

TWO BIG TRACTS OF BLUFFS LAND CHANGE HANDS

Entire Section of Real Estate Adjoining Union Pacific Property Sold to Omaha Men.

Two big real estate transactions were recorded yesterday that aroused considerable interest in business circles. They involved the transfer of the large tract of land adjoining the Union Pacific property south of Council Bluffs and held in the name of Henry Veeder, Chicago lawyer intimately associated with the Swift Packing company, and placed the property in the hands of Omaha men.

The Swift lands, bought as a threat against the South Omaha Stock Yards company with the declared purpose of the "Big Five" packers to take the stock yards from Omaha and locate them in Council Bluffs, originally comprised about 400 acres, but the transfers yesterday included all of section 11, 640 acres, extending from the Council Bluffs city limits to Manawa, the best section of the whole territory in the Manawa district.

The first transaction was the transfer of the property by Henry Veeder and wife to Melvin Sturgeon of Henderson, Ia., for a consideration of \$85,000. Sturgeon immediately reconveyed the land to John C. Pederson and John C. Bekins of Omaha for \$110,000.

Mystery in Deal.
The Omaha men are now said to be interested in large cold storage property in Omaha. It is what is behind the deal Bluffs men have not been able to determine, but there is a belief that the transactions represent something more than a simple real estate deal. Sturgeon is said to be interested in Burlington railroad affairs.

The property transferred adjoins the more than 1,000 acre tract owned by the Union Pacific, part of which is now being utilized for the increased terminal facilities, on which the federal government is expending \$1,700,000. It lies next to the last 400 acres bought by President Harrison several years ago, development of which stopped, however, after scores of railway tracks had been started. It was then said to be contemplated as the site for the shops and yardage of the whole Harriman system in the west.

Big Crowd Applauds Show by Employees of Burgess-Nash Store

Burgess-Nash Welfare association presented to the Omaha public an old-time minstrel and vaudeville show last night that brought round after round of enthusiastic approval.

The audience taxed the seating capacity of the house. The scenes "on the board" were staged without a hitch and the entertainment was nearly half over. The Keiwan club, consisting of 11 girls, under the direction of Miss Goldie Vakter, 3802 Twenty-fourth street, had given three selections. The girls received enthusiastic applause when they played "Down Honolulu Way," "Aloha Oe" and "Hula Hula." They had four additional numbers to give when the curtain was dropped without ceremony and the women were forced to beat a hasty retreat while the audience repeatedly applauded and called for their return without avail.

The first act of the play, consisting of 11 songs, was written by John R. Shanahan, the feature of which was given by Mrs. S. Carberry and Merwin Swaynie. The dancing of little 5-year-old Florence Doty and Miss Gladys Reese were the leading numbers in the second act.

The young women of the Keiwan club were not employees of the Burgess-Nash store. E. J. Berg, with the assistance of stage hands and a score of Burgess-Nash employees, were unable to convince them they had nothing to do with the incident.

Off Comes Corn In One Piece

"Gets-It" Leaves Toe As Smooth As The Palm of Your Hand.

There's only one corn remedy in the world that peels corns and calluses off like a banana peel, and that's "Gets-It." For walkers and



Put 2 drops of "Gets-It" on, and smile!

Landers, for shoppers and dancers, here's immediate relief from corns, pain, and a quick finish for any corn or callus. "Gets-It" is applied in two or three seconds. There's no work, no fussy plasters, no wrapping of toes. "Gets-It" dries in a second or two. That's all. As easy to use as signing your name. The corn loosens from the true flesh and you peel it right off with your finger while you wonder at the sight and smile. That's why "Gets-It" is the biggest selling corn-remedy in the world today. Be corn-free, 2 at least. "Gets-It" the guaranteed, money-back corn-remover, the only sure way, costs but a trifle at any drug store. Mfg. by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Sold in Omaha and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by S. M. & McConnell's Drug Co.'s Stores.

FLASHES from FILMLAND PHOTO-PLAY OFFERINGS FOR TODAY

JOHN BARRYMORE was in the making of "Here Comes the Bride," in which he is appearing at the Strand this week and the director wished to incorporate a scene in which John saw delightful food going by him while he watched it with mouth watering.

"What kind of food do you like best, John?" he asked.

"Ham and eggs," replied the actor. And then John turned the tables by eating it before the camera man could grab the waiter.

Tom Mix, who is appearing the last two days of this week in "Hell Roarin' Reform," at the Muse, is being signally "hot" throughout the cities of the country for many of the exhibitors are forming "Tom Mix quartets" with four young men in chaps and appropriate cowboy trappings singing western songs.

Alice Brady has another stirring emotional drama, "The Hollow of Her Hand," in which she is appearing at the Rialto the last half of this week. The story is of a young English girl, Hetty Castleton, who attempts to make her own living and finally comes to America in search of work. She goes for aid to a married man, Wendell, and he attempts to seduce her, and in the struggle meets his death. Hetty is protected from the law by his wife, who meets her hiding. Later the wife attempts to force her to marry a man she does not like by threatening to disclose her crime and is only saved by completely confessing all to the father of the murdered man. It is a strong play with a moral in it and the kind of story in which Miss Brady is given full opportunity to display her talents as an emotional star.

In her newest picture, "Hard Boiled," Dorothy Dalton poses as a vampire as a means of getting the best of an old skinkfish who is persecuting an old lady over whose home he holds a mortgage.

Bill Farnum has a real tussle in "The Man in the Open," in which he is appearing at the Sun the last of this week. For Bill is not content with his usual man-sized opponent to have his screen fight, but has chosen a group of them to roughhouse him and the mix is one that admires of Farnum's fighting abilities will like.

Ring W. Lardner, creator of Jack Keefe, the famous friend Al person, is back for Kinograms the other day. In order to hide his embarrassment from the camera man, he tricked off the following while the noble young representative turned the crank:

"Friend Al: Well Al, a bird is here taking my pitcher for the Kinograms or something and I am embarrassed to death, you might say, and especially on account of it being a moving picture and his hand for me to move so it look like as if I was in for a tough P. M."

Josie Sedgwick tells this one on herself. She recently went up in the air with an aviator, of course! She kept asking said aviator to do different risky stunts until he remarked "I thought you said you were an actress?" "I am," returned Miss Sedgwick. "Why?" "Well," replied the man, "I'm commencing to think you are an acrobat!"

Commissioners Towl and Butler Address Community Centers

Commissioner Butler spoke at the general assembly of Train community center Thursday evening before a gathering of about 200 people. He urged greater interest be shown civic and community problems. The "Boys of '61" presented an interesting program.

Commissioner Roy Towl in an address at the Mason center emphasized the importance of bills now before the legislature and urged that the people make their opinions known. He spoke before an interested audience of about 100 people.

The Castelar community center staged a round table discussion. The following community centers have planned programs for this evening: Edward Rosewater, Benson, Lincoln, West Side and Monmouth Park. The South high school orchestra will take part in the program at the Edward Rosewater school and Mrs. Middleton's girl chorus will appear at Lincoln center.

Temperature Drops Near Zero as Wintry Blasts Sweep City

Wintry blasts swept over Omaha and vicinity Thursday night and a temperature near zero was registered at 3 o'clock this morning. A fresh wind turned into a moderate breeze, piling snow flurries into light drifts.

Notwithstanding the frigid weather, all trains on lines in Nebraska and Iowa are running on schedule and telegraph and telephone companies report no damage done to wires or poles.

Street car service was hampered somewhat because of drifts making rails slippery. Taxicabs did a heavy business all night.

The weather man promises the cold wave will pass speedily.

Man Held for Robbery May Prove to Be Feeble Minded

Sheriff Groneweg of Pottawattamie county, Iowa, has located the relatives of J. L. Toner, held to the district court grand jury on the charge of being one of the two men who held up and robbed Grover E. E. Waugh, twentieth and Broadway, Council Bluffs, several weeks ago. The information they have furnished may show the man to be irresponsible. His brother, Dr. T. J. Toner, and his sister live at Kenosha, Wis.

A telegram from Dr. Toner says the man should be in a hospital instead of a jail, and that his crippled mental condition ought to be apparent to anyone. He says his brother has ample means and is not in need of getting money by irregular methods.

A telegram from the sister says her brother, James, is worth thousands of dollars and that his interests will be carefully guarded. She also says that he is mentally unbalanced.

On the Screen Today

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MUSE—TOM MIX in "HELL ROARIN' REFORM."
STRAND—JOHN BARRYMORE in "HERE COMES THE BRIDE."
SUN—WILLIAM FARNUM in "THE MAN HUNTER."
EMPIRE—JESSIE LOVE in "THE WINNING RING MAN."
BRANDEIS—HAROLD LOCKWOOD in "PALM FIRST."
BOYD—"THE BIRTH OF A RACE."
BOULEVARD—334 and Leavenworth. WILLIAM S. HART in "THE DARK TRAIL."
BUCKLE—COMEDY.
LOTHROP—414 and Lothrop. ANITA STEVENS in "THIRTYFOUR WIVES."
GRAND—18th and Bimber. MARY PICKFORD in "EAGLES."
MATE—MACK BENNETT comedy.
HAMILTON—618 and Hamilton. "I THOUGHT ROBERTS IN 'SUE OF THE SOUTH'."
SUBURBAN—24th and Ames. NAZI in "AN EYE FOR AN EYE."
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Omaha commission men are anxious to know just what disposition is to be made of the matter. E. H. Schroer, chairman of the United States bureau of markets, South Omaha, declared that he had been in communication with Washington and had been assured that no action had been taken Thursday, but that something would be done either later in the day or Friday.

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Government to Hold Sale of Stock at Fort Reno, Okl.
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These animals are being sold because the government has no further use for them and not because they are worn out, it is emphasized. It is urged that the publication of a notice of sale is a patriotic act, and that it is the duty of every patriotic citizen to assist the government in disposing of its surplus supplies.

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South Side HOGS SENT WITH RUSH TO MARKET TO GET TOP PRICE

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AT THE THEATERS

"A LL RIGHT, Charles, now tell me the date of Lincoln's birthday."

It was Miss Gertrude Bishop speaking, and she was addressing her remarks to Master Charles Monahan. Nine other youngsters were ranged around an improvised schoolroom. Some were busy with arithmetic, others writing compositions and three others of Charles' own age paying strict attention to the teacher.

It was on the spacious stage of the Empress theater and the boys and girls were the members of the juvenile headline feature, "The Rising Generation." Every day between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. Miss Bishop, a graduate of the Louisiana Normal school, teaches these children all the things taught in our most approved public schools.

Perhaps in all vaudeville this is the only act that carries its own tutor. That is why the children are allowed to perform in states that ordinarily forbid upon juvenile artists. They have several hours of play each day and never less than 10 hours' sleep daily. The little stars in the act are Mary Caroline Daniel of Los Angeles, Cal.; Charles Monahan of Philadelphia, Elizabeth and Jack Cole of New York, Althea and Duncan Young of Freeport, R. I.; Joseph Allen and Howard M. M. of Philadelphia, Charles Blake of Bridgeport, Conn., and the little 7-year-old comedian, James Edward Chubb, of Galveston, Tex.

A deep impression is scored by Hobart Bosworth in the one-act play, "The Sea Wolf," offered this week at the Orpheum as the stellar attraction. A unique feature of the drama is that the preliminary stages of it are shown in motion pictures. The play is a short version of the story by Jack London and of the current hit of the singing of Grace Nelson, a vocalist of distinction. The applause hit of the bill is realized by Ethel Davis and Freddie Rich in "Songs a la Carte."

Harold Lockwood has Ruby de Remer playing opposite him in "Pals First," which will be shown at the Brandeis theater today and tomorrow and Sunday evening.

She made her stage debut in the Weber and Fields production of "Back Again" and last winter was one of the principals of the "Midnight Frolic." In her screen engagements she has always played feature roles, her most noteworthy appearance being as the star of "The Auction Block."

Otis Skinner, whom we are to see at the Brandeis next week in "The Honor of the Family," was among the first of the American players to offer his services for overseas entertainment work for our men at the front. No actor, also, has been more active in the various Liberty loan campaigns, and on the last drive he spent many hours in a campaign of speech-making, and, as a result, obtained many thousands of dollars for the loan.

In "The Birth of a Race," now showing at the Boyd, some vivid pictures are given in the allegory which carries the story of men up from the creation to the outbreak of the world war. There the character changes, and it becomes the narrative of two families living in peaceful happy America. How they were caught in the move of events, and how the tragedy of war overwhelmed them is told in a fascinating way.

Court (of fun only) will be held for the last two times today by "Sitkin and Slotkin, Refused Lawyers," as interpreted by Watson and Cohan, who are at the Gayety theater with "The Girls de Looks." Tomorrow's matinee, another favorite attraction comes for a week's stay—the great Star and Garter show, from the magnificent Star and Garter theater at Madison and Halstead streets, Chicago. With the company is J. C. Randolph, an Omaha boy, whose hosts of friends are waiting to extend a hearty welcome to him. Ladies' matinee today and Saturday at 2:15.

Ten wonderful "kiddies" comprise the personnel of "The Rising Generation," the greatest headline of the year, at the Empress theater. The act was conceived, staged and presented by Maud Daniel, acknowledged best in her line. Girls, as Red Cross nurses, boys as internes, open the act and shortly receive the message that war is over, and the suggestion is made to "cheer the heroes up with a song." Then the individual talents of the kiddies are shown, two in particular, Charles Monahan, the child yodler, and Mary Caroline Daniel, the "wop" impersonator. Master Charles Blake, the smallest child, is the comedian, and he is some comedian.

HYMENEAL.
Eyer-DuBois.
Miss Edna DuBois, daughter of George DuBois of Colon, Neb., and Guy A. Eyer of Mead, Neb., were married by Rev. Charles W. Saville Thursday afternoon at his study. Ross A. Willey of Mead accompanied them.

Piper-Bolln.
Miss Dora E. Bolln, daughter of Joseph Bolln of Fort Calhoun, and Ira A. Piper, were married by Rev. Charles W. Saville Thursday afternoon at his study. They were accompanied by the bridegroom's brother, Ray E. Piper, and the bride's mother and sister, Mrs. Joseph Bolln and Mrs. A. J. Lichter.

IN THE DIVORCE COURT.
Emma Utterback has been granted a decree of divorce from William, who was charged with nonsupport. The wife was allowed custody of a child.

A decree of divorce has been entered in favor of E. Hood, two in pavilion custody of Laurel, 2 years old, to the mother.

Effie Haas has filed a petition for divorce from Leonard C. Haas, whom she charges with extreme cruelty. She also asks for restoration of her maiden name, Addison.

Ottile H. Micheltree has been granted a decree of divorce from Walter, charged with extreme cruelty. She also asks for custody of child and \$25 per month for its support and also \$50 per month alimony for herself.

Florence H. Barker alleges in a divorce petition that Alvin O. Barker, guilty of extreme cruelty, "and that on or about September 28, 1918, he promised to reform and agreed to treat plaintiff kindly."

BUTLER UP IN AIR OVER ACTION OF STATE SOLONS

City Commissioner Says He's "Astonished" at Committee's Action on City Asphalt Plant Bill.

City Commissioner Butler says he was astonished to learn that the committee in the legislature which considered the bill taking the city asphalt plant away from his department has reported it for passage.

"I saw Representative Druessdow in Omaha last Saturday and he told me the bill was far down on the list and wouldn't come up for consideration for a long time," said Mr. Butler. "Seems to me there's skulduggery all around to get hold of my job."

The bill in question takes the asphalt plant away from his department and places it under direction of Commissioner Towl's department. At the time the present council was organized last May Commissioner Towl tried to get the asphalt plant in his department, but was prevented because of the reading of the law. A few weeks ago the present bill was introduced, fathered ostensibly by a former jobholder in the asphalt plant under Commissioner Parks.

Butler Blames Towl.
Mr. Butler made an investigation when the bill was introduced and says he found the bill was written in Commissioner Towl's office.

"The bill, as it is recommended for passage, takes not only the asphalt plant away from my department, but also the street maintenance," said Commissioner Butler. "Why, it will make me nothing but a sort of foreman of street cleaning. That's all I'll be. Towl is the man back of the whole thing and I know it. This council has been trying to

get me over since it came into office. Well, the people may decide differently when they come to vote again."

Mr. Butler thinks his only chance of defeating the bill now is on the floor of the senate.

Women's Desire to Hold on to War Jobs is Cause of Marital Troubles
An extraordinary number of cases of marital trouble caused by the wife's desire to continue commercial work engaged in during the war are coming to the attention of the welfare board, Superintendent Weirich says.

"We have a half a dozen cases of this kind right now," he said. "Some of the women have children and in one case the wife has been married 14 years and just resumed commercial work a year ago. The husband now complains that their children are not being cared for properly and he wants his wife to give up her position and resume care of their household."

"In all these cases we are doing our best to persuade the women to quit their jobs and go back to the care of their homes, which is the true sphere of woman."

Nebraska Oversells Quota of War Savings Stamps by Big Margin
Figures which have just been received from the Treasury department show that the Tenth federal reserve district leads all other districts in the sale of war savings stamps for 1918. Nebraska is largely responsible for this, as it not only oversold its quota, but was the only state in the union to sell its entire quota for the year. The quota of the state was \$26,000,000 and the actual sales were over \$33,000,000.

The campaign for 1919 is now on and every one is asked to do all possible to again put Nebraska "over the top."

DR. Q. O. GAITHER
GEOLOGICAL ENGINEER
FORT WORTH, TEXAS
Febr. 18, 1919.

Dr. W. T. Johns, Mgr., Ranger-Duke Oil Company,
316-17 Dan Waggoner Bldg., Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:—
I have completed the geological survey on your holdings in Block 14 - 100 acres - McLennan County School Lands - Southeast part of Eastland County, Texas - on the Leon River.

This is well in Pennsylvania formation. I find many of the Pennsylvania fossils. I have personally inspected same. This land lies between the Emma Terrill and Brewer wells on the north and the famous Duke and Knowles wells to the southeast. I regard structural conditions of same good.