

ASK FOR TARIFF ON PUMICE

Packers and Others Want Congress to Develop Vast Industry.

RICH BEDS FOUND IN NEBRASKA

Duty is Required to Enable Americans to Compete in Manufacture of the Convict Labor of Italy.

A tariff on pumice, vast beds of which are found in Nebraska, is being urged by the Cudahy Packing company, other South Omaha packers and other Nebraska and western interests and men. They have asked congress to provide a duty of 15 cents per pound on the manufactured product, or 4 cent on the raw material, or a 50 per cent ad valorem duty. They believe with such concessions they might place an industry on its feet.

Senator Brown has written that he anticipates little opposition to this proposition. "Our proposition should appeal to every senator, without regard to his location," said C. G. Garlow of the Cudahy Packing company, "for if our requests are granted we may be able to develop a great American industry, whose benefits will not be limited to this state, and this development will impose no greater cost on the consumer than he now pays for the foreign substance."

"Within the last five or six years beds of pure pumice have been discovered in Nebraska, Kansas and Utah, which reveal a vast store of wealth and a product of great utility as well."

"Pumice, if of fine quality, is used in many industries. It is a universal polishing substance. It forms the grit of all scouring soaps and is for that reason of vast local interest in South Omaha. It is used by all wood, stone and glass workers, because it will give the most delicate finish to valuable wood, stone and glass surfaces. The dentist uses it hourly in his profession and every tooth powder contains the finest quality of the substance."

"Formerly all the pumice used in the industries of the United States was imported from the island of Lipari, Italy. It is mined and manufactured there exclusively by convict labor. For this reason it could be sold at a low price, with a great profit to the contractors of this labor. Last year 10,000 tons of pumice was imported at a cost of from \$150,000 to \$200,000 to the consumers."

In Republican Valley

"In the Republican valley in Harlan county, Nebraska, in the vicinity of Orleans, great beds of pumice have been discovered. This discovery was due largely to the efforts of E. H. Barbour of the University of Nebraska. They are found up in the steep gulches of the Republican river. Traces of pumice or siliceous are found along the Missouri and all the streams of Nebraska, but in the Republican valley it is most abundant. There, within a radius of 25 miles, \$20,000 worth of the raw product is in sight."

"If it were not for the convict labor we might in this state and the west develop a great source of wealth. For this reason the western men demand this tariff."

"The principal point in the United States where pumice is ground or pulverized is in New York. In considering the tariff, this fact was kept in mind also. The duty was proposed at one-quarter of a cent per pound on raw material, so that, even if the manufacturer in New York wanted to import his raw material, he could still compete with the foreign manufacturer of the pulverized pumice."

"It is the prevailing policy of the South Omaha packers, and in general, to favor the home industry where possible. But it is not true that the packers control the output of American pumice. More beds of this material will be discovered in the western part of the same section of the state where the abundant beds have been located. All the beds are owned by private individuals."

BURKETT PICKS BREEN TO WIN

Senator Writes from Washington Congratulating Republicans on Their Ticket.

United States Senator E. J. Burkett, in a personal letter to Majority Nominee Breen, took occasion to write: "With such a solid front as you seem to be presenting, I do not see why you should not redeem Omaha to republicanism. I wish I could be there and help you in the campaign, but, of course, the situation here is such that I cannot possibly leave."

Frightened Into Fits by fear of appendicitis, take Dr. King's New Life Pills and away goes bowel trouble. Guaranteed. For sale by Beston Drug Co.

Price of Wheat Makes Breakfast Food Come High

Product for the Table Advances Few Cents and Indicates Further Increase.

Breakfast foods made from wheat have advanced 1 to 2 cents per package, with every indication that they will go higher as soon as the present supply in the wholesale houses is exhausted.

This throws the consumers of breakfast food back on the old Scotch dish, "alt-neal parritch," or the modern foods made from corn, and the manufacturers of these cereal foods are expected to do a thriving business until the common people can again afford the cracked and puffed wheat breakfast foods.

Flour so far is the only product of wheat to show an advance in Omaha which would work a hardship on the average class of people.

Many dealers carry a barrel flour which is sold to people of small means and the very poorest classes who buy a few pounds in a jar or paper sack. This flour has been frequently sold in Omaha for less than 2 cents per pound. Since the high price of wheat it is selling for 3 cents per pound, and the smallest sacks of 35 pounds are selling for 90 cents. They have sold as low as 60 cents, and the average price for years has been under 75 cents.

Such prices are really a hardship. Dealers say some people buy only enough flour at a time to make a single batch of hot biscuit or other hot bread that they might feed for a single meal a number of hungry mouths. It makes a difference when these buyers are paying 3 cents instead of 2 cents per pound for bulk flour and they cannot get a high grade flour for anything like 3 cents a pound.

Joe Lewis Hero in a Romance

Flags Pretty Girl with His Soldier Cap and Now for the Altar.

This is the story of an Omaha trade excursion romance and ends in a wedding, like some trade excursions and most romances do.

When the Omaha Commercial club gave an excursion de luxe last year and took along about thirty uniformed attendants, the club bought a new suit of clothes, just like the dashing Pullman porters wear, and fitted them on "Button" Lewis, the porter at the club. "Buttons" was the man in charge of keeping the sheep bells from ringing in the baggage car and distributing them through the train before regular stops.

Just before the train departed from the Burlington station a bright looking little colored girl saw the bright buttons on Joe's new uniform and, as the train pulled from the rear platform farewell to wived and sweethearts, Joe Lewis was leaning far out the baggage car waving a blue "button cap" at Hazel Terry on the platform.

This evening Mr. Joseph Lewis and Miss Hazel Terry are to be married. Joe has promised to return not later than Friday and chase particles of dust around the rooms at the Commercial club.

MUST BE MEMBERS OF ANANIAS CLUB ON VACATION

Two Urchins Make the Police Guess Who They Are, Giving Different Names.

Ensnared in plain but comfortable cells in the matron's department at the police station and reading stirring tales of action and adventure—they might be called noveles—two runaway boys from the south are enjoying an enforced visit in Omaha while the police are keeping the wires warm with inquiries about them.

Their names and homes are uncertain quantities so far as the Omaha officers are concerned, for within twenty-four hours the lads gave two different names and addresses, a police officer alternately claimed that they are brothers and mere acquaintances.

According to their statements Tuesday morning they are Roy Skidmore of 518 Rock street and Lawrence Thomas of 608 West Third street, Little Rock, Ark. When they were arrested Monday morning by Patrolman Murphy they said they were Ray and Louis Jackson of Kansas City and that they were going to the exposition at Seattle, where a brother was going to have a concession. They gave their ages as 15 and 16 years.

FIRST STEP FOR FREE BRIDGE

Omaha and Council Bluffs Men Co-Operate on Plans.

BOND ISSUE TO BE CONSIDERED

Congressman Walter I. Smith of Iowa Says He Thinks War Department Will Consent to the Bridge.

Congressman Walter I. Smith of Iowa, heading a delegation of Council Bluffs business men who attended an executive committee meeting of the Omaha Commercial club Tuesday, said, concerning the free bridge proposition which was the subject of discussion:

"If this bridge is built it will be the best instrument for the development of these two cities which has been secured in recent years."

Judge Smith expressed the belief that the War department would permit the erection of a bridge of any reasonable distance from the Douglas or Union Pacific bridges, between them if the low bridge was so constructed that the draws could be handled without difficulty. He said no law prevented the erection of a bridge between the two, but the War department had simply made it a rule not to permit the erection of a bridge over a navigable stream, closer than one-third of a mile from another bridge.

The movement started by the West Council Bluffs Improvement club for a free bridge resulted in a meeting of the executive committee of the Omaha Commercial club and sixteen Council Bluffs business men Tuesday and the joint meeting resulted in the naming of a committee of ten, five from Omaha and five from Council Bluffs, who will secure estimates of the cost and the amount of bonds each county should issue in order to erect the bridge.

Railway Not Discussed

The interurban railroad proposition did not come up for discussion, though representatives of the two interurban projects were present. They said privately the success of their scheme for a line to Des Moines and another line to Malvern depended on the erection of a bridge which would make it possible for them to enter Omaha.

H. H. Baldrige, chairman of the bridge committee of the Omaha Commercial club, opened the discussion after the meeting had been called to order by Euclid Martin, president of the club. He was followed by Judge Smith and a number of Council Bluffs business men. E. E. Hart, president of the Council Bluffs Commercial club, said the executive board of that organization was holding a meeting at the same hour to discuss the proposition.

"If it can be brought to a focus, we will meet you half way," said Mr. Hart. Victor E. Bender of the Council Bluffs Nonpartisan said: "In a rough way I would estimate that 75 to 90 per cent of our people want a free bridge. I think it could be advantageous to both communities. If Potawatamie county pays a share based on population, it would be about \$20,000. That is equal to 30 mills on the dollar for ten years, or 3 mills as a levy to pay each year for the cost of the bridge."

Mr. Bender suggested the naming of a joint committee. E. A. Benson of Omaha made the motion that the Commercial club of Omaha name five members, and request the city of Council Bluffs to name five members, to act with them and secure necessary information before another meeting is held.

Council Bluffs Men

The following are those who attended from Council Bluffs: H. W. Blinder, George Van Brunt, M. F. Rohrer, W. H. Cleaver, General E. F. Test, W. C. Boyer, E. E. Hart, C. C. Clifton, J. E. Greenwald, C. W. McDonald, C. B. Tyson, Victor E. Bender.

GUILD GETS THEM EASILY

He and Committee Have Few Days to Recruit Over Two Hundred Members.

In a few days the membership of the Commercial club must secure 213 members to bring the total organization membership to 1,000, which the committee said would be the number of live ones on the roster by May 1.

"That members are easy to get is shown by the work of the Commercial club. It has done from time to time. Every time a membership rally has been started Mr. Guild has secured eight or ten new applications as a starter. He picks them up, by telephone, on the street cars, in shops, whenever he buys his goods, or on the golf links. The membership committee has not been so successful. The Bemis Bag company has agreed to blow the siren whistle when 1,000 members are secured."

Police Pay is Raised, but the Ante Stands Still

Fine Joke Those Sapiant Democratic Solons Played on the Omaha Force.

"Sure, 'tis a fine joke this legislature's played on us, ahrayn' to make us think it raised our pay. Raised our pay, it did, to be sure, but how? It says, 'Gentlemen, your pay is raised.' Thanks, we say. But when we go to get our pay, they say, 'The pay is raised, but the ante stands.' That's a philosophical policeman's version of it."

From thirty-five to forty members of the police force must be discharged from the service, or every man on the force, with the exception of the chief and the three captains, must take an enforced vacation of sixty days without pay, unless the officers sign a waiver of the increase in pay accorded them under the new charter.

This is the situation confronting the Omaha police department since the new charter went into effect and Chief Donahue has put the proposition squarely up to the men on the force for their decision as to what had better be done. The charter raised the pay of all members of the force with the exception of the chief and the three captains, but it did not raise the fund. If the present force is retained and the raises in salary are placed in effect about \$200 more will be needed for the department for the present year. This sum is not available.

The chief has written a letter to the captains pointing out the conditions and announces that he will abide by the decision of the majority. If the men want the salary raises accorded them by the new charter thirty-five or forty of their fellows must be discharged or they and every member of the force must be laid off for a couple of months without pay. The only way of keeping the present force intact and at work throughout the year is for the officers to decline the proffered raise of pay.

Butler Between Two Hot Fires

City Clerk Will Be Storm Center, No Matter What Action He Takes.

City Clerk Dan B. Butler is between two fires.

No matter which way he may decide as regards placing the names of candidates for the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners and for city engineer on the voting machines he will be made the pivot of actions in court. His attempt to hide behind the legal department will not save him, for the advice which that department will give will have no effect and the city clerk will either be enjoined or held into court on mandamus proceedings.

If the city clerk decides to place on the voting machines the names of those candidates endorsed by the two leading parties and nominated by them to fill the vacancies of the tickets, the Anti-Saloon league will go to court and ask for an injunction restraining him from putting the names on the machines. On the other hand, if the clerk refuses to put the names on the machines, the demonstrators will go to court and ask for a writ of mandamus compelling him to put the names on the machines.

Pressmen Will Bring Thousand

Convention in June Will Draw Union Members from Various Sections.

"Our convention will bring at least 1,000 persons to Omaha for a week's visit," asserted A. O. Sonntag of Chicago Tuesday. Mr. Sonntag is an organizer for the International Printing Pressmen's union, which will meet in convention in Omaha June 21 to 28, inclusive.

"Excursions from Lincoln, St. Joseph and Sioux Falls are being worked up, and the total number of visitors may go above the number I have mentioned. "There are many questions to come up for discussion, but there is no single problem of supreme importance to be settled," said Mr. Sonntag. "The Rome has been determined on as headquarters, and meetings will be conducted in a hall in the hotel building."

Mr. Sonntag is here working with the local committee on arrangements, which includes E. M. Birch, chairman; W. G. Neel, Charles A. Rice, L. Hall, F. J. Pechoa, Charles Wolf and J. Riner. "We meet too early for the daylight bill to have any effect on us," said Sonntag, "but it would not make any difference anyhow."

REMAINS OF INFANT FOUND

Members of Body Picked Up in Alley, Where They Were Wrapped in Paper.

Wrapped loosely in a piece of an Omaha newspaper dated April 17, the dried and shriveled limbs of an infant were found early Tuesday morning in the alley behind the Olds Gas Engine company's storeroom and garage, 1015 Farnam street.

W. L. Brown, a colored man who lives at 86 South Twenty-fourth street, first found the package, which contained thighs, hands, upper arms and a left foot. Noticing one of the tiny hands, dried and blue with exposure, lying outside of the parcel in the dirt of the alley, Brown investigated, with the discovery that an infant had been partially dissected.

Police Surgeon Harbour stated, after examining the limbs, that the infant was about a week old.

Army News

No definite information has yet been received at army headquarters in Omaha of the date of the arrival of the instructors in aeronautics at Fort Omaha.

First Lieutenant Maurice Buchsbaum of the medical reserve corps at Fort D. A. Russell, has been ordered to Fort Mackenzie, Wyo., for temporary duty during the absence on leave of Captain O. G. Brown of the medical corps.

Captain L. B. Simonds, who has just been relieved from four years' detail in the subsistence department, has arrived in Omaha for assignment to line duty with the Sixteenth Infantry at Fort Crook.

If you have backache and urinary troubles you should take Foley's Kidney Remedy to strengthen and build up the kidneys so they will act properly, as a serious kidney trouble may develop. Sold by all druggists.

Nervous and Generally Run Down



MR. A. A. GRAHAM.

Mr. A. A. Graham of 181 N. Elizabeth Street, Chicago, Ill., is so pleased with the results derived from taking Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey, when nervous and run down, he wishes to tell the public, so that men and women who need a good tonic stimulant may know what the world's best tonic and nerve builder has done for him.

Mr. Graham writes: "I have just finished using four bottles of Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey for a generally run-down and nervous condition, and I am so gratified at the results that feel in duty bound to send you a few words of praise of it. I can truthfully say that it worked wonders with me, and I will cheerfully recommend it to anyone, young or old, who is suffering as I had suffered before using your tonic stimulant. Hope this statement will be the means of helping some unfortunate sufferer."

Leading doctors agree that Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey has no equal as a destroyer of poisonous germs in the body. It is indorsed by clergymen of every faith, nurses and doctors of all schools, as a positive cure for dyspepsia, indigestion, nervous prostration, all diseases of the throat and lungs, every form of stomach trouble; malaria; chills and run-down, weakened, diseased conditions of the body, brain and muscle. It is a heart tonic, blood purifier and promoter of health and long life.

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Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey

If you wish to keep young, strong and vigorous and have on your cheeks the glow of perfect health, take Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey regularly, according to directions. It tones and strengthens the heart action and purifies the entire system. It is recognized as a family medicine everywhere.

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Henry Brown Will Not Hang for White's Death

One of His Jurors Remembers that He is Opposed to Capital Punishment.

Henry Brown will not stretch hemp for the murder of Sam White, as an unforeseen event upset the calculations of the prosecution Tuesday morning.

J. W. Robinson, a real estate dealer accepted as the seventh juror, waved his hands wildly at the court just before District Clerk Robert Smith was about to swear the jury. Robinson stepped up to the bench and informed Judge Sears that he had misunderstood questions put to him and that he had unshakable prejudice against capital punishment. Accordingly he thought he ought to be excused.

Attorneys on either side had a sneaking suspicion that Robinson would not mind being excused anyhow. County Attorney English and J. W. Macfarland, for the defense, then went into conference in the judge's private room and English finally decided to let Robinson stay on, as to go back to his number in jury impaneling would throw out all who had been accepted after him.

The decision did not, of course, make the defense peevish, as Robinson is so com-

Decision in Creighton Case

Ruling on Will Appeal is to Be Handed Down Wednesday by Three Judges.

A decision in the Creighton will appeal will be handed down Wednesday by the three judges of the equity branch of district court who heard arguments some days ago.

The question to be ruled on is simply whether the appeal from the decision of County Judge Leslie was made in a legal way. This decision will, of course, determine whether the case is to be fought on from this point.

If the appeal should be held invalid the validity of the bequest itself to the Working Girls' home cannot come up in district court, although the supreme court could, of course, be appealed on this point.

BRIAN IS BONDED IN OMAHA

State Treasurer Gets His Security in One of the Local Companies.

State Treasurer Brian will be bonded at home instead of abroad and by an Omaha company. A check for \$5,000 was received Tuesday by the National Fidelity and Casualty company to pay the fee for a \$100,000 bond furnished by the state treasurer. This is probably the largest bond ever issued by a home company.

Advertisement for Gold Dust featuring the slogan "Two live wires!" and showing a woman cleaning with Gold Dust. Includes text: "Gold Dust, the greatest friend that the American housewife has today. It cleans everything about the house, pots, pans, clothes, dishes and wood-work; saves time, money, worry and aching backs; and makes everything shine like a brand new pin."

Advertisement for Gold Dust featuring the slogan "Let the Gold Dust Twins do your work." and showing a woman cleaning with Gold Dust. Includes text: "Gold Dust is more convenient, cheaper and better than soap or any other cleanser. It softens hard water, lessens labor and injures nothing."

Large advertisement for Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Title: "A Badge of Honesty". Text: "It is printed on the outer wrapper of every bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and it is the only medicine for woman's peculiar ailments, sold by druggists, the makers of which feel fully warranted in thus taking the afflicted into their full confidence. The more known about the composition of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription the more confidently will invalid women rely upon it to cure their peculiar weaknesses and derangements. There's no secrecy about its make-up—no deceptive inducements held out to the afflicted. It's simply a good, honest, square-deal medicine with no alcohol, or injurious, habit-forming drugs in its composition. Made wholly from roots. It can do no harm in any condition of woman's organism."