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**Gloves Cleaned.** Thos. Kilpatrick's glove Dept.

**Pa Bourke** for holiday candies and cigars, 316 S. 16th.

**Equitable Life—Policies,** sight drafts at maturity. H. D. Neely, manager, Omaha.

**50c Dinner** at the First Presbyterian church Friday, January 8, 1909, from 11:30 a. m. to 1:30 p. m.

**Dr. J. E. Summers a Colonel.** The latest Omaha man to be appointed a colonel on the staff of Governor Shallenberger is Dr. J. E. Summers.

**Now is Your Home?**—Is it warm enough this morning? The Keadley & Mattison Co. has a remedy—cover your heating pipes in the basement. Tel. Douglas 1297. 1113-1115 Harvey street.

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**Pullman Company Gives Woman \$100.**—A confession of judgment for \$100 was given Mrs. Ellen Nichols by the Pullman company for claim of assault by a Pullman porter while enroute from Ogden to Omaha.

**Cruelty and Nonsupport.**—Mrs. Gaynelle M. Neid filed suit for divorce in the district court today against her husband, Earl J. Neid, for alleged cruelty and nonsupport. She asks the custody of an infant child.

**Crane Suit Against Kitchen Begun.**—The case of George Crane against Ralph Kitchen was brought to trial Thursday morning before Judge Sutton for \$5,000 damages for alleged assault at the Paxton hotel eighteen months ago.

**OMAHA BANK REVENUES BIG**

Local Institutions Dip Deep Into Dividend Melon Cutting for Last Year.

Although, according to the joke, this is the time of the year when the melon collector is the person most frequently met with, yet it is also the time of year when large checks and drafts delimit many recipients, for it is the season of dividend declaring by banks, railroads and industrial corporations.

It has been estimated that the railroads and corporations of larger size of the country disbursed \$100,000,000 more or less at the first of the year and fragments of this "melon cutting" are distributed throughout the United States.

Omaha will not benefit so much by this as by the dividends declared by its own banks, jobbing and manufacturing corporations, for Omaha capital is largely invested in Omaha interests. The largest fortunes and estates here have slices of the street car stock, of which there is \$2,000,000 preferred and \$1,000,000 common. There are big blocks of smelter stock held by the Nashes and Bartons, and nearly \$2,000,000 in national bank stocks owned locally. Real estate holdings, which constitute some of the large fortunes of the city, do not, of course, figure in dividend declaring. How much Omaha jobbing and manufacturing interests have paid to shareholders this week no one will give even a rough estimate, but the total figure is assuredly large enough to make a person of average income gasp in amazement.

The legal banks did comfortably well the last year. According to reliable figures from the United States Investor, these figures show what local banks earned on their capital stock.

Bank	Net	%
First	\$1,025,811.41	12.24
Merchants	6,528,174	12.13
Nebraska	1,278,281.77	12.13
Omaha	1,278,281.77	12.13
U. S. State	194,872	10.78

**PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.**

Frank H. Barclay of Beatrice is an Omaha visitor.

Fleetwood Ward of Spokane, B. Latta of Tokamak and W. T. Ward of Fort Worth are at the Henshaw.

A. M. Wallins of David City, O. E. Ott of O'Neill and Mrs. C. W. Bowman of Broken Bow are at the Murray.

George J. Macdonald of Kansas City, W. H. Wood of Wichita, F. C. Taylor and H. H. Hovick of Riverton are at the Her Grand.

S. Gray Howe of Beatrice, C. E. Cain of Sheridan, W. K. Knight of Falls City and W. E. Dahn of Douglas, Wyo., are at the Sehlia.

Collector of Internal Revenue Ross Hammond was able to resume his duties during the present week after an illness extending back into the fall.

D. J. Bright of Springfield, R. C. Healey of Fremont, A. W. Knight of Beatrice, C. H. Williams of Louisville, W. Longrad of Denver, Dr. Lambly of Alinsworth are at the Merchants.

M. Callcotts of Denver, J. J. Freeman of Salt Lake, Mrs. E. D. Kilpatrick and Miss Rosanna Bradt of Beatrice, H. O. Hamilton of Spokane, L. J. Townsend of Belle Fourche, E. P. Kubes and son of Central City, R. C. Scott of Lincoln and Mrs. William Schmidt of Spearfish are at the Paxton.

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**O'BRIEN CASE A PRECEDENT**

First Conviction in West for Counterfeiting Special Bank Notes.

**PAPER OF DEFUNCT INSTITUTION**

Operator Circulates Notes of Late Merchants and Planters Bank of Savannah and Lands in Prison.

The conviction of Thomas O'Brien, the somewhat notorious counterfeiter, before the federal court at Lincoln, is the first conviction in the west for counterfeiting where special bank notes figured and has become the subject of extensive discussion among law officers concerned in such work.

The specific offense of which O'Brien is convicted was in having in his possession and passing counterfeit bank notes of the defunct Merchants and Planters bank of Savannah, Ga., which, it was charged, he pasted together with silk threads between, to imitate the silk fiber in the genuine bank notes, and for fraudulently attaching a serial number with intent to deceive and defraud. These bogus notes were passed at Geneva and Wahoo, Neb.

O'Brien was convicted before Judge T. C. Munger in the United States district court at Lincoln on two indictments for counterfeiting and was taken to Fremont and lodged in the Dodge county jail to await the disposition of a motion by his attorneys for a new trial.

**Previous Sentence Light.**

O'Brien was once before convicted in the state courts for passing similar notes and sentenced to thirty days in jail, not specifically for counterfeiting, but for passing goods under false pretense. It was then held that the bank notes in question were not actual counterfeits, but that they were valueless, being merely state bank notes of a defunct bank. They were put in the same class with the bank notes of the state of New Brunswick, N. J., of which many were passed in Omaha several years ago, but no conviction could be against the passers of the money for counterfeiting, because the notes were not actually counterfeit, but occupied the same relation to the bank notes of the late confederacy, being merely curios. The parties passing these notes in Omaha were tried in police court for obtaining goods under false pretenses, and the bank notes were confiscated. In the interim the "Merchants and Planters" notes appeared on the scene and were for a long time placed in the same category as the New Brunswick notes, but, as the Merchants and Planters bank notes were blank on the back, they could not be so readily passed.

**Brew Large Sums of Money.**

This defect was overcome by parties who came into possession of large numbers of these notes, generally of the \$5, \$10 and \$20 issue silk fiber between them "in imitation and similitude" to the government bank note paper, it was held by the government authorities that the act of counterfeiting was completed, and hence the trial and conviction of O'Brien at Lincoln Tuesday.

Secret Service Expert a Witness.

W. H. Moran, assistant chief of the United States secret service, from Washington, was one of the expert witnesses called in the O'Brien case, to testify as to the "similitude and likeness" to the genuine bank notes of the government.

**Judge T. C. Munger, before whom the case was tried, held to the contention of the government regarding the "similitude and likeness" of the bank notes O'Brien was charged with passing, and so instructed the jury.**

The attorneys for O'Brien deny that the Merchants and Planters bank notes or the New Brunswick notes are in "national debt" to the United States treasury, and that the government has made no case of actual counterfeiting, and hence demand a new trial. In the event of the denial of a new trial they will appeal the case if necessary to the supreme court of the United States.

**JIMS ISSUE CALL TO ARMS**

Hold Meeting Tonight and Joe Butler Says Hitchcock Will Be Scorched.

The first call to arms has been issued. Thomas J. Flynn, president of the Dahlan, Democracy, and Clarence Arthur Hiss, secretary, Thursday issued a proclamation calling upon all faithful Jimocrats to meet in the club rooms Friday night as there will be "important business."

"The mayor and the colonels will be home from the capitol by Friday night and all the leaders will be there as well and we will have a meeting which will be known as the 'most eligible' bachelors in Omaha. He is a golf player, a fresh-air fanatic and appears to be as sound as a dollar."

**MOTORMAN SAVES COLD BOY**

Street Car Man Rescues Half-Frozen Child and Buys Him Warm Clothes.

To the prompt action of a motorman an 8-year-old boy owes his rescue Thursday morning from the verge of unconsciousness on the Benson street car line reached the end of the tracks on the first run out, he saw the child standing in the snow, thin and cold, without overcoat or muffler on the verge of unconsciousness from the intense cold. His little cheeks were white with frost and the tears were frozen on his face. The lad could not speak, but the big-hearted motorman saw the situation at a glance and carried the boy aboard his car, chafed his face, ears and hands and put him next the stove to thaw out.

Blake learned from the boy that he was coming down town alone to meet some friends at Twenty-fifth and Cuming streets who would meet him there. The boy told him that the clothes he had on were all that he had.

Blake immediately pulled the car up into Benson at a high speed and several minutes ahead of schedule time and stopped in front of Wolfe's store. He hurried into the shop and bought the child a complete outfit of warm clothing. Some of the passengers who had already boarded the car assisted in clothing the little fellow and wanted to chip in and help pay for the clothes, but Blake would have none of it, remarking: "I would do that for any little fellow."

Neither Blake nor any of the passengers knew the child, who appears to have been coming in from some place in the country to meet or stay with friends in Omaha. He got off the car at Twenty-fifth and Cuming streets and was not seen again by those on the car.

**MAIL CLERK IS PROMOTED**

Dennis C. Hudson Appointed Post-office Inspector Out of St. Louis.

Dennis C. Hudson of Omaha, a clerk of the railway mail service of the sixth class, has been promoted to the important position of postoffice inspector with instructions to report at once to the superintendent in charge of the postoffice inspection service at St. Louis and will leave for his new field of duty this evening.

Mr. Hudson has been recently employed on the eastern part of the Omaha and Ogden division and was formerly in charge of trains No. 9 and 2. He has been in the railway mail service for twenty-one years, having first been appointed to the St. Paul and Helena division on the Northern Pacific in 1888. He was transferred to the Omaha and Ogden division in 1889, with which he has been continuously associated since, with the exception of three years in charge of the railway mail service at Cheyenne.

**Building Permits.**

C. F. Manderson, Thirtieth street and Poppleton avenue, frame dwelling, \$2,500; C. F. Manderson, Thirtieth street and Poppleton avenue, frame dwelling, \$2,500; C. F. Manderson, Thirtieth street and Poppleton avenue, frame dwelling, \$2,500; C. F. Manderson, Thirtieth street and Poppleton avenue, frame dwelling, \$2,500.

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**SHELDON SAVING THE RACE**

Ministers, Physicians and Bachelors Discuss Marriage Law.

**MOST DOUBT ITS FEASIBILITY**

"Good, if Possible," Say Several—Joe Baldrige Says It Has No Terrors for Him—Rev. C. W. Savidge Talks.

I recommend for your earnest consideration a change in our marriage laws so that it will be impossible for any man or woman to marry until a certificate from a physician licensed to practice in this state has been presented, containing a statement that their health is good, and that they are capable of producing healthy offspring.

This recommendation of Governor Sheldon does not seem to have struck a chord with the doctors and some ministers question its practicability, while a few prominent eligible bachelors of Omaha refuse to take it terribly to heart.

As a means of sounding public opinion on this interesting proposition, The Bee has interviewed a few representative men from among the clergy, physicians and bachelors and it places before its readers in succinct form the symposium.

No Terrors for Joe Baldrige.

"I don't care if the legislature acts favorably upon the governor's recommendation. It can go as far as it likes. I have no fears whatever of the effects or workings of such a statute. I am a bachelor, that is true, and I have no apologies to make, and, what is more, I regard myself as a splendid physical specimen, and when I say physical I mean a term broad enough to include my mentality as well. Of course I am not contemplating matrimony, but nevertheless I feel that I have a perfect right to discuss such a proposition." This is the deliberate statement of Joe Baldrige, for years considered by the "most eligible" bachelors in Omaha. He is a golf player, a fresh-air fanatic and appears to be as sound as a dollar.

**The Bubonic Plague**

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**TO THE JEWS OF AMERICA.**

Appeal for Assistance for the Earthquake Sufferers.

The American Jewish committee, in executive session assembled in New York City, expresses its deep sympathy with the Italian people in their distress. On behalf of American Jewry it sends the Italian people messages of encouragement and brotherhood, with the prayer that they may be strong and hopeful of the future.

We call upon the Jews of America to open wide their purses and to contribute what they can to the funds now being gathered by the American Red Cross society. Let every Jew do his duty by his stricken Italian brother.

Contributions should be sent to the nearest local Red Cross treasurer or to the national Red Cross treasurer at Washington, D. C.

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**CHAMPION MARRIAGE**

Rev. Charles W. Savidge, founder and pastor of People's church, the man who has married nearly 1,800 couples in his ministry of over thirty years, does not quite see how the plan could be worked out. He said: "I think it would be good if it could be done, but how would you go about it? How are you going to tell about these people? It's a hard thing to deal with."

"I should not like to express an opinion without thinking it over," said Rev. F. A. McGovern, pastor of St. Peter's Catholic church. "But at first thought the law does not appeal to me. I doubt if it would prove effective in preventing the marriage of those who would not marry and, on the other hand, would be unpleasant to those of the other class."

"I think the suggestion of the governor has a most laudable end in view. Painstaking and persistent watchfulness for a term of years would unquestionably result in accomplishing much," said Rev. M. V. Higbee of North Presbyterian church.

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**HOW SHALL A YOUNG MAN SUCCEED?**

Of the myriads of men who flit across the stage of life, who are the successful ones? Who raise high the standard of attainment and achieve a marked success? Such men stand out in bold relief like the majestic oak on the hill top, or some bright particular star, suddenly emerging from the horizon, full-orbed and radiant, increasing in size and brilliancy, sending its beams of light to the remotest regions.

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Health is often the pivot which decides whether the young man of today will be classed as a success or a failure. Vigorous manhood is a stepping stone to success in life. The man who has preserved the vitality given him by nature, or, having lost it, has regained it by securing proper treatment in time is enabled to shove aside the barriers which impede his progress, both commercially and socially. You should be strong, possess nerves of steel, self-confidence, strength in every muscle, ambition, grit, energy and confidence in order to make your life complete.

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