

CRIES AT THE IDEA OF BEING ABSENT

Little Lad Did Not Fear Sickness, but Wanted His School Record Kept Clean.

MAY HAVE SPECIAL RULING

One of the tragedies of a boy's life was enacted in all of its terriblest Tuesday afternoon at the Mason school. During the regular examination of the children by a school nurse one of the boys of the seventh B class was discovered to have a bad headache and slight fever. Officially he was "sick," and, according to the health rules, should be sent home and not allowed to return until he presented a certificate of good health from a physician.

The boy was Charles Rees. Up to that tragic hour he had not been absent or tardy this school year. He was striving for one of the perfect attendance badges which are given at the Mason school at the close of each school year. He scored a perfect attendance record last school year, and was well on the way this year. When the nurse brought the boy into Principal Christian's office his chief concern was not of his condition, but of his attendance record. The nurse asked the principal if absence under such circumstances would mar the boy's record, and the principal reluctantly replied: "An absence is an absence." Then Charles broke down and cried right before the nurse and principal. It was more than his little heart could stand.

Stebben of Omaha Gives Testimony in Regard to the U. P.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 1.—Financial matters concerning the Union Pacific railway were reviewed today in the hearing before the Kansas Public Utilities commission, in which railroads in Kansas are asking for an increase to 3 cents a mile in the intrastate passenger rate. S. C. Stebben of Omaha, assistant to the Union Pacific auditor, testified that the road had paid 10 per cent dividends on its common stock in eleven of the last thirteen years. In 1914, he said, the dividends dropped to 8 per cent. It was brought out that in addition to paying 10 per cent dividends the Union Pacific had in thirteen years, 1902 to 1915, added \$90,000,000 to its surplus.

The Union Pacific had invested money in other railroads, Mr. Stebben testified, including the Oregon Short Line, Oregon & Washington Navigation company, New York Central and Illinois Central. A summary of the annual reports of the Union Pacific submitted by Mr. Stebben showed 10 per cent dividends for all but two years, 5 per cent for those years; \$4,000,000 added to the surplus; special dividend of \$7,000,000 in 1914. A statement of the operating revenues, expenses and taxes for the railroad for thirteen years was read at the hearing. The statement showed that the net operating revenue for 1902, after paying taxes, was \$11,962,812.91. For 1915 it was \$19,040,429.54. Net operating revenues in 1915 were \$7,067,616.63 larger than in 1902, an increase of approximately 64 per cent. The hearing will be resumed tomorrow with Mr. Stebben on the stand. The hearing probably will last a week.

Yost Announces the Purchase of More Telephone Property

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Mar. 1.—The Northwestern Telephone Exchange company of Minneapolis, in a deal involving more than \$1,000,000, has purchased the lines of the Northern Telephone company in North Dakota and is negotiating for another line that extends from North Dakota into Montana, according to announcement here today by President C. E. Yost of Omaha.

Teachers Win Victory in Fight to Organize

COLUMBUS, O., Mar. 1.—Ohio school teachers won a victory in their campaign for organization of unions when the state supreme court today declined to dismiss a Cleveland case involving the question of their legal right to affiliate with labor bodies.

HITCHCOCK AND LANSING CONFER ON POLISH RELIEF

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1.—Polish relief plans were the subject of a conference today between Secretary Lansing and Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska. Germany has assured the state department that no supplies sent from the United States to relieve destitution in Poland will be seized by the German army and great Britain now has been asked whether, in view of this promise, such shipments will be permitted to pass the blockade lines. Senator Hitchcock indicated after leaving the department that if the British reply was favorable he would introduce a bill proposing a congressional appropriation to aid the relief campaign.

CONNOLLEY IS AGAIN HEAD OF SOUTHEAST IMPROVERS

The dove of peace fluttered over what was predicted would be a tempestuous session of the Southeast Improvement club last night. No wild scene of carnage desecrated the flagstones of the Bancroft school basement. Naught but little words of kindness were heard emanating from the members as they peacefully re-elected Dr. James Connolly as president, J. E. Closson as secretary and A. M. Oliver, treasurer. Patrick Egan was unanimously chosen vice president, as were Messrs. Closson and Oliver. The only vote by ballot was taken for the office of president.

NEW ADVERTISING MANAGER AT BRANDEIS STORES



CHARLES KOETHEN.

Versatile Ad Man Comes from East to Brandeis Stores

Charles Koethen, who has just been appointed advertising manager for the Brandeis stores, hails from Greater New York, coming here from Abraham & Straus, the greatest department store in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Koethen began his career in the advertising field more than sixteen years ago and attained marked success both in advertising agency and in department store work. He has been with the Royal Baking Powder company, Jules P. Storm, Charles Austin Bates, Tobias Bros. For many years he was the official press agent of the Sphinx club, one of the largest newspaper advertising clubs in the world, and his work in this line was widely quoted.

Mr. Koethen is a well known figure in New York and metropolitan advertising circles, both for his diversified work and for the quality of his output. During a period of more than eleven years Mr. Koethen was associated with the late Justin McCarthy in the advertising office of Abraham & Straus as an assistant advertising manager, and upon the death of Justin McCarthy the management passed to him. The Abraham & Straus advertising has often been looked upon as a model of department store work, but Mr. Koethen promises that when things get running smoothly for him in Omaha there will be no better advertising anywhere than that which will be shown in the Brandeis ads.

Dundee Youngsters Make Perfect Score in School Attendance

The pupils and teachers of the sixth grade of the Dundee school on February 1 began a "perfect attendance campaign." Those who have this perfect record for the last month are: Josephine Burroughs, Charlotte Todd, Colleen Poy, Lovett Abercrombie, Pauline Johnson, Anthony Beall, Gretta Leale, Dorothy Beede, Arthur McDonald, Donald Burroughs, Sara Martin, Charles Clayton, Leo Massey, Blanche Hamilton, Harold Nichols, Russell Johnston, Lola Smalley, Clifford Leach, Harold Powell, Marjorie Pancoast, Ronald Rockwell, Gordon Pray, Evelyn Siger, Leona Fox, Doris Talmage, Harold Griffin, Miriam Wiley, Hazel Snyder, George Youls. The following were not tardy, although compelled by sickness to be absent: Irene Haselton, Richard Koch, Joseph McMartin, Leon Ray, Mildred Nelson, William Kush, Alton Ellick, Donald Thomas, Ruth Wallace.

DUNDEE FOLKS HAVE CHANCE TO REGISTER ON SATURDAY

Residents of Dundee who wish to vote will be given an opportunity to register Saturday when Election Commissioner Moorhead will have a force of clerks and his books at the fire hall in Dundee. Heretofore it has not been necessary for Dundee folks to register, but now that they are a part of Greater Omaha they must get their names on the books if they would vote at the coming primaries or at the regular election.

COUNTY ASSESSOR SAYS HE HAS FOUND CUSTOMER

Upon the trail of Jesse Merritt, pharmacist at Twenty-third and Farnam, is Harry Cousman, county assessor. Merritt has a habit of filling his display windows with animals for advertising purposes. Last week he had a collection of dogs, which, according to a card on the case, were worth \$3,600. "I think this office has found a customer," declared Mr. Cousman, pointing on his coat and hat.

VOTERS WHO HAVE CHANGED RESIDENCE MUST REGISTER

Election Commissioner Moorhead announces that it will be necessary for all who have changed their addresses since the last election to have such addresses changed on the registration books. He says that there are about 2,000 who have so changed, and that they should lose no time in getting the records straight if they desire to vote.

MISSING IOWA GIRL IS FOUND IN OMAHA

Through the efforts of the Omaha police department Alma Hill, who had been missing from her home in Glenwood, Ia. for the last five months, was located in Omaha Tuesday evening and was sent home. Her mother is dying and her appeal to see her daughter prompted a citizen of Glenwood to make a special trip to Omaha to help the police in their search.

ITALIAN SHIPS THE ONLY ONES IN PERIL

Small Proportion of Vessels Flying Between America and Europe Menaced.

MOST OF THEM ARE UNARMED

NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—Only a small proportion of the shipping plying between American and European ports—a fleet of armed Italian merchantmen—appears to be menaced by the new Teutonic submarine policy which goes into effect at midnight.

British and French ships that have arrived here and at other Atlantic ports during the last year have carried no guns. Seven Italian ships with naval guns mounted on their after decks, and manned by trained crews from the Italian navy, have been plying between New York and Mediterranean ports since the first of the year, and one, similarly armed, put in at Port Arthur, Tex.

Five other Italian liners in the New York trade are understood to have been measured for armament to be placed on their next arrival at home ports. Of the latter, the steamship San Giovanni sailed at noon today for Naples and Genoa. The San Giovanni carries only freight on this trip.

French and British passenger ships from New York now at sea and due to pass through the war zone are as follows: French line steamship Lafayette, February 28 for Bordeaux, its sister ship Kaysane, February 28 for the same port; British steamship Celtic, February 29, via Boston for Liverpool, and Tuscan, February 28 for Glasgow. No guns were seen on any of these ships when they departed, nor any reported to the collector of the port.

Mustn't Book Passengers.

PITTSBURGH, March 1.—Instructions have been received by the Pittsburgh agents of the White Star steamship line not to book any passengers for the White Star liners Lapland, Baltic and Atlantic which sail from New York between March 3 and 29.

U-Boats Sow Mines Off Dover, Declare Maloja Survivors

LONDON, Mar. 1.—That German submarines have been sowing mines off Dover was the belief expressed today by Ralph Foster of Kansas and other survivors of the Maloja disaster, including some of the officers of the ship. The fact that a number of disasters have occurred in the neighborhood of Dover during the last two Sundays is considered in some quarters in London as possible evidence that German submarines, knowing that a number of boats clear for foreign ports Saturdays, have taken advantage of that fact to creep in as near the coast as possible in the night time and discharge cargoes of explosives.

French Will Speak Upon Mail Seizures

LONDON, Mar. 1.—The Anglo-French answer to the protest of the United States regarding the seizure of mails in transit between America and Europe will be delivered in the immediate future, according to official announcement tonight. The reply will take the form of a French memorandum, in which Great Britain has concurred. It will be communicated to the United States by both the French and British ambassadors at Washington. An identical memorandum will be sent to all other neutral countries.

TERMS OF THE CONTEST AT CENTRAL HIGH GIVEN

Mrs. Atkinson, teacher of history and civics at the Central High school, who is in charge of the Daughters of the American Revolution essay contest, announces that the names on the origin of which the pupils will write will be limited to the names of towns and counties in the state having a population of over 2,000.

Get Rid of Piles at Home

Simple Home Treatment, Easily Applied, Gives Quick Relief and Prevents Danger from Operation.

Send for Free Trial Package and Prove It in Your Case.

Don't even think of an operation for piles. Remember what the old doctor said: Any part of the body out away is gone forever. Two applications of Pile Treatment and the pain, fire and torture ceases. In a remarkably short time the congested veins are reduced to normal and you will soon be all right again. Try this remarkable treatment. Sold everywhere at drug stores. Send for free trial package and prove beyond question it is the right treatment for your case, even though you may be wearing a pile truss. Just send in the coupon below at once for the free trial treatment. Then you can get the regular package for 50 cents at any drug store. Don't suffer another needless minute. Write now.

Free Package Coupon

Pyramid Drug Company, 529 Pyram. Bldg., Marshall, Mich. Kindly send me a trial of Pyramid Pile Treatment at once, by mail, FREE, in plain wrapper, so I can prove its splendid results. Name..... Street..... City..... State.....

Building Permits Showing Big Gain

During February the building operations were \$33,622, as against \$7,169 for the corresponding month last year. For the first two months this year the total is \$92,967, for the first two months of 1915 \$52,175. The new First National bank permit this year helped to bring the total up.

IMPROVEMENT BONDS ARE SOLD FOR A PREMIUM

The city council awarded to Remick, Hodges & Co. of New York \$200,000 sewer, \$50,000 park and \$25,000 street improvement bonds, running twenty years and bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest. The premium offered by the successful bidder was \$12,331.08 for the entire lot of bonds.

AGED WOMAN BADLY HURT BY FALL ON PAVEMENT

Miss Anna Bowman, aged 90 years, Seventeenth and Sahler streets, slipped and fell on the pavement at Forty-eighth and Pine streets and broke her left hip. She was taken to the county hospital, where she is reported to be in a serious condition.

NONPAREILS TO STAGE BIG ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

The Nonpareil tug-of-war team defeated the American Express team Tuesday night in forty-one seconds. Friday evening the Nonpareils will stage their first athletic carnival. The program will consist of music by an orchestra, songs by a double quartet, one from Dryld camp, Woodmen of the World, and the Nonpareils will furnish the other. There will be wrestling and the Nonpareil tug-of-war team will meet the team representing Benson.

Read See Want Ads for Profit. Use them for results.

GRAIN RECEIPTS LIGHT AND PRICES MOVE UP

Grain receipts on the Omaha market were light and prices up 1 cent per bushel on all the commodities. Wheat receipts were twenty-eight carloads and sales were made at 94 cents to \$1.08 per bushel. There were thirty-two cars of corn, and it sold at 36 to 41 cents per bushel. There were but six cars of oats, and they sold at 33 1/4 to 41 cents per bushel.

Mayor Dahlman Goes to Defense Meeting

Mayor Dahlman left yesterday for St. Louis to attend the National Defense Conference of mayors, which will be held Friday and Saturday. The mayor is a member of a committee of eleven American mayors who signed the call for the conference. John T. Yates, Thomas J. Nolan, General George Harrier, John A. Rine and C. W. Hull will leave today for the conference.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, chairman of the New York Defense committee of 1,000, will address the conference on Friday and Saturday. He will lead the discussion Saturday morning, when the army will be considered.

This evening Mayor Dahlman will attend an executive meeting of the eleven mayors who signed the call, this session to be held in the office of Mayor Kiel of St. Louis.

SPECIAL INDOOR GOLF MATCH ENDS IN A TIE

A special competition for women players only was held at Bill Clark's indoor golf course Tuesday. Mrs. Allen Farmer and Mrs. Howard Goodrich tied for first prize with low medal scores of 37 for the eighteen hole course.

FEBRUARY IS BUSY MONTH FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS

Registrar of Deeds Harry Pearce points out a prosperous condition in the vicinity of Omaha in his report for February. During the short month just passed there were 49 deeds filed, 1,338 instruments of all descriptions, and receipts totaled \$1,463. Total consideration of deeds amounted to \$1,235,746.75. Last year the total consideration for February amounted to only \$389,543.96.

It takes but a minute of time to save dollars when you read The Bee Want Ad columns.

MISSOURI RIVER NOT OPEN FOR NAVIGATION

Although the Missouri river at Omaha is now free from ice the barge line will not begin operation between Omaha and Decatur for some weeks. It is said, because the ice is not yet all gone at Decatur. The Ada Belle and the Julia, the two boats that plied the river between Omaha and Decatur last summer are still in winter dock at Decatur.

Tile drainage—will it pay you?

Every good farmer knows that tile drainage restores wet land. But quite a number of farmers have proved that it also benefits land that's dry and hard. They say it brings larger yields—yields that are uniform from year to year.

It pays others. But will it pay on your farm? What's the theory? Does it work?

Can you tell beforehand approximately what underdraining will cost? Is it a sound investment or is it a gamble?

These are some of the things you want to know before you sink money in the ground—and they're some of the things told you by a man who knows what he's talking about, in *Drains to Fight Wetness and Drought*, today in

The COUNTRY GENTLEMAN

Also in this issue:

Fresh Air for Farm Animals A Cheap Water System

Sanitation is the keynote of modern farm-building construction, and fresh air is the keynote of sanitation. This is an article for the farmer who believes in helping his livestock to keep healthy. It tells how to plan a ventilating system.

And Don't Miss

this week's installment of Diana of the Moorland, the story by Louis Tracy; the latest addition to A Game and a Gamble, about implement dealers, their credits and creditors; On the Road of Progress, by Herbert Quick; A Stove-Heated Hotbed; The Buff Orpington, by Judge W. H. Card; Tomatoes in Cool Climates; How to Balance a Ration for Farm Stock; Getting Rid of Groundhogs; Forty-Dollar Cottonseed Meal; Going to School at Home, for farm children.

Electric Lights from Water Power

The "water power" is a stream six inches wide, that fills a six-inch pipe only three inches deep at low water. But he hitched it up to a dynamo and it does the trick. He tells how, and gives costs.

A Page of Spring Fashions

A page for the farm mother—the home dressmaker. A number of attractive, simple patterns illustrated and described.

And the regular farm and home departments out to-day 5¢ from any news dealer or boy agent