

URGE PAY BOOST TO BETTER CITY'S MAIL SERVICE

Committee Finds U. S. Employees Are "Unable to Exist" On Salaries They Receive Now.

To the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce, the special committee appointed to investigate the cause of the poor mail service given Omaha has submitted its report, together with recommendations.

The executive committee has approved the report and will forward it to the postmaster general, requesting early action.

The special committee finds that the principal cause for the constantly inefficient mail service is largely due to the fact that employees in the local office are underpaid.

On account of the low wages, a large number of the older employees have quit the employ of the government and found other positions.

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Motor Trucks Urged. The discontinuance of the street cars for the gathering of mail from various stations and street letter boxes is urged, and it is recommended that as soon as possible, motor trucks be used for this purpose.

Playig Both Ends. Now that the people of New York city are to get a share of the army's surplus food at cost, the profiteer will probably be found masquerading as a consumer—New York World.

Divorce Courts

Alimony and the custody of her two children is asked in a petition for divorce filed in district court by Sarah Miller against James Miller.

Nonsupport and desertion are charged. They were married at Scribball, Kan., October 17, 1896.

Nonsupport is the charge brought by Nellie P. Everson against Theodore J. Everson in a divorce suit filed in district court.

John J. Coufal says Etta Coufal was cruel to him in a divorce suit filed in district court.

Rhuey Hass charges John A. Hass with cruelty in a petition for divorce filed in district court.

Ira S. Helvey filed suit for divorce against Daisy Helvey in district court on the grounds of cruelty.

June Schauble was granted a divorce from Walter B. Schauble by Judge Troup in district court on the grounds of nonsupport.

George Bailey says Grace Bailey was cruel and on one occasion deserted him in a petition for divorce filed in district court.

Isabel B. Nordquist says Nels M. Nordquist insisted on living with her parents and refused to provide her with a home of her own in a petition for divorce filed in district court.

Oliver B. Holmes says Janet Holmes was cruel to him. He has filed suit for divorce in district court.

Four Railroads Battle For Shoes Detectives Found on Two Negroes

A problem in shoe leather, railroad responsibility and rightful ownership confronts the police.

City detectives yesterday arrested Sam Newton and Robert Hart, two negroes from Alexandria, Ia., who were found carrying a suitcase filled with women's high-grade shoes.

They told the detectives they had two boxes of them concealed in the weeds in the railroad yards.

Shortly after the arrest, four railroad detectives, each representing a different system, appeared at the police station.

Each was armed with documents proving ownership of the shoes.

Police solved the problem temporarily by locking the shoes in the jail case.

Boy Kidnaped Second Time in the Past Year, Father Tells Police

Roger Wolcott, 1921 Emmet street, reported to the police that his son, Oliver, 10 years old, was kidnaped Sunday night.

This is the second time he has been taken in the past year. Last January he was taken away by two unidentified men and held two weeks.

He was finally found near home apparently doped.

Playmates of the missing boy say they saw him walking away Sunday with a man whom they thought to be his father and paid no attention to the incident.

Four detectives conducted an unsuccessful search for the boy last night.

Pickpockets Steal Costly Watch During Exhibition

G. W. Donaldson, 107 South Fifty-second street reported to the police that his pocket was picked while watching an exhibition of the United States army ordnance train at Nineteenth and Howard streets.

A Swiss watch, set with diamonds and engraved with a Masonic emblem, was taken. He valued the watch at \$300.

Japan's Seizure of Shantung Will Bring War Within Ten Years, Says Far East Expert

Thomas F. Millard Scoffs at Idea That Proposed League of Nations Would be of Any Use Toward Preventing Such a Conflict—Believes England, France and Italy Would Back Japan.

By JAMES R. NOURSE, Universal Service Staff Correspondent.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Japan's seizure of Shantung and its further aggressions upon China will bring war in the east within 10 years, declared Thomas F. Millard, a Far Eastern expert in testimony given before the senate foreign relations committee.

The war will come, the witness said, over Japan's refusal to abide by its agreement to return Shantung, and the United States will be drawn into it for the protection of American interests in China.

Millard scoffed at the idea that the proposed league of nations would be of any use toward preventing such a war.

Mr. Millard's Statement. "The situation in the Far East is now such that if we don't have war within the next 10 years the ice will be so slumped that we will have trouble skimming over it without breaking it, just as the ice was over which European diplomats finally broke and a war with Germany became inevitable."

Questioned by Senator McCumber of North Dakota, as to whether he really believed the Shantung matter would lead to war between Japan and the United States, Millard replied:

"That depends altogether upon the character and mentality of the man who happens to be president of the United States at the time the question arises."

Says U. S. Would Fight. "But do you think the American people will be willing to go to war on such a proposition?" persisted Senator McCumber.

"If you put it to them now, the American people probably would say, 'We don't want to go to war and I think we'll be very foolish to do anything to provoke war. But when ever the issue arises we will fight, it doesn't make any difference whether it is at the North Pole or in China. We will fight for our national sovereignty and for the protection of American rights.'"

"You have said here and have seen this Japanese ship creeping on you just as the German ship crept on you in the Atlantic, and you will meet it some time. You can't evade it, and it is coming to you in a form that the American people will fight for, even if it is in China or somewhere else."

China Big Democracy. "In Japan you have another Germany, in China you have a big democracy. Are we going to have another Germany get the hegemony in the eastern world sooner or later than we have in the west? But when we have the issue, the committee there was but one way further aggressions leading to war might be stopped by the United States and that was by the senate inserting a provision in the proposed Anglo-French-American treaties to the effect that England and France would support the United States in the event of trouble in the east."

No Knowledge of Agreements. "And yet the United States was allowed by the allies to persuade China to enter the war on their side when the United States as well as China had absolutely no knowledge of these secret agreements. President Wilson seemed to fear the effect Japan's action would have on the peace conference if it carried out its threat to withdraw, and the president, by the way, was the only one at the conference who did not believe Japan's threat was pure bluff."

Millard told of conversations with British and French officials in Paris who ridiculed the policy of the United States with regard to Far Eastern affairs. He said they declared that if the United States would quit its "shunting and shambling policy" the situation in the East would be different.

In answer to a direct question as to whether Japan would ever give Shantung back to China, Millard said:

"Not unless it is compelled to, and I believe it will so maneuver its diplomacy as to neutralize the opposition which other nations might interpose."

When the committee adjourned, Senator Lodge announced that they would assemble at the White House at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for the conference with the president.

'Treat 'Em Rough and Can Keep 'Em,' Says Sergeant, In Court

Filial affection struggled with love for a husband in police court yesterday, and Mrs. Luella Weaver, 15-year-old girl wife of Louis Weaver, Hutchinson, Kan., decided in favor of her spouse.

Weaver was arraigned on a charge of beating his wife, preferred by the girl's father, W. B. Johnson, 2215 Howard street.

"She loves me when she's away from him," Johnson told the court. "She promised to testify against him this morning."

"When she sees him, though, she's charmed again."

"Do you want to testify?" she was asked.

Her answer was tears and a sob. "Discharged," said the judge.

"Treat 'em rough," said the court sergeant, "and they'll like you," as the couple walked from the court room, arm in arm.

Fire Threatens Plant

A serious fire in the packing house district was narrowly averted Monday when a one-story shed at A. Mour & Co.'s caught fire and ignited a pile of wood.

SECOND CHARGE OF KIND AGAINST POLICE OFFICER

O. P. Peterson, Accused by Woman of "Protection," Resigned From Department In August, 1916.

Policeman O. P. Peterson, one of the officers against whom Elsie Mayhew has uttered charges of receiving protection money resigned from the police department August 16, 1916, when similar charges were reported against him to A. C. Kugel, former police commissioner.

Detective Louis Stoley is the other officer accused by the Mayhew woman.

On the former occasion Mr. Kugel called Peterson into his office and asked him for an explanation of his version of the case, whereupon Peterson became angry and forthwith wrote out his resignation.

Reinstated Last January. Peterson was reinstated to the department last January, following military service. His resignation was ordered upon the recommendations of Mr. Kugel, H. L. Hunt, former chief of police, and St. Maloney, former head of the detective department, all of whom wrote letters in which they expressed the belief that Peterson was innocent of the charges made against him in 1916.

Chief Still Investigating. Chief Elberstein stated that all of the evidence he has against Peterson is the word of Miss Mayhew that she slipped a \$2 bill into his pocket while he was walking away. The chief added that he is still investigating the matter.

When Peterson was reinstated in January, he was retained as particular detective, but on the request of several business men, he was removed from that subunit and is now walking a beat on Farnam street.

Chief Elberstein is considering bringing the Mayhew charges before the city council as soon as commissioner Kinger returns from his vacation.

Girl Church Robber May Be Allowed to Go Home to Family

Margaret Gilbert, alleged to have robbed a Chicago Catholic church of gold and silver, and to have stolen \$5,000, may be released from jail and allowed to go to her home. She was arrested two weeks ago for vagrancy and the church goods found in her room.

Yesterday she received a telegram from her family in New York City telling her she is welcome to return home. She may be pardoned and Police have been unable to find guarantors for the charges and vagrancy.

The Gilbert girl, a former New York City prostitute, received a 30-day jail sentence from Judge Foster for vagrancy.

British Fleet Wreaks Havoc on Bolsheviki

London, Aug. 19.—The British admiral is believed today to be striking on Monday morning of the Bolshevik battle cruiser Petropavlovsk and the battleship Andropovsk and a Bolshevik destroyer by British naval forces during an engagement in the Gulf of Finland.

A Russian cruiser probably was seriously damaged also, it was announced.

Skinner's the Best Macaroni and Spaghetti Recipe Book Free—Omaha

Union Outfitting Co. Serving Good, Old-Fashioned Sunkist Lemonade Free

Prices on Good Furniture Are Less During August Furniture Sale.

Genuine Reductions Have Been Made on Furniture for Every Room in the Home.

In spite of the fact that manufacturers of furniture say that prices cannot come down, the Union Outfitting Company has brought them down during their great August Furniture Sale.

And the reductions are made upon trustworthy, dependable, guaranteed furniture you will be proud to have in your home.

Whether it is a single piece or a complete suite you need, the substantial savings make it worth anticipating future needs.

August is also the month of the Children's Festival and the firm is serving Ice Cold Lemonade FREE of charge to everyone who comes into the store. NO purchase is necessary.

The Lemonade is particularly delicious and refreshing, as it is made from Sunkist Lemons, the best and most economical lemons you can buy, as they are plump, thin skinned and juicy.

At the Union Outfitting Company, located just out of the High Rent District, no transaction is ever considered completed until the customer is satisfied.

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Men's Summer Caps Fancy wool and silk, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 Caps 50c

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