Omaha Is Chosen As Headquarters For Paper Mills

Western Newspaper Union Purchases Wisconsin Company to Supply Customers In Middle West.

Omaha becomes the home office and executive headquarters of one of the largest book paper mills in the west through the purchase yesterday of the Menasha Paper company, Laydsmith, Wis., by the Western Newspaper Union. The new corporation is rated at $3,000,000 and has been oganized as the Great Western Paper company.

The deal was inaugurated when the paper shortage became so pinching several months ago and H. H. Fish, president of the Western Newspaper Union, decided that the only sure way of getting enough paper to supply customers of the Western Newspaper Union jobbing branches would be to obtain paper mills to be owned and operated by the company.

Move Headquarters Here.

Mr. Fish started negotiations which terminated in the purchase of the book paper mills located at and contiguous to Ladysmith, Wis., from the Menasha Paper company by a subsidiary company of the Western Newspaper Union, now organized as the Great Western Paper company.

The Great Western Paper company officials are: H. H. Fish, president; J. B. Jones, vice president; C. L. Farnsworth, secretary-treasurer; Harry Ballou, general manager and George S. Johnston, sales manager.

Executive offices of the Menasha Paper company have been located at Ladysmith, Wis., and the general sales office in Chicago. These have been discontinued and their functions merged in the Omaha offices. The mills are to be operated under the supervision of the Omaha officials.

Operate 17 Houses.

The sales organization will be in charge of George S. Johnson, who also will continue as director of sales for all the jobbing branches of the Western Newspaper Union.

Herbert H. Fish, jr., former Omahan, will be assistant general manager of the mill properties. Young Fish has been manager of the Buffalo office of the Western Newspaper Union.

Seventeen wholesale paper houses are owned exclusively by the Western Newspaper union and directed from Omaha headquarters. They are located in the following cities: Billings, Charlotte, Dallas, Denver, Des Moines, Fargo, Fort Wayne, Kansas City, Lincoln, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Sioux City, Wichita.

Price War in Water Freight Rates Near

Washington, Oct. 14.—Chairman Benson of the shipping board announced that American and foreign shipping lines had agreed to go the limit in reducing freight charges to meet the competition of the French line which has refused to enter a conference iwth lines of other nations for stabilizing rates.

"War to the knife" will result the chairman said, "unless the French line plays fairly, with the conference with lines of other narates on the Atlantic."

Action was taken on unanimous decisions of the conference to break rates, the chairman explained, when the French notified brokers that it would take freight at rates under all the other lines.

Both shipping board operators and private American owners are members of the conference, the chairman said.

"Burglars" Only Man And Woman in Vault

A man and a woman were found in the vault in the office of the Bowman-Krantz Lumber company, 4201 North Thirtieth street shortly after 9 o'clock last night when police went to investigate flickering lights in the office.

It was noticed that the vault door, which was usually kept open, was closed. Police hammered on the door. After a half hour a voice from within the vault was heard to ask for Mr. Krantz. A minute later a man who is an employe of the company stepped out, Mr. Krantz explained to police. As the officers were starting to leave they discovered a woman's handbag and upon investigation found the owner.

Only three plants in Denmark are engaged in the manufacture of rubber goods.

Omahans to Foot Ball Game And Stock Show Saturday

Two hundred live stock men of the Omaha stock yards and a number of other Omahans are expected to make the trip to the state university live stock show, Saturday.

A special train will leave Omaha at 8 a. m. and South Omaha at 8:15 a. m., due to arrive at Lincoln at 9:30.

A parade will be held in Lincoln, then the visitors will be taken on street cars to the state farm. The morning will be given to looking over the live stock being groomed for the international show this fall and listening to lectures on stock feeding. Students of the domestic science department will serve noon luncheon. In the afternoon the visitors will attend the Nebraska-Notre Dame foot ball game.

Philadelphia makes 80 per cent of the country's glazed kid.

The Siamese government has consolidated a civil service college and a medical school into a university to provide instruction in all the higher branches of education.

But One Burglary Reported To Police Wednesday Night

Only one burglary was reported to police last night.

The house of Charles F. Davis, 5321 Florence boulevard, was ransacked and a wrist watch, jewelry and silverware valued at $400 stolen.

Bee want ads are business getters.

Caught on Fire Escape.

Alleged to have been attempting to "beat a board bill," George Sykrme, Harney hotel, was arrested last night by Policemen Sheldon and Cain. Sykrme was arrested while going down the fire escape of the hotel, according to the police.

Norway's first automobile factory has just been completed.