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STORAGE MEN ARE HARD HIT

Prices of Butter and Eggs Palled Down in Recent Days.

STUFF GOING AT HEAVY LOSS

Dealers Predict Reduction in Cost of Living that Will Be of Some Consequence—Many Are Involved.

Butter, eggs and other kinds of stuff on the provision market have been taking hard tumbles in Council Bluffs within the last few days and some of the local grocers and commission men have been hard hit. Cold storage eggs have been selling from 13 to 15 cents a dozen and the best grade of country butter was offered yesterday by the retailers at 20 cents per pound.

What Dealer Thinks.

"Eternal justice never found greater opportunities for evening up than at the present time," said a Broadway commission merchant yesterday. "We are being besieged by every mail and by telegrams in the interim to take consignments of cold storage stuff offered by dealers in other places. Each seems to think he must unload his stuff on markets outside his own town. Millions of dollars have already been lost and millions more are certain to be by the men who have been engaged for the last year in cornering the provision market. Their tears of distress ought to make the angels weep."

The Craze to Boost the Necessaries of Life and Prey upon the Consumer has Invaded Every Section.

Grocers in every town have put stuff in cold storage expecting to realize big profits. They have consequently had nothing to buy from the big city fellows and the big fellows have had to unload wherever they could find a market. "This has hammered down the prices all over the country and the low figure has not been reached. They are now offering butter and eggs that have been in storage for two or three and even five years. The stuff has been kept at a temperature of 27 degrees, below freezing, and, although it looks good, it cannot be wholesome or even fit for anything else than a canine appetite. The relief the people have hoped for is coming rapidly."

ASKS RECEIVER FOR COMPANY

L. C. Besley of This City Requests President George W. Hewitt to Give an Accounting.

A receiver was yesterday asked for the Iowa Mortgage and Trust company and an accounting by its president, George W. Hewitt, and subsequent court proceedings which will wind up the business of the concern. The plaintiff in the suit filed in the district court is L. C. Besley of Council Bluffs, who states that he holds fourteen shares of the corporation's stock, representing an investment of \$1,600. The Iowa Mortgage and Trust company was organized here by local capitalists and incorporated February 17, 1904. The organization work and the principal management of the concern were under the management of Mr. Hewitt, who was a well known local lawyer. The company did a large business and acquired property and had investments in various parts of the state, but principally in the vicinity of Council Bluffs. The plaintiff in the suit alleges that Hewitt was the last president to be elected and qualified, and that a year ago he notified the secretary of state that the corporation had voted to dissolve and surrender its franchise, but asserts that Hewitt had previously moved the general offices of the company to Chicago. Mr. Besley alleges that Hewitt has the stock books and all of the other books of the company, making it impossible to discover the names of other stockholders who might join him in the application for a receiver. He also alleges that Hewitt declines to make any accounting or statement of the business, but asserts that the company has a large amount of real estate and other assets.

BURLESQUE FAIR MAKES HIT

Audience Witnessing Contest Laughs at the Many Humorous Stunts.

A burlesque county fair was given at the Young Men's Christian association last night before an audience of 300 people. The burlesque opened with a Ruben's march and closed with a chariot race. Among the events were an impromptu march, some tumbling, a horse race, a duck race, a duel between two knights on horseback that was worth while viewing. The tumbling met with great applause. The burlesque on indoor base ball was the hit of the evening, especially the end, when the umpire was mobbed by all the players.

This was the first of a series of humorous stunts to be given by the Council Bluffs Young Men's Christian association.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers were reported to The Bee, February 2, by the Pottawattamie County Abstract and Record Office: Council Bluffs: B. P. Triplett and party, s. w. 1/4 of sec. 16, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,000; Haines, s. w. 1/4 and part s. w. 1/4, sec. 16, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,200; Nettie Woodward and party, s. w. 1/4 and part s. w. 1/4, sec. 16, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,200; Irene Butler, part s. w. 1/4 and s. w. 1/4, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,200; B. C. Barlow to H. E. Coker, lot 1 in block 4, in Van Brunt & Rice's addition to Council Bluffs, la., s. e. 1/4 of sec. 25, and 1/2 of sec. 26, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,000; William Moore, trustee, and wife to Jerry Burke, lot 150, in Belmont addition to Council Bluffs, la., s. e. 1/4 of sec. 25, and 1/2 of sec. 26, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,000; R. C. Vrooman and wife to Ethel E. Jones, east 1/2 of west 1/4 of lot 2 in block 3, in Everett's addition to Council Bluffs, la., s. e. 1/4 of sec. 25, and 1/2 of sec. 26, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,000; County treasurer to Benjamin-Fair Real Estate Co., s. d. 1/4 of lot 2 in block 25, and 1/2 of sec. 26, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,000; Council Bluffs, la., s. e. 1/4 of sec. 25, and 1/2 of sec. 26, T. 28 N., R. 18 W., \$1,000. His transfers, total \$10,400. N. T. Plumbach, Co. Tr., 256 Night L. 1782.

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Minor Mention

The Council Bluffs office of The Omaha Tea is at 15 South street. Both phones 43.

Davis, drugs.

Cortigans, undertakers. Phones 142.

FAUST BEER AT ROGERS' BUFFET.

Majestic ranges, P. C. De Vol HUDW. Co.

Woodring Undertaking company. Tel. 233.

Lewis Catter, funeral director. Phone 81.

Pure blackberry juice and Virginia Dare wine, J. J. Klein Co.

WANTED—reliable girl for general housework. See Fifth avenue.

Pyrographic outfits and supplies. Fauble Art Shop, formerly Alexander's.

Nursing mothers should drink Anheuser-Busch malt. Rosenfeld Liquor Co., 319 E. Main street.

Have your glasses fitted or repaired by J. W. Terry, optician, 411 Broadway, office with George Gerber.

Free Printing Co., new location, 321 and 252 W. B-way. Phones 206. Mail and phone calls answered in person.

The E. A. Pierce & Co. shoe store is now open for business at their new location, 323 West Broadway, between Pearl and Sixth streets.

Secretary Eastman of the Young Men's Christian association went to Des Moines yesterday, where he delivers an address in the interest of association work.

O. B. Torrey gave a lecture on scouting to the boy scouts at the Council Bluffs Young Men's Christian association last evening. About thirty-five boy scouts were present.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Cherniss received a telegram yesterday from Los Angeles advising them that a baby girl had been born to Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Cherniss, their son and daughter-in-law.

The funeral of Mrs. Stratton will be held this morning at 9 o'clock at the residence of her sister, Mrs. H. F. Keller, 1404 Avenue H. Rev. Edgar Price of the First Christian church will officiate.

Justice Cooper yesterday married F. Jacobs and Emma Jackson, both of South Omaha, and Justice Joseph posted the same services for Elsie Maguire of Stockville, Neb., and Mary E. Moore of Council Bluffs.

Judge Thornell yesterday stopped the trial of a suit brought by Mrs. Mary Walsh against the Droge Elevator company and directed a verdict for the defendant. Only a small amount, about \$10, was involved.

City warrants to the amount of \$4,000 were issued and mostly paid in January. This makes a new record for one month since the city went upon a cash basis. Many of the warrants went to contractors for special assessments.

The little daughter of District Court Clerk Harry Brown has so far recovered from an attack of diphtheria that the quarantine has been raised and Mr. Brown can once more enter his home and talk to his many admirers without using the telephone or signaling through a window glass.

At the meeting of the Citizens' Improvement club, held in the city hall last evening, it was decided to hold the next on Thursday evening, February 17. The proposal to amend the constitution changing the number required for a quorum was not completed and went over until the next meeting.

The Board of County Supervisors, accompanied by Auditor Hannan, went into the district yesterday covered by the proposed Nishnabotna drainage ditch and spent the day listening to the protests and approval of the landowners and viewing the situation from the face of nature instead of the surfaces of plans and blue prints. It was not learned last night whether the work was completed.

Mrs. Julia Bode, aged 25 years, wife of John F. Bode, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Gentil, died yesterday at her home, 304 Avenue A, after an illness of more than one year from tuberculosis. Her father, who is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Mabel Robinson of San Francisco and Misses Neva and Nita, both at home, and one brother, Leon T. Gentil, of Chicago.

Judge Thornell in the district court yesterday considered the case of the Iowa Furniture company against George C. Berry, an employe of the Union Pacific. The case was appealed to the district court from a local justice's findings and involved a question of the right of garnishment where an unmarried man has financial responsibilities to others. Judge Thornell took the matter under advisement.

The city council failed to get anywhere near a quorum for the adjourned meeting called for yesterday afternoon. Alderman Minick was out of town, Alderman Harding is sick and the other aldermen forgot about it. Alderman Younkerman, who is acting mayor in the absence of Mayor Maloney, was the only member present. The council was to meet to assess sidewalks and other specials for Contractors Wickham and Nelson.

The body of Mrs. Ida May Franks, who died at Randolph, Neb., on Wednesday from peritonitis, was brought here yesterday for burial, and was taken to the Webster mortuary awaiting arrangements for the funeral. The deceased formerly lived in Council Bluffs, where a number of her relatives still reside. She is survived by her husband, Jacob Franks, four sons and one daughter. Three of the sons, and one daughter, are in the army. Her daughter, Mrs. Nettie Smith, resides here.

W. B. Smith, the young shoe clerk accused of wholesale stealing from the City shoe store, was arraigned in police court yesterday and took a change of venue to Justice Cooper. The date for the hearing was not fixed. Smith's attorney, Colonel John Lindt, made an ineffectual appeal to Mr. Pierce to stop the prosecution. Mr. Pierce said there were still four men in Council Bluffs whom he could send to the penitentiary for thefts committed while they were in his employ and he thought it was about time to make an example for future dishonest clerks.

The basket ball game between the South Omaha representative Young Men's Christian association team and the local reorganized Young Men's Christian association big five promises to be a good contest, as thus far the boys from packer town have not as yet met defeat and they are in fine fettle for the game. Captain Herricks of the "Y" squad promises a most interesting forty minutes and they with the team that now is wearing the "Rep" caps. The lineup for the local Young Men's Christian association, follows: Fred, left forward; Frank Thomas, center; Dory Gray, right guard; Arch Hutchinson, left forward.

In preparation for the removal of the Commercial National bank from its present location to the ground floor of the Sapp block, the real estate offices of Macalister, Canning & Co. and Charles Paschel were last evening moved into the Clark building on the corner of Broadway and Main street. The lease of the Northwestern ticket office room, to be occupied by the bank, does not expire until June, but the real estate men had to move to permit the changes required to be made in the room, which will probably result in changing the elevator to the front and the construction of the bank's vault where the elevator is now located. The Northwestern Railway company has leased the building now occupied by the Elks' dining theater, adjoining the Sapp block, and will occupy the new location in June.

Dr. C. H. Bower, city health physician, filed last evening his monthly report of contagious diseases for January. The report shows seven cases of diphtheria and three of scarlet fever, all mild, and no deaths; four cases of typhoid fever, and one death; an unusual number of patients attacked with pneumonia and three deaths. The report is very incomplete, owing to the fact that very few physicians are in the habit of requiring physicians to contribute the necessary data to make the vital statistics complete. It is believed that the value of the local health officers go around and get such information as the physicians happen to remember at the time or choose to give. The total number of deaths from all causes in the city during the month was thirty-two. While the record shows three cases of pneumonia and three deaths it is known that the number is greater.

Yesterday was groundhog day. From the moment the sun rose until it disappeared in the west there was not a moment in Council Bluffs that the terra-porcine could have seen his shadow by the rules that govern the venerable and sacred superstition that part of the earth is commanded by unassailable law to suffer six weeks more of winter. "It is funny," said a local deliver into superlatives, "that so many people retain such commanding respect for this ancient myth and so few

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of the so-called thinkers stop to analyze it. Let me state all there is in the groundhog theory in another and simpler form: "If the first day of the week falls on a Sunday the last day of that week will be Saturday. There can be no mistake about it. Neither is there about the groundhog story. The sun leaves the winter solstice on March 20 and winter ends. From February 2 to March 20 there is an interval of six weeks and some days. All of the venerated superstitions of mankind are very simple and quite harmless when analyzed."

A. L. English, manager of the Citizens' Gas and Electric Light company, will leave today for the Pacific coast to take the first vacation in the midst of his unusually busy life. He has enjoyed for twenty years. He will be accompanied by Mrs. English, and for the next thirty days will forget such things as gas making and electric fixings. He will go direct from Council Bluffs to Portland, Ore., and after spending a short time there will proceed to San Francisco. When tired of the wind, sand, heat and real estate promoters there he will proceed to Los Angeles. At both of the latter places Mr. and Mrs. English have relatives who fortunately have no connections with gas plants and electric business, and as there are no conventions of light magnates scheduled for any of the places to be visited within the period of their stay they will have ample opportunity to rest, with nothing in their environment to worry them. Returning they will travel over the shortest route and see the southland at its best period.

Water Works Experts Examining System Before Valuing Plant

Men for City and for Receiver Get Busy Getting Data on Which to Base.

Clinton S. Burns, the city's waterworks expert, has spent the last two days in making a physical examination of the distributing system of the local water plant. Many holes have been sunk in various parts of town for the purpose of exposing the pipes. While workmen were engaged in digging through the frozen earth, Mr. Burns, City Engineer Enryns and Alderman Younkerman were testing the pressure of the fire hydrants. The department warren with an equipment of connections, nozzles and pressure gauges carried the party to the desired points and the tests were quickly made. Records of the pressure with various sized nozzles were kept for each hydrant tested. No information was given out, but Alderman Younkerman said there was no improvement in the pressure since the time he made a similar examination two years ago, and reported many deficiencies.

Yesterday afternoon the party embarked in an automobile hired by Younkerman and made a general inspection of the fire hydrants, noting their condition of service ability, their location in relation to the street curb and their elevation with reference to the established grade. These records will also form a material part of the evidence the city will submit to the court of condemnation to sustain its valuation of the plant. Alderman Younkerman said yesterday that Mr. Burns is making the most careful examination of every portion of the plant and when it is finished he will have pretty nearly complete knowledge of its actual physical condition.

The experts employed by the water company are equally busy, but have not begun the physical examination. Engineer Benzecze Williams is considering the inventory made by Mr. Phillips two years ago and which he is now checking up. Mr. Williams will likewise make a full examination to disclose the physical condition of the plant, especially the distribution system, which will present the sidefield for differences of opinion. It is probable that he will take out a section or two of pipe to show its condition in court. At the present rate of progress the evi-

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dence will be collected by both sides and ready for submission when the court convenes on February 14.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to the following named persons: Name and Residence. Age. C. P. Arm, Geneseo, Ill., 31; Lettie May Kuykendall, Rock Hill, Neb., 30; J. Ackerman, Oakland, Ia., 28; Clara Bystone, Omaha, 25; Benton B. Smith, Marshall, Tenn., 23; Louise Eamick, Omaha, 23; F. Jacobs, Omaha, 23; Emma Jackson, Omaha, 23; Elsie Maguire, Stockville, Neb., 22; Mary E. Moore, Council Bluffs, 20; Peter Zlevad, Des Moines, 17; Sadie Johnson, Des Moines, 15; Joseph W. James, Omaha, 26; Lettie Elizabeth Cummins, Omaha, 21.

NO MONEY FOR RAISING MAINE

Original Appropriation for Work Will Be Exhausted in Four Days—Men Are Discharged.

HAVANA, Feb. 2.—A series of crises has been reached in the work of raising the Maine. Of the original appropriation there remains barely sufficient to continue the work for four days. Already expert engineers and skilled workmen have been discharged and unless the additional appropriation is made immediately available the elaborate organization will be destroyed, involving great financial sacrifice and indefinite delay in the work.

Advertisement for Washburn-Crosby Co. Gold Medal Flour. Features a large image of a flour sack and the text 'Washburn-Crosby Co. Gold Medal Flour. Why Not Now?'.

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A DUTY you owe to yourself, is to save something for a rainy day. BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT DUTY FOR A FATHER OR MOTHER is to prepare their children for the future by properly and thoroughly educating them. NO CHILD'S EDUCATION IS COMPLETE WITHOUT SOME KNOWLEDGE OF MUSIC. During the month of February we offer SUCH GREAT PIANO BARGAINS in our

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To illustrate the bargains we are offering in nearly as good as new Pianos, we quote the following prices. Every Piano is in first class condition, and is positively guaranteed to be just as is represented by whomsoever it is shown.

Table listing various piano models and their prices, such as Kohler & Chase mahogany case for \$75, Smith & Barnes walnut case for \$175, etc.

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For the next thirty days we will quote prices on new, high grade standard Pianos that are so low as to amaze and astonish every dealer in the west. We are absolutely certain that Nebraskans have never before been offered SUCH WONDROUS SAVINGS in their Piano purchases.

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