

LIBRARY BOOKS BY MAIL

Parcel Post Circulation to Be Permissible After Sixteenth.

MISS TOBITT FAVORS SCHEME

Librarian Looks Upon New Rating as a Means of Helping Many and Fulfilling Institution's Mission.

A young woman school teacher of Valley achieved the distinction Saturday of being the first applicant for parcel post service from the Omaha public library.

Miss Edith Tobitt, the librarian, favors the parcel post scheme of circulating books and believes it will help the library to fulfill its mission in the community.

The books would be sent out from the library with the postage charges C. O. D. This service would apply to Benson, Florence, Albright, the nearby rural routes and small towns, as well as to Omaha itself.

Stork Visits Woman Plaintiff on Eve of Trial of Damage Suit

Mrs. Edith Hicks, plaintiff in a \$10,000 damage suit against Albert A. Clark, retail food dealer of Council Bluffs, was unable to appear in her case in the district court Monday because of a visit by the venerable Mr. Stork Sunday night.

Notwithstanding the plaintiff's absence the trial of the case is going forward. Mother and babe are doing splendidly.

Chada Compliments Police Judge Foster

Anton Chada, who was once worth \$50,000, but who now spends most of his time borrowing nickels and dimes from inhabitants of the police station, inspired ripples of mirth in police court when he was brought before Judge Foster on a disorderly charge.

Chada proceeded to greet everybody when he was arraigned before the bar, and when Tom O'Connor, clerk of the court, came in, he instantly informed the judge that O'Connor had given him a dime and a bottle of spirit waters on Saturday. O'Connor admitted giving Chada the dime, but protested that he never heard of the quoted brand.

Big Wyoming Oil Companies Unite

The Northwestern general offices here are in receipt of information from Casper, Wyo., announcing the consolidation of the Midwest Oil and the Franco Petroleum company under the name of the Midwest Refining company, with a capital stock of \$20,000,000.

The consolidated company becomes the owner of a large portion of the oil producing country in the Salt Creek oil zone. Its refinery output is 17,000 barrels daily.

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC LIBRARY FACTOR IN BIG CELEBRATION

The public library authorities are interested in learning from the St. Louis public library that an immense dramatic spectacle and historic pageant to be given there soon is founded entirely upon material gleaned from sources in that library. It commemorates the 150th anniversary of the founding of St. Louis by Pierre Laclede.

PREPARING FOR LARGE CONVENTION CROWD

To accommodate the crowds of delegates expected to attend the triennial state convention of the Royal Neighbors, to be held at the Hanshaw March 17-19, the hotels are ordering hundreds of extra cots to be placed in rooms.

TEAMSTER CONFESSES TO THEFT OF MUCH BEER

Fred Colton, 231 Dodge street, teamster for Lerch & Van Sandt, wholesale beer dealers, 311 South Seventeenth street, has been arrested on a charge of stealing from his employers.

How Deer Parkers Stand on the Issues of the City Election

OMAHA, March 9.—To the Editor of The Bee: Referring to published articles regarding the meeting of Deer Park Improvement club Friday, these articles were in several ways misleading.

The facts are, that at a regular meeting of the Deer Park Improvement club, held January 16 at Vinton school, with an attendance of about 150, at which Mr. R. E. Howell was present, a petition was presented bearing 500 signatures of residents in our vicinity declaring themselves in favor of street railway extensions in preference to seven fares for a quarter.

Further, a resolution to this effect was adopted, with instructions that a copy be forwarded to the Federated Improvement Clubs. We feel that this declaration was in itself sufficient to indicate the sentiment of the residents in our community, and same having been authorized in the presence of Mr. Howell, would indicate that we were impossible for him, or any other individual, through flowery talks, to change the views of the majority membership.

With reference to the regular attendance being but fifteen members, this is entirely wrong, as the average attendance since the first meeting in October has been forty-five out of a total paid membership of 150, which we believe is a fair average showing for an improvement club, and this notwithstanding considerable opposition on the part of ex-Councilman Hoye and his followers.

As to the Auditorium bonds, we would state that we feel safe in asserting that the large majority of the members are in favor of voting the bonds for its purchase, although a contrary vote was polled last Friday through the efforts of four or five men present who were not entitled to a vote.

THOMAS J. LYNCH, J. CURTIN, H. J. PETERSEN, CHARLES SHERMAN.

Highwayman Shoots Pipe from the Mouth of Intended Victim

W. E. Thompson, 774 Burt street, narrowly escaped death Sunday night when a bullet from the gun of a highwayman broke off the short stem of a pipe he was smoking.

Thompson was halted by two men at Twenty-seventh and Burt streets, and when one of the men stuck his pistol in Thompson's ribs, the latter became indignant and struck it aside. As he did so the gun went off, and the bullet knocked his pipe from his mouth, sending it twenty feet away in fragments.

Utendorfer Will Address Grocers

G. D. Utendorfer of the City National bank will address the members of the Retail Grocers' association at the Swedish Auditorium Wednesday evening on savings bank systems.

One hundred and fifty rubber stamps for using on slips, doggers, paper bags, etc., advertising the exposition will be distributed by Secretary Hansen. As this will be the next to the last meeting of the association before the opening of the exposition all of the various committees, including the reception committee, will hold sub-meetings.

MANY OMAHANS TO ATTEND LEGISLATIVE LEAGUE MEET

It is expected that a large delegation will go from Omaha to Lincoln March 20 for the third annual dinner of the Nebraska Legislative League, which is to be held at the Lindell hotel at 6:20 p. m. on that date.

A business session of the league is to be held in the afternoon in the house of representatives in the state house. Officers will be elected for the coming year.

FIGHT IS ON FOR INSURANCE OF THE LATE W. J. MOUNT

Trial of a suit to determine whether the proceeds of a United Workmen insurance policy shall go to the beneficiaries named by the late William J. Mount or twelve nephews and nieces was begun in Judge Sears' district court, Mrs. Margaret J. Drake and Mrs. Anna P. Burns, who considered themselves the adopted daughters of Mr. Mount, are the plaintiffs. The relatives are resisting the suit on the ground that the Nebraska statute provides that only blood relatives or persons dependent upon the insured may benefit by fraternal insurance.

RELATIVES SEEKING THE LOCATION OF J. D. STEVENS

Omaha postoffice officials have been asked to furnish information concerning the whereabouts of James D. Stevens, who is said to have lived here in 1878. The inquiry comes from S. N. Johnston at Akron, O., who is anxious to learn the whereabouts of Mr. Stevens, or his wife or heirs. Mr. Stevens, according to information available to the authorities, is about 54 years of age.

MANY SEEKING FOR FARMS

Ruble Predicts Big Business Into State of Colorado.

HE SEES WEALTH IN THE SOIL

Says Day is Past When Investors Put All Their Money in Mines When They Can Find Land to Buy.

Assistant General Passenger Agent Ruble of the Union Pacific at Denver is at headquarters and is predicting a heavy business into Colorado during the coming summer. He is looking for a large number of tourists, but thinks they will be greatly outnumbered by the men going to the state to settle upon land and engage in agricultural, horticultural and other pursuits in connection with the land.

Discussing Colorado, Mr. Ruble asserts that the day has passed when investors are turning their entire attention to mines and mining. They have discovered that the great wealth is to be taken from the top soil, instead of from the miles deep in the mountains. As a result land has commenced to boom and is now being sought after more than ever before. Dairying, says Mr. Ruble, has become

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Farmers Prepare to Start Work Early

Sam North, district passenger agent of the Illinois central, in from a tour of Nebraska, asserts that farmers everywhere are anticipating an early spring and that they are preparing to begin work on the farms as soon as the ground is in condition. Talking with farmers and others he learned that all animals on the farm have come through the winter in fine condition and at an expense greatly below the normal minimum. In many localities farmers have much of their coarse feed left over.

PRIMARIES AT FLORENCE WILL BE HELD NEXT WEEK

A primary election to nominate candidates for the different city offices in Florence will be held by the republicans on March 17, and by the democrats on March 18. Both parties will use the city hall as their polling place. The election is to be on April 7.

ELECTRIC SIGN ORDINANCE PLACED ON FILE BY COUNCIL

Electric light signs should be more uniform, according to Secretary J. W. Metcalfe of the Associated Retailers of Omaha, who protested to the city commission against the passage of an ordinance which fixed the length of electric signs at three feet and specified that such signs should be at least ten feet above the sidewalk.

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