

LEADER OF TONG AVOIDS TALKING ABOUT CAFE ROW

Shack Once in Heart of City's Underworld Omaha Home of Powerful Chinese Organization.

In a crumbling brick building, once in the heart of the city's underworld, is the Omaha headquarters of what is said to be the most powerful Chinese organization in the world, the On Leong Tong.

It is this organization, according to members of the tong, which precipitated a fight at 1408 Farnam street, Sunday, and routed a group of non-member Chinese who were attempting to open a cafe in opposition to a tong cafe.

Rivals Her Daughter in Youthful Beauty

A well-known society matron whose youthful beauty is so well preserved that she is regarded as her daughter's rival in this respect—though she does not pose as such—attributes her girlish complexion chiefly to two things. She says: "I am convinced that many cosmetics, by overloading the skin and pores, tend to do just the opposite effect. It keeps the pores clean, permitting them to breathe, and removes dead particles of cuticle which are constantly appearing and which give the complexion that aged look. Whenever my skin begins to get the least bit off-color, muddy or faded, I go to my drugist's for an ounce of Mireolized wax: I apply this nightly, like cold cream, for a week or so, washing it off morning. This is what keeps my complexion so fresh, white and velvety.

sign. Soon Lee yesterday consented to be interviewed by a Bee reporter concerning the battle at 1408 Farnam street last Sunday. It was a short interview, for Soon Lee knows little English, and avoided questions with a skill which only the Oriental knows. He admitted, however, that the Chinese Merchants' association of Omaha located at 111 North Twelfth street, is simply a local name for the On Leong Tong, that there were 100 members of the tong in Omaha, and that the tong would tolerate no interference with its wishes.

Silent About Battle.
Asked concerning the battle at 1408 Farnam street, he became silent, then turned to an even more agitated companion and burst forth with a flow of Chinese.

"You go talk to King Joy," he finally muttered. "He tell you all 'bout it." He then hobbled back into an even darker room and would say no more.

Joe Lee, proprietor of the California cafe and chop suey parlor, who rented the property at 1408 Farnam street, to open a new cafe, cowered in fear when the name of the tong was mentioned to him yesterday.

Will Oppose Tong.
"I can not say anything about it," he said, "I fear for my life." A minute later, however, he expressed the determination of opening the cafe in spite of the tong.

The January 15 issue of the "Chung Sai Yat Po," a Chinese daily paper published in San Francisco, contained a warning to non-members of the tong in Omaha who dared to oppose members in any manner. The paper is printed in Chinese, but according to the translation of the warning, death was threatened as the penalty for opposition.

State Will Take No Action in Leprosy Case

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Charles Young, Tilden, Neb., man, who has been pronounced by Omaha physicians to be suffering from leprosy, is not a state ward, Dr. I. H. Dillon, chief of the state health bureau, announced Thursday.

The attorney general's office contends that the county in which Tilden, his home, is located, must be responsible for his treatment and isolation, Dr. Dillon said. The bureau will take no action in the case.

Lincoln Bureau of The Omaha Bee

GRANT SUFFRAGE FOR NEBRASKANS IN ARMY OR NAVY

State Assembly Kills Jerry Howard's Proposal to Penalize Electors Who Fail to Vote.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 29.—The Nebraska charter assembly Thursday morning killed Jerry Howard's proposal to the state constitution making it lawful to impose a penalty on all electors who fail to vote. The measure was indefinitely postponed.

It is the duty of every elector to cast his or her vote at every election and the way properly to enforce that duty is to provide a penalty on failure to vote, Mr. Howard declared. Mr. Howard branded electors who did not vote as slackers. He said the practice was becoming a menace to this country.

Opposing the proposal, Spillman of Pierce county, maintained that it had been a failure in several foreign countries in which it had been tried. There are so many good reasons for not voting, he contended, that such a provision would work a hardship upon the voters.

After several attempts to reduce the age of electors to 18 and 20 years, Wiltse's suffrage proposal No. 228, fixing the voting age at 21 years, was passed by the convention. The proposal embodies the woman suffrage amendment and also provides that voters must be citizens of the United States.

Another suffrage proposal allowing men and women in the military or naval service to vote in this state was also passed. It was introduced by Delegate Anderson of Lancaster, who was head of the elective service administration in Nebraska during the war.

LATEST ATTEMPT TO SAVE GRAMMER AND COLE FAILS

Abandon Insanity Hearing for Two Slayers Sentenced to Die in Electric Chair Next Week.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.) Another attempt to delay the electrocution of Allen V. Grammer and Alton B. Cole convicted of the murder of Mrs. Lulu Vogt, near Elba, Neb., on the night of July 4, 1917, failed this morning with the abandonment of the insanity hearing called by Governor McKelvie on recommendation of Dr. I. C. Munger, prison physician at the penitentiary.

It was explained at the governor's office that the legal section under which the inquiry was ordered does not apply to the Grammer and Cole case. In cases where men are sentenced to death insanity hearing cannot be held by the prison board but must be ordered by the district court in which the men were convicted upon recommendation of the warden of the penitentiary.

Warden Fenton announced when the hearing was abandoned that he did not believe Cole and Grammer were insane and that of his own volition he would not recommend a hearing.

"In case the law provides that I must act on recommendations made to me by my assistants I will notify the court," he said. The law is interpreted by state officials to mean that in case the warden does recommend an insanity hearing it is discretionary on the part of the district court whether the hearing is ordered. In case the court orders a hearing the superintendent of the state insane asylum will be the judge of their mental condition.

"I have visited the men constantly since their commitment and have seen no evidence of insanity at any time," the warden said. Unless the district court orders a hearing on the sanity of the men state officials said the electrocution would take place on the date set, February 6.

PRISON WARDEN ANSWERS CHARGES MADE AGAINST HIM

Reviews "Dope" Situation in State Penitentiary Before Control Board.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Warden Fenton took the witness stand in his own behalf at the hearing before the state board of control this morning, considering charges of irregularities at the penitentiary, preferred by M. F. McWilliams and Jason Evans, former guards at the institution. The entire evening was spent in hearing his testimony, much of which consisted of a review of the "dope" situation in the prison.

Between 80 and 90 convicts, he testified, had been completely cured of the habit in from three months to one year's time. He explained the reason for the charges made by the former guards by saying that Evans wanted to run the institution and McWilliams was dissatisfied because he was not allowed to punish men whom he reported.

Replying to the indirect charges that he had accepted money for assisting in obtaining the release of convicts, alleged to have been made by Evans in a letter, he said: "If Evans can show one man for whom I received a penny to get him out of the penitentiary I will take my place in the row in prison where I would belong."

The warden stated that his only reason in insisting on a public investigation was to refute the indirect charges made. Had the charges been made direct, he said, he would have settled them outside of the prison.

He stated that convicts had been advised to spend money in attorney fees as the release of the men would not be considered in granting releases and every man, whether rich or poor, would be given equal consideration.

Mexican Murderer Dies From Gunshot Wounds

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Jose Martinez, Mexican, who was shot while attempting to escape after the murder of two North Platte police officers two weeks ago, died of his wounds, according to word received by Gus Hyers, chief of the law enforcement division here.

Martinez and another Mexican who was shot and killed, Police S. C. McComber and Policeman George W. Rodgers on January 15 when the two officers attempted to search the pair. The shooting occurred in a pool hall. The pool hall proprietor shot Martinez in the neck when the latter tried to escape.

Railway Commissioner Files for Another Term

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—The personal filing of Thorne A. Browne, member of the Nebraska railway commission for the last three months, as a republican candidate for the next term, was made Thursday with Secretary of State D. M. Amsberry. Mr. Browne was appointed to the board from the secretaryship to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Victor E. Wilson.

Tom Hall, a member of the commission, had announced that he would not be a candidate again because the \$3,000 salary is not sufficient.

LINCOLN WOMAN HEADS PERSHING ORGANIZATION

Miss Edna Perrin Takes Charge of Work Among Fair Sex to Boost for Army Chief.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Miss Edna Perrin, of Lincoln, today took charge of organizing the women of Nebraska for Pershing, it is announced at the Pershing-for-President headquarters here.

Miss Perrin served for one year with the army overseas, where her duties kept her in continuous touch with the members of the A. E. F. Like Pershing, she is a graduate of the Nebraska university and possesses a large acquaintance throughout the state.

"We are indeed glad to announce the acquisition of Miss Perrin for the staff for the Pershing-for-President organization," said Mark Woods, chairman. "Having served with Pershing's army abroad, she is in excellent position to know intimately of his big ability and his qualities as a leader."

Miss Perrin will work especially with the women of Nebraska, and will perfect a special women's organization headed by a state executive committee composed of active women of the state. All communications and pledges of support from the women of Nebraska will receive the personal attention of Miss Perrin. Definite plans for the campaign will be in the hands of the women's executive committee now being organized.

In announcing her affiliation with the Pershing campaign, Miss Perrin said: "I am confident that Nebraska will welcome the opportunity of proposing the nomination for president of our most distinguished fellow citizen. I am sure that if I could tell the mothers, wives and sisters of the splendid part Pershing played in maintaining the high standard of morals and in perpetuating the high ideal of our boys overseas, they would agree unanimously that he was, above all, the man the American people need for the presidency. If they could but know of his fine, kindly heart, hidden during the war by the mask of army discipline; if they only knew of the judgment displayed in handling men and affairs, and of his capacity as a great loving leader, firm and courageous, but just and fair; I know that they would give this movement to make Pershing America's president their whole-hearted support."

"The women of Nebraska, having been accorded their rightful privilege of voting, will constitute the deciding factor in the next election. Pershing, through his service and his proved ability, is entitled to the support of every woman of America, and from reports received, I am sure he will have that support."

Telephone Company Stock Injunction Suit Dismissed

New York, Jan. 29.—A suit to restrain the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. from issuing \$50,000,000 in convertible stock, filed by Clarence H. Verner, as a stockholder, was dismissed by Supreme Court Justice Mitchell L. Erlanger.

'I COULD FEEL MY TROUBLES LEAVE,' SHE SAYS

Peoria Woman Gains Twenty-one Pounds and Ends 25 Years' Suffering by Taking Tanlac.

"I just wish I had words to express my deep gratitude for the wonderful good Tanlac has done me after I had suffered for twenty-five years," was the statement made recently by Mrs. Alice Richetts, 1206 Fifth street, Peoria, Ill.

"It's a fact, it was twenty-five years ago that my health broke down and since that time no one knows what misery I have gone through," she continued, "my back was weak and lame and even at nights I was in such misery I could hardly sleep at all. I just spent nearly all my time in the house. Every morning I felt stifled and later would have a splitting headache. I was also bothered with the worst kind of stomach trouble and everything disagreed with me so I suffered a thousand deaths with awful cramps and pains in my stomach. I bloated up with gas until I didn't look natural and my heart palpitated so bad that I had dizzy, faint spells. My nerves were unstrung, I was thin and frail looking and my complexion turned yellow."

"This was my condition when I began taking Tanlac, but now I am a well and happy woman. I could feel my troubles leaving me before I finished my first bottle of Tanlac and I continued to take it until now I am in perfect health. My back is entirely free from pain. I can eat just anything I want now and never suffer any bad after-effects. My heart action is normal, and I am no longer bothered with those dizzy, faint spells. I am not one bit nervous and don't know what it is to have a headache any more. I have gained twenty-one pounds in weight, my complexion has all cleared up and I am in better health than I have been for twenty-five years. I think Tanlac is a wonderful medicine."

Tanlac is sold in Omaha at all Sherman & McConnell Drug Company's stores, Harvard Pharmacy and West End Pharmacy. Also Forster and Teany Drug Company in South Omaha and the leading drug-ists in each city and town throughout the state of Nebraska.—Adv.

Women's Clubs of 8 Nebraska Cities Form Federation at Fremont

Fremont, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—The Community Woman's Club federation was organized at a meeting here with representatives of Woman's clubs of Schuyler, North Bend, Cedar Bluffs, Hooper, Nickerson, Leslara, Pohocco and Fremont in attendance. Mrs. C. A. Miller of North Bend was elected president. Other officers are: Vice presidents, Mrs. Clinton Heine, Hooper; Mrs. H. C. N. Hatterschied, Cedar Bluffs, and Mrs. Knux McClean, Pohocco; recording secretary, Mrs. J. Howard Heine, Fremont; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Fred Porter, North Bend; treasurer, Mrs. W. L. Allen, Schuyler. The purpose of the club is to form a better acquaintance among members and co-operate in furthering better interests of the community. The club will meet bi-monthly during the club season.

Scottsbluff to Have Irrigation School; Branch of State Uni

Scottsbluff, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Scottsbluff Chamber of Commerce endorsed the action of the board of directors for the purchase of an 80-acre tract for the Nebraska Irrigation college site. This is the only school of its kind in the United States and possibly in the world.

For several months plans have been under way to procure suitable property and the directors have closed a contract with F. E. Robbins of Los Angeles for 80 acres, which supplements 10 acres deeded to the state regents last June.

Dean O. V. P. Stout of the engineering department of the university while in Scottsbluff last week stated, "That immediately upon advice of the Chamber of Commerce the necessary ground was available, construction on the buildings will begin."

The attendance in the engineering department this year totals \$505, which will be supplemented by students from Colorado and Wyoming.

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Women's Shoes at 1.95 4.00 and 5.00 Values

Odd lots of our discontinued \$4 and \$5 shoes; of black kid and gun metal; high and military heels; either button or lace styles. The sizes are 2 1/2 to 6. Specially priced, for Friday, 1.95

Juliet House Slippers, 2.39 Regular 3.25 Values

For women; of fine black Dongola kid; hand-turned leather soles; rubber on the sides; rubber heels; sizes 3 to 8. Special for Friday, 2.39

Boys' High Cut Boots Regular \$5 and 5.50 Values at 3.49

The Endicott, Johnson and Weinbrenner makes; double soles; bellows tongue, straps and buckles; sizes 9 to 5 1/2. Wonderful values, special at 3.49.

Children's Shoes at 2.98

Of black calf skin and patent kid; gray or black tops; button or lace styles; suitable for dress or school wear; sizes are 8 1/2 to 11, and 1 1/2 to 2. Specially priced for Friday, at pair, 2.98

Infant's Button Shoes of black kid; hand turned soles; one lift heel and broad toe last. Sizes are 3 to 8. Regular 1.50 values, special, at 93c

Basement Drapery Specials

Scrim—Yard, 10c

About 2,000 yards of fancy or plain scrim, in lengths from 2 to 10 yards; offered specially for Friday, at, per yard, 10c

Silkline and Cretonne, Yd. 14 1/2c

1,500 yards; fancy materials, suitable for drapes and comforter coverings; 36 inches wide; mill lengths; special, per yard, at 14 1/2c

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Inlaid with fancy brilliant stones, in white, blue, green and amber. These combs are new and very popular for spring. They are very 25c

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Ladies' linen collars; embroidery and plain; all sizes, for Friday 2c

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Plaid and fancy mixtures, for boys. Button to the neck styles, with belt all around. The sizes are 2 1/2 to 10 years. These are regular 12.50 values. Special, for Friday, at— \$8.00

Regular 16.50 to 25.00 OVERCOATS

Men and young men, Friday, have their choice of any overcoat in our basement, including storm ulsterettes and forming fitting coats, at one special price. These coats sold from 16.50 to \$25.00, but they all go Friday, at— \$14.95

Annual Clearance Sale



FRIDAY AND SATURDAY IS your last chance to get in on our 47th Annual January Clearance Sale

Here is a list of some wonderful good bargains, and if you are contemplating buying a piano next year, don't fail to see these pianos. You'll save money.

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LYON & HEALY, Ebony Case, good condition	\$75
J. O. TWICHELL, Ebony Case, good condition	\$90
CHASE BROS., Ebony Case, good tone and action	\$125
CARLETON, Ebony Case, has been rebuilt	\$135
WELLINGTON, Mahogany Case, varnish checked	\$138
SINGER, dull finish, Oak Case	\$190
KINGSBURY, Walnut Case, very little used	\$198
SCHMOLLER & MUELLER, Mahogany case. Great bargain.	\$205
VOSE & SONS, Walnut Case. Another bargain	\$210
SCHMOLLER & MUELLER, Mahogany Case. Looks like new.	\$235
J. & C. FISCHER, Mahogany Case. Wonderful value.	\$255
KING, Massive Oak Case, slightly used	\$265
PRICE & TEEPLE, Golden Oak Case. Can't be told from new.	\$268

KNABE, large size Upright, great bargain	
STEGER & SONS, Golden Oak, refinished case, good as new	\$275
STEGER & SONS, Mahogany Case, like new	\$320
LYON & HEALY, Burl Walnut Case, slightly used.	\$325
EVERETT, Mahogany Case, like new	\$335

PLAYERS	
SCHMOLLER & MUELLER, Oak Case, action in good condition	\$425
SCHMOLLER & MUELLER, Dark Mahogany Case, good condition	\$390

GRANDS	
\$750 SMITH & NIXON, small size Mahogany Case. A great bargain.	\$390
\$750 SCHMOLLER & MUELLER, Baby Grand. Good as new.	\$510
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