

SLICK SLICKER FINDS FERTILE FIELD IN OMAHA

Lures Gleaner's Gold by Tempting Dry Throats of Those Suffering From Enduring Nebraska Drouth.

Dan Tornowski, promoter, is missing. Scores of victims of his alleged peculiar methods of financing, located at various points in the states of Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska, as well as a number of the "good fellows" of Omaha, mourn his departure and are eager to learn of his whereabouts.

Dan, so the story unravels, sprang a brand new con game during his recent sojourn in this city. He has a wide acquaintance among those whose throats have been intensified by the "bone dry" law of Nebraska, the clean-up work of the morals squads and the intermittent hot weather of the last few weeks.

Tempting Dry Throats. His methods were to go to a prospective visitor and guarantee to deliver to him a case of whisky for \$40, guaranteeing his product being suitable to the making of mint juleps, high balls and the other cooling concoctions to mitigate the sweltering heat of summer nights and dog days. "I don't want to take any risks on this," he would remark, "and I will have to collect in advance."

"I don't want to take any risks either," his prospective customer would answer. "I've got to see the goods before I part with the kale."

Compromises on Check. "Let's compromise," Tornowski would suggest. "You give me your check for \$40 and if I do not have the goods at your place before banking hours tomorrow morning, you call up the bank and stop payment."

The scheme looked like a fair proposition to the prospective fellow whose name appears to be legion. He worked the city fast and furiously and was some go-getter, for by night he had a stack of checks that would compare respectably with one day's receipts during the Red Cross drive.

He got a taxi cab from the Smith Taxi-Cab company, and with his wife and the driver made a trip to St. Joseph. On the way he stopped at different garages and business houses in the small towns and county seats encountered, would rake up an acquaintance who would identify him, and have one or more of his checks cashed. He worked \$170 worth of the checks-off on the Central Taxi company of this city before his departure.

Trims Auburn Merchant. At Auburn he got rid of \$90 worth of T. S. Dustin, a real estate man and merchant there. Falls City, Huron, Kans., and Everest, Kan., were other towns that contributed to his success.

At St. Joseph he gave his chauffeur the slip after having had the use of the taxi for three days and running up a big bill on the Smith Taxi company.

Now checks are coming in from Iowa, Kansas and different parts of Nebraska. One hardware merchant at Elkhorn, Neb., traded \$5 worth of hardware, all of the cash he had on hand and his check for the balance on a \$65-check.

Payments Are Stopped. Tornowski's prospective customers in Omaha smelled a rat shortly after his departure and stop payment orders were promptly issued to their banks. Checks that have come in are now being collected at the office of County Attorney Magney. He has a good sized bale of them and more of them are coming in every day.

The victims in three states are clamoring that the checks be made good by those who issued them. Some of the persons who gave their checks for expectant whisky say that after they had reasoned the matter over they were paying money for unlawful goods and their consciences impelled them to give the stop payment orders to their banks.

It is related that one owner of a soft drink parlor on South Fifteenth street gave Tornowski a check for \$100. The number of those who were seduced by the siren wiles of Tornowski will reach more than 100. Many are keeping their identities secret because they hate to have the public know that they are among those shorn.

Tornowski figured with Darrab and Buchanan, the Salt Lake City men of mystery, who, with their wives cut quite a swath among the "good fellows" and whose disappearance at St. Joseph, after they had left many unpaid bills here, and been refused rooms at the Hotel Keen, created a sensation among the denizens of that circle several weeks ago.

It is thought that the operations of Tornowski in high finance since his departure has yielded him several thousands of dollars. He found it comparatively easy to pass the paper in his possession among responsible persons in country towns, where, under some circumstances a home man would find difficulty in raising money on his own paper.

Abramovitz, Son of Abrams, To Wed Anna Abrahamson

Abe A. Abramovitz in obtaining a marriage license Monday stated that his father's name was David Abrams, his mother's name was Libbie Abramovitz and that the girl he is to marry is Anna Abrahamson. The discrepancy in the names of the young man's parents was explained by the fact that his father, through legal proceedings, changed his name after the son had become of age, and that legality did not affect his mother's name. "Abrams" is an all-around fixture in this family, he explained.

Former Soldier in French Army Enlists in U. S. Infantry

Baptiste Benazet, who served in the French regular army in 1900, enlisted Tuesday in the United States infantry. He was born in Koninac, France, and his parents and two younger sisters were still living there when he came to America 18 years ago. He has not heard from any of his people for several years and does not know where they are, but he says that he is sure he will find them when he "gets over there."

GRAND LODGE OF MASONS BEGINS STATE MEETING

Sixty-First Annual Communication Opens at Masonic Temple; Sessions Continue for Three Days.

The 61st annual communication of the grand lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska opened Tuesday morning in the Masonic temple. It will continue in session until Thursday afternoon. Three hundred representatives of the Masonic lodges of the state already are present. It is expected that more than 750 will be here by Wednesday.

The grand lodge opened with a patriotic session at 10 o'clock. Reports of officers were read and general business transacted. John R. Webster, grand orator, delivered the principal address.

The Nebraska Veteran Freemasons' association held its annual dinner at 12:30 o'clock Tuesday in the banquet hall at the temple. This association is limited to Masons who have been members of the order for 21 years. Louis Berka, second vice president, presided.

Respond to Toasts. After the report of the secretary of the Veterans' association, George H. Thummel, past president, delivered a eulogy to Past President Frank H. Young, Frederick L. Temple, Grand Master, responded to the toast, "Our Country," was responded to by John R. Webster of Omaha, grand orator of the Grand Lodge. Veteran Brother Matthew A. Hall responded to the toast "Our Cause and Our Allies."

At 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon the business session of the grand lodge was resumed. Business matters will occupy the three sessions Wednesday.

It is expected that the officers of the grand lodge for the ensuing year will be elected either Wednesday night or Thursday morning. Installation of the new officers is scheduled for the Thursday afternoon session.

Two hundred Masters-elect Masons were given the degree of past master at a session Monday night.

Nebraska Masonic lodges number 270. Each lodge is entitled to send three representatives to the grand lodge. In addition, all grand masters are entitled to attend.

Officers of the grand lodge are as follows: Frederic L. Temple, Lexington, grand master; Ambrose C. Epperson, Clay Center, deputy grand master; John J. Tooley, Lincoln, grand senior warden; Joseph R. Fradenburg, Omaha, grand junior warden.

Francis E. White, Omaha, grand secretary; Walter W. Wells, Valentine, acting grand chaplain; John R. Webster, Omaha, grand orator; Robert E. French, Kearney, grand custodian; Lewis E. Smith, Long Pine, grand marshal; Edward M. Wellman, Omaha, grand senior deacon; Charles A. Chappell, Minden, grand junior deacon; Alexander E. Porter, Lincoln, grand tyler.

TWO SERIOUSLY BURNED IN FIRE IN NEGRO'S HOME

William Church and Carl Lee, negroes, were seriously burned in an early morning fire Tuesday at the home of the former, 2013 Pierce street. They were taken to Lord Lister hospital.

According to firemen, Church had endeavored to light a fire in the kitchen of his small home by using kerosene, which flamed up to such an extent that the room was soon in flames. The men were burned while attempting to extinguish the flames.

Plan Packing House Zone Under Restricted Area Law

City Commissioners Towl and Ringer will co-operate with the City Planning commission in recommending to city council a packing house zone under the restricted area provisions of city planning.

A specific instance of the necessity of this regulation arose in connection with a protest against a proposed slaughter house of the Omaha Packing company at Thirty-eighth and M streets.

The zone which will be created will be an extension of the present general packing house district and the effect will be that no packing industries will be permitted outside of the zone. It also will mean that protests will be of no avail against those industries within the zone.

Mayor Smith informed the city council that the supreme court of the United States sustained the city of St. Louis in a similar act of municipal legislation.

Council Approves Plans For Internment Hospital

City council formally approved the plans of Health Commissioner Manning for the establishment of an internment hospital for women and girls at Twenty-second street and St. Mary's avenue.

A resolution, which was adopted, states that an emergency exists and that this new municipal project is necessary in connection with war activities.

The new hospital will incur an estimated expense of \$500 per month and will be partially self-supporting. The capacity will be 60, with the possibility of increasing that number.

Operation of this institution will be started this week.

Over 10,000 dealers recommend—

Faultless Pajamas
The NIGHT wear of a Nation



IMPORTANT—See the Millinery Window on 16th Street, then look for important details in Wednesday's papers.

Brandeis Stores

WASH SKIRTS are here in the broadest assortment we ever had to show—all guaranteed, and the best of good styles.

Summer Comfort



Means a Swing on the porch, a Hammock on the lawn or in the yard swung under the sheltering branches of that big tree—cool and inviting-looking Rugs and Floor Coverings for your bedrooms and living room—dainty Curtains to the windows—light, inviting furnishings everywhere—then when the thermometer begins to climb up in the tube, the pressure of heat is alleviated by the comforts you can enjoy.

CURTAINS--One and Two Pair Lots Worth \$1.25 to \$15.00 Now 59c to \$7.98 a Pair

These are one and two-pair lots that we have discovered as we went through the stock, and because we always try to have our stocks complete, we are going to sell these at prices that will make them go in a jiffy. Some are slightly soiled, it is true, but a single tubbing will make them as good as new—and you save the difference.

Also These Special Drapery Offerings

Porch Cushions, moss-filled, covered with cretonnes, large assortment of colors; worth 59c, now .49c
Hammocks—A hot weather comfort, large assortment of colors and styles, at each \$1.50 to \$15
Porch Swings, in plain khaki and fancy stripe, cretonne covered, at— \$12.50, \$15, \$22.50, \$30 and \$42.50
Matting Covered Utility Boxes, at \$6 to \$12
Cedar Chests, moth proof, \$13.50 to \$27.50
Third Floor.

Here Are Extraordinary Offerings From the Art Embroidery

Special values in things that you can use right now—we have assembled these unusual offerings for Wednesday, and priced them at such little figures, that the woman who fails to attend at 8:30 will miss some nice plums.

White Linen and Crash Pillows, assorted designs for eyelet and outline work, complete with back; 50c value, each, 25c
White Linen Dresser and Buffet Scarfs, 18x45 inches; extra values; designs, medallion styles for eyelet and solid work, scalloped edges; \$1.25 values, each 89c
Hot Roll and Sandwich Cases, picot edges for crochet, stamped for cross stitch and loop stitch; 50c values, at 39c
White Fringes, fancy loop and knot patterns, suitable for pillows, centers, scarfs and bed spreads, 50c and 65c values, yard 29c
Linens Pin Cushion Covers, stamped for eyelet, French knot and loop stitch, 5x18, 5x27, complete with back piece; values to 50 and 47c; special at 25c and 35c
Stamped Tray Cloths, 12x18, 17x26, oval shape for lace edge, stamped for cross stitch and French knot; 25c and 50c values, each 15c and 29c
Stamped Nainsook Gowns, made up, stamped for lace yokes; 75c values for 49c
Children's White Poplin Dresses, made up, dainty stamped designs, scalloped collars and cuffs; \$1.50 and \$1.75 values for 98c
Children's White Pique Coats, 1, 2, and 3-year sizes, dainty designs on collar and cuffs; \$1.19 values, each 75c
Art Crash Buffet Scarfs, edges for lace, designs in French knot, spoke and solid work; \$1.00 and \$1.25 values, each 69c

Royal Society Package Goods—One-Third Off

Boudoir Shades in oblong, in rose, gold and blue, made of China silk, trimmed with gold braid; 75c values, each 39c
Fancy Candle Shades, all silk with Jap effect, gold band trimmed, each 29c
 Mercerized Crochet Cotton in white, ecru and colors, R. M. C. and Reis brands, the spool 6 1/2c
Fancy Cretonne Knitting Bags, neat designs, hoop and loop handles, each 39c
Floor Lamps, wired for two and three lights, cord and connections; about 25 Lamps, slightly damaged by water, mahogany and Jap lacquer; values to \$25.00, for . . . \$7.95
Third Floor

Floor Coverings for Summer Homes

May be chosen here very easily and satisfactorily. In Rag Rugs we have a very complete stock, wide range of prices and every good coloring. You will also find a very complete showing of Chenille Bedroom Rugs, that are so well adapted for the Summer season.

Rag Rugs at Remarkable Prices

A Rag Rug on the floor of the bedroom in Summer gives a very cool and inviting appearance, and they are easily picked up when you want to clean house.

36x72 inches, at \$2.50 | 27x54 inches, at \$1.75
27x72 inches, at \$2.00 | 24x48 inches, at \$1.35
Chenille Bed room Rugs
This is the most beautiful as well as the most serviceable Rug for bedroom or bath room purposes. It comes in beautiful combinations of colors, pink and gray, light and dark blue, gray and taupe.
28x48 size \$3.75 | 27x54 size \$4.50 | 30x60 size \$5.50
Third Floor

Latest Victor Records Are Here:

New interpretations of musical masterpieces of the world's greatest artists; the most recent dance music by the finest dance orchestras, two gems from this season's sensations in the Light Opera field—war-time and other popular songs of the hour.

Stop in and we will gladly play them for you or any of your old-time selections.
Victrolas \$22.50 to \$395--Sold on Easy Payments
Pompeian Room.

Graduation Gifts

Just a few days before Graduation—and here are suggestions for gifts that will be suitable to the boy or the girl who has reached and will pass this memorable milestone.

The things we mention are simply by way of suggestion, as the stocks are so complete and varied that we could not begin to quote anything in detail. BE SURE THAT YOU WILL FIND WHAT YOU SEEK WHEN YOU COME HERE.

Handkerchiefs for the Girl Graduate
SILK CREPE DE CHINE HANDKERCHIEFS, picot edged, hem-stitched, fancy embroidery, in white and all fancy colors; very special 25c
REAL MADEIRA HANDKERCHIEFS, hand embroidered on fine linen, in a large assortment of styles; quality up to 75c, very special, each 50c
Main Floor

Gloves
PLAIN WHITE KID GLOVES, light weight, at \$2.00 \$2.50 and \$2.75
We have a complete line of KAYSER'S SILK GLOVES, at 75c, \$1.25, \$1.50 \$2.00 and . . . \$2.25
Main Floor

Neckwear
Beautiful new net fichus and COLLAR AND CUFF SETS in net and Swiss, also fine organdies, daintily trimmed, in every conceivable style.
BOUDOIR CAPS, very dainty, priced from 59c to \$3.75
Main Floor

In the Ribbon Department there is a particularly interesting display.
RIBBON BAGS of heavy velours, also gold and silver effects and cretonne ribbons, priced from \$2.50 to \$5.00
RIBBON CAMISOLES, in light and dark colors, ranging in prices from \$1.98 to \$5.00
Also a pretty showing of wide girdles and sash ribbons that are right in vogue just now.
PRETTIEST LINGERIE BOWS are made to order on short notice.
Main Floor

Jewelry for the Graduates
Seekers after the gift for the girl graduate will find: BEAUTIFUL WRIST WATCHES in the most exquisite settings, in silver and gold, at from \$20.00 to \$50.00.
PEARL BEADS—We are making a very special display of these. You will find them in all sizes and types, moderately priced.
We are showing a complete line of Jewelry Cases in Ivory, ALSO BROOCHES, both in cameo and pearls.
For the Young Men Who Will Graduate.
BELT BUCKLES in sterling silver and gold, at, from \$1.00 to \$10.00
NEW LINKS for soft shirt cuffs, in sterling silver and solid gold; prices range from \$1.00 to \$10.00
Main Floor

Parasols
We carry a complete line of Parasols, showing all the new shapes, in silks, laces, ribbons, filet effects, etc., with a large variety of handles.
Prices from \$1 to \$25
One of these would make an exceptionally fine gift to any girl graduate.
Main Floor

Hand Bags
The seeker for gifts will find in the Bag Section, truly remarkable values in the pin seal in black, brown, dark blue and green Leather Bags, in the smaller shapes and in the black Silk Bags in larger shapes, \$3.98 to \$8.50
For the Boy Graduate
Combination Bill Folder and Card Case, in pin and crepe seal, at \$2.50 to \$5.98
Main Floor

Bags--Suit Cases--Trunks
When the boy or girl graduate goes traveling, they should have a bit of luggage.
We are exclusive Omaha agents for Mendel-Drucher High Grade WARDROBE TRUNKS, all fiber-covered and fiber-lined, hand-riveted throughout; in steamer and full sizes, at \$27.50 to \$75.00
COWHIDE BAGS in black and tan; sizes 16 and 18; values to \$8.50, very special at . . . \$4.98
LEATHER SUIT CASES, at \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.50
Arcade
IN THE BOOK DEPARTMENT you will find the Graduate's Scrap Book, Memory Book, Her Own Book and one hundred and one other Book suggestions at very modest prices.
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