

# MACHINERY ARRIVES FOR BELL BOARD

### HALF A CARLOAD OF EQUIPMENT IN LOCAL YARDS FOR MISSOULA PLANT.

A half a carload of material arrived yesterday for the Bell Telephone company to be used in installing three additional sections on the local switchboard, in order to give more operating room. It will require about 60 days to complete this improvement, though Superintendent Sommers telegraphed orders to hurry the installation as rapidly as possible.

# KERR CONTEST PRIZES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

The prizes which the O. W. Kerr Land company is offering to the school children of Missoula and the surrounding county are far more liberal than generally put up. Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, and other northwestern cities have had prize money up for essays like this, but they have been only small amounts. Even then the teachers have taken great interest in the matter and had special days set apart for the particular description. In Missoula's case, \$100 has been left with the chamber of commerce to be distributed in premiums to the school children for the best essay or article on the Bitter Root valley, of not more than 250 words and covering five topics—climate, scenery, water, social conditions and profit in apple culture. The first prize is \$25, the second \$20, the third \$15 and so on down, making a total of 17 in all. The contest will close May 1 and all the school children are invited and urged to mail their compositions to the chamber of commerce, where they will be passed upon by three competent judges.

# LINK MERCANTILE COMPANY TO MOVE

This well-known clothing and furnishings establishment has purchased the stock of merchandise at 125 Higgins avenue, where they will continue business. The change is looked forward to as a good one, as the location on the avenue is a much better one than the present location on Front street, however true this may be the future will prove. The vital question at this time is how to close out a \$30,000 stock of high-class men's wearables in the short time left before the expiration of the lease at 103 West Front, May 15. There is no room for the goods at the new location, as that store is already stocked to overflow. The only alternative is to sell the goods, so they have decided to sell them even though it were at a loss. Better to have a few real dollars than a lot of merchandise stored in some basement.

# CONTRACT IS LET FOR SCOTT HOUSE

Emmanuel Nelson has taken the contract for building Dr. J. L. Scott's new home, recently designed by J. Hamhill, architect. The house will be a 10-room, two-story structure of the Craftsman style of architecture. It will be of pebble-dash finish on wire lath and altogether modern in beauty and comfort. There will be hardwood oak floors throughout, beam ceilings and panel work in the three front rooms, a hot-water heating plant and a laundry in the basement. This charming home is to be located on University avenue and it will cost about \$5,000.

## Hunt's Perfect Baking Powder and Flavoring Extracts

are used by thousands of the Best Cooks in the country. Gives Best Results

# E. A. SHERMAN HITS RESPONSIVE CHORD

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The council are at all times welcome and their matters receive instant attention. The representatives of the papers are regular attendants at all meetings, listen to all discussions and keep the people advised daily as to what is being said and done in addition to the information contained in the regular council proceedings, which are published each month in pamphlet form for general distribution. The commission plan council of the city of Cedar Rapids has never held a meeting behind closed doors.

### Great Accomplishments.

"What has been accomplished? I will not weary you with the detail of the past three years. No startling reforms have been worked, for Cedar Rapids was not a graft-ridden city under the old plan. Probably the worst that might be said is that there was a general laxness of public supervision and in many instances an unwise and extravagant expenditure of the public funds. Each year the expenditure of a little more money than the receipts of last year.

"But here are a few of the things that have been done. A badly disorganized and depleted police force has been brought under civil service provisions, disciplined, added to, uniformed and made to do effective service. A new police station and jail have been provided, Bertillon identification system installed and other betterments made, at an expense of more than \$8,500.

"The police department cash income from fines, penalties, ambulance fees, dog tax and such sources, has been increased from \$1,216.31 during the last 29 months of the old administration to \$12,426.38 during the first 29 months of the commission plan, ending January 1, 1910, with no perceptible increase in number of arrests or convictions, which means the injection of a little common honesty into the police department.

### Public Improvements.

"In the public improvement department the work accomplished the past three summers has been almost beyond belief, being far in excess of that accomplished in the three times that length of time under the old plan of city government and includes among other items, ten and one-half miles of brick block paving, laid on concrete base, nearly three miles of tar treated macadam paving, curb and gutter, 104,776 feet of concrete curbing; 15 miles of cement sidewalk; 29,304 feet of sanitary sewers; 14,397 feet of storm water sewers, and three new bridges, one of them a concrete structure, 650 feet in length, to say nothing of extraordinary repairs to pavement and drainage and exceptional work in the sprinkling and cleaning of the streets.

"This work has been honestly done and in full compliance with the terms of the contract. In the fall of 1908 a contractor paved a large section of the city with brick blocks which did not meet the abrasion test specified in the contract. For the first and only time in the history of the city the council, under the commission plan, refused to accept and assess the work. With the result that the imperfect brick were removed and replaced with brick which did meet the test. A similar contract was in 1909 thought that "skipped" work would slide through, has learned his lesson in several blocks of walk for which he can collect nothing.

### JUST ARRIVED

New waists of pongee and China silk; nice tailored effects, with double French cuffs, \$4.00 and \$5.00.

# The PARISIAN

120 Higgins Avenue

### Beautiful Neckwear

Jabots, Dutch collars, stiff embroidered collars, Irish crochet neckwear, 15¢ and up.

## To exemplify what we can do in the way of bargain-giving, and what we only--The Parisian--as none other can do, with pencil and price ticket, we offer for Tuesday, Wednesday, and the balance of the week, if they last that long.

# 150 Foulard, Pongee, Satin and Taffeta Dresses at \$10.95

Not a dress in the lot that is worth less than \$18.50, and most of them regularly sold as high as \$22.50. The colorings cover the widest range, the materials as mentioned above. Sizes 16 to 42.

One pretty model is a natural color pongee with a bodice and peasant sleeve of polka dot foulard, topped with a net lace yoke which is prettily piped with cerise colored velvet. Same piping applied on lace cuff. The high waist effect with a narrow belt of foulard and the 8-inch foulard band on bottom of skirt should insure the speedy exit of this dress from the rack.

There are many other styles equally attractive. Your choice, this week only, \$10.95.



### Ladies' Spring Suits

### Ladies' Spring Coats

### All New Models This Week Only

## 25% Discount



### Ladies' Dress Skirts

Braided Panamas, \$3.75 and up.  
Voiles, \$7.75 and up.  
French serges, \$6.50 and up.  
Khaki, divided riding skirts, \$5.

## Wash Dresses for Misses

Plaids, plain and striped gingham, linon sailor dresses, dimity dresses, sizes 14 to 20.

### \$6.00 and Up

## Millinery News

That Should Interest You

All our \$5.50 to \$7.00 trimmed dress hats this week.

### \$4.75

## Notions, Hosiery, Gloves, Etc.

Kaysers' 2-button silk gloves, all colors, 50¢  
Onyx silk hose, 25¢  
White wash belts, mother-of-pearl buckles, 35¢  
Latest novelties in veilings, all colors, yard, 30¢  
C. B. a la Spirite corset, best in the land, \$1.10 up  
Waists of French mull, entire yoke Irish crochet lace, \$2.95  
\$2.00 grade fine muslin petticoats, \$1.10  
Little tots' fine lawn dresses, sizes 2 to 5, 85¢  
Long string coral beads, 75¢  
Kaysers' chamoisette gloves, 40¢  
15-inch willow plumes, white and black, \$4.50  
Colored embroidered tailored waist linen, collar attached, \$1.50  
Embroidered waists in tan linon, \$1.45

## Hair Goods

Puffs, curls, transformations, switches, hair rolls, hair nets, etc., specially reduced for this week only.

### sewer bonds to the amount of \$62,000 have been issued, so that today, after three years of commission plan management, the bonded indebtedness of our city shows a net reduction of \$95,000.

### Inventory Inaugurated.

"But the real success of the plan in Cedar Rapids, from a financial point of view, is shown by the city inventory. The city did not have an inventory prior to the inauguration of the commission plan. One was taken as of January 1, 1908, and in it was listed all the city's visible assets, also all the city's liabilities. It showed that Cedar Rapids had a net worth of \$43,168.45. A similar inventory, taken January 1, 1911, with the same items listed, and nothing added except the actual cash amounts expended in the interim, gave Cedar Rapids a net worth of \$878,806.24. In other words, Cedar Rapids, under three years of plain business management, under the commission plan, has almost doubled its net assets.

### Additional Evidences.

"There are other matters of which I might tell you, showing the progress in our city under the commission plan of management. With the view of improving and beautifying Cedar Rapids according to a comprehensive scheme, Charles Mulford Robinson, civic expert, was retained and his report as to the needs of the community and the changes necessary to secure these betterments has done much to stimulate local interest in a more beautiful city. In the time since his report was made public, many of the improvements suggested by him have been completed, and others are in process of accomplishment. But best of all, that which has been done is part of a harmonious general scheme, without which no uniform or effective development is possible. The street lighting system has been largely increased. The unsightly old waste-paper cans, with their disfiguring theatrical advertisements, which stood on the street corners, have been replaced by slightly receptacles of approved design. The list is almost endless.

"But all these things are mere matters of administration, possible of accomplishment under any form of city government, suggests some one. Tell of something done under the commission plan that was impossible of accomplishment under the old ward system.

the very heart of Bohemia town—that section of the city peopled almost exclusively by those who opposed the adoption of the commission plan in Cedar Rapids and who at the city election forgot the men who were successful at the polls.

"Now we are building a reinforced concrete bridge at Third avenue, connecting the city island with both banks of the river. It will be a magnificent structure, nearly 70 feet in width, and will cost about \$155,000. The cash to pay for that bridge is now in the city treasury, put there through the sale of city bridge certificates on bonds that are so gilt-edged that the Chicago trust company which finally secured them in open competition paid the sum of \$4,945 premium and secured interest on these 4 1/2 per cent obligations.

## 30 ft. Bowels—

Biggest organ of the body—the bowels—and the most important—It's got to be looked after—neglect means suffering and years of misery. CASCARETS help nature keep every part of your bowels clean and strong—then they act right—means health to your whole body.

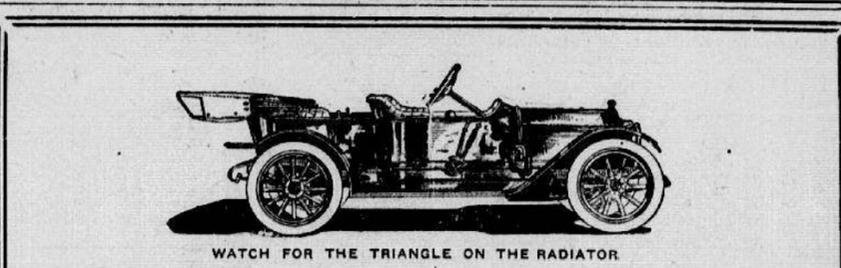
CASCARETS are a box for a week's treatment. All druggists. Biggest seller in the world—Million boxes a month.



## For the Easter Feast

You should certainly have us supply the meats. Then will it be a feast in fact as well as name. We have been fortunate enough to secure some extra choice meats for the Easter holidays. Don't fail to try them or you will miss the finest meat treat of your life.

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