

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Packers, by Labor Saving Devices, Ready to Handle Added Receipts.

IMPROVEMENTS IN CATTLE BEDS

Property Owners on Thirtieth Street Seeking to Compromise Paving Tax Now Long Delinquent—New Bowling League.

The South Omaha packing houses have been busy places during these days of heavy receipts. The local packers have been put to the task of handling the stock as fast as it came to keep the yards clear. It is the policy of the packers to buy all the stuff daily and to convert it into some class of packing house product, thus keeping the market clear. In times of heavy runs, therefore, the packers employ many men familiar in the hog killing vocation. After the animal is hung by the gambles it never again touches the floor. The hide is stripped off and the carcass is dressed while the animal is constantly in motion. The splitters with their heavy sheavers split the backbone of the animal while it is passing the platform, up and down which they move with the same speed. The endless chain system requires about the same number of men as formerly, but saves a great deal of crowding in some parts of the floor and makes the work of the men much easier. For instance, if a hide hangs tightly to the flesh, the hide stripper takes more men and are especially glad to present on account of new labor-saving devices which make the handling of animals for slaughter much easier than formerly.

For instance, Armour & Co. has just got into working order a new chain system for the cattle beds. Animals are now hung on an endless moving chain which takes them through a course exactly like that which a short turn around a small hook and the chain does all the pulling, which formerly the man had to do with his own strength. Armour & Co. has no difficulty in securing plenty of men for all classes of labor. There is usually a place, however, for any one of promise who will work.

The same satisfactory conditions exist in the case of other packers. The slaughter of sheep and cattle has been very heavy during the last two weeks. The managers of the packing plants express satisfaction on account of the plentiful supply of stock. There is, however, a call for more hogs, which the market so far has not been able to supply.

Compromise of Paving Tax. It is reported that property owners on Thirtieth street are seeking to secure a compromise on the paving tax now long delinquent on that street. None of the tax was paid for the reason that the street was in litigation and certain property owners were seeking to set aside the assessment, by that means. The supreme court of the state decided that the paving ordinances were valid, the tax legal and subject to collection. This decision came after a four years' legal battle. Since the decision of the court very few have paid up and some of the more influential are said to be seeking a compromise through the city council. The tax commissioner, however, has listed all this property in the delinquent list, and the county treasurer has placed in the hands of the county collector for collection. The property will soon be sold for taxes subject to the usual expensive redemption.

A new departure has been tried in other cases in which the paving assessment has been thrown out as illegal and that is to reassess the tax upon the property benefited by the improvement. Such a proceeding is now being tried and it is likely that a test case will be made of it.

Services in the Churches. Dr. R. L. Wheeler will preach Sunday morning on "The Transformation of the City, the Old and the New South Omaha." The Christian Endeavor society will meet in the evening.

The last service in the old building of the First Methodist church will be held Sunday. A baptismal service will be conducted and canvassed for membership will unite with the church.

Dr. Gorst, the district superintendent, will conduct an evening service at Lefler Memorial church and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

Services will be held at the Baptist church Sunday morning. W. L. Cullen will conduct the service at St. Clement's mission at 11 a. m. Sunday school will be held at 3 p. m. at St. Edward's mission.

"The Unique Force in Christianity" is Rev. Alfred G. White's Sunday morning topic at St. Martin's church.

Reception for Rev. and Mrs. White. A formal reception was tendered Rev. and Mrs. Alfred G. White, pastor of St. Martin's Episcopal church, Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Parker, 518 North Twenty-second street. Most of the parishioners and nearly all of the Episcopal clergy of Omaha attended, offering congratulations and good wishes on account of the marriage recently celebrated between the guests of honor. Colonel and Mrs. A. L. Lott, Mr. and Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Sloane assisted in receiving the guests. Mrs. White appeared in her wedding dress, Dutchess satin trimmed in pearl and chiffon. Palma, ferns and wild anemones twined with goldenrod made up the profuse decorations. Light refreshments, pineapple frappe punch and charming service made that feature of the evening all that could be asked. The young women of St. Martin's choir presided at the refreshment tables. The cordial attention given Mr. and Mrs. White and the acquaintances began that evening will be remembered as the most pleasant experiences of the reception.

Presbyterian Entertainment. Those who came comfortably clothed enjoyed the Presbyterian entertainment at Highland park last evening, but the sale of ice cream lost much of its accustomed activity. The program consisted of moving pictures by Mr. Harts of Omaha, music by Frank's band, a exhibition by the Bohemian turner girls and a good set of weight lifting and pyramid building by a class of men. The object of the meeting was to raise funds for the church building. A large amount of money was thus secured. More than 1,000 people attended at the park indicated. This was due to the slight chill in the atmosphere heralding the approaching autumn.

Bowling League to Organize. The winter season bowling league will be called together Monday noon for the purpose of organizing with a schedule of games to be played off in a manner similar to that carried out last winter. It is hoped that at least eight teams may organize for the sport. The lovers of the game will have two alleys to choose from this season and it is expected that considerable rivalry will be developed between the teams and the challenge games as well as the contests with Omaha.

Hibernian Banquet Sunday. The Ancient Order of Hibernians for the state will hold a convention Sunday in South Omaha and complete the day's sessions with a fine banquet at the Exchange dining hall at 1:30 in the evening. Delegates will be present from all the members of the order in the various towns of the state. National President Regan of St. Paul, Minn., and the national treasurer will be present.

Japanese Picnic. Batsolo Ishii, a Japanese manager of a

South Omaha pool hall, was fined \$10 and costs yesterday for allowing boys under age to play pool in his place. Under Twenty-sixth and N. streets. Chief John Briggs made the arrests and found a number of young fellows playing pool for 10 cents a ball, that is, gambling. The Japanese subject said the boys had told him they were over 18 years of age and threatened to make trouble if not allowed to play. The boys were placed on the witness stand and denied that they had told the proprietor anything. The police judge warned the boys that they too would be fined if arrested in pool halls again.

Maggie City Goats. James Grace and wife left last evening for a visit to Adair, Ia.

The South Omaha police arrested a gang of bootleggers at the Delone hotel last night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Jetter have gone on a visit to Thermopolis, where they will spend two weeks.

James P. Rush is enjoying his summer vacation at present. He is cashier in the city treasurer's office.

John Flynn and wife entertained a party of thirty guests at the South Omaha Country club Thursday evening.

Phone Bell South 958, Independent P-1983 for a case of Jetter Gold Top. Prompt delivery to any part of the city. William Jetter.

Louis Sandwick was passing the best Charlie Shuckler, 231 U street, died yesterday. The funeral will be held at 3 p. m. today from St. Anthony's church.

The South Omaha Alumni association will hold an important meeting Tuesday at 8 p. m. at the South Omaha high school building for the purpose of organizing an annexation club was held Thursday evening at the West Ferry street.

The sentiment prevails more strongly in favor of the movement than ever before.

Mrs. W. K. Fowler of Lincoln entertained a party of friends at Junction Thursday afternoon at the State fair. These guests were residents of South Omaha. They were Mrs. E. E. Reindler, E. A. Row, Mrs. Louis Smith, Mrs. Howard Heyman, Mrs. J. H. Berry, the latter of Chicago.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL OPENS NEW RIVER TUNNEL TODAY

Work Has Been Four Years in Completion and is Two and One-Fourth Miles in Length.

A new era in the history of the Michigan Central will begin with the opening of the Detroit River tunnel today, a project which has taken the road almost four years to complete.

The completed work is two and a quarter miles in length and wide enough for a double track railway, with a sidewalk on each side of the tracks. Electric lights are to be placed every three feet in the tunnel, thus making it practically as light as day, and with a dividing railing to forestall accidents to pedestrians. A system of block signals and electric connections prevents any train from entering the tunnel while another train is on the same track.

Each train will be hauled through by one of the new electric motors similar in plan to the ones used in the New York tunnel, and only engines whose tires are dead will be allowed to pass through. One end of the tunnel is at Detroit and the other entrance is situated at Windsor street.

The construction of the work cost the road over \$10,000,000, but the officials consider that they will be amply repaid. It will shorten their line into Chicago from New York by forty minutes and will make possible for them the running of a six-hour train. Also there will be no more holding of trains at Detroit because of fear of ice blocking the river.

G. E. Willebrand, agent of the Michigan Central and New York Central lines in Omaha, made an inspection of the tunnel the last time he was east.

"It is undoubtedly one of the greatest engineering feats of modern times and is one of the finest works of its kind in the world. The difficulties that the engineers surmounted in the building would fill an interesting book."

"For instance, the quicksand in the river was very bad in several places. The huge tubes which were to form the walls of the tunnel were cased in a cement construction, and then the section of the tunnel let down and joined still sealed to the one already laid. When the cementing was taken away the tubes were seen to fit almost exactly."

HYMENEAL. Porter-Chavez. HUMBOLDT, Neb., Sept. 10.—(Special.)—Fred F. Porter of North Bend and Mrs. Lillian Chavez of Omaha were united in marriage Monday at the home of Mrs. Laura Campbell in this city, where the bride was visiting. They will live in North Bend.

Berns May Retire. VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 10.—As a result of injuries received in the Labor Day Lacrosse game between Vancouver and New Westminster, Tommy Burns, former heavyweight champion pugilist of the world, will retire from the ring. He matched with Sam Langford for a bout in London, the winner to meet Jack Johnson here, either in England or Australia. During the game on Monday Burns strained a tendon in his right knee.

LUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE

Continuance of Former Mixed Condition of Industry.

LARGE AMOUNT OF BUSINESS

Marginal Between Cost and Selling Price Narrowed and in Some Cases Leads to Suspension of Operations.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade today says:

There is a continuance of former mixed conditions of trade and industry, which is less pronounced in productive sections than in the distributing markets. It shows most clearly in the speculative and financial centers, which are exceedingly sensitive to political influences. But in spite of the reaction, a vast aggregate of business is being carried on, making a really high average of transactions.

The profit of commerce is, however, not so evident as its volume, the margin between cost and selling price being narrowed and leading in some cases, notably in cotton spinning, to suspension of operations. While conversations among buyers makes for purchases limited to current needs, yet there is no sign of any abating of confidence, the crowd are turning out much better than was feared, the banks are in a secure position and there is for the most part a more optimistic feeling as to the immediate future, in spite of the approach of the conventional critical elections.

Distribution Steady. Reports from the leading jobbers of dry goods indicate a steadier distribution, but the volume of business is still below that of recent active years. Mills making cotton goods are still conservative in their desire to operate at capacity, and certainly are going on steadily. Some export business is being done with Australia, the Philippines and South America, but trade with the far east is very dull. Dress gingham prices for spot orders are still quiet, the week on a whole plans suggestive of an intention on the part of large producers to secure a large margin of safety.

Close margin. Distinct improvement is noted in the demand for silks and the yarn trade is entirely quiet. Most reports come from the west, where unprecedented marketing of cereals at good prices helps trade collections at home southwest cities have returned home, but traveling men's orders are better.

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BRIEF CITY NEWS

Have Root Print It. Gas Fix-res—Burrus-Granden Co. Take Your Printing to the Times. Last Dry Cleaning of garments. Two City Dye Works, 407 South Fifteenth.

Dr. W. B. Slater, Dentist, has offices at 405-501 City National Bank Building.

Oppenheim Maintenance Parties more 234-7-2-10 City. Bank Bldg. Sept. 15.

When You Have Sides, Wool or Fur, bring them to J. S. Smith & Co. Highest Pricers, honest treaters. 1214 Jones St.

Edie honey earns no dividends. Investment in the Neb. Savings & Loan Ass'n pays 5% per annum. 1905 Farnam Street, Board of Trade Building, Omaha.

Bromwell Has New Job—Tom N. Bromwell, formerly salesman for Guy Smith, has taken a position as head salesman for the H. E. Fredrickson Automobile company. Mr. Bromwell is recognized as one of the best salesmen in the business.

Season Precinct Divided—Benson precinct has been divided into two voting precincts with two separate polling places. This was done by the Board of County Commissioners upon request of citizens of the precinct, who said that one set of judges and clerks of election was not able to handle the ballots of the 700 Voters.

A Horrible Death. Results from decaying lungs. Cure Coughs and Weak Lungs with Dr. King's New Discovery. 50c and \$1.00. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

The Key to the Situation—Bee Want Ads.

Chinese Students Arrive—Seventy Chinese students will pass through Omaha Tuesday evening on their way to Boston and other eastern points, where they are to attend school the coming year. These

Developments of week have been largely favorable.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Bradstreet's today says:

Developments of the week have been largely favorable, including as they have better weather, a steady decline in prices of distribution of fall goods by jobbers and retailers at most markets, more cheerful reports from business circles in the west, some resumption of textile mills until recently shut down, a reaction in the number of reports of export trade, and leading farm products, due to better crop reports and larger movement, leading to the hope of resumption of export trade in financial circles there is little apparent gain in activity of strength, owing largely to a continuance of political activity, the rapid reaction of money supplies at the country's banking center, and the fear of a pinch in supplies later, with possible effect upon rates.

The enlargement in jobbing and retail trade is not entirely uniform. Most reports come from the west, where unprecedented marketing of cereals at good prices helps trade collections at home southwest cities have returned home, but traveling men's orders are better.

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Railroad Liked Graft in Repair

Officials Refused to Act on Information by Bookkeeper for the Ostermann Company.

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—Officials of the Illinois Central railroad refused to act on information given by Fred G. Peck, a former bookkeeper of the Ostermann Manufacturing

company, according to his testimony here today in the car repair graft case in the municipal court. Peck testified that after his discharge by Ostermann he went to William Henshaw, superintendent of machinery of the Illinois Central, and volunteered to show that official how the company could save \$50,000 annually in its car repairs. Henshaw replied he "knew all about the car repair business and could not be told anything about it by an outsider."

In his testimony today Peck did not directly implicate Frank B. Harriman, Charles L. Ewing or John M. Taylor, the three Illinois Central officials who are on trial.

New Station Opens—September 23 has been set as the opening date of the new New York passenger station of the Pennsylvania line by Samuel Moody, general passenger traffic manager of that road. It promises to be one of the big events in the history of the eastern railroads. Invitations have been sent to all the passenger officials on the roads in the United States to attend the opening. After the formalities of the opening are over a luncheon to the railroad men and the distinguished visitors present is to be given at the Waldorf Astoria.

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