

WIPE OUT SCHOOL DEFICIT

Collection of 97 Per Cent Taxes and Back Pay Will Clear Slate.

BIG LEVY MEANS A SURPLUS

President Holovitchner Says City Treasurer's Records Point to Proof That School Allowance Will Balance for Year.

President E. Holovitchner of the Board of Education says there will be no deficit in school funds at the end of the year if City Treasurer Ure's collections of back taxes continues to increase.

At least 97 per cent of the 1912 school levy will be collected, Mr. Ure reports and not less than \$20,000 back taxes will be turned over to the schools.

When the Board of Education made the levy for 1912 the estimates were based on a 95 per cent collection. The additional 3 per cent will raise about \$12,000, increasing receipts above the expenditures of the board by \$2,000.

President Holovitchner declares the assertions that there would be a deficiency of \$125,000 at the end of the year arises out of a misconception of the financial scheme of the school district, which is also the scheme of the county.

At the meeting of the county commissioners at the first of the year the estimates of expenses are prepared. In August the levy is made and warrants are forthwith issued.

"But it is not considered that there is a deficit in the county funds then," said Dr. Holovitchner, "for the money will be collected to take up these warrants."

"That is the same scheme upon which we have worked with one exception. We have never issued a warrant that could not be paid. It cannot be charged that there is a deficit in the school funds when uncollected taxes will meet all payments."

City Treasurer Ure reports the collection of 97 per cent and back taxes in the same ratio in which they have been paid for the last several months the deficit will most probably be wiped out this year.

"We have money to meet all our obligations," said the president, "and have no debts we can not pay. It is true money has been transferred from one fund to another, to pay certain bills as they came due, but when the balance is struck at the end of the year we'll be on the safe side if tax collections reach the high per cent that it is probable they will."

May Reduce Levy.

If the deficit is cleared this year, President Holovitchner, who approved the request for a levy of 15 mills, says in his opinion the board will have sufficient surplus in 1913 to reduce the levy to 15 or 16 mills in 1914, and that this surplus will exist after all necessary expenditures for maintenance and improvements have been made.

One reason, he says, for the 15 mill levy for 1912 is in the increase in teachers' salaries, an action concurred in unanimously by the board.

Members of the city commission this morning authorized by resolution that the 15 mill levy be certified to the county commissioners.

This levy will raise nearly a million dollars, a mill levy on all taxable property in the school district realizing about \$26,000 on a 100 per cent collection. With \$200,000 from saloon licenses for 1912 and the police court fines that revert to school funds the Board of Education will have at its disposal in 1913 nearly \$1,500,000.

In preparing the estimates for 1913 the board took the estimates for this year and made the 1912 and 1913 levies almost identical, although 1912 was considered a "high year," the expenditures being unusually heavy. The 1913 levy, therefore, which is 15 mills above the 1912 levy, will, if there is no deficit at the end of this year, mean a surplus in 1913 of at least \$100,000, if expenditures are held within reasonable bounds.

Commission Men Ask for Better Service

Wholesale commission merchants say they cannot get service on many of the railroads out of Omaha and that the fruit shipments to towns nearby are becoming smaller and smaller.

Those who are members of the Commercial club will ask the traffic bureau to investigate the shortage in refrigerator cars and make an attempt to secure cars for days earlier in the week. One railroad has put on a daily service for the benefit of the shippers, but several furnish only one or two a week.

This bulletin has been issued by the Burlington: "Commencing July 25, until the rush of fruit business is over, line 106, Pacific Junction to Creston, local, will be operated daily and we would like to urge shippers to give us the bulk of fruit shipments on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in order to relieve the pressure on this line Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays."

The Minneapolis and Omaha branch lines radiating from the main line between Omaha and Sioux City, the commission merchants declare, are unable to supply fruit to a territory in which there is a great demand. It is said one refrigerator car a week is run over these lines and so late in the week that the fruit spoils.

The commission merchants will ask this and other roads to furnish more refrigerator cars and better service through the Commercial club traffic bureau.

Abusive Mendicant is Cast Into Jail

John Carroll was sentenced to thirty days in the county jail in police court for begging on the streets and using profane language. When arrested by Officers Schwager and Jensen he had stopped a woman on Sixteenth and Douglas streets and asked her for a quarter. When she refused he made slurring remarks.

ARBOREAL DWELLERS SOURCE OF ANNOYANCE

Commissioner Hummel has received a call for help from residents on Dewey avenue near Thirty-third street. "Boys have built houses in my trees," said one voice over the telephone, "and I don't know what to do with them." Investigation uncovered the fact that three palatial one-room houses had been erected in trees at Thirty-third and Dewey and a boy of barefoot boys had reverted to the arboreal days of man.

Case of Typhoid Causes Action to Prevent Epidemic

Miss Myra Russell, 18 years old, 2323 Fort street, is ill with typhoid. Her case is the third reported to the health department from that neighborhood within the last few days. Health Commissioner Connell says the typhoid is caused by the use of water from wells that have been condemned after investigation disclosed the presence of colon bacilli in large numbers. All wells on Thirty-eighth to Forty-second streets between Grand avenue and Fort streets have been condemned and the health department has issued instructions that the water must be boiled before it is used and that connections must be made and city water secured at the earliest possible moment to prevent an epidemic.

Alfalfa Mill is Planned for This City for This Fall

Realizing the importance of Omaha as a manufacturing point and market town and also realizing that Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and Utah constitutes the greatest alfalfa producing territory in the world, a number of local capitalists have banded themselves together and are taking steps looking to the erection of an alfalfa meal mill.

The men who are in the new company have abundant capital and will put about \$50,000 into the project. They will put out a full line of stock foods. And it is probable that the mill will be in operation this fall.

Postal Savings Bank to be Placed in Brandeis' Stores

Postmaster John C. Wharton has notified J. L. Brandeis & Sons that a postal savings bank will be established in the Brandeis store next month. It is announced that the bank will be in readiness to receive deposits by August 15.

This, as far as can be learned, is the only postal savings bank to be inaugurated in any store in the west.

Burglars in Haste Overlook Plunder

An alarm clock was all that prevented a couple of energetic burglars from securing \$200 worth of silverware and jewelry valued at \$500 from the home of Mrs. James Greene, 2616 California street, at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. When the alarm sounded the night prowlers made a hasty exit, \$60 worth of silverware being the extent of their haul.

Entrance was gained by cutting a screen in the library window. After a sumptuous repast from the refrigerator in the kitchen they repaired to the dining room and were packing some of the silverware away when the clock clanged its alarm.

Albert Foil, 2611 California street, just across the street from the Greene home, reported to the police the theft of a gold watch and \$6.50 in cash from his trousers' pocket sometime Monday night, supposedly the work of the same pair.

Entrance was gained to the Foil home through a screen on the dining room window.

STARLAND THEATER TO OPEN NOVEMBER FIRST

The new Starland theater on Douglas street, near Sixteenth, will open on November 1, according to a statement issued by Arthur D. Brandeis. Paul Lemarquand of the Lemarquand & Sons syndicate, Winnipeg, will arrive in Omaha Sunday to make arrangements for the opening and the management of the new theater.

BRANDEIS STORES Extra Special on Main Floor Wednesday Odd and Broken Lots of Women's \$1 and \$1.50 Lingerie Waists at 50c

Notion Sale in Basement Brandeis bought thousands and thousands of samples from a great New York notion house. These samples comprise nearly everything to be had in a notion line, but only a few of a kind—pins, needles, thread, buttons of all descriptions, bead necklaces, bracelets, cuff and collar buttons, key chains, fancy jewelry of all kinds, brooches, tape, stick pins, tape measures, silk thread, hooks and eyes and hair pins—in four big lots Wednesday, at these wonderful bargains—each 1c, 2c, 3c and 5c

2 Big Basement Specials Fruit of the Loom and all bleached muslins that are manufactured, 6, 8 up to 20 yd. perfect lengths, yard 7 1/2c

Special on the Main Floor \$1.00 Corsets at 69 Cents The American Princess style corset, high and low bust, medium and extra length skirt, handsomely lace trimmed and made of fine quality batiste, four heavy hose supporters. Sells for \$1 the world over—on bargain counter, corset dept., at 69c

Great Sale of Shoes, worth \$2 and \$3, at \$1.00 Thursday BRANDEIS STORES OMAHA Great Sale of Women's SKIRTS Thursday

Low Fares East Round Trips from Omaha to Atlantic City, N. J. \$44.25 Boston, via Montreal \$40.60

CHICAGO MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY Four splendid daily trains from Omaha afford a quick and comfortable means of reaching the near-by resorts and make good connections at Chicago for all points east.

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TWO IDEAL CRUISES AROUND THE WORLD Island Excursions and Side Trips 13 DAYS IN JAPAN 18 DAYS IN INDIA

AMUSEMENTS LAKE MANAWA "60 Minutes from Omaha." Most Beautiful Amusement Park in the Middle West.

Safety SUMMER SHOW Only Omaha DAYLIGHT SHOWING of VAUDEVILLE includes Herr Doblado's Sheep and Figs; Dancing Stone, Steppist; The Burlington Equilibrista; Wednesday only, "The Holy City" (3 reels). Pictures changed daily. New vaudeville Thursday.

Thursday a Dress and Waist Sale Event Surpassing Any Known in Years A Wealth of Bargain Offerings in Wednesday's Sales HAYDEN'S Furniture Specials you'll Find it Impossible To Duplicate

Clearance Bargains in Men's Furnishings That you will not find duplicated elsewhere in Omaha. Men's 25c Wash Ties, four-inches, in fine madras or percales, 7 1/2c

In the Busy Domestic Room Wednesday 15c Galatea Cloths, light and dark colors, 28 inches wide—at 10c

Don't miss the big Manufacturer's Sale of Women's Summer Dresses and Waists Thursday. Watch Wednesday evening papers.

Special Prices for Wednesday In Our Grocery Department 48-lb. sack of our Diamond H Flour for \$1.25

IT PAYS TRY HAYDEN'S FIRST IT PAYS

Vacation Opportunities via Rock Island Lines New York, N. Y. \$42.00 to \$45.00 Boston, Mass. \$40.60 to \$45.00

J. S. McNALLY, Division Passenger Agent 1322 Farnam St., Omaha, Neb.

DRS. MACH & MACH THE DENTISTS The largest and best equipped dental office in Omaha. Experts in charge of all work, moderate prices.

Piano Bargains For This Week That Cannot Be Duplicated In Omaha. NEW UPRIGHT PIANOS \$187

Used Upright Pianos of such makes as Church & Co., Julius Bauer, Kimball, Vose, Pease, Hallet & Davis, Weser Bros., Brambach, Steinway and many others at \$55, \$115, \$125, \$145, 175 and up.

The Lowest Cut on Low Cuts at Fry's Shoe Store For Wednesday, Thursday and Friday We will add to our season's clean-up sale some lines of high grade low cuts at prices cut lower than ever.

Free land information You can learn the facts about any section of the country through The Twentieth Century Farmer's Free Land Information Bureau, which is maintained for the benefit of our readers.