

### METCALFE FAVORS FIRE BOX SYSTEM

Declares Reasons Advanced in Opposition to New System by Kugel Not Sufficient.

#### WOULD REDUCE INSURANCE

That the reasons Police Commissioner Kugel advances in opposition to the proposed installation of a \$125,000 system of fire alarm boxes in Omaha are not sufficient is the contention of the Secretary, J. W. Metcalfe of the Associated Retailers of Omaha.

"Mr. Kugel contends that the assurance of reduced insurance rates is too indefinite," says Metcalfe. "Nevertheless, Townsend, the official engineer of the National Underwriters, whose word is law with the underwriters, came before the council and reported that the installation of this system would immediately place Omaha in the second classification of fire insurance rates. If his word is not good on the subject, whose word does Kugel want?"

"At the same time, Local Representative Beeson of the National Underwriters said the installation of this system would make a reduction of from 10 per cent to 15 per cent of our insurance rates. Thus the reduction would amount each year to \$5,000 more than the upkeep of the system. Surely that is worth while."

"Mr. Kugel points to the use of the telephone in turning in fire alarms. As a matter of fact, in the downtown business district all places are closed after a certain hour of the night, and no one can get at the telephones. "We know that there is no more efficient fire department than that of Omaha, when the department once gets on the ground, but on account of our poor alarm system they fail to get there as quickly as they should. The annual loss by fire per capita of population in Omaha is far above the average in all the cities in the United States. This is because the system of alarms is deficient, not because the department is inefficient. Mr. Kugel also says that if the new system were installed, the downtown business district would be the part principally benefited, while the outlying communities would be no better off than before. Even if that were true, it would be worth while to have the fire hazard reduced in the business section, for it would do that much toward making the cost of doing business less in Omaha, and the cost of doing business is at present keeping some prospective firms from coming in here."

Mr. Metcalfe has a letter from Minneapolis, quoting Superintendent Morrison of the alarm system of that city, saying: "As a matter of service, the independent cables are preferable, but under the circumstances and as a matter of economy to the city, the free service given by the telephone company is of value."

Mr. Metcalfe points out that the telephone fire alarm service in Omaha is not free, as it is in Minneapolis.

**Diarrhoea Quickly Cured.**  
"About two years ago I had a severe attack of diarrhoea which lasted for over a week," writes W. C. Jones, Buford, N. D. "I became so weak that I could not stand upright. A druggist recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The first dose relieved me and within two days I was as well as ever." Obtainable everywhere.—Advertisement.

### Thaw in Society; Graces Dinner at the Country Club

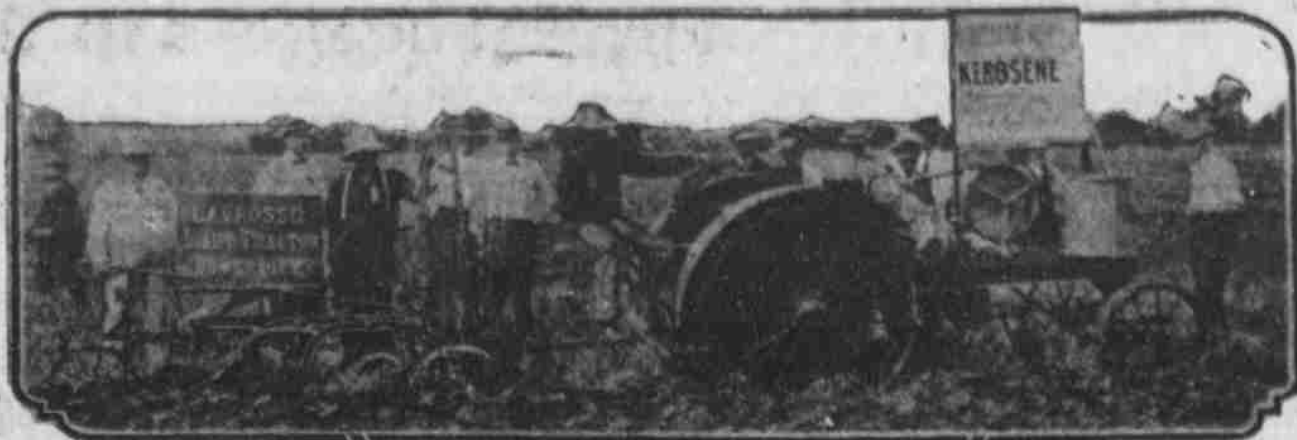
"Well, did you dine with Harry Thaw?"  
"Not I, I guess not!"  
"Yes, I was there, at another dinner party, but I got away as soon as I could."

This is the conversation which is passing between Country club members today, who are all agog over the fact that the notorious Pittsburgh millionaire chose Omaha to make his entry into high society, and the Country club as the place for his social reappearance. It was the regular night for club dining and dancing and all the swells and society girls had a close view of the visitor although he did not go out on the dancing floor.

Some of the club members think it was a great stunt; others are indignant.

Rent rooms quick with a Bee Want Ad.

### Burns Kerosene and Does Its Work Easily



THE WATERLOO BOY IS SHOWING UP WELL IN THE DEMONSTRATION.

### THAW TIPS 'EM ALL AT THE FONTENELLE

Peels Off Five and Ten-Dollar Bills Indiscriminately to Employees of the Hostelry.

#### CONTINUES HIS TRIP TO WEST

Harry Thaw left Omaha at 11:30 yesterday. He was at the wheel of his car as the party started west on Douglas street from the Fontenelle hotel. They expected to make an easy run, stopping probably in Lincoln tonight. Twenty or thirty people watched them. The Thaw excitement in Omaha had entirely played out.

Harry rose late and had breakfast about 9:30. A traveling man who timed him said it took him just nine minutes to consume his meal.

Then he went out alone on some errands. The various functionaries at the Fontenelle, from chambermaids to head clerk were much in evidence as the millionaire prepared for fitting. He did not disappoint them. From a fat roll of bills he skinned off five and tens, hardly looking at them as he distributed them among the servitors. Chief Clerk H. H. Wilhite received \$15. Mail Clerk Sawyer reported \$10. And so it went down the line. There was much disappointment with the bell hop shift that came on duty at noon when the shift that went off displayed \$5 and \$10 bills that Thaw had given them. Thaw seemed to tip indiscriminately, giving to those who happened to be around when he left, regardless of whether they had served him or not and utterly forgetting those who had served him if they weren't around when he left.

Thaw occupied a \$6 a day room at the Fontenelle. The clerk said he tried to get him to take a \$15 suite, but Thaw refused.

### Eliminate Long Contract Ticket on Union Pacific

The Union Pacific has adopted a new form of ticket to be used on the main line, the branches and its auxiliaries, the Oregon Short Line and the Oregon & Washington railway. The new style of ticket will result in a saving of thousands of dollars annually in printers' bills and the salaries of clerks in the auditors' offices.

Heretofore when a party bought a ticket to Seattle, for instance, the purchaser received a piece of transportation nearly a yard in length. Each ticket, carried a lengthy contract and a cumbersome coupon for each branch of the system traveled. With the new ticket this has been eliminated. The new ticket to be used to Pacific coast points will be but six inches in length.

It is probable that the change in the style of tickets will do away with a number of clerks in the offices of the Short Line at Salt Lake and the Oregon & Washington road in Portland. All coupons after the adoption of the plan being worked out will come to the office of the Union Pacific auditor in Omaha and here the checking will be done. As a result, the auditing force here will be increased to some extent, but how many additional clerks will have to be employed is not known at this time.

Probably not all women who read the advertisements are good home-managers; but it is equally true that most all women who are good home-managers do read the advertisements.

### Judge Britt Meets Former Omaha Vag On Spokane Streets

An interesting story about Judge C. W. Britt of Omaha is carried in the newspapers of Spokane, Wash., where he is attending the national convention of the Eagles.

Judge Britt, who often acts as police magistrate in the absence of Magistrate Foster, was walking down one of the principal streets of Spokane, according to the press account, when he was tapped on the shoulder by a ragged individual.

"Hey, cull! Eam me a pair o' bits!" he demanded.

"A pair of what?"

"Two bits! A quarter! Five scuttles o' suds! Slip me the fits, Judge. You owe 'em to me, y'know!"

"I owe you a quarter? How is that?" Britt wanted to know.

"Why, you see, Judge," answered the mendicant, "I was vagged a month ago by Frank Williams, one of your Omaha cash-foots, and you gimme th' gate nex' mornin' in court."

"The gate? I gave you the gate? What do you mean?"

"Why, you said no disciple of inertia whatever that is—could get by in Omaha while you was on the job, and you had th' bulls cann me croast th' bridge fr' keeps. Crmon, slip me the two bits! I ain't never comin' back to Omaha! And I'm thirsty enough to join the Eagles!"

"Well, well! If I banished you from Omaha, and you're sure you won't ever come back to Omaha unless you mean to work, why I'll certainly give you a quarter. But don't let me catch you in Omaha, or the next quarter I give you will be a quarter of a year—in jail."

"Much 'bliged, Judge, I'm gonna stay here."

### Former South Side Man Killed in Auto Accident on Coast

Word has been received of the death of W. H. (Billy) Holland at Los Angeles, Cal., where he was killed by the overturning of his automobile. He was manager for the Nebraska Telephone company in South Omaha before he went west to embark in the land colonization business. His wife and boy were here at the time of his death and they are now on their way west. Mrs. Holland was known here as Eva Gillen before her marriage.

The information states Mr. Holland, when killed, was on his way to view a broken mail wagon which was part of his equipment in a mail contract he had in southern California.

### Ford Band to Give Concert on Monday

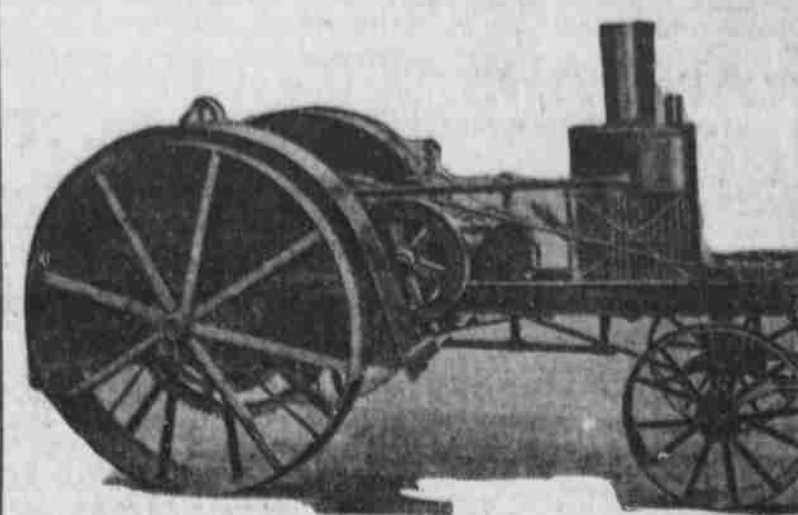
The big band of the Ford Motor company of Detroit, en route to the Panama-Pacific exposition, San Francisco, will stop here on Monday to give one of its splendid concerts next Monday evening at Hancock park.

This band is composed of fifty-five members, each individual of which is an employe in the factory and on the payroll of the Ford company, and through the excellence of their work, the band stands in the front rank with the best musical organizations of America.

The Ford Motor band was organized some four years ago, the instruments and uniforms being furnished by the Ford Motor company.

### The C.O.D. Gas Tractor, 10-20

10 Horse Power to the Draw Bar. 20 Horse Power in the Belt.



A Light-weight Tractor, practical, simple, strong, durable, dependable, economical, guaranteed; built by men who have had years of experience in the designing of Gas Tractors. The product of mechanical genius, guided by practical experience.

### The C.O.D. Gas Tractor Co.

CROOKSTON, MINN.

Swap Anything in the "Swapper's Column"

## "The Slickest Little Outfit on the Grounds"



The Grand Detour 5-14 Power-Lift Plow, pulled by a Caterpillar "45" at the Fremont Demonstration last year—"the slickest little outfit on the grounds" is what the farmers there said.



But there's another plow we want you to see at Fremont, August 9 to 14, the Grand Detour 2-3 Power lift. It will make your little-tractor work amount to something.

Pull a string—in go the plows. Pull it again—out they come, all bottoms high up, and level where they won't catch trash.

Hard plowing? Use two bottoms. Easy plowing? Shift the hind wheel and put on a third plow—a 15-minute job.

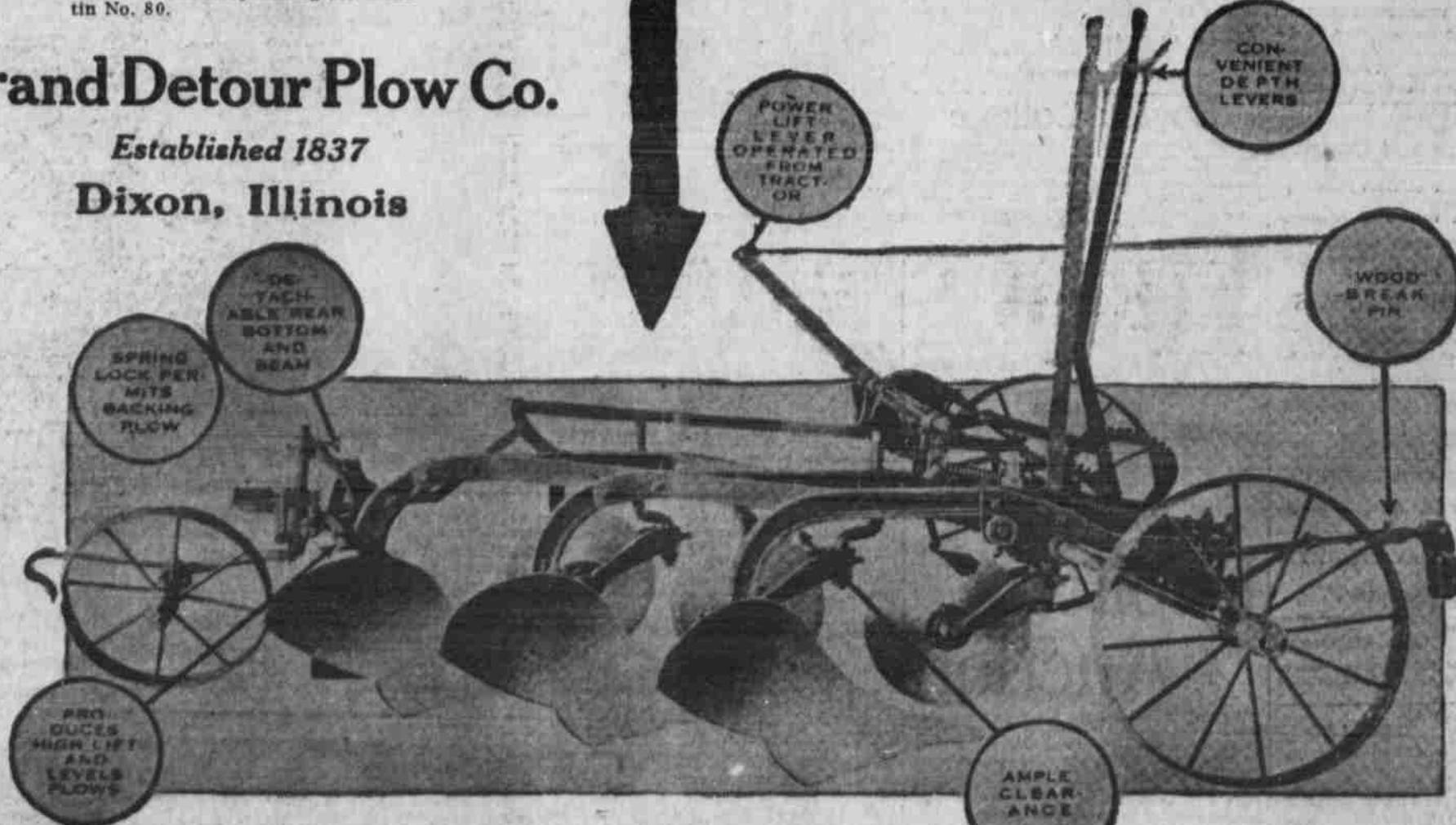
Can't break shares, because there's a break-pin hitch. Offset the hitch for a single drive wheel tractor. Back the plow because the hitch is stiff.

Lightest plow you could want—685 lbs. for two bottoms, 800 lbs. for three. But strong! Not a toy. And remarkably low priced—all the good points of a power-lift plow without the long price and weight.

Don't try power plowing with a makeshift. Here is a real labor saver, a sure payer, and you can find out all about it by asking for Bulletin No. 80.

### Grand Detour Plow Co.

Established 1837  
Dixon, Illinois



The Grand Detour 2-3 Power-Lift Plow--The slickest plow made for a light tractor--the lightest plow made for a heavy pull. Send for Bulletin No. 80

### Light Allwork Tractors



### SEE IT AT FREMONT

One man can operate an ALLWORK TRACTOR with ease. The truck is simplicity itself. The reversible engine gives two speeds ahead and two reverse. The simple steering mechanism and traction levers are easily operated. In short, the "Allwork" represents the highest type of farm tractors.

**Electric Wheel Co.**  
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