

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Have Root Print It. Gas. Elec. Fixtures, Burgess-Granden. Egyptian Chocolates 30c. Myers-Dillon. Glee Club Sings—The Omaha High School Glee club, twenty-five voices strong, rendered several sacred selections as part of the annual Christmas services of the Knights Templar lodge, held yesterday morning at the Masonic temple.

Merry Yule Party for Tresher Babes

A score of scampering squirrels were joyous guests at a Christmas party given yesterday on the snow-laden lawn of the George Tresher home, 510 Lincoln boulevard. Every member of the little busy-tailed arboreal colony was out early in the day to feast upon the choice nuts provided by the host and hostesses. Everyone remained until he was just as full as could be, and with appetites appeased all fell to the pastime of storing the choice delicacies.

The little squirrels spend their winters in cozy homes built in about a dozen of the many big oak trees on the Tresher lawn, and during some seasons their stores would not be so bounteous were it not for Mr. and Mrs. Tresher. Last fall they gathered nine bushels of acorns to be fed to the little fellows when the snow is on the ground, and these are portioned out as they are needed. Christmas was a joyous day for the little "babes" on the Tresher lawn.

Her "Prerogative" Costs County \$202

Because the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company and Ida Wrightwell insisted upon going to trial with a personal injury damage suit last Friday, and today changed their minds and compromised, Douglas county is out just \$202. Friday afternoon Presiding Judge Lee S. Estelle was about to discharge the petit jury venire. The parties in the damage suit asked that the venire be brought back Saturday morning so that they might impel a jury to try the case today. Forty-five jurors were brought back Saturday morning, the other twelve jurors of the venire being engaged in the trial of another case. Each of the forty-five received \$3 per diem, making a total of \$135. A jury was impaneled and instructed to report this morning. The jurors reported as per instruction, but the case was settled and dismissed. Each of the twelve jurors was paid \$6 for Monday and Tuesday, making a grand total of \$202. As against this the county receives a single \$5 fee for impaneling the jury. The county's net loss, therefore, is \$202.

Mrs. J. F. McSweeney Dies in Louisville

Mrs. John F. McSweeney, formerly prominent in the activities of a wide circle of Omaha friends, died at 11 o'clock Christmas morning at Louisville, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. McSweeney lived here a number of years, moving to Louisville about two years ago. He was engaged in the insurance business and traveled in the Iowa and Nebraska fields. Joe Baker learned the insurance business under Mr. McSweeney, and he has departed for Louisville to attend the funeral, which is to be conducted Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. McSweeney were prominently connected with St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church while they lived in Omaha.

Wattles Has Watch He Would Give Away

G. W. Wattles is looking for some one to whom he may give his old watch. Santa Claus brought him a bright shining watch with a platinum chain. He started to give his old watch to his chauffeur, but was stopped by Mrs. Wattles, who made the observation that she had already thought of that and had found that the chauffeur already had a better watch than the old one.

For a sprain you will find Chamberlain's Liniment excellent. It allays the pain, removes the soreness, and soon restores the parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50-cent bottles for sale by all druggists.

Key to the Situation—See Advertising.

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Sunderland Born Too Late to Be a Christmas Present

Ralph E. Sunderland, 49 years old Tuesday, has attained success in spite of the fact that he was born in Sioux City. But he left Sioux City when he was 18 years old, entered the Sunderland Bros. company, which was just then starting business in Omaha, and has been here ever since. He'd rather live in Omaha than any city in the world, he says, and he believes Omaha has a better business prospect than any city in the west.



RALPH E. SUNDERLAND.

GOOD SNOW QUITE GENERAL

Heavy Blanket Extends from Mountains to Mississippi River.

FARMERS ARE AGAIN REJOICING

Late Snow Follows Close on Snow of Last Week and is of Immense Value to the Western Farms.

The storm that prevailed in Omaha all day Tuesday was general over the entire west. It extends from the Rocky mountains to Mississippi river and from well up in South Dakota, at least as far south as the central portion of Kansas. In all of this territory, according to the reports received by the railroads, snow has been general. The temperature has ranged from 8 to 20 degrees above zero. Very little wind has accompanied the storm permitting the snow to stay where it falls and thus greatly benefiting the farmers.

The Burlington reports snow ranging from one to six inches in depth over all of the lines west of the Missouri river. From Omaha to Hastings at noon a fall of three inches of snow had been recorded. At this hour the fall from Lincoln to Crawford was around six inches, with a little less up through the Black Hills and on the Billings line.

On the Northwestern snow fell a greater portion of Monday night and all of Tuesday all the way from Omaha to Lander, Nyo., and from Fremont to Superior, Neb. Down through the South Platte country the fall ranged around five to six inches.

The Rock Island reports snow from Omaha to the central portion of Kansas. From Fairbury, southwest, in many places at noon it had reached a depth of ten inches and this comes right on top of a fall of from twelve to sixteen inches last week.

Along the Union Pacific snow fell during a greater portion of Monday night and all of Tuesday, all the way from Omaha to Cheyenne, the heaviest being west of North Platte, where it reached a depth of from six to eight inches.

On the Union Pacific's Kansas division there is a heavy fall of snow from the Colorado line east to Kansas City, being very heavy along the line of the St. Joe & Grand Island through the country around Marysville, where it attained a depth of eight inches.

Passengers coming in from the east state that when they passed through Iowa, the storm that appeared to be coming from the west was then well over the central portion of the state.

Club Men to Visit New Electric Plant

The Omaha Electric Light and Power company has invited the Commercial club to visit the new power plant on the river bank. The club has accepted and a date will be set later.

SISTERS AND PATIENTS VISITED BY OLD SANTA

Sisters and patients at St. Catherine's hospital were made happy on Christmas day by liberal gifts from their friends. Mrs. Catherine B. Nash sent her remembrance in the form of a \$3.00 check. Checks for smaller amounts were presented to the hospital by a number of the physicians and surgeons attached to the hospital staff.

CRAWFORD GIVES NORTON A CHANCE TO MAKE GOOD

James Norton, a telegraph operator who was arrested Christmas charged with wife abandonment, was given a chance to mend his ways in the police court when Judge Crawford allowed him one month's time to take care of his wife in a proper manner. Mrs. Norton says she was married September 11 and on the 23rd she was deserted. She possessed a forgiving nature, however, and it was upon her suggestion that leniency was shown.

CREIGHTON GLEE CLUB TO SING IN ST. JOSEPH

The Creighton Glee club will go to St. Joseph to sing tonight. Party will go, including the alumni double quartette, composed of H. V. Burkley, F. C. Freeman, J. G. Jamieson, Thomas Swift, Thomas McShane, Charles McGrath, Kersey and Barnette.

Bar Committee Gathers in Secret Session Saturday

In a three-hour session held in secret behind closed doors, the Omaha Bar association's committee in charge of the counter movement against the street railway company for alleged illegal actions in connection with personal injury damage lawsuits went over a mass of new matter that had been called to its attention, arranged a large part of the material it will lay before Attorney General Grant Martin and partially completed plans for visiting Martin for a conference. Members of the committee refuse to go into further details regarding the meeting.

"I am not at liberty to give you any account of the meeting," said Judge J. J. Sullivan.

"It would not be well to give out the proceedings," said C. J. Smyth, chairman of the committee.

NEW CONCRETE STRUCTURE IN THE JOBBING DISTRICT

A reinforced concrete structure from four to eight stories high is to be erected at the southeast corner of Ninth and Douglas streets by the Baker Manufacturing company. The building will be 67 by 122 and will be 21 feet from the corner, which is owned by the Scullis Brewing company.

The local house is a branch of a large manufacturing company of Evansville, Wis. H. J. Bailey, the local manager, came to Omaha six years ago to introduce the line in this territory, and has succeeded in building up a large business at this point.

In addition to the goods manufactured by the company at Evansville, consisting of gasoline engines, windmills, pumps, grinders, etc., they job at Omaha pipe and other water and steam supplies. The building will be erected as an investment for reserve funds of the company, and will be larger than is required for its owners. It is the company's desire to have it occupied by a number of implement firms.

Births and Deaths.

Births—Santa, Bonarcoro, 808 Pierce street, girl; Giuseppe and Rosario Salerno, 123 Pierce street, girl; W. A. and Emma Washow, 468 Taylor, boy; A. B. and Florence Pugh, 268 Leavenworth, boy; Samuel and Elizabeth McClenghen, 114 North Twenty-fourth, boy; Edward and Carrie Moran, 443 North Thirty-ninth, girl; A. T. and Nettie Hayden, 104 South Twenty-eighth, girl; U. R. and Yola E. Doodie, 311 Underwood avenue, girl; Tony and Caroline Barone, 296 Central boulevard, boy; John and Agnes Anderson, 268 Leavenworth, boy; Greg and Anna C. Smith, 321 North Thirty-ninth, girl.

Marriage Licenses.

Permits to wed have been granted to the following couples: Name and Address. Age. William Wideman, Chicago, 26; Martha Beat, Chicago, 27; Edward V. VanFleet, Omaha, 42; Olive M. Kuehn, Omaha, 28; Alfred Westergard, Omaha, 25; Mabel M. Heitshausen, Omaha, 21; Max E. Schwertfeger, Norfolk, Neb., 21; Gladys Fricke, Norfolk, Neb., 20; Denver C. Crowe, Kuhn Crossing, Colo., 23; Anna Bulman, Boston, 24; Baby Dadda, 3 hours, 511 Underwood avenue; Miss Wilhelmina C. Gooch, 25; Cunningham, Joseph Benke, 25 years, Clarkson hospital; Mrs. Fannie L. Anderson, 22 years, 196 North Twenty-sixth street; John V. White, 27 years, Presbyterian hospital; John Kutz, 25 years, 401 1/2 street, South Omaha; Fred C. Graham, 47 years, 338 Manderson.

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WATER WAGON STARTS SOON

Big Force at Work Repairing it Preparatory to Annual Cruise.

IMPROVEMENTS BEING PLANNED

Feet Dragging Device May Be Used—Rules and Regulations Committee Works—Record Breaking Passenger List.

Repairing and general reconstruction and renovation of the water wagon, which starts on its annual cruise next Monday, January 1, was begun today. A large force of carpenters, blacksmiths, wheelwrights and other mechanics went to work on the famous old craft. The sound of the hammer and the saw was heard all over the city. Work would have begun sooner but for the scarcity of help. With the passing of Christmas many workmen employed in Santa Claus' Christmas present factory were released and every one of them was hired by the committee in charge of preparations for the next cruise of the water wagon.

Plans for the festivities and formal exercises in connection with the sailing of the wagon Monday are going forward. An excellent program is being arranged. The passenger list is growing rapidly and bids fair to be the largest in the history of the wagon.

The committee on rules and regulations is finishing its work and has announced it will have everything done by Saturday evening.

The foremen in charge of reconstruction of the wagon are considering making several improvements, one of which is a device by which passengers can let their feet drag without actually falling off the cart.

It will be remembered that the wagon was completely wrecked this year after it had completed less than three months of its cruise. The managers say the tragedy will not be repeated and forecast a successful voyage. If the wagon is not wrecked before the year is ended it will be the first time.

"UNDERWORLD" PLAYERS HAVE BANQUET AT ROME

Members of the "Romance of the Underworld" company, playing this week at the Orpheum theater, were guests at a Christmas party given Monday night at the Rome hotel. The host was Paul Armstrong, the playwright, author of the piece now being presented at the Orpheum. He was not present, but provided the entertainment by telegraphic negotiations with the management of the Rome hotel. Mr. Armstrong sent the members of the company a cheerful telegram, in which he greeted the players and told them how proud he was of them.

REFINING COMPANY MEN RECEIVE FAT TURKEYS

The National Refining company gave all its employees a turkey as a Christmas present. The employees got together and passed a resolution thanking the firm for its remembrance, and all their friends for their patronage during the last year.

The Glad Hand is seen when liver inaction and bowel stoppage files before Dr. King's New Life Pills, the easy regulators, 50c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

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