Hands Out Typewritten State ment of How the Squabble Now Stands.

ENDS WITH A DISCLAIMER

Another chapter in the current cour court house squabble was ready for the binder bright and early Thursday morning, when the following statement, written on a typewriter for Commissioner Lynch by some one was passed out among the court house reporters:

"Since so many conflicting state-ments have been made concerning the alleged controversy between Sher-iff Clark and myself, it is only fair to iff Clark and myself, it is only fair to say at this time, the controversy with relation to feeding prisoners is only a renewal of my efforts in behalf of the taxpayers in that the present sheriff, as well as ex-Sheriff McShane, should not exact of the taxpayers money for feeding prisoners in excess of actual cost. My position has been consistent in that regard and will continue to be.

"Sheriff Clark made a pre-election promise, substantially a. follows, as referred to in The Bee of April 16, 1916:

referred to in The Bec of April 10, 1916:

"Michael L. Clark, Republican, for Sheriff—As candidate for the republican nomination for sheriff, Michael L. Clark has given assurance that if elected he will be satisfied with the legal salary and that he will not put anything in the way of enactment of a proper measure for feeding of the prisoners at cost to the county. A vote for Clark will therefore be a vote to end the jail feeding graft.'

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"Having his word to the foregoing, I supported him for sheriff. My own ward and wards generally credited to me in political battles, although overwhelmingly democratic, gave Sheriff Clark splendid support, thus in a measure contributing to his election. When Clark qualified as sheriff his duty in the premises was sadly neglected. At the first opportunity he demanded extravagant prices for feeding prisoners. As county commissioner my opposition to this practice was again brought into play. Let Sheriff Clark yield and feed prisoners with good and wholesome food, at cost, and my voice will be raised in praise for the sheriff and the feeding controversy ended. Might End Controversy.

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"As to the matter of the elevator conductor in the court house, will say that our judges of the district court squarely support my contention, as evidenced by their decision."

Although it is notorious that the morals squad officer, Sutton, has been reporting directly to Lynch instead of to his superior officers, Mr. Lynch concludes his statement with this disclaimer:
"As to the activity of the police and

claimer:

"As to the activity of the police and the sheriff, that matter is no concern of mine. Superintendent Kugel, as city commissioner, has his duty to perform and so has Sheriff Clark. Personally, it is immaterial what branch of the police power enforces the laws. In no event should dives, joints and chili parlors be permitted in or out of the city. I favor a suppression of this evil. I am not interested directly or indirectly in any joint or dive."

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Sheriff Clark, when he had finished reading the account of Commissioner Lynch's effusion before the Southwest Improvement club, remarked:

"Why doesn't he get down to carth-down to the real issue in this so-called feud? It isn't jail feeding. The supreme court has ruled that the sheriff's office is entitled to 32 cents a day under the law for feeding the prisoners. But I suppose Lynch knows more than the judges. I wonder if the people of Douglas county will take Johnny Lynch's hot air about the 'jail feeding grait' seriously?"

Suggests Some "Reasons." "Is he fighting me because the law fixes 32 cents a day for jail feeding, or is it because there are no road houses—none that I've been able

road houses—none that I've been able to locate, anyway—violating the law in Douglas county now?

"And I wonder if the fact that slot machines, which formerly clanged all over the county, are conspicuous by their absence now hasn't something to do with Lynch's denunciations of me? And the Owl club doesn't seem to be prospering as in the days of yore.

yore.

"I wonder if that fact couldn't be connected up with these verbal attacks on me by the commissioner?"

The sheriff reiterated his statement that he wasn't figuring on going before any improvement clubs to debate jail feeding with anyone.

What He Will Tell.

But he declared that if any improve-ment clubs extended him an invita-tion, he would be glad to tell a few things about law violations in Doug-

things about law violations in Douglas county.

"And I'll tell people another thing. This recent cleanup didn't come about altogether because a preacher and a reporter were thrown out of a tenseroin district saloon. Not altogether—hardly. Employes in my office heard me call up Commissioner Kugel on the telephone one day and say. 'Al, I've just had some complaints about some dives that are said to be violating the law "ight along If you don't get busy with your police force, I'll tackle the job with my deputies."

City to Buy Two More

Resuscitating Machines The city clerk was directed by the commissioners to advertise for two or more resuscitating markings. Explanation was made at the council meeting that these machines are not utended for use in the city hall, but will be used for reviving victims at the public bathing beaches during the swimming season.

Jailbirds Eat a Nickel More Now for Each Meal

The city council adopted a resolu-ion offered by Commissioner Jardine, nereasing the city workhouse meal illowance from 15 to 20 cents a

ACTOR IN STUDENT PLAY AT OMAHA-PREPARING



RUSSELL HOLT PETERS.

Russell Holt Peters, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Peters of Omaha, acted the leading feminine role recently in "Stop Thief." a play produced by students of Cornell university. With the aid of girl's clothes and a good makeup, he made a very successful. makeup, he made a very successful "Nell." Young Peters graduated from Central High school here. His parents reside at 1931 South Thirty-third street.

Visiting Merchants and Ladies Visit Stock Yards

Of the half thousand visiting merhants still in the city for Merchants' Market Week, a majority spent the forenoon in the South Side stock yards, where they were shown through the yards and the packing

ouses. They were conducted through the They were conducted through the cattle yards, the swine yards, the sheep pens and the magnificent horse barns in time to watch the selling operations in all these departments. Then with guides aplenty they were escorted through some of the large packing houses, where they witnessed the killing, the dressing and packing in all departments, winding up in the great coolers, where the meats are hung and stacked tons upon tons ready for the market.

This proved an interesting entertainment feature for the visiting merchants and ladies, for the Union stock yards of Greater Omaha are so splendidly arranged with elevated walks, runways and viaducts that it is possible for parties to visit the whole stretch of yards and witness every activity of importance without once stepping off the clean, dry cement and plank walks and elevated runways.

Wednesday night's entertainment

pared by the wholesalers of Omaha for the visiting merchants. However, the buying is not yet over, and the wholesale establishments are still busy with customers who are laying in stocks of spring and summer goods.

Uncle Sam Has a Fine Job Which is Going Begging

Oh, won't somebody please accept a osition as elevator conductor for the United States government at the city of North Platte, Neb.

For three months Uncle Sam has

For three months Uncle Sam has been seeking someone to "accept this position." It pays \$55 a month Yes, sir. Uncle Sam throws his money about just like that.

Miss Viola Coffin, who conducts examinations for government positions in the local federal building, has set the exam. for this position twice already, on February 17 and March 10. Each time a few applicants "showed up," but, being informed of the munificent salary, they smiled a sickly smile and vanished down the nearest stairway. nearest stairway.

Now the exam, is set again for April

Now the exam. is set again for April 14. So, if you want to wear a uniform and be the captain of the car in the federal building at North Platte, go up and show that you are mentally, morally and physically fitted for these responsibilities. And if you "make good," the \$55 a month is yours.

Sugar Combine Says It Operates On Low Margin

New York, March 14.-Profits from operations of \$9,756,379 are reported for 1916 by the American Sugar Refining company in the annual state-

fining company in the annual statement issued today, as against \$2,991,465 in 1915. The company's balance sheet shows assets of \$129,979,776, an increase of \$7,971,901 over 1915.

The turnover of the company, according to the statement of President Earl D. Babst, approximated \$200,000,000, leaving a manufacturing profit of about 4½ per cent. This percentage, it is claimed, is "outside of the Chicago packers, the smallest margin of profit in the manufacturing world."

Tables accompanying the report show that the company's business in 1916 amounted to 34 per cent of the whole sugar production, cane and beet, as against 75 per cent of the entire output in 1894.

The company, it is stated, has nearly 20,000 stockholders, one-half of whom are women.

State Superintendent

Clemmons in Critical Condition Fremont, Neb., March 15.—(Special.)—The condition of State Superintendent W. H. Clemmons, who was forced to give up his official duties and come home last Sunday, shows no change. His physicians have prescribed absolute rest and quiet and not even his closest friends are permitted to visit him. Mr. Clemmons is suffering with heart weakness and his condition is considered critical.

Three Cousins of Omahan

Decorated by the Kaiser War news these days is of particular interest to Mrs. Herbert Stubbendorff, wife of the marriage license clerk at the court house. She has thirteen cousins in the German army, all of whom she visited at Wurtemburg German was the court of t burg, Germany, when she was 10 years old.

Reservations an awfol lot of A cousin, a lieutenant, was killed during one of the great battles. Three of the cousins have been decorated with the iron cross.

FOR A RAIL STRIKE

Freight of All Kinds is Being Rushed Through and Coal Bins Being Filled.

PACKERS RUSHING IN COAL

While local railroad men are not predicting a strike of the trainmen n this territory next week, they are working to the end that they may be prepared to handle the situation to the best advantage should a strike occur. Freight of all kinds is being rushed to destination in order to have the lines cleared up and as little congestion as possible at any one

point.

On the lines running into Omaha trade territory, business, so far as freight movements are concerned, was never better. Country merchants are placing large orders with the Omaha jobbers and in every interest that comes the request to stance there comes the request to get the consignments out as soon a

From the coal fields the shipments especially for this season of the year and the shipments going out to the country towns are correspondingly

Not Much Steam Coal.

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While there is more than the usual quantity of coal on hand in Omaha for the middle of March, it is conceded that there is nothing like enough to supply the demand in the event that a strike of any length of duration should occur. There is probably enough domestic coal in storage to run the city a month or more, but, as at all other times, there is a shortage of steam coal.

Of the extensive consumers of steam coal, there are but three concerns, the water works company, the electric light company and the street railway, that ever carry any large

electric light company and the street railway, that ever carry any large supply. These concerns have sufficient coal to run thirty to forty-five days, but with other extensive consumers the supply on hand would not run more than a week to ten days. Owners of many of the large office buildings depend, as a rule, upon practically daily receipts. That is, they get a carload of steam coal and buy the next just before the former purchase has been burned.

With a strike, it is asserted that the packing houses are likely to be the first of the large concerns affected. South Omaha consumes an average of about sixty carloads daily. This consumption, in the event of a

ment and plank walks and elevated runways.

Wednesday night's entertainment at the Hotel Fontenelle concluded the official entertainment program as prepared by the wholesalers of Omaha tor the visiting merchants.

would suffer.

At the present time the refrigerating rooms of all the South Omaha packing houses are filled to the roofs with fresh meats. Immense quantities of coal are required in the operation of the machinery that runs the ice-making and cold air plants and with the supply shut off, it is asserted that the meats in storage would soon spoil.

spoil.

However, all of the packers are placing orders for large quantities of coal and during the last two days many trainloads have been coming from the Kansas and Missouri fields. Since the first of the week six to ten coal trains have been coming into South Omaha daily. Instead of placing it in storage it is being dumped along the railroad tracks, from there to be hauled to the houses as needed.

Savidge Knocks Pool Halls Before City Council

Halls Before City Council

"Make it short," requested Mayor
Dahlman when Rev. C. W. Savidge,
pastor of the People's church and
underworld pilot, asked for the
privilege of addressing the city council on pool halls.

"The pool hall is your baby. You
were present at its birth. You washed
the infant and I believe it is time to
give the kid a spanking. The sections
of the pool hall ordinance relating to
minors and gambling are being violated. Pool halls are worse than
saloons and should be closed at 8
p. m. and on Sundays," said the
militant minister.

His statements were of a general
nature. He charged that some men attend pool halls during the noon hour,
lose their money and then steal from
their employers.

Municipal Judge Takes

Job Away from Own Son The office of assistant clerk of the municipal court, now held by Charles Britt, son of Judge Britt, is to be abolished April I, according to an announcement made Wednesday, Judge Baldwin and Judge Holmes told Mayor Dahlman that there is not suf-

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TIMELY WARNING **GOES UNHEEDED**

Scathing Arraignment of King Potato Written by Groh Stops Upward Trend.

BUT PEOPLE STILL EAT 'EM

By A. R. GROH.

A week or two ago I wrote a scath ing arraignment of the potato, lately known as "King Potato." I directed at this contemptible, but expensive, vegetable a philippic of deadly virulence. I pronounced upon it the dread anathema maranatha,

I called upon all patriots to stor eating potatoes. That, I pointed out, was a sure, "cure" for the high price of potatoes. For, if you stop eating them, the speculators will be thrown into a panic, potatoes will drop to 20 cents a peck, and then you can laugh and wink the left eye.

Has the price of potatoes gone

Well, no. But neither has it gone Our article seems to have scared potato speculators enough so they didn't increase the price,

that they didn't increase the price, anyway.

But have the people stopped eating potatoes as I called upon them to do?

Not so you can notice it. There's the trouble. Everybody who read my article considered its premises sound, its logic unassailable. They applauded my effort toward reducing the pressige of the potato. They applauded it, I say, and then—went right on cating potatoes just the same as before. as before.

Argument Sound.

I asked one man about it. He was telling me how sound my argument

"All that's necessary is for every-body to stop eating potatoes while the price remains so high," he said. "That'll show the speculators what they amount to when the people once wake up. We don't need potatoes. We can just as well eat other vege-tables."

tables."

§ He was getting quite warmed up with enthusiasm when I asked:

"You have stopped cating potatoes at your house, I suppose?"

He was quite embarrassed. He hem-ed and haw-ed.,

"Well, no," he finally said. "I can't say that we have. But then, what does one family amount to? Why, we don't eat more than a peck a week. It wouldn't affect the demand if we stopped eating them."

Perhaps not. But when 10,000 other families do the same thing it makes a big difference.

Eaten in Every Way.

And so the people are eating po-tatoes baked and fried and creamed and 'scalloped and boiled and mashed, French fried potatoes, German fried potatoes, hashed potatoes, potato puffs, potato croquettes, potato soup, potatoes au gratin, potatoes Lyon-



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naise, Hollandaise, Bouillabaise, Bordelaise, potatoes Parisienne, potato chowder, potato salad.
Go ahead and eat 'em.
My conscience is clear.
I have struck my blow for freedom.
I have smitten the shackles of spud slavery from my wrists. I tried to do the same for the people. They said it was good work and then went on serving King Potato.
Eat potatoes if you want to and can pay for them. But don't come to me, complaining about the price. For

me, complaining about the price. For if you do, I warn you I shall laugh at you loudly and scornfully.

RAIL OFFICIALS READY FOR STRIKE

Operating Chiefs Prepared for Worst, Try to Keep Traffic Moving.

LONG DELAYS EXPECTED

A meeting of operating officials of all the railroads in the Central association was held in Chicago yesterday, presumably for the purpose of deiding upon ways and means to keep traffic moving in the event of a trainmen's strike. General Manage- Walters of the orthwestern was called to headquarters last night that he might be at the conference today. Interests of the other Omaha-Chiago roads are being looked after by epresentatives of the Chicago offices.

Whether or not they expect a strike of the trainmen, officials of eastern lines do not state, but they are taking extra precautions. They have sent to the headquarters of the lines here notices of embargoes, that if continued in force will make it pretty difficult to get any freight a great distance

Shipments East Subject to Delay. The New York Central lines have forwarded notice of an embargo on forwarded notice of an embargo on every commodity, stating that from connecting lines, after Saturday noon, nothing will be accepted for shipment east, unless such consignments are sent subject to indefinite delay. The Big Four embargo notice received by the Omaha-Chicago roads, is conditioned that, barring live stock and perishable goods from its connections, it will not receive any freight later than Saturday noon.

Embargo notices sent out by the other lines operating east from Chicago are very similar to those of the New York Central and the Big Four.

So far nothing has been received

So far nothing has been received from the eastern lines indicating that an embargo on passenger busi-ness is contemplated. Southern Pacific Order.

G. W. Luce, general traffic manager of the Southern Pacific railroad, sent the following order yesterday to all

the following order yesterday to all company agents: "Effective noon today, endorse all bills of lading thus: 'Shipment re-ceived subject to delay and loss due to delay as result of impending strike.'"

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Judge Leslie Will Hear Vaccination War Next Tuesday

The hearing in the suit brought against City Physician Connell and the members of the school board by parents of pupils attending Saratoga school, seeking to enjoin the officials from prohibiting children with certificates of vaccination-the internal method-from attending school, has been set for 9 o'clock on the morning of March 20.

On that day Judge Leslie will hear rguments by counsel for the plainiffs, Charles C. Haynes et al, parents of school children, for temporary and permanent injunctions against the city physician and the members of the board.

the board.

The parents ask that the defendants be restrained from keeping the children out of school, ordering smallpox signs to be tacked up on houses and from "encouraging and maintaining the dump at Twenty-second and Meredith streets."

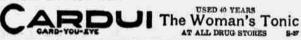
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Hardly Could

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From Berger, Missouri, word comes from Mrs. Lizzie Groeber.
She says: "I had always been a very healthy woman until my seventh child was born. When my baby was six weeks old. . I could hardly walk. . . I suffered. . dizziness in my head when I would stand on my feet just as if I would faint away. . I used Cambur, Carboserrio and Black-Draught and. . have never had any symptoms of it again. . I certainly will praise Carbour. . for I surely think it saved my life." There are thousands of weak, worn-out women in this country who could be helped like Mrs. Groeber, with Carbour. Why don't you try it for your case? don't you try it for your case?



Huckleberry Finn is living today in Indiana

Mark Twain didn't invent him any more than Corot invented the skies and trees in his pictures. There's nothing new in nature or boys-they're always the same and have been from the outset. Every so often a great artist happens along and sees things about them that most folks don't bother to notice. Mark Twain simply saw the Boy Eternal through his own experiences.

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