

ECHOES OF THE ANTE-ROOM

Knights of Pythias Will Move This Week to Wolff's Hall.

OFFICERS WILL BE INSTALLED

State Commander Thomas Will Be Present at the Installation of Maccabees Officers Friday Evening.

Triangle lodge No. 54, Knights of Pythias, will move from Modern Woodman hall to the old quarters at Wolff's hall, Twenty-second and Cumine streets, on January 4.

Next Thursday evening the new officers will be installed with knightly honor. After the meeting the lodge will entertain all present.

Members of other lodges are specially invited to be present and partake of the pleasant hours.

The officers elected for the term of 1912 are: J. L. Alviss, chancellor commander; Henry Hoffman, vice chancellor; J. J. Blake, prelate; H. Friedman, master of exchequer; Chris Boyer, master of finance; J. H. Stine, keeper of records and seal; George Conlon, master of arms; Theodore Pestner, master of war; Charles Schaubert, honor guard; J. M. Macfarland, outer guard; U. B. Balcombe, trustee; Charles Schaubert, grand representative; U. B. Balcombe, alternate.

Commander Will Attend.

Omaha tent No. 75, Knights of the Maccabees, had a large attendance at the review Friday evening. Four applications were acted on and the team initiated two. Preparations are being made for the installation of the newly elected officers on Friday evening. State Commander Thomas of Lincoln will be present and install the officers. All members and their families are invited to be present.

Entertainment Is Planned.

Alpha camp No. 1, Woodmen of the World, will install its officers for the year 1912 Wednesday evening in Harig's hall, Nineteenth and Farnam streets. Sovereign Commander J. C. Root having consented to install the officers. The camp entertainment committee has prepared an interesting program for the evening. They promise something new in the entertainment line never before attempted by a fraternal society. This entertainment, while not exclusively for members of the camp, is limited to members of the order only.

I. O. O. F.

The Omaha lodge will install officers on the following dates of this week: Omaha No. 2, January 5; Beacon No. 30, January 2; Waseo No. 183, January 2; Jonathan No. 225, January 5.

Omaha lodge No. 2 gave an entertainment last Friday evening, consisting of speaking, music and dancing. Odd View of Central Bluffs gave an interesting talk on the "Aims of Odd Fellowship," following which refreshments were served in the banquet room. Dancing was indulged in from 9 to 12 o'clock.

Omaha lodge No. 2 will have work in the initiatory degree next Friday night.

Dagmar Rebekah lodge No. 42 will have four candidates for degree work on January 10.

Waseo lodge No. 183 celebrated its Christmas festival with a Christmas tree and a dance at Odd Fellows hall last Wednesday evening.

Danneberg lodge No. 216 had a Christmas tree and a dance at its hall last evening.

Schools Preparing for Commencement

The latter part of January will be a busy time in local school circles. During the last week of the month the mid-term commencement exercises will be held. A speaker has not been secured, but several are being considered and it is not unlikely that a local man will be asked to speak. The second semester begins the first of February. This will be a busy week for teachers and students. In the latter part of February a meeting of the superintendents' department of the National Educational association will be held in St. Louis and Superintendent E. U. Graff and many of his principals will attend.

NEW HOME FOR SWANSON ON CUMING STREET SOON

N. P. Swanson has had plans drafted by Architects Nippel & Bellas for a new undertaking establishment at the southeast corner of Seventeenth and Cumine streets. It will have a unique front, made of brick of three colors, stone and buff cement. It will be two stories high, with a chapel on the ground floor. The cost will be approximately \$10,000. Plans are now in the hands of contractors for bids.

COMMISSIONER BLANKS READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

Blanks for candidates for commissioner at the spring election will be ready for distribution from the city clerk's office Tuesday, January 2. City Clerk Dan Butler will not honor petitions that have been circulated heretofore, accepting only those on the regular blank. These blanks may be obtained by calling at the clerk's office.

O. H. S. CLASS 1910 REUNION

Members Meet for Their Second Annual Function at the Home of Miss Haarmann.

The class of 1910 of the Omaha High school held its second annual reunion Friday at the home of Miss Eliza Haarmann, 1224 South Thirty-fifth avenue. A large number of the members were present and enjoyed a pleasant evening in talking over old times and relating past reminiscences. A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected: President, Mr. Will Wentworth; vice president, Miss Eliza Haarmann; treasurer, Mr. Leon Nelson; secretary, Miss Irma Gross; sergeant-at-arms, Miss Nellie Pritchard and Mr. Strehlow. The bronze tablet, which is the gift of this class to the Omaha High school, was exhibited to those present. The bronze tablet is twenty-four by thirty inches. On it is a brief history of the Omaha High school from its beginning to the present day. The tablet is to be placed in the hallway of the new west wing. After the business meeting a piano solo was rendered by Miss Helen Taylor. Prof. Bernstein and Miss Eugenie Mackin, the class teacher, gave short, appropriate talks. Miss Mackin, on behalf of the Omaha High school, especially commended the class on its unique gift. Refreshments were served the latter part of the evening.

Real Live-Wire Boy



LAFE MERCER, A 10-YEAR-OLD LAD WHO DELIVERS THE BEE ON A ROUTE AT KEARNEY, NEB.

INVADE U. P. HEADQUARTERS

Throngs of Visitors Received by Officials in New Building.

RECEPTION LASTS ALL DAY

Little Work Was Done Everyone Having Been Kept Busy Entertaining the Many Guests.

Regardless of the fact that the mercury followed the tube to a point considerably below zero and the brisk northwest wind blew the snow into drifts along the streets, several thousand people visited the new Union Pacific headquarters building between the hours of 10 and 4 yesterday. The affair was in the nature of a reception, but was entirely informal. Practically complete in every detail, the \$1,500,000 office building, twelve stories high, at Fifteenth and Dodge streets, was thrown open to the public at 10 o'clock and from that hour until closing time in the afternoon the crowds surged through the corridors, the public and the private rooms. There was no place that the "keep out" sign was visible and the people of Omaha were just as much at home in the private office of President Mohler as in the space outside of the rail of the public ticket office. All day long the visitors trooped through the offices and departments.

From Cellar to Garret.

They secured information concerning the sending of wireless telegrams and telegraph messages; they witnessed the feeding of the various departments up into the offices of the treasurer, where thousands of dollars were being paid to the employees, the occasion being the regular monthly pay day for the 1,000 or more persons who work in the building.

Everybody connected with the Union Pacific Railroad company, from President Mohler down to the humblest employe, came in for congratulations. There was a profusion of flowers everywhere, huge bouquets of roses and other cut flowers reposing on the desks, having been sent in by friends.

Although there was a semblance of routine work during the morning hours, the work that was performed did not amount to much, as visitors did not hesitate to bolt into an office, no matter if an official was dictating a private or personal communication to a higher official, or a friend.

Everybody Lends a Hand.

No one in particular did the honors. The heads of the various departments were all in their rooms to receive. As the crowds came these heads showed the visitors through their respective departments and passed them on, the clerks helping to answer the many questions and explain the intricacies of scientific railroading.

The elevator men, for the first time, were clad in their spik and span dark blue new suits and caps of the same color, ornamented with gold buttons and gold braid. In the corridors there was an army of janitors and assistants, each man clad in a spotless uniform of white. While these men were not at work during the day they gave practical illustrations of how to chase dirt.

A Viper in the Stomach

is dyspepsia, complicated with liver and kidney troubles. Electric Bitters help all such cases or no pay. Try them. 50c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

The key to success in business is the judicious and persistent use of newspaper advertising.



This institution is the only one in the central west with separate buildings situated in their own ample grounds, yet entirely distinct and rendering it possible to classify cases. The one building being fitted for and devoted to the treatment of noncontagious and nonmental diseases, no others being admitted. The other Rest Cottage being designed for and devoted to the exclusive treatment of select mental cases, requiring for a time watchful care and special nursing.

JUDGES ARRANGE DOCKETS

Judge Sutton Will Preside Over the Criminal Division.

KENNEDY KEEPS JUVENILE

All the Old Judges Reappoint Their Old Bailiffs—M. L. Sears to Be Bailiff in Judge Leslie's Court.

Judge Lee S. Estelle, for the last two years presiding judge of the Douglas county district court and judge of the criminal division of the district court, will retire from these posts with the beginning of the new year, 1912, and will be succeeded by Judge Abraham L. Sutton of the law division, according to the program mapped out by the seven judges of the district court today.

The judicial college's annual meeting on January 1 will be a mere formality. Disposition of all matters in connection with the beginning of the new court year was made yesterday and Monday's meeting will be merely for the purpose of ratifying the action and making it a matter of record. The law requires that the regular annual meeting be held on the first working day of the year.

Judge Estelle will take Docket No. 4 in the law division, now held by Judge William A. Rodick, who was defeated when he sought reappointment and was retired from the district bench January 4. Judge George A. Day will succeed Judge Sutton with Docket No. 2 in the law division. District Judge Charles Leslie will succeed Judge Day with Docket No. 7 in the law division. Judge William G. Sears will continue with Docket No. 3 in the law division, Judges A. C. Troup, Docket No. 6, and Howard Kennedy, Docket No. 5, equity division, will retain their dockets another year, and Judge Kennedy will continue in charge of the juvenile division. Judge Troup will be judge of Burt county district court and Judge Leslie of the Washington county district court.

Keep Old Bailiffs.

All the re-elected judges will retain their present bailiffs. Joseph W. Morrow, bailiff for Judge Rodick, will succeed the late Frank W. Bandhauer as bailiff for Judge Troup. M. L. Sears will be Judge Leslie's bailiff and Lou Grebe will continue as bailiff in the criminal court room.

Mary Bernstein will continue as chief juvenile officer and no changes will be made in his corps. One of the judges in mentioning this made the possibly significant statement that "there will be no changes so far as the judges are concerned." Elizabeth McCartney and A. H. Voelburg will be substitute juvenile officers to serve in case vacancies occur.

Will Call Grand Jury.

The judges agreed that a grand jury shall be called at the beginning of the February term of court. The law provides that there shall be a grand jury at the first term of every year unless the judges order that there shall be none. The judges said the grand jury will be called for no special purpose, but merely to inquire into such matters as may be brought to its attention.

Dr. George Tilden was reappointed as physician member of the Board of Insanity commissioners, and Alvin Johnson was appointed attorney member.

Terms of court and the times for their beginnings were fixed as follows: Douglas county, February 5, May 6 and October 7. Washington county, March 11 and November 13. Burt county, March 18 and November 18.

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Have Root Paid It. Omaha General Hospital.

Os. Elec. Pictures, Burgess-Grandon. Egyptian Chocolates 30c, Myers-Dillon. Keep Your Money and Valuables in the American Safe Deposit vaults in the Bee building. Boxes rent for \$1 per year.

McGovern Stops a Begging Fakir

Hereafter Henry Isaac will not attempt to sponge upon the good nature of a city councilman. Isaac was sitting on the pavement at Fifteenth and Douglas streets with his legs doubled under him. He was begging. Suddenly a well dressed man appeared, coming towards Isaac.

"Here is where I get a little spare coin," remarked the alleged cripple. Accordingly he put up his most pathetic story to the well dressed and pompous looking individual. For a few minutes the pedestrian listened to the story and then turned to an officer and said, "Take this fakir to jail, and say that Councilman McGovern will appear against him in the morning." Isaac had no trouble in getting to his feet and walking to the patrol box. He was sentenced to fifteen days on the rock pile.

Falls Under Train; Leg is Amputated

Michael Gurnt, a plumber in the employ of Lee Baroch, had his left leg so badly mangled underneath a Union Pacific freight train that it was necessary to amputate the member. Gurnt is 21 years old and lives at Twenty-eighth and Castellar streets. It has been Gurnt's custom to live home in the evenings on westbound freight No. 61, alighting at the Twenty-fourth street viaduct, a few blocks from his home. In alighting at 7 o'clock Friday evening he slipped on the icy roadbed and his leg was thrown across the rail. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, where the injured member was amputated by Dr. Seymour.

ARMSTRONG WILL STAY AWAY FROM HAPPY LAND

Jimmy Armstrong is not contemplating taking his flight to happyland for some time to come and he is perfectly willing to face the new year. James poured a quantity of carbolic acid in a glass of beer and attempted to leave the world, because he said he was broke. He spent his last nickel for the beer. He was rushed to a hospital and was yesterday discharged. About 8:30 o'clock he walked into the same saloon where he attempted to commit suicide. Between his lips he carried a large perfume and pulling from his pocket a huge roll of bills he ordered a glass of amber fluid. The bartender almost had a stroke of heart disease when Armstrong peeled a twenty from the roll and said, "My ship came in; no more trips for me."

BIDS FOR FEEDING COUNTY PRISONERS ARE RECEIVED

Bids for feeding county prisoners and insane persons during next year and bids for many county supplies have been received by the Board of County Commissioners. They were referred to the clerk for tabulation and will be acted upon Tuesday morning. Salary sheets were passed. No other important business was transacted.

Perseverent Advertising is the Road to Big Returns.

Charities Office Open on New Year's

The office of the Associated Charities and the county store will remain open all day Monday, New Year's day. The sudden intense cold has swamped the charities with applicants for assistance and this has led to the decision to keep the office open New Year's day.

Miss Ida V. Jontz, secretary, assisted by the force have been working overtime for two days to meet the calls for help which are continually coming in.

DR. BURRELL MOVING TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Dr. H. L. Burrell, who for twenty-three years has been associated with Dr. D. C. Bryant as oculist and oculist in Omaha, has sold his partnership to Dr. C. M. Schindel of Omaha, the change to take place the first of the year. Dr. Burrell plans to take a half year's rest from active practice. He and his family will leave for California as soon as their residence on South Thirty-sixth street is sold. After a vacation at Long Beach, they will settle permanently in Los Angeles or some other city of southern California.

NEW FILE CLERK NAMED FOR THE COUNTY JUDGE

As announced several weeks ago, a new position, that of file clerk, will be created in the office of the county judge January 4, when County Judge Elect Bryce Crawford will take office. The place will be filled by William McEachern. Harry Kelly has been appointed recorder to succeed Miss L. Dismendler. There will be no other changes in this office.

The employment of a file clerk has been necessitated by the increase of business in the county judge's office.

Key to the Situation—See Advertising.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

A new boy arrived at the home of Henry Rosenthal Friday morning.

William Whitaker, assistant general attorney for the Union Pacific, is at home, sick in bed, threatened with pneumonia.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Our First Great Reduction Sale of Pianos and Player Pianos will begin Wednesday morning, Jan. 3. Full announcement of this sale will appear in Tuesday's evening Omaha papers. It will pay you to give this notice your careful attention.

SCMOLLER & MUELLER PIANO CO. Manufacturers, Wholesalers, Retailers 1311-1313 Farnam St. Omaha

Bargains! Bargains! Bargains!

Women of Omaha will be interested in the attractive bargains published in The Bee by various Omaha merchants Monday morning. All lines will be represented and every woman will find many cut prices on articles she wants. There will be no issue of The Bee Monday evening, but all subscribers will be supplied with copies of the morning edition.

Our Wonderful Reduction Sale Starts Tuesday Morning

Our Entire stock of Women's Coats, Suits, Dresses, Skirts, Furs, Waists, Petticoats and Children's Coats, must be sold, regardless of cost.

We have a tremendous stock of coats and suits on hand, and every garment must be sold during this sale. We are preparing to take a loss of several thousand dollars to gain this point, and never in the history of Omaha merchandising have such values been offered in new up-to-date women's garments.

A point to your advantage, our garments are marked in plain figures the year around. You can quickly prove that these are bona-fide reductions.

- Children's \$5.00 Coats ALL WOOL MATERIALS—MOSTLY SIZE 14—TUESDAY \$1
Women's \$5.00 Skirts WOOL MATERIAL, ALL COLORS; selling less than what the materials cost. TUESDAY \$1
Women's \$5 Silk Waists, Fine quality silk—\$2.98 Tuesday at \$1.98
Misses' \$10.00 Coats Reduced to \$5.00
Misses' \$15.00 Coats Reduced to \$7.90
Misses' \$18.75 Coats Reduced to \$10.00
Misses' \$22.50 Plushes Reduced to \$12.75
Women's \$15.00 Coats Reduced to \$7.90
Women's \$18.75 Coats Reduced to \$10.00
Women's \$29.75 Coats Reduced to \$15.00
Women's \$32.50 Plushes Reduced to \$19.75
Women's \$19.75 Suits Reduced to \$10.00
Women's \$30.00 Suits Reduced to \$15.00
Women's \$15.00 Dresses Reduced to \$7.90
Children's \$10.00 Coats Reduced to \$5.00

Nebraska Clothing Co. "The House of High Merit" FARNAM & FIFTEENTH STS. \$1.50 LINGERIE WAISTS, SLIGHTLY SOILED; TUESDAY—25c \$1.90 LONG KIMONOS, TUESDAY—95c