



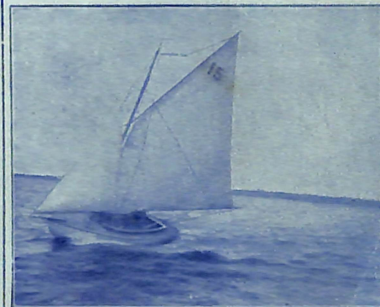
OUR thanks are herewith extended to the three young ladies of Council Bluffs and the three Omaha members of the Council Bluffs Yacht Club for the photos which adorn the covers of this Souvenir.

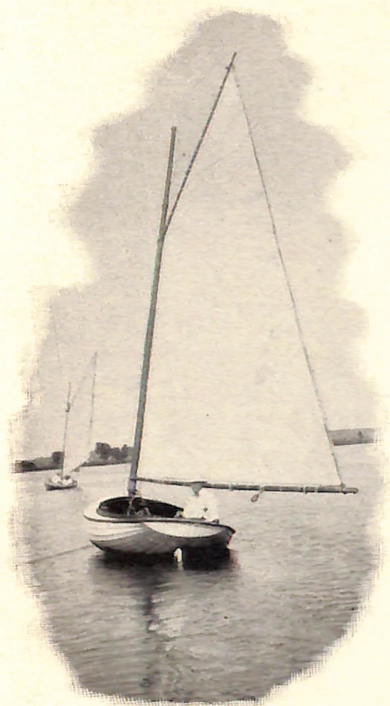
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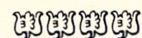
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LAKE MANAWA



MA-NA'-WA (accent on the middle syllable), is a word frequently used in the Indian language, signifying rest, contentment and satisfaction.

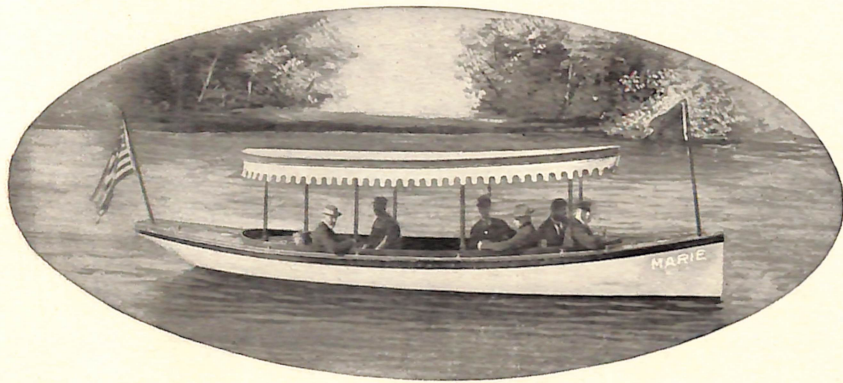
No more appropriate word could possibly have been chosen as a name for the beautiful sheet of water lying eight miles from Omaha and four miles south of Council Bluffs, on the Iowa side of the Missouri river.

Lake Manawa is three miles long and one and one-half miles wide. Its irregularity of shape gives it a shore line of eight and one-half miles, while its area, including the islands, is nearly seven hundred acres. The two islands, Coney and Turtle, and the southwest shore are fringed with green willows and dog-wood, restful to the eye; while the north and south shores are bordered with sycamore, cottonwood, alder and maple, affording delightful shade. But few people, comparatively speaking, living within five miles of this lovely resort realize how little they know of the magnitude and loveliness of Lake Manawa, and the many and varied pleasures to be obtained by an extended exploration of it.

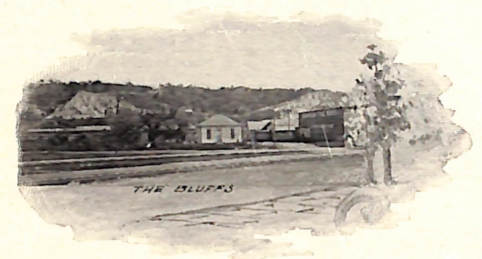




CAMPING AT MANHATTAN BEACH PARK, LAKE MANAWA



CAMP life at Manawa is where solid comfort comes in; there you have plenty of time for everything. You take a dip at the beach at sunrise, eat a hearty breakfast, take a rowboat and spend the forenoon on a fishing and exploring expedition; in the afternoon enjoy the cool lake breeze from your hammock reading the latest novel; attend the free band concerts and theater casino in the evening; then wind up the later hours with a moonlight row on the lake, back to camp, where quiet and peaceful dreams await you. There you fully realize the meaning of the word Manawa—CONTENTMENT.





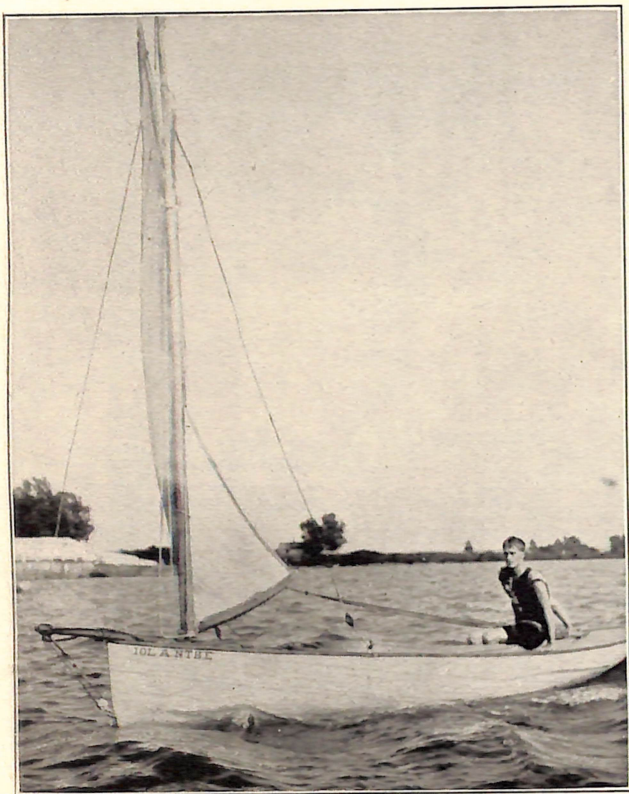
MANAWA BREEZES



CONEY ISLAND, LAKE MANAWA



WRAY'S LANDING, LAKE MANAWA



ties of Nature in particular, he will be amply repaid in such a cruise, for a blister or two on his hands and a "tired feeling" between the shoulders.

A VERY few know where Wray's Landing is and Hunter's Point; a few have found Coyle's Cove and picnicked there; a few got lost exploring Grape-vine Bend and the wilderness on Turtle Island. A fisherman or two know where Bass Pool and Croppies Run are, and some have had their fortunes told at the Gypsy Camp up at the head of Marks' Bay. Some more venturesome than others have landed at Cottage Grove, tramped through Sandy Desert and found themselves in Olsen's melon patch and helped themselves, but to do all this in one day one must be a good oarsman, for the distance he will cover is upwards of ten miles. If one enjoys scenery at all, or is a lover of interesting things in general, or of the beau-





YACHT RACING—THE START



THE FINISH

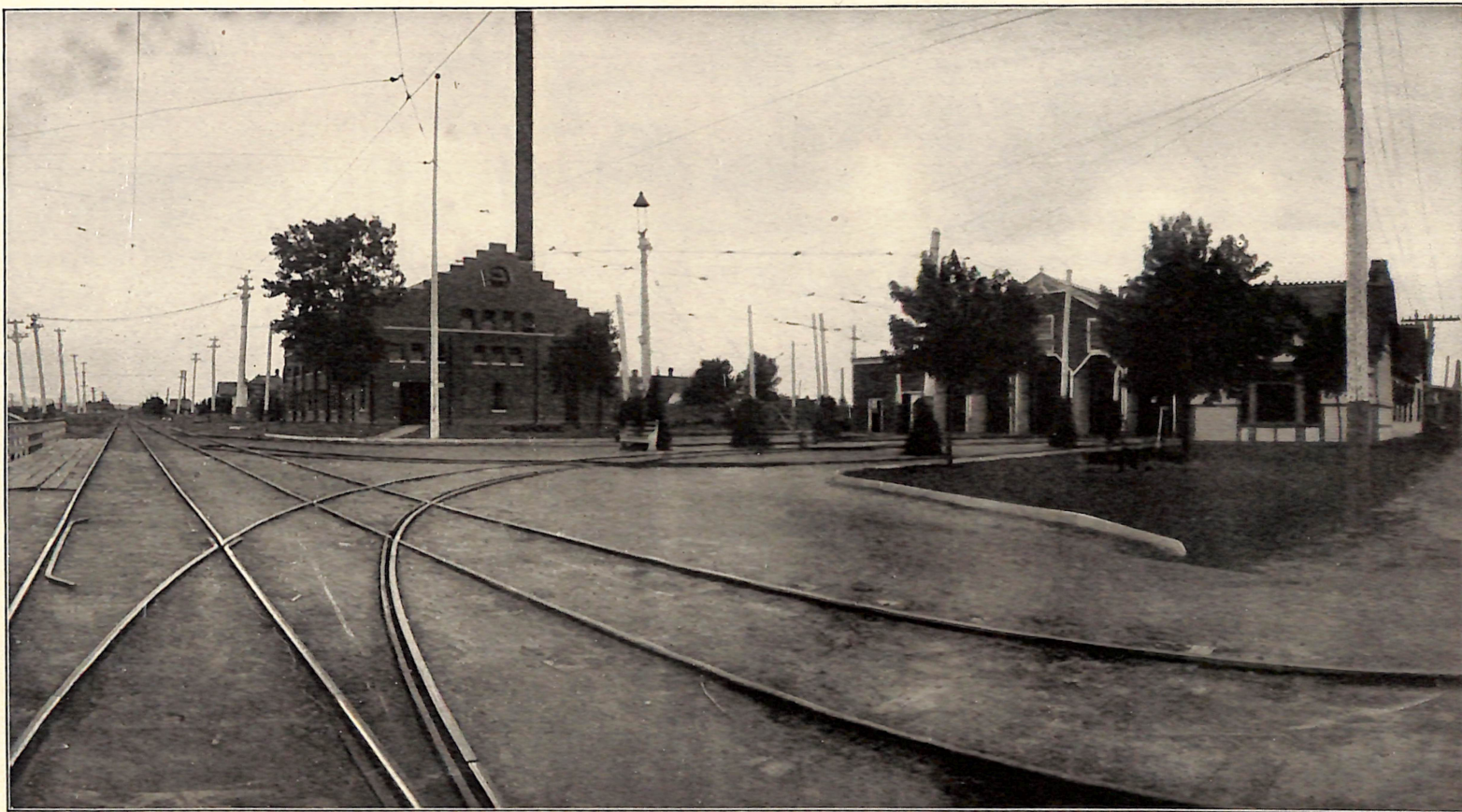


MANHATTAN BEACH PARK



MS ANHATTAN Beach Park and Cottage Grove afford the finest facilities for camping to be found anywhere between the two great oceans. Delightful shade, a carpet of clean white sand, no mud in rainy weather, two good wells of drinking water, fresh milk, butter and eggs from the farm house nearby; while the gardens supply an unlimited quantity of fresh vegetables. No charge is made

for space at Manhattan Beach Park or Cottage Grove for camping purposes. The only requirements exacted by the management are, that camps be kept clean and orderly and that tents shall not be used as dressing rooms for bathers. Campers enjoying the free privileges of the parks for camping, when bathing, must patronize the bath house rooms for that purpose.



GENERAL OFFICES AND POWER HOUSE, O. & C. B. RY. & B. CO.



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PAVILION, CAFE AND PROMENADE

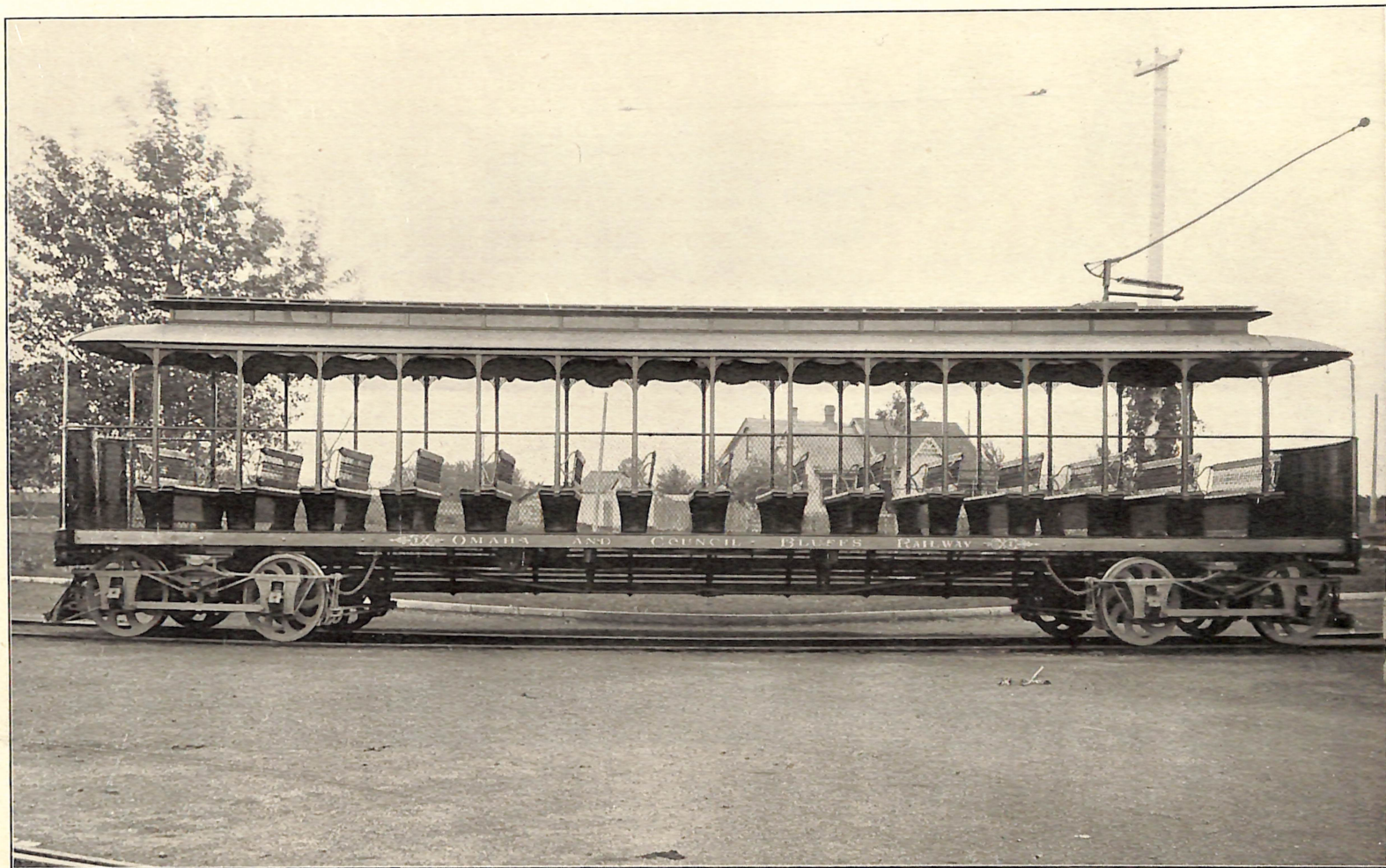


YACHT BUTTERCUP

THE Cafe and Pavilion is presided over by Mr. W. S. Balduff of Omaha, and is conducted in a most admirable manner. Surely, Mr. Balduff knows how to "feed the multitude."

A summer resort would be incomplete without a Bowling Alley, for everybody bowls nowadays, ladies as well as gentlemen. The management has recently placed within the park four new regulation alleys. They are the best that money can buy and will satisfy the most enthusiastic bowler that twirls a ball. Base ball, lawn tennis and croquet are also played at Manawa. Base ball clubs can obtain the free use of ground on application.





SUMMER CAR, O. & C. B. RY. & B. CO.



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line from Omaha to Council Bluffs, Fairmount Park and Lake Manawa is unsurpassed for diversified and beautiful scenery. An altogether different atmosphere greets you when you reach the middle span of the big bridge over the Missouri and continues with you during the whole eight miles of travel, delightfully cool and refreshing in the hottest summer days.

All of the local stations of the various railroads centering in Council Bluffs are on our electric lines of railway. Motor trains direct from any station to Omaha or Lake Manawa without change of cars

WITH the transportation question between Omaha, Council Bluffs and the Lake solved, Manawa has become what it should have been years ago—the most popular summer resort in the country. We are prepared to give the patrons of our line a ten minute, a five minute or a two and a half minute service, just as the crowd demands. Our large open double-truck high speed summer cars, equipped with all the latest improvements, are models of convenience and comfort, and our





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GRAPEVINE BEND, LAKE MANAWA



IF NO OTHER amusement was to be found other than that which is daily furnished by the Council Bluffs Rowing Association in their shell, canoe and yacht races, Manawa would still be a lively and interesting place. The Association has upwards of 200 members, representative business and professional men of Council Bluffs and Omaha, an elegant new Club house and a fleet of 20 fast sailing yachts. Yacht racing has become a fad; a Yacht club has been organized within the association and sailing races are of daily occurrence, some of them very exciting, especially when a stake is up in the shape of a silver cup. The Psyche and the Iolanthe were prize winners but bets are now offered on the Margaret Jane winning the cup. Two crews are in training for the shell races and these may be seen any evening skimming over the course south of Coney island. Steam and Electric launches, sufficient in number to carry all who wish to take a boat ride, ply between Manawa park and Manhattan beach. Row boats are kept in livery and rented by the hour or by the day.



MUSIC AT MANAWA



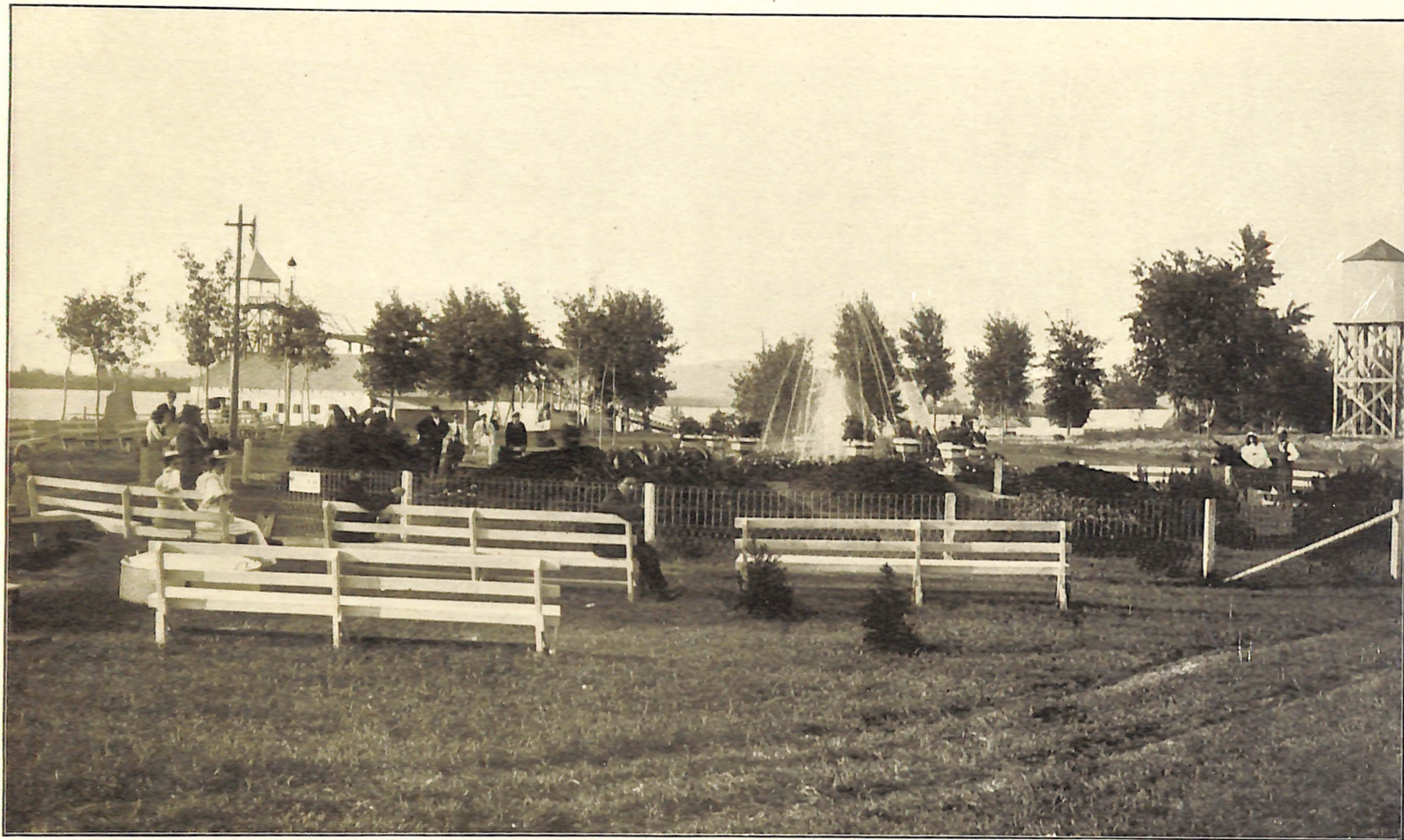
C. W. Dalbey

ONE of the principal features of Manawa—the one that attracts thousands of visitors—is the music furnished by the management. Two concerts are given daily, one in the afternoon and the other in the evening. These concerts are held in the open park and are free to the patrons of the resort. Dalbey's Band, consisting of forty musicians, has been engaged. With Dalbey, the eminent leader and composer, as conductor, our patrons are insured a high grade, up-to-date class of music, equal, if not superior, to any of America's large concert bands.

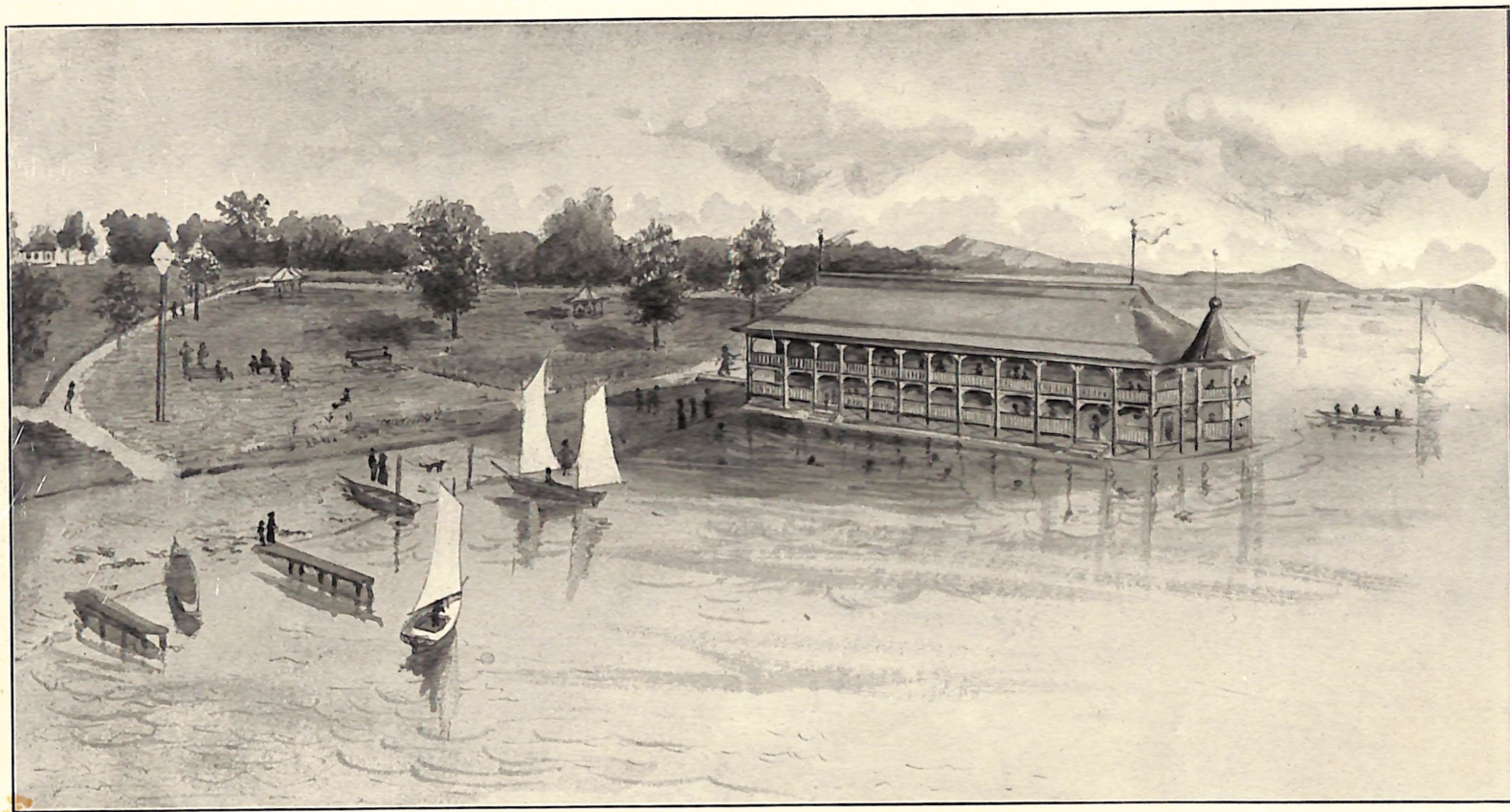
Summer opera and vaudeville are the attractions at the Casino; the performances are clean and wholesome, no objectionable features being allowed.



CAMPING AT COTTAGE GROVE, LAKE MANAWA



FOUNTAIN AT MANHATTAN BEACH PARK



BATH HOUSE—MANHATTAN BEACH, LAKE MANAWA



STEAMBOATING ON LAKE MANAWA

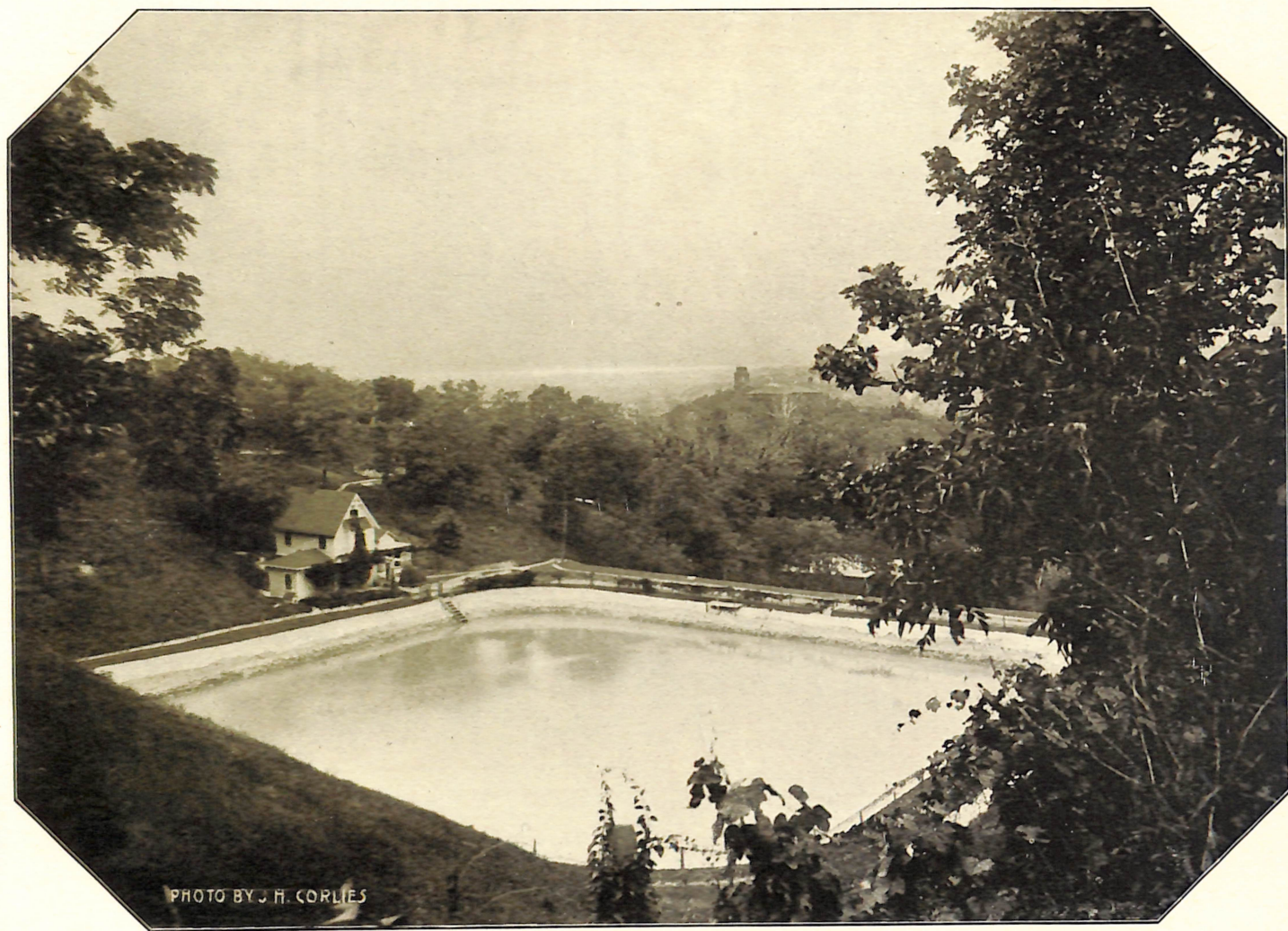
THE STEAMER "M. F. ROHRER"

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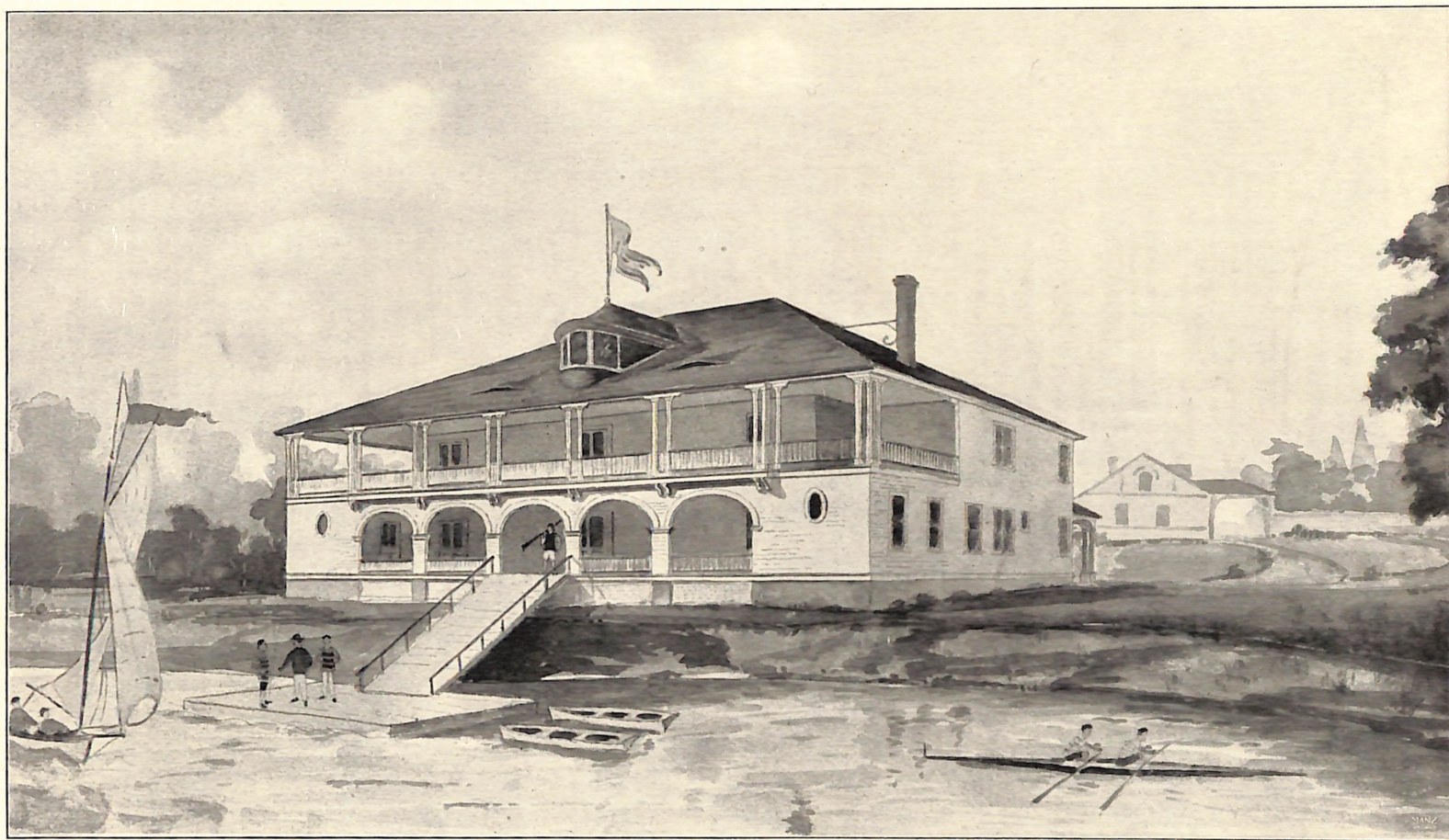


THE NEW bath house and pavilion erected at Manhattan beach contains 200 commodious dressing rooms on the first floor, a cafe, reception room and wide verandas on the second, all lighted by electricity. Bathing suits for ladies and gentlemen are kept for rent and the wants of women and children are looked after by a lady attendant. The sandy beach is in fine con-

dition for bathing, a gradual slope from the shore to deep water, and perfectly safe so long as bathers remain within the limits of the life line. Those who do not care to bathe find much pleasure sitting on the wide verandas of the pavilion in full view of the beach watching the bathers and listening to the music.



RESERVOIR LAKE—FAIRMOUNT PARK, COUNCIL BLUFFS



CLUB HOUSE, C. B. ROWING ASSOCIATION



"BILLY," A FAIRMOUNT PARK PET

THE Merry-go-round should receive honorable mention in these pages, for, unless the children are happy, grown people are miserable. Everything in the Merry-go-round is bright and new. New horses, new saddles, new organ, and last but not least, new music. We promise, on our word of honor, not to play "Just as the Sun Went Down" nor "Just One Girl" during the whole summer long. Our Merry-go-round is run by electricity, which is another new feature. If you ride once you will ride again before the season is over.

ANAWA Park and Manhattan Beach are both brilliantly illuminated with electric lights, arc and incandescent. These lights reflected in the waters of the lake, produce a wonderful enchanting effect, which, together with the flowers and the music, make one forgetful of all the troubles and worries of life.

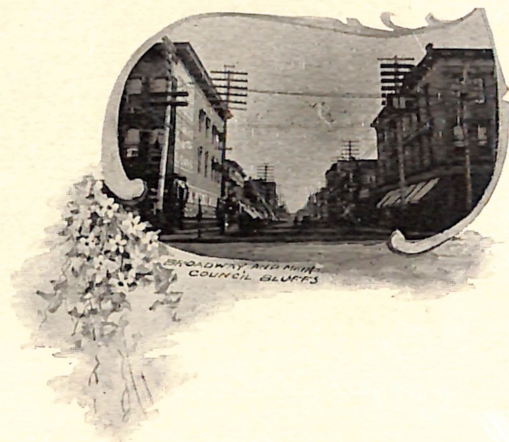




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PICNICING AT FAIRMOUNT PARK, COUNCIL BLUFFS



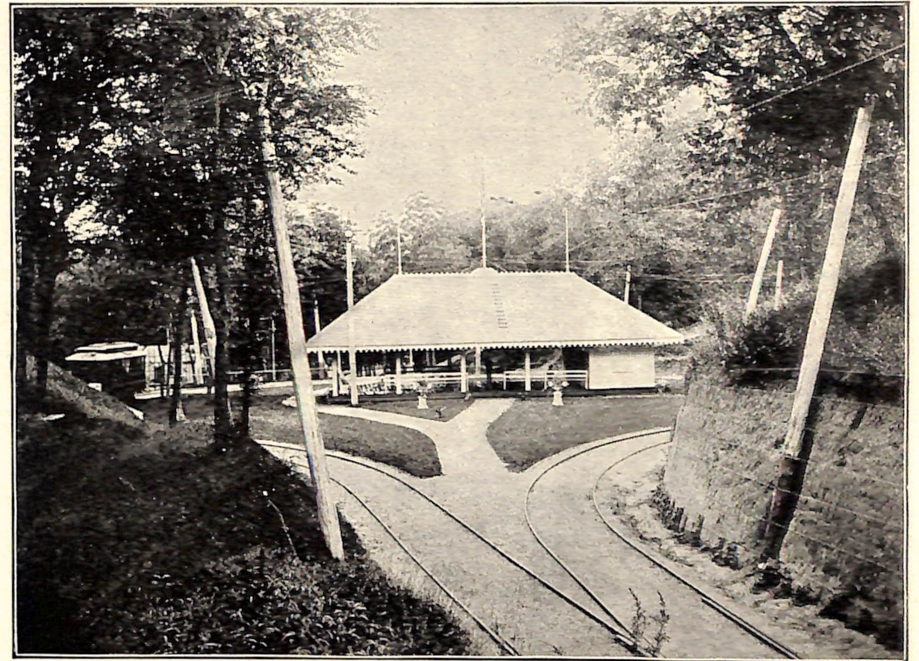
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A DRIVE IN FAIRMOUNT PARK



He may take a boat ride across the lake to Manhattan Beach and go in bathing and enjoy a slide on the big toboggan; then hurry back in time to see the balloon go up before dark. Ere he knows it the day is spent and he has really seen but a small portion of Lake Manawa.

THE visitor of a day will find his time wholly occupied at Manawa Park listening to band concerts, witnessing theatrical performances in the Casino, betting on the yacht races, riding on the Merry-go-round, patronizing the bowling alleys, shooting gallery and side-shows.



CHURCH organizations, benevolent societies, Sunday schools and various clubs all picnic at Shady Grove, Manawa, where tables and benches are provided free of charge. Shady Grove contains a spacious dancing platform for the free and exclusive use of private clubs. By application to the Superintendent of Resorts, Shady Grove may be engaged and reserved for any specified occasion by any club or organization desiring its exclusive use. For six successive seasons the B. P. O. E., Omaha Lodge, have had their annual outing at Manawa. Let alone an Elk for knowing where and how to have a good time.

Our parks are all patrolled by efficient police in uniform, assuring complete protection and safety to visitors. Telephone service at both Manawa Park and Manhattan Beach.

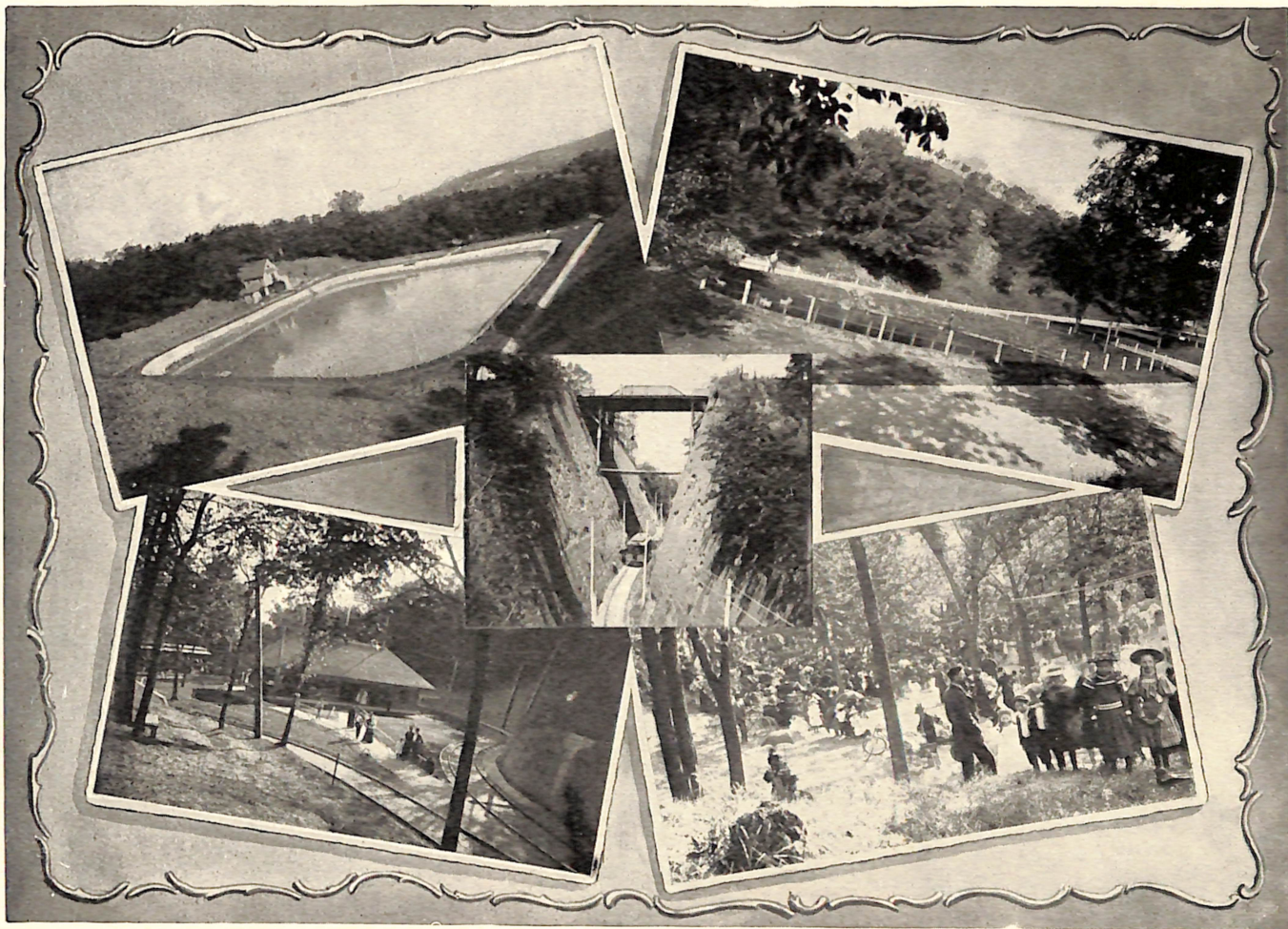


BAYLISS PARK, COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA.

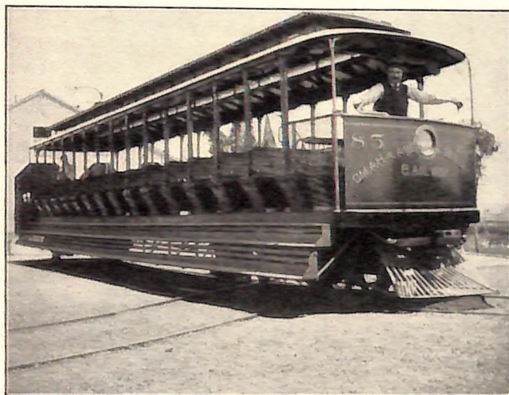


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IN FAIRMOUNT PARK



VIEWS IN FAIRMOUNT PARK



FAIRMOUNT Park in Council Bluffs is 500 feet above the Missouri River at its highest stage, and a magnificent view of the three cities, Omaha, Council Bluffs and South Omaha, is obtained from the summit. Broad avenues and shady walks wind in and out among the bluffs, picturesque and beautiful. To be within easy reaching distance of this and Lake Manawa makes life worth living and suggests the question: Why endure the annoyance of two or three, or five hundred miles of dusty travel, coupled with the expense of hotel and railroad fare, to spend a few weeks of summer at some distant watering place, when you have the same, if not better, conveniences for outing at your own door?



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DEEP CUT, FAIRMOUNT PARK

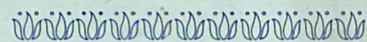
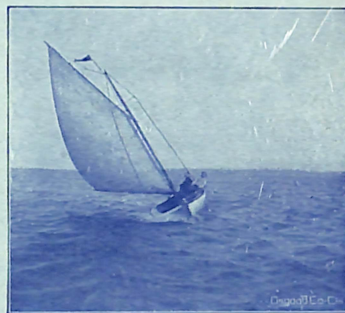


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FOUNTAIN, FAIRMOUNT PARK



WINTER SPORTS AT MANAWA

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