

DAYS OF THE HIGH HAT AND "BUSTLE"

Illustrations in Old Book Recall How Our Fathers Looked and What They Did.

SOME VIEWS OF OLD OMAHA

By A. R. GROH.

Let's look at the quaint pictures in "The Pacific Tourist," an old book published in 1876 as a guide for tourists to the Pacific coast.

The "ladies" in the "engravings" wear very full skirts and very tight waists. The skirts being very straight in front and very much loaded with "bustle" and pleats and ruffles behind, make the ladies look as though they were leaning forward at a dangerous angle.

The "gentlemen" wear tight "pantalons" and frock coats and seem to spend most of their time reading poems and conversing in serious and solemn manner. They all wear beards and high hats.

"I know it is a sin For us to sit and grin At them here; But the funny, high silk hat, And the frock coat, and all that, Are so queer."

Views of Omaha.

A page of illustrations of Omaha shows the old postoffice, the old high school, the old Union Pacific bridge, (built before the one that was recently removed), the old Grand Central hotel and a "general view of Omaha," consisting chiefly of clouds and trees.

Here is a picture showing a prairie schooner with "Pike's Peak or Bust" painted on the canvas top. The two oxen which drew it are lying dead, pierced with arrows. So are the two emigrants who rode in it. The Indians are riding swiftly away. The picture is entitled "Busted."

The "pony express" rider is seen in another "engraving," riding along and waving his cap to the men who are setting the poles for the transcontinental telegraph line.

The Pacific express train, flying along at sixteen miles an hour, appears in another picture, "a majestic sight," says the author. The engine has one of those enormous, flaring smoke stacks that were stylish in locomotive circles forty years ago.

Some Mere Laborers.

"Driving the Last Spike in the Trans-Continental Railroad" occupies a full page. Two locomotives are seen, facing each other, and many solemn gentlemen in high hats and frock coats are present. Also some laborers. We know they are laborers because they don't wear high hats and frock coats.

Here is "Winemucca, the Napoleon of the Pintes." The chief is arrayed in a revolutionary war uniform and Indian head dress. His right hand is inserted in the front of his coat, a la Dan'l Webster. Looks as though they were "kidding" you, Winemucca.

And just to show that not all men wore high hats and frock coats, here is a picture entitled "Hoodlums." Four men are loafing at the door of a shack which bears the sign, "Sample Room, Wines and Liquors." They are smoking and looking very dissolute. A fifth man is joyously engaged in kicking a passing Chinaman. The Chinaman is looking around at the kicker with an expression of surprise and mild reproach.

Indian Chiefs Going East

To See Great White Father

Nineteen chiefs from the Crow Indian reservation in Wyoming are en route over the Burlington, going to Washington, where they will seek a hearing before President Wilson and the Interior department, relative to lands that they have heretofore ceded to the government, claiming that there are some deferred payments that have not been made. They are traveling in a special sleeper and will be in Omaha Saturday.

Wealthy Farmer's Daughter Skips From Home, Fearing School Exams

Beatrice Knight Takes Trip to South Dakota—Police Get Her on the Train.

DREW MONEY FROM BANK

The mysterious disappearance of Beatrice Knight, beautiful 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Knight, wealthy farm folk of Irvington, has been solved, following a frantic search of classmates, parents and police. She was found on a train heading for Winner, S. D., the home of her uncle, Ed Knight.

Fear of impending high school examinations which she was scheduled to take on the day of her disappearance is the only motive that her parents and teachers of the Benson High school can ascribe for her sudden departure.

Tuesday morning, as usual, she left her home in a buggy for school. Instead of going to school, she placed the horse and buggy in a livery barn in Benson, drew \$7 which she had on account from the Benson bank, and that was the last heard of her until she was located on the train.

The police learned that a girl



MISS BEATRICE KNIGHT

answering her description had purchased a ticket for the west. Following numerous telegrams sent by the police she was located on a train just as it was leaving Norfolk for Winner.

Jeffers Thanks Omaha's Men for Anti-Strike Work

W. M. Jeffers, general manager of the Union Pacific, speaking before the Omaha Rotary club at the weekly meeting and luncheon at the Henshaw rathskellar at noon, voiced an appreciation of the Overland system for the support of the business men of Omaha and the state during the threatened railroad strike.

The Union Pacific official declared that many Omaha business men personally went among the employes and counseled them against striking. Mr. Jeffers explained to the Rotarians the new bonus and insurance plan of the railroad, which was announced during the holidays.

L. Beindorf, city passenger and ticket agent, acted as chairman. W. R. Armstrong, a former member of the Salt Lake City Rotary club, and now engineer of maintenance and ways for the Union Pacific here, was one of the speakers.

The Rotarians discussed plans for attending the second annual Rotary conference at Sioux City on January 28 and 29. The Omaha and Bluffs Rotarians will make the trip in a special train. Four states and seventeen cities will be represented at the district convention.

As a greeting to Wilbur L. Burgess, president of the Omaha Manufacturers' association and a fellow Rotarian, who is ill at his home, the members of the club sent their business cards attached to a bouquet of American Beauty roses.

Unmarried Daughters Get Bulk of Mrs. Noonan's Estate

The Misses Margaret and Ella Noonan inherited comfortable fortunes because they happened to be the only unmarried children in the family at the time of their mother's death.

The will of the late Mrs. Mary Noonan, who resided at 2311 N street, South Side, which has just been filed with the clerk of the county court, cuts off nine married children with \$1 each and leaves the bulk of the estate to the other two daughters.

Mrs. Noonan owned several thousand dollars worth of real estate on the South Side.

The following three daughters and six sons receive bequests of \$1 each by the terms of the will: Mrs. Ann Crowden, Mrs. Mary Griffith, Mrs. Bridget Gaynor, John Noonan, William Noonan, Martin Noonan, Patrick Noonan, Thomas Noonan and Michael Noonan.

Soothe Your Cough and Cold.

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey soothes the raw spots, eases cough, kills cold germs. 25c All drug stores.—Advertisement.

CITY OF OMAHA BED IN WAR HOSPITAL

Franco-Belgian Relief Society Here Wants to Help Human Repair Shop.

SURGEONS WORK WONDERS

A city of Omaha bed in the American Ambulance hospital in Paris is the latest ambition of the Omaha Franco-Belgian Relief society. St. Louis has endowed a whole ward of ten beds, then why cannot Omaha do one-tenth as much, reason the women. This hospital is an American institution managed by American surgeons, aided by American nurses, working with the support of American money.

The most skilled surgeons devote themselves to the very critical cases without any consideration of the nationality of the patients.

Miss Gertrude Young tells of one young Englishman who had had his lower jaw completely torn away by shrapnel. He was taken to the American Ambulance hospital and there the surgeons worked with him, taking a piece of bone from one part of his body, a bit of flesh or skin from another part and furnishing him with a set of teeth, until finally they had completely reconstructed the lost lower jaw. When they finally removed the bandages and allowed him to look at himself in a mirror he was so overjoyed that he walked from mirror to mirror, grinning. When the surgeon said that he would have to put the finishing touches to the work by sewing up the mouth a little because it had been left too large, the man refused, for, said he, "I have all my life longed for a large mouth, and this suits me exactly."

Such cases as this have excited the sympathy of generous Americans all over the country and of the members of the Franco-Belgian Relief society in Omaha. That is why they plan to endow a bed in the hospital at an annual expense of \$600. To accommodate any other organization or group of individuals eager to show their active sympathy with the cause, the society has made arrangements whereby Mr. Ezra Millard at the Omaha National bank will receive any contributions, however small, which Omaha people wish to make to the fund. These contributions will be duly acknowledged and forwarded to the American Ambulance hospital.

A brass tablet above the head of the bed gives the names of the donors and the successive occupants of the bed are intensely interested in receiving letters from those people who have contributed to their relief.

Lieutenant Zinovii Pechkof, who comes to Omaha the last of this week to speak before the Franco-Belgian society, the Omaha club and the University club about his experiences in the trenches, on behalf of the American Ambulance hospital, was himself cared for in that institution. One of the hospital's corps found him almost dying on the battle field with his arm shattered. Gangrene set in. He was nursed back to health and to show his gratitude in a small way he is giving a month of his time to travel over America in the interests of the hospital.

No Hope for Woman Injured

When Taxi and Car Collide

Mrs. Claudina Henkel, the young woman seriously injured when the taxicab she was riding in yesterday morning collided with a street car at Twenty-fourth and Arbor streets, has not regained consciousness since the accident and no hope for her recovery is held out. Her injuries are much more serious than was first reported.

January Clearance Sale Profit Now on This Sale of Furniture

There are new items constantly being added to this sale, making the selection practically as interesting now as when the sale started, January 1st.

Note the savings on Living Room Furniture:

Table with columns: Regular Price, January Sale Price. Items include Mahogany Library Table, Mahogany Settee, Mahogany Console Table and Mirror, etc.

Orchard & Wilhelm Co. 414-416-418 SOUTH 16th St.

Sample Box Springs Slightly Soiled.

Table with columns: Regular Price, January Sale Price. Items include Box Springs, full size, metal, blue and white ticking, etc.

Dining Room Furniture

Table with columns: Regular Price, January Sale Price. Items include Extension Dining table, Fumed Oak Buffet, Fumed Oak Serving Table, etc.

Cupid's Throne is In Fred Veight's Heart and Stomach

A true philosopher said that the way to a man's heart is via his stomach.

Fred Veight, 35 years old, succumbed to the enticements of Miss Lena Bergson's cooking and didn't care a whit because his bride-to-be was more than twenty years his senior.

Miss Bergson, who owns a restaurant at 703 Leavenworth street, is 58 years old. A marriage license was issued to the couple, Veight confiding to "Cupid" Stubbendorf, marriage license clerk, that his future wife was "some cook."

Wheat Receipts Here Light, With Good Demand; Corn Up

While the top on wheat was \$1.92 1/2, a half cent better than Tuesday, on the whole, prices were a cent off. The sales were made at \$1.89 @ 1.92 1/2, the bulk being around the lower figure. There was a good demand, but receipts were light, only thirty-four carloads. A large quantity of the stuff in storage was sold for export and at prices 5 cents better than Chicago May delivery at the seaboard.

Owing to the strong southern demand corn was 1/2 cent up, selling at 92 1/4 @ 93 1/2 cents per bushel. Receipts were seventy-five carloads.

Oats sold 1/4 cent up and at 53 1/2 @ 54 1/2 cents, with eight carloads on the market.

Advertisement for BEATON & LAIER'S Oriental Rugs. Text: 'If You Are Interested In ORIENTAL RUGS Truly Wonderful Values... SPECIAL DISPLAY AND SALE Now in Progress... 413-15-17 So. 16th St.'

Advertisement for S.S.S. (The Great National Blood Purifier). Text: 'Be Well! All you who suffer with Catarrh, Rheumatism, Eczema and all other ailments of the Blood—relief is here. At last you can be rid of those ills and ailments that have tortured and distressed you... THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., 101 Swift Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.'

Advertisement for METRO PICTURES CORPORATION. Text: 'NEXT WEEK in leading theatres FRANCIS X. BUSHMAN and BEVERLY BAYNE in The Great Secret. Of all Motion Pictures the Greatest, of all Serial Pictures the most intense. MYSTERY, struggle, the war of the known against the unknown—Romance, Love and Power. Released by the METRO PICTURES CORPORATION For every man, woman and child in the world to see.'