

## BRIEF CITY NEWS.

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Dr. Horton, Dentist, 437 City Nat'l Bank.  
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**Stitchers to Hold Social**—Stitchers' union, No. 1, will hold its annual stag social Saturday night at Met's hall.  
**Pearl Brown Wants Divorce**—Pearl Brown has filed suit for divorce in the district court against Henry E. Brown.  
**The Way is Open** through the Neb. Savings & Loan Ass'n. to start a fund to buy a home; pays 6% per annum; 100 Farnham. Board of Trade Building.

**The Bankers Savings and Loan Association** have moved to their new quarters in the Douglas block, sixteenth and Dodge, and are ready to make loans to home builders.  
**Improvement Club to Meet**—A meeting of the Twelfth ward improvement club will be held tonight at 519 North Thirtieth street. Committee for the year will be organized.

**Omaha Firm Lands Big Contract**—In competition with fifteen other bidders, P. J. Cresson & Sons Tuesday were awarded the contract to erect a \$50,000 high school at Nebraska City.

**Builders Exchange Ready for Business**—The Omaha Builders' exchange, which was moved, one week ago from the Elks' building to the sixth floor of the Barker block, is about located in its new quarters.

**Bryan is Bound Over**—J. L. Bryan, charged with having attacked and robbed John Rupp, proprietor of a pool hall, about a week ago, waived preliminary examination in police court Wednesday. Bryan was bound over to district court under \$50 bonds.

**Several Divorces Granted**—The following divorces were granted in district court Tuesday: James Gladwin from Ruth Gladwin; Agnes Dargatzis from John Dargatzis; Kitty Cook from Waldo H. Cook; Charles J. Spahn from Stella Spahn; Lillian McNamee from John McNamee.

**Prepare for Big Sale**—So great is the bankrupt stock recently bought in Philadelphia by James Hayden for the firm of Hayden Bros. that it is quite a problem to find room for it all in the store. As a consequence Hayden Bros. have made arrangements to utilize some of the immense sidewalk space around the store Saturday when the sale starts.

**Church Club Boys Entertained**—The Young Men's Christian association entertained over twenty of the Junior Boys' club of the Walnut Hill Methodist church Tuesday evening. The boys were given the freedom of the gym and enjoyed themselves for three-quarters of an hour on the various apparatus and by playing basketball. Then followed a picnic in the pool, which was appreciated by the boys more than anything else on the program. Kidding up with a good rub-down, the boys dressed and took advantage of the game rooms.

## CONNELL IN AN AUTO TANGLE

Health Commissioner and Connell Confused Over Terms of Purchase of Car.

Dr. R. W. Connell, health commissioner, can have an automobile, costing not to exceed \$500, if he will dismiss one inspector and cut the expenses of his department, says the city council.

"If I get an automobile I will not need to make a contemplated increase in my force by one man," declared Dr. Connell.

The difference of the salaries of two men thus stand as the burden of disagreement between the council and the health commissioner. Dr. Connell says that he has been misunderstood by the council in that he promised to get along without increasing his force if he got an automobile, rather than to reduce it to get one.

## FANCY FOWLS ARE BURNED

Two Hundred Chickens Are Destroyed by Blast in Barn—Set by Provokers.

A fire which is thought to have been started by provokers destroyed a barn in the rear of 3015 Pratt street and more than 200 thoroughbred chickens owned by Thomas Golden, a mail carrier, were burned. The barn was a one and one-half story frame structure, owned by the Pinkerton Brothers Realty company. Golden occupied part of it for living quarters. He saved part of his furniture and a cow. Golden could not estimate his loss. He had no insurance.

## COUNCIL IN SPECIAL MEETING

Passes Appropriation Bills and Also Awards Plumbing Contract on Jail to Kestler.

In an adjourned session of the city council Wednesday morning, the bills for the month of February were approved and an appropriation ordinance passed. The council also awarded the job of installing new plumbing in the city jail to C. H. Kestler, whose bid of \$500 was low among six bids.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued:

Name and Residence.	Age.
William H. Witt, Omaha.	23
Edna Garmon, Omaha.	19
James J. Edmundson, Omaha.	19
Jennie J. Burns, Omaha.	19
George Comas, Omaha.	24
Russell Glandt, Omaha.	18
Joseph J. Swanson, Lyons.	21
Laura Larson, Lyons.	21
Albert Brady, Savannah.	29
Cordeila M. Howard, Halston.	31
Alfred Johnson, Centerville.	31
Mary Johnson, Beresford.	24
Just O. Carlson, Omaha.	25
Ole Peterson, Omaha.	22
John P. Krebs, Florence.	21
Katherine Kestler, Florence.	18

## BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

**BIRTHS**—J. B. and Marie Carey, 225 North Nineteenth, girl; Frank and Edna Hockett, 184 North Twenty-second, boy; William and Edna Riggs, 1241 Milam, girl; Thomas and Anna Proctor, 2418 Parker, boy; James and Marie Tedesco, 361 South Twenty-first, girl; Harry and Rose Miller, 211 Central boulevard, boy; Henry and Lillian Fox, 201 Hamilton, boy; R. W. and Edna Wadeham, 419 South Twenty-fourth, boy.  
**Deaths**—Johanna M. Anderson, 66 Swedish mission Alice Brown, 31, 243 Patrick avenue; Josephine Zidert, 37, 317 Washington avenue; Samuel Schmitt, 73, 217 Pierce; Walter Smith, 62, 415 South Twenty-eighth avenue.

## Building Permits.

Thomas W. Mason, 210 Corby street, frame dwelling, \$1,500; Louis Ackerman, 118 Douglas street, brick store, \$5,000; R. A. Allen, 422 Corby street, porch, \$500; Ervin E. Nielsen, 611 Douglas street, frame dwelling, \$2,000; Anna M. Nielsen, 278 Capitol avenue, frame, \$2,500; Mrs. C. W. Nash, 40 South Twentieth street, alterations, \$2,000; W. E. Standeven, 233 Martha street, frame dwelling, \$2,000.

## PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mrs. Mary Johnson and Miss Viola Johnson have been visiting at the home of J. C. Johnson, 31 Madison street. They returned to their home at Minneapolis this morning.  
J. M. Nealey, county treasurer of Thomas county, was in Omaha Wednesday. Mr. Nealey is boasting hard for Thomas county and declares that it is a coming part of the state.

## LAYS PLANS FOR TROUBLE

City Council Has Sown Seed for Litigation in the Gas Case.

## CONFLICT IN GAS CONTRACTS

Resolution Calls for Bids for Three Years and Specifications Put the Time as Running for Five Years.

The city council planted another seed, which is likely to bear fruit in the shape of court litigation, when it passed the resolution asking for bids for street lighting with gas, according to Attorney W. J. Connell.

In the resolution a direct conflict exists as to the time the contract is to run. Section 1 of the document stipulates that the city of Omaha will receive bids based on specifications on file for equipment and gas, including maintenance and care for street lighting, either separately or combined, for a period of three years.

The specifications, which are a part of the measure, provides that the work to be done under these specifications shall consist of furnishing all the materials and all labor and equipment necessary to light with gas the streets of Omaha during the contract period of three years, beginning on the date of award of the contract.

The question was raised Wednesday morning as to which requirement should maintain. Of the four bids opened by the city council Tuesday night, three were submitted on the proposition of furnishing street lighting for three years, while the Omaha Street Lighting company, a new organization, who seeks to furnish equipment and maintenance, submitted its offer on a five-year basis.

A difference of opinion exists among lawyers and city hall officials. Assistant City Attorney Dunn contends that the three year provision should maintain as the resolution was framed around this time. City Clerk Dan Butler is of the opinion that the five year period will hold, if any does, as the bids were made or supposed to be according to the specifications.

## Both Cannot Prevail.

All agree, however, that both cannot prevail and that either the bid of the Omaha Street Lighting company or the bids of the Omaha Gas and the American Street Lighting company of Baltimore, who bid on the three-year proposition, will have to be thrown out.

That a serious blunder was made when the city council let the direct conflict slip through is agreed to by all who have studied the resolution. It has been suggested that the only thing to do is to throw out all bids and pass another resolution.

When shown the resolution Wednesday morning Assistant City Attorney Dunn stated that he believed the three-year proposition will hold. "But," he said, "the conflict is a serious blunder which could easily have been avoided."

"There is no earthly excuse for such a conflict. All the members of the council would have had to do would have been to read the resolution through and the discrepancy would have been plainly discovered."

## Resolution is Passed.

The resolution was introduced by Councilman Johnson and passed by unanimous vote, after a resolution drawn by City Attorney Rine was thrown into the discard. Gas Commissioner Crowley was concerned in drawing up the amended resolution and submitted the terms of it to the council before the resolution was put in supposed legal shape.

"There is a conflict, sure," said Attorney W. J. Connell Wednesday morning. "As to which period will maintain is simply a question of law. But it looks to me as though the city council has planted another seed which is likely to result in litigation if the contract is awarded on this resolution."

## Rush to Prosecute

## Coal Land Frauds

Special Assistant Attorney General Will Appear in Action at Seattle.

Sylvester R. Rush, special assistant attorney general, has gone to Seattle, Wash., where he will be engaged during the next three months prosecuting the coal land fraud cases. These are similar to the Deuel land cases recently tried in Omaha, resulting in the conviction of George E. Townsend. Arguments for a new trial in the Townsend case have been taken under advisement by Judge Thomas C. Munger, and if in the meantime a new trial is granted it cannot be taken up until after Mr. Rush returns from the coast.

## The Seattle cases involve thousands of acres of valuable coal land in Alaska.

A number of persons have been indicted for using straw entrimen to defraud the government out of this land, exactly in the same fashion alleged to have been employed by Townsend and others associated with him. The only difference is that the Townsend case involved two homesteaded acres, while the Alaska coal land indictment mentions about 800 alleged straw entrimen.

## ERYSIPELAS PATIENT

## GOES TO COUNTY HOSPITAL

Room is Finally Provided for Him on Recommendation of County Physicians.

Thomas Kelly, who was a prisoner in the county jail suffering from erysipelas for several days, has been admitted to the county hospital after a spirited session by the county commissioners. The action grew out of the recommendation made by County Physician McCann. Dr. DeLaney caused the man to be barred from the hospital originally, holding that the showing made by the county commissioners, the action grew out of the recommendation made by County Physician McCann.

## ARCANUM LODGE HEAD HERE

C. H. Bowen, Supreme Councilor, is Entertained by Local Members of the Order.

Clovis H. Bowen, supreme councilor of the Royal Arcanum lodge, was in Omaha Tuesday and was entertained at dinner by the local Omaha organization and a reception was given in the evening for him at the Metropolitan hall. Mr. Bowen came here from his home in Pawtucket, R. I., and is making a tour of the country.  
A large number of the 1,000 members of the four councils in Omaha and South Omaha were in attendance at the reception. Mr. Bowen declared that the showing made by Omaha was excellent, and talked on points pertaining to the general welfare of the order.

## "Died of Pneumonia"

is never written of those who cure coughs and colds with Dr. King's New Discovery. Guaranteed. 50c and \$1. For sale by Nealey Drug Co.

## Real Estate Men

## Offer Reward for Plumbing Thieves

Exchange Puts Price on Heads of Plunderers—Breen Explains the Commission Bill.

So many houses belonging to and under the care of members of the Omaha Real Estate exchange have recently been stripped of their plumbing by petty thieves, that at the weekly meeting, Wednesday, on motion of E. H. Holland, it was decided to offer a reward of \$50 for the arrest and conviction of such persons.

John P. Breen, who drew the commission plan bill for the Ad club, which was presented simultaneously in the senate and house Monday, spoke on the proposed change in city government.

He said the provisions of the bill which had been drafted for Nebraska did not differ greatly from that of the Galveston plan, but that there were certain differences.

The bill provides that cities of 100,000 or more in population shall be governed by seven men. When these men have been elected by Australian ballot and not by voting machines they shall select the mayor of the city from among themselves. This is a distinct departure.

Any qualified citizen may become a candidate for one of the seven councilmen by paying \$10 upon the filing of a petition signed by 100 voters in cities the size of Omaha or twenty-five voters in smaller cities. Ten days before the primary election is given for the filing of candidates.

At the primary election seven men are voted for out of the whole number. The fourteen men with the most votes are then the candidates at the regular election held thirty days later. Again seven men are voted for and the seven with the most votes are declared elected.

If the proposition to adopt the commission plan is defeated then any city must wait two years before again putting it to a vote of the people.

It is also provided in the bill that no one unless physically unable shall be accompanied to the voting booth. Even those unfamiliar with the English language must do the best they can. In speaking on this matter Mr. Breen said:  
"More than ninety-nine out of 100 men who ask for aid do not need it. I do not mean to disfranchise any one, but I do mean to protect the city against corruption."

## Mrs. C. E. Fanning Dies at Hospital

Wife of Omaha Paving Contractor Succumbs After Four Months of Illness.

After an illness of four months, Mrs. Ellen Fanning, wife of Charles E. Fanning, paving contractor, died at the Clark hospital at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning. Mrs. Fanning was 58 years old and had lived in Omaha for twenty-eight years. She is survived by two married daughters and a brother, William Gray, besides her husband. The daughters are Mrs. Ada Borsheim and Mrs. George Atkins.

Mrs. Fanning was born in Washington, D. C. It is expected the body will be taken to that city Friday or Saturday for burial in the Congressional cemetery.

## HYMENEAL.

## Comas-Gandt.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Gandt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gandt, to George Comas, was celebrated Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, 3923 North Twenty-third street. Father Harvala performed the ceremony. Miss Alma Suris was the bridesmaid. Miss Mary Beshlian was the ring bearer. Nicholas Petrow acted as best man. About forty guests attended the wedding, which was followed by a large reception. Mr. and Mrs. Comas will be at home at Sixteenth and Chicago streets.

## Stores Celebrated Book Beer.

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## THOUSAND BREAKING TAX LAW

Nebraska Corporations Delinquent in Filing Annual Reports.

## HAMMOND WILL PROSECUTE

Collector of Internal Revenue Proposes to Invoke Aid of the Law—Drastic Measures Are Provided.

More than 1,000 Nebraska corporations must answer to Ross Hammond, internal revenue collector, for neglecting to file annual income reports in accordance with the corporation tax law. This is the last day of filing for the fiscal year.

Unless the delinquent corporations comply with regulations prosecutions will follow. The law provides that every corporation shall pay a tax of 1 per cent on incomes of \$5,000 and over, the amount of the tax to be determined by the reports filed. There is a rigid provision in the law for delinquencies.

Some corporations do not enjoy an income of \$5,000, but these are required to make reports in the internal revenue collector just the same. Failure to do so makes them just as liable as delinquents having an income of \$5,000 or over. It is suspected that a large number of the delinquents are corporations not earning that much. At any rate all will have their attention called to the fact that reports must be forthcoming, and further delays will result seriously.

There are 3,000 corporations doing business in Nebraska and up to the close of business hours Tuesday all but 1,500 had made their reports. Some came in Wednesday, but there are still more than 1,000 delinquents. On account of the rush attending the close of the fiscal year the clerical force in Collector Hammond's office has been extraordinarily busy during the last few days.

The 3,000 corporations in Nebraska bring in revenue amounting to about \$25,000 annually. In the United States the aggregate income collections average \$20,000,000.

## Moving Picture

## Men Organized

Notify City Council They Are Ready to Co-operate in Regulation of Theaters.

With a strong organization and definite plans of action devised, the motion picture theater proprietors of Omaha, now stand ready to fight or assist the city council in its regulation of theaters. This information was given out to members of the city council Wednesday, when officers of the newly formed organization announced it was ready to invite any action the council wishes to take, and to confer with the city fathers.

The league is called the Nebraska Moving Picture Protective association. It was organized last week, with a membership of about twenty-five theaters. The purpose as announced in the by-laws, is to aid in good theater legislation and to protect the theaters against improper laws. The mayor and city clerk have been formally notified of the league.

## Connell Attacks

## Ouster Evidence

Lawyer for Defense of Chief of Police Submits Motions—Shields on the Stand.

Upon the resumption of the ouster hearing proceedings against Chief Donahue Wednesday morning in the city hall, Attorney Connell for the defense submitted motions seeking to strike out evidence offered by the state, which he contended was immaterial and irrelevant.

Though not succeeding in getting the ruling of the referee in his favor, Connell claims that he has paved the way to kill "the rubbish" by which he designates the evidence offered against the chief.

Arthur Shields, secretary to the chief, was again placed on the stand and identified letters addressed to police captains, directing them to use every effort to stop the sale of liquor illegally.

The case to the Situation—Bee Want Ads.

## High School Plans

## Ready and Work Starts at Once

One Contract to Include Construction of New Wiring and Razing Old Structure.

Plans for the construction of the remaining wings of the High school have been completed by Architect John Latenser and will be presented to the committee of building and grounds for approval Friday afternoon.

As soon as the plans are approved, construction work will be put under way, according to Dr. Holovitchner, a member of the board.

When the contract is let an innovation will be introduced, as the contract will not only call for the erection of the new wing, but it will also provide for the destruction of the present building. It is the intention of the board, says Dr. Holovitchner, to combine these contracts in one. Then both construction and destruction work will be under the immediate supervision of one man and it will be possible for material taken from the old building to be used in the new wing, wherever feasible.

Dr. Holovitchner also says that the board will get busy on the construction of the new school buildings throughout the city by the first of May at the latest. He believes these buildings will be ready for occupancy by February 1.

## Commercial Postal

## Station is Opened

Special Mail Service for the Wholesale District Put in Operation.

The new commercial mail station near Union depot was opened Wednesday morning.

The first delivery of mail was made at the usual hour in the morning and the operation of the new postoffice for the wholesale district proceeded.

The first letter was delivered to P. T. Walton, manager of the Grand Tour Flow company by H. E. Gunner, carrier No. 102.

The postmaster, railway mail service officials and others were at the station early in the morning to see that everything was properly started, and also there were a number of visitors who looked over the building.

Every branch of the postoffice business is represented at the new station. Twelve carriers will distribute mail from this office.

Though the office was officially opened today all of the work at the new station is more or less of an experiment. Postmaster Thomas has not yet announced a list of regular clerks, carriers and other employees needed.

## Alleged Mail Thief Arrested.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 1.—Local post-office authorities received word today that Charles Felle had been arrested at the Juarez race track, charged with stealing four registered mail pouches from the Oakland ferry boats in December and January.

## Rheumatism Advice

Given Prominent Doctor's Best Prescription—Is Easily Mixed

"Get one ounce of syrup of Sarsaparilla compound and one ounce of Toris compound. Then get half a pint of good whiskey and put the other two ingredients into it. Take a tablespoonful of the mixture before each meal and at bed time. Shake the bottle before using."

This is not new in this city as many of the worst cases of rheumatism and backache have been cured by it. Good results come the first day. Any druggist has these ingredients on hand or will quickly get them from the wholesale house. Any one can mix them.

Not only will this prescription knock rheumatism in a hurry, but it is a splendid tonic and soon restores appetite and vitality. Those who have tried it are enthusiastic over the results obtained—Adv.

## Spring Overcoat Days are now almost upon us.

And so we invite you to come to our store and look over the exceptional showing of spring weight Overcoats, Cravenettes and "Slip-On" Raincoats now to be seen. Every new model for this coming season, every correct fabric, and every popular price is represented in this splendid assortment. Should you need a new Cravenette, please remember that our really are rainproof. But whatever you need, we assure you it's impossible to go wrong on any "Nebraska" garment. Besides this, our prices will save you at least one-fourth—probably more. Any price you like, from—

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## HAIR WHITE AS SNOW

Restored to Natural Color with WYETH'S SAGE AND SULPHUR HAIR REMEDY

ALMOST A MIRACLE

My hair was as white as snow when I commenced using Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy. One bottle restored my hair to its natural dark brown color. As I am now 70 years old, I consider the result most remarkable. It is an agreeable and refreshing hair dressing, keeping the hair soft and glossy, without being in the least greasy or sticky.

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