BALLOON HAS COME TO STAY

General Allen, Head of Signal Corps, Speaks for Army.

ST. LOUIS RACES SATISFACTORY

Not Since 1872 Has the General Visited Omaha, and Growth of the City Seems Like a Dream.

General James Allen, chief of the signal corps of the United States army, arrived in Omaha from St. Louis at noon Thursday and spent the afternoon inspecting the work being done by his department at Fort Omaha. He was entertained by a number of business and army men at luncheon at the Omaha club.

"I have just come from St. Louis, where I witnessed the international balloon races, which, by the way, would have been held in Omaha if the gas supply had been available here," he said. "The results of these races were very gratifying from the standpoint of the army. There is no truth in statements that the days of the balloon are over for the work of the army. Stationary balloons will always be of great value in directing movements of a long line of battle or in taking observations of the movements of a distant enemy or examining the interior of an enemy's fortifications.

"As to the dirigible balloon, its usefulness is not yet determined. The most that can be said for it is that it is the best we have up to date. Aeroplanes and machines made in attempted imitation of the wings of a bird are failures, so far, at any rate, as the requirements of the army are concerned. We have not yet solved the query of Darius Green of flying machine fame, 'if a bird can fly why can't I?' Wings have been made for a man proportionate in their size to the wings of a bird, but a man could no more manipulate those wings than he could manipulate the vocal chords of a bird.

Dirigible Offers Hope.

"The dirigible balloon is the contrivance which seems to offer the most encouragement at present. European nations are spending large sums of money in experiments on these machines and are securing excellent results.

"Here in Omaha the government is now spending a considerable sum of money in preparing for experiments along this line. I look for a great widening of this field in the near future, and considerable of this widening will be evident at Fort Omaha. Probably by next year at this time or even sooner our balloon house and gas making plant will be ready.

"With wireless apparatus we expect to put the fort in communication with Fort Leavenworth and Fort Riley."

General Allen was in Omaha in 1872.

"Omaha was the Paris of this western country in those days," he said. "The soldiers who had been here told the other fellows out on the plains or at the outlying forts of the wonders of this city. It seems like a dream to contemplate its greatness and wealth now, after only thirty-five years."

General Allen left last evening for New York.

Those attending the dinner given to General Allen at the Omaha club were: Former Senator Millard, Congressman Hitchcock, Colonel Cornelius Gardner of Fort Crook, Colonel W. A. Glassford of Fort Omaha, Edgar Allen, Victor Rosewater, F. P. Kirkendall, C. M. Wilhelm, A. C. Smith, John Brady, Luther Drake and V. B. Caldwell.

EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS

Faust, 7 to 1, Wins Southampton Handicap at Jamaica.

JAMAICA, N. Y., Oct. 24.—Faust, 7 to 1, won the Southampton handicap at Jamaica today, with Gretna Green second and Don Creole third. Gretna Green went out to make the pace, but Don Creole, who was badly interfered with and his rider, Buxton, almost knocked out of the saddle, went to the front on the back turn and led to the stretch, where Faust and Gretna Green closed, Faust winning in a drive. Results:

First race, handicap, all ages, six furlongs: Suffrage, 125 (Miller), 3 to 1, won; Sewell, 123 (E. Dugan), 3 to 1 for place, second; Lad of Langdon, 109 (Delaby), 5 to 2 to show, third. Time: 1:13. Jack Atkin, Danoscara, Salvolatile, Chiew Hayes, Number One, Hooray, Cloisteress and Battle Axe also ran.

Second race, 4-year-olds and upward, selling, one mile and an eighth: Marster, 103 (McDaniel), 9 to 5, won; S. H. Harris, 101 (McCarthy), 4 to 5 for place, second; Flavigy, 98 (Delaby), 8 to 5 to show, third. Time: 1:54. D'Arkle, Lord Badge, Bluestone, Frank Lubbock, Just So and Phil Finch also ran.

Third race, 2-year-olds, selling, five and a half furlongs: Arasee, 97 (G. Burns), 8 to 1, won; Youthful, 92 (Henry), 10 to 1 for place, second; Chulita, 103 (Miller), out to show, third. Time: 1:07. Black Sheep, My Jack, Billidoit, Hollister, Biskra, Alansa, Himalaya, Pendillion and Louis Roederer also ran.

Fourth race, the Southampton handicap, on turf, one and one-sixteenth miles: Faust, 96 (G. Burns), 7 to 1, won; Gretna Green, 107 (Miller), 4 to 5 for place, second; Don Creole, 95 (Buxton), even to show, third. Time: 1:47. Don Enrique, Sea Wolf and Monfort also ran.

Fifth race, 2-year-olds, selling, one mile and a sixteenth: Lord Stanhope, 102 (Finn), 2 to 1, won; Kilter, 101 (Buxton), 2 to 1 for place, second; George S. Davis, 102 (J. Hogg), 2 to 1 to show, third. Time: 1:48⅘. Campaigner, Dan Buhre, Easton, Al H. Woods, Gild, Killochan, Zipango, Ramrod, Troublemaker, Lally, Schroeder, Midway, Rappahannock and Anna May also ran.

Sixth race, maiden 2-year-olds, six furlongs: Carrollton, 110 (Miller), even, won; Onatassa, 110 (McDaniel), 4 to 5 for place, second; Miramir, 107 (T. Dugan), 7 to 5 to show, third. Time: 1:14⅘. Kidnap, Monocle, Ella G. Moss, Sudden Start, Billy Pullman, Don Ottario, Billy B and Ban McGregor also ran.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 24.—Itacatiara won the fourth race, a steeplechase, the feature of the card at Latonia, with W. K. Slade second and King Esta third. Four favorites won. Track fast. Results:

First race, five and a half furlongs, selling: No Quarter, 98 (Pickens), 12 to 1, won; Ben Strong, 102 (E. Martin), 6 to 1, second; Annie Smith, 104 (Shilling), 9 to 5, third. Time: 1:07⅘. Husted, Bessonhurst, Lightning Conductor, Hannibal Bey, Marvel P, Hughes and Nifo also ran.

Second race, seven furlongs, selling: Ed Kane, 97 (Walsh), 3 to 1, won; Firmament, 101 (Shilling), 4 to 1, second; Merrigo, 96 (Trueman), 15 to 1, third. Time: 1:28⅘. Peoria, Uncle Tim, Black Dress, Heron, Synchronized, McAttee, Vanzel, Tyrol, Complaint and Speed Marvel also ran.

Third race, six furlongs, purse: Hazel Thorpe, 100 (Shilling), 1 to 3, won; Miss Strome, 105 (Pickens), 13 to 5, second; Dog Rose, 103 (J. Lee), 30 to 1, third. Time: 1:14⅘. Chase, Magistrate and Nasttasha also ran.

Fourth race, steeplechase, short course: Itacatiara, 148 (McClure), 9 to 5, won; S. K. Slade, 140 (Wickline), 5 to 1, second; King Esta, 124 (Pollock), 2 to 1, third. Time: 2:58. Class Leader, Floral Artist and Blacklock also ran. Pendragen fell.

Fifth race, five and a half furlongs, purse: Please, 108 (J. Lee), 13 to 10, won; C. W. Burt, 111 (Shilling), 4 to 5, second; Ketchemike, 102 (J. Baker), 50 to 1, third. Time: 1:07⅘. Little Osage, Balla, Financier, Kennewick and Tigress Lily also ran.

Sixth race, one mile, selling: Beau Brummel, 103 (Shilling), 2 to 5, won; Horseradish, 104 (Walker), 9 to 1, second; Javanese, 98 (Fogarty), 7 to 1, third. Time: 1:46⅘. Uncle Henry, Piller, Sylvan Belle, Komoka, Lightnote and Vendor also ran.

SECOND ROUND ALL AGE STAKES

Hares in Coursing Meet Are Speedy and Work Dogs Hard.

MINDEN, Neb., Oct. 24.—The second round of the all-age stakes of the coursing meet began today, but was not finished because the rabbits ran out. A new supply was brought in tonight. The hares today were a speedy lot and worked the dogs hard.

To day's results: The Parson beat Favorite Effort, 7 to 5; My Bonnie beat King of Diamonds, 14 to 4; Mamma Run beat Iron Duke, 4 to 9; Mikado beat Blackie, 9 to 4; Beagle Midnight beat Suwanee River, 5 to 2; Limerick Lass beat Montgomery Chief, 8 to 3; Sunset Violet beat American Sunset, 5 to 4; Happy Hooligan beat Pistol, 8 to 2; Fine Art beat Lord Surprise, 4 to 1; Lady Whitehat beat After Me, 6 to 4; Likely Lass beat Charley Ross, 6 to 5; Lord Brindle beat Young Edward, 3 to 4; Best St. Clair beat S. S., 2 to 0; Amazon River beat Dr. Tom, 6 to 2; Lena St. Clair beat Lord Lipton, 5 to 0; St. Butt ran a dead heat with My Honor, the points being exactly equal.

Four pairs of the second round could not be run. Tomorrow will bring the all-age stake to the semi-finals and may be the starting of the derby.

DOANE COACH FOR THE UMPIRE

Selection by Grand Island May Deter Bellevue in Use of New Plays.

The Bellevue foot ball team this week has been bending every energy toward the perfection of the new plays that Coach Crow has introduced. If found unnecessary, the new plays will not be used Saturday, for Grand Island has insisted on choosing Coach Fuerer of Doane for umpire, and all the ability of the team must be retained for the Doane game. However, since this is the first of the Nebraska intercollegiate games and therefore important, the new plays will be used if necessary, for the Champions' wish to retain their record.

The team has been working hard all week, scrimmage being indulged in every evening until dark. Browne is in better shape than ever, not only in booting the ball, but in carrying it and in defensive work. Curly, the big, husky freshman, has returned to the game and is making a strong fight for the right guard vacated by Jones. His weight and strength give him the advantage over his competitors, yet he is lacking in experience. Pope at tackle has been playing the game in the line this year. His offensive work has won him a home with the rooters. Kearns is in his usual form and this, his last year, will see him playing better ball than ever before.

Enfield at fullback was brought in from the field with a badly sprained knee. From all appearances he will be out of the game Saturday and will be replaced by Sullenberger.

Aside from Enfield's injury, the team is in the pink of condition, brought about by the best of coaching and vigorous training. It is determined to win the first game for the state championship and will fight to the last for it. The courage, vim and determination of Bellevue athletic teams are by-words and this team will keep up the widespread reputation. The Ballists from Grand Island are husky and outweigh the local team and will also fight to the death. A large crowd of rooters will accompany the team to the Vinton street park ready to enter their team to victory. The game will be called at 3 p. m. Saturday.

DUCKY HOLMES SELLS FRANCHISE

Owner of Lincoln Team Makes Deal with Guy W. Green.

LINCOLN, Oct. 24.—"Ducky" Holmes, owner and manager of the Lincoln team of the Western league, this morning sold his franchise to Guy W. Green. The consideration was $8,000.

Mr. Green is known to fame as manager of the Nebraska Indians. He is a hustler and doubtless will make a go of it.

WITH THE BOWLERS.

The Lemp's Falstaffs won two out of three games from the Brodegaard Crowns on the Metropolitan alleys last night. The Crowns are certainly coming pretty strong and will make them all go some. Lindrooth of the Crowns was high man on totals with 564, while Berger of the Falstaffs had high single game with 222, but his last game was a miserable piece of bowling. Tonight the Byrne-Hammers play the Jetter Gold Tops. Score:

LEMP'S FALSTAFFS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Klanck	182	216	144	542
P. Nielson	172	156	202	530
Jay	156	194	130	480
Berger	222	192	149	563
Chatelain	163	176	176	515
Totals	895	934	801	2,630

BRODEGAARD CROWNS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Hartkopf	159	145	163	467
Fagerberg	178	171	192	541
Voss	156	200	179	535
Lindrooth	181	188	195	564
G. O. Francisco	149	199	169	517
Totals	823	903	898	2,624

Again King Solomon's men marched forth and took two games from the Ortman's Stars in a match game of tenpins on the Metropolitan No. 2. The games were close and interesting. King Solomon was high man on his side with a score of 461 and Griffith was high man for the Ortman's Stars with a single score and a total of 430. The Stars are improving fast. Tonight the Coin Stars will play the Bungalo Citys. Score:

TIGERS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
A. L. Dick	141	143	165	449
J. M. Stafford	161	151	170	482
G. Solomon	172	145	144	461
Totals	464	419	479	1,362

ORTMAN'S STARS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
C. W. Ortman	150	129	104	376
B. Griffith	93	190	147	430
J. Laird	111	169	92	402
Totals	354	479	345	1,208

Questions and Answers.

VALENTINE, Neb., Oct. 22.—Sporting Editor of The Bee: Who is president of the Western league and where does he reside?

How many times a season is a president of the league supposed to visit the circuit?

WILBUR JONES.

1. Norris L. O'Neil is president of the Western league. His home is in Oakland, Cal., and his office in Chicago.

2. If he has visited the circuit during the season just closed The Bee is not aware of the dates.

LINCOLN, Oct. 23.—Sporting Editor of The Bee: To decide a wager, will you kindly state whether or not Buck Franck has made an agreement with President Rourke to play with and manage the Omaha team next year?

JOHN J. RYDER.

Answer—Mr. Franck has signed a contract with President Rourke to play with and manage the team again next year.

OMAHA, Oct. 24.—Sporting Editor of The Bee: Is it a fact that Frank Gotch, champion wrestler of America, has decided to enter the prize ring? Kindly answer this question and oblige a bunch of friends.

ALEX DOHENEY.

Answer—Mr. Gotch has recently been quoted by good authority as saying he contemplates entering the prize ring, adding that he would not think of so doing, however, if such men as Fitzsimmons and Jeffries were still in fighting.

ANOTHER VOTE FOR QUARTERS

Reballoting Ordered by Commercial Club to Select Home.

PURCHASE PLAN IS ELIMINATED

Present Place Improved, Webster-Sunderland Building or Boston Store Are the Three Propositions Now Submitted.

Another postal card vote by the members of the Commercial club will be taken at once in an effort to decide the question of quarters for the club for several years to come. The proposition of even considering the erection of a building within the next five or ten years has been eliminated.

The propositions which will be submitted to the members are:

1. Remain in the present rooms, Board of Trade building, taking a part of the floor below, at an estimated expense of $5,000 per year and $2,500 for improvements.

2. Lease the third and fourth floors of the Webster-Sunderland building, Sixteenth and Howard streets, for nine years at an expense of $6,000 per year.

3. Lease the top floor of the Boston store building, Sixteenth and Douglas streets, at an annual rental of $4,000.

With the propositions, the commissioner of the Commercial club has been directed to mail each of the 750 members a complete statement of the conditions upon which each of the three propositions rest and an estimate of the cost of improvements to be made in each of the three buildings.

This was the outcome of the most enthusiastic meeting of the members of the club which has been held in many years, which was called to order by W. L. Yetter in the rooms of the club at noon Thursday.

Sort of a Rally.

The meeting took the form of a Commercial rally at once and was spirited throughout, as well as good-natured. Besides determining to take another vote on the proposition of quarters the club unanimously resolved that every member in the organization would for all future time be a "young member" and not an old one.

The determination to double the membership in the next year followed some stirring remarks by J. E. Baum and J. A. C. Kennedy, who led in the discussion of club enlargement.

"Every business house has doubled in size since the Commercial club moved into these rooms," said Mr. Baum. "The meeting today in this assembly rooms shows that we have outgrown these rooms, and there are but 170 of us here. From personal visits I have made to other cities, I want to say that we are not within forty miles as well fixed to entertain guests and our membership, as the club at Sioux City, Ia."

Mr. Baum practically eliminated the building of a new club house for the commercial organization, by declaring that it would cost $350,000 at least and no public enterprise which requires such an expenditure could be put through in Omaha during the next ten years.

No Growth in a Year.

J. A. C. Kennedy said:

"This Commercial club has stood still. A year ago it had 750 members. Today it has 750 members, and if we do not do something on the question of new quarters, we signify our willingness to stand still for five years to come.

"South Omaha is sure to join us, and become a part of Omaha. If it does not do so in November, it will not be a question of a great length of time until it does and we can start in today to make the membership 1,500 within the next year."

Mr. Kennedy declared in favor of the Webster-Sunderland building.

By far the greater number of those who adressed the meeting were opposed to making the lease with the Webster-Sunderland people for the third and fourth floors at an expense of more than $6,000 per annum.

Euclid Martin declared there was no question but larger quarters would be needed in the future, but the time was not opportune. He desired to have the present rooms fixed up for use during the next few years.

Kennedy Presents Boston Store.

John L. Kennedy got the Brandeis' Boston store rooms before the members, but declared he had no interest in securing them. He thought it would go slow in assuming large expenses, when the club is bound together only by business interests and good fellowship. Mr. Kennedy opposed making a change of any kind unless a majority of the full membership favored the move.

C. C. Belden wanted to move or do something. He opposed any plan to build a new home, and suggested that it would be better to put the $200,000 proposed for a building into a fund for the use of small manufacturers who desired to come to Omaha.

William Hayden said:

"Stay here until we can decide by a full majority."

In a second talk on the subject Mr. Hayden said:

"Move anywhere, if it will put us within forty miles of having as good a club as Sioux City."

F. B. Hostetter said:

"It is better to stay here and be in good circumstances than move and be poor all the time. I vote to stay here."

E. V. Lewis was another who voted and spoke in favor of retaining the present quarters.

The discussion followed the report of Chairman F. W. Judson of the special committee appointed to look over the propositions for new quarters and a statement of the space and accommodations to be had in the three locations by Chairman Lowrie of the Commercial club house committee. W. A. Baxter made the motion to submit the proposition on the Boston Store rooms to the membership, after John Steele had asked that the propositions of staying in the present quarters or moving to the Webster-Sunderland building be put to a postal card vote of the club.

The vote will be taken at once and probably canvassed at the meeting of the executive committee next Tuesday noon.

LIFE SENTENCE FOR NEGRO

Will Washington Found Guilty of Murder of Anton Kasper.

Imprisonment for life was the sentence imposed on William Washington, colored, charged with the murder of Anton Kasper last June. The jury returned a verdict late yesterday afternoon after two hours' deliberation, finding him guilty of murder in the first degree and fixing the penalty at life imprisonment.

Kasper was stabbed in the back about 9 o'clock one night near Ninth and Capitol avenue. He rushed into a nearby saloon with the knife sticking in his back and expired before he could make a coherent statement. Several Italians were arrested on suspicion and Washington went to the police station a day or two later and told the police Anton Albani, one of the suspects, was the guilty party. The police suspected Washington and locked him up. Albani being discharged. The principal evidence against Washington was given by Ernest Wilson, another negro, who said Washington had told him just before the murder he was going to hold some one up and get some money. Wilson says he exhibited a knife at the time and disappeared in the direction of the place where the murder was afterward committed and an hour later returned much excited. Mrs. Nettie Antokol, with whom Washington had been living, identified the knife taken from Kasper's back as one which she had given Washington several days before the crime was committed.

The case was given to the jury at 4:15 o'clock and it returned the verdict a few minutes before 6 o'clock.

Sporting Gossip.

"Amateur" foot ball teams are making all kinds of money in Buffalo playing Sunday ball.

Creighton rooters look upon the St. Louis game Saturday as the heavy contest of the year.

Tackling dummies has fallen into general disfavor this year. The old relics are being discarded.

Yale seems to be blessed with a larger abundance of good subs this year than other teams. They are all said to be heavy, active men.

With new rules for the foot ball games it is just as essential for the officials to have a thorough understanding of what is going on as for the players themselves.

William college team is winning games under the new rules because of its heavy and strong line. It is said to indulge in a little unnecessary roughness at times.

The Rourke family is now hibernating in all parts of the country, simply waiting for Pa to issue call about April 15. My, will April 15 never come!

A Denver paper says Charley Jones, the outfielder of Washington, may be the new manager of Denver next season. For three years Jones played with Denver and was very popular there.

The services of George Clark are very much in demand for the way in which he won the pennant with the Waterloo team. Much depended upon the last game, but the team was there in a pinch.

It is about time for those wrestling matches at the Auditorium. If Gotch decides to go into training for the prize ring he may not be seen in Omaha this fall or winter. The belief is, however, the big champion will not cancel any dates to begin on a new thing.

Steffen is now the shining star of the Chicago foot ball team since Walter Eckersall has stepped from the limelight. The game is being speeded up considerable by the midway eleven under the new rules, and Steffen is said to be great in returning punts.

It will be the Army against the Navy again this year. When these two teams clash there is always much interest manifested. Both have been greatly strengthened by the addition of some star players, and when the two come together the fur will fly.

Tecumseh falls right in line with Grand Island on the state league proposition and doubtless many other good towns in the state are ready to take hold of this laudable enterprise. It is to be hoped that Nebraska can start the next season with a live state league.

The Penn faculty finally has lifted the ban from the last player on the "ineligible" list, whom the coaches were anxious to get off. It is remarkable what progress athletes can make in their college work between September 25 and October 8, and then have such hard work to keep up for the balance of the year.

One of the oldest ball players in the business is George Van Haltren. Years ago, when Van broke his leg on second base in New York, it was thought his days on the diamond were over. They were for the big league, but he went to Oakland, his old home, secured a controlling interest in the Pacific coast team and has been running it and playing fine ball in center field ever since. Van is one of the few who can hark back to the '80's and find himself even then on the map.

In order to satisfy curiosity, The Bee got into telephonic communication with Colonel John J. Ryder, deputy labor commissioner of the state, and asked the colonel for a flat statement as to the truth of the rumor tha he had been offered the presidency of the state base ball league in event of its organization. The Bee can state that Colonel Ryder will not only not accept the offer, but that he has not yet been tendered the position. Rumor was that owing to his phenomenal success as manager of the famous Cliffdwellers he had been broached on the other proposition. "I have no time for anything else just now but fire escapes," declared Colonel Ryder.

COAL DEALERS MAKE CASE

Omahans Confident of Success Against Reconsignment Charge.

NOW AFTER INTERSTATE HAULS

Will Prepare Complaint at Once to Commerce Commission to Head Off Injustice on Outside Business.

Confident they have made a showing before the Nebraska Railroad commission, which will secure a ruling of the commission against the railroads enforcing the $5 per car load reconsignment charge, coal dealers of Omaha, who returned from Lincoln Thursday will prepare a complaint at once to be filed with Interstate Commerce commission, to prevent the charge being made on interstate business.

"As far as Nebraska is concerned, we feel sure the unreasonable reconsignment charge will never be made," said a member of the Omaha delegation. "But the interstate business is more important to us. In fact it is the whole thing, but it would be hard to make a good case before the Interstate Commerce commission if we did not first secure a ruling from our own commission, which is in close touch with the situation in Nebraska."

Argument of the Railroad.

"The whole argument of the railroads in favor of the reconsignment charge is that the dealers should store enough coal to carry them through the winter," said S. S. Caldwell of Caldwell & Brown, wholesale dealers, who was a member of the delegation, which appeared before the Nebraska commission.

"We believe we have demonstrated that this is absurd and a business impossibility. In the first place the shrinkage on coal is more than is commonly supposed. The natural shrinkage is 6 per cent on soft coals. They slack like lime in the air and there are varities, which will shrink almost 40 per cent. The shrinkage of others will run from 20 to 25 per cent. The country dealer, who carries coal simply as a side line has less than 100 feet of shed room on the average and to prevent loss the bins would have to be practically air tight.

"The lumbermen in the country, as well as the grain dealers and implement men, don't care to tie their money up in coal nor expensive coal bins as the margin of profit is very small and the business does not amount to enough to justify them in making the expenditure.

"Then storing coal is a dangerous business. The Union Pacific representatives admitted before the Nebraska commission that the company had a large quantity of coal stored at Grand Island and that it had a costly fire from spontaneous combustion."

Hard to Borrow Money.

Coal dealers maintain that it is a hard proposition to borrow money from banks for the purpose of storing coal, as financiers are aware of the danger in the coal business and have knowledge of the losses and market fluctuations.

"It does not look to the coal men that the argument to store coal made by the railroads is sound when it has been but a short time since one of the railroads, which operates mines and owns thousands of cars, was on the market in Omaha for fifty cars of coal for immediate delivery," was the remark of L. T. Sunderland of Sunderland Bros., when he returned from Lincoln.

Omaha dealers declare the reconsignment of coal is the only possible way to prevent congestion and that they do not ask to have it free from cost that they might store cars of coal on the tracks at the first destination, as very few cars which are reconsigned ever reach the first destination. The wholesale dealers get the cars enroute and distribute them between the mines and the first point of destination. One large Omaha dealer, who sells Illinois coal, distributes almost every car before it gets as near to Omaha as St. Joseph, Mo., though it is all consigned to Omaha.

Dealers who returned from the hearing Thursday are S. S. Caldwell, R. K. Brown, L. T. Sunderland, F. P. Loomis, C. W. Hull, A. K. Mordue, J. H. Rogers and D. C. Kennedy. F. A. Brogan, who is the attorney for the Omaha dealers, returned with them.

CHURCH OBSERVES BIRTHDAY

Second Presbyterian Congregation Commemorates Twenty-Fifth Anniversary.

The Twenty-fifth anniversary of the dedication of the Second Presbyterian church was commemorated last evening at a special meeting held in the church, followed by a social at which refreshments were served in the basement.

The meeting was one of prayer and praise and included a short address by the pastor, Rev. Newman Hall Burdick, in which he declared that the year just closed has been the most successful of his ministry in the church. The work has gone forward encouragingly in all lines. The outlook for the coming year is excellent. The church has instituted a campaign for funds to build a new edifice. This fund, in cash and subscriptions, amounts to nearly $5,000, though but little aggressive work has as yet been done. The policy in building is to be to get the money first and do the building when the cash is on hand.