

CONTEST FOR MAIL CONTRACT

Railroads to After This Lustrous Job for the Government.

BURLINGTON EXPECTS TO WIN AGAIN

After Twenty Years of Uninterrupted Service Hill Officials Believe They Will Recapture the Prize.

For the contract to carry Uncle Sam's mail from Omaha to Chicago and from Chicago to Omaha the railroads are again about to engage in a merry war. For the last twenty years the Burlington has been recognized as the mail carrying road for the government and has been able to hold the contract against all competitors.

The time is again approaching for new contracts to be made and the other roads have again entered the field. The Rock Island sometime ago put on a new exclusive mail train, which left Chicago earlier than the Burlington and saved an hour's time by picking up the mail from several eastern connecting points at the outskirts of Chicago.

The Northwestern also has some fast trains on its double track road and a new time card is out, effective Sunday, stating that No. 10 would leave Omaha each evening at 8:30, instead of at 8:35, as formerly.

Burlington officials claim they do not fear the competition of the other roads, as they can run their trains as fast as the government officials desire. Although little has been said on the subject, the Burlington has been busy double tracking its Chicago-Omaha line until at present it has a double track all the way, except for about twenty miles.

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The hearing company is relying on the word of Mr. Grier as to the correctness of the accounts at the police court, which makes it up to the city to establish a case against Mr. Grier or the bonding company if the alleged shortage is recovered.

SURPRISE FOR DALES FAMILY

Son of Treasurer of State University is Taking Home a Bride.

James Stuart Dales, Jr., son of James Stuart Dales, head of the accounting department of the state university at Lincoln, will spring a surprise on his parents when he reaches Lincoln for a visit with them Saturday morning. He is expected to be here to wed Miss Maud Mae Walsh of Brentford, Ont. After the ceremony he is expected to go on to Lincoln for a visit.

Mr. Dales was formerly superintendent of the Lincoln Gas and Electric Light company, and is now traveling for the syndicate that owns the Lincoln company. His headquarters are in Grand Rapids, Mich., and he will make his home there after a visit with his parents.

Announcements, wedding stationery and calling cards, blank book and magazine binding. Phone Doug 1004. A. I. Root, Inc. Mangum & Co. LETTER SPECIALISTS.

TWO BOYS IN TIGHT PLACE

Lead Who Forges Employer's Order for Guns and Chum Before Juvenile Court.

Leroy Basset, a colored boy of 15, and Carl Risse, a white boy, were before the juvenile court Saturday morning charged with working a clever scheme by means of which they got two rifles and two revolvers for Christmas presents.

Basset made a full confession to Judge Sutton of the juvenile court, but the Risse boy denied having any guilty knowledge.

Lillie Hull, daughter of Ivory Hull, who has been in jail for several months on a charge of seducing a girl, was before the court Saturday morning charged with being the mother of a child.

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OMAHA MECCA FOR VETERANS

Old Soldiers Retire from Business and Move to the Metropolis for Rest.

Instead of decreasing, the number of old soldiers in Omaha is constantly on the increase, according to Deputy County Clerk Frank Dewey, who signs pension vouchers for several hundred veterans every month.

Mr. Dewey says the number of pensioners who had their papers fixed up by him last month is larger than he has had before him for a long time. He estimates the increase in the last few months at about fifty. This, he declares, is an indication of the growth Omaha is undergoing now.

He believes it is due to the veterans retiring from active life in the country districts out in the state and coming to Omaha to spend their last days in ease.

NEW AGENCY FOR CHARITY

Committee Which Held Recent Convention Organizes for Advisory and Educational Work.

The committee of local charities, which had in charge the recent state convention of charities, has effected a permanent organization. It will be a conference of local charities for advisory and educational purposes and will neither interfere with nor supplement the work of the Associated Charities, which is a sort of executive clearing house for all the charity organizations of the city.

PERFIELD PIANO CO.

STILL IN BUSINESS. HERE TO STAY.

Mr. Perfield, for nineteen years a piano man of Omaha, has incorporated a new company, styled the PERFIELD PIANO CO. The policy of the house will be the same as ever, always giving more piano value than you can really believe until you have tried their instruments and find them more than satisfactory.

A new feature is the sole agency for the EPPA ELLIS ILLUSTRATED MUSIC COURSE.

No. 1—MUSIC TEACHERS' COURSE: These lessons are designed to teach the child or adult beginner in classes.

No. 2 and 3—SCHOOL TEACHER AND MUSIC STUDENT: These lessons are designed to teach by correspondence and illustrate the following subjects: Notes, Rhythm, Time, Intervals, Scales, Chords, Cadences, Elementary Harmony, Ear-training, Transposition, Musical History, Musical Vocabulary, Reading and Interpretation.

It is a great treat to see Miss Ellis and her corps of teachers instructing the classes at her piano school at Chamber's Academy.

This new management gives themselves just two weeks at the very outside to close out every piano in stock. If you expect to buy a piano within the next two years, it will pay you to take advantage of this opportunity.

A New Departure Luncheonettes at BEATON'S. Cream Tomato Soup, Chicken Sandwiches, Nut Sandwiches, Oyster Cocktails, Pot of 4 O'Clock Tea, Chicken Bouillon.

Beaton Drug Co. 15th and Farnam. Home of Omaha's Famous Fountain.

SPECIALS

MEN'S SUITS WORTH UP TO \$12.50 SALE PRICE \$5.00

MEN'S OVERCOATS WORTH UP TO \$12.50 \$5.00

MEN'S ORAVENETTES WORTH UP TO \$12.50 \$5.00

MEN'S PANTS WORTH UP TO \$2.50 \$1.00

Gents' Furnishings Specials Men's Heavy Union Suits, 75c; Scotch Wool Gloves, 25c; Heavy Wool Shirts, 95c; Heavy Underwear, 45c a garment; Wool Sweaters 69c; Shawl or Cotton Fancy Hose, 9c; Blanket Hose, 20c; President Suspenders, 39c; Dollar Shirts, 43c, etc.

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Our First Great January White Goods Sale

A Time Maker and a Sensation Opens Monday—9 A. M. You Must Attend It

BENNETT'S Buy Capitol Coal

Clothing Closing Out Sale of Men's Underwear in Clothing Dept., Main Floor THE VOLLMER CLOTHING COMPANY, who have been lessees of Men's Clothing Section, on a five years' contract, will move out April First.

They Need the Money, We Need the Room. MONDAY—Men's Union Suits, Shirts and Drawers, that sold up to \$2.50 a suit or garment, will be closed out, at, each 98c

All White China for Decorating At 33 1/2 Off Nothing Reserved—some at less than half. Such as Plates, that sold at 18c, now 9c

Johnson Bros. Best English Semi-Porcelain, 100-piece sets at \$8.98 Special discount on any item in the pattern. All Cut Glass, including Libbey, in the White Sale, at 20% Off.

Double Green Trading Stamps on All Furniture Sales, MONDAY, January 7th

Carpets Rugs Oil Cloths BARGAIN SALE Beginning Monday, Jan. 7th, 8 A. M.

Lace Curtains, Portieres, Couch Covers. BARGAIN SALE Nottingham Lace Curtains, 75c grade, each 14c

SPECIALS IN HARDWARE MONDAY Genuine Imported Strinsky Sauce Pans—Regular price 35c, while they last, one to a customer, at 10c

Bennett's Big Grocery Headquarters for the Best Values in Fresh Baked Goods.

Great Picture Sale Still On. 20% Discount On All Framed Pictures. 2nd Floor.

JANUARY CLOTHING CLEARANCE

Men's Suits 7.50-\$10 HAYDEN'S THE RELIABLE STORE Men's Overcoats 7.50-\$10

TO QUICKLY REDUCE STOCK

Not just odds or job lots, not garments bought specially for a Half Price Sale, but our own regular stock, we know possess the quality and style that's sure to please the most particular.

Men's Suits, in worsteds, chevots and cashmeres, single or double breasted styles, most artistic tailoring, very best fabrics and patterns, worth to \$18, sale price \$7.50-\$10

Men's Overcoats, in either long or medium lengths, all colors and fabrics, up to \$18 values, to close quickly at \$7.50-\$10

Youth's Suits, for boys of long pants age, nobby styles and patterns, best of materials, special bargains at \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$7.50

Boys' Overcoats at \$3.95, \$5.00 and \$6.00—Worth in a regular way up to \$10, all materials, different styles and colors.

Children's Odd Knee Pants—Regular 50c value, to close, at, pair... 29c

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