

COUNTY SUPPLY CONTRACT

Auditor Smith Looking Into Figures on the Official Documents.

INDICATIONS OF LEAK SEEN ON SURFACE

Full Investigation and Tabulation Will Be Made and Recommendations Suggested to County Commissioners.

Investigations of the different county contracts for supplies, which County Auditor Smith has been making for his own information, he has run into some conditions which have attracted his attention.

Mr. Smith is going to keep his attention fixed on these contracts until he finds out whether or not they mean more than shows on their face.

The county auditor does not charge or allege anything crooked or criminal in the matter. He does say very positively, though, that the system under which the contracts are let is very weak when the financial interest of the county is concerned.

Auditor Smith points out that the stationery contracts bear some outward evidence of having been given on bids which might have been prepared by four people in thorough accord—that is, he thinks it possible the bids were framed so that one man would get the contract for a certain portion of the stationery, a second for another portion, and so on.

The Feininger, Omaha, Bees and Burkle Printing companies have the contracts for the four classes of stationery required by the different county departments.

Drugs, those mysterious mixtures of melancholy merit, have also attracted the attention of the county auditor.

The Myers-Dillon company has the contract, at something like 12 cents per prescription, on matter whether it be for aristocratic or any of the other purely fashionable pills, or for nature's most lowly protest, a balaam.

As about forty prescriptions a day are written at the county's expense and there are other orders for drugs of various kinds, the item is, no small one.

Mr. Smith has gained the notion that in this contract, as in others, certain ingredients or mixtures are put in at a very low figure, while others are profitably stiff.

The county poor farm alone consumes about \$50 worth a month in feeding the unfortunate inmates who are there possessed of nothing but an appetite. To this is added \$100 worth of meat.

The county auditor, in going over the specifications of the contracts for these things has gleaned a few notes which he says indicates at least that the method of awarding these contracts can be very materially improved.

This could be accomplished, he thinks, simply by a change in specifications such as a private concern would make if buying in such large quantities.

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They insist that they gave the baby the medicine prescribed by Dr. Burkard and say that if death was the result of poison, the physician is responsible.

The Brizzis did not suspect that they were held to blame for the death until they read in the papers a copy of Dr. Burkard's report to the board of health. It is as follows:

"Baby Brizzi, aged 34 days, 137 South Twenty-fifth avenue; chief cause of death, morphine, administered by parents by mistake; contributing cause, bronchitis."

They received further information from the report of Dr. Burkard to Coroner Bralley. It is as follows:

"Dr. Ralph advises me to report to you, as coroner this case: Baby Brizzi died Sunday last from the effects of morphine, administered by her parents, it being administered by the parents. It came about in this way:

"About a month ago I attended the mother in confinement and left some morphine tablets with written directions, for the baby's colic. Three weeks later the parents went to give baby some colic tablets for her colic. But some one had gotten one or more morphine tablets mixed with the colic tablets. Now, unfortunately the baby is given the morphine tablets of the other tablets. The morphine was indicated and proper for the purpose for which it was given, but for the 3 weeks old baby.

"The mistake came about by the morphine tablets getting mixed with the colic tablets by some accidental manner unknown to me. I suppose the mistake was made by some one in the family who was around during the mother's lying-in period spilled morphine tablets on the table and carelessly replaced the same envelope with the colic tablets. The tablets are somewhat similar in appearance and might be mistaken one for the other by an excited person. I report the case thus at some length to you that you may judge for yourself what is the proper course to pursue. The parents have not been told what really killed the child, but the papers have got hold of my death certificate and will have the matter public. Any further particulars will gladly be furnished. Respectfully,

ADRIAN G. BURKARD.

Coroner Bralley is awaiting instructions from the county attorney. The only way to learn the cause of the child's death is to disinter the body and examine it. The baby died Sunday and was buried Tuesday.

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WHAT KILLED BABY BRIZZI

County Attorney Will Make Full Inquiry Into the Affair.

PARENTS DEMAND AN INVESTIGATION

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Ten mills make one cent  
Five cents buy ten NIPS  
Ten NIPS make one glad  
One glad buys more NIPS



NIPS

The Newest Confection Makes Folks Glad  
A Dainty for the Dainty

Good for the teeth Good for the breath Good for the Digestion  
Every good store sells NIPS 10 for 5 cents. Peppermint, Wintergreen and Licorice Flavors Chew as long as you choose

Wm. Wrigley, Jr., & Co., Chicago Manufacturers of the Famous JUICY FRUIT Chewing Gum

ECZEMA ON LITTLE GIRL

Sleepless Nights for Mother and Awful Suffering of Child.

CURED BY CUTICURA

Had Given up All Hope of Ever Making Any Cure.

Mrs. I. B. Jones, Addington, Ind., writes: "My little girl had been suffering for two years from eczema, and during that time I could not get a night's sleep, as her ailment was very severe. I had tried so many remedies and spent so much money, deriving no benefit, I had given up all hope of making any cure.

COMPLETE TREATMENT

Consisting of Cuticura Soap Ointment and Pills.

The first step in the treatment of chronic Eczema is to remove the scales and crusts and soften the skin, by warm baths with Cuticura Soap.

DOCTORS FOR MEN



This institution has long been established for the benefit of suffering men, for the purpose of curing those diseases that destroy men's mental and physical powers...

Men Who Need Skillful Medical Aid

Will find this institution thoroughly reliable, different from other so-called institutions, medical concerns, or specialists' companies.

STATE MEDICAL INSTITUTE

1209 Parnass St., Bldg. 13th and 14th Streets, Omaha, Neb.

TRACK IN LEGAL DEPARTMENT

Union Pacific Operating Officials Profound Ignorance of the Line in the Alley.

Outside of the legal department of the Union Pacific headquarters, but little, if anything, appears to be known concerning the proposed track to be built in the alley between Eighth and Ninth streets.

Boy Supposed to Be Runaway.

Will Smith, a lad who appears to be about 15 years old, was taken from his home at Fremont, and arrested and brought into the station last evening by Detectives Patrick and Horn.

GERMAN SAVINGS BANK CASE

One of Receiver's Transactions is Attacked in a Suit in Federal Court.

Arthur Dillon, Nebraska, is the title of a case just filed in the United States circuit court. The action is a suit to quiet title, growing out of the sale of certain lands in Valley county by the defendant German Savings bank of Omaha.

SHENEFIELD QUICKLY CAUGHT

Man Accused of Burglary in Michigan Gets a Taste of High-Gear Detection.

Ernest Shenefield left Omaha yesterday in charge of Sheriff Eggleston, of Hillsdale, Mich., to answer for a burglary committed in that city three weeks ago.

FRY LEAVES AK-SAR-BEN BOARD

Retires After Eleven Years of Continuous Service to Look After Personal Affairs.

Thomas A. Fry has resigned from the head of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben. His resignation was presented at the meeting of the board of governors last Monday evening and was accepted.

POSTOFFICE INSPECTORS FIND EVIDENCE

Operations in Omaha Covered Little More Than a Month in Time, but Brought in Much Merchandise.

Postoffice Inspector A. J. Moore will go to Cincinnati, to appear as a witness in the Maurice Bass case, to be heard before the United States commissioner in that city Friday morning.

BASS USED WIG'S NAME, TOO

Swindler Under Arrest at Cincinnati Had Second String to Fiddle.

Being sent to Wig for goods that he had never received or ordered. Some time in September last two consignments of goods which he had never ordered were delivered at Wig's establishment, to his great surprise and annoyance.

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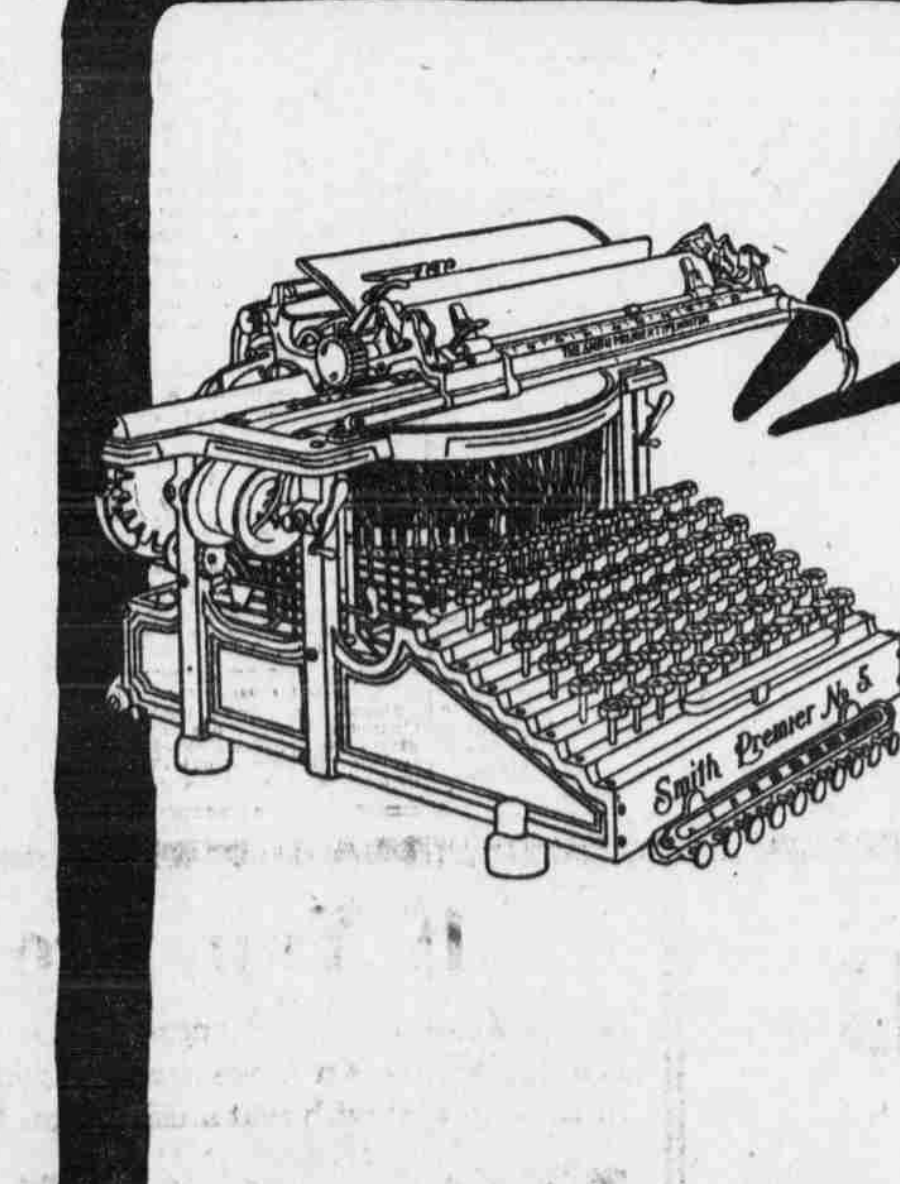
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The New Smith Premier Billing Machine



(Equipped with Bi-Chrome Ribbon) will do the following things: It will make out a bill in duplicate, or triplicate if necessary. It will record the bill on loose-leaf sales-book with the same operation. It will condense the charges on the sales sheet without loss of space. It will not smut the sales sheet with the carbon. It can be changed at a touch of the lever from one color to another.

Smith Premier

Wholesale and Retail Bills, Railroad Way Bills, Statistical Work, Intricate Tabular Work, Statement Work, Library Indexing, Legal Documents. Should be investigated by all who make out.