

MISSOURI RIVER IS RISING RAPIDLY

Moves Up Five Feet and Three Inches in Last Four Days—Now at Fifteen Feet.

FLOOD STAGE IS 19 FEET

The Missouri river is rising rapidly. During the twenty-four hours ending at 7 a. m. Thursday it rose 0.7 of a foot. During the three preceding twenty-four hour periods it rose respectively 1.6, 1.7 and 1.3 feet, a total of 5.3 feet in four days.

This is going some, Colonel Welsh of the weather bureau admits. Flood stage is nineteen feet here. The river now stands at a little more than fifteen feet. A month ago it was only seven feet.

Reports from up the river show that the river has risen rapidly there. "All the tributaries are full to the top and there is a heavy covering of snow over a large area of country north of us," said Colonel Welsh. Thursday's weather reports were favorable, as they showed a decided drop in temperature in the Dakotas. This will retard thawing and allow the surplus water in the Missouri here and below to run off. But if a sudden and decided thaw comes in the north it will develop a very serious situation here.

There has been no very serious flooding of Omaha since April 24, 1881, when the river reached 23.8 feet, the highest record here. You could row a boat from Seventeenth and Clark to Council Bluffs then.

Reports of Crop Damage Send Grain Prices Toward Sky

Attributed to continued reports of crop damage over a greater portion of the winter wheat belt, prices on all kinds of grain soared skyward again yesterday, new top prices being marked up on cash wheat, corn and oats.

On the Omaha market wheat sold up to \$2.09, with the low at \$2.06 per bushel, an advance of 2 to 4 cents. Wheat receipts were forty-three cars and the greater portion of it sold close to the top.

Corn sold up to \$1.18, none selling below \$1.17, this low having been the previous high price. The advance in the aggregate was 1/4 cent over any former price. Receipts were ninety-seven carloads.

Oats made a gain of 1/4 to 1/2 cents per bushel, selling at 64@66 cents per bushel. Sixty-five cents per bushel was the previous high price. Receipts for the day were thirty-two carloads.

Durum wheat, a wheat that is in a class of its own, marked up a new high and sold at \$2.05 per bushel. While the option did not make such radical gains in price as the cash grain, it was strong and higher. May wheat selling at \$1.98 1/2, an advance of 1/2 of a cent. The May corn option sold up to \$1.18 1/2, an advance of a cent.

Spring Styles Are Shown On Real Live Mannequins

By POLLY THE SHOPPER. C'est tout a fait charmant ici, n'est-ce pas, Mademoiselle? Mais, oui, c'est tres beau et superbe.

Parlez vous Francais? But even if you do not, you missed a rare treat in not attending the French visiting day fete at Benson & Thorne's this morning and afternoon. The occasion was the opening of their exquisite new French salon. 'Tis the custom in La Belle France for the children, as well as the parents, to attend these gay fetes, so a cordial invitation was extended to grown-ups and kiddies alike.

I've been on the tip-toe of expectancy for days—patiently waiting for the decorators to put on the final artistic touches—so you can imagine my delight when Mr. Reynolds, manager of Benson & Thorne's store, finally told me that I might come as early as 11 o'clock Thursday morning for a cup of cafe noir. Strains of music, which we immediately recognized as being French airs, greeted us, as my little friend and I approached the salon through the velvet-carpeted cloak room. The salon, which is intended as an exhibition chamber for the display of their most beautiful garments, is lovely in its frescoed and mirrored walls.

Four trim maids, looking as tho' they had just tripped out from a veritable opera comique, daintily served us chocolate, coffee and French sweetmeats, whilst we enjoyed the lovely exhibition of new spring styles on live mannequins—pretty girls coached for the part by one of our foremost dancing masters—three young women displayed the ladies' and misses' frocks, and four children the most up-to-the-minute garments for juniors.

It was truly quite a Frenchy affair.

Grain Exchange Holds the Palm for Flag Display

When it comes to displaying flags, the Omaha Grain exchange holds the edge on anything in the city. Large flags were hung in the trading room some days ago and now smaller flags are being placed in each of the windows. Up to this time 128 of the small flags have been hung and there are about as many more to put up.

DANIELS REFUSES TO LET ADMIRAL FISKE TALK.



New York, March 28.—Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, U. S. N., retired, who had been expected to speak on "The Mind of the Navy" before the New York Electrical society to-night, was unable to deliver his address because Secretary of the Navy Daniels withheld his permission, it was announced by George H. Guy, secretary of the society.

Beans Condemned Belonged to the Union Packing Co.

The 1,000 sacks of navy beans which have been discovered in a local warehouse by food inspectors and against which suit has been filed in the federal court, were consigned to the Union Packing company, which has a plant on the belt line of railway at Spaulding street.

This company is now involved in voluntary bankruptcy proceedings. It was through these proceedings that the beans came to the attention of federal inspectors.

The beans are said to be "culms," the very lowest grade of beans, the sweepings.

As to their being "allowed" to spoil as part of a big conspiracy to make a food shortage and consequently boost prices, this is said to be improbable.

It is pointed out that, if that had been the object, they would have been permitted to spoil in Indiana and Michigan. The owners would not have gone to the expense of shipping them to Omaha. The freight charges, however, have not been paid. The Union Pacific and "Milwaukee" railroads have claims against the consignee for freight charges.

Railroads Mum as to All Movements of Troops

The railroads have placed a complete censorship upon all information relative to the movement of soldiers, whether they go singly, in squads or larger bodies.

Local railroad headquarters have received from the secretary of war requests that no information be given out as to when, where or how soldiers are to be transported over the respective lines. Railroad officials look upon all such requests as commands and regarding them as such, have clamped the lid on all information that has to do with army matters.

The railroad officials are requested not to give any information concerning what is being done in the way of soldiers having been placed on guard at bridges, terminals or other places. This is taken to mean that at all points along the railroad lines where civilian guards have heretofore been employed, soldiers are on duty.

Suffs to Train Women To Speak in Campaigns

"To learn counter arguments to present when men tell us why we should not vote is the reason we want a suffrage school," Mrs. Charles Marple told a group of twenty suffragists who met at the court house Wednesday evening. The suffrage school will be maintained and the same outline of study used as the one held at the Young Women's Christian association recently by four instructors sent by the National Suffrage association.

Next week the suffrage school meets Wednesday night, but afterward "school" will be in session Friday evenings in the court house.

"There is a lack of trained suffrage speakers in Nebraska. We would rather train our own women to speak in the next campaign than bring in outside speakers," said Mrs. Marple.

BAD HEADACHES?

Mrs. N. Alexander, of Niangua, Mo., writing in regard to her experience with Theodor's Black-Draught says: "I feel it my duty to write and tell you how I have been benefited by the use of Black-Draught. I have had sick headaches all my life and Black-Draught is all I ever could get to stop it. . . . I always keep it in the house. . . . It does all you claim and more." Why don't you try Black-Draught for your trouble? It is a purely vegetable liver medicine, that, during the past 70 years, has helped many people to better health. Try it. Costs only one cent a dose. Your druggist sells it. 8-1

TWO-MILE AREA TO BE ADDED TO OMAHA

Mayor Introduces Three Ordinances for Annexation of Two Square Miles.

ON WEST AND SOUTH SIDES

Mayor Dahlgren introduced three ordinances for annexation of nearly two square miles of territory to Greater Omaha, this being preliminary to annexation of Benson and Florence.

One strip is approximately one square mile lying between Benson and Omaha. It extends from a point near Nicholas street on the south to Ames avenue on the north and between Forty-eighth and Fifty-second streets.

Another strip of one-eighth of a square mile is known as Clontarf precinct on South Thirtieth street.

The third strip begins at Fifty-second and Pacific streets, includes Elmwood park; from Fifty-second to Elmwood park, between Dewey avenue and Pacific street and between Forty-eighth and Fifty-second streets, Dewey avenue to Leavenworth street. This area is three-fourths of a square mile.

The ordinances were referred to the committee of the whole for discussion.

Burglar Returns Second Time in Same Night; Gets Little

A burglar who visited the home of Andrew Meier, 2450 South Twentieth street, Wednesday night was driven away from a first floor window while the master of the house was asleep. A gold watch and 45 cents were taken from Mr. Meier's trousers.

According to Mr. Meier's story to the police, his mother-in-law, Mrs. Jennie Patterson, occupied a room on the first floor. When she was awakened by the noise of a window of her room being raised she called to Mr. Meier, who rushed down and closed the window. Mrs. Patterson says she observed a man receding when she summoned her son-in-law.

Returning to his room, Mr. Meier soon resumed his slumbers. Undaunted by his failure to get into the first floor, the intruder climbed a ladder and entered Mr. Meier's room and went through his trousers without being apprehended.

Burglars Find Shoe Where The Bank Roll Was Hidden

Hiding \$61.50 in his shoe and tucking the shoe under his bed proved no burglar insurance for Emil Thompson, 2717 Bristol street. Some time between midnight and 6 a. m. Thursday a thief stole the money and Thompson's watch and left the shoe on the front porch.

Burglars climbed through a transom to the United-Doctol drug store at Seventeenth and Farnam streets Wednesday night and stole \$1.15 in cash. They left more than 100 cigars strewn about the floor.

Twelve boxes of cigars and \$2.70 were stolen some time Wednesday night from J. Nathan's grocery store at 1624 Chicago street.

Thieves took four new auto tires, valued at \$150, from the garage of E. A. Pegau, 4810 Florence boulevard.

Try to Fight it Out After Both Are Fined

Henry Staggs and Jack Dalton, both employees of the commissary department of a railroad, staged a rough and tumble fight in the ante-room of police court Thursday morning. Dalton rapped loudly on the door leading to court and Leroy Wade, motorcycle officer, stopped the battle.

Staggs and Dalton were cronies Wednesday night. They drank together and slept together. Staggs says that Dalton got up early in the morning and took \$15 from Staggs' pants' pockets.

"I lit into him," said Staggs, "and you can see for yourself what I did to him."

Staggs was fined \$5 and costs and Dalton was fined \$2.50 and costs. It was after the fines were imposed that they renewed their old quarrel.

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Two Attempts at Wedded Life Fail For This Couple

Henry Vogler didn't keep his promise to "be good," so his wife says, and she is suing him again in district court for divorce. The Voglers were married on August 5, 1915. They were divorced in January of the following year.

Justina asserts that he "promised to be good," so she took him back again. They were married the second time on April 5, 1916. Now she wants no more of Henry. She says he was cruel to her. Also she states that he is worth \$12,000, which she would like to have the court declare her "in on."

Two other divorce petitions were filed as follows: Stella Hunter against Harry R. Hunter, neglect alleged.

Bethuel J. Miller against Winifred Miller, desertion alleged.

The following decrees were granted: Hattie J. Puleo from John Puleo. Gertrude Irwin from Carl Irwin. Elsie Wilson from H. G. Wilson. Ellen says she never did know her husband's first name. They were married on December 30, 1916, and she alleges he deserted shortly afterwards.

Grace Estelle Kroh from Lynn A. Kroh. Fred Moraine from Margaret Moraine. Elsie A. Sward from Rudolph G. Sward. Frances Piper from Earl Piper.

Draft Plans for Orchard & Wilhelm Warehouse

Architectural plans for the Orchard & Wilhelm warehouse between Sixteenth and Seventeenth and Howard streets are being completed by John Latenser & Sons, architects, and bids are to be asked April 15. It will depend upon the bids received whether the structure will be built at this time, or whether construction will be deferred for a time. Seven stories and basement are contemplated. A brick building with stone trimming is planned.

Railroads Figure Up What New Law Will Give Men

Ever since the supreme court passed upon the constitutionality of the Adamson law the Union Pacific has had a force of men at work on the pay rolls, figuring out the extra time to which the trainmen will be entitled. There are several thousand men affected and the extra pay of each man has to be figured. It is something of a task and it will be several weeks before pay checks will be ready for distribution.

Big Demand for The Bee's Flags to Be Put in Windows

The demand for The Bee flags is exceeding expectations. Pearl Macumber, principal of Lincoln school, sent yesterday for 120 and the Omaha Ice and Cold Storage company received sixty.

Some of the city hall officials and employes are hanging these flags in their office and home windows.

SLEEPS FOR THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS

Nicholas Androsloff, Vagabond, Says He Celebrates Success of His Cousin.

HEAD OF RUSSIAN DUMA

After Rip Van Winkling for three days and three nights in Riverview park Nicholas Androsloff, vagabond,

awoke Thursday and told police officers that he was merely celebrating the success of his cousin, Michael Radzienski, president of the Russian Duma and head of the provisional government.

It was a telephone call to the police that brought to light Androsloff's long sleep and his alleged relationship to the man who engineered the Russian revolution. Dr. Charles Shook and Officer James Murphy, who plucked the man from the bushes, say that Nicholas looked like anything but a relative of royalty. Androsloff told the police that he started Sunday to celebrate the po-

litical achievements of his "cousin" in Petrograd and that is about the last thing he remembers. Wednesday the patrol made a run to Riverview in response to a phone call that "there is a dead man in Riverview park." The cops couldn't find Nicholas then. Thursday they got another phone message and then they found him. It is possible that somebody slipped some drug into Androsloff's drink. He had no money when found. Officer Murphy dismissed him with the admonition to get a job and a bath. Persistent Advertising Is the Road to Success.

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