

MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB

Subject of Reorganization of the National Body is Discussed.

LEFT IN AN UNDECIDED CONDITION

Committee Presents a Report on the Question—Tea Drinking and Announcements for the Future.

The Omaha Woman's club in common with all the other clubs of the "General" or National "Federation of Women's" clubs, was asked some time ago to express its opinion regarding the reorganization of the national body and Monday's meeting was devoted to a discussion of the subject.

The present construction of the general federation is defective for the following reasons: 1. It is illogical. Membership in the national organization has no relation to membership in the state body—the two are coordinate, while the national sequence is from club to state and from state to national.

2. It is inconsistent. An individual club may be as powerful as a state federation. The Nebraska federation has seven delegates to the Omaha club six.

3. It is unjust. All clubs have the benefit of the general federation, while the expenses are borne by comparatively few. 4. It is undemocratic. The management of the national body is practically in the hands of a few clubs. To make taxation just and representation democratic all clubs must share in the expense of maintaining the general federation and be represented in its councils.

Reorganization is, therefore, recommended with the following suggestions: 1. That the general federation consist of state federations only. 2. That a council be constituted to consist of not less than two or more than three delegates from each state federation, one of whom shall be the president and that this council meet annually.

3. That the general federation apportion to each state its per capita dues for the support of the general federation and assign the number of delegates dependent thereon, leaving each state to arrange for the collection of the dues and the election of its delegates. 4. That the general federation meet triennially.

Discusses the Report. For greater convenience of discussion the club went into the committee of the whole, with Mrs. Holden as chairman, Mrs. L. L. Ricketts of Lincoln, the official of the general federation for Nebraska, was the guest of the club and was asked for her view of the matter. Mrs. Ricketts spoke at length and with force from the standpoint of opposition to the proposed plan. She thought dissatisfaction had arisen from a mistaken idea that the present organization is unequal and she believes that the larger the meetings the greater the inspiration they give.

Mrs. Heller stated that at national club conventions heretofore, club representation had been merged in that of the state and no woman desired to represent anything less than her state. She commended the idea of a council.

Mrs. Harford outlined the detail of the proposed plan showing how taxation would be more evenly distributed. Miss Fairbrother declared that state representation in national bodies was the only one that experience could recommend and cited the power of party political organization.

FIRE AND POLICE BOARD

Protests and Arguments Heard on the Question of Granting Liquor Licenses.

At the meeting of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Monday night the main business transacted was the hearing of protests against the granting of alcohol licenses. A protest against allowing the Joseph Schiltz Brewing company a license at 214 South Sixteenth street was made by James Himes, who is also an applicant for a license at the same premises. Edson Rich appeared for the Schiltz Brewing company and M. L. Learned for Mr. Himes. Mr. Learned contended the applicant was a corporation and not a resident of the state, therefore it could not obtain a license as the law read that a license could be granted only to a resident of the state and to a man of good character. He contended that the applicant was not a man, but a corporation. The same protest was made in the application of the same parties for a license at Sixteenth and Manderson streets. The main contention seems to be between Himes and the Schiltz company, as both parties want to run a saloon in the same place. The board withheld a decision in the matter.

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SPEAKS TO CROWDED HOUSE

F. Hopkinson Smith Entertains a Large Omaha Audience.

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AMERICANS AS THE BOERS IN CAPE COLONY

Outnumber the British. This Arrangement of Numbers as regards Population, Compared to the Relative Strength of the Boers in the Transvaal over the Outlanders, Has Kept the Whole of South Africa in an Intolerable State of Fermentation during the last twenty years.

Third—The English colonial secretary declared that the Boers in the Transvaal were in a state of serfdom has entailed upon the English government an annual expenditure of \$2,500,000. Did Mexico cause any excitement to Uncle Sam by her tyranny in 1847? Fourth—It is as well to recognize, Mr. Editor, that this war in South Africa is a war for the possession of a continent and not a war about gold mines. It is a war of races brought about by the worst kind of tyranny. The ignorance of these Transvaal Dutchmen has led them to think that they could ultimately drive the English into the sea. It is not an unknown error in South Africa, "South Africa for the Dutch."

Seventh—You say England is fighting for gold mines. This you think wrong. But it is right for Uncle Sam to grab the Philippines. What is robbery in South Africa is "benevolent assimilation" in Asia. "First cast the beam out of thine own eye."

Eighth—I may say now that the Americans in Mexico in 1847 were not tyrannical over then like the outlanders have been recently in the Transvaal. This is only an incomplete statement of England's right to trash the Boers, but it is sufficient. This war is a holy and just war as far as England is concerned and she will not sheathe the sword till the unjust tyrannical Boer oligarchy in South Africa is swept from the face of the earth. Mark this, Respectfully.

AN ENGLISH-AMERICAN. Nightly coughing and that torturing tickle in the throat are invariably stopped by Dean's mentholated cough drops; only five cents at drugists.

Officers were elected Monday night at the meeting of the Royal Arcanum lodge in the hall in The Bee building as follows: William Burkhardt, president; Charles Grimmell, past regent; Fred J. Sackett, vice regent; Dr. A. H. Hippie, orator; Harry B. Morrell, secretary; J. B. Reynolds, collector; Nate Reckard, treasurer; Rev. T. M. Mackay, chaplain; T. C. Dehler, trustee; M. E. Larson, warden; Howard Brunner, trustee; R. C. Hayes, trustee; E. F. Porter, C. E. Grimmer, Mr. Houschewitz, representatives to the grand council. Sixteen new members were voted in and a large class was initiated. The entertainment committee announced a social and dancing party for the evening of December 29 at Metropolitan hall.

Four men with dirty faces and guns in their hands entered Joe Eggers' saloon at Thirtieth and Y streets about 10 o'clock last night and induced him to put up his hands. After they had secured \$10 in money, a watch and a revolver the highwaymen repeated the Thompson act by locking Eggers in the ice chest. He secured his liberty shortly afterwards and telephoned an account of the affair to police headquarters. The police went out on the track, but did not succeed in landing the men wanted. Reports are true, these four men held up Tom Noonan and Fred Schouler at Thirty-sixth and Q streets at 9 o'clock last night. They got 50 cents for the robbery. The description of the holdups agrees in both cases and it is inferred that a gang infected the city. The police are on the lookout, but it is hard work to travel about the muddy streets at night and consequently there is little chance of the robbers being caught.

Magie City Gossip. The fireman's ball will be held on December 15. L. Lott has returned from a trip to Denver. Miss Elizabeth Hutton, who has been ill for some time, is reported to be feeling better. Mrs. Patrick O'Connor, Thirty-second and Q streets, yesterday. George Hunter of the Stock Yards Railway company is spending a few days in Cheyenne. Councilman Kelly's father, who is seriously ill at Tekamah, was reported slightly improved yesterday. Paul Kearney post No. 2 Grand Army of the Republic will elect officers Wednesday night. Tom Collins was killed Sunday by Tom Collins, as he frequently purchased beer. A business meeting of the Lotus club will be held at the office of Dr. C. M. North Twenty-fourth street, this evening. Miss M. A. Davis, who makes her home with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Davis, has gone to Lyons, Ia., on account of the serious illness of her father.

North Omaha Improvement Club. The North Omaha Improvement club at a meeting Monday night adopted by unanimous vote a motion that the city council and parties interested take steps to secure a widened over the railroad from the Fifteenth and Locust streets. The resolution was referred to a committee of five with instructions to properly present the matter to the city council.

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THURSTON RIFLES' NEW CLUB

Company is Reorganizing and New Officers Are Elected—Plans for a Club House.

The Thurston Rifles club held its enthusiastic meeting Monday night in an auditorium at Seventeenth and Douglas streets. All the old members were present and the company was reorganized and new officers elected. The matter of the reorganization was now as follows: W. E. Stockham, captain; Fred Fisher, first lieutenant; John T. Buchanan, second lieutenant; W. E. Cardwell, third sergeant; S. R. Mumagah, quartermaster sergeant. Several new members were elected, among whom was Major J. N. Killian of Columbus, who is a veteran of the First Nebraska.

The membership of the organization now exceeds 200 and it is expected that the next hundred mark will be reached by the beginning of the new year. With this full membership the club will agitate the building of a new club house to be owned by themselves. They have asked the congressman to aid them in securing 100 new rifles of the Krag-Jorgensen pattern and today word was received from Congressman Mercer that he would take up the matter at once. Orders were issued at the meeting which designate December 15, 22 and 27 as drill days for the company.

After the business meeting a social smoker was enjoyed and the announcement made that a smoker would be held in the armory next Monday night.

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Attention, Rehebe! Sisters of the Bethel lodge, No. 33, are invited to attend the funeral of Sister Anna Nelson, at Twenty-seventh and Ames avenue, at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. By order of the noble grand, Mrs. James Gilliam.

Child Fatally Sealed. Tony Follino, the 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Luigi Follino, living at 718 Mary's avenue, fell into a kettle of scalding water Sunday morning and was so badly burned that he died Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The little fellow was playing with his mother in the room where his mother was washing. Without looking where he was going he ran into the kettle and fell in. He was picked up as possible and took him out of the water, but it was too late to save him from being started for fully about the body. The father runs a fruit stand at the corner of Sixteenth and Howard streets.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. Edgar Howard of Papillon was in town Monday. Allen G. Fisher of Chadron is in town on business. P. G. Harner, a well known Kearney man, is at the Millard. Governor Shaw of Iowa is in Omaha on executive business. R. W. Brockbridge left yesterday for Chicago on business. J. H. Todd, a prominent business man of Dexter, is at the Merchants. E. E. Ricker, prominent business man from Marshalltown, Ia., is at the Murray. Governor W. A. Poynter and his private secretary, Fred Jewell, came to the city Monday night. Ed Rignell, superintendent of the southern division of the Burlington, with headquarters at Lincoln, is in Omaha. Land Commissioner J. V. Wolfe came up from Lincoln Monday to take part in the discussion of the national question. Judge John E. Carland of the United States district court is spending a few days in the city from Sioux Falls, S. D. James Manahan and John H. Ames, ranked among the leading attorneys of the capital city, are in Omaha on business in the federal court. The Messrs. Ebel and Alice Dovey of patternmaking, accompanied by their grand mother, Mrs. Charles Dawson, arrived in the city Monday to remain for a day.

John O'Keefe, an old-time Nebraska railroad contractor, whose home is now in Chicago, is in the city in connection with some work he has been doing for the Burlington. Matthew Gering of Plattsmouth was in town Monday night for awhile to attend the pro-Bour meeting. He left later for Nebraska City where he is continued in an important lawsuit. Judge Joseph Fawcett has returned from Galena, Ill., where he has been at the bedside of his son, George E., who was dangerously ill. Mrs. Fawcett will remain with her son in Galena an indefinite period. "Dick" Pugh, an old-time printer of Omaha, who left here twenty-five years ago and went to Denver, where he has since resided, is in town on visit. No many changes have taken place in the quarter of a century that has been away that he says he seems lost in the city, which was not in existence when he was here. Mr. Pugh was at one time foreman of the Omaha Herald.

John A. O'Connell and John A. Schenk left Sunday evening for Dayton, O., to attend the funeral of Mrs. Joseph E. Schenk, who died after a brief illness with appendicitis. The deceased was in Omaha as the guest of Mr. O'Connell during the past summer, and made many friends here who will be pained to learn of her sudden death. She leaves a husband, two sons and two daughters. Mrs. Schenk's funeral will occur this morning and interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery at Dayton.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Sam Thomas had two sets of harness stolen from his barn at Sixteenth and Fort streets Sunday night. The loss amounts to \$10. Mayor Moore has almost entirely recovered from his illness and has been able to take short excursions in his carriage. He will probably resume his duties in a few days. James Edholm is rapidly recovering from the assault made upon him by G. C. Porter a few days ago. It is expected he will return to his place of business before the end of the week. The annual meeting of the Women's Christian association will be held in the parlors of the Young Men's Christian association auditorium. Officers will be elected and annual reports will be read. Frank Pratt, who was arrested a few days ago for an alleged attempt to wrongfully obtain money from Expressman Grimmer, last night. He was released in exchange of a \$10 bill, was honorably discharged. He was proven to be entirely innocent. The committee appointed by the silver Republicans to present to the governor the resolution to amend the constitution, favoring the appointment of Hitchcock will leave for Lincoln over the Burlington at 8:30 this morning. The annual meeting of the Women's Christian association will be held in the parlors of the Young Men's Christian association rooms at 2 p. m. tomorrow. All interested in the Old Ladies' and Children's homes are invited to be present. For the first ten days of December there have been only five cases of scarlet fever and five of diphtheria reported at the office of the Board of Health. This is considered a creditable showing for a month when these diseases are usually prevalent. A little girl whose identity has not been ascertained, but who admits that she is a runaway from home, was picked up on the streets and taken to the Child Saving institution. The little one related a horrifying story of how her parents had whipped her, but inspection failed to reveal any marks of bruises.

The old stereotyped advertisement that accuses indulgence in having their clothes stolen, was so often, was so conspicuously used Saturday afternoon by Laura Hill, who was doing a turn at the museum last week. While she was on the stage at the matinee performance some one entered her dressing room and carried away a valuable watch and chain. It was thoughtfully engraved and studded with small diamonds. It was valued at \$10. That the theft was bona fide can be testified to by Detectives Savage, Dempsey and Jorgensen, who later recovered the jewelry from one of the stage loungers and returned it to the owner.

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