

Widow Weeps As Her 3 Children Are Given Shoes

Mother, In Ill Health, But Struggling Bravely for Little Ones, Is Deeply Grateful for Gifts.

Three little children, a boy of 3 and two girls of 5 and 6 years, who were provided with shoes by The Bee's Free Shoe fund yesterday live in a miserable, two-room hotel with their mother, a widow, who rolls all day over the wash tub and ekes out her living by going out to work.

Her health is poor but she works bravely and unsparingly for the little ones. Tears came to her eyes when she saw her children provided with the new shoes. They had had none at all before.

Money is needed badly by the fund. The call is very great. More such children of misfortune and poverty are waiting for the shoes that mean so much to them.

Send a contribution to The Bee office for this necessary work. Every cent will be used to buy shoes for just such desperate cases. **Previously reported:**
 Mrs. Henry Engel, Alliance, Neb. 5.00
 Elizabeth Stimmel 5.00
 W. T. Graham 5.00
 Contributions at C. E. Lathrop's Pharmacy, Fourth and Franklin 5.00
Total \$1,231.00

Note to Soft Drink Men.
 Applications for soft drink permits for 1921 should be received before January 1, according to an announcement by W. J. Hunter, city clerk. He added that most of the soft drink men have forgotten this necessary formality.

Boy Sues Motorist.
 George Allen, by his father, Fred Allen, filed suit in district court yesterday, asking \$25,000 damages from C. C. Parsons, alleging that Parsons' automobile ran the boy down at Eighteenth and Webster streets last June.

Omaha's Death Rate Lowest In Country

Omaha has the lowest death rate of any big city in the United States and holds first place as the healthiest city of the land. The rate that makes Omaha winner for the week ending December 11, and at the same time better her own record for the corresponding period a year ago is shown to be 6.8 by statistics of the bureau of census at Washington.

The average rate for the period considered is nearly twice that of Omaha being 12.3. Omaha's closest competitor, Akron, O., shows a rate of 7.5. Seattle comes next with 8.6 and is followed by Minneapolis with 9.5, and Cleveland with 9.8. No other principal city shows a record under 10 per cent.

Former Omaha Minister Dies at Home in Florida
 Rev. J. W. Harris, pastor of the First Baptist church in Omaha from 1880 to 1886, died suddenly of heart disease at De Land, Fla., according to word reaching Omaha yesterday. Death was caused by heart disease. Funeral services were held at St. Petersburg, where he had made his home since leaving Omaha.

Onward Omaha Talk.
 John W. Gamble, vice president of First National bank, spoke on "Onward Omaha" at the regular meeting of the Lions club in the Rome hotel yesterday noon.

Pupils Aid Woman.
 Pupils in the Seventh A class of Dundee school played goodfellow to a needy woman to whom they gave money, fruit and vegetables raised in a Christmas collection at the school.

Bank Employees Dance.
 Officers of the First National bank of Omaha entertained their employees at a banquet and dance in the Blackstone hotel last evening. John W. Gamble, president, acted as toastmaster. The following responded: F. H. Davis, E. L. Droste, J. H. Bexten, Ed Solomon and Roy Young.

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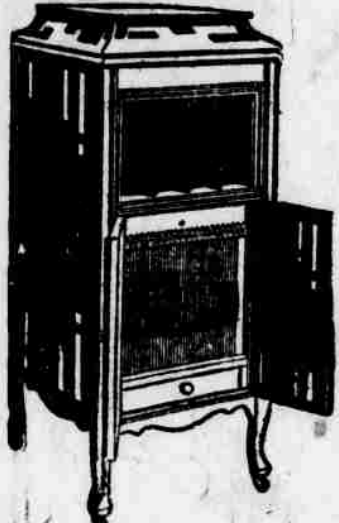
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