Nebraska Millers Protective Association Now in Session at the Commercial Club.

ON MARKET TODAY

WHITE FLOUR BEST

# FLOUR MOST FOR THE MONEY

White flour against the whole wheat, graham and rye propaganda -that in general is the slogan of the Nebraska Millers' Protective association, in session at the Commercial club rooms. This association meets about once a year to take up some of the problems of milling in which the members are mutually interested.

White flour is one of the subjects in which they are mutually inter- Brightest Stars of Grand Opera ested at present, for they hold that in spite of the fact that much advertising is being done seeking to show that white flour is injurious and that PRICES WILL BE MODERATE whole wheat and other brands are wholesome, white flour is, nevertheas, as wholesome as any, and it is their business to keep this before the consumers of flour.

Boost White Flour, Bo, in accordance with this policy, the association has endorsed the Remin Brothers' advertising campaign, which meeks to advertise white flour, pointing out its merits and its superiority over the other flours that have been boosted in its place.

A. L. Allen of the Western Weighing association is to apeak on shipping weights during the afternoon session and Frank I. Binger, commissioner of the State Manufacturers' association, is to talk on community building.

N. C. Blackburn of St. Edward t president, J. N. Ashburn of Gibbon 1 ice president and J. E. Burgner is see retary-treasurer.

In the talks of the morning it was pointed out that flour has not risen in price in proportion to the other necessities of life in the line of food products. It was pointed out that wherever a table is shown of the vast increases in the price of meats, sugar, butter and any oue of the staples in the last fow years. flour is either not given at all, or its advance in price is found to be the least in the flat. The millers hold that ne can get greater food value today by investing a dollar in flour than he can by investing that dollar in any product

# Ak-Sar-Ben Makes Big Membership Gain Over Last Year

Ak-Sar-Ben has more members at this time than it had at the corresponding period last year and last year was something of a record itself. There are at present 1.089 members for the 1916 season. as against 60 ,at this time last year.

Of the 1,069 members who have paid this year, 692 were brought in by the splendid work of the organization's hustling committee, which is working every day. Of the total number of members to date, 313 are new members; that is, me

who were not members last year. The second rehearsal of the sesson al the Den will be held Monday evening. to unlow The first rehearent was held last Mon-

day evening, when about twenty singlers practiced the choral source. The re-

Leaving Many Kin Examinations for Positions as Clerks Mrs. Antg Lesch, 95 years old, for thiry-five years a resident of East Omaha. fled yesterday morning at the home

East Omaha Dies

Aged Resident of

ter son in East Omsha She is survived by her son. Peter; i daughter, Anna: nine grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren and on arent-great-grandchild. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o clock from the residence, with interment Forest Lawn cemetery.

PLAN GALA SEASON FOR MUSIC LOVERS

World Have Been Secured by the Retailers' Association.

ing the coming fiscal year by the

appointment of new attaches, and A galaxy of musical stars that will therefore the necessity arose for adclipse even those that were here ditional clerks. during the season now closing will Examinations for the positions will be come to Omaha next fall and winter given May 17 at the following points through the efforts of Louis Nash, in Nebraska: Omaha, Lincoln, Grand George Brandejs and the Omaha Re-Island, Alliance, Beatrice, Broken Bow, North Platte, Fremont, Holdrege, Motallers' association.

ook and Norfolk. Among them will be Geraldine Farrar, Emma Destin, Louise Homer, lielen Stanley, Lucien Muratore and Clarence Whitehill, all members of the Ellis Grand Opera company, languages, entomological inspector, shot which will be here October 23 and 24 and foundry work, assistant alloy chemin "Carmen" and "Il Trovatore."

ist and heating and ventilating enginee Mr. Brandets and Mr. Nash were it and draftsman. New York recently and were able to ac Information regarding any of these cure the engagements of this great op examinations may be obtained by appli era company. It has a full orchestra cation to the secretary of the United and seventy-five in the chorus and bal-States Civil Service board-Miss Viola Coffin, federal building, Omaha-or by writing to the United States Civil Servlet and includes some of the highestualaried artists in opera.

John McCormack, the celebrated teno ce commission, Washington, D. C. will be one of the other big attraction RAINFALL VARIES IN Fritz Kreisler will fill the fourth evening and the fifth will be either a big or chestra, a chorus of some famous mi steal star.

#### Big Demand for Tickets.

different parts of the city. Some districts reported a heavy downpour, but The demand for season tickets has been in the government rain gauge only .93 o tremendants and over \$15,000 worth have an inch was recorded. been sold already, according to the pronotara

This is not remarkable when the very low prices are considered, when it is remembered that the people of Omahu will have these musical treats at less than half what the people of Chicago, Philadelphin, New York and Boston pay for them, when Farrar and Murstors for example, sang "Carmen" with th Chicago Grand Opera company, th prices for first floor seats were raised from \$5 to \$7, and even then the seats were all taken long before the date of

the opera In New York, when Farrar opened "Carmen." single seats sold as high as Buffalo Center, Ia., to Omaha. The gov \$59 and were hard to obtain at that price. ernment asks that a fine of \$500 be im-Never in the history of Omaha has posed. such big musical value been given fo the money as was given here during the season just closed. And next season eve a blyger value will be given through the efforts of the Omaha retailers. The retailers have given their guaranties to bring hig attractions have for the people

# Most of the State

THE BEE: OMAHA, THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1916.

# U. P. Officials Plan to Prevent Shortage ABROAD WILL OPEN of Cars Next Fall

After the experience of the past, Union Pacific officials are figuring on a plan to prevent a car shortage next fall when the grain commences to move from Ne-Braska to market.

SERVICE IS LARGELY EXTENDED To company agents of the Union Pacific system, General Manager Ware has Some nice positions for clerks, who addressed a letter cautioning the Union Pacific men to be particular and us would like to live abroad and draw foreign cars, whenever they are avail good salaries, are about to be open able, for shipments going off the comin the United States civil service, pany lines. He advises that all cars be oaded to 10 per cant above capacity These are positions as clerks to comweight, or up to full capacity space. Re mercial attaches in foreign counports will be required each day on sys tries. The positions pay \$1,500 per tem cars loaded for points off the com pany lines, and when so loaded, a report

why such loading could not have Such attaches are now located in been avoided, will be required London, Lima, Peru; Paris, Petro-It is the opinion of General Manager Ware that if officers and employes folgrad, Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Ayres, low the rules laid down, they will be Melbourne, Berlin, Peking and Sanable to prevent a serious freight car tiago, Chile. It is likely that the shortage, so far as the Union Pacific is service will be largely extended dur-

# To Discuss Track Elevation at the City Hall Thursday

Citizen's interested in the Belt lin track elevation are notified to appear in the city council chamber at 9 o'clock

Civil service examinations will also be Thursday morning, when officials of the iven at the same places on the same Missouri Pacific Rallway company and dats for the following positions: Marcity commissioners will discuss plans sub het station assistant, woman head nurse. mitted by the rallway people. The Misil gauger, clerk qualified in modern sourl Pacific proposes to start the general plan of elevation by rateing the apprentice, instructor in pattern-making tracks over Dodge, Douglas and Farnan streets



PARIS, April 19 .- A destructive fire in Beigrade, formerly the capital of Serbia. is reported in a dispatch to the Matin from Bucharest. It is said the eastern section of the city was almost lestroyed Several hundred houses were burned and thousands of persons are homeless. The rain last night varied greatly in

#### GOOD RAIN IN GRAIN BELT LOWERS THE PRICES

continuation of good rains over portion of the wheat and corn belt sent grain prices down again on the Omaha market, wheat losing one to two cents corn, one-half cent, and oats, a quarter of a cent.

Omaha receipts were: Wheat, 59 cars corn, .- cars, and oats, 13 cars. Wheat sold at \$1.00%1.08; corn; 689110 oats, 40241%c per bushel.

# SCHOOL DISTRICT ACQUIRES

OLD JUDGE LAKE PROPERTY the school district of Omaha acquire the 160 feet west of the Central school This is the old Judge George E. Lake property. The consideration was \$22,000 The transfer was made some months ago but the filing of the deed had been de layed. The deed reads, "From A. G

Lake to the school district of Omaha. SUIT AGAINST MILWAUKEE FILED IN FEDERAL COURT

Pa Rourke has secured Prieste of Ro-Sult bester, N. Y. to play second base. He ment against the Milwaukee railroad, will join the club in Des Moines Thurs- charging it with violation of the twenty-Prieste is said to be not only a eight-hour law on shipments of cattle man on second base, but a strong from Mitchell, S. D., to Omaha. A fine

# The Truth About the **Cleveland Municipal Electric Light Plant**

# (CONTINUED)

# Some Untruths Told and Implied by F. W. Ballard

We have set before you the TRUTH about Cleveland's municipal electric light plant.

We shall now point out more specifically some of the UNTRUTHS told and implied by F. W. Ballard, the deposed manager of this plant, while in Omaha.

Mr. Ballard came here, as he goes to other cities, seeking employment as an "expert" municipal ownership promoter.

Mr. Ballard directly represented himself as now connected with the management of this Cleveland plant, when as a matter of fact he was ousted from its management last fall at a popular election by the stunning majority of 11,504, he and all his crowd.

He represented himself as the instrument by which the city of Philadelphia recently obtained a reduction in electric light rates, when as a matter of fact the man most conspicuous in this readjustment, outside of the company's own officials, was Morris Llewellyn Cooke, director of utilities for the city of Philadelphia, and next to Mr. Cooke was Dr. E. M. Patterson of the Wharton School of Finance of the University of Pennsylvania, Ballard's part being but incidental,

By implication he represented himself as signally successful in this line of work, when as a matter of fact in notably two cities where he had been to aid in foisting municipal ownership upon the people, Lorain, O., and Kalamazoo, Mich., he has met with overwhelming defeat.

#### SOME LIES ABOUT THE PLANT.

Imposing upon the confidence and credulity of Omaha people, Ballard misrepresented fact after fact in his speeches here,

First he spoke of the \$2,000,000 of bonds issued for the plant, failing to bring out the fact that the bonds had to be increased up to \$2,775,000, an increase of 38 per cent.

He represented the investment as \$3,000,000 instead of more than \$3,-500.000

He said the total load of the plant now was one-half, when official records show it to be more than two-thirds.

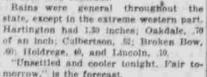
He said the plant in 1915 paid all its interest charge, \$120,000, when official records show it paid less than one-half, or \$59,040, capitalizing the remainder, \$60,810, for the total interest charge is \$119,850.

He said the plant was increasing its load and taking on new customers, when, according to the specific statement of the lighting commissioner in charge of the plant, no new customers are being taken on.

He said extensions were being made as fast as possible, when according to the lighting commissioner in charge of the plant, "We have no money to make extensions and have cut down our force by 40 per cent.

He told of laying up a big surplus from earnings, when as a matter of fact expenses have been charged to construction and interest to capital to make a showing.

He represented the plant as "the people's plant," and himself as the man who "gave Cleveland 3-cent electric light," when as a matter of fact, taking the official records of one month as an average, "the people" or the residence consumers, got only 8 per cent of the plant's total output for which they paid 14 per cent of its total revenue, while 161 big wholesalers got 66 per cent of its total output, for which they paid only 44 per cent of the total revenue.



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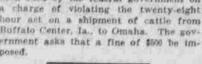
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DEFENDANT IN FED. COURT

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The Chicago Great Western railroad has con such by the federal government on



Phone your Want Ads to The Bee.

ROURKE GETS NEW SECOND **BASEMAN FROM YORK STATE** 

hearsal next Monday evening is to be ontire show and working crew of the of the Den. There are to be over 100 ubers in the crew for the big show and initiation at the Don this year.

# MRS. REDFIELD, RESIDENT OF OMAHA HALF CENTURY, DIES

Mrs. Margaret E. Redfield, 50 years old, a resident of Omaha for the last fifty years, died at her home. SIS South Thirty-fourth street, Tuesday. She is urrevived by a son, Joseph Redfield, and a daughter, Miss Jennie Redfield, a pubic school principal. Funeral services will be held . Thursday afternoon at 2 elelock from the residence, with interment in Prospect Hill cemetery.

## STREET RAILWAY AND LIGHT COMPANY PAY UP

The Omaha & Council Bluffa Street Bailany company remitted to the city \$17.600.15 occupation tax for the first quarter of this year, this being I per acent of \$555,201.95 gross carnings in Omaha. The Omaha Electric Light and Bawers company paid \$10,074.54 for the same period, this tax being 3 per cent of \$125 SH. 29 gross carnings.

## WELL KNOWN MAIL CARRIER DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

John A. Johnson, 2430 Pierce street. John A. Johnson, 550 Direce street, a this city. Rev. E. H. Jenks, Prestyte anal carrier in the district bounded by rise, Rev. C. E. Cobbey, Christian; Rev. Eachteenth and Twentieth and by Dodge O. D. Balair, Latheran, Rev. Titus Lowe and flarney streets, died at the Clarkson Methodist. Rev. A. J. Morris, Baptist hospital early Wednesday morning after Hev. a tong illness

inall carrier for fifteen years its is Rev. P. E. Pamp, Swedish Mission, Rev previced by his widow, two brothers and D. E. Jenkins, University of Omaha, Rev

## CRAWFORDITES USE COUNTER MOVE IN "WRITING IN" GAME

The name of Pryon Chawford was the only one printed as condidate for county inflam on papablanan bailuta. A norvement was brinched to write in the name renormant of David Files, and the panella alls meeting. were hope dury in Thus millions.

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Gets Good Soaking Another drenching rain visited about

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all of the grain belt of Nebraska again fliesday night, and, according to the reports of agents sent to railroad headuarters, the precipitation ranged from ne-half to an inch and one-half. along the Northwestern, practically all

the way across the state, from Blair, on the cast line, west and southwest to Hustings, there was an all-night grain, and agents report the precipitation al one and one-half inches to slightly more in a number of places. From Omaha to Frement and thence up the Elkhorn val ley to Oakdale and up the Albios branch there was from one-half to an inch. The Burlington reports from one-half to an Inch and one-half over about all the country south of the Platte river with one-half inch as far weat as Ox-

In Union Pacific territory there wer light to heavy rains all the way from Omaha to beyond North Platte, with generally a "heavy downpour over the country tributary to the branches north and south of the main line in Nebraska

## APPOINT COMMITTEE FOR PROPOSED PROTESTANT UNI

The following committee has been ap inted to represent the Omaha Minis erial union in the matter of a proposed protestant university to be focated W. O. Jones, United Brethrep Rev. Thomas Evans, United Ryangelies! He was il years old and had been a Rev. II. B. Speer, United Presbyterian A Hulbert, Congregational,

# CHURCH LEAGUE MEETING TO BE HELD IN COURT HOUSE

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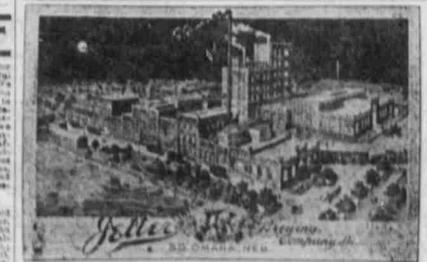
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## HIS CROWNING FABLE.

Ballard said that in 1915 the plant made a profit, after paying for operation, interest and sinking fund, of \$42,510, when as a matter of fact it lost upwards of \$125,000, as will be seen from the fact that;

Its	total	revenue was	\$541,495
Its	total	operation cost	311,135
Its	total	Interest charge	119,850
Its	total	sinking fund charge	68,062
		depreciation charge	
Ita	total	tax allowance	60,047

With one damage claim judgment of \$7,500 paid by the city treasury, with office rents and services from other city departments free, all of which Brother Ballard blissfully ignored in his presumptuous misrepresentations to the people of Omaha,

He represented the gross revenue for January, 1916, \$62,000, with cost of operation, \$24,000, and operating profit, \$38,000, as the average for the year and multiplying this \$38,000 by 12, struck off a total of \$456,000, which he had the effrontery to refer to as the profit for 1916, when as a matter of fact this would be a percentage of profit of 62 per cent, as compared with less than 8 per cent profit for 1915, if his claimed profit of \$42,510 for 1915 were true.

He represented in this \$456,000, a profit for 1916 only \$85,000 less than the whole income of the plant from all sources in 1915, thus presuming upon the intelligence of his Omaha audiences.

Ballard said 3 per cent was the usual depreciation rate for electrical plants, when no state commission will permit so low a rate; when most of them, Nebraka's railroad commission included, refuse to go below 6 per cent for these municipal properties.

## THE CRUSHING CLIMAX.

Ballard represented the municipal plant in Cleveland as serving Cleveland, when as matter of fact it serves but 15,000 or 16,000 of the 90,000 electrical consumers, and can serve no more now with no money for extensions and two-thirds loaded.

He represented it as paying its way, when it slonghs off its fixed charges onto the taxpayers each year.

He represented it as having been well-managed under him, when, according to the lighting commissioner, its records are "a jumbled meas" that will require two years of auditing to straighten out.

He represented it as in good physical condition, when according to the lighting commissioner, "the day is not far distant" when its chief machinery will have to go the scrap pile because of obsolescence and deterioration and a big blunder in the original purchases, with not a penny put away as depreciation charge to buy new machinery when it is gone,

Ballard's big play was to represent this plant as popular, when as a matter of fact there is at this moment and was at the moment he spoke in Omaha, a proposition pending before the city of Cleveland for the closing down of this plant except as a distributing station,

These are a few of the misrepresentations the self-seeking Ballard made in his own behalf to the good people of Omaha, whither he had come hoping later to be engaged as an "expert" adviser.

Omaha Electric Light & Power Co.

GEO, H. HARRIES, President