

FIRE DOES \$15,000 DAMAGE

Blaze Starts from Overheated Stove-pipe in Crouse Building.

CAKLEYS SUFFER THE MOST

Bulk of Loss is Sustained by Them on Stock and Fixtures—Lower Floor of Building Also Badly Damaged.

Fire, starting from an overheated stove-pipe of in the tailor shop of M. Brookstein, located in the basement of the Crouse block, sixteenth and Capitol avenue, did estimated damage Tuesday morning of \$15,000. The bulk of the loss was sustained by the stock and fixtures of Cackley Bros., wholesale liquor dealers, and the first floor of the building, leaders Sant, shipping clerk for the liquor house, discovered the fire and immediately sent in the alarm.

According to Edward Cackley, his concern carries a stock of \$25,000 worth of liquors, but the fact that much is heavily casked kept it from harm. Smoke and water did most of the damage, ruining the stock of the Stewart Seed company, which adjoins the liquor house.

Flames Spread.

In three-quarters of an hour the fire on the main floor and in the basement was under the control of the firemen, but flames had eaten through to the second story and, in addition to the eight lines of hose which had at first been stretched, two more were added and played up stairs.

No one was hurt, although sleeping on the third story, was Peter Loch and his brother, Charlie, sister, Clara, and mother, Mrs. Mary Loch. Patrolman James Murphy, one of the first on the scene, entered the building in a stifling cloud of smoke and blindly groped his way to the third story to the occupied rooms. He then awakened the quartet, who were soundly sleeping. A few minutes more and they would undoubtedly have been overcome by the smoke which was rapidly filling the room. All reached the street in perfect safety.

Other Persons Lose.

Above the Cackley house, on the corner, the State Medical Institute suffered loss from water and smoke, as did the clothing establishment of Jacob Ringler, which is directly above the entrance of Cackley's. On the second floor to the rear John Edwards, colored janitor of the building, makes his home with his wife and child. All were out of the building when the fire started.

The building is an old one, and about six years ago a portion of it was condemned. At that time a lodge met on the third floor, and because of the unsafety the lodge moved out. The structure is owned by the Sir Horace Plunkett estate, for which Conrad Young is the agent. It is well covered by insurance.

Within two hours after the fire started, work clearing the broom squad were at work clearing the water from the main and second floors. The fire was a dangerous one and much comment was made upon the systematic way in which the fire fighters put it out.

Baker Spends His Car Fare to Buy Two-For Stogies

Judge Ben S. Baker, city corporation counsel, smoked the best stogies, sold two for a nickel, but he resolved to quit tobacco on and after the first of the year. Until today he held firmly to the resolution, but his keen analytical mind got busy and he has figured out a way to avoid the resolution, which he said was made primarily to reduce the high cost of living.

"It will take me twenty-five minutes to walk from my home to the city hall," said Judge Baker. "Now the walking would offset the bad effects of cigars the manner the stogies and if I smoked two on my way down that would be just what I would spend for car fare. So there you are. What's wrong with that?" The judge says if street car fares should by any chance be increased to 25 cents he could smoke high priced cigars and still not lose any money.

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Scene at Fire When Many Women Were in Grave Danger



Article XVII. By a Member of The Bee Staff.

Omaha's Public Schools Diversification of Instruction (Continued.)

As a student of American rural life and its problems, Sir Horace Plunkett raises the vital point of the defectiveness in the education of young people on the farms as one reason why it is increasingly difficult to hold them there.

For instance, as anyone who has given serious thought to the rural life question will admit, the tendency has been to educate the farmer's boys and girls away from the country to the city instead of vice versa as it should be. In the first place, a young woman, with no knowledge or experience in country life, goes from graduation in the city schools to teach and train the children from the farm. There are, here, boys and girls "cross" whose heredity and environment are rural, sitting at the feet of a sweet, demure Miss Gamelle, whose whole heredity and environment are urban. Is it any wonder that under such a system country youths are not more closely attached to the farm?

The problem is at least comprehended in the scope of the revised curriculum of the Omaha High school, where five or six years ago the regular normal course comprising instruction in agricultural branches was installed. Those young folks who intend to teach are required to take this normal course which comes in the second term of the fourth year. Of course, what knowledge of agricultural problems they receive is elementary, but deemed sufficient, at least, to give the graduate a sense of the importance of agricultural knowledge to the child of the farm, where her lot as a school teacher may be cast.

Agriculture as a study, therefore, has no place in the graded schools and only in the high for those taking the normal course with a view of country teaching. Thus the Omaha schools have proceeded one step toward fitting their teacher graduates for intelligent service in the rural schools. Many additional steps, of course, have to be taken by the teacher, herself, before anything like adequate proficiency is reached.

At best, the slip of a girl who ventures from a city to the country as an instructor of the sturdy farmer boys and girls is regarded by the farmer, more or less with ridicule, so it is time, from that and other more serious standpoints, for such an awakening on the part of the preparatory schools.

As already stated, the Omaha public schools follow no definite system of teaching, except such as is calculated to produce individualism in the pupil. This is kept alive in mind. The effort is made to throw the boy and girl on their own resources as early and all that is possible. Rather than being inductive, the method aims at the root meaning of education as derived from the Latin verb "e-ducere," to lead out. So the aim is a leading-out process, the only real way of developing the pupil to think and act for himself. Much latitude is here given the teacher.

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David Berkowitz, city license inspector, has notified 100 pawnbrokers, second-hand store proprietors, moving picture show owners and proprietors of other businesses, that his office will begin prosecutions without further notice unless their licenses have been paid before February 1.

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Farmer Swears He Never Used 'Phone

H. C. Jensen, prosperous farmer of Lincoln, Minn., 50 years of age, never talked through a telephone, according to testimony given by him in a suit for \$10,000 damages for breach of promise to marry her brought by Miss Jennine Pedersen of Omaha.

Jensen combated evidence that he had said he was to marry Miss Pedersen in a telephone conversation by the statement under oath that he never had used Bell's popular device. "I have no telephone on my farm," he said, "and have never used one."

District Judge Estelle is hearing evidence in the suit. The plaintiff formerly was Jensen's housekeeper at his Minnesota farm. She is the mother of a child several months old.

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Men May Promote Woman Suffrage in the State

The organization of a men's league to promote woman suffrage in Nebraska is planned for Tuesday, January 13, at the Paston hotel. Several hundred men are expected to meet with woman suffragists then and after an a la carte luncheon, start plans for the successful circulation of the petitions for the submission of the state constitutional amendment for woman suffrage to popular vote.

Hotel Lobbies Are Filled With Implements

"Say, I guess I've got into the wrong place, a new arrival at one of the hotels remarked at noon as he approached the desk to register. "This used to be a hotel, but it looks more like a farmyard now."

"The implement dealers' convention, sir," the clerk volunteered apologetically. "You see, they all have their displays in the lobby, so that's why you don't see but wagons, bugles, saddles, implements, machinery and salesmen."

"They're a fine bunch, though, and all their exhibits are really interesting, even to a city man," the clerk concluded.

Stickers to Boost the Lincoln Highway

Red, white and blue stickers at \$1 a thousand are to be sold to the business houses in the state to be used on their stationery, preferably on the outside of envelopes, to keep the Lincoln highway project constantly before the people. The stickers are scarcely more than an inch and a quarter long. They are the copyrighted Lincoln highway sign, the same sign that exists on the telephone poles along the Lincoln highway. H. E. Fredrickson is sending out a lot of circular letters to interest the business men in taking these and using them on their stationery.

Norman Taylor is Bound Over to District Court

Norman Taylor, ex-convict and confessed burglar, has been bound over to the district court on two charges of breaking and entering. The complainants named the homes of Frank Judson and A. Anderson as the places entered. Bonds of \$2,000 were placed on the former and \$1,500 on the latter.

Improvement Clubs' Federation to Meet

A meeting of the Federation of Improvement clubs will be held Thursday evening at the city hall. "Improvements for 1914" will be the subject for discussion.

Personal Paragraphs

Thomas F. Flynn, manager of the woman's suit department at Hayden Bros., has returned from a buying trip to New York.

Take a Glass of Salts to Flush the Kidneys if Your Back Hurts

Advices folks to overcome Kidney and Bladder trouble while it is only trouble. Eating meat regularly eventually produces kidney trouble in some form or other, says a well-known authority, because the uric acid in meat excites the kidneys, they become overworked; get sluggish; clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region; rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation. The moment your back hurts or kidneys aren't acting right, or if bladder bothers you, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity; also to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders. Jad Salts cannot injure anyone; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then to keep the kidneys and urinary organs clean, thus avoiding serious kidney disease.—Advertisement.

Council Agrees on Budget

City Dads Finally Reach Decision on Distribution of \$1,130,000.

Fire and Police Increased

Few Minor Changes, but Majority of Officials Will Work During New Year with Same Amount of Money as Last Year.

After practically two days in executive session the city commission late yesterday afternoon reached an agreement on the apportionment of the annual budget, which totals \$1,130,000.

City Commissioner Thomas McGovern's department of public improvements was cut \$10,000. He has a surplus of \$5,000.

Police Commissioner J. J. Ryder's department was given \$10,000 more this year than last and the fire department, under Commissioner C. H. Withnell, was raised \$20,000.

With a few minor changes the other departments received the same amounts this year that were apportioned to them last year. The apportionment agreed upon follows:

Table with 2 columns: Department Name and Amount. Includes items like Fire department, Police department, Public library, Electric lights, Gas lights, etc.

Grand total \$1,130,000

The apportionment as agreed upon was approved by the council in regular session this morning.

A. C. Wetzel, plumbing inspector, had his salary increased \$120 a year. Superintendent McDonald of the garbage department secured a salary increase of \$25 a month. No other salaries were increased.

Business Men Negligent of Their Duty as Jurors

That the members of the Builders' exchange, as well as men in most all lines of business in Omaha, are negligent especially in point of jury service was a point made by J. A. C. Kennedy in an address delivered at the annual banquet of the Builders' exchange at the Commercial rooms last night. Nearly thirty attended.

Harry Lawrie, Grant Parsons and William Redwigk gave short impromptu addresses. Cabaret features were introduced by an array of clever local talent, consisting of singing, dancing and instrumental music by Miss Florence Basler, Sidney K. Fox, Miss Josephine Lyman, Miss Mary Crendon and Dick Clemmens.

The annual election of the Builders' exchange was held in the afternoon at the Builders' exchange rooms in the Barker block. Grant Parsons was re-elected president. William Redwigk was elected vice president. J. E. Merriam was elected treasurer. For members of the board of directors the following were chosen: Parley S. Hamilton, Charles J. Johnson, John J. Toms, W. C. Bullard, W. H. Parrish and Robert Sanderson.

University Club May Arrange Lecture Series

To meet a growing request among members of the University club for a series of addresses by speakers of acknowledged reputation, the entertainment committee has circulated subscription blanks to ascertain what proportion of the membership would be willing to defray the expense of such a step. In case there is a sufficient number of signers an effort will be made to secure some nationally prominent men to appear before the club from time to time.

High School Cadets Well Advanced in Their Drills

The first indoor drill of the school semester will be held at the high school this week if the cold weather remains. Up to the present time all of the cadet maneuvers have been held out-of-doors and as a result the school regiment is this year farther advanced in company and battalion work than in former years.

when drill within the building usually begins with Thanksgiving. Indoor practice allows nothing but manual of arms drill and handicaps the regiment in large formations. The cadets have this year received instruction in regimental ceremonies and parades which in other years have not been attempted until after the beginning of spring. Key to the Situation—Don Advertising.

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