

SONS OF FIGHTING SIRENS

Annual Convention of the Nebraska Division Meets Today. MEMBERS NOW FLOCKING TO THE CITY

Officers and many of the delegates already present. Session of the National Convention to be provided.

For the next three days Omaha will be the Mecca of the Sons of Veterans of Nebraska. This distinction has been thrust upon the city from the fact that during these three days the fourteenth annual convention of the Nebraska division, Sons of Veterans, will be held in this city.

The advance guard of the visitors arrived in the city last night, and a score of them being registered at the Mercer, the Dellone and the Barker hotels.

These include District Commander Davis of Wilber, Quartermaster J. C. Holtz of Wilber, Surgeon D. O. Eaton of Litchfield, Inspector H. M. Tyson of Tobias, Muster Officer E. H. Jenkins of Columbus, Senior Vice Commander M. R. Gilmore of Valley and the division committee consisting of George F. Woz of Fremont, F. J. Coates of Plattsmouth and A. W. Whiting of Hartington.

The first session of the convention will occur this afternoon at 2 o'clock and the others will be held morning and afternoon for the next two days, it being expected that an adjournment will be taken Thursday afternoon.

There is a considerable amount of business to come up for consideration. Among the more important matters is a scheme to add an insurance department as a feature of the order. There is a plan also to increase the per capita tax for the purpose of assisting the financial end of the order.

Another piece of important business to be considered is in connection with the national encampment of the Sons of Veterans, which will be held in this city during the exposition. This encampment was invited here by the state division, and therefore the body must be in a position to take care of it properly.

With the delegates to the local meeting busy in attending to all the matters that will come up for their consideration, they are also to be given a chance to enjoy themselves. On Wednesday night a banquet will be tendered here by Omaha camp. This affair is to take place at the Mercer hotel.

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MEMBER'S CLAN TACKLES HAWAII

Debate on Annexation Affords the Entertainment for the Night. The Men's Club of Trinity Methodist church held a very interesting meeting last night.

The chief feature of the meeting was the debate on the question, "Resolved, That Hawaii should be annexed." Dr. Teal and Oliver Anshelm affirmed and D. C. Fowler and A. C. Engler denied the question.

Mr. Anshelm said that it was a question of either annexing Hawaii or allowing some foreign power to assume control of the islands. Hawaii in the hands of a foreign power would imperil our commerce and our safety.

The gist of Mr. Fowler's argument was that what we need is better laws and legislation and not more territory. With Hawaii annexed we could enjoy more privileges than we do now.

Moreover, Hawaii's sugar industries would imperil ours and its ignorant population is unfit to become citizens. The regular monthly meeting of the Young Women's Christian association was held in the rooms of the association in the Boston block last evening.

Mrs. Tilden presided. The reports of work accomplished during the month as read by Miss Cary were most gratifying. Among other announcements it was stated that 5,208 noon luncheon had visited the rooms during the month, with an average of 173 per day.

Thirty-eight educational classes were established, with a membership of 223. The gospel meetings brought out an attendance of 300. Following the reading of the reports it was decided to select six candidates for a membership contest, the one having secured the largest number of new names by June 1 to be given a diploma.

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Periodically, summer and winter, they are tacked and mutilated in the interests of the myriads of overhead wires which run through their branches. For years we had no trees. It was only by great expense, hard work and infinite pains, that our streets and homes were made beautiful and pleasant by their shade.

We now quietly submit to their wholesale destruction of all their symmetry and beauty, for the convenience of a lawless industry, which not only endangers our city, but also us.

A SUFFERER. Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair. DR. CREAM BLENDED. A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

MORE PATROLMEN NEEDED

Chief of Police Asks the Commission for More Men. INSUFFICIENT NUMBER NOW ON HAND

Wants an Immediate Addition of Forty Roundsmen and Twenty Detectives. Board Takes the Matter Under Consideration.

At the meeting of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners last night a communication was submitted from the chief of police in regard to the insufficient number of patrolmen on hand.

It recommended an immediate addition of forty patrolmen and twenty detectives to the force during the coming year. The statement was made that the present number of patrolmen was insufficient even under present conditions and that the force in active patrol duty did not at present exceed fifty men.

Another portion of the plan is to appoint ten special officers. He and his party said, however, that the police service of other cities and who are familiar with the crooks of their particular towns. The matter was taken under consideration by the board.

Most of the session was consumed in a lengthy contest against the granting of a liquor license to Fred H. Krug at 1821 Charles street. The objections were raised last evening after a long hearing. The deceased had been in the hospital, where an operation was performed in hopes of prolonging his days.

Mr. Brown rallied for the benefit of all appearing in the case, and the petition was property holders, according to the records, and Charles Howell, who was able to state that he had seen all of the names on the petition signed by the respective owners. The point was also made that the neighborhood was in a measure a business locality. The case was taken under consideration until the special meeting Friday night.

James McNamara, a member of Hose company No. 4, was then placed on trial for appearing in company uniform in an intoxicated condition. He was dismissed from the service on a plea of guilty. The complaint against James J. Norton of Engle company No. 4, charged with illegally assigning his salary, was set for hearing next Monday night. The protest in the liquor case of James Barrett, 402 1/2 Hamilton street, will be heard next Friday night.

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SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

The city council held a short session last night with only six members present, Messrs. Bennett and Trainor being absent. An ordinance providing for a special tax on sidewalks in the permanent sidewalk district was passed and the city clerk was instructed to draw warrants for \$430 in favor of A. Stulzer, the contractor, for the work laid.

The ordinance assessing a special tax to pay for the Missouri avenue sidewalk was passed without opposition. This plan provides for a graduated assessment according to the value of the property. An application for a sidewalk on the east side of Twenty-third street, from Q to U street, and the bond of the new company was accepted.

Judge Christman reported that the new franchise agreement would be turned into the school fund. Treasurer Broadwell reported a balance of \$9,664 on hand at the close of business yesterday.

Attorney A. H. Murdoch, who was employed to investigate the records in the Charles Lund damage suit to see if it would be possible to recover the case and set the judgment obtained, filed a lengthy report giving a history of the case in detail. According to his opinion the case could not very well be taken up today.

Schultz secured an order for the street commissioner to clean the six inches of mud off the west end of Bellevue avenue and to repair the sidewalk on the west side of Twenty-eighth street, between Q and S streets. Vasant obtained the consent of the council for repairs to the sidewalk on the east side of Twenty-third street, between M and N street, and Kelly worked through an order for the repair of the crosswalk at Twenty-seventh and I streets.

Repairs were reported at Twenty-first and I streets and Twentieth and J streets. The committee on streets and alleys would be requested to investigate these crossings. Petitions signed by residents of this city, of Bellevue and Sarp county, protesting against the laying of a track across Bellevue avenue, were read and referred to the street and alley committee. Adjourned until February 28.

Grade on Twenty-Third Street. A petition is being circulated requesting the city council to grade Twenty-third street from Q to S street, and it is understood that many of the property owners in this locality are in favor of the movement. Rev. D. W. Moriarty, pastor of St. Agnes church, contemplates the erection of a paragon on the church property at the corner of Twenty-third and Q streets and is anxious to have the street graded before he commences building. Property owners of the second street would like to be included in this grading district, provided it is created in order that the cost of filling lots on that street might be reduced. The work was taken from Twenty-third street and filled in the low places with only a slight expense, as the haul would be a short one. In the profile of Twenty-third street there is a cut of five feet at Q street and a cut of the same depth at P street. Some of the property owners residing in this locality do not think that the cut would be deep enough at P street, and the city engineer may be requested to make a change in the profile when the time for action comes. In the proposed grading on Twenty-third street it is done it would be advisable, it is thought, to make a cut on Q street between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets, and to carry away with the bill which now stands between the church and Twenty-fourth street. This petition for this grading will most likely be presented to the city council during a short time in order that the work may be done as early in the spring as practicable.

Work for City Prisoners. The present condition of the streets is causing a great many taxpayers to talk over the proposition to compel prisoners who are confined in the city jail for minor offenses to work out their terms on the streets. At this time of the year the street repair and general funds are always low, especially this true of the city, and it is time on account of heavy expenditures during the early part of the fiscal year. It costs the city in the neighborhood of 40 cents a day to feed each prisoner detained at the city jail and many taxpayers appear to be in favor of putting these men to work piling the mud up so that wagons could haul the accumulation away. It is thought that the city council should consider the matter if it has been suggested that the mayor or chief of police might detail an officer to watch these prisoners and see that they performed their duty and did not escape. A number of property owners have talked with some of the members of the city council about this matter and it possibly may receive the attention of that body in the near future.

License Matters in Question. Merchants in the business part of the city are complaining about auction firms being allowed to do business on the principal streets of the city. The city ordinance provides a license for auction firms at the rate of \$50 a year. This is considered far too low by the merchants and it is possible that requests will be made to the council to increase the fee. One auctioneer on N street who recently went out of business procured a license at the regular rate, but another

store of the same kind is now running without a license.

Business men claim that some might be tempted to purchase especially as the city is liable to be full of snap games during the present summer. In connection with license matters, the city authorities are liable to have a little trouble with an Omaha firm of house movers, who have moved a building down from Omaha and left it standing in the street at Fifteenth and I streets.

The present case of the building has been made by the city engineer and license inspector to see the movers of the building, but so far their efforts have been unsuccessful. Local house movers are compelled to take out a license costing \$50 a year and they urge that the ordinance be enforced when outside movers haul buildings into the city.

Want Sewer Extended. Property owners in the northern part of the city and west of Twenty-fourth street are preparing a petition for a ten-inch sewer from A to D streets to be laid in the alley between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets. A sewer was built last fall extending from I to H streets along this alley. It is now proposed to extend it clear to A street in order to take care of the large number of residences north of D street.

Many of the property owners in this proposed new district are non-residents and some trouble has been experienced in obtaining the necessary signatures, but these have been taken yesterday. The petition will be presented to the city council.

Death of I. F. Brown. I. F. Brown, whose home was on Twenty-second street, between J and K streets, died last evening after a long illness. The deceased had been in the hospital, where an operation was performed in hopes of prolonging his days.

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SWIFT AND COMPANY'S EXTENSION.

It is understood that Swift and Company will extend their business to include houses in the spring. Several additions to the smoke-house at this plant have been made within the past two years, but the demand for smoked meats has increased so much on the part of the packers and other customers that it is necessary to increase the facilities. The plan for the Swift smoke-house, as now drawn, contemplate the use of about 600,000 bricks. The plan will, it is stated, commence early in the spring on the additions.

Mohicans and Cabin. An interesting meeting of the Mohicans was held last night at 247 N street. After a number of songs, recitations, etc., there was a debate on the question, "Resolved, That the United States should interfere in Cuba." The affirmative side was supported by Jones took the affirmative side of the question, while Harry L. Carpenter spoke in the negative. During the balance of the evening the members of the club sang songs of which some topic of the times will be taken up and discussed.

Sons of Veterans. This evening the local camp of Sons of Veterans will entertain the visiting delegates to the encampment, which will be held in Omaha on Wednesday. Refreshments will be served after the degree work. This work has been suspended for the past few days on account of the military instructor of the camp.

Rebekahs to Entertain. On Friday evening the work of Alpha Rebekah lodge will give a ball at Masonic hall for the purpose of raising funds for an orphan home. The lodges of the state are attempting to raise \$25,000 to erect a home for the blind in Colorado. The work will be held at Masonic hall and there will be work in the three degrees. Refreshments will be served after the degree work. This work has been suspended for the past few days on account of the military instructor of the camp.

Magic City Gosw. W. D. Goswami is confined to his home on account of illness. A meeting of the Hospital association is billed for this afternoon.

The Third Ward Republican club will meet Friday night at 7 o'clock at the residence of the club buyer bought fat cattle on this market yesterday for the European trade.

A son was born yesterday to R. T. Marshall and wife, Twenty-seventh and T streets.

W. S. Vance of Laramie, Wyo., was a business visitor at the Exchange hotel yesterday. Armour & Co. bought a lot of fine cattle on this market yesterday and shipped them to Chicago.

Horace Brass, formerly of Omaha, has become a resident in connection with the G. H. Brewer company here.

A business meeting of the Ideal club will be held this evening at Bert Wilcox's office, 1121 Broadway.

Tom Hoctor has returned from a business trip to Colorado, where he went to look after his mining interests.

The young women of St. Agnes church are preparing for a social at the church this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

General Manager Kenyon of the Stock Yards company is able to be at his desk this morning at 10 o'clock.

MRS. RORER ON LIFE AND COOKERY.

One Hundred Omaha Women Listen to the Opening Lecture. Mrs. Rorer opened her course of lectures yesterday afternoon at the Women's exchange, on Seventeenth and Douglas streets, before an appreciative audience of over 100 women.

She commenced her lecture by stating that everything she gave would be from a hygienic and scientific standpoint. That the American people live too high and if she could impress upon them the importance of keeping their health, as well as their money, she would feel that she had done a good work. We should build up and not tear down. The mother, being the architect of the family, should make it her special business to build up her own family. One-third of the children born into this beautiful world die before the age of 1 year, and one-half before they reach young manhood and young womanhood.

If girls were taught cookery in the schools, they would understand the relation of foods to health and the proper way of preparing them. This course will be given this afternoon, from 2:30 to 4, followed by the first of the evening lectures at 8 o'clock, to which men are invited.

Consumption Positively Cured. Mr. R. H. Greese, merchant of Chatham, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies, but with no relief. He spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles.

For past three years he has been attending to business and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as has been proved for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at Kuhn & Co.'s drug store.

Creighton hall was filled to overflowing last night by Fred Winslow, the three-hour lecture. The public examination was loudly applauded. Tonight's lecture on "How to Become Rich" is free.

The new Mercer hotel, under the management of Dick Smith, is gaining in popularity. The hotel, which has been added to regular boarders; 62 rooms with bath.

Only Line to Denver Running Between Coling and Library cars. "THE COLORADO SPECIAL" Leaving Omaha today at 11:55 p. m., arrives Denver tomorrow at 1:30 p. m. For tickets and full information call at City Ticket Office, 1502 Farnam st.

AMUSEMENTS.

James O'Neill will present during his engagement this week Sir Henry Irving's striking dramatic tale, entitled, "The Dead Heart." Mr. O'Neill's production will be an exact copy of Irving's and of the one which won him the first prize for best actor in Chicago. As the part of Robert Leary is a typical romantic role, it will not be amiss to state that the public of this city will enjoy Mr. O'Neill in "The Dead Heart."

The management has surrounded Mr. O'Neill with a good company, and he and his players will be seen at Boyd's the latter half of this week, presenting "Mabel Crain" on Thursday and Saturday evenings, "The Dead Heart" Friday night, and "Virginia" at the Saturday matinee.

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Complaints Wanted

Our new 1898 Spring stocks are now about ready. We will put them on sale in a few days. Before commencing this, our twenty-sixth season in Omaha, and our first Spring season in the new store, we would like to hear from anybody who has been in any way dissatisfied with past dealings in this store. During the season just closed we have sold almost three times as many goods as in any previous season and it would be strange indeed if there were not some who had more or less cause for complaint. If any such there be, we will deem it a special favor if they will communicate with us either personally or by mail. It is our aim that The Nebraska shall be not only a safe store but a faultless store—as near as that can be. Any complaints or grievances will be investigated and adjusted as promptly and cheerfully as you can desire. Send in complaints. No matter how trivial or how old.

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Yale's--Beauty--Prices. You probably paid more for Madam Yale goods, but don't do it again. Read our prices for fresh goods. Shipments received twice a week at the middle-of-the-road drug store.

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Residence of towns and communities outside of Omaha who need a... Specialist's Treatment FOR... Catarrh, Deafness.

WOODHURST'S Facial Soap will eradicate all blemishes of the skin. WOODHURST'S Facial Cream for albinoid hands, face or lips is indispensable. Send 25 cents for sample of each.

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