THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE: AUGUST 4, 1907.



\$500. But he and Mr. Morton organized a "The boom spirit is a disease, due to a syndicate, sold the lot to the syndicate and germ which floats in the air." stid E. A. won. They bought for \$38,000 and sold for Benson. "In no other way can I satis- \$45,000. factorily account for it. A boom comes

in a day and it goes in a day. One morn-"I could rent fifty \$15-a-month houses ining in the '80s Council Bluffs awoke and side of two weeks if 1 shad them on my found there was a boom on. All the list," declared W. H. Russell at the meetstores were closed; the merchants were ing of the Real Estate exchange last week. out buying real estate. They had sud- "We all have a few \$40 and \$50 house

A DOMESTIC AND A DOMESTICANA AND A DOMESTICANA AND A DOMESTICANA AND A DOMESTICANA AND A DOMESTIC AND A DOMESTI

Bee Refuses to Take Money from "are proof that there are a great many These Fortune Telling Fakirs. weak-minded people. They don't know it, of course, but they are foolish and ar easily duped by the men and women fakira WILL MAKE COLUMNS CLEANER who pass themselves as readers of the 'past, present and future.' Of course, the Palmists and Other Charlatans of whole fortune telling business is all non-Their Class Are Not Considered sense. Most people think this and for that very reason all clairvoyants are a menace

denly caught the disease. One day Council Bluffs awoke and found that the boom had passed. The germs had taken wing and flown away between two days. The next day we heard they had reached St. Joseph and a boom had started there."

Rose Hill is in trouble. Rose Hill is little addition just west of the Country club grounds and it is the site of several fine suburban homes built a few years ago. The street railway company built a line down Rose Hill avenue to store cars for rush business from Krug park, and the little capital who would put up twenty Rose Hill people didn't like that. Then the Country club built its carriage and automobile sheds on Rose Hill avenue, and these people and at the same time he could the people didn't like that. And now the Bonson Board of Education is about to

add the last straw by letting a contract Henry B. Payne of Payne, Bostwick & the erection of a two-room frame lo, has a puzzling problem to work out school house on a lot on the avenue. The people of the Hill are now trying their best to induce the board to make other arrangements for a school house.

and he would be glad to have any real estate man offer him a solution. "There is a man who has some money he could invest, but every day or two he says,

Steals Lumber from Neighbor, Who

Catches Him, but Makes

No Arrest.

make a little money for himself.

of you have any for \$10."

'How many \$20 houses?'

"Mighty few, I'll tell you."

"Not a one!"

"Not a one!" came the chorus.

"How many \$15 houses have you?"

'Oh, I won't buy now; property is too The biggest real estate deal in Omaha high. I'll wait until it comes down a lit for several weeks was the sale a few days tle. One day that man comes in and wants ago of the Burwood theater by W. J. to list at \$5,000 a house that is worth about Burgess to Sullivan & Considine, The \$3,500 or \$4,000. You see, it makes some consideration, which is given out as \$50,000, difference whose property is offered for of course involves something more than sale whether it is too high or not. Now, if mere ground and building, as the estabyou tell him his property isn't worth that lished name and reputation of a theater nuch he will say he never heard you talk are valuable assets. Negotiations for the that way before and he will also say he transfer were begun a couple of months will go to some agent who has faith in his ago, but the money changed hands only town. If you tell him the property is last week.

worth the money and take it on your list he will soon be on you with both feet be- Remarkable Achievement by Army through the professional skill and excep-South Omaha cannot have a park on the big vacant lot at Twentleth and J cause you don't advertise it. What can a streets, for commercialism has laid hold fellow do?" on it and will soon convert it into a place

of stores and dwellings. The city council That Omaha offers today for half the had a deal on for this property, but it price four times the inducements it offered fell through. Edward Cassidy and Edtwenty years ago is the statement of ward Phelan sold to J. W. Murphy, who George G. Wallace. According to his ob- Climate and Conditions Make Wire will plat it and place it on the market. servations, only the downtown lots are as It is a ten-acre tract and it brought \$10,000. high in price as they were twenty years

ago, while the majority of residence lots "What a fine place for club houses Capiare only half the price they were at that tol avenue would have made if it had only time, and lots farther out only one-third got started as a club district," said a the price. He says residence lots will realty man the other day. "It is a fine. never be lower in Omaha than they are at broad street, with a good slope and plenty present. of trees, and I cannot imagine a better

site for a club house than up the avenue In this connection Mr. Wallace tells of toward the high school. But the clubs and what he considers an injustice on the part fraternal buildings are scattered: their of the city. In the late '80s Mr. Wallace ewners apparently did not recognize Capi- sold to customers a number of lots in the tof avenue's advantages. The Omaha Club neighborhood which is to be cut through building at Twentieth and Douglas, the by the northwest boulevard. These lots Elks got a site several blocks south of the declined in price with the advent of the city hall, the Masons bought near the hard times and are just now beginning to Omaha club, and the Eagles are the only climb upward again. The city is condemnorganization that located on Capitol ave- ing the lots and taking them at a price nue. In the southeast corner of Eightsenth which Mr. Wallace does not think at all street and Capitol avenue, which the adequate, in view of the fact that the Eagles bought, they will have an admirable neighborhood is developing rapidly. The site for a home." property is in Clifton Hift.

George N. Hicks calls attention to the THIEF CAUGHT RED-HANDED cheapness of property on Capitol avenue between Seventeenth and Twentleth streets as compared with that on Farnam between

the same cross streets. He cites the following sales made in the last twelve or W. B. Long, contractor and builder. fifteen months: Southwest corner Eighteenth and Farnam, \$53,000; near southwest corner Nineteenth and Farnam. \$40,000; northeast corner Twentieth and Farnam. nearly \$25,000; corner Ninetcenth and Dodge cided to lay in wait in the hope of land-\$32,000; southwest corner Seventeenth and ing the thieves. With a companion, he hid Dodge, \$45,000. In contrast with these sales himself near the buildings and about 11 after three years had been wasted in failis that of the corner of Eighteenth street o'clock Friday night was rewarded for his ure of some commercial companies to pro-

It makes a poor working man sick with it in his cellar nearby. Mr. Long and his nal corps. Captain Leonard D. Wildman. envy sometimes to think of the easy way companion accosted the man, who did not who designed the stations, and superin-In which the real estate dealers make their deny his guilt. He was compelled to carry tended their erection and working, has furmoney. But think of the risks they take. back the lumber and also some which had nished numerous drawings and descriptions A year or so ago Harrison & Morton talked been taken previously and which was found which have been embodied in almost all ments applied. Captain Wildman thinks some of the Campbell homestead, at the stored in the cellar. Mr. Long has decided the recent treatises on wireless telegraphy southwest gerner of Seventeenth and Dodge not to file a complaint against his neighbor. and in the government reports. In his re- call-up device probable. Sergeant Mc-



Service Highly Successful.

duplexing possible to a certain extent, and

and aptitude."

continue the quotation:

THE WIRELESS IN ALASKA States army for 1906 said:

Signal Corps Engineers.

## SOLVES NORTON BAY PROBLEM that is regularly operated as a part of a

Line Impracticable, So Captain Wildman Devises Successful Wireless System.

One of the most remarkable achievements than 1,000,000 words were sent during the in practical commercial wireless telegraphy year, many thousand being commercial is the installation and maintenance by the

United States army signal corps of wireless imunication across Norton sound, Alaska. Norton sound is a great bay, at the

mouth of the Yukon river, 107 miles wide between the points where the wirdeas stations stand. One of these, St. Michael on the southern side of the bay, is the terminus of the land lines, which run 1.300 miles southward to Fort Liscum, which is in communication with Seattle by a cable 1,600 miles long; the other, on the northern side, is at Safety, near Nome, the most important center in the northwestern district of Alaska. It had been found im-

possible to maintain a cable across the gulf on account of the ice, and the absolutely harren and snow-swept nature of the coast made an ordinary land line around it gasoline, single cylinder engine, with spe almost impossible. As Nome is the center of a large fishing and gold mining district, caught a man stealing lumber from two it was essential to provide telegraphic comiouses he is building at Twenty-third and munication, especially as the usual means Pratt streets. For the last few days he of communication are only available dur-

had been missing his lumber and he de- ing a very few months of the year. Wireless Line Across Bay. The United States army therefore decided. and Capitol avenue to the Eagles for \$12.000. vigilance by catching the man in the act vide a service, to establish wireless comof carrying the lumber away and placing munication through the agency of the sig-

port the chief signal officer of the United Kinney devised a key that increased the sending capacity from fifteen to thirty "In August, 1903, a wireless section of 107 words per minute." miles across Norton sound was established Only Two Days of Trouble.

Captain Wildman, who is at present chief tional ability of Captain Leonard D. Wildsignal officers of the Department of the man, signal corps. This is the only long wireless system in the world, it is believed. be transferred to Fort Leavenworth, where system handling commercial business. On he will have charge of the signal school. August 6, 1904, it completed a year of un-He will leave Omaha for Fort Leaveninterrupted service over its course of 107 worth, August 10. miles. It has handled daily and uninter-

He has just received a telegram from the ruptedly the entire telegraphic business of Nome and the Seward peninsula, which, station in Alaska, above referred to, in together with the official business, averresponse to an inquiry, which states in ages several thousand words daily. More the last three years, there was but a part that the fee would be from \$2 to \$5. of two days, December 10 and 11, 1906, in which the line was defective. Messages code words, in which no error has ever could, however, at that time be sent but been traced to this section. In a single could not be received. The interruption hour there have been transmitted over this was only temporary and was attributed to section 2,000 words without error or repetimeteorological causes. Since December tion. The successful installation and oper-11, 1906, there has not been the slightest ation of this unique work by the officers interruption in the transmission and re-

Manawa starts August, the third and last onth for its 1907 season with the hopeful prospects of the most successful finish in

Despite the cool evenings of late, bathing t Manhattan beach has been well atronized. This resort continues to be lrawing card for the women, many dainty naids taking a plunge every afternoon The two expert awimming teachers are kept switchboards were of home manufacture.

busy instructing patrons in aquatic arts. Electric storms gave little trouble, and Prof. Andrew will make his usual bailoot weather or ice conditions had no material influence. The receiver was of the Deforest type, modifying by signal corps inventions. Captain Wildman found many Maryland." opportunity for the resourceful minds of

himself and his subordinates. Broken and all other attractions will be in readiness Leyden jars were successfully replaced by for today's anticipated crowd. air condensers, the spark was muffled,

> \$50.09 in freq prizes. Got your share. Sci page six, editorial section.

rable Citizens the Police.

Some months ago the management of The Ree adopted the policy of excluding from its columns all objectionable medical advertising, and since then no medical copy is accepted; that is, not subject to editing by the publisher. This policy met with the entire approbation of the readers of

The Bee and the effort to publish a clean paper, both in its advertising and news columns, seems to be appreciated. same direction; in the future no advertisements will be received from clairvoyants. palmists and fortune tellers in general. While it is true that most of the people who patronize this class of charlatans are willing victims, the petty frauds which are advertise in the newspapers. carried on are so persistent that, in the without giving any return, is a very considerable sum.

It is surprising that so many victims should fall into their hands. As a rule, them would stop to think a moment, they would readily see that if any one could foretell the future, a few days of speculaost of them live.

## One Ranchman's Experince.

There is a class of itinerant clairvoyants, who travel from town to town, and while Missouri, and in command at the signal this class of people is constantly under the station of Fort Omaha, is under orders to surveillance of the police, petty crimes of all sorts and sometimes more serious charges are brought to their door.

Not long ago, a Wyoming ranchman came into town and called on one of the clairvoyants, whose advertisement he had read. officer in charge of the wireless signal He said that he had an important matter about which he wanted to consult him and asked what his fee would be. He was told "Well," said the ranchman, "I am will-

ing to make it \$50, providing you will satisfy me that you can do the things that you claim in your advertisement. In the first place, you might as well tell me what

my name is." The clairvoyant suggested that they could get in communication with the spirits by

his writing his name on one of the pat of slates, which would be tied together The ranchman immediately became furious and said that "he had seen that game worked before." The clairvoyant insisted that nothing could be done when he was so much out of accord with the spirits and that he must get himself into the proper attitude before the spirits would com-"What I want you to do," said he, "is to sit down here quietly for a few

minutes, close your eyes, think of nothing in particular, so that you will not be in an the room; do exactly as I say."

## Got His Papers.

After leaving the ranchman alone for ten or fifteen minutes in the darkened room the clairvoyant told him to arise, keep his court. Hitherto, the railroads have been eyes closed and to place his hands on his, disposed to compromise on the twentyshoulders. When in this position the clair- cight-hour cases, which relates to the time yoyant abstracted a package of letters in which live stock in shipment may be from the ranchman's coat pocket and then kept on the cars without rest, food or told him to sit quietly, with his eyes closed, water, and confessjudgment in the minifor a short period longer. Leaving the mum fine of \$100. However, the Department room, the clairvoyant got sufficient infor- of Agriculture, which is back of these mation from the letters and repeated the cases, refuses to make any further com process, replacing the letters in the ranchman's pocket. He then proceeded to tell being fined the maximum of \$500 for each him some things that seemed positively violation of the law. This, of course, the miraculous to the ranchman about his pri- railroads will resist, and hence the cases vate affairs, and not only did he get the will have to go to trial."

hard to get at, for when people are duped by them they are ashamed to complain. There have been many, most of them women, who have come to me with the complaint that they have received unfair treatment from some fakir, but when I suggest filing a complaint in police court they shrink from making the matter public, U

## Are Undesirable Citicens.

"The trouble with the fortune tellers is not that they are really dangerous criminals, they are merely undesirable citizens. Most of them are transients and operating

Another move has just been made in the under' assumed names. Whenever one comes to town I ask for references and whenever I can get at them I make them leave town. We don't want them if we can be rid of them. If I had my way about it, they would never be allowed to

"They do very little harm by telling their aggregate, the amount which they receive, patrons dangerous lies, for it is their business to have the subject leave their place in a more pleasant frame of mind than he

came. Women are their victims much more than men. Jealousy is the trouble most of the clairvoyants and fortune tell- that usually prompts them to seek the ing fraternity give only too visible evidence fakir's advice and they are always assured of the fact that if they have the power that in a short time everything will come they claim, they have not used it for their out all right. For such assurance the vicown benefit. If any of the people visiting tim is always willing to pay a reasonable price. The clairvoyant gets possession however, of a great number of domestic secrets by these interviews and the victim tion on the stock market would put them is easily persuaded that the money paid beyond the need and squalor in which for reading is well spent. When a foolish person is cajoled into a happy frame of mind by a fortune teller and led to think that he has received some very valuable

advige he will usually repeat the call. "For the past two or three years there have been no fortune telling swindlers in town, but they exist in great number and we have to be on a lookout for them. Their usual scheme is to sell an absolutely worthless charm to some dupe, who pays a big price for it, thinking that he is getting safety from all sorts of perils. We don't want the fortune tellers because they extract a great deal of hard earned money from the superstitious and give nothing

in return. They are parasites on the weak-minded portion of the public,

FEDERAL COURT OPENS EARLY Fall Term Will Begin Over a Month

Before It Usually Does.

The fall term of the federal courts will now begin over a month earlier than heretofore. Under the old law, before the division of the district, the fall term at Omaha began in November. Under the new law the term will begin the fourth Monday in September, or on Monday, September 23. A grand jury will be drawn for the term, as well as a petit jury.

"We expect to begin at once on the oper ing of the term in the trial of the land cases still remaining on the docket and antagonistic spirit when I come back into dispose of them as quickly as possible." said District Attorney Goss. "Then we will take up the safety appliance, and

twenty-eight-hour law cases against the several railroads, of which a number are now pending in the United States district promise and insists upon the railronds

and soldiers of the American army afford ceipt of measages. an added illustration of their intelligence NEW WEEK AT LAKE MANAWA It should be borne in mind that this Promise of Much Pleasure is Held unique record has been accomplished at Out at the Pretty Resort stations, one of which was built upon a Across the River. glacier and both on a coast only accessible during about three months each year. To With weather most propitions, and the week one of unprecedented success, municate through their favored medium.

"The wireless work was done by an alternate current, 500 volts, sixty cycle, three kilowatt generator; a six-horsepower its history. cial governor; a small grid at masthead

with only two connecting wires, and large ground capacity. The dynamos, built to Captain Wildman's plans, were provided with specially heavy insulation about the armature colls and collector rings. The

ascension and Miss Pauline Courtney will introduce at the Casino the beautiful and popular illustrated song "Good Bye, Sweet

The big roller coaster, mimature railroad

Bee Want Ads Are Business Boosters.