

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Thomas W. Blackburn for Congress. Live Root Print It—Now Beacon Press. Life Monthly becomes... Fidelity Storage and Van Co., Dong. 1516. Lightning Fixtures—Burgess-Granden company. A. N. Yost, republican candidate for state representative. Help Henry F. Meyers for register of deeds. He deserves recognition—Adv. Frank A. Kennedy, republican candidate for state senator. Twenty-eight years in Omaha. Louis D. Hopkins, republican candidate for county clerk, asks your support at the polls, August 18. Concert at Kountze Park—The Fourth regiment band will give a concert at Kountze park at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. Fined on Disorderly Charge—J. L. Kempleman, who was arrested for conducting a disorderly house at 169 Farnam, has been fined \$5 and costs. He appealed the case. Vote for W. R. Roman, republican candidate for register of deeds. Thirty years a resident and taxpayer of Douglas county. Member Omaha Commercial club and Real Estate exchange. "Today's Complete Movie Program" may be found on the first page of the classified section today, and appears in The Bee EXCLUSIVELY. Find out what the various moving picture theaters offer. Mrs. Maxwell Convalescent—Mrs. J. Truitt Maxwell, wife of the physical director of the Young Men's Christian association, who has been ill with appendicitis for several days, is much better. Operation has not been necessary. Mrs. Bradley's Expense—Suit for \$5,000 against Bradley & Dorrance has been brought in district court by Anna J. Hammerlin who alleges that she was run over by an ambulance belonging to the defendants. Twenty-fourth and Ames avenue. Travelers Enjoy Picnic—The annual basket picnic for commercial travelers was held at Krug park under the auspices of Omaha council No. 115 and temple No. 1, Ladies' Auxiliary, of the United Commercial Travelers of America. The attendance was large and included many whole families of traveling men. New Office Secretary Arrives—Ralph W. Yeoman of Kingman, Kan., has taken up his duties as the new office secretary at the Young Men's Christian association. He succeeds Warren Clive, who has been connected with the association staff of secretaries for the last two years and who will go to Oberlin college this fall to do post graduate work. Lows Boosts for Gate City—At the close of an unusual selling trip, which included cities from Washington to Maine, J. F. Lowe of the National Fur and Tanning company has returned to Omaha. He says he did not forget to boost for Omaha everywhere he went, and feels sure that he has helped to put the Gate City on the map. Opens Office Here—George W. Wright, who has been connected with the Otis company and Crane & Co., has severed his connection with the former company and is now representing the Kottner-Hecht Elevator company of Chicago. He will establish a local repair station, where he will also keep supplies. Omaha will be the headquarters for several states. Stranger "Borrows" Money and Decamps C. V. and W. L. Yeoman, brothers, who say they live in Howard, Fla., reported to the police yesterday that a smooth stranger had been out of \$45. They met the man, who claimed to be a ranchman from Montana, and after he had told them that he was going west with a shipment of horses, hired out. Under pretense that he needed a little ready money until he could get into a bank, the stranger borrowed the money from the brothers. He took them with him as far as the Omaha National bank and told them to wait outside for him until he cashed some checks. After a long wait the brothers sought aid from the police. Falls Fifteen Feet From Sliding Chute Little Able Abrams, aged 4, living at 2429 Decatur street, fell fifteen feet from the sliding chute at the Bemis park playgrounds Saturday evening and although stunned for a short time, suffered nothing but slight bruises. He was attended by Police Surgeon Hubenbecker and removed to his home in the patrol. A Winter Cough. To neglect it may mean consumption. Dr. King's New Discovery gives sure relief. Buy a bottle today. 50c and \$1. All druggists.—Advertisement. Local Rebekahs Start Protest Against War A protest against the war in Europe will be started by Ruth Rebekah lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows, which will be sent to all lodges of the order in the United States for endorsement, with the hope that the move will be taken up by other fraternal organizations. At a meeting of the Rebekah lodge of Omaha last night the matter was brought up and a committee composed of Mesdames Martha Brillhart, Freda Weinand and Marie Russum was named to frame the protest and send it out.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Raise of Small Taxpayers' Rate Causes Tremendous Protest. EQUALIZATION BOARD IS SCORED. Annexationists Believe that the Present Conditions Will Work to Union of Two Cities. Never in the history of the Magic City have the common people been so outraged. With the city council and the mayor fighting in the courts to set at the back taxes, while City Treasurer Martin fought to keep them for the taxpayers and City Attorney Murphy forced the mayor and council to respect the taxpayers' rights, the council, sitting as a Board of Equalization and review, calmly raised the taxes on the small property holders and the business men of the city and let the packers and the stock yards go scot free of any raise. Two men, P. J. Martin, city treasurer, and J. M. Fitzgerald, city commissioner, fought the council in its action. Martin and Fitzgerald fought against the action of the council to the last and Martin refused to sign the report of the board yesterday. Martin contended that if the taxes had to be raised the burden should be placed on the shoulders of the corporations as well as upon the poor taxpayers and small business men. Fitzgerald fought side by side with Martin and the mayor, although he had introduced the measure to let the stock yards go at the same figure as last year, but he refused to be a party to the wholesale trade of the taxpayers and voted with Martin and Fitzgerald at the last. Council Stands Pat. Yesterday Martin tried to get the matter reopened, but his efforts were vain. Not a man on the board would second his motion to reopen the case. The action of the council sitting as a Board of Equalization is unprecedented. In the face of gathering annexation sentiment the council placed several hundred thousand of extra taxation on the backs of the small taxpayers and released the packers and stock yards from the payment of an extra penny over last year. The metropolitan water bill took \$600,000 of Omaha water plant property out of taxation in South Omaha and placed the burden on the people of South Omaha. The packers get not a cent of extra assessment. Hear Word of Barrer. Besides the extra assessment by reason of the Omaha water bill of R. B. Howell, the city has to furnish quarters in the city hall for a water office. In this office it is said the hirelings of the Omaha water boss are holding daily conferences in the hope of lining up a vote for R. B. Howell. Foremen and paid workers are said to have received the word that there is a barrel opened at the water office for the men who will support Howell for governor. Thirty Per Cent More Taxes. Besides the Metropolitan Water District bill of R. B. Howell and the city council of South Omaha the taxpayers of the Magic City are carrying 30 per cent more taxes today than they did a year ago. Not in a decade have the taxpayers of South Omaha been so outraged. Tonight and all day yesterday there were violent protests on the part of the taxpayers and the threats of annexation have passed into a certainty. The citizens of South Omaha are wrathful beyond expression against every member of the Board of Review except City Treasurer E. J. Martin and Tax Commissioner Jerry Fitzgerald. The taxpayers will have to pay at least a thirteen mill levy and perhaps fourteen this year and the corporations will not have to pay another penny assessment than they did one year ago. The small taxpayers and the business men have had to stand \$100,000 raise on personal tax assessments and \$100,000 on real estate. The packers have not had to stand one cent of raise on either real estate or personal property. Mayor Hoyer, astounded at the wholesale action of the council, voted with Martin and Fitzgerald at the last, but he introduced the motion to let the stock yards go free. Among the many hundreds of notes of sympathy which will be sent during the coming few days to President Woodrow Wilson during his time of grief, will be a beautiful and consoling motion of sympathy written and signed by the members of the congregation of the local First Presbyterian church. The motion is in written form and is signed by the pastor, Robert L. Wheeler, and also by Perry Med. Wheeler, clerk of session. The motion: To Mr. Joseph Tumulty, Private Secretary to Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, President of the people of the congregation of the First Presbyterian church at South Omaha, Neb., having learned of the death at Washington, D. C., on the sixth day of August, 1914, of Mrs. Ellen Louise Wilson, beloved and honored wife of President Wilson, desire, through you, to express to our bereaved president our sincere sympathy and sorrow for him, with many prayers unto God that His sovereign grace may be freely bestowed in this his hour of his greatest need. We, as a loyal people, shall ever pray that the shadow of sorrow across your domestic life, shall in no wise hinder the services of righteousness to the world powers, but ours, who look to this our nation for success. It is also our pleasure that you assure the president that we are able to see with the great multitude of American citizens the type and vision in Mrs. Wilson's life, of that greater glory of American womanhood, the Christian wife and the Christian mother. Therefore, to the president and to his family, we bear these greetings from Nebraska, in terms of Christian consideration and Christian respect. Done at South Omaha, Neb., on this Sabbath day of August 9, 1914, and unanimously approved by the congregation assembled. ROBERT L. WHEELER, Moderator. PERRY MED. WHEELER, Clerk of Session. South Side Improvement. The South Side Improvement club met last Friday evening at the Madison street school in Albright. The club decided to change its boundaries so as to embrace the whole southern section of the city. Hereafter the club will be known as the South Side Improvement Club. A number of property owners from Y street advanced arguments for the improvement of their street. They protested against the laying of a temporary walk at that time, maintaining that after the grading of the street was completed a permanent walk would be desired. It was announced that a petition for the grading of the street was ready to be filed with the city council. More than 100 persons were in attendance at the meeting. The club has been growing rapidly during the last few months both in membership and territory. The next meeting will be held Friday evening at the Madison street school. All residents of that section of the city are earnestly requested to be present. In honor of the splendid life and character of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, late wife of the president of the United States, Mayor Hoyer has issued a proclamation decreeing that all official business of

South Omaha should be suspended during the hour between 2 and 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. Mayor Hoyer's proclamation expressed the sympathy of all the citizens of South Omaha in union. The proclamation follows: Whereas, the White House and called home the helpmeet of our president, now, therefore, I, Thomas Hoyer, mayor, do hereby proclaim, in recognition of the splendid life and character of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and in token of our heartfelt sympathy with President Wilson in his deep bereavement, and that he may know that we are in common with the whole nation and bow in grief to his death, that the city hall be closed Monday, August 10, from 2 p. m. to 3 p. m. and that our municipal activities shall cease for such time. Given this, the eighth day of August, 1914, at South Omaha. THOMAS HOYER, Mayor. Union Vesper Services. Union vesper services will be held at the High school lawn at Twenty-third and K streets this evening at 7 o'clock. All church congregations will meet in union and are invited by Rev. William R. Hill of the First Baptist church. The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend. Irish Patriotic. The men of the Irish race will hold an important meeting at the Danish Brotherhood hall, Twenty-fifth and N streets, next Tuesday evening, August 11. The organizing of a branch of the provisional committee of the Irish Volunteers will be taken up. A branch of this kind has already been formed in Omaha and is reported to be doing splendid work. An urgent appeal is issued to every man of Irish birth or extraction who would take advantage of this opportunity to render aid to the Irish people in the "Old Land" to attend this meeting. Magic City Gospel. For Sale—Household goods of five rooms, 232 O street. "Doc." J. M. Tanner has just issued a "Booster Number" of the Daily Democrat. Rent—Strictly modern, almost new 6-room cottage, 244 J street, South 297. The Mystic Workers of the World will meet next Tuesday evening at the Odd Fellows hall, Twenty-fifth and M streets at 8 o'clock. Office space for rent in Bee office, 218 N street. Terms reasonable. Well known location. William Schulte of Dodge, Neb., was again on the market yesterday with a consignment of goods. He is a frequent visitor at the yards. John C. Trouton for County Commissioner, Republican—Advertisement. The Independent Order of Odd Fellows will hold their annual convention at their hall, Twenty-fourth and M streets at 8 o'clock. Rev. Dr. R. L. Wheeler of the local First Presbyterian church will attend the special session of the Presbytery of Omaha to be held at Lyons, Neb., next Tuesday evening. E. H. William of Bassett had several head of hogs on the market at the stock yards yesterday morning averaging 224 pounds. The hogs sold at \$5.75, considered a good price. The city council will meet Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The Board of Education will meet at 2 o'clock at the city meeting in the board room at the High school the same evening at 8 o'clock. Thieves robbed the home of C. P. S. Tobin and the both and stole a watch, a ring and a bracelet. Tobin lost several gold rings and trinkets together with \$1 in cash, while Patrick lost a number of jewels and some money. VOTE FOR P. J. TRAINOR—Your vote for P. J. Trainor, republican candidate for county commissioner from the Fourth district, subject to the republican primaries of August 18, I stand on my former record as a consistent supporter of good roads in the vicinity of South Omaha as well as other parts of the county, also for the reduction of taxes. Unequal Pay for Equal Work. Wide variations in the pay for the same or similar work is one of the most striking situations revealed by the investigation of teachers' salaries just completed by the United States Bureau of Education, under the direction of J. C. Boykin, editor of the Bureau. Public elementary school teachers may receive \$2,400 a year, as some do in New York City, or \$45 a year, as in certain rural communities. Even in cities of the same class there are considerable differences in the salaries of teachers. On the administrative side there are county superintendents with pay ranging from \$115 to \$4,000 per annum, and college presidents receiving salaries all the way from \$800 to \$12,000. In city school systems salaries have increased steadily in recent years, particularly in the western states; and, in general, salaries in public school systems are fairly well standardized. The average salary of the superintendent of schools in cities of over 250,000 population is \$7,175; the range is from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In the same group of cities high school principals average \$3,565 and elementary teachers, \$1,018. Even in the smallest cities listed, those between 5,000 and 10,000 population, salaries are fairly uniform. The maximum for superintendents in this group is \$3,500 and the average \$1,915; but elementary teachers show an annual average of \$553, with salaries as high as \$1,500 and as low as \$104. It is in the colleges and universities that the widest variation prevails. The salaries of men with the rank of "professor" range from \$60 to \$7,500. "Professors" in some institutions receive less than "instructors" or even "assistants" in others. Salaries of deans of these institutions vary from \$500 to \$5,000. University teachers of subjects for which there is direct commercial demand outside receive somewhat higher salaries than those in charge of the traditional academic subjects, but the difference is less than might be expected. The highest average salaries for professors are paid in law and civil engineering. Law claims the highest paid professorship in any subject, with one salary of \$7,000; but there are professors of physics, geology and Latin who receive \$7,000. It is significant, however, that on the basis of the figures reported, most college teaching, particularly in the first two years, is done by men of instructor grade with salaries of \$1,500 to \$1,300, or by assistants, who receive on the average about \$600, usually for half-time services. Quite as noteworthy is the variation in salaries for state superintendents of public instruction. The salaries of the chief school officers in the various states range from \$10,000 in New Jersey to New York; \$7,500 in Illinois; \$6,000 in Massachusetts; and \$2,000 in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, California, Indiana and Louisiana; down to \$2,000 in Delaware, Nebraska and Nevada; \$1,200 in South Carolina and \$1,300 in South Dakota. The report contains detailed comparisons, showing the increase in teachers' salaries at different periods. The figures thus collected will be utilized as the basis for further investigation by the Bureau of Education and by organizations such as the National Education association, to determine the actual conditions of the teaching profession. Indignation and Consternation. "About five years ago I began taking Chamberlain's Tablets after suffering for years without finding anything to relieve me. Chamberlain's Tablets helped me and by using them for several weeks I was cured of the complaint," writes Mrs. Mary E. McMullen, Phelps, N. Y. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE WORK

Another View of the Vocational Training Problem. EDUCATORS ARE NOT TO BLAME. Modern Industry Demands Too Much of Society in Expecting All to Be "Efficient" as Wealth Producers. That the present movement for practical education is stimulated from the industrial rather than from the educational side is a fact both promising and disquieting, according to Owen B. Lovejoy, who discusses "Vocational Guidance and Child Labor" in a publication of the United States Bureau of Education. "The employers have a very definite program," says Mr. Lovejoy. "They know what they want and are going after it. Let us not delude ourselves by thinking they are actuated by philanthropy. It is simply good business. They want a crop of fresh, young labor furnished them every year that can make fewer mistakes and more profits. "This is extremely gratifying, in one sense. It indicates that economic self-interest is attempting to shake off the double burden society has long borne—the burden of using goods worth much less than they cost because poorly and inefficiently made, and of supporting by charity those paid less than their worth because of their poverty, inefficiency, and consequent helplessness. But while employers are awake to the need of efficiency, industry is not. Industry still beckons to the inefficient, the immature, the unprepared. "Society is far from having reached a decision that unskilled labor must be abolished. The occupations which, outside of agriculture, absorb the output of our schools are the barren of any element that makes them a burden on the child or to offer any hope for the future. A vocational survey in New York City exhibits in one group 101 boys between 14 and 16 years of age with an analysis of the work they are doing. For only five of them is there any opportunity to advance or improve; ninety-six are in dead-end occupations. "Business is now saying that if we had the right kind of schools all this would be changed. That child labor would become a blessing instead of an abuse for children. We are constantly told that, if the schools had the right kind of curriculum and gave the right kind of training, every child would have his natural capacity developed, and we should speedily put an end to the army of industrial misfits. "In accepting this challenge of the business world our educators have assumed an unwarranted responsibility for the condition of our industry. A study of the actual contribution of our city schools to the business interests of the community will show that a considerable percentage is thrown into the discard within the first month; that another large percentage goes drifting from job to job, sometimes advancing, quite as frequently receding, the industries complaining that the children the schools turn out are no good; and that the children lose courage, enthusiasm, and youthful idealism in the various meaningless jobs to which they are assigned. That many drift into casual and hence into permanent idleness is to be expected. The only wonder is that any ultimately rise to positions of efficiency and responsibility. "Our schools are not fair to themselves in assuming that they or the child are wholly at fault. If the schools need a better curriculum, so does the industrial establishment. If the child needs a more definite and purposeful mind, much more does industry. One of the most vital services vocational guidance can render is to analyze our industries and train our children to distinguish between a vocation and a job. It is futile to give special training to a child for the purpose of fastening him to a machine on which he shall do purely mechanical labor for life. Business says: 'Here are the jobs; what kind of children have you to offer?' We must reverse the inquiry and say to business: 'Here are our children; what kind of industry have you to offer?'"

NEWS OF SCHOOLS and COLLEGES

CHOOsing THE SCHOOL. number of prominent citizens interested in the Korean boys will speak. The Young People's conference of the section of the country west of the Missouri river will meet at Hastings August 12-15. The college rooms are being made ready for these young people and ministers who expect to be in attendance. Among the ministers who have already engaged accommodations are: Rev. R. H. Houseman and wife of Omaha; Rev. J. H. Salabury, D. D., wife and son of Aurora; Rev. F. J. Knauer, wife and daughters of Nelson; Rev. President of Beaver City and a large number of young people from various churches. Rev. A. R. Hutcheson of Thayer expects to bring his boy scouts, consisting of about forty, on a hike across the country during the conference week. Nebraska Military Academy. Everything is busy and rush at the academy these days. With painting, decorating, cleaning, a gang of workmen is kept busy, getting ready for the boys in September. Floors are being painted, walls decorated, woodwork varnished, furniture polished and when finished it will be "spic and span," fine and clean enough for any mother's boy. Major W. O. Nelson of Iowa, a man of wide experience in military school work, has accepted the position as commandant for the coming year, and will bring to the academy an experience that only a few schools can offer. Prof. Clifford Kyd, a graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan university, will have charge of the mathematics department at the academy this year. Mrs. W. H. Quillen of Grand Island and Miss Althea Hayman, librarian of Cleveland, O., were visitors with Colonel and Mrs. Hayward last week. Colonel Hayward made a trip to Omaha and Fremont last week. Many Improvements Being Made—Books for the Library. Everything about the college indicates business. A large number of improvements are going on. Rooms are being brightened up, others are being prepared for additional class work. Cement walks are being laid. The college is preparing for the opening of the best year in its history. A large number of new students have already engaged rooms in the dormitories, and others have planned to attend so that the prospects for a large enrollment are the brightest they have been in years. The college has sent circular letters to its friends asking for contributions of books for the library. A splendid response so far has been made to its appeal and the indications are that by the opening of the school year our library facilities will be very much improved. We have already secured more than a hundred very valuable books as gifts. Prof. A. R. Ferguson, who has been in attendance at summer school at the University of Nebraska, has just returned and is assisting in the office work. Dean Martin Kemp recently took his master's degree from the University of Nebraska and with it was elected to the honorary scholarship fraternity, being one of six so honored. Dean Kemp has had charge of the department of education of Hastings college the last four years. Prof. W. J. Kent, who has charge of our biological work and is curator of the museum, has just returned from Nova Scotia and is spending a portion of his vacation in southern Canada. He writes that he has collected a large number of very fine specimens of fish and other sea animals for the museum, as well as curious and unusual forms. He will visit during a portion of the month of August in New York and will return to Hastings the latter part of August to prepare the museum for the opening of the college, September 15. Wendell Taylor of St. Edward has come to Hastings and will remain here during the rest of the summer, entering Hastings College in September. President Crane occupied the Presbyterian pulpit in Kearsaw both morning and evening last Sabbath. More rooms are reserved at the ladies' dormitory for next year than were occupied last year. We are looking for both dormitories to be filled with students. It is altogether probable that we shall not be able to accommodate all in our college homes. The Korean school will close next Friday. These young men will hold a banquet on Tuesday evening, in accordance with their regular custom, at which a

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COTNER UNIVERSITY. News Notes from the Busy Educational Institution. Chancellor Oeschger spent Sunday at Lincoln Park, Downs, Kan. He spoke both morning and evening at the week. J. H. Bicknell, the college secretary, will spend a few days near Johnson, Neb. Johnson is the home of Mrs. Bicknell. He will spend a few days on the farm as a vacation experience. Pro. and Mrs. Oesterhout will leave early this week for Chicago and Michigan points for their vacation. They spent the early part of the summer doing work in the Nebraska State university. Mrs. Oeschger went to Bloomington, Neb., Sunday, to preach in the Bloomington Christian church. Mrs. Oeschger is pastor of the church at Edholm, Neb., where she preaches every two weeks. The new rooms for the domestic science department are being put into order so as to be ready for use when school opens in the fall. Mr. Sandborn and Mr. Payne are doing the work. Mr. Martin, who has charge of the building is back and looking after oiling the floors in the main building and in the gymnasium. At the last meeting of the executive committee, Miss Marguerite Knapp of Lexington, Neb., was elected as a teacher in the academy. She will teach English grammar and allied subjects. She has graduated and allied subjects. She has high school years of experience in the high schools of the state. Miss Mildred Davis of Lincoln, the

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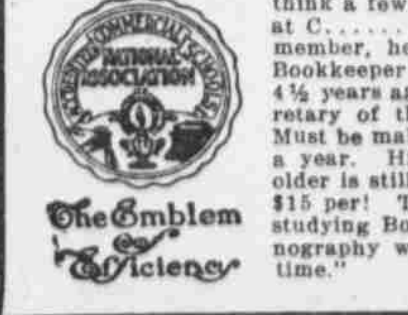
What About 1920? Where--What Will You Be Then?

One of Omaha's biggest, strongest and, withal, kindest, business men said to me the other day: "Have you ever stopped to think how seldom, if ever, our young men and women stop to think? "Look at that bunch of young chaps in my store. Nice, likable boys. Their ages range from 18 to 22. Just at the age when they should be beginning to grow bigger in business. But they're not. All but one of them is getting deeper in the rut every day. They're just drifting. Getting nowhere. If they all left me tomorrow I could fill their places in one day. "And why? Just this: Not one of those young men is trained. They just started in here as 'clerks'—and they are still 'clerks.' They had no special training. They didn't know how to do any one thing especially well. "And why didn't they? Just this: They didn't think. They just 'wanted' a job. They would take me to prepare to fill a position. They wouldn't put in the little time or put up the little money necessary to gain such a practical, salary-getting ability as any one of them could obtain in such an institution as



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