OMAHANS SEEK THEIR MONEY

Local Investors in Tucker Oil Concerns Trying to Recoup.

F. W. ANHEUSER GATHERS DATA

As Agent for Others Stockholders He Returns from Tour of Search for Evidence in Kansas.

After spending two weeks in automobiles, buggies and on the train in Kansas hunting for evidence, Fred W. Anheuser has returned to Omaha from a trip in the interests of Omaha creditors of the Uncle Sam Oil company of Arizona, the alleged "fake" concern of which H. H. Tucker, jr., of

Kansas City, Kan., was at the head. According to the statements made by Mr. Anheuser after investigating the case in detail, the South Sea bubble was child's play compared with the plans of young Mr. Tucker, who graduated from the reportorial staff of a small Kansas newspaper into the fields of high finance. The story has been told in court of the development of the Uncle Sam company, but it requires some analysis to bring the points of the deal to light. After failing to "make good" as a reporter, Mr. Tucker became interested in the oil fields at the time the Kansas producers were taking up the cudgels against the discrimination of the Standard Oil company. He formed the Publishers Oil company, the majority of stockholders being newspaper men of Kansas and Oklohoma.

Gets Number of Leases. This company secured a number of leases and did some work, but its principal output was stock which was sold until it became a drug on the market. Then Mr. Tucker organized the Farmers' Oil company, which went through the same course. The Uncle Sam company of Kansas quickly followed the same route and then the big sons at Twenty-fifth and Sprague streets. company, the Uncle Sam Oil company of Arizona, was formed. This was in the an Ames avenue grocer. They were in nature of a holding company and a large part of the stock of the three other companies was held by it and through it Mr. Tucker controlled the affairs of the three corporations. Stock was sold in this company at prices ranging from 4 cents to 30 cents for a share having a par value of \$1 until such sales amounted to more than \$1,390,000. The company maintained large offices at Kansas City, Kan., having an entire floor of the Wyandotte building and

employing scores of clerks. The directorate of the company was dominated by Mr. Tucker, whose father and wife, with himself, formed a majority One of the plans of the manager was to deduct from each remittance from stock subscribers 10 per cent, which in course of time was declared to be a dividend on the stock and would be returned to the subscriber. This generally produced another aubscription.

Course in High Finance. When the stock sales fell off until they became unprofitable Mr. Tucker started a course in high finance. He first bought from the company 100,000 shares of stock the company should issue bonds in place of He then passed a resolution by which he was to have 10 per cent commission on sale of stock and bonds, the comsion on sale of stock and bonds, the com-pany to pay all expenses. He then traded iny lemonade a minute. I want to see his 100,000 shares of stock for bonds, the shares being taken at 36 cents and the them barrels." bonds on a basis of 12 cents, although they were being sold to the public at 50 cents. After he had placed \$270,000 of bonds creditors began to push him. He decided to go into voluntary bankruptoy. When he found me," he said, as he returned. he could not name the trustee in bankruptcy he tried to stop the proceedings, but all the boys in Bellevue were swarming creditors made the proceedings involuntary about those two barrels. They drank and

prison for contempt. Appeal to Stockholders. While this litigation was pending Tucker saued an appeal to the stockholders, saying the proceedings were instigated by the looked in. Standard Oil company, which was seeking large number of the shareholders believed this and in response to his offer to make him. them safe with stock in one of the concorns, they sent him considerable sums of money and some stock, the aggregate termilk. amount of cash being in the neighborhood of \$40,000. This money creditors of the Uncle Sam Oil company of Arizons tried to seize, but have not been able to find it. In court Tucker declared the money thus paid was a trust fund to be used in his defens or returned to the contributors as they might demand.

When this statement was made a permber of Omaha creditors decided they would like to see their money again and Mr. Anheuses was sent to Kansas to get it. Tucker made fair promises, but never produced the cash and the result was Mr. Anheuser was comnelled to make cause with other creditors. Suits to Probe Situation.

An attempt is now being made to get at the bottom of all of Tucker's transactions and in pursuance of this involuntary bank- 1874, when he left the Gate City after a ruptcy proceedings will be instituted against year's residence. "And by the way, I the Uncle Sam Oil company of Kansas, the Publishers' Oil company, the Farmers' Oil company and H. H. Tucker, jr., individually. This may bring all parties and all cash into court where the affairs of all may be settled.

One of the main difficulties in the settlethe assets. In the palmy days of the vari- of Farnam street, just west of Fourteenth. royalty and forfeiture of the least of operaa week at one time. Such suspensions of Topeka gave the company a refining to go into business for himself. plant in consideration of the refining of 180 feiting the grant. These grants and leases are said to be worth about \$1,000,000 by size of the bill. Tucker, but not by the creditors or the

The trustee is managing the business at present and is said to be clearing about \$300 a day from the business. If all the property can be held together under conservative management, in the opinion of Mr. Anheuser, it can be made to pay and creditors may receive their money in the

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course of time; but it will be a long time and the dividends will be small

BOY'S LONG TRIP TO OMAHA Little Benjamin Meyerson Enroute from Minsk, Russin, to Parents.

NEW YORK, July 19 .- Adorned with a motley array of tags, which were pinned on his coat, shirt and trousers in many cities on the route from far-off Minek, Russia, to this city, 7-year-old Benjamin Meyerson is quartered in the Hebrew home for immigrants in this city. He is bound for Omaha, where his parents, who left Russia several years ago, now reside.

The boy remained with his uncle until recently, when his parents sent for him, and he was started alone on what probably has been the most remarkable journey ever taken by a little fellow of his age. Benjamin's uncle tagged him so that the railroad men might know where to ship the tiny human freight. He also appended to the boy's cost a request that wherever the wee journeyer stopped he should be bathed. The child has been

scrubbed in a score of cities.
At each point where the boy changed cars he was retagged, until when he arrived two days ago on the Etruria he looked like a misshaped trunk that had gone through the grand tour.

From his parents it is learned little Benamin Meyerson left Mitou, Kurland, in Russia, near the German border several months ago with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levin Meyerson, when they set out for America with four of their children. The two oldest boys, Samuel and Herman, have been in Omaha for several years and the family came to find them. At Liverpool Benjamin, who is the youngest, fell sick, and for a time he was not expected to live. When he began to recover the others left him in the hospital in care of the authorities there and continued the journey. They arrived in Omaha about six weeks ago and are living with their two Americanized The two boys are employed as drivers by formed by a telegram Thursday that Benjamin reached New York, tagged like a package of express, and would be sent on as soon as possible. His father sent trans portation and he is expected about Sunday. He has never been to school and can speak nothing but small boy German, but his brothers declare very proudly that he is a bright little fellow and can get to his destination without any difficulty.

BRILLIANT BOY MAKES MONEY

Wins with Buttermilk After Vain Effort to Ruin Competition in Lemonade.

This is the tale of the commercial enerprise of a small boy and its success. The hero, a 10-year-old youngster of Bellevue, brought a five-gallon can of lemohade to the picule of the Omaha Real Estate exchange, which was held at Bellevue Thursday. Business prospects looked dark from the first, for it happened that the realty men brought lemons along and made two barrels of lemonade and naturally refused to pay 5 cents a glass for at 1 cent a share; then he decided that what they could get for nothing. For about an hour the boy yelled his ware in vain. Finally a happy thought struck him.

"Hi there, mister," he shouted to E. A. what kind of stuff you fellows have in

Mr. Benson obligingly stationed himself near the can and the lad went to a barrel and took a long draught. "Thanks, Mister; tastes pretty good to

In less than a half hour it seemed that and he was taken into court. He refused ran away, and seeing that no one objected, to obey the process of court and is now in came back and drank again. When they couldn't hold any more, they too of liquid and threw cupfuls on the ground. About the middle of the afternoon the young merchant went to the barrels and

"Huh," he grunted, "them kids is no good to drive a competitor from the field. A at all. Them barrels is half full yet." He went away, taking his can of lemonade with

He returned to the picnic grounds in fifteen minutes with a five-gallon can of but-

"Buttermilk, 5 cents a glass," he yelled. Lemonade will give you the stummick Late in the afternoon he went home with in empty can and pocket full of nickels.

TOMATO PATCH A FORTUNE

In Thirty-Three Years B. Hinrichs Finds Garden Worth Quarter of a Million.

"When I first saw Omaha in 1873 some mighty fine tomatoes were growing in a garden patch at Sixteenth and Farnam, where the Myers & Dillon drug store now stands," said B. Hinrichs, who visited Omaha this week for the first time since understand that tamoto patch is worth \$200,000 or \$300,000," he added.

In 1878 Mr. Hinrichs was in the employ of Hinrichs & Sonntag of Chicago, crockery importers. This firm imported the first wholesale stock of toys ever delivered in Omaha and it went to the Goodrich comment of the estate is the unknown value of pany, which had a store on the south side ous concerns the most liberal contracts Mr. Goodrich didn't know anything about were made with owners of oil lands. In toys and all the bills and price marks many cases they provided for a 2 per cent were in German, which he didn't understand. So he asked the importing firm to tions should be suspended for more than give him a man to handle his business until he got a start. Mr. Hinrichs came were common and a large number of the and took charge of the toys. His employer leases may be declared forfelted. The city liked him and he stayed a year, then left

Mr. Goodrich's lack of experience in the barrels of oil a day. No such volume was toy business became apparent to him as ever refined and the city is talking of for- well as others, when he found just how many toys \$4,000 would buy. That was the

Mr. Hinrichs is a brother of A. E. Hinrichs of the Omaha Crockery company. He left Friday.

KIN WANT TO BREAK WILL

Relatives of Mrs. Mary Gorman Left Out Assert She Was Mentally Deranged.

fortune of over \$11,000, are trying to break her will in county court, asserting she was mentally incompetent when she made her legacies. In the will she gives to her sister, Mary Brown, and the same amount to Francis Brown, her nephew; \$500 to Tom Carmody, her nephew, with a each to St. Patrick's Catholic church and St. James Orphanage. Under the residue the bankruptcy case in federal court. Since clause Mr. Carmody will receive the bulk Mr. O'Brien opened about two years ago of the estate. The relatives who were left he apparently has been running behind at

mind and was unduly influenced. One of the incidents related by the witeases to show her mental condition was closes the property will not amount to that a week before her death last January more than \$1,500. Out of this he is entilled she wanted to go bathing at Lake Manawa to \$500 exemption and from the balance and afterward to take an automobile ride, the costs of the bankruptcy proceedings It is also asserted she falled to recognize will have to be paid. Sworn schedules of relatives who had been her best friends his property are now being prepared and and once had told a relative they would will be filed in the case within a few days.

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