

CROPS OF STATE IN FINEST CONDITION

First Crop Report Shows Winter Wheat Comes Through in Very Good Shape.

MUCH SPRING WHEAT IS IN

The Burlington is out with the first crop report of the year and until the end of the growing season this report will be issued weekly, dealing with crop conditions in Nebraska and the other states through which the company operates, west of the Missouri river.

As in the past, the Burlington's weekly crop report will be gathered by the station agents along the line. They will make personal observations in the localities where they are located, will gather the opinions of farmers, implement dealers and grain men. These opinions and the other data secured will be sent to the general agent at Lincoln, who will make a summary by divisions and forward the same to the office of the general manager in Omaha. These reports will not only deal with crop conditions, but will contain data relative to weather and precipitation.

Soil in Fine Condition.
The report at hand takes into consideration conditions up to and ending last Saturday, and in his summary, General Superintendent Young asserts that throughout the agricultural sections of Nebraska the soil is in excellent condition, that the ground is full of water and that owing to the cool weather there has been little evaporation.

During the winter, the superintendent asserts, there was nothing to damage the winter wheat and on the four wheat growing divisions of the Burlington in Nebraska, on the basis of 100 per cent representing the plant in perfect condition, its actual condition is as follows:

Planting for Corn.
The estimate is made that in the southern and central portions of the state fully 50 per cent of the spring wheat has been sown and that something like 15 per cent in the extreme northern portions.

Plowing for Corn.
The plowing for corn has commenced and taking the state as a whole, it is estimated that 15 per cent of the ground has been turned over.

Bill Ure Deserts Sinking Ship in Its Time of Need
William G. Ure, county treasurer and erstwhile campaign manager for "Bob" Smith, is in New York for "two weeks of business."

And thereby hangs a tale, according to many who have been watching the present campaign.

Montague Tancock Reaches London from War Front
Montague Tancock, son of Dean J. A. Tancock of Trinity cathedral, who has been in Serbia for the last year serving with the hospital corps of that country, arrived in London April 3, according to advices received in Omaha by his father from Secretary of State Lansing.

Objects to Use of Its Bottles by Others
A campaign against the misuse of its property, especially milk bottles, is being waged by the Alameda Sanitary dairy.

SUIT BRINGS UP ECHO OF SCHROEDER-RAPP MURDER
Second Suburban, widow of the late Mr. Alexander Fred Schroeder, who was accidentally murdered with the Southern Pacific train near Omaha, has filed a suit in district court asking \$2,000 damages from Peter Rapp, woman's lawyer, and the Illinois Surety company.

ASK FOR ADJUCATION OF MOVIE THEATER LEASE
The Princess theater and David Harding today will in district court against Sam and Harry Goldberg for adjudication of a lease in the old World-Heard building.

INTEREST KEEN IN THE BEE'S CONTEST

Miss McHugh, Head of the Drama League, Says It is Splendid Along Educational Lines.

REVIVES MEMORY OF THE BARD

Miss Kate McHugh, president of the Drama league and the deepest Shakespearean student in the city, was one of the thousands who attempted to solve The Bee's Shakespearean Tercentenary prize puzzle which appeared in Sunday's Bee. Other members of her household, including her sister and cousin, Miss Ione Duffy, worked out a number of the characters.

All Try the Puzzle.
"We all fooled with the puzzle for a while but I confess I am not very successful with puzzles," laughed Miss McHugh while expressing great interest in the Bee's prize contest.

"It is a splendid thing along educational lines," said she. "It will set many people to work to increase their knowledge of Shakespearean characters and perhaps recall to their minds a number of characters they have long since forgotten. The prize puzzle contest has indeed set everyone to thinking about Shakespeare. Of course the contest has no advantage for those already familiar with the master's works. To them, only the working out of the puzzle would be of interest to them, but I am convinced there is a great army of puzzle-lovers."

Miss McHugh ventured the thought that some eager puzzle solver might not read the whole of Shakespeare's works in order to familiarize themselves with the names but might be tempted only to consult the rest of characters in order to find the names in the puzzle. Already numerous answers have arrived, the first morning mail bringing in fifteen, although the contest is just started.

Fair Increase in Grain Supply on the Omaha Market

Compared with the corresponding date of last year, grain stocks in storage are but 23,000 bushels greater than last year. There is, however, close to 1,000,000 bushels more of wheat on hand now than then. The principal falling off is in corn. The different kinds on hand now and a year ago, in bushels, is as follows:

	Year Ago	This Year
Wheat	1,148,000	1,377,000
Corn	1,148,000	1,836,000
Oats	734,000	745,000
Rye	62,000	25,000
Barley	30,000	47,000
Totals	3,112,000	3,980,000

The holding of the large quantity of wheat is asserted to be due to the fact that while the demand for export is good it cannot be moved out of sea-board ports and consequently it is remaining in elevators.

The government report of last week had a bullish effect upon the Omaha wheat market and sent prices up from 1 to 2 cents. Receipts for the day were 101 cars, and sales were made at \$1.06 to \$1.14 per bushel.

The corn receipts were 362 carloads. The sales were at 42 to 64 cents per bushel, 1/2 cent up from Saturday.

Oats were steady to unchanged from Saturday and sold at 38 to 41 cents per bushel. The receipts were twenty-three carloads.

Tomorrow being presidential primary election day, there will be no Chicago market and consequently no Omaha grain market.

Careless Use of Pistol May Cost Lad His Left Leg

Carelessness on the part of an unidentified man and woman using an automatic pistol near Carter lake last week may cost the left leg of 16-year-old William Stude, who lives with his family near the west end of the Illinois Central bridge.

Young Stude was chopping wood in his own yard when the bullet struck him in the leg.

Residents of the neighborhood say it is the practice of amateur hunters and pseudo naturalists and marksmen to go out to Carter lake and discharge firearms recklessly. Several weeks ago a poor family lost a valuable cow, which was killed by a stray bullet. Window smashing and narrow escapes are common occurrences.

WILL MORRISON DIES IN DENVER SATURDAY

Will Morrison, aged 61 years, a resident of Omaha all his life, died of tuberculosis in Denver Saturday night. He is survived by two small children, his wife having died a year ago, and a sister, Miss Catherine Morrison, and two brothers, Dr. C. P. Morrison and Robert Morrison, all of this city.

Going to Denver a few weeks ago, Mr. Morrison hoped to find relief from his ailment, but instead the change of climate hastened his death.

The funeral will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at the residence of Dr. C. P. Morrison, 208 Florence boulevard, and afterward the body will be taken to Minneapolis for burial. The deceased was a member of the St. Louis Sisters and of the Knights Templar organization of that city.

TAILROADS ACCUSED OF WORKING MEN OVERTIME
and was filed by the United States government against the Chicago & North Western railroad, charging violation of the hours of service law in the respect that it charged that the men were kept at their duties longer than the federal law permits, at the following Nebraska stations: H. A. Peterson, Atkinson; J. W. Green, Newport; W. A. Deane, and A. C. Katz, Kearney; E. Whitcomb and A. T. Ryan, Ute; W. H. Hales, Tilden; D. O. White, North Platte; H. E. Haderback, O'Neill; and J. J. Kelly, Seward. A fine of \$10 for each alleged violation is asked, a total of \$1,000.

How to Cure Colds.
Avoid exposure and drafts. Put your feet in a hot water tub. Use a hot steam bath. Use a hot steam bath. Use a hot steam bath.

Largest Electric Sign in Middlewest



The biggest electric sign between Chicago and the Pacific coast has been erected on the corner of the old Brandeis building, Sixteenth and Douglas streets. This sign is seventy feet high and forty feet wide. The letters in the word Brandeis alone are five feet high, very near as tall as the average young man. More than 2,500 lamps supply the power to illuminate this enormous sign. The building is equipped with changeable letters, which will permit of a daily electrical bulletin of store news.

The first illumination took place Saturday night and made this corner the brightest spot in Omaha. The sign stands out like a chariot of fire.

Woman Braves the Cold Water at the Municipal Beach

Two weeks ago Commissioner Hummel of the park system reported that several hardy men had been observed bathing at the municipal beach at Carter lake. Although the regular season has not been opened, there is nothing against swimmers enjoying the water any time of the year. The fact that a few men could withstand the cold waters of early April did not excite much interest, but when Assistant Superintendent Redman and others of the department reported that a woman has been bathing at the lake on various occasions this month the commissioner began to take notice.

"I have no doubts," remarked Mr. Hummel, "nevertheless, it is true that a woman has been enjoying the lake even at this early springtime season. The caretaker of the bath house states she has been there several times, and requested use of a dressing room. She is a woman of unusual physical proportions, of fair complexion, and about 30 years of age. She wears a dark blue bathing suit and seems to enjoy the water as much as if the month might be August instead of early April. She hurries away as soon as she has dressed herself after a swim and never has given the watchman any inkling as to her identity.

Commissioner Hummel does not look for a congregation of women at the municipal beach for some weeks yet. He is getting the beach ready for a big season, expecting this to be a popular bathing place this year.

SNOW LEAVES WESTERN ROADS IN BAD CONDITION

The snow storms in the vicinity of Denver the last few days have left the highways in that section of Colorado in poor condition for motoring, according to advices received at the Omaha Automobile club.

A letter from the Denver Automobile club stated that the snows in the territory contiguous to Denver were unusually heavy for this time of the year. Some of the roads were reported to be practically impassable.

PRICE OF HENS IS SOARING HIGHER

Great Demand for Guinea Hens, Which Are Served in Place of Wild Fowl.

FARMERS HOLD BACK HENS

People who have turned from the eating of beef and pork to chicken in the hope of thereby solving the problem of reducing the high cost of living, have run against another snag. Last fall and last winter, chicken was about the cheapest meat that could be bought, but now, it has caught the inspiration and has started to go skyward.

This week on the poultry market live hens are quoted 17 cents per pound wholesale, the highest price in the history of the poultry market. In fact, on the Omaha market, poultry is selling at as high prices as in New York City, due to the fact that the receipts are not sufficient to supply the demand.

While there is a shortage of poultry in the country, another reason for the high prices for hens at this season of the year, the fact is that farmers are holding them until the spring laying season is over. Poultry dealers in the city assert that farmers cannot be expected to sell hens now. If held during the next sixty days they will nearly pay for themselves with the eggs they will lay.

Another class of poultry that is rapidly going out of sight, so far as price is concerned, is the Guinea hen. A week ago Guinea on the wholesale market were quoted at 23 cents each. Now they are fetching 37 to 38 cents each and the dealers are clamoring for them.

Wants Guinea Hen.
David Cole, one of the most extensive local dealers in poultry, asserts that he would buy 5,000 dozen of Guinea if he could get them. He would pay \$4.50 to \$5 per dozen. He asserts that now they are selling right along about the same notch with spring chickens and much harder to get, owing to the limited supply.

The great demand for Guinea at the present high prices is due to the fact that their meat is dry and savory of wild fowl, the flavor being almost the same as that of prairie chicken. It is asserted that in many of the high class restaurants of the eastern cities they are served as prairie chickens.

Here's New Yorker Who Knows Omaha is Metropolitan City

William T. Priest, who lives near Glen, N. Y., rural route No. 1, has taken his pen in hand and written to the postmaster of Omaha to see whether the postmaster can give him information concerning his sister, Mrs. Mary E. Herr. "Her husband owned a ranch in Omaha and was shot by Indians," writes Mr. Priest. He doesn't state in what part of Omaha her husband's ranch was located. Neither does he go into details and tell whether the Indian shot Mr. Herr with an arrow, rifle, revolver or shotgun.

But he is going to investigate thoroughly just what became of his sister out in the wilds of Omaha. She may have been killed by Indians.

"Have you a newspaper published in Omaha," he asks, "if so, I will put an advertisement in to try to find my sister."

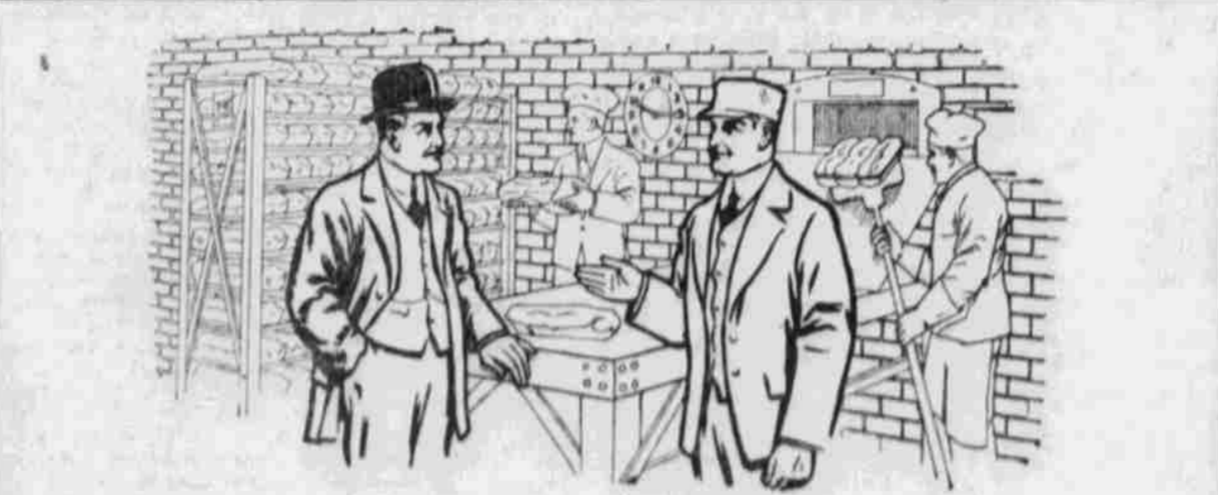
KANSAS CITY WOMEN ROB ILLINOIS FATHER AND SON

George E. King, father, and F. H. King, son, of Bloomington, Ill., met Edith Warden and Eva Jackson of Kansas City, with whom they became decidedly friendly, much to the sorrow of each. Mr. King, the elder, is minus a considerable portion of \$100, which he asserted to police court, was taken from him by the women. The latter denied not guilty in court, but were fined \$50 and costs each.

Tells Police He Set Fire to House at Owners' Request

Albert Mitchan of the South Side, who admits he set fire to a South Side dwelling on December 30, 1915, was arrested by Detectives Rich and Franowski and is now being held by the police on the charge of defrauding an insurance company.

Mitchan asserted to the police that he set fire to the house upon the instigation of the owners, James P. Horne, Forty-ninth and Q streets, and William Kane, Forty-fourth and G streets, both constables on the South Side. Mitchan declared he was to receive \$100 for burning the house, but that Horne and Kane tried to compromise on \$50 after the act was committed. He said Horne and Kane received \$400 insurance money. Horne and Kane were also placed under arrest on the charge of defrauding the insurance company. Both deny Mitchan's story.



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