# METERS RAISE WATER BILLS

Water Board Now Gets More Money for Less Water.

METER FIGURES PROVE THIS

Members of the Board Themselves Pay More Than When Settling Under Flat Rate System-Many Protests Made.

Bills of the Water board for the last few months have shown that receipts inder metered service have increased steadily over the receipts from the same customers under the flat rate system. although these customers declare they have used much less water.

"I have used less water than I did under the flat rate, but my bill will be \$10 a. year more," said one consumer, who spoke for many others who protest against the high rate charged by the water commissioner.

It has been figured out on the basis of the bills paid within the last month that when all services are metered the income of the plant will have been increased, although the amount of water consumed will have decreased to such an extent that substantial reduction of rates would not lessen the earnings.

Here are a few examples of the increased cost of water to the consumer under the metered service, for months during which the smallest quantity of water is used;

C. R. Sherman, member of the Water board, 132 North Thirty-eighth avenue, paid a flat rate of \$21.75 a year until meter was installed August 19; bill for August 19 to December 27, \$11.39.

Dan B. Butler, city commissioner, paid flat rate of \$19.50 a year, now pays under metered service for one winter month,

P. C. Heafey, member of the Water board, paid more in 1912 under metered service than in 1911 for the same period. In some cases the difference is as high as \$15 and \$30 a year in favor of the Water board. There are few cases where the cost to the consumer has been decreased by the installation of meters and the differences in such cases are but a few cents.

Numerous claims are made for 'misread meters" and rebates are given by the water commissioner when these meters are read again. These rebates often are more than 50 per cent of the bill.

# Steve Miller Found in Serious Shape in His Hotel Room

Stephen Miller, night clerk at the Her Grand hotel, who was found in his room at that hotel Thursday suffering from an attack of liver disease and who was rushed to the Wise Memorial hospital, is in a dying condition at that institution

Thursday when Mr. Miller did not report for duty, his fellow clerks remem bered that he had not been seen all day and visited his room. Receiving no anawer to their knock they entered and found Miller lying on the bed in a serious condition. He had been stricken almost twenty-four hours before and was unable to call for help. At the hospital he collapsed and was attended by Dr. Bernard McDermott, who holds out little hope for his recovery.

Miller came to Omaha over thirty years ago from Harrisburg, Pa., and entered the employ of the Burlington Railway company as a telegrapher. He gradually advanced until he was appointed train dispatcher, which position he held until twelve years ago, when he was forced to quit work because of telegrapher's paralysis.

Following his exit from the Burlington Miller secured a position as clerk of the Merchants hetel, where he worked until three years ago. He then went to the Her Grand hotel as night clerk and has been there ever since.

Mr. Miller is known by every stockman in this section of the country, having made numerous friends while working at the Merchants hotel. He is a much loved character and made friends by his charitable disposition.

### **BURGLARS SECURE ONLY** SMALL CHANGE AT BOEKE'S

The home of Carl E. Boeke, information cierk at the Union station, was robbed Thursday night, but the burglars were satisfied with a few dollars they found in Mr. Bocke's pockets.

Some time between midnight and morning burglars, by prying up a window, forced an entrance to the Boeke home, 2716 Douglas street, ransacked the rooms on the lower floor, but apparently did not find anything to their liking. Entering the bed room of Mr. Boeke, they opened the drawers of the dresser and scattered their contents upon the floor, but did not take anything away. However, they took his pants, which were found outside the house, near the window through which entrance had been effected, but minus some \$3, which had been in one of the pockets. Mr. Boeke's watch was taken, but was found on the sidewalk, near the front steps.

None of the inmates of the house were disturbed and the first known of the hurglary was when at 5 o'clock Ms. Bocke got up to shake down the fire.

### SUES HUSBAND'S PARENTS ON ALIENATION CHARGE

Damages of \$10,000 are asked of Nicholas Kriebs, a tinner in the Union Pacific shops, and his wife, by their daughtern-law, Ethel M. Kriebs, in a petition filed in district court. It is alleged they slienated the affections of their son, leorge Kriebs.

The young man was married at Auducon, Ia., in June, 1911. It is alleged that shortly after the marriage the defendants began to poison the young man's mind against his wife, making all manner o false charges against her. Finally, it is alleged, they made the situation so inpleasant that the young woman had to leave. Mrs. Kriebs now is living with clatives at LeMars, Ia.

## MANY PURSES ARE FOUND EMPTY IN MAIL BOXES

### Fur and Fur Trimmed OVERCOATS, 1

Men's fur overcoats and fur trimmed and fur lined overat..... 1-2 price

# ORKIN BROTHERS

# Cigar Special CIGARS, Valentines' after

# **CUT FLOWERS**

Carnations, assorted, 19c fresh, dozen. Roses, fresh, assorted 39c Orkin Bros.—Main Floor. Main Entrance.

# Your Choice of Any Man's SUIT or OVERCOAT \$13.50

THAT'S the way we offer you your choice Saturday from our entire stock of high grade clothing for men. There's nothing reserved excepting fur and fur trimmed overcoats. The assortments are large and wide in range of selection and involve values of \$25.00, \$30.00 and even \$45.00, at, choice for \$13.50

are the very latest models, two or three but-The Suits ton sack suits, double breasted and Norfolk styles, in fancy materials; also Blue Serges, all made by the best journeymen tailors, and guaranteed to give the best of satisfaction; values \$25.00, \$30.00, \$35.00 and \$45.00, choice \$13.50.

Pure Candies

CHOCOLATE CREAMS. 25c assorted, 50c quality, 1b. 25c FRUIT GLACES, 50c 39c

The stock includes the world's best clothing, embracing such famous and well known makes as-

"Atterbury System" Clothes for men and young men

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Whether the former price was \$25.00, \$30.00, \$35.00, \$40.00 or even \$45.00, choice now, at our price, \$13.50.



# Men's Suits and Overcoats at \$7.50

Involving Values at \$12.50, \$15.00, \$16.50 and \$18.00

SUITS made of all-wool worsteds, cassimeres, fine blue serges, two and three-button styles, in grays, brown or blue. Every garment represents the season's snappiest models—carefully and stylishly tailored and guaranteed to give the utmost service. These suits are worth from \$12.50, \$15.00, \$16.50 and up to \$18.00, and to clear our stocks for other shipments we offer them to 

OVERCOATS-Three-quarter and full lengths; self material and velvet collars; gray, brown and fine black all-wool kersey. These coats will prove a revelation when you see them—they're all well made, strictly this season's styles and are big values at their regular selling price-\$12.50, \$15.00, \$16.50 and \$18.00—your choice, Saturday, at ......

# Boys' OVERCOATS

Values to \$7.50 for \$3.98



styles, the season's most desirable patterns, values to \$7.50, sale price Saturday . . . .

Boys' Overcoats, \$2.48 Broken sizes, only 50 in the lot, representing values to \$5.00, \$248 for ..... Boys' Suits, \$2,69

simere suits, in Russian blouse style, or-iginally priced \$269 to \$6.98, choice. Boys' Suits, \$4.98 Norfolk and Double Breast ed styles, including the fanfous "Athletic" "Cut Cloth-

Boys' wool, worsted and cas

ler," all wool, worsted and cassimere ma-terials, values to \$498 \$12.50 ......\$4

# Bargain Section

Men's Underwear, 89c

Men's \$1.50 all wool, scarlet, medicated shirts and drawers; they give ease and comfort to those afflicted with rheumatism; 89c Men's \$3.00 Shoes, \$1.95

Men's \$3.00 Pants, \$1.48

Men's worsted and cassimere and corduroy pants, a large 45- \$1.48 sortment, values to \$3.90. Men's Underwear, 980 Men's san.ple underwear, in wool, all wool slik and wool; shirts only; values to \$2.50. Satur. 98c

Men's golf and leather work gloves, lined, 50c quality, Saturday, pair.... Women's 250 Gloves, 10c

Women's yarn golf gloves, slight imperfection of 25c Orkin Bros.—Basement.

# Men's \$1.00 Wool Texture In the Basement UNDERWEAR Saturday at 49c

BOYS' Overcoats in all savers in our big bargain section.

HERE'S a few of the big money the favored materials, then favored materials, then in the basement. Come to morrow and share in the profit and shirts or drawers, regular price 49c \$1.00; sale price Saturday, garment.....

> \$3.00 Union Suits, \$1.89 Men's Wool Union Suits, light, medium and heavy



Men's Shirts, values to \$2.00, at 79c

SPECIAL! There's still an excellent selection from which to choose, all high grade materials in a pretty range of choice patterns, cut coat style and perfect fitting, regular 79c values to \$2.00, sale price, choice ......

weight, regular \$3.00 values, per values, per \$1.89 \$1.00 Union Suits, 79c

Men's Union Suits, high grade Egyptian, ribbed, with new closed crotch, \$1.00 values, \$1.50 Underwear, 89c

Men's Wool Undershirts or Drawers, regular \$1.50 values, garment, at Men's 50c Neckwear, 19c

Men's silk 4-inch hand ties, assortment of designs, 190 originally 506,

# Saturday in the Big GROCERY

# Men's \$3.50 to \$4 SHOES, \$2.29

Men's shoes in gun metal calf, vici kid skin, patent colt \$ 29 skin, tan calf skin, or velour calf skin; lace and button styles, all 1913 stylish models, all sizes, Saturday, the pair ...... Men's \$8.50 Boots, \$2.65 Men's storm boots, high tops, black and tan leathers, heavy soles and buckles, regular \$3.50 values, Saturday, the pair .... \$2.65 Boys' \$3.50 Boots, \$2.39 Boys' high top storm boots in black and tan leather, heavy soles, broad toes and buckles, sizes up to 51/2. \$3.50 shoes, Saturday ..... Men's 90c Rubbers, 59c Men's storm rubbers, good quality, all sizes, regular 99c sind. In Saturday's 59c

FLOUR, Excelsior patent, 48-lb. \$1.40 | GRANULATED SUGAR, 21 lbs. \$1

Pork Shoulder, Saturday,

per lb. Pot Rosst, No. 1, per

Sausage, bulk, per

aine, 6 for

Veal Roast, No. 1, per

Ham, Cudahy's Rex Brand, No. 1, per lb, Holland Herring, large

Soda, Omaha made, lb..... Fancy Meats

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7c PEAS, Early 10c OLIVES, stuf- 45c our best coffee, at-Bakery Specials Cream Puffs, home-

Leaf Lard, 9-1b. pack- \$1.00 Bread, fresh, home-nge made, large 54 loar, 3 loaves 10c Grape Fruit, large Pork Shoulder, Saturday. 11c Cakes, fresh, home-made. 20c Oranges, aweet 200 Oranges, aweet 160 Apples, fancy dozen Rolls, fresh, home-made, Squash, the Doughnuts, bome-made ozen lookies, home-made, per-86 Onions, red globes, per

Orkin Bros. - Your Home Store-

110

10c

10c

8c

161/20

Vegetables

150 2 bunches 5c 25c

# Employes in Public

proven very popular receptucles for empty in the department of public improve- Pavlik, instrument man, \$90 to \$96; F cocket books, the contents of which have ments, of which he is the head, have enriched the coffers of holdup men. Four been given substantial increases in salpurses adorn the desk of Assistant Post- aries. The advances as approved by the \$85 to \$96; W. J. Provagnik, instrument

that way," said Mr. Woodard. "They H. Connell, instrument man, \$70 to \$75; Young, cierk, \$70 to \$80. most always come from the mail boxes W. S. Cook, rod man, \$50 to \$65; M. W. Commissioner McGovern says that with down at Tenth and Douglas and Eleventh Foley, instrument man, \$75 to \$80; J. P. These increases the expenses of the of-Ford, clerk, \$80 to \$190; F. A. Goodail, fice will not be increased over the ex-

\$80. Joel Johnson, head bookkeeper, \$110 government, for many have been dis- given beds for a night. Improvement Service to \$135; William Jorgensen, inspector, charged from the department within Get Salary Increase McEvoy, inspector, \$85 to \$90; Alex Mcformerly by the week at \$26, to \$30; E. the year. Kinney, flush tank man, \$60 to \$70; I. R. Morearty, instrument man, \$75 to \$90; Upon the recommendation of Council- T. B. McGovern, \$125 to \$135; J. S. Murman McGovern the employes of the city phy, instrument man, \$70 to \$75; Charles W. Swain, chauffeur, from \$25 a week to purses adorn the desk of Assistant Post- aries. The advances as approved by the man, from 130 to 105; Miss Effic Turner, master Woodard. They contain no city commission are as follows, per stenographer, 175 to 186; E. W. Wood-"We get tots of them in the mail boxes M. F. Black, engineer, \$110 to \$120; P. bridge, field engineer, \$60 to \$100; C. "R,

selling, the pair

Women's \$1.50 Juliets, 98c

Women's felt house Juliets, all colors, hand turned leather soles, ribbon or fur trimmed, all sizes regularly sell at \$1.50 pair, special Saturday.

Salvation Army Has

# Helped Many Lately

Captain H. H. Kline of the Salvation Army says that despite the continued warm weather large numbers of men and women apply daily for help and within a week the stores of the army have been emptied of all overocats and shoes He is now making an effort to secure donations of these articles

Thirteen men have been regularly cared for during the last few weeks by Cap- sale by Henton Drug Co.-Advertisement.

elerk. \$80 to \$90; F. R. Gerhardt, field pense of the department before the com- tain Kline, who furnished them with food engineer, \$90 to \$85; Andy Jensen, \$75 to missioners took charge of the municipal and lodging. Many others have been Manhattan Hotel "Some of the men who apply for neip

are well dressed and apparently prosperous, but they are out of jobs and can't find work However, some of them are not descrying and we found one case like that yesterday A dapper young man had come to me frequently for dinner Wa investigated him and found that he had a job, but spent his money for booze When he came again for help yesterday I told him we didn't want anything more to do with him"

Got an Awful Fright by fear of appendicitis? Take Dr. King's New Life Pills and soon see powel trouble vanish. Guaranteed. 25c. For

A full grown resort, with evidence of at 2:30 yesterday morning, when police

formerly called the Royal, was raided only last week by the authorities. Raided by Police Last night's raid was made because of a fight started in the place, and when the police came sufficient evidence was women and liquor in plenty, was found H. Pollock is alleged to be the proprietor. officers raided the "Manhattan hotel" at | Key to the Situation-Bee Advertising

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