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SUGAR MEN ARE CONVICTED. Five Employees of Big Combine Found Guilty of Conspiracy.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The jury Friday found guilty five of the six employees of the American Sugar Refining company, who have been on trial for the last three weeks, charged with criminal conspiracy to defraud the government of customs dues on imported raw sugar.

Four Wymor Men Held Up in Night. Officers Take Suspect in Charge, but He Escapes in Spite of Bullets that Follow.

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CENTRAL 17th and Howard Sts. Complete Home Furnishers. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and invite you to come to THE CENTRAL, pick out any article you want, and pay absolutely nothing down until after the holidays.

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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Paving Contractors Get Busy Among Taxpayers.

OFFICIAL TABLES SHOW COST

Willful Willie Wolfe's Wanderlust White Waving Wild, Works Wayward Wanderer's Windup.

The activities of the various contractors for paving material have led some of them to present to the residents of the city various propositions highly tempered by the kind of material each company desires to use.

The various paving materials show a range of fully 50 per cent in cost. For instance, the cost of paving Twentieth street from N to S street will be \$22,500 if paved with crushed wood blocks.

The property owners must consider the kind of material to be used as well as the cost. It is not unreasonable that they should demand an explanation of the merits of all classes of paving before signing petitions for any class.

Willie Wolfe wanders away. Willie Wolfe has been taken to the high ways of the big outside world. The marshal of Papillion reported to the truant officer last night that he had taken up Willie Wolfe and would return him.

Services in the Churches. Rev. T. M. Ranson will conduct services at Lefler Memorial church at 11 a. m. Sunday.

St. Martin's congregation will celebrate holy communion at 11 a. m. Sunday, followed by a sermon by Rev. Alfred G. White.

Morning prayer and sermon will be observed at St. Clement's mission at 11 a. m. A Christmas service and tree will be observed at 7 p. m. Thursday, December 23.

Samuel S. Collins Dead. Samuel S. Collins, Twenty-fourth and J streets, died at 1 o'clock this afternoon at his home after a long illness.

Magic City Gossip. A. E. Hale Barr of Stanton is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Barr.

FALSE ALARM—I constantly hear from my customers and friends that I am generally understood that I intend to move to Omaha.

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Mike Aronca, a machinist employed days by the Burlington, was getting cold at the chutes about 7 o'clock when he was held up by two masked men.

At 5:45 Officer Schlangen arrested Ed or "Bibi" Polak, an old offender, who had served time in the county jail, and in the penitentiary, and who answers the description of the holdup man given by O'Hara and Aronca.

Rabbi Cohn Pays Honor to Parker. High Tribute to Great American Preacher is Voiced at Temple Israel.

"Although Theodore Parker lies buried in a distant clime, I predict that some day his body will be brought to America," said Rabbi Frederick Cohn at Temple Israel last evening in speaking of the life and work of Theodore Parker.

"August 24, 1810, will be the centenary of the birth of Theodore Parker, who was great and noble and a true prophet, if ever there was one. He was born in Lexington, Mass., and was a Unitarian minister."

"Sunday after Sunday thousands of all classes of rich and poor, flocked to hear him. He was one of the greatest and political forces of the nation, absolutely fearless and utterly sincere."

"Theodore Parker died on the eve of the emancipation and of the civil war, which he had predicted and foretold, knowing that emancipation could be brought about in no other way, knowing that slavery and freedom were irreconcilable."

A Serious Breakdown. Results from chronic constipation. Dr. King's New Life Pills cure headaches, stomach, liver and bowel trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bickett of Middletown, O., are the guests of Mrs. Bickett and J. M. Abbott. This is their first western trip and they are much pleased with

TOPICS OF THE DAY OF REST

Christmas Chimes Will Ring Sunday in Many Omaha Churches.

SPECIAL SERVICES ANNOUNCED

Castellar Presbyterian Has Two Exercises—Four Ceremonies Sunday at Sacred Heart Church.

Bells of Yuletide—Christmas chimes—will voice their silvery sentiment Sunday in many of the Omaha churches and will continue to tinkle melodiously until the holidays are past.

Two exercises centering in the Christmas idea will be put forth by the Castellar Presbyterian Bible school this year. The religious emphasis will be given at the service tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Sacred Heart church will observe Christmas with appropriate solemnities. To take care of the crowds four principal services will be held in the morning, at 5:30, 7:30, 9:30 and 10 o'clock.

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MOCK TRIAL AT HIGH SCHOOL

Low Pilexy, the Prisoner, Convicted of Assault and Battery.

Omaha High literary societies held their last meetings before the Christmas vacation Friday morning. The most interesting program was given by the Demosthenian society, which gave a mock trial. Those who took part in the trial were: Mr. Anderson, judge, member of the faculty; Low Pilexy, prisoner; Alfred Kennedy, J. P.; Harold Larson, sheriff; George Sugarman and Park Larson, prosecuting attorneys; Stuart Gould and Herbert Lansdale, attorneys for the defense; Wilson Heller, Wallace Trout, Loring Wood, Paul Byers and Wynan Beebe, witnesses.

The Pilexy society gave an interesting Christmas program. A grabbag was the most popular part of the program. Rose McGovern gave an essay, "Christmas in Italy During the Fifteenth Century"; Marie Carmody gave an original poem, "Christmas in the Snow"; and the faculty gave a recitation. A play called "His Old Sweetheart" was given by the following girls: Ruth Clark, Josephine Gogdon, Minnie Johnson, Kathleen Feen, Ada Morris, Helen Eastman, Helen Carr.

Stout Seeks to Make Amends

Hall County Man Sells Farm and Gives Part of Proceeds to Children of Richeson.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Before going to the penitentiary, Ernest Stout, who was sentenced to the penitentiary for the killing of Joseph E. Richeson, has settled up his property affairs. He and his brother, Joseph Stout, have sold the farm which they had to Hermann Kroeger for \$10,000.

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The verdict says the cause of the collision was due to the "gross negligence of Engineer Burger in failing to give the proper signal to follow the train. Engineer Burger contributed in failing to bring his train to a stop before passing a signal, which was sent against him and which he failed to see, owing to the smoke and snow, though he knew full well its location and neglected to follow the safe course and bring his train to a full stop as provided for in the rules of the company."

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Watches—FRENZER—Dts. and Dodge

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