

City Problems and City Future Discussed

PROSPERITY DAWN IS NEAR AT HAND

Keokuk is About to Realize Industrial Awakening, Industrial Association Head Tells Merchants.

OPTIMISM IS KEY NOTE

In Short Talk, Mr. Kiedalsch Tells Retailers Another Factory Will Move on Rein Tract.

"Keokuk is about to realize what we have been all looking forward to, our industrial awakening. We have promises of another factory, here in the city, now employing fifty-five men that it will move to the industrial tract, and that it will increase its force."—Kiedalsch to the Retailers.

That Keokuk is about to realize her dream of industrial awakening is the belief of J. Albert Kiedalsch, president of the Industrial association, judging from the very optimistic tone that he used last night in speaking before the Retailers' meeting.

"This is no time to lose the white way lights," Mr. Kiedalsch said. "Keokuk is about to realize what we have looked forward to for so long. The whole tone of Mr. Kiedalsch's talk was optimistic, and he spoke of the amount of labor which will be brought here with all of the contemplated work. This includes the bridge labor, the labor which the tire factory will bring, and the local labor which will also be employed."

"The Standard Four Tire company is similar to the American Cement Machine company, which has become one of the best concerns," Mr. Kiedalsch said. "The location of the tire company on the industrial tract makes it possible for us to get track facilities, build a roadway and run city water there."

Promises to Move.
"And I have the assurance of a factory now operating in Keokuk, and which employs fifty-five men, that they will move their plant to the industrial tract, and that they will increase their force very materially."

Mr. Kiedalsch said that he expected the buildings for the tire company to be well along by July 15, of this year. "The industrial association has adopted the policy not to recommend to the citizens any project in which the directors do not have the utmost faith, and in which they are willing to place time and money."

This very significant statement, coming on the heels of the announcement of the factory yesterday, emphasizes the association's faith in the new factory.

And Here's Another One.
T. N. Conner placed before the Retailers last night the proposition of re-capitalizing and re-organizing the present Keokuk box factory so that it might manufacture strawboard shipping cases. He thought that by setting out and doing a little pushing, the present box factory could be made to include the manufacture of strawboard shipping cases. It was suggested that the matter be referred to the industrial association, and Mr. Kiedalsch promised to look into it at once.

Stanford University Reunion.
PALO ALTO, May 13.—Stanford university students returned to the old school today from all over the world to celebrate "senior week." A program of sporting events and balls, receptions, etc., based on the arrangement, Chancellor David Starr Jordan is to speak on "Patriotism and the College Man."

It's Not Our Funeral.
Kansas City Times: Both sides are reported to resent peace talks by the United States. Well, it isn't the United States that is being shot to pieces.

HIGBEE WELCOMED BY LOCAL PEOPLE

He Addressed Merchants Last Night as Fellow Citizens and Told of His Plans for Work.

LIVE ONES HE DECLARES

Factory Chose Keokuk Because Men Liked the Way Keokuk Went After Them—Praises Lights Here, Too.

"Fellow citizens of Keokuk," this was the way A. L. Higbee, formerly of Marion, Ind., now of Keokuk, addressed the retailers last night, when he was introduced to them. Just supply the ovation that he received, and you have a picture of the reception he was accorded by the local men.

A. L. Higbee, who will have charge of the office here of the Standard Four Tire company, during the preliminary work was introduced to the merchants last night at the meeting of the Retailers' league.

Mr. Higbee was given considerable applause as he was introduced, but it was nothing to the ovation he received, when he addressed the men as "fellow citizens of Keokuk, for I feel that I have become a citizen here."

Mr. Higbee spoke of the proposition which had been presented and which had been accepted. He said he would tell how they came to come to Keokuk. He said they knew the tire manufacturing business has a big future. It has had an annual increase of 50 per cent. The only way to meet the demand is to establish more factories, and make a good tire, to sell at a legitimate profit.

"We do not expect to make a fortune, all at once, but we will make a good tire which will make legitimate profits," he told the retailers.

The logical place, according to Mr. Higbee, was in the center of the automobile trade, and this has moved west. There are no large tire factories now west of the Mississippi and he believes the one to be built here will grow into the largest in the west.

"We had letters from different cities, we had correspondence with your association, and then we had phone communication. We were looking for the live wires and when that telephone communication came, we looked first to you people. Let me tell you that you have a live industrial association here."

Mr. Higbee also urged keeping the lights. He said the brilliancy of the illumination and the fine appearance of the street and the lights led him to take a fancy to Keokuk and he considered it a live place, the first time he saw it.

Mr. Higbee spoke of the labor which will be brought here for the factory, and the employment of local labor as well.

Cheaper Food for Students.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.] MADISON, Wis., May 13.—In spite of the boost in the prices of food stuffs and the increasing burden of the high cost of living, the University of Wisconsin is constantly making food less costly and living cheaper for the students who patronize the institution's big cafeteria.

Three reductions in price have been made in the present school year. Meats were the first foods cut in price. From ten to twelve cents a portion, they became eight to ten cents. Vegetables and soups were next reduced from five to three cents. Pie is now four cents, instead of five cents as at the beginning of the year. The average cost of the noon meal at the cafeteria is twenty-one cents. Breakfast costs eleven cents on the average, and supper fourteen cents. At the beginning of the present year about 275 people were served at noon on the average. This number has risen to over 600.

WHITE WAY LIGHTS TO BE MAINTAINED

Retailers Refuse to Consider Any Plan to Cut Out Any of These Lights in a Block to Save.

SUGGEST OTHER METHOD

Commissioner Collins is Asked to Deal With Electric Company on This New Plan Proposed.

Retailers tell Commissioner Collins, white way lights must be maintained at any cost.

Commissioner Collins asked to investigate and report on cost of building new street to bridge to cut Main street grade.

Turned over to industrial association, proposition of refinancing local factory.

Heard J. Albert Kiedalsch and welcomed A. L. Higbee of Marion, Ind. Decided to have committee get sentiment in matter of closing one afternoon each week.

The Keokuk Retailers' league, at its monthly meeting at the Hotel Keokuk last night, voted to retain all of the white way lights, and to negotiate with the power company to see if it will be possible to cut out lights on first one side of Main street and then on the other, after twelve o'clock.

Commissioner J. A. M. Collins, who was the league's guest, told the merchants that expenses in the light fund were piling up. He suggested cutting out one light on each side of the street in every block, permanently. The merchants unanimously declared that this was not the time to be considering cutting down the lights, that each merchant and the property holders paid for the maintenance of the lights, and that such a plan would be discriminating against some. The terms of the contracts were recalled, and the merchants asked Mr. Collins to deal with the power company with regard to the change proposed.

Motor Trucks Taken Up.
The commissioner told the merchants that the limit of income had been reached, unless some additional taxable property was found. He gave figures, taken from his annual report to show where the deficits were, and figured that the light fund deficit was now about \$3,400. He then proposed his plan to cut out the lights.

Mr. Collins also took up the question of motorizing the fire department. He said he regretted that three men would have to go. He said to reduce the department to ten men and the chief and assistant chief would be put on the basis that it was on January 1, 1912. He spoke of the efficiency of the minute men, at fires. They could be counted on to help at any time. He then gave figures to show that the purchase of motor trucks such as are proposed would cut out the cost of maintaining five horses at \$155 each and the salary of three men, making a total saving of \$2,915.

Cut Big Street Grade.
The commissioner then took up the matter of building a roadway which will cut the 10 percent grade on the Main street hill down to 3.40 percent. The present plans for the new bridge approach contemplate a striking first street, leaving about a block of 10 percent grade to climb. By building a roadway through three lots in the block in which Blom-Collier company is located, the grade could be cut to 3 percent. The commissioner said that he thought such a saving would be to the advantage of the merchants, but the council was not trying to force an issue. They wanted instead, to get the merchants' sentiment on the matter. Schouten replied to the light proposition. He said that he was one of the committee which worked hard for the installation of the lights. He said he did not think the lights should be taken away. He thought it would be a backward step, and that now Keokuk should look forward, not backward.

French Offers Suggestion.
E. A. French, also one of the committee, suggested that inasmuch as the lights were on two circuits why not cut out each side of the street, after midnight on alternate nights. The right hand side could be darkened one night, and the left hand side on another side. He thought the electric light company ought to give such an allowance. Cutting out any certain lights would be discrimination, he thought.

Henry Duncan asked if Main street taxes weren't sufficient to pay for Main street lights. He recalled that he had promised the lights for a certain period of time, also.

T. N. Conner endorsed French's plan, and D. E. Linquist spoke of the limit and the guarantee of the council. He thought it was the worst time in the world to talk about economy in this line.

John Rovner said the trouble as he saw it was that Keokuk was paying too much for lights, as it was. He thought the commissioners were in error or should be, to ask reduced rates of the company. The discussion was ended when

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Henry Duncan moved that the merchants authorize the commissioners to deal with the company and make arrangements for turning out lights on alternate sides of the street.

Look Into Road.
In the matter of the new road for the bridge approach, it was voted to let the commissioners handle the proposition and report to the league at a future meeting. The sentiment seemed to be favorable to making such a change in plans, and it was felt that now was the time.

Al Linquist said that he thought the time was at hand, and the work should be done now. As he could figure it, it was going to cost little for each merchant. J. Schouten said the first cost was the only cost, and he thought it would be money well spent.

President Justice thought it was a good idea, and suggested that in such a plan the merchants were probably more vitally interested than any other. He said the merchants appreciated the suggestion of the commissioner, and suggested that they meet with the merchants, whenever they had problems. He suggested putting the road matter in the hands of the commissioners for further report, and this was carried.

Enjoy Fine Supper.
The retailers enjoyed the very excellent menu which had been prepared under the direction of Manager Frank M. Bateman of the Hotel Keokuk. The retailers sat at one long table, with the guests of honor and the president at the shorter table set at the head. Commissioner Collins, A. L. Higbee and Mr. Charles were the guests of honor.

The tables were decorated in carnations and ferns. The service was excellent, and the menu was a most tempting one. Following are the good things the merchants had to eat: Consomme or Cream of Tomato Onions, Radishes, Fried Catfish, Saratoga Chips, Baked Chicken Pie, Family Style Little Doe Peas, New Potatoes in Cream, Combination Salad, Vanilla Ice Cream, Strawberry Short Cake, Brick Cheese, Wafers, Coffee.

During the serving of the meal, the retailers enjoyed a Vitrola concert the machine from Piggott's being in charge of Frank Holstein.

The membership committee through Chairman Linquist reported F. M. Bateman and George Banks for membership. They were voted in.

About Closing Stores.
J. N. Dumenil wanted to know if the merchants had anything to say about closing their store one-half day each week. He said the grocers were planning to do so, as is customary. They wanted to know the sentiment of the others, however. Some of the men in other business didn't seem to think it would be possible to do so. A committee representing each branch of the retail trade will wait on the merchants and secure expressions of opinion in this matter.

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URGENT OBSERVANCE OF FLAG'S BIRTH

June 14 Will be One Hundred Thirty-Eighth Anniversary of the Adoption of National Emblem.

SENTIMENT IS GROWING

Association Hopes to be Able to Get Everyone to Join in This Observance This Year.

The American Flag association is calling attention to the fact that June 14, is the one hundredth and thirty-eighth anniversary of the adoption of the flag of the United States, and urges that governors, mayors and newspapers of the countries unite in bringing the proposition of suitable observance of the day to the minds of the people.

Ralph E. Prime, president, and Louis Annin Ames, secretary of the association, are sending out the following concerning the day:

On the 14th day of June, 1777, congress enacted: "That the flag of the thirteen united states be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation." The number of the stripes having been increased by the admission of new states, the prohibition of the nation's future development dawned upon our fathers, the original thirteen stripes were unchangeably restored by act of congress on April 4, 1818, when it was enacted: "That from and after the fourth day of July next, the flag of the United States be thirteen horizontal stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be twenty stars, white in a blue field, and that on the admission of a new state into the union one star be added to the union of the flag, and such addition take effect on the fourth day of July next, succeeding such admission."

Since the struggle of 1861-1865, the flag has become the symbol of a mighty nation. It has been carried to the utmost parts of the earth, carrying liberty wherever it has been thrown to the breeze.

Must Be Watchful.
At this time of the great European war, the limits of its baleful influences are not confined to the theatre of the awful conflict, but our own country is in great danger of being involved in its consequence, and patriotism and love of our wonderful country is called for more than ever, that we may be watchful against those who would involve us and do us ill.

We are now in the midst of an anxious time in all our nation, again calling for an expression of our most sincere devotion to the flag of our country, and what it stands for. The stars and stripes, have come to possess new beauty for friendly eyes and new terror for the foes of liberty, and of law and order, and of lawful government. We respectfully appeal to the president of the United States of America, the governors of all the states of our land, and to the mayor of each American city, to herald the coming and celebration of Flag day, June 14, 1915, by proclamation: we call upon every public officer, every teacher of the youth of our country, the editors of all newspapers, the daily instructors of the youth of our land, to call public attention, to arouse enthusiasm, and to provide for public exercises and general celebration of the day.

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Jitneys Poor Man's Car.
KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 13.—Why did union labor come to the support of the jitneys when a drastic ordinance threatened to drive the "nickel chasers" from the streets?
Every labor leader will answer without hesitation that the jitney is the poor man's auto and labor represents the poor man. Many a laboring man's family never saw the inside of a touring car until the jitney arrived. Now he can take them all for a joy ride in a big touring car for the price they used to spend for street car trips. True, the rides are shorter but they are auto rides just the same and tend to satisfy the craving for a motor ride on the boulevards.

Jitney rides to the parks this summer promised to be an important part of the poor man's outing. The "rubber neck wagon" has surrendered. Those who want to "See Kansas City" now take the jitneys. Knocked out of their 50 cent business, the sight seeking cars have joined the ranks of the enemy. They have turned "nickel chasers" themselves.

English Sparrows in Capital.
[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, May 13.—The District of Columbia wisens to reduce the English sparrow population. Dr. A. K. Fisher, of the biological survey was asked how and he suggested three ways: Strychnine, funnel traps and Roman candles. Of the three, Dr. Fisher most strongly recommended the candles. A volley through the trees in which the birds are roosting will rid any neighborhood of the pest, he says.

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