

HARDWARE MEN ELECT OFFICERS

Busy Day Crowns Convention's Closing—Will Meet at Lincoln Next Year.

PROTEST INFLATED PRICES

Fred Pelz of Blue Hill was elected president of the Nebraska Retail Hardware association at the closing session of the convention held at the Hotel Castle.

Knock High Prices

One of the resolutions adopted by the hardware men reads as follows: "It is the sense of the meeting that insofar as some of the jobbers and manufacturers are increasing the cost of merchandise out of proportion to the cost of raw material and labor, resolved, that we, as retailers, protest against unfair advances they are making, and request that the matter be brought to the attention of the national association for immediate action."

The hardware men favored the honest advertising law, 1-cent postage, uniform retail prices on trade-marked or nationally-advertised goods, recommended careful investigation before investing in syndicate catalogues, houses or chain stores, endorsed the price and service bureaus of the national association, endorsed the law permitting legal collection from delinquent salaried people, favored the passage of a reciprocal demurrage rule and went on record in favor of national prohibition.

Gloom Attends Sale of Farm Loan Bank Stock Here

Omaha investors evidently are not very anxious to invest their money in the new federal farm loan bank, which the Commercial club and other local civic organizations made such a valiant fight to bring to this city.

Subscriptions for capital stock in the farm bank closed at noon and \$34,900 was all that had been subscribed for the local institution.

This \$34,900 is pledged in 152 subscriptions, sixty-one of which are from persons living outside of Omaha. The largest subscription for the Omaha bank is \$3,000. There are several of this sum, but none larger.

The total capitalization of the bank will be \$750,000. The secretary of the treasury, for the government, will subscribe the remainder of the stock, over \$700,000 worth.

Mrs. MacDowell to Give Lecture-Recital in Omaha

Mrs. MacDowell, who comes to Omaha on Saturday evening to give a lecture-recital at the Young Women's Christian association auditorium, is the widow of the late Edward MacDowell, the great American composer.

To Force Livery Stables To Live Up to Fire Laws

The city building department and First Marshal Morris are taking steps to correct fire hazards which have been created by reason of about twelve livery barns and other places being converted into automobile garages without having complied with the city building law.

Sanders Goes to Jail For Stealing Neckties

Dewey Sanders, salesman for M. E. Smith, charged with selling goods he stole from his employer, was given a thirty-day sentence by Judge Foster in police court.

Fire in Merriam-Millard Elevator; Small Damage

Fire, which started at 1:40 o'clock Friday morning 100 feet from the ground in the Merriam-Millard elevator at Seventeenth and Nicholas streets, endangered thousands of dollars worth of grain, but the prompt discovery of the fire confined the damage to a few dollars.

INTERNED GERMAN STEAMER SUNK IN CHARLESTON HARBOR—The interned German steamer Lievenfels, which on February 1 "sprung a leak" and sank at its anchorage. Port officials who investigated could find no reason why the vessel should have gone to the bottom, unless scuttled.



STEAMER LIEVENFELS

Omaha Would Cover Thirty-Six Square Miles if New Bill Passes

Florence, Benson and a Strip of the County Are to Be Added to Greater Omaha.

TO INCREASE POPULATION

In view of the probable passage of the Florence-Benson annexation bill by the legislature, city officials are casting their eyes over maps to get an idea of the new Greater Omaha which may be thrust upon them in the near future.

The bill at Lincoln provides that Florence, Benson and a strip of land between Benson and Omaha may become part of Omaha by the passage of ordinances in the Omaha city council.

HEADS FALL WHILE DEMOS CHUCKLE

Gala Day for Mullen's Men, Who Stage Political Holo-caust in Court House.

ONLY SCRUB WOMEN SAVED

Sixteen janitors, two elevator operators and a host of other court house and county employees bit the dust, as far as their jobs are concerned, when the democratic board went on its long-anticipated head-chopping rampage Friday noon.

For various reasons the three democratic commissioners decided to allow the scrub women to retain their "positions"—for a while.

Deserving Demos.

New appointments were announced as follows: Henry Schroder, storekeeper at the county hospital.

John N. Regana, assistant superintendent of the county hospital.

Albert Kessler, county storekeeper.

H. M. McQuinn, assistant county storekeeper.

Carl Lambrecht, assistant administrator of charities.

W. H. Walzbecker, boy's instructor at Riverside Detention home.

Dr. J. J. Hummel, assistant county physician.

Dr. H. T. Allingham, county physician on the South Side, succeeding Dr. F. O. Beck, effective May 1.

Miss Beatrice Schaler, telephone operator at the court house.

Simon B. Kalemaja and P. J. O'Connor, elevator operators at the court house.

Only two changes were made in the force of elevator conductors, Harry DeBolt and Martin Tevka losing their jobs.

The following janitors were appointed: Stephen Wala, Paquiala Bova, A. Cappola, C. N. Carney, H. G. Stockholtz, Matt Thaler, Edward Kragbaum, J. Byrne, John Moravick, John Krizek, John Madson, W. J. Laber, D. Berry and V. Lowery.

Those who will have to look for new jobs if they continue their careers as janitors are:

Peter Demos, James Matcha, John Chereck, S. Paicener, S. W. Killa, James Hoffmann, L. Tarrion, L. Brunnett, A. N. Wado, J. O. Mitchell, A. Pappas, R. Madalina, W. Moore and Frank Costanza.

The janitors are paid \$2.50 a day. Gaspar Saitte was appointed assistant superintendent of the court house, to succeed J. H. Glassman.

R. K. Bell succeeds Harry Doorakay as day foreman.

Special Programs at the Movies for the Kiddies

The rise in the thermometer since last week bids fair to make the special program for children at the movies Saturday morning a success.

At 10 o'clock the Strand will show "Gloriana," historic Mobile and picturesque Havana, a cartoon comedy and a continuation of the United States naval series.

At the 10 o'clock will be the "Wizard of Oz," besides a cartoon and scenic picture. At the Bessie on the South Side at 1 o'clock will be shown "Fantasia," a fairy tale.

Woodrow Wilson Wolverton Bawls; His Daddy Smiles

This was a busy day for Ed Wolverton, New York Life Insurance man.

He was busy calling up dozens of friends and stopping others on the street and sending telegrams to those in distant places.

Mr. Wolverton is a first-class business man, being a member of the "Five Hundred club" of the company with which he is affiliated.

"We've got a new boy up at our house."

The infant is new, indeed, having been born Thursday night. The Wolverton home at 2004 Wirt street is brightened by three other children, all girls. This is even an additional reason for big Ed's jubilation over the arrival of an heir apparent.

"They're all welcome, boys or girls," he said, "but we are glad this one is a boy. Variety, you know."

"What are you going to name him?" he was asked.

"Woodrow Wilson Wolverton," exclaimed the proud father without an instant's hesitation, for Brother Wolverton is of the democratic persuasion.

"Yes, sir, we're going to name him after a great man, because he'll be president some day."

WED, BUT NOT WED IS OHIOANS' PLIGHT

Akron Couple Gets License Here and Think They Marry in Canton.

BUT THE LAW SAYS "NO"

"Somewhere in Ohio" is a young married couple not legally married.

Sounds paradoxical, but it's a fact. Douglas county court officials are trying to locate the young people and notify them that they will have to obtain another marriage license and have the ceremony performed over again.

The "thereby lies a tale" dates back to October 8, 1915, when Pavel Milian, 25 years old, and Miss Florence Mathews, 18 years old, took out a marriage license in Douglas county.

Both the young people are Hungarians and gave their place of residence as Akron, O.

The marriage license has just been returned to Clyde Sundblad, clerk of the county court. The license shows that a marriage ceremony was performed at Canton, O., February 7, 1917, by Rev. Solomon Duma, 1847 Seventh street, N. E.

The marriage was not legal, in view of the fact that the license was not good outside of Douglas county. Clerk Sundblad opined that the Rev. Mr. Duma should study up on the marriage license laws of the different states.

Railroads Here Guard Bridges From War Attack

Word reaches Omaha headquarters that the Burlington has placed guards at either end of the bridges over the Missouri and Mississippi rivers and that since Wednesday the Illinois Central has done the same thing with reference to its bridges.

The Illinois Central bridge over the Missouri river here is being carefully guarded and unless people have passes they are not permitted to cross over it. The same thing has been done in connection with the bridges in Iowa and Illinois.

Swobe Charges Auto Men Try to Freeze Him Out

Daniel Baum, Jr.; Frank W. Bacon and Richard O. Bunn, the Drummond Motor company and the Douglas Motors corporation are named defendants in an injunction suit brought in district court by Edwin T. Swobe, who owns forty shares of stock in the Drummond concern.

The Drummond company is capitalized at \$100,000 and Swobe alleges that plans are being made to turn over the stock in the concern to the Douglas Motors corporation. He asserts that if this transfer of stock is made the Drummond parcel will be greatly depreciated in value.

Swobe wants the company enjoined from transferring its stock, alleging that an attempt is being made to freeze out some of the stockholders.

Elks Throw Open Their Homes to Snowbound Folks

Elks along the line of the Union Pacific, especially those at Sidney, this state, and at Cheyenne, Laramie and Rawlins, Wyo., endeared themselves to the stormbound passengers during the recent blockade.

At all the points named, night and day, the Elks threw open their lodge rooms to all and kept open house. The tables were supplied with literature and everything possible was done for the people held up by the blockade.

GRAND JURY WON'T INDICT DAHLMAN

Attempt to Have City's Chief Citizen Charged With Misappropriation Fails.

FOUR ARRESTS ARE MADE

The activities of the grand jury are becoming fewer each day and unless something unexpected bobs up soon rumor has it that the inquisitorial body will write "finis" on its 1917 campaign by next week.

Four arrests have been made by deputy sheriffs in the last twenty-four hours on capias writs following recent grand jury indictments. They are:

Harry Silik, Guy Silik and Ray Strodd, charged with gambling; Della Harris, charged with grand larceny from the person.

Attorneys for the plaintiff in the now famous Dahlman automobile suit, in which the mayor was temporarily and later permanently restrained from using city-owned motor cars for anything save "strictly official business," are understood to have gone before the grand jury in an effort to obtain indictments for alleged misappropriation of public funds. It is rumored the attorneys were "out of luck" in their quest.

Other witnesses who told the grand jury men that they knew about certain cases were: Police Judge Fitzgerald, Bob Robinson, manager of the Dunbar club; Pearl McGuire and Anna Ewing.

Dewey Declares War On Tardy Tax-Payers of County

Douglas county would be in good financial condition and on a cash basis if \$150,000 in unpaid county and state taxes, dating from 1914 to 1916, inclusive, were turned into the exchequer.

County Clerk Dewey declared in a written report made to the county commissioners.

He stated that the deficit is a result of the failure to collect the levy, school board and city, as well as county. He recommended the board's support of House Bill No. 453, a bill before the legislature which provides that after three years of advertising delinquent tax property the county may dispose of it.

Fortune in Jewels Is Lost On Farnam Street by Woman

Somewhere scattered between Fifteenth and Twentieth streets, on Farnam street, is jewelry worth \$15,000 which Mrs. E. M. Reynolds says she lost Thursday afternoon while on her way home to the Harley hotel.

Mrs. Reynolds told the police that she had the jewelry in a small satin bag attached to her waist. When she arrived at the hotel she says the sack was empty, the contents evidently having been dropped on the way.

The jewelry described as lost consists of a lavalliere with two half-carat diamonds set in platinum, one large dinner ring, also with two half-carat diamonds, one solitaire ring with a half-carat diamond and an emerald and a diamond set in platinum.

Mrs. Reynolds said she highly valued the jewelry not so much for its monetary value as because most of it was given to her by her mother.

Mobilizing Civil Service To Aid the Government

Mrs. Frederick H. Cole, chairman of the civil service reform department, General Federation of Women's Clubs, wired President Wilson last night as follows:

Believing that the work of the civil service is of vital importance to our country as that of the army or the naval service, all civil service reform committees of the General Federation of Women's clubs are being urged to renewed effort that they may aid our government in maintenance of peace, if it may be maintained with honor; but whether in peace or in war, to aid the civil service and the government.

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Small Pimples Itched Badly On Face and Arms

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"My face began to break out in small pimples and in a couple of days my face, arms, and neck were completely covered. The pimples began getting larger and more numerous, and they festered and were red. They itched so badly that I kept them sore by scratching and I could not sleep."

"I was troubled about four weeks when I saw an advertisement for Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and I began using them. I used one and a half cakes of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment and I was completely healed." (Signed) Miss Eva Miller, Lewisburg, Ohio, Oct. 9, 1916.

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GERMANY CUTS LOOSE FROM CIVILIZATION

"Having begun the European war by an act of perfidy, the German Government now seeks to end it by an act of criminal insanity. In a mad lurch away from the efforts to bring about peace by reason and negotiation, the German authorities announce that they will begin this day to run amuck on the high seas. A Malay pirate could not have made the announcement more brutally."

The New York Evening Post thus indignantly characterizes Germany's determination to wield an unrestricted submarine warfare on neutrals as well as foes in a new war zone, while other newspapers are scarcely less outspoken.

In severing diplomatic relations with Germany as a result of that country's new attitude, President Wilson has not done the unexpected. Even Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, is quoted as saying: "I am not surprised. My Government will not be surprised either. The people in Berlin knew what was bound to happen if they took the action they have taken. There was nothing else left for the United States to do."

President Wilson finds the country solidly behind him. Racial lines have practically disappeared, and, to quote the words of the New York Globe, "If war comes, it will be a holy and righteous one—a war on war, a war for peace, a war for a better world."

In this week's LITERARY DIGEST (dated February 10) there is an illuminating description of the effect of Germany's note upon the people of the United States and elsewhere. Editorial comment representing public opinion from every section is given.

Has the President Buried the Monroe Doctrine?

Editors in the Old World Believe That He Has, and in This Article They Give Their Reasons for Thinking So.

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"The Digest" Saves Both Time and Money for you

The average man or woman nowadays finds every hour of the twenty-four crowded to the uttermost and has constantly to postpone important affairs from sheer lack of time. Owing to this ever-growing pressure and the multiplicity of magazines and periodicals published most people are able to get only a sketchy and unsatisfactory idea of what is going on in the world about them and that at the cost of much precious time that could be better employed and the expenditure of considerable money for garbled versions of the news. THE LITERARY DIGEST saves hours of time and much small change by giving you the real news and nothing else, and that in the most concise and accessible form. Two hours reading of this all-around weekly will keep you up to the minute on the war, politics, religion, art, literature, science and all else that you should know. Get it today!

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