

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Have Root Print It. Jeff W. Bedford—Coal. Gas, Elec. Fixtures, Burgess-Granda. Theo. W. Blackburn for congress—Adv. Services at the Cathedral—Rev. John Albert Williams will conduct the noonday services at Trinity Cathedral Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Teacher Sprains Ankle—Miss Anna L. Peterson of the Latin department at the Omaha High school is hobbling about on crutches while teaching her classes, such necessity being occasioned by a badly sprained ankle.

"Sleepy" Hewitt Goes to Rock Pile—Leon Hewitt, alias "Sleepy," was sentenced to fifteen days on the rock pile yesterday by Judge Foster on a charge of petty larceny. "Sleepy" was accused of stealing a 100-pound bar of pig iron from the Union Pacific tracks.

Hollister Withdraws Name—Thomas A. Hollister, formerly a candidate for the republican nomination for county attorney, has announced the withdrawal of his candidacy. "I have decided that I would better not sacrifice my practice for the office," said Mr. Hollister.

Lenten Service at St. Philip's—The interparochial Lenten service of the Protestant Episcopal church will be held at the Church of St. Philip the Deacon, Twenty-first and Paul streets, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Very Rev. J. A. Tancock, dean of Trinity Cathedral, will preach.

Dahlman Takes Out Blank—Mayor James C. Dahlman has taken out a commission blank and begun circulating it for signatures. He was No. 124 on the list. Ben J. Stone also took out a petition. Alfred C. Kennedy has filed his petition, as did also Jeff W. Bedford. There are now forty-three filings.

McCune Buys Another House—Major Bill McCune has bought from A. H. Rosenbaum the house at 385 Jackson street. Major McCune, who got his financial start by saving his salary as Indian manager for Buffalo Bill's show, and grew affluent by investing it in Omaha property, now owns seven houses in Omaha.

Snow Finally Cleared Away—The passenger yards at the Union station are practically cleared of snow, the first time in more than a month. During February numerous attempts were made to get the snow away. Time and again it was gathered into heaps, but just about the time that it was to be hauled off another deep snow, accompanied by strong wind, would come. This more snow was piled in and about the tracks and all of the work was undone.

No Hurry to Adjust Bill—The Board of County Commissioners will take no immediate action regarding the complaint of Caldwell & Drake, county building general contractors, that they have been overcharged about \$50 on their January heating bill. The board will consider the complaint at its meeting in committee of the whole Friday, but it is not disposed to take final action on this claim until an agreement with the general contractors regarding former heating bills is reached.

Man Tries to Use Cafe Counter as Bed

George Simpson, an erstwhile citizen of Belfast and lately distributor of face towels at the Young Men's Christian association, Tuesday night entered a restaurant at 1100 Dodge street. He had forgotten whether a cafe was a place for eating or sleeping and moreover being sleepy it did not matter. He had partially divested himself when a waiter escorted him to the door. As soon as the waiter returned to his duties Simpson returned to the cherished counter or bed, this time thoroughly and comfortably preparing for a night's slumber. On the second eviction Simpson shoved his right hand, which is his only hand, through the plate glass window, injuring two fingers. He was treated by Police Surgeon Aramith and given lodging at the jail.

Six Douglas County Farms Change Hands

Deeds for the transfer of six Douglas county farms have been recorded as follows: John Dornia to H. W. Freeman, 129 acres near Valley, \$16,000. J. C. Wharton, trustee, to John Kruse, eighty acres between Bennington and Elk City, \$5,000. John T. Peterson and Chris Peterson to John Thomsen, eighty acres northwest of Irvington, \$3,000. J. A. Johnson to Vasil Korinek, forty acres two miles northwest of Irvington, \$1,500. J. H. Fedde to Lena Rohwer, eighty-eight acres ten miles west of Omaha, \$11,200. Ida Millus to Frank Hahn, 100 acres east of Millard, \$18,000.

Wolterkyke Victim of Two Highwaymen

Art Wolterkyke, 220 Burt street, was confronted by two highwaymen at 10:30 Tuesday night and gave up \$5, all he had. The holdup occurred just as he was about to enter his home. He reports that the weapon used was a club.

SUIT STARTED AGAINST CHAUFFEUR BY STEPHENS

Lucien Stephens, who was knocked down and hurt by an automobile driven by Thomas Foley, a chauffeur, at Twenty-fourth and Farnam streets last October, has started suit for \$5,000 damages against Foley and his employer, the Cadillac company of Omaha, in district court. George F. Helm, as head of the company, is named as a codefendant. The accident occurred just after Stephens had alighted from a street car on his way home. It is alleged that Helm and Foley were riding in the automobile, Foley driving, and that Foley failed to stop and wait for passengers to leave the street car.

HOTEL EMPLOYE STABBED OVER A GAME OF CARDS

As a result of an argument over a game of cards at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Leonard Miller, 526 North Sixteenth street, at his home with a knife would it pierce the stomach and Paul Barnes is at the police station charged with doing the cutting. Both men are employees in the dining room of the Millard hotel, and Barnes stays at the hotel. Dr. Langdon attended the wounded man, and said unless complication set in the wound would not prove dangerous.

FAVORS FORCED ANNEXATION

Michael Lee Tells How He Would Take in Suburban Villages.

HE OUTLINES PLAN IN LETTER

Urges Omaha Real Estate Exchange to Secure in the Legislature an Amendment to the City's Charter.

Michael Lee, in a letter to President Morton of the Real Estate exchange, read at the meeting yesterday, outlined a plan for the forcible annexation by Omaha of adjoining cities and towns.

Mr. Lee enclosed a proposed amendment to the city charter, drafted by himself, as follows: "Provided such metropolitan city shall have power to extend its corporate limits and government over any territory and over any village or city of inferior class adjoining such metropolitan city or located within two miles of the limits of such metropolitan city."

"The Real Estate exchange has it within its power to settle the question once and for all within the next sixty days," wrote Mr. Lee. "If the exchange will adopt the amendment to the charter and declare that it will not support any candidate for nomination or election to the legislature who will not give a written pledge that he will support and vote for such amendment, the question of Greater Omaha will be settled, for no candidate will be foolish enough to think that he can be nominated or elected if he refuses to stand up for Omaha for fear of losing a few votes in the villages and towns surrounding it."

Omaha Has the Power. "Omaha has the power to reward her friends and punish her enemies. There will be no parties in the fight; all candidates can sign up. A delegation from Douglas county, composed of twelve representatives and five senators, can get anything they want affecting their home outside counties. No member will want to quarrel with the big delegation from Douglas when they are unanimous. "My Greater Omaha bill was a real failure because it puts these small towns and villages on an equality with the city that made them all when it comes to taxation. It was taken into Omaha or not. It was tried on two occasions in South Omaha in the last five years, and it proved to be a fight between the outs and the ins, and the ins always win. So it is plain that this kind of foolishness may be continued for twenty years."

Gives Many Reasons. Mr. Lee says there are many reasons why Omaha should take in the other towns, and he mentions two: First, the southwestern and a large part of the western portion of the city can never have any outlet for its sewerage except through South Omaha. Second, as the adjoining towns and villages have inadequate fire protection, they are a menace to the safety of Omaha in case of fire and high wind.

Mr. Lee's communication was referred to the exchange's legislative committee for its consideration.

Complaint is Made Against Cesspool

"More Dodge street, move the cesspool, or put a tin on the cesspool and nail it down." This is the request received by the Board of County Commissioners yesterday from Frank B. Kennard and a dozen other citizens who are up in arms against the Dundee cesspool, adjoining West Dodge road and the park. They say the pool was had enough when it was established, but now it is open, fills the neighborhood with evil odors and is a menace to the public health.

The board will act upon the complaint Friday and will take such steps as are necessary to remedy the condition of which complaint is made.

Artists of Omaha Form Organization

The Omaha Society of Artists was organized yesterday in the studio of Doane Powell by seven artists—J. Laurio Wallace, Robert Gilder, Homer Conant, Albert Bothery, Guy Spencer, John Bloodhart and Doane Powell. Mr. Powell was elected chairman and Robert Gilder secretary.

One of the objects of the society will be to hold an annual exhibit of Omaha art and it is expected that the first one will be held the last two weeks in May.

The matter of increasing the membership to include all the recognized artists in the city will be taken up at a meeting next Monday.

LIST OF GARDEN SPOTS TO BE KEPT BY R. E. EXCHANGE

That the city should be beautified with lettuce, turnips and squashes, which, while shedding their beauty and fragrance, would prevent the growing of weeds, thereby obviating much labor with the scythe and many warnings from the health commissioner, was the idea of the Real Estate exchange in appointing a "garden spot" committee.

This committee is composed of Linn P. Campbell, C. C. Clifton and Dean Glover. Its duties will be to get a list of vacant lots, which owners will allow rent free to persons who wish to raise garden, and to co-operate with the Associated Charities in finding persons to cultivate these lots.

The exchange decided to consider next week, as a special order of business, the matter of erection of new houses in Omaha in increasing numbers. W. J. Graham said he would like the opinion of his fellows as to whether this is helpful or detrimental to the welfare of the city.

DISCHARGED JANITOR WILL NOT GIVE UP THE KEYS

Joseph M. Calabria, superintendent of the Douglas county court house, has discharged Tom Wheeler, one of the janitors, for alleged neglect of duty. Wheeler has refused to turn his keys over to Calabria. Calabria will have new keys made and take the price out of Wheeler's month salary and will suspend payment of the balance due until the original keys are surrendered.

HEARING OF WATER WORKS CASE IS SET FOR TODAY

The hearing of the water works case which was to have come up before Special Master Tsunumi has been postponed until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. The hearing will be held in the north court room in the federal building.

CHANCELLOR OF NEBRASKA UNIT TALKS AT NIGHT SCHOOL



DR. SAMUEL AVERY.

MAY OUST THE CONTRACTORS

Commissioners Favor Standing By Their Original Resolution.

TIME SET IS MARCH SEVENTEEN

Judge Sullivan Engaged by Commissioners to Advise Them in Entanglements Which Are Sure to Come Up.

Plans for executing the threat of the Board of County Commissioners to oust Caldwell & Drake, county building general contractors, and rush the building to completion, will be made at a conference of the board, John Latenser, county building architect, and former Judge of the Supreme Court John J. Sullivan this afternoon.

The board has employed Sullivan as special legal advisor in the county building contract matter. Unless three of the commissioners recede from the stand taken last month, when the county board sent its ultimatum to Caldwell & Drake and their bondsmen, the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, the board will proceed to work out details of the method of legal procedure necessary to carry out the promise of the ultimatum. Commissioners Lynch and Klappner are known to be thoroughly in favor of "standing pat" on the ultimatum and "going through" with the promise to oust the contractors and finish the building in short order.

On Sunday, March 17, the thirty days which the county board allowed the general contractors in which to resume active work on the building will expire. The plan of those who favor ousting the general contractors is to start the proceedings on March 18, any action taken on Sunday being illegal.

Seniors at the H. S. Decide to Give Play at Brandeis in May

The senior class of the Omaha high school will give a play in which student talent entirely will be represented at the Brandeis theater the latter part of May, according to a decision reached by the members at the largest and most enthusiastic meeting of the year, held in the assembly room at the school yesterday afternoon, when 250 were present. Miss Lillian Fitch will have charge of the rehearsals, which will begin next month.

As an additional incentive for the success of the play, the class faculty advisors, C. E. Reed, vice principal; Prof. J. P. Woolery of the mathematics department, and Miss Jessie H. Town of the English department, will assist in the work. The title of the play has not yet been selected.

In addition to the play question, the members of the class decided to have Miss Grace Robinson, the secretary, draw up a petition of sympathy to be sent to Malcolm Bairdrie, lieutenant colonel of the cadet regiment and one of the most prominent athletes at the school, who is still in a serious condition at the Wise Memorial hospital, from the effects of an operation for appendicitis performed Monday morning.

A. L. REED OUSTED FROM SEEING FATHER'S COLLECTION

"A. L. Reed took a party of friends to the public library the other day to see the collection of books, magazines and coins of his father, the late Byron Reed, but had to forego the pleasure of showing his friends the valuable exhibit on account of library rules. It happened to be the afternoon of the children's story hour, which is held in the Byron Reed room. Shortly after Mr. Reed and his friends started on their round of investigation the kiddies began to drop it. The young woman in charge, not knowing Mr. Reed, politely informed him that he and his party would have to leave while the children had their stories, and was greatly chagrined when she found out afterward who it was she had dismissed. Mr. Reed complied with the rules without a demur.

How to Make a Real Wrinkle Remover

(From Fashion Reporter.) In these days of cleverly advertised "beautifiers" of 27 varieties and more, it is hard for a woman to believe she can make a simple home remedy which will do her more good and cost her much less than the average made preparation. There's nothing in the world so effective for removing or preventing wrinkles, baggy cheeks and chin as a solution made by dissolving an ounce of pure powdered ammonia in a half pint of witch hazel. Every druggist has the ingredients. Use the mixture daily as a refreshing lotion. The quick and satisfactory results will surprise you. Even the first application produces marked improvement. The wrinkles are less in evidence and the face has a firm, "wold," comfortable feeling.—Adv.

YOU CAN CURE THAT BACKACHE

Pain along the back, stiffness, headache and general languor. Get a package of Mother Gray's KIDNEY PILLS, the pleasant and safe cure for all kidney, bladder and urinary troubles. When you feel all run down, tired, weak and without energy use this remarkable combination of nature's herbs and roots. As a regulator it has no equal. Mother Gray's Kidney Pills are sold by Druggists or sent by mail for 50 cts. Sample sent FREE. Address: The Mother Gray Co., Inc., Dept. N. E.,

NEAL HELD TO GRAND JURY

Man Who Offered to Furnish Stage Jobs is in Jail.

DUPES APPEAR AGAINST HIM

Sells Them Films, Costumes and Promoters of Jobs, Which He Fails to Make Good, So They Make Complaint.

Artistic temperaments and insatiable longings for stage careers, no matter how humble, have brought four pretty Omaha girls and as many youths to grief, and has placed the man who offered to give them the opportunity to gratify their ambition in a fair way to spend the next couple of years in the federal penitentiary.

At the hearing of George Neal, alias George Salmis, alias George Russel, alias "Alakia," before United States Commissioner H. S. Daniel, the stage struggle girls and boys told how they had read Neal's advertisements in newspapers, which told of the opportunities of the stage, and that they applied for positions and that he had them don costumes and then rehearse parts of a show which was to be given this summer in connection with carnivals. After the first rehearsal, it was shown that Neal invariably accepted the applicant, no matter how poor the talent, and that he then sold them costumes at an enormous price and engaged them for a week. When the money was paid over for the costume, that was the last the applicant saw of Neal or the job. The girls' costumes consisted of a feather, a pair of pink tights, and a pair of slippers, and the youths' costumes were cheap affairs, but gaudy enough to fool the dupes.

Wyman Complains. Neal was arrested last week upon the complaint of J. T. Wyman, Sixteenth and Laird streets, who was one of his victims. It was his protest that led to federal investigation. A charge of using the mails to defraud has been laid against Neal and at a preliminary hearing Monday morning he pleaded not guilty. After the hearing yesterday at which most of the victims were present, Judge Daniel bound Neal over to the federal grand jury. Bonds were fixed at \$50, and in default of these Neal was sent to the county jail.

Neal is a peculiar looking fellow. He wears his hair in long braids and looks more like a woman than a man. In circus side shows Neal is the center attraction, for he swallows bits of glass, nails, swords, etc., almost as easily as did his victims swallow his promises. As he was being led out of the court room, one of the girl victims, who works in a Cass street restaurant, edged towards him, her hands working suspiciously. United States Marshall Haze, however, saw that a flock of angry dupes were about to descend upon his charge, and he quickly took Neal to jail. The following are Neal's victims: J. D. Wyman, Sixteenth and Laird streets; M. G. Rogers, 222 Maple street; Harry Harris, American theater scene shifter; Mary Olsen, 212 South Forty-sixth street; Frank Townsend, Waterloo Creamery company; Miss Ella Lindberg, 306 Howard street, and Etta Steinhagen, 418 North Eighteenth street. The last girl even went so far as to assume a stage name.

Nobody is Too Old to learn that the sure way to cure a cough, cold or sore lungs is with Dr. King's New Discovery. 50c and \$1.00. For sale by Best Drug Co.

Advertisement for 'GET YOUR LAMPHER HAT NOW!' featuring an image of a hat and a person.

WILL MEAT PRICE GO UP AGA N?

Many Omaha people do not care if meat prices are up or down, because they have found that "Minnesota" macaroni and spaghetti, with their delicious nut-like flavor, take the place of meat very largely and are more easily digested. Good macaroni and spaghetti are four times as nutritious as beef-steak, and they are the best and most nourishing foods known. They can be easily prepared in many appetizing ways and are suitable for the faintest luncheon as well as the heartiest feast.

But if you want that rich, nut-like flavor be sure and get the delicious "Minnesota" brand macaroni or spaghetti—made from the finest Northern Durum wheat, with all the nourishing gluten left in. It is easily digested and never gets soggy. All good Omaha grocers sell it.

THIS BOOK WORTH READING

The Adler-Lix book, telling how you can EASILY guard against appendicitis, and how you can relieve constipation or gas on the stomach almost INSTANTLY, is offered free for a short time by Sherrin & McConnell Drug Co., Cor. 16th and Dodge, Cor. 14th and Harney, Cor. 24th and Farnam, 307-3 North 18th St.

Free Land Information

The Twentieth Century Farmer, to meet the demand of its readers for land information, has gathered and compiled data on soils, climate and farming conditions in all parts of the country. It is willing to give out this information, free if postage is sent with inquiry. Do You Want to Know About government land laws, location of land offices, etc. How to get irrigation lands, location of projects, laws governing same, etc. Best sections for fruit growing, general farming, stock raising or dairying. Your questions will get prompt attention. State plainly and specifically what you want to know. Write, Land Information Bureau The Twentieth Century Farmer Omaha, Nebraska

Real Estate Men Against Franchise

The Real Estate exchange went on record yesterday as being opposed to having the city council make any contract whatever with the electric light company, pending a decision by the United States supreme court as to whether that company is now operating with or without a franchise. This action was taken relative to the report that the council considers making a contract with the company for additional lighting in the downtown district.

In passing the resolutions, the exchange "backed up" its representatives in the joint committee from the exchange, the Commercial club, the Ad club and the Omaha Electrical club, which had passed similar resolutions.

SPECIAL EXAMINER HERE TO CHECK UP REVENUES

Colonel E. D. Mills, special examiner in the internal revenue department at Washington, is in Omaha making the annual inspection of the accounts of the district of Nebraska. Mr. Mills is a veteran in the government service, having been in the revenue department for over fifty years.

Advertisement for 'The Famous Nobby Tread Tire' by United States Tire Company, featuring an image of a tire and a person.

TASTE, SMELL AND HEARING RESTORED

A Simple, Harmless Remedy Quickly Relieves Catarrhal Deafness.

The thousands who suffer the miseries of colds and catarrh and claim they have never found a cure can get instant relief by simply anointing the nostrils with Ely's Cream Balm.

Unlike internal medicines which upset the stomach, or strong snuffles which only aggravate the trouble, this cleansing, healing, antiseptic Balm instantly reaches the seat of the trouble, stops the nasty discharge, clears the nose, head and throat, and brings back the sense of taste, smell and improves the hearing. More than this, it strengthens the weakened and diseased tissues, thus protecting you against a return of the trouble. This remedy will cure a cold in a day, and prevent its becoming chronic or resulting in catarrh.

Nasal catarrh is an inflammation of the membrane lining the air passages, and cannot be reached by mixtures taken into the stomach, nor can it be cured by snuffs and powders which only cause additional irritation. Don't waste time on them. Get a 50 cent bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist, and after using it for a day you will wish you had tried it sooner.

Mothers should give the children Ely's Cream Balm for colds and croup. It is perfectly harmless, and pleasant to take.

Advertisement for 'You Young Fellows, Your New Hat Is Here; Will Cost You Only \$2' by Nebraska Clothing Co., featuring an image of a hat.

Advertisement for 'Hospe's Wonderful Piano Sale' by A. Hospe Co., featuring an image of a piano and a list of piano models and prices.

Table of Pacific Coast Round Trip Fares via Rock Island Lines, showing routes to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Vancouver, B.C., and California via Portland, with dates of sale and fares.

Advertisement for 'Free Land Information' by The Twentieth Century Farmer, including contact information for the Land Information Bureau in Omaha, Nebraska.