

BEHIND THE BOODLE INQUIRY

Some Interesting Information that Comes from Pretty Good Sources.

WINSPEAR SENDS LETTER TO COMMITTEE

Evidence Taken Said to Have Been Only of Very Indefinite and Unsatisfactory Character.

It is understood from a source which is in close touch with the senate investigating committee, which has been taking testimony on the bill regarding the matter that the evidence did not elicit any substantial proof of the raising of any boodle fund, or of any arrangements to use any money corruptly to procure the passage of the biennial election bill.

"The story told by Judge Vinsonhafer," says the informant, "reads substantially that which had been told in the papers, but was uncorroborated by anyone who had any more definite information. It was shown that the state organization of county officers was behind the bill and had employed Lynde Abbott to represent its interests by preparing a brief and presenting the matter to the members of the legislature. Mr. Abbott admitted that he was being paid by the association, but that in this amount the share that Douglas county would contribute was not more than \$5.

"All the county officers denied that they had put up any money against the association. It seems to me that somebody was simply trying to make a play in the nature of a gamble on the passage of the bill and was figuring on raising some money which a lot of legislative on-hangers expected to divide among themselves in case the bill passed."

Winspear Writes a Letter. The following message was yesterday addressed by Mr. Winspear and has appeared in the morning, to Senator Sheldon and the members of the senate investigating committee:

OMAHA, March 26.—Gentlemen: It appears that the committee made a mistake concerning a meeting of the county officers on or before the 14th of February, this year, in which they were gathered to discuss the best ways and means of promoting the passage of house bill 110, commonly called the biennial election bill. It is fully proved to be so, as you have the corroborative statements of an independent of Lynde I. Abbott, who says about 100 members were present and agreed to contribute \$2 each for lawyer's expenses to employ him as attorney to look after the legality of the bill. This is a matter of great importance and I ask you to probe into that matter further, because I know that it would be easily shown that those men contributed much larger sums of money—not that I wish to say that they gave it to Mr. Abbott, because I believe he was only acting as attorney and to get, as he says, \$250 or \$300, making it very necessary to know the amount that was raised, which was a great deal more, and in what manner they expended it and who received it, as they did not, by the testimony of Mr. Abbott, pay it out for lawyer's expenses. I believe, as you require Mr. Abbott to give the names of these officials that were there and that you take proper steps to get their testimony as to what they know about the World-Herald's account, I would suggest with that boodle fund, if you can call it such, there is no doubt, because at that time Richard L. Metcalf of the World-Herald agreed to write it up in the columns of that paper to the public and in favor of that bill and its passage, which everybody that has read the World-Herald knows is true. Besides that, I know that Harry Miller, deceased, who was county clerk of Douglas county, raised a large sum of money three years ago, and John Power, the present sheriff of Douglas county, was chairman of the county and ex-county Treasurer Ellasser was custodian of that fund, and that money has been and is being paid out through the purpose of pushing said bill through the legislature.

Believing that you want to get at the truth of the matter in this investigation and preserve the honor and integrity and the good name of your committee, you must certainly see the necessity of proceeding with the investigation as I have indicated. I will furnish you with all the help in the matter that lies in my power to do justly, etc.

WIND CAUSES SAVAGE FIGHT

Blows Down Line Fence and Colored Woman Beats White Woman with Brick.

If the wind had not blown Sunday night the probability is that Mrs. Mary Eagle would not be lying in bed today with a broken head. But the wind did blow and caused the fall of a fence which stood between the home of Mrs. Eagle, 3035 South Seventeenth street, and Mrs. Blum Walker, a colored woman, 1615 Frederick street. Mrs. Eagle says that the fall of the fence was a casual bell for Mrs. Walker.

Monday morning about 8 o'clock Mrs. Eagle was attacked by the colored woman while returning from a visit to a neighbor's house. Several families were aroused by her screams and saw her lying on her back in the middle of the street with Mrs. Walker on top pummeling her head with a brick. When they went to the scene the assailant ran away.

The injured woman was carried into a house with blood streaming from her head, and Police Surgeon Kennedy was called. He found the extent of her injuries to be scalp wounds and bruises. The skull was not fractured.

Mrs. Eagle says she will file a complaint.

PROBE IS GOING IN DEEP

Beef Trust Matter to Be Examined to the Very Bottom.

TWO HUNDRED WITNESSES SUMMONED

District Attorney Baxter Returns from Chicago and Gives a Little Information as to the Scope of the Inquiry.

United States District Attorney Baxter reached here yesterday from Chicago, where he has been assisting in the investigation of the Beef Trust before the federal grand jury. He went to Chicago from Washington. Speaking of the investigation, Mr. Baxter said:

"The investigations in the Beef Trust matter are proceeding with much vigor under the direction of United States District Attorney Morrison, at Chicago. The investigations are of great magnitude, there being over 200 witnesses under subpoena. About all of the Omaha witnesses have finished their testimony, and have returned to their homes. I was not a witness in the cases, but merely an assistant in the prosecution of them before the grand jury. I am still under orders to hold myself in readiness to assist in the cases, when in the opinion of District Attorney Morrison my services may be needed. Nothing has thus far developed that I am at liberty to give to the public.

"It is the intention of the government to go after the illegal fencing of public land in Nebraska vigorously. Two special agents have already been put in the field to assist Special Agent Deftoes to make a thorough investigation and the removal of all illegal fences will be immediately ordered. It is also the intention of the government to proceed at the coming term of the federal courts with the trials against Bartlett Richards, Frank Currie and others indicted at the November term of the federal grand jury of 1903, for illegal fencing of the public lands."

Colds. Their Proper Treatment and Cure. Commonly the first symptom of a "cold" is a chilly feeling, accompanied by sneezing, or a tickling in the throat. The most frequent of external causes of a cold is wet or cold feet, or going from hot rooms suddenly into cold ones. More frequently there is an inner cause—namely the stagnation of the blood caused by constipation or biliousness. Almost the first symptom is the feeling of cold in the feet and increased discharge from the nose. No one ever takes cold unless constipated, or exhausted, and having what we call mal-nutrition, which is attended with impoverished blood and exhaustion of nerve force. Tonics consisting of large portions of alcohol, iron or cod liver oil do not bring the desired changes in the blood, because they do not enter the system and are not absorbed into the blood, with the exception of the alcohol, which shrivels up the red blood corpuscles when it does come in contact with them. We recommend the botanical extract of Dr. Pierce because it contains no alcohol, and offers a reasonable and scientific method of treating the blood, by improving the nutritive functions of the patient. The "Golden Medical Discovery" accomplishes this, by first restoring the enfeebled digestive organs, so that food, the natural tissue builder, will be digested and assimilated. Accept no substitute for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. There is nothing just as good for diseases of the stomach.

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Gosling—New York and Newport Two complete stocks, consisting of high class dress goods—dress and evening silks, unmade and partly made gowns—imported costumes and waists—laces and trimmings.

All seasonable approved styles that found favor with the extremely high class clientele that patronized the Gosling establishments, both in New York and Newport. Best French and German Voiles, Crepe Ondule, Chiffon Voiles, Shepherd checks, Panamas, broadcloths, tailor cloths, Worsteds Suitsings. Hundreds of patterns of white Dress Goods, Sicilians, Melange Mohairs and Checks.

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The short lengths of seasonable dress goods from the work rooms of W. W. Gosling in New York and Newport—everything of the season's demands—sheer fabrics, cloths and worsteds—not a yard worth less than \$1.50—at, a yard..... **39c**

Exclusive Imported Silks at 98c Fashionable single patterns of embroidered chiffons, printed chiffon cloth and grenadines, fleur de sole, highly favored silks with the ultra fashionable set that patronized the Gosling establishments—also ombre messaline, Chameleon chiffon taffetas, rich imported silks for elaborate evening coats—worth \$1.50, \$2, \$3 and \$4 a yard—at, yard..... **98c**

100 Pieces Pure Silk Taffeta Colors and black—the regular 75c and 85c quality—also the \$1.00 quality crumsh pongee, black silks in latest styles—worth up to \$1.50—and hundreds of single dress lengths—in new est spring silk suitings—actually worth up to \$1.00 a yard, at, yard..... **49c**

New Silks at 69c a Yard. Now Louisiana and taffeta suitings, 19 and 27 inch black chiffon and messaline guaranteed taffets, imported foulard patterns, at, per yard..... **69c**

Ladies' and Children's Aprons at 15c From the Mrs. Benson's Stock Housemaid's aprons, Cook's aprons, waitresses' aprons, nurses' aprons, etc., ladies' white and colored aprons with and without bibs, children's white and colored aprons made of lawns, Swisses, cambric and ginghams, embroidery trimmed, tucked, deep hems, etc., also extra sizes, at..... **15c**

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Tea Kettles, Tea Pots, Preserving Kettles, Coffee Pots, Pudding Dish, Siew and Milk Pans—everything in fine granite ware—Thirty (\$3.00) Green Trading Stamps with every piece up from..... **30c**

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 - SPECIALS
 - Corn, 2-pound can..... **5c**
 - Salmon, pound can..... **10c**
- Bennett's Candy Section** MAMMOUTH GUM DROP SALE, pound..... **10c**
- EASTER NOVELTIES.** Ducks, Chickens, and Rabbits, each..... **5c**
- Candy Eggs, thirty..... **1c**
- PARSIFAL LIBRETOS** LAST CHANCE TUESDAY, 25c sale price..... **25c**
- Ten (10) Green Trading Stamps with each. Sheet Music Section—2nd Floor.

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WORK FOR THE UNSKILLED

Summer Will Be Active for the Men Who Have No Trades. MUCH DOING IN THE GREAT WEST Heavy Railroad and Irrigation Contracts Make Demand for Men that Will Give Employment to All Who Want.

Those in charge of the local employment agencies are clearing their decks for the spring rush they believe will come within the next few weeks. At present there is no unusual activity around these agencies, but the prospects for a large demand for labor are bright. "I really think there will be little excuse for a man being unemployed in this part of the country when the season shall have opened in earnest. There are just loads of big jobs in sight for Nebraska, Wyoming, South Dakota and Colorado," said an employment agent.

Demand for farm help is only normal at this time. It is principally railroad construction work, irrigation projects and such enterprises that the employment men say will bring large demands for help. Kilpatrick Bros. & Collins, railroad and general contractors, one of the largest firms in the west, have just written an Omaha labor employment firm that they expect soon to make a large call on the territory for men for their government work in Wyoming. Freeland Bros., one of the large local labor agencies, just shipped three carloads of men through from Chicago to the Black Hills for ballast work on the Northwestern from Fairburn to Buffalo Gap.

It is announced that the Big Horn Railroad company has let the grading contract for the new line from Francis, on the Tolosa branch of the Burlington, to Ther-mopolis, Wyo. Bishop J. Jolly of Basin, Wyo., was awarded the contract. The contract calls for the construction of the line across the Shoshone river to Lorell and along the Big Horn to Thermopolis. Then the Northwestern is to build an ex-tension from Casper to Lander and into the Big Horn basin. All of this work will draw on the unemployed of Omaha and surrounding country. Omaha is quite a clearing house for railroad laborers, who drift here from time to time and are shipped out to the various centers of construction work in large numbers. Most of the calls for farm help are coming from the northern and northwestern part of this state.

NEW START ON THE PAVING

Engineer Department Serves Notice on Street Railway to Get Tracks Ready. The city engineering department in a few days will direct the street railway company to raise and make permanent its tracks on North Sixteenth street between Webster and Iard, in order that the new asphalt paving may be put in at the earliest possible time the weather will permit. It may require ten days or two weeks for the street railway to get its tracks in shape, and then paving will start, unless there is a release of winter.

Orders have been given contractors to resume work on four or five unfinished jobs left over from last fall, and some have already put their gangs to work.

Morrell to Protect Dorn Adam Morrell, the well known barber, has filed a petition in the county court wherein he asks that he be appointed guardian for August Dorn, whom he represents as more than 80 years old, infirm and weak mentally and physically. Morrell swears that Dorn owns real estate valued at upward of \$1,000 and that "evil-disposed persons have taken advantage of the man's condition and have attempted to deprive him out of said premises without giving him consideration therefor. Mr. Morrell wants himself named as guardian in order that he may protect the old man's property and attempt to recover part which has passed out of his hands."

HAYDEN'S THE RELIABLE STORE

Monday's Sale of Notions Continues Tuesday. Bargain Day in Our Cloak and Suit Department—Tuesday.

Great Embroidery Sale Continues

Entire clearing stock of Dool & Sons, 877 Broadway, New York, NOW ON SALE at a small fraction of their actual worth, BEST BARGAINS OF THE SEASON.

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- All go in Two Great Lots— Lot 1, 5c per Yard Lot 2, 7c per Yard
- Tuesday's Money Savers**
- OUR GREAT WEST ROOM offers to the buyer unbounded opportunities for keenest economy. No house in the west can compare with us in magnificence of showing in our Linen Department. No house in the world can undersell us. As Tuesday's Specials we will offer:
- 50c Table Linen, bleached or unbleached, special, at yard..... **39c**
 - 75c Table Linen, bleached or unbleached, special, at yard..... **48c**
 - \$1.10 Bleached or Unbleached Table Linen, special, at yard..... **68c**
 - 12 1/2 Table Linen, bleached or unbleached, special, at yard..... **85c**
 - 15c Huck Towels, each..... **7c**
 - 25c Mercerized Waists, special, at yard..... **15c**
 - 15c Mercerized Waists, special, at yard..... **10c**
 - 10c White Goods, at yard..... **5c**
 - 12 1/2c Curtain Swiss, 36 inches wide, at yard..... **7c**
 - 15c India Linon, at yard..... **7 1/2c**
 - 15c Bleached Turkish Towels, extra large, each..... **15c**
 - 15c Huck Towels, each..... **10c**

Extra Special Sheet, Pillow Case and Sheeting Values Tuesday

The prices we are making you cannot be duplicated in the city on the same quality of goods we offer. Read prices carefully—compare—examine goods.

- 30c Bleached Mohawk Sheeting, special, at yard..... **19c**
- 34 yards wide, at yard..... **17c**
- 17c Mohawk Cases, 4x36 size, special, at..... **12 1/2c**
- 15c Mohawk Sheets, seamless, bleached, size 2x2 1/2 yards, special, each..... **49c**
- 60c Mohawk Seamless Bleached Sheets, 2x2 1/2 yards wide, special, at yard..... **45c**
- 12c Mercerized Waists, special, at yard..... **10c**
- 12 1/2c White Goods, at yard..... **5c**
- 12 1/2c Curtain Swiss, 36 inches wide, at yard..... **7c**
- 15c India Linon, at yard..... **7 1/2c**
- 15c Bleached Turkish Towels, extra large, each..... **15c**
- 15c Huck Towels, each..... **10c**
- 12 1/2c Snow White Cambric, special, at yard..... **6 1/2c**
- 15c Fine Spun English Long Cloth, 36 inches wide, special, at yard..... **8 1/2c**
- 6 1/2c extra heavy L. L. Muslin, 36 inches wide, special, at yard..... **4 1/2c**

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