

### Hotel Hill Helps Solve Shortage of Accommodations

#### New Hotel Will Help Make Omaha a Mecca for Conventions; Equipment Most Modern Procurable.

The need for a first-class hotel such as the Hotel Hill has long been felt in Omaha, but here as elsewhere, building construction had been suspended during the war and the need remained unfulfilled. Early in July, 1919, the Hill brothers decided that the time for action had come. At this time the old Iler Grand was torn down and the space made clear for the erection of the new Hotel Hill.

Building operations were begun in August, 1919, and the hotel—a strictly modern fire-proof structure, with 400 guest rooms—was opened to the traveling public September 1, 1920. The unique cafeteria, which will be one of the best equipped and most complete restaurants of its kind in the United States, the cafe, turkish bath and barber shop quarters, comprising all that is to be made up a first-class hostelry, will be ready for business hardly before January 1, 1921.

The Hill brothers have been putting forth every effort to have all service departments in operation together at the opening date, September 1, but under the unsettled labor conditions, their efforts were thwarted. The entire project was supervised by the Hill brothers, Lem Hill and John W. Hill, jr., who have owned the property occupied by the hotel for 12 years.

#### Need of Shelter.

Lem Hill, in commenting on the completion of the new hotel, declared that "there is no need at this time to quote figures or to multiply words as to one of the gravest problems that has confronted American cities since the war.

"It was a matter of common knowledge that there was an appalling dearth of one of the fundamental needs of mankind—a suitable place of shelter—a home for public comfort, for transients and permanent guests," said Mr. Hill. "Those in the business of providing such places stood helpless during the war and some time thereafter. There is no question but what the hopes of Omaha builders have been fulfilled. This hope was that the year 1920 would produce a building boom. The year is about gone, and the record for Omaha seems to point to even more building than last year. Aiding materially in the solution of this problem as it affected Omaha, the new Hotel Hill is one in which its citizens can deservedly take pride.

Adequate hotel accommodations are pertinent to a city's progress and prosperity. Many of the large conventions of the United States and gatherings of men of national importance are attracted to the larger cities because the smaller ones have not adequate hotel accommodations. This cannot now be said of Omaha. From a hotel-accommodation viewpoint, Omaha is equipped to take care of from three to five large conventions at one time, not to mention the many visitors during the Ak-Sar-Ben festival.

With six other first-class hoteliers besides the new Hill in the field to provide home comforts to the visitor the Gate City now ranks with the largest in comfortable, home-like hotel accommodations.

#### Hotel Hill God-Send.

It can no longer be said that transients in Omaha must be provided for in local homes for want of hotel space. The many reservations made at local hotels by teachers who come to attend the Nebraska State Teachers convention, at which a record-breaking attendance of 5,000 is predicted, is the first instance brought to the attention of those interested in taking care of outsiders in Omaha. The Omaha Chamber of Commerce co-operates with the various civic, state and national organizations in this regard and men familiar with conditions declare that the completion of the new Hotel Hill is a God-send for Omaha, and should be instrumental in winning for her the honors of entertaining many who otherwise would have to seek accommodations elsewhere.

More than 85 per cent of the building industry in Washington is tied up by the refusal of the carpenters to work until granted higher wages.

### Letters From Home-Made Father to Son

#### The Joys of Pessimism.

Dear son: If you spent less time worrying about what your going to do when you get out of college and more time doing something while you're there you might be able to get a pretty good job when you graduate in spite of your education. The main thing is don't worry. What'sname once said that when you found yourself worryin there was only two things to do. One was to change matters if you could, and the other was to forget it if you couldn't.

Things has a habit of unravinin themselves as you come up to em. I remember once when I was in N. Y. I seen a fire engine goin down the street licky split. The traffic looked the way it is in Milford when the steam piano has gone by an the crowds has come together behind it. Then, just as I closed my eyes to shut out the shrieks of the wounded an dyin, the way opened up somehow an let em through the way butter acts with a hot knife.

"That," says I to a man beside me, "is like life. You go rushin along licky split, knowin you couldn't stop if you tried. An there's nothin ahead but traffic jammed wheel to wheel. An when you get right close up on it there's a way opens an lets you through."

"Righto old pickle," says he, an disappears into the crowd with my watch. It seems to me most fellows goes through life all hunched up an ready to jump when the crash comes so that they never see the country their passin through. Now you take old Farnum Hogg what had everythin in the world a man could want. Yet he used to go round lookin' as though someone had left him a forchane on their death bed an then recovered.

Farnum enjoyed good health, a fine family an a furishin busin. I s'ky enjoyed. I mean he had all these things, fer he never enjoyed nothin. The more things came his way the more he worried fer fear they'd quit comin. He got so he couldn't find enough to worry about in spite of readin three local papers a day.

They used to have a sayin that Farnum ud believe anything you'd tell him pervided it was gloomy enough. He'd spend hours lookin through the papers fer news about the reds. Then he'd cut out pieces an send em to his friends recomendin that they all meet in the national gard armory in Milford as

early the more his busin grew. His went to pieces at once. His wife left him, his busin failed, he lost his money, his sons turned out bad eggs an his live stock ate rat poison an died. Right away we noticed the change. Then all of a sudden everythin in Farnum. He got real chipper an



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soon the the trouble started. He'd get so worked up over it at times that he'd drop on his face whenever anybody slammed a door. Then he took to worryin about the stock market. He never had no money invested but he always claimed that he might have had just as well as not, an then he'd have been in a nice fix. He stewed about that till the market started to go up, an then he worried about all the money he might have made if he'd had the sense to invest something when things was low.

He'd always been a good sleeper till one day he read in the paper how insomnia was the cuss of the human race. He looked up the word in the dickshunnery. After that he used to lie awake nights worryin fer fear he might get it an not be able to go to sleep. He fretted about it so that he like to have had a nervous breakdown.

It got so that people used to say that nothing ever cut in go wrong with old Farnum Hogg. The more he swore he was headed fer bank-

bright. It was a pleasure to see his smiling face in the street. An when they drove off to the poor house they say it was a most exhilaratin an pleasin sight. Folks thought he was awful brave but I knowed better. It was the first time in his life he'd ever been able to say, "I told you so," and the more trouble he had the happier it made him. Up till then everybody'd laughed at his worryin. Now he was showing em up.

One of the greatest blessings of modern times is that a man knows every day all the nasty things that's liable to happen to him. There's hundreds of men devotin their lives to seein that he aint taken unawares. When you think how our ansisters didn't know nothin about bullshivism or flu or bisnis panics an thought the yellow peril was jawndice, it makes you wonder what a man could find to do in those days to keep him from enjoyin life like a mere animal.

The mornin papers is rapidly developin into a list of things to worry about every day. Its a strong man that can face the world with a smile after he's propped his newspaper against the geranium in the center of the breakfast table an flavored his coffee with the headlines.

"Bisnis will be crippled in three months," says the head of a big New York bank.

"The Bullshivist Movement: By our Special Gloomin Correspondent." "Japanknees Schoolboys Make Faces at American Flag. The Nippu Jufube Resents Our Attitude."

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The readin public has been trained to gloom fer so long they've got so they like it. The demand is so great the news can't keep up to it. So they start a maggyzine page an hire a staff of high priced mourners to keep it filled.

Rosa McRose has a whole corner devoted to the inspirin question, "Is There Such a Thing as a Happy Marriage?" an to prove her statements to the contrary she prints a picture of herself every day.

"Can We Live on What We're

Gettin' No," by Josephine Debbs, the popular anarchist, is another feature which causes great unrest. An so as the years go by, my boy, the world gradually conspires against cheeriness. Insurance companies spring up to prove to you that if you don't die before you're 40 you'll be the victim of 10 diseases—circular on request. Great ships is hurryin from all parts of the globe bearin new plagues fer home consumshun. Books is wrote to prove to us that the places we used to think romantic is nothin but filthy. The movies prove the unfaithfulness of man an the fickleness of woman. Science is a wonderful thing, but it ain't never laughed yet.

But I'm gettin away from what I started to talk about which was to go ahead with your college work an not to worry about your future. Don't worry, but take care of yourself. You can't think to much about your health with all these different diseases goin around.

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