Sunday afternoon on the subject of "Higher Education" in the Bohemian language.

Higher education was emphatically desired for those who could obtain it, Mr. Simek said. "Because it was the foundation of all sciences and the bulwark behind the advanced literature and art of the age. You could not expect a giant effort from an untrained mind; the preservation of the best things in life hinges on higher education and renders it indispensable.

Prof. B. Simek of Iowa University Lectures on Subject in Bohemian Hall.

Prof. B. Simek, instructor of botany of the Iowa university, Iowa City, addressed a large gathering at Bohemian hall, South Thirteenth street Sunday afternoon on the subject of "Higher Education" in the Bohemian language.

PAYS FRIENDSHIP BY THEFT

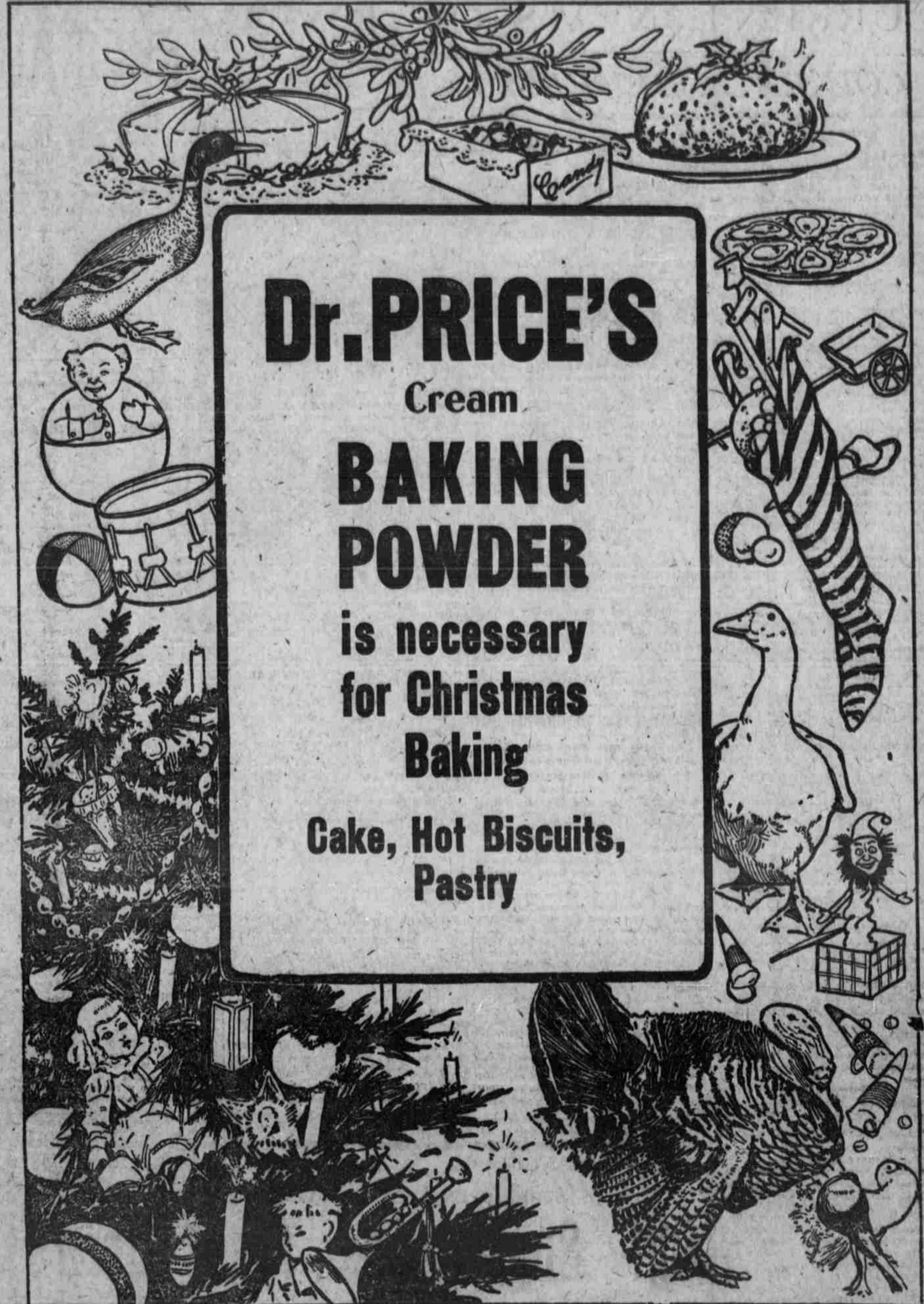
Stranger Who Gives Home Steals from Those Who Take Him In.

For betraying the confidence of friends and robbing a member of the family of \$15, Fritzwasser, a young man from Grand Island, was sentenced to thirty days in the county jail by Judge Berka in police court.

GROCCERS STILL STAND FIRM

Will Meet Again to See if They Have Yet Stayed Trading Stamp Business.

It is a firm claim with the Retail Grocers' association in the unpleasantness about trading stamps. The executive committee meets this evening and will consider whether any further action is necessary or possible. Members of the association claim that they are forcing the stamps out of the city without unbalancing trade conditions or losing any business for Omaha.



Dr. PRICE'S Cream BAKING POWDER is necessary for Christmas Baking Cake, Hot Biscuits, Pastry

HOLD MEETING NEXT MONTH

Appraisers of Water Works Defer Session Owing to Illness of Mr. Alvord.

Owing to the sickness of Appraiser Alvord the water works appraising board will not convene in Omaha again until January.

ALL QUIET ON ISTHMUS NOW

No Unusual Occurrences in that Part of the World, According to Glas.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Navy department received a cablegram from Rear Admiral Glas, commanding the naval forces on the Isthmus, giving a general summary of the conditions that prevail there and of various steps that have been taken by the navy.

HELD ON CHARGE OF ROBBERY

Two Boys Are Bound Over for Searching Purse Out of Woman's Hands.

Ray Clark and Elmer Donahue were arraigned in police court on the charge of highway robbery. Mrs. Sarah D. Howard alleged that on last Friday afternoon the boys snatched her purse containing \$2.25 and made away with it. Donahue pleaded guilty, but Clark attempted to set up a defense, claiming that he was merely with Donahue and had no idea that his friend intended robbing the woman.

Coal Companies Shut Down

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 21.—The Lehigh Valley Coal company and the Lehigh city without unbalancing trade conditions or losing any business for Omaha.

PRESIDENT MARROQUIN IS INSISTENT

Cables General Reyes No Negotiations Are Acceptable Which Do Not Include Panama's Return to Colombian Rule.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Navy department received a cablegram from Rear Admiral Glas, commanding the naval forces on the Isthmus, giving a general summary of the conditions that prevail there and of various steps that have been taken by the navy.

Marroquin is Insistent

PANAMA, Dec. 21.—News was brought by the steamer Martinique from Savanilla that two battalions of Colombian troops have left Savanilla for Quintero. A passenger on the Martinique declares that everything is quiet at Savanilla and that there is a growing feeling on the part of the people of Colombia to accept the situation on the Isthmus.

Works Wonders for Women

Electric Bitters invigorates the female system and cures nervousness, headache, backache and constipation or no pay. See For sale by Kuhn & Co.

NOT YET TIME TO JUBILATE

L. D. Richards Says Money and Energy Still Are Needed to Build Fremont Canal.

L. D. Richards of Fremont, who has been the most prominent promoter of the Fremont Power canal, spent Monday in town on business.

A Safe Cough Medicine for Children

In buying a cough medicine for children never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. It is especially valuable for colds, croup and whooping cough.

Too Much Holiday Fun and Folly

Too much of a good thing! That's what we are all liable to take during a holiday season.

"In time of peace prepare for war," and have about the house a pleasant, perfect, palatable, positive medicine for sour stomach, sick headache, colic, winds, belching, biliousness, furred tongue, lazy liver, constipation, bad breath, bad taste, all liable to result from holiday over-indulgence.

WILKESBARRE SHUT DOWN

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 21.—The Lehigh Valley Coal company and the Lehigh city without unbalancing trade conditions or losing any business for Omaha.

No Time to Fool Away

Coughs, colds and lung troubles demand prompt treatment with Dr. King's New Discovery. No cure, no pay. 50c, \$1.00. For sale by Kuhn & Co.



CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. CURE SICK HEADACHE. A safe cough medicine for children. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.