AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Movement on Foot for Viaduct on Railroad Avenue.

ROAD BLOCKED DURING COLD

Japanese Laborer Robbed of All His Money and His Overcoat by Highwaymen—Roberts Has Not Given Up Trip.

Because of the obstruction to traffic at Railroad avenue and Washington street the city may force the Union Pacific Railroad company to build a viaduct at that point.

Yesterday at one time traffic was blocked for fifty minutes and from fifteen to twenty teams were halted in the freezing cold while a Union Pacific train blocked the track. The trainmen finally cut the train in two and allowed the wagons to pass.

Complaints were made to the police and Chief of Detectives James Sheehan made an investigation of the matter.

Teamsters and residents in the vicinity of Railroad avenue and Washington street say that yesterday's blockade was not an exceptional happening and they will probably ask the council for relief.

Robbed of Coat and Cash.

Yama Okasaki, a Japanese laborer, lost his overcoat and $27 at Thirty-sixth and Q streets last night at 9 o'clock when his jiu jitsu failed to work on two unidentified stickup men.

Okasaki, who was, on his way home to the Japanese colony, which lies in the outskirts of town, was stopped by the two men near the corner of Thirty-sixth and Q streets. Without further ado they set upon him and took his money. Okasaki tried the tactics of his national defense, but was overpowered by the men. After having obtained the money the men considered a moment and then appropriated the overcoat of the shivering Okasaki, who reported the matter to Officer Charles Morton. One of the thugs is said to be much shorter than the other.

Protects City's Coal.

Jimmie McInany, custodian and night fireman at the city hall, shortly after going on duty yesterday evening found two men loading coal into a wagon that was backed up against the side of the city hall coal cellar at Twenty-fourth and O streets.

The men tried to explain to the irate custodian that they had been sent by a certain official, who wanted the coal for his "office." McInany drove the two negroes away and threatened to have them arrested if ever they came within shouting distance of the hall again.

It is said that the men had paid a previous visit to the cellar some time ago. McInany, who believes that taking what belongs to others is stealing, will not permit so much as a look at the key that locks the cellar and the engine room at the hall.

Roberts Still Wants Jaunt.

According to several members of the city council, City Engineer George Roberts has not given up hope of making the city furnish money for a trip to an engineers' convention to be held in New Orleans next week.

The council definitely refused to supply the money last Monday, but it is said the city engineer insists on having them reverse their former stand.

Said Councilman Miller last night: "My determination was final and I believe the rest of the council feel the same way. The city is not now in a position to grant money for such a trip when we are forced to take money from the different funds to pay damages in grading district No. 105."

A report had come to the ears of some of the council that Miller and another member would agree to the expenditure. "Any use of my name in such a statement is unwarranted and untrue," said Councilman Miller last night. "I will not agree to spend the city's money that way."

Another councilman said that he and his associates were bent upon keeping their pledge of retrenchment and would not allow the money.

Brady Secures Cash.

James Brady, who explained to the police that he lived on Q street, was arrested yesterday for passing $46 of worthless paper on Del Green and Barney Coogan, two saloon keepers of this city. It is said that he was under the influence of liquor at the time he is alleged to have passed the checks. Del Green suffered a loss of $36 and Coogan $10. Friends of Brady have arranged the matter it is understood.

Week of Prayer.

Today at the Baptist church, Rev. William A. Pollock will preach on "The Kingdom's Ceaseless Advance."

On January 8, Rev. C. T. Ilsley will preach in the United Presbyterian church on "Personal Faithfulness."

Rev. Dr. R. L. Wheeler will speak at the Young Men's Christian association building on January 9. His subject will be "The Church of Christ."

Rev. S. H. Yerain, at the Presbyterian church, will discourse about "Foreign Missions" on January 10.

"Home Missions" will be the subject at the Lutheran church on January 11. Rev. J. M. Bothwell will be the speaker.

The program will close at the Lutheran church on January 12. Rev. E. A. Bagshaw will address the united congregation on "Interests Domestic and Education."

Packers' League Bowlers.

SWIFTS.	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total
Hammond	139	176	175	490
Crowe	189	167	138	494
Motz	177	171	130	478
McLonald	143	132	155	430
Marietta	131	156	142	429
Totals	779	804	740	2,323

ARMOURS.	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Bonnell	148	214	178	540
Beyers	141	158	220	519
Kohamsky	171	146	152	469
Stem	181	140	182	503
Welmer	162	142	155	459
Totals	803	865	887	2,490

CUDAHYS.	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Tombrink	185	202	136	524
Nicholas	121	128	166	415
Heffner	180	210	177	558
Haster	137	176	194	507
Horwick	159	177	208	546
Totals	782	885	881	2,548

OMAHAS.	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Miller	156	157	136	449
Shepard	137	159	129	425
Cooley	167	173	180	520
Detbremer	207	166	170	543
Koch	176	171	161	508
Totals	843	826	786	2,455

Reception to Eighth Graders.

All the prospective graduates of the eighth grade schools of the city will attend a reception to be given next Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock in the high school auditorium. The classes will begin their examination work within the next few weeks, but Superintendent N. M. Graham and the teachers and principals of the grade schools have arranged the little formal entertainment in advance.

Magic City Gossip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Philip have returned from Toronto, Canada, where they were called by the death of Mr. Philip's father.

Frank A. Agnew, lawyer, Hannon Blk.

Mrs. Rickard entertained the S. S. club Thursday evening.

Esme Green is home after a siege of illness in the General hospital.

Dr. J. A. Beattie of Lincoln will be the guest of Mrs. S. C. Schrigley of this city.

Miss Adele Davis will entertain the Alohah club at her home next Saturday afternoon.

Miss Nellie Groer of Seaton, Ill., is visiting with friends and relatives in South Omaha.

Arthur C. Pancoast has moved his law office to 418 Omaha National Bank Bldg Phone Douglas 1886.

A. H. Murdock was called to Raymond, Neb., Friday night by the death of his brother, Albert Murdock.

Mrs. Anna M. Bratton returned yesterday from Guthrie Center, Ia., where she spent the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. W. P. Adkins entertained Friday evening at a twelve cover dinner in honor of George Loff of Omaha.

FOR RENT—5-room cottage, furnished or unfurnished. S. C. Laur, 827 N. 23d St., So. Omaha. Phone So. 1313.

The New Century club will give a card party Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dan Hannon, Twenty-fifth and F streets.

The members of the junior class entertained for the Scoffer's club, Friday evening at the home of Miss Mabel Wyness, 2520 B street.

The tri-city federation of Christian churches of Omaha, South Omaha, Council Bluffs and Irvington has postponed its meeting until January 20.

Mrs. Walter Litche, 1018 North Twenty-second street, will entertain the Mother's Self Culture club at her home Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Phone Bell South 888—Ind. F-1868 for a case of Jetter Gold Top. Prompt delivery to any part of the city. William Jetter.

Miss Mabel Martin, who has been visiting her parents during the holidays, will leave today to resume her work at the Normal school in Kearney, Neb.

Miss Vera Davis upon her return from Gladstone, Neb., where she attended the wedding of Ralph Van Sant, will visit Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Brown of Chicago, Ill.

The Ladies' auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian association will meet Wednesday at 2:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. F. A. Stryker, 1117 North Twenty-third street.

Miss Marie Barry entertained at her home Saturday night in honor of Misses Elizabeth and Margaret Bailey, Ruth and Jeanette Bell of Omaha and Jeanne Bothwell of South Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. George Paddock and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Trumbell have returned from Percival, Ia., where they attended the Sheldon-Paul nuptials on New Years' day. The bride was formerly Miss Cecile Sheldon and the groom Carl Paul, both of whom are well known in South Omaha society.

The Household Economic department of the Century Literary club will meet at the library hall Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Paper bag cooking will be discussed. Paper bags have been distributed among various members, and reports will be given. Papers will be read by Mesdames Bruce McCulloch and E. B. Brown.

The Junior Bridge club met Tuesday evening with Miss Alice McDonald at her home, 1216 North Twenty-third street. The players were Misses May Sneehey, Vera Du Bois, Mabel Melcher, Frances Willard, Frances Tanner, Laura, Grace and Ella Peterson, Lottie Lovey, Grace Scott, Clara Barnum, Shirley Freeman, Margaret Prenties, Mae Welsh and Louise Schindel.

Mrs. F. A. Cressey, 1028 North Twenty-second street, entertained the following boys and their lady friends at a farewell party Friday evening for Ralph Taylor, who leaves Tuesday with his mother for California, where they expect to make their future home: Messrs. Ralph Taylor, Joe Randolph, Harry Kleth, Paul Jordon, Dor McBride and Harold Chambers.

Mrs. C. M. Schindell and her mother Mrs. Waddell of Atlantic, Ia., entertained the Ladies' Afternoon Whist club Friday afternoon. Those present were Mesdames Caughey, T. H. Ensor, W. B. Cheek, Fred Scott, John Gribble, D. L. Holmes, L. M. Lord, C. A. Melcher, Bruce McCulloch, Sloam, Powell, J. M. Tanger, A. L. Lott, sr., O. J. Ames, A. P. Durkles, R. Carley, Ben Elliott, A. J. Jasmer, A. A. McGraw, R. E. Schindel, Strang, Sage, and F. H. Cole.

Mrs. J. J. Fitzgerald entertained the New Century club Thursday afternoon at her home, 1502 North Twenty-fifth street. Prizes were awarded to Mesdames W. Davis and James Sheehan. The club guests were Mesdames Maggie Parks, J. M. Mullen, Flowery and Eadea. The members present included: Mesdames Shago, Convoy, Gerhardt, J. Enright, Dick Berlin, Strawacker, Harry Boyd, McDonald, sr., McDonald, jr., Miller, George Parks, Storms, W. R. Tagg, J. J. Fitzgerald, W. Davis, James Sheehan, M. C. Welsh, W. W. Lake, McElroy, Charles Rapp, and H. C. Murphy.

A stunt party was given Monday evening at the home of Miss Margaret Lewis, 2521 E street, by the alumni class of 1911. Each guest came prepared to give some original stunt, pertaining to the class work. The color scheme was worked in the class colors, lavender and white. Those present were: Misses Agnes Bott, Grace Bratton, Lillian Dickman, Edith Ewing, Veronica Finley, Edith Green, Grace Hall, Tressa Heyman, Carrie Krause, Margaret Lewis, Fern McBride, Carrie Miller, Helen Possner, Leorette Reed, Winfred Waite, Grace Walsh and Bess Wilson. Messrs. Roy Wilson, Benson O'Sullivan, Karl Karfuse, Lyle Knight and Henry Rasmussen.

Michigan "M" Men Are Honored

OMAHA MEN WHO WON THEIR "M's" THE GUESTS OF JOHN R. WEBSTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Five Wrecks Cause Dozen Deaths and Injuries to Many

PARIS, Jan. 7.—In a collision between two trains today at Hendy, about seven miles from Paris, six persons were killed and twenty injured. Three passengers are expected to die. Four of the cars were wrecked. A misplaced signal is given as the cause of the accident.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Fred Plougher, conductor of a Gravesend avenue trolley car, was killed and five other persons were seriously hurt when the car was derailed and crashed into a telegraph pole early today.

HEREFORD, Tex., Jan. 7.—A blinding snowstorm today was given as the cause of a wreck of two freight trains on the Pecos & Northern Texas railroad, in which William J. Miller, conductor, was killed. Those injured were nearly frozen to death before being taken from the debris.

WRIGHT, Kan., Jan. 7.—Unable to see the station lights in the blinding snowstorm that swept western Kansas Friday night, Engineer C. C. Deeming of Santa Fe eastbound passenger train No. 12 ran past the station. Before he could back his train into the siding after he had discovered his mistake the train was hit by the Newton-Dodge City local westbound. Deeming was fatally scalded, Engineer J. W. Chaifant of the local was killed and twelve Kansas passengers were bruised or received cuts. Both engineers live at Newton, Kan.

PETERSBURG, Va., Jan. 7.—The Seaboard Air Line passenger train No. 6 was wrecked at McKenney, thirty miles south of here tonight and the engine and five cars left the rails. The engine, baggage and mail cars rolled down a twelve-foot embankment. Engineer W. R. Bishop of Raleigh, N. C., a negro fireman and one passenger were probably fatally hurt. Several other passengers were injured seriously. The injured were taken to a Richmond hospital.

Zero Temperature, Long Sustained, Too Cold for the Iceman

Even the ice men are kicking on the cold weather. They prayed all fall for cold weather early in the winter, that they might have the opportunity to harvest a full crop and now they would like to see the mercury go up about twenty or twenty-five degrees.

The secret of their desire is that ice twelve to fourteen inches is more profitable to handle than any other thickness and the ice has now reached a depth of fourteen inches and is getting thicker every hour. Another reason is that it is very difficult to keep a full force of men at work, due to the suffering of the men from the extreme cold. Many men start work inadequately clothed, work a few hours and quit.

Swift and Company, the Omaha Ice and Cold Storage company and some smaller concerns have between 400 and 500 men at work on the harvest at Carter lake. The Cudahy Packing company has a large force at work on Seymour lake at Ralston and Armour & Co. are harvesting at Memphis.

The Carter lake companies fear that two crops of ice will be necessary to fill their houses, owing to the low water and the consequent limited cutting area.

Young Bridegroom Sent to Sanitarium

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 7.—After a run away marriage at sea and ten days' honeymoon, Thomas Smith, a nephew of Leonard T. Beale of Philadelphia, was declared a dependent person by Judge Guy in the juvenile court here today, and ordered committed to a sanitarium. The complaint upon which Smith was brought into court was sworn to by J. C. Hearne, representing Beale, who is Smith's guardian.

Smith is 20 years old. His bride, who was Miss Emma Cross, daughter of J. H. Cross, a wealthy rancher of El Cajon, Cal., is 26 years old.

To overcome opposition by Miss Cross' parents, they went aboard the United States dispatch boat Dolphin ten days ago, and were married by Rev. Stephen G. Embson of San Diego, outside the three-mile limit. When the runaway couple returned, Cross threatened to bring legal proceedings, but when he learned that the young man's guardian did not welcome his daughter as a member of his family he withdrew his opposition and supported Smith in his defense today.

BULLDOG DEADLY WEAPON, SAYS JUSTICE OF PEACE

DANVILLE, Ill., Jan. 7.—Justice of the Peace E. J. Hall today decided that a bulldog is a deadly weapon.

Mrs. Cleo Wilson went to the home of Mrs. May Hensley in Grape Creek. Mrs. Hensley, according to the testimony, sallied forth, reinforced by a son, bearing a club, and a powerful bulldog. Mrs. Wilson and other witnesses testified that Mrs. Hensley seized her by the hair, the bulldog grabbed her by the leg and the boy struck her with the club.

She swore out a warrant charging Mrs. Hensley with assault with a deadly weapon, namely a bulldog, and Justice Hall held the defendant to the grand jury.

Republican Party's Attitude to Trusts Scored by Perkins

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—An attack on the republican party for its alleged failure to carry out the first plank of its own trust platform and for carrying out instead, he claimed, the democratic trust plank "which the American people repudiated," was a feature of an address by George W. Perkins, director of the United States Steel corporation and other big interests, at a luncheon of the Republican club yesterday.

Referring to the Sherman law and the attitude of the two parties toward the trust question as expressed in their 1908 platforms, Mr. Perkins said:

"What did the legislative branch do to carry out its belief on the trust questions as explained to the people in its party platform? It left the question just where it has been fifteen or twenty years. Left the supreme court with no choice but to interpret the law as it stood, and left the business of the country in an embarrassing situation. In the place of providing the suitable publicity and supervision for which the republican party pronounced and which the people of this country endorsed by a plurality of over 1,250,000 votes, nothing, absolutely nothing at all was done. We are now witnessing the spectacle of the republican party not only failing to carry out the first plank of its own platform, but it actually is vigorously carrying out the trust plank of the democratic platform which it so strenuously attacked and which the American people repudiated."

Mr. Perkins said the party which stood for constructive legislation would have the support of the people next fall. He branded it as a crime to use as a pawn in the next presidential election business problems affecting the very life of the nation, which were held back for at least twelve months "for the profit and advantage of politicians."

Sheriff Arrests Midway Proprietor and Fourteen Men

William Crutchfield and fourteen negroes are being held without bonds in the county jail by Sheriff F. J. McShane, who with seven deputies, raided the Midway saloon, Twelfth street and Capital avenue Saturday night.

Crutchfield, the proprietor of the place, is charged with selling liquor after 8 o'clock and the fourteen inmates are held for gambling.

A few bottles of beer, confiscated from the upstairs bar at the Midway, $24 in money, said by the sheriff to have been taken from a table around which sat ten men gambling, and a pair of dice are to be used as evidence against the proprietor.

Deputy sheriffs said they allowed more than 150 persons, negro and white, men and girls, to go free. These, they said, were in the dance hall above the saloon, dancing and drinking.

Besides Crutchfield, they arrested only those they declare to have been gambling.

Sheriff McShane was assisted in the raid by Deputies Foster, Mahoney, Wright, Palmer, Schroeder, Hanger and Musgrave.

Sought by Police, Dives from Window; Escapes Unhurt

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Charles Huffman, sought by the police of Omaha on a charge of forgery, according to telegrams received here, dived out of a second story window today and falling forty-five feet to the frozen ground in the alley below, escaped uninjured. As he disappeared around the corner Huffman turned to wave his hand at two discomfited police officers who had just broken into the room he had so abruptly quitted and who leaned out of the window expecting to see him dead, or at least badly injured, on the ground.

Mabel Wilcox, who was found in the room and who refused to give an account of herself, is held pending investigation.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS.

Port.	Arrived.	Sailed.
NEW YORK		Taormina.
NEW YORK		New York.
NEW YORK		Saxonia.
NEW YORK		America.
NEW YORK		Caronia.
NEW YORK		Caledonia.
LIVERPOOL	Celtic	Franconia.
LIVERPOOL		Laurentic.
MOVILLE		Columbia.
ANTWERP		Lapland.
BOULOGNE		Nieuw Amsterdam.
HAVRE		La Bretagne.
KOBE	Cleveland	
HONG KONG	Ashtabula	
FAYAL		Madonna.

HARMON TO THE LOTUS CLUB

Ohio Executive Reviews Trip of Northwestern Governors.

NO LINE BETWEEN SECTION

Visit Has Done Much to Eliminate Misunderstandings and Should Be Returned by Eastern Governors.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Judson Harmon, governor of Ohio, addressing a gathering at the Lotus club in New York last night, reviewed the recent tour of northwestern governors to the east and voiced the hope that the governors of the east will return the visit.

"The line between the north and the south has long since disappeared," said Governor Harmon, "and cursed be the mind that conceives and the hand that attempts to draw a line between the east and the west." Yet there are still some, he added, who, from selfish motives would light and fan the flame of discord between them; but he predicted that the demagogue of both regions will fail.

The governor told how the expenses of the trip had been borne by trade and commercial organizations in the west, and noted that this fact, together with the high official and personal character of the members of the party "took it out of the class of junketing expeditions at public expense" and assured the governors a hearty welcome everywhere. He traced briefly the development of the United States and continued:

"Now the union is numerically complete. But while this is an element of strength it is also a source of danger. Each of the states manages its own affairs according to the habits, tastes and conditions of its people. Each of them must always do so. But the more numerous and distant they are the greater the risk of misunderstanding and disagreement about the matters of common concern which they intrust to the general government, with an unequal voice save in one branch of congress. If the people of states far separated should not know each other, the danger would be grave. Quick and easy communication of all kinds is a great safeguard. When we all know and understand each other our motives will be generous, our differences easy to reconcile or pass by with mutual forbearance. Yet there are still those who from selfish motives would light and fan the flames of discord, just now between the east and the west.

"Surely, whether they (the governors) realized it when they started or not, their mission was more than commercial, more than industrial. It was one which will do much to insure mutual understanding and good will. They cannot hope for accessions in citizenship and capital if the idea is to be entertained that fair treatment, equal justice and a hearty welcome to lawful enterprise are not to be found among their people. And citizens of the older states cannot hope to find markets for their manufactured products in these newer states if by unlawful or unfair methods they seek to impose on customers inferior or adulterated articles or excessive prices. Nor can they expect to get what they need in return products if by manipulation of the markets or otherwise there is unjust treatment of the producers. I know we all found these specimens of manhood and citizenship to our liking and that they will give a good report of us.

"The line between the north and south long since disappeared, and cursed be the mind that conceives and the hand that attempts to draw a line between the east and the west. These governors admit they could find none as they came or as they went. And when the eastern governors return the visit, as we all hope, they will find none either. Nobody who met or heard these typical specimens of the citizenship of our newer states can be made to believe that the innovations and experiments in government which they are making there indicate hostility to American ideals and institutions. And on the report our visitors will make after the close view they have had of conditions existing in the older and less homogeneous commonwealths, their people will not attribute to a desire to retain or restore acknowledged evils an inclination to wait to be shown that a proposed innovation would really be an improvement.

"Everywhere they went the governors met the men who do things rather than the men who say things. They even ventured into Wall street and sat at meat with representatives of the money power, but one of them lost nothing but his voice, he said, and the others not even that.

"When we return the visit we shall meet the men of earnestness and energy who are working such wonders of development with the noiseless implements of industry, and shall judge our lusty young commonwealths by them and what they have accomplished in good government instead of by loud and intolerant declamation.

"I believe the visit of the governors will be remembered as the opening of a new era of hearty good will and earnest co-operation among good citizens throughout the land. And I shall always be glad that it fell to me to represent Ohio when they came and went."

EARLY CLOSING NOT YET SURE

Four Reluctant to Close at Nine on Saturday Nights.

TWO HATTERS, TWO SHOEMEN

Women's Committee in Charge of Campaign Hope Yet to Secure Their Names to Agreement.

The committees from the Omaha Woman's club and Commercial club, which are making a crusade among the Omaha retail business houses to gain 9 o'clock Saturday night closing have been successful with all the large and small downtown firms save two men's furnishing firms and two shoe stores.

One of the hatters declares that he makes a big share of his sales late Saturday night and Sunday and will not conform to the decision of the majority of the merchants for 9 o'clock Saturday closing. The other hatter, when first approached, said that he would sign the petition, but later decided that he would lose in competition with his brother hatter, if the latter kept open one hour after he did, so he changed his mind.

The shoemen are loath to give up the extra business which they do between 9 and 10 o'clock Saturday night.

The club women, Mrs. C. W. Hayes, Mrs. Charles Rosewater, Mrs. W. O. Paisley and Mrs. George Tilden, are using all their efforts with these unwilling merchants. Many merchants who have signed the petition are trying to win over the unwilling ones and members of the Central Labor union are urging 9 o'clock closing upon them. As several merchants have signed the petition on condition that all the merchants would sign, it is important for the final success of the crusade that these four firms join with the others.

Mrs. Hayes, chairman of the club committee, will make a report on the campaign Monday afternoon at the meeting of the club and says that she expects to have gained the names of the hatters and shoemen by that time.