

**VIEW WINDOWS IN THE RAIN**

Eager Crowds Look Over the Attractions of Know Omaha Week.

**PRIZES ARE MOST ALLURING**

Some of the Windows Are Decorated with the Special Idea of Showing Their Beauty When the Lights Are On at Night.

The rain yesterday did not stop the guessers nor deter the window shoppers. Under umbrellas and in raincoats pedestrians stopped in the driving rain to gaze at the window displays of Omaha-made goods and try their luck at winning the prizes offered for the mathematical calculations and necromatic estimations. The prizes offered are interesting to the crowds and the downtown section is alive at all hours even until the lights go out at night with those who have an idea they are lucky. Some of the prizes are unusually interesting to the housewife and the head of the family. Some manufacturers are offering things that would greatly relieve the high cost of living in the household of the winner. Four, lard, hams and bacon are these things. One firm is offering at first prize in a guessing contest a stove worth \$12.50. The stove is in Hooper's window. Another firm is offering two valuable vases as prizes or rather a "vox" worth \$2.50 and the other German ware. These are displayed in W. E. Matthews' book store window at Fifteenth and Douglas streets.

**Children Get Candy.**

Children are taking interest in the Myers-Dillon window at Sixteenth and Farnam streets. With each guess on the number of pieces of candy in a jar, the guesser is given a piece of candy.

Among the beautiful displays are those of the Eggers-O'Flyng Box factory and the Omaha Mirror and Art Glass company. The Eggers-O'Flyng display is shown in the Hess & Swoboda flower shop window. The beautiful art boxes with a background of flowers in the shop make a remarkably attractive picture. The Omaha Mirror and Art Glass company's display in the George Brooks' window at Sixteenth and Harney streets is more attractive by night when the lights are on. A huge flag made of stained glass is here set off in brilliant lights.

Among the puzzling contests is that of the Brown Truck company in the Drexel Shoe company's window. Small crowds stand in front of the place at all hours counting the number of buttons in the outline of a truck on a piece of pasteboard. Persons of all ages gather against the window with pencils in hand to figure out the number. Newsboys who would have no use for the library shelves offered as first prize lean against the pane between sales and ponder over the problem. Those who come to view the window also visit the display at Hayden's anniversary celebration.

**GREAT WESTERN OFFICIALS LOOK OVER TERMINALS**

Officials of the Great Western were in the city yesterday on their annual spring tour of inspection. They have been looking over the lines between here and Chicago and spent a couple of hours at the Omaha terminals of the company.

The Great Western official party included J. W. Blabon, vice president, in charge of traffic, Chicago; H. J. Siffer, general manager, Chicago; F. R. Blunt, retiring superintendent; W. L. Derr, his successor, and W. C. Groth, assistant superintendent, all of Clarion, Ia.

Speaking of conditions, Vice President Blabon says that throughout Iowa and Minnesota crop prospects are fairly good and that with seasonable rains from now on the small grain will be fully up to the average. He thinks it is early to make predictions on corn, but at this time it is looking good and through Iowa much of it is large enough to be cultivated the first time.

**To Probe Value of Business Concerns**

Plans for a thorough probe into the actual values of all big business concerns in Omaha in order that they may be taxed either above or below equitable figures are being made by the Board of County Commissioners. The board called upon County Assessor W. G. Shriver for a list of the assessed valuations of all large concerns for the present year and for the last three years. The list will be filed by the assessor along with his tax valuation records.

**Retail Grocers to Launch Insurance Plan Right Away**

Executive sessions of the Nebraska Federation of Retail Grocers were concluded in Omaha Tuesday, after some plans were outlined to make a fight against the mail order houses. The committee reviewed the establishment of the new co-operative insurance organization, which is allied with their federation. It was reported that enough money has been subscribed for the insurance organization to get its charter and that co-operative insurance will be put in effect soon.

Much of the business of the committee was continued until the next meeting, which is scheduled to be held in Omaha July 3. During their two days' stay in Omaha the executive committeemen visited all the wholesale grocers and later reported they believed the retailers' federation will get the co-operation of the wholesalers.

Incidentally the committeemen pledged to work as individuals in support of Herman Diers for lieutenant governor. The members of the committee who attended the sessions of Tuesday and Wednesday were President C. E. Beinert of Wymore, Vice President George W. Downer of Overton, Fred Diers of Madison, J. C. Schwere of Greeley Center, George Barr of Lincoln and C. E. Hostettler.

**Wilson House to Be Used as Contagious Disease Hospital**

Following a conference with physicians Commissioner J. J. Ryder announced that the Anna Wilson house, given to the city for an emergency hospital, will be used for contagious disease cases exclusively. "When all the fund is available," said Mr. Ryder, "we will build an emergency ward on the east where a surgical room will be installed and cases of injury on the streets and other cases requiring emergency treatment will be taken care of."

Commissioner Ryder will have the hospital repainted. "The paint is atrocious," he said. "A patient would go insane with the colors that have been used glaring at him."

Councilmen M. F. Funkhouser and Les Bridges of the old council chose the colors. Mr. Ryder said he couldn't describe these colors, for he had never seen any like them.

**Omaha Lad Takes Highest Honors**

Manfred Lilliefors, son of Rev. M. E. Lilliefors, pastor of Unity church of this city, won the scholarship medal this year at Wentworth Military academy, Lexington, Mo., for the highest average in scholarship.

Mr. Lilliefors was winner in a large class A by the War department and is furnished complete military equipment and an officer from the United States army, detailed as military instructor. Colonel Sanford Sellers, superintendent and treasurer of the school, today notified Rev. Lilliefors that his son stood highest in scholarship of any student in the school.

**Gymnasium Ground Broken at Bellevue**

In the presence of nearly the whole student body and a number of out of town friends and trustees of the college, ground was broken for the new gymnasium to be built on the campus west of Clarke Hall. A furrow was plowed around the site of the building, the plow being pulled by about thirty of the college boys and held by Miss Conklin, women's physical director. Speeches were made by C. M. Wilhelm, Hon. H. T. Clarke, Jr., of Lincoln, Dr. W. H. Betz and other of the trustees. Yells and songs by the students added to the enthusiasm of the occasion.

**Bids to Be Opened for New Water Main**

Bids for the construction of the forty-eight inch water main to Florence will be opened and the contract let by the Water board June 12. No meeting of the board will be held this week, owing to the absence of four members who are attending a meeting of water board experts in Louisville, Ky.

**KNOW OMAHA BETTER**

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Statement at the Close of Business, April 18, 1912

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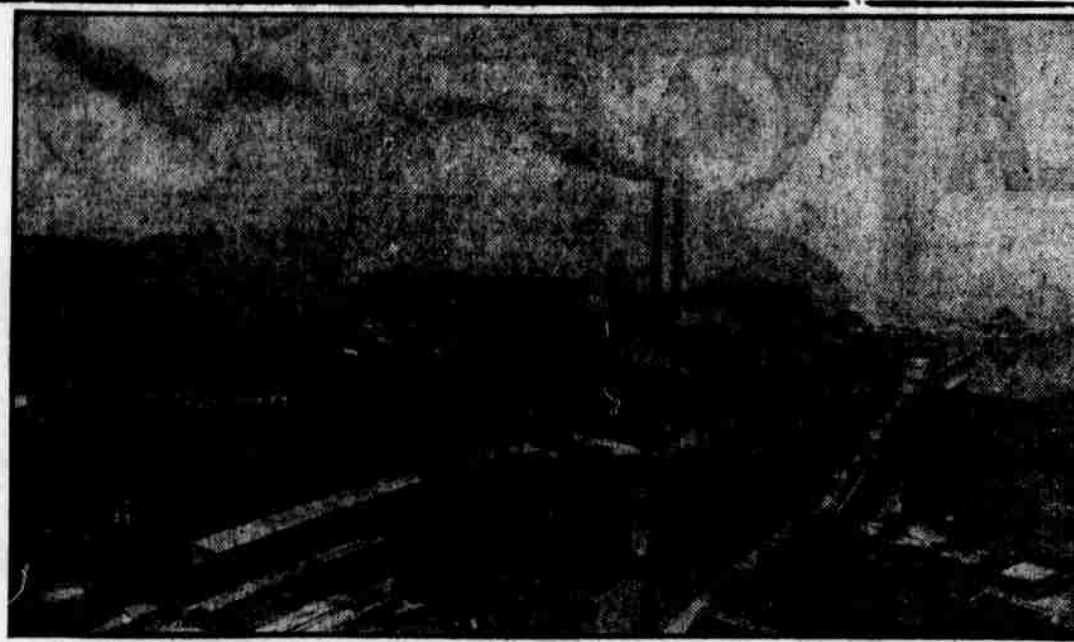
RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$1,367,982.33	Capital Stock	\$ 200,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	150,000.00	Surplus	100,000.00
Other Bonds	45,325.00	Undivided Profits	15,980.13
Bank Building	50,000.00	Circulation	146,200.00
Other Real Estate	27,841.35	Deposits	2,405,892.87
Cash on Hand and Sight Exchange	1,226,924.37		
	\$2,868,073.05		\$2,868,073.05

**OFFICERS:**

A. W. TRUMBLE, President. J. F. COAD, JR., Vice-President. W. J. COAD, Vice-President.  
HARRY F. TRUMBLE, Assistant Cashier. T. J. SHANAHAN, Assistant Cashier.

THE SAVINGS DEPARTMENT is open from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

On Saturday from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.; 6 p. m. to 9 p. m.



**A Visit to Swift's Plant**

Where the Premium Meats are manufactured, shows how clean and sanitary the meat food products are handled ready for the consumer.

From the new sanitary killing floor, where fifteen hundred cattle, thirty-five hundred sheep and six thousand hogs per day can be slaughtered, to the department where the goods are finally packed and shipped, the utmost care is exercised by experienced foremen and help, that turn out sweet, clean and wholesome products.

In the killing department, the government veterinaries, who are graduates of the best colleges in the country, inspect all the different products, so that it is impossible for anything but clean, sweet and wholesome meats to be used, and in each and every department government inspectors oversee the handling of all meats and meat food products to see that the utmost care is exercised to keep the meats sweet and wholesome.

With refrigerating capacity for one and one-quarter million pounds for 24 hours, cold storage capacity for fifteen million pounds of meats, all meats are chilled and kept under refrigeration until shipped to the consumer.

In the Sausage Kitchen, where meats are manufactured by experienced sausage-makers, with the use of clean, sanitary equipment and machinery, into many different dainty and appetizing Sausage Specialties, seasoned and spiced to suit the most critical, and from a Premium Boneless Boiled Ham to a Premium Frankfurt, the housewife can secure a variety of Specialties which enables her to serve the family meal with but little kitchen drudgery.

In the Lard Department, with a capacity of one million pounds per week, the Premium Lard is manufactured in large open rendering kettles, in a sanitary manner.

In the Smoke House, after the Premium Hams have been cured in sugar pickle, and the Premium Bacon dry-packed in a sugar cure, they are smoked in large smoke houses with hickory wood, and a most delicious breakfast Bacon and Ham is the result.

Swift's Premium Ham has enjoyed a high national reputation for many years. Its mild sugar cure and delicate flavor make it most appetizing. Only the choicest hams of each day's output are branded "Premium." Swift's Premium Bacon has the same mild cure and delicate flavor always present in "Premium" Hams. Well streaked with lean, slices of "Premium" Bacon make a most tempting dish when served alone or with eggs, and add zest to beefsteak, chicken or other meats when served as a rasher. Swift's Premium Sliced Bacon appeals to those who prefer their bacon in water like slices. It is sliced with rotary knives to give every slice uniform thickness, packed in glass jars and then hermetically sealed.

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FRED P. HAMILTON, Cashier. B. H. MEILE, Assistant Cashier. C. B. DUGDALE, Assistant Cashier

**NOT YET!**

SOME OF OUR FRIENDS HAVE ANXIOUSLY INQUIRED IF WE EXPECT TO ADD A PRINTING PLANT TO OUR JEWELRY BUSINESS. IF WE COULD EVEN HOPE TO SUCCEED IN FOOLING THE PEOPLE ON TYPEWRITTEN LETTERS AS WELL AS MANGUM SEEMS TO BE ABLE TO, WE MIGHT TRY IT ONCE, BUT FROM THE WAY ALL OMAHA IS GOING AFTER THE TEN DOLLAR PRIZE OFFERED BY MANGUM & CO. AT OUR STORE THIS WEEK, WE THINK IT WISE TO KEEP RIGHT ON SELLING JEWELRY TO THE MANY CUSTOMERS WE HAVE SECURED FROM THE USE OF MANGUM'S PROCESS LETTERS.

WHEN YOU LOOK AT THEIR DISPLAY IN OUR WINDOWS, LOOK IN ON US TOO, WE HAVE THE JEWELRY YOU WILL WANT FOR THE JUNE BRIDE.

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