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IN THE REALM OF CLUBWOMEN

National Congress of Mothers Convene in Washington Next Month.

MRS. DECKER ISSUES GREETINGS

In December Message to General Federation of Clubs She Suggests Duties of Presiding Officers.

The National Congress of Mothers from its headquarters at Philadelphia has announced an outline of the program for its meeting to be held in Washington, D. C., March 20 to 23.

Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, has issued the following greeting to club women through the Federation Bulletin:

A glance backward for encouragement and a look ahead for cheer. Never has the General Federation of Women's Clubs had more cause for joyful celebration than this year of 1907.

For the New Year it is ours to believe in the federation and its aims, to look upon the club as a part of our life.

Several queries have been received from time to time of this order. What are the duties of a presiding officer outside of the club?

From the fullness of the heart and because of much suffering the reply comes: Many duties are great and indispensable.

The "yet one" Christmas party to be substituted by the local Young Women's Christian association for its annual New Year's reception is gaining favor among members of the local Young Women's Christian association.

Big Spouter in Lake Andes. One of the greatest artisan spouters in the state has been struck by the United States government on the shores of Lake Andes.

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STOCK YARDS TO BE ENJOINED

Commission Will Contest Increase in Switching Charges—Railroad Passenger Earnings Are on the Increase.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 5.—(Special.)—The State Railway commission issued an order today to prevent the Burlington railroad from compelling it to put in a 15-cent rate from Lincoln to Crete and return on cotton goods to be used by the Lincoln Shirt and Overall company of Lincoln.

Before the Union Stock yards of South Omaha puts in effect its contemplated increase in switching rates at South Omaha the company will have to go through the courts. The State Railway commission has decided to ask for an injunction to prevent the increase and the petition will be filed with the supreme court during the week.

The report has reached Lincoln that some of the people of University Place refuse to take a certain telephone out there unless the company have a telephone out of its books. This particular company has numerous advertisements of a brand of beer both inside and outside the book, and it is said many University Place people have pasted paper on the advertisements.

Following is the report of ticket sales made by the railroads to the State Railway commission for September, together with a comparison of the three months, July, August and September sales:

Table with 2 columns: Railroad Name, September Sales, August Sales, July Sales. Includes Missouri Pacific, State Interstate, Union Pacific, etc.

Secretary of State Junkin has completed his semi-annual report showing the receipt of \$18,544.48. This with \$12,572.21 during the previous six months makes a total of \$31,116.69.

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Hamilton, former missionary among the Omahas, been such a religious awakening as is now in progress among them. Rev. Irayton is working in conjunction with the local missionary and many converts have joined the church and very much interest is being manifested.

Nebraska News Notes. BEATRICE—The "Dago Kid" and Otto Franklin of Lincoln will wrestle for a purse of \$100 at Barneston next Saturday night.

BEATRICE—James L. Gilmore and Miss Anna G. Olson of Omaha were united in marriage by County Judge H. D. Travis Wednesday.

BEATRICE—The Northwestern Business college football team of this city will go to Tecumseh Friday to play the high school team of that place.

BEATRICE—Ryan & Co. yesterday sold a half interest in their furniture store to J. S. Sawyer of Iowa, who has returned in the city with his family to make Beatrice his home.

BEATRICE—W. H. Bowman, a stockman living north of the city, yesterday received 735 head of cattle, which he will send to Tecumseh Friday to be handled over the coming season.

BEATRICE—For the last two days Judge Kelliger in the district court has been holding court in the city. He is expected to be here for a long time.

BEATRICE—Jerry L. Morrison, a veteran of the civil war and for twenty-five years a resident of Beatrice, died yesterday morning of cancer of the stomach, aged 63 years. He is survived by a widow and four children.

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BEATRICE—Earl Carson, a 17-year-old boy, was brought here yesterday from Barneston, where he was charged with the charge of stealing \$5 from James Galbreath, a resident of that place.

BEATRICE—Last night the residence of A. S. Sloan was burned with nearly all of the contents. The damage, he says, is over \$150 and no insurance. He lives on his farm five miles northwest and is in town purchasing material to rebuild. A defective fuse caused the fire.

BEATRICE—Some of the young women of the high school have organized an debating and dramatic society by the election of the following officers: Pearl Carr, president; Mabel Mumford, vice president; Hazel Ward, secretary; Muriel Fuller, treasurer; Ethel Claypool, sergeant-at-arms.

BEATRICE—Company C has been elected to the position of manager and athletic board in Clyde McCormick, I. R. Peterson, Harvey Jones and Jack Egan. The boys are now ready for all comers. Frank McMillen was elected captain of the 1908 Nebraska City High school football team.

BEATRICE—Yesterday evening, it being the thirty-fifth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Wakefield of this city, a few of the neighbors were invited to a 5 o'clock supper which was enjoyed very much by the guests. After a social visit the company dispersed, wishing the couple many happy returns of the event.

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