

### POLICE RUN HUMAN REPAIR SHOP HERE

Sixty-Seven Derelicts Storm City Jail and Beg for Shelter.

### MANY ARE SCANTILY GLAD

Driven to shelter by frigid blasts from the north which sent temperatures to points well below zero, sixty-seven homeless and penniless men, some of them with barely enough clothes to cover their bodies, Thursday night sought beds at the city jail. Few of them, however, had suffered seriously from the cold or exposure, as most of them applied early for places to "bunk."

All records for the number of lodgers accommodated at the jail have been shattered by Omaha's latest cold wave. Previous to Wednesday night the highest number of men accommodated had been fifty and the average had been around thirty. Wednesday night, however, seventy-six applied for places to sleep. The decrease in the number who sought shelter Thursday night is accounted for by the fact that Wednesday night's storm probably caused many of the men to let out a notch in their efforts to obtain employment.

Police Sergeant Connolly Thursday night had a busy time. He treated four persons, one of them a policeman and another a fireman, who sustained frost-bitten ears. Here is a list of the cases handled by him as a result of the cold:

George Jennings, 522 South Twenty-second street, both ears frozen.  
Edwin Mederis, 2226 Howard, left ear frozen.  
Patrolman Herman Creal, both ears frozen.  
Frank Soukup, fireman at engine house No. 7, both ears frozen.

### Forty Fires On Two Coldest Days Omaha Ever Knew

Attempts to thaw out frozen water pipes, defective flues and chimneys, overheated stoves and furnaces—all due to the cold wave of the last two days—Thursday resulted in a total of twenty-seven fire alarms. Friday the same causes resulted in more than a dozen alarms up until 2 o'clock, and, while none of the fires caused any great losses, firemen at practically every station in the city have experienced the most strenuous time in their careers.

Low temperatures which have prevailed have added discomfort to a condition which ordinarily would give the fire department all that it could well handle. Scores of the firemen suffered frost-bitten ears, noses, hands and feet and some of them have found it necessary to remain at their homes.

Edward Turner, a member of colored fire company, No. 11, is at home as the result of having been overcome by smoke at a fire in the home of S. H. Farnsworth, 2437 Spaulding street. His condition is not serious, however, and he will be on duty again in a few days.

So busy have been the different stations that even work at the chief's office has stacked up. But four reports on Friday's fires had been received up until 2 o'clock.

### Baby Cries and Probably Saves Nine from Death

Henry Kropowski, 1417 North Seventeenth street, was rendered unconscious, his wife was partly overcome and seven other occupants of the house were aroused from peaceful slumbers early Friday as the result of coal gas fumes which escaped from a hard coal stove and filled the house.

Kropowski was awakened by the cries of his 10-month-old baby and he went to the kitchen to prepare some milk for the child. There he fell to the floor. His wife, alarmed when he did not return, followed him, and she also was partly overcome. She aroused Miss Sarah Weiner, aged 19, a roomer, and she called a telephone operator, who notified the police.

Officers and police surgeons made a hurried trip to the home, but when they arrived all had been revived and suffered no ill effects.

The stove was found with the door open and the damper closed.

### Six Persons Charged With Breaking Drug Law Freed

Six cases that were pending in the United States district court against persons accused of violating the Harrison narcotic law have been dropped by the United States district attorney with the consent of the internal revenue commissioner. It was found impossible to prosecute the cases because of the ruling of the supreme court that certain sections of the Harrison act were unconstitutional. The cases dismissed were against George Brown, Raymond Nelsen, Robert Kennedy, Graham Bell, Rose Bell and Chauncey Berger.

### Pollard Changes Temps of Hundred and Three Degrees

Tax Commissioner Pollard of the Burlington has returned from Florida, but he wishes that he had remained there a while longer. When he left Florida Wednesday morning the temperature there was 80 degrees above zero, and when he dropped off train here and into a temperature of 23 below zero, he felt chilly.

Florida weather, according to Mr. Pollard, has been about the best in the history of the state, warm and balmy, and just the kind that has suited the tourists.

### Lightest Receipts of Year On Omaha Grain Market

Cash grain on the Omaha market recovered from the slump of Thursday and scored a considerable advance. Wheat sold up 3 cents at \$1.64@1.68 1/2; corn, 1 1/2@1 1/4 cents, selling at 92 1/2@93c, and oats 1 1/2c, selling at 5 1/2 cents per bushel.

Owing to bad weather holding shipments back from the country, receipts were the lightest of the year, there being but thirteen carloads of wheat, twenty-seven of corn and four of oats on the market. There was a demand for everything in sight.

### Historical Pageant Of Religious History By Sunday Schools

Historical pageant representing the growth of the Sunday schools from the Hebrew period through all the stages of development until the present day, will be given in Omaha at the fiftieth anniversary of the Nebraska Sunday School association in June.

This pageant requires 500 participants, 300 in the pageant and 200 in the chorus. It was given in Chicago a few years ago and Topeka, Kan., was the next city to stage it at their fiftieth anniversary of the State Sunday School association. Other cities besides these have put on the work.

Mrs. C. A. Mufflemian had entire charge of the pageant that was given in Topeka. She is now a resident of

Omaha and her services have been secured to train the participants.

It will require the co-operation of the Sunday schools and young people in this city and a meeting has been called of the Sunday school superintendents and ministers of the various churches, February 4, at the Young Men's Christian association, room 316, at 2 p. m., to make preliminary arrangements. Miss Emma Lindquist, secretary-treasurer of the Douglas County Sunday School association, is arranging for the meeting.

### Bossie Fights Against Lowering Milk Standard

Dairy and Milk Inspector Bossie has gone to Lincoln to oppose a bill introduced in the house by Jensen of Douglas, lowering the butterfat standard in cream from 18 to 16 per cent in the state.

State Food Commissioner Marshall also will fight this measure. "I know who is behind this bill and

I intend to fight it for all I am worth. Eighteen per cent is low enough for cream, but I can understand that certain interests would have it lowered to 16 per cent," said Mr. Bossie.

### Salvation Army Man from War Zone Will Talk Here

Colonel Gauntlett, territorial secretary for the country west of the Mississippi river for the Salvation Army, will pay a visit to Omaha in the near future, according to a telegram received by Captain John M. Paton of the local offices.

Colonel Gauntlett has just returned from the war zone, where he has spent several months, and is said to have a fund of knowledge and facts about the great struggle which are unusually interesting. Captain Paton will immediately start to make arrangements for the colonel's visit and will arrange for a speaking program.

### Extreme Cold Has Caused Suffering Among the Poorer

The Salvation Army Industrial home, Eleventh and Dodge streets, is crowded to capacity these bitter cold days.

"About thirty-five men in addition to our usual run, sought shelter Thursday," said Captain Kline. "Two men came in with frozen ears. They had been frozen while the men were going about coal yards and other places trying to get work. I sent them to the police surgeon for attention to their ears and then gave them meals and lodging."

The army's wagons for collecting donations were not sent out Thursday and Friday on account of the cold.

"Mother" Brown, who has charge of the army "store," said she had five

times as many applications for warm clothing Thursday as she had during the preceding two weeks.

Many of these people were willing to pay small sums, but couldn't afford to pay the regular prices the clothing would cost new. The extreme cold has brought in a lot of requests from poor but respectable people whose children were suffering, or who did not have warm enough clothing to wear to school.

Captain Kline asks that people having cast off clothing call him up so that it can be sent for.

### Omaha Robbers' Victim Discovered Terribly Beaten

Terribly beaten, Jeff Cocklin, Griswold, Ia., automobile man, who came to Omaha yesterday for a "good time," was found yesterday evening at Twelfth and Cass streets, in a gutter, half frozen and suffering from a broken leg.

He was taken to St. Joseph's hos-

pital unconscious. His pockets were turned inside out and he had no valuable possessions, indicating that he was the victim of robbers.

### Mrs. Sholes' Heirs Ask That Will Be Probated

Heirs of the late Delphina C. Sholes, who died December 26, have filed a petition in county clerk asking that her will be probated. Mrs. Sholes, who was the widow of a one-time well known Omaha real estate dealer, left an estate estimated to be worth \$16,000. Lewis C. Sholes of Omaha, a son, and Helen Sholes Calkins of Omaha, a daughter, were the petitioners. Other heirs are Mrs. Kate Holcomb of Rapid City, S. D., a sister, and Simeon W. Clark of Los Angeles, a brother. The petition asked that Edgar A. Baird be appointed executor of the estate.

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