

# SPEAKS ABOUT PUEBLO SERVICE

## GAS MAN TELLS ABOUT THE WONDERFUL SERVICE GIVEN IN PUEBLO.

Today Pueblo appreciates gas service and the gas man's traditional devotion to duty as it never did before, says R. B. Wagner of the local company who has made a close study of the work there since the flood. Every person in the city will tell you why. It is because the gas company, of all the public utility companies in that flood-stricken city was the first to resume service.

"The gas is on," was the first joyful news shouted by the city of 65,000 people who were suddenly thrown back to the primitive days of a hundred years ago. How that heroic feat was performed is one of the unwritten chapters of Pueblo's catastrophe until today. It may be told now, however, without fear of exaggeration.

Two separate floods of equal volume hurled themselves upon the city; one on the evening of Friday, June 3rd, and the other on the afternoon of Sunday, June 5th. Water from ten to fifteen feet high swept over and engulfed some 325 city blocks, putting every public utility out of business—gas, electric light and power, street railway, steam railroad, telegraph and telephone. The entire plant of the Pueblo Gas and Fuel Company was submerged in water from eight to nine feet deep.

So sudden did the first flood arrive that stokers pulling red-hot coals from the flaming gas retorts were obliged to drop their rakes and flee for their lives. Almost immediately the plant was inundated by a veritable Niagara. Not until five o'clock the next morning had the water subsided enough to permit the gas men to enter the plant by boat and inventory the damage. All day Saturday they worked as best they could, but their efforts were stopped and all preliminary work destroyed when the second flood hit the city the following day.

Undaunted, they again waited with boats and early Monday morning, as soon as it was possible to get into the plant they resumed work with a vengeance. It was a tough job. Two feet of oozy mud covered the plant. Five feet of water was in the furnace pits. Boiler furnaces, blowers, engines—everything, was covered with mud. The barn at the plant had been washed away and with it, horses, wagons and motor trucks. Mains were broken, twisted, destroyed. The flood had done its work well.

But there could be no delay in resuming service, no matter what the odds were. The deprivation of gas service was perhaps more serious than any other public necessity except water. Coal ranges were few and fuel practically unobtainable. Community cooking was largely employed and cooked food was at a premium. "We must have gas service and have it quick" was the command of military and municipal authorities.

The gas man's response was immediate, heroic. Equipped with hip boots they set to their task like veterans. There was no resting, no sleeping. Monday morning the work began. Monday night the first real progress had been made. Tuesday morning efforts were redoubled. By noon there began to be hopes and by 4:30 p. m. the same day—Tuesday, June 7—gas was turned into the mains in the principal portion of the city, the first essential public utility service to be resumed. Only forty-eight hours previous, the plant had been under nine feet of water.

None but gas men can appreciate the terrible physical effort that made this feat possible. And the citizens of Pueblo now have a truer sense of the indispensable character of their public utility enterprises.

Today gas men in every part of the country are congratulating their fellow workers in Pueblo because they bravely met the severest test that can be imposed upon men in the public utility business and gloriously lived up to the gas industry's unbroken tradition of putting Service First above every other consideration.

**GARDEN NOTES**  
Mildew on Rambler roses may be controlled by dusting the plants every few days with finely powdered sulphur.

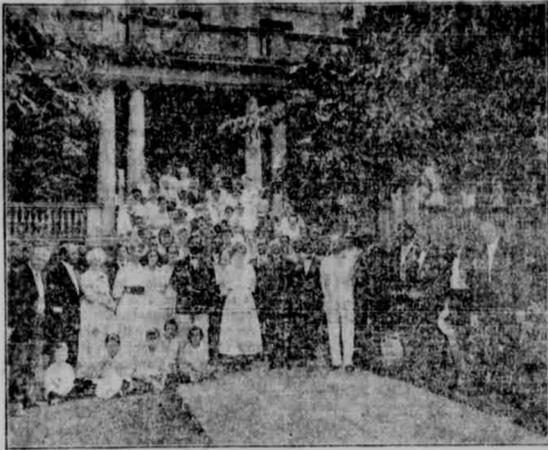
Better cut out and destroy all old canes of raspberries and blackberries soon after the fruit is all harvested. This aids in controlling insects and diseases and gives one an opportunity to thin out the new shoots so that they make a better growth and bear more fruit the next year.

When renewing the old strawberry bed the tops should be moved and burned as soon as possible after the crop is harvested. When the plants are grown in hills it is important after cutting tops to draw a little fresh soil over and around the plants to induce the formation of new roots above the old ones. Matted row plants should be thinned by plowing or deep cultivation each side of the rows leaving only a narrow row of plants. The remaining plants should then be thinned by hoeing to stand several inches apart in order to leave fresh soil for the new runner plants to develop.

When setting late cabbage and celery plants clip off about one-half of the tops to prevent wilting and loss of plants.

Money spent with us buys not only good coal but satisfaction and reliability as well. Brown-Ward Co., phone 27—604f.

# THE ALMA SUMMER CONFERENCE



The seventh annual summer conference to be held at Alma College next week, promises to be one of the most interesting conferences yet held for the young people and the Bible school workers of the Presbyterian church.

These conferences, thirty of which are held in the United States during the summer, are fostered by various Presbyterian Boards. The boards interested in the promoting of the conferences are the Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work, The Women's Board of Home Missions,

The Board of Missions for Freedmen, the Board of Foreign Missions, The Women's Board of Foreign Missions, The Board of Home Missions and the Board of Education.

Each board which is interested in the conference gives it its best leadership for the work, and this leadership is supplemented by specialists who are secured from other church agencies.

Each year the conference here, which is one of the two held in Michigan attracts a larger attendance. The photos shown above are of Alma conferences.

## Weather and Crop Bulletin

### Weather Conditions

The temperature and sunshine continued much above the normal during the past week. Moderate to heavy showers fell over the southern and light scattered showers over the northern counties; the latter fell mostly along the shore of Lake Michigan and drought conditions are still serious over most of the northern sections of the state.

High temperatures and abundant sunshine combined with copious showers during the past week were conducive to remarkable crop growth. Corn advanced rapidly and some early potatoes are ready for digging.

Winter wheat and winter rye harvest is general in the southern counties; in fact, the securing of the late hay crop has been postponed to make way for the harvesting of the rapidly maturing grains. Late potatoes, sugar beets, beans and pickles are in splendid condition.

In the northern counties the showers have been scattered and generally light, and have fallen mostly along the Lake Michigan shore. Drought conditions in the interior counties are still serious. Pastures are dried up, the hay crop is very light, and corn is beginning to roll.

Early potatoes are poor; late potatoes are drying on in the ground. In some localities oats are heading on straw so short that it will be difficult to harvest them, and wheat and rye are not filling well. A show cherry crop is being harvested and the berry crop is drying up on the vines.

**Local Weather Summary**  
The weather summary shows that in June, 1921, the highest temperature for the month equals the highest mark set since 1905. The high mark for June was 93, which was also equaled in 1913. With three exceptions the monthly average was also the highest since 1905.

With three exceptions the total rainfall during the month was the greatest of any June since 1905. All-male big hail storm took place in June of 1911, some hail stones measuring 1 1/2 inches in length by two and three inches in width, says Fred Delevan, local observer.

The high mark for June, 1921, in temperature was 96, and the minimum was 34, this being on June 5. The total precipitation for the month was 4.32 inches, the greatest amount in 21 hours being 1.84 inches on June 11. On 11 days 0.1 or more inches of precipitation fell. There were 17 clear days during the month, 11 partly cloudy and 2 cloudy.

### GOOD ROADS TOUR STARTS

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Ontario; then south through Michigan to Detroit.

Forty-cars and trucks and approximately 200 tourists accompanied the motorcade. Twelve men prominent in the good roads work in Canada and the United States will accompany the tour to do the speech making for the 67 good roads rallies enroute. The tour also carries a band and male quartet. No hotels will be used by the tourists, the road boosters being lodged in barns in large buildings. The train of nine light trucks will carry folding cots, blankets and baggage for the tourists.

The first night's stop is in Lansing, the Michigan Capitol, where Governor Alex Groesbeck and former Governor Chase S. Osborn, make the speeches at the good roads meeting on the Capitol lawn. The entire tour party will be the guest of the Reo Motor Car Company, and will be fed and lodged in the Lansing factory's club house.

Your grocer sells Butternut Bread and you as a host of his customers want the best.—00-8w.

# Classified Ads

Ads under this head charged for at the rate of one cent a word, with a minimum charge of 25 cents. Positively no ads will be taken for this column without cash in advance. All ads telephoned in must be paid for before day of publication to insure insertion.

## WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS

**WANTED**—Women to take nurses training course. Good salary paid while in training. The Carney Private Hospital, Alma, Mich. 85-4f-c

**WANTED**—Carloads of baled hay. Phone me and I will come and see your hay. C. A. Kates, phone 400, Alma, Mich. 209 E. Dowdle St. 85-4f-c

**WANTED**—A six room furnished house in good residential section, preferably downtown. Inquire at the Record office. 3-4f-c

**MEN AND WOMEN**—Earn twenty to thirty dollars a week in your spare time. Pleasant easy work. No competition for those who start first. J. W. Westhorn, 4296 Lake Park ave., Chicago. 00-3e

**WANTED**—A salesman that knows the people of Alma and vicinity to sell automobiles. References required. Inquire at Alma Record office. 00-4f-c

**WANTED**—An agent wanted in Alma, St. Louis, Brainerd and Breckenridge. Steady pleasant work and good pay. C. A. Kipp, Alma, Mich., 818 Pine ave. 1p

**WANTED**—To hear from owner of good farm for sale. State cash price, full particulars, D. F. Bush, Minneapolis, Minn. 7-6-c-wap

**WANTED**—A second hand electric washer in good condition. Inquire 218 Grant ave. 5-3p

## LOST AND FOUND

**FOUND**—An auto trailer. Inquire at Geo. Kuyper. 7-1p

**LOST**—A black imitation leather suit case, between Standard Oil Co. and two miles west. Return to 132 E. Superior st. and receive reward. 7-1e

## FOR RENT

**FOR RENT**—House with seven rooms and bath, garage. Furnished or unfurnished. Inquire 413 Central ave. 05-4f-c

**FOR RENT**—Two modern flats. Inquire of P. W. Crosser. 85-4f-c

**FOR RENT**—A house with furnace, well, garage, \$12.00 per month, 711 Allen St. Inquire Mrs. Jno. Murphy at Murphy's drug store. 7-1p

## FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

**FOR SALE**—Detroit Vapor Cabinet gasoline or kerosene range in first class condition. Gratiot County Gas Co. 00-2e

**FOR SALE**—Steel drums for oil or gasoline. Fifty-gallon drum \$4, 30-gallon drum \$2.50. Shreeve & Bueanning, Chevrolet Garage, Alma, Mich., W. Superior St.

**FOR SALE**—or will trade—1920 Chevrolet 490 touring car, fully equipped 1918 490 Chevrolet roadster, 1917 Ford touring car \$200, Buick speedster \$50, Chalmers touring car \$125, would make a good truck. Terms to responsible parties. Shreeve & Bueanning, Chevrolet Garage, Alma. 00-3e

**FOR SALE**—A modern seven-room house with garage. A bargain if taken at once. H. B. Luech, 128 Rockingham ave. 7-2p

**Once more we have gone over our allotment and for the month of June we sold and delivered twenty-one Fords.** During the months of April, May and June the Ford out-put of cars was 301,796 or 80,600 more than was produced in the corresponding months a year ago. The July schedule calls for 109,000 cars or a car every six and one-half seconds or practically 10 cars a minute. In spite of this enormous production the factory is behind in shipments.

What is the reason for this great demand for Ford cars? Simply that the people are beginning to realize that they do not have to pay big money for a good dependable product but that they can get a Ford, go where any car can go and in a great many cases will go where a larger car will not go, and the owner knows that he always has at his command the wonderful Ford service and that he does not have to tie his car up for days at a time waiting for repairs to be shipped from some distant part of the country.

Let us demonstrate to you the Ford T Touring, Coupe or Sedan and we can assure you we can please the most exacting.

**JOHNSON & THOMPSON**  
Ford and Fordson Sales and Service  
ALMA, MICHIGAN

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Let us make up a pair for you  
**J. P. LOSEY**  
Registered Optometrist

**FOR SALE**—A good cow. Telephone 835 Black. 216 Mechanic St. 061f-c

**FOR SALE**—1920 Overland sedan, good shape, finish like new. Cash or terms, might consider same on trade for first payment on house or take cheaper car in trade. Inquire for Redman at postoffice. 06-1f-c

**FOR SALE**—A Cable piano. Bargain if taken at once. 109 S. Grover ave. 7-1-c

**FOR SALE**—Two brood sows and six pigs. Inquire of Carrie Sandels, Alma, R-2. Phone 8-181L. 7-1p

**FOR SALE**—Or will rent, a ten room all modern house. Inquire of C. R. Huffman, 292 O. Hard st. 7-1p

## MISCELLANEOUS

**NOTICE**—Give our Fish Brand fertilizer a trial and let them prove their worth. We have 1/2-10-1 and 1-8-2 for beets and beans, 2-12-2 for corn. We also have a large stock of Michigan State Prison binder twine. Get your supply now to make room for other stock and avoid disappointment at harvest. Smith & Walstow, phone 5, rings 5, Alma. 00-4f-c

**NOTICE**—Have your car washed and polished at Wright House Garage, phone 626. Car called for and returned. 93-4f-c

**NOTICE**—Household goods stored at Wright House Garage. See us for rates. Phone 626. 93-4f-c

**NOTICE**—Try the new laundry. All work guaranteed. 218 W. Superior street, phone 715, R. 78-4f-c

## NOTICE

Alma, Mich., July 1st, 1921  
The regular annual school district meeting of School District No. 1 fractional, Arcada and Pine River townships will be held in the high school auditorium in said school district on Monday evening, the eleventh day of July, 1921, at the hour of eight o'clock p. m. on above date; for the purpose of electing two trustees on the Board of Education for a term of three years each; also for the purpose of transacting such other business that may properly come before the qualified voters of said district.  
Signed: A. J. Archer, Secretary.

## NOTICE

City taxes are now due and payable any time from July 8 to September 15, 1921, without any penalty, and from September 15 to November 1, 1921, four (4%) per cent will be added to the amount of June taxes.  
Dated, Alma, Mich., July 7, 1921.  
D. W. Adams, City Treasurer.

## NOTICE

We would be pleased to show you samples of Cannon coal. Brown-Ward Co., phone 27—604f.



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In hot weather, when every kitchen task is made doubly trying by the alluring call of a shady porch, —that's when you'll appreciate the Hoosier most.

For Hoosier cuts kitchen work in two, not only makes your work easier, but enables you to get through sooner. If you ever needed a Hoosier, you need it now.

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These special terms enable you to simplify your kitchen work at once. Come in and let us explain this proposition.

# Crandell & Scott

Furniture and Undertaking

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The Alma State Savings Bank AT ALMA, MICHIGAN

at the close of business June 30th, 1921, as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

RESOURCES		LOANS AND DISCOUNTS, viz:	
<b>Commercial</b>		Secured by collateral 17,118.64	
a Secured by collateral		b Unsecured 352,017.48	
c Items in transit 1,774.28		Total 370,910.40	
<b>Savings</b>		a Secured by collateral 49,486.10	
b Unsecured 49,486.10		Totals 49,486.10 419,851.50	
<b>BONDS, MORTGAGES AND SECURITIES, viz:</b>		<b>Savings</b>	
a Real Estate Mortgages 231,824.22		Total 231,824.22 231,824.22	
<b>RESERVES, viz:</b>		<b>Commercial</b>	
Due from banks in Reserve		Cities 15,050.70	
Exchanges for clearing house 2,985.03		Total cash on hand 7,214.32	
Total 27,250.00		<b>Savings</b>	
Due from Banks in Reserve		Cities 3,219.58	
U. S. Bonds and Cert. of Ind. carried as legal reserve in Sav. Dept. only 20,000.00		Total cash on hand 11,000.00	
Totals 34,219.58		61,575.64	
<b>COMBINED ACCOUNTS, viz:</b>		Overdrafts 1,169.98	
Banking House 16,000.00		Furniture and Fixtures 4,500.00	
Outside Checks and other Cash 1,289.39		Items 736,210.73	
Total 736,210.73		<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Capital Stock paid in 50,000.00		Surplus Fund 30,000.00	
Undivided Profits, net 6,069.95		Dividends Unpaid 5,020.00	
Reserved for Taxes, Interest, etc.		<b>COMMERCIAL DEPOSITS, viz:</b>	
Comm'l Deposits sub. to ck. 226,452.49		Demand Certificate of Deposit 25.00	
Certified Checks 24.00		Cashier's Checks 2,067.49	
Total 228,590.88		228,590.88	
<b>SAVINGS DEPOSITS, viz:</b>		Book Accounts—subject to Savings By-Laws 116,175.15	
Certificates of Deposit—Subject to Savings By-Laws 199,354.75		Total 315,529.90	
Bills Payable 101,000.00		Bonds Sold subject to repurchase. 736,210.73	
Total 736,210.73		<b>STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Gratiot, ss.</b>	
I, Karl R. Adams, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear, that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and correctly represents the true state of the several matters therein contained, as shown by the books of the bank.		KARL R. ADAMS, Cashier.	
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of July, 1921.		H. M. Glass, Notary Public	
My commission expires Nov. 2, 1921.		Correct attest:	
WILLIAM A. BAHLKE		GEO. C. PARSONS	
JOTHAM ALLEN		Directors.	