WINDUP ON RATE HEARINGS

Board Has Concluded with Exception of Railroad Employes.

RAILROADS PLEAD POVERTY

State Board of Assessment by Unanimous Vote Selects Christopher Schavland of Madison County as Secretary.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, May 20.—(Special.)—The general hearing on the proposition of a reduction of freight rates in Nebraska closed this afternoon and no further presentation will take place unless the railway commission asks for a supplemental hearing. The railway employes are yet to be heard. The commission assembled at 1:30 to hear the Burlington railroad representatives. Talks were made by C. E. Spens, general freight agent of the Burlington lines west, General Solicitor J. E. Kelby of the same road, Freight Traffic Manager J. A. Munroe of the Union Pacific, and General Solicitor N. H. Loomis of the Union Pacific. If the statements made by the railroad men are true the railway commission is in close quarters. The railroad men allege that the commission must base rates in Nebraska only on business beginning and ending in the state, and must not consider traffic through the state, beginning in the state and ending outside, or originating outside the state and terminating within the state. After this is done, according to the railway attorneys, who quote the Wisconsin Railway commission as authority, 80 per cent of the value of the lines and equipment in the state must be taken as the basis for dividend earning, 80 per cent of the equipment having been found necessary to carry purely state traffic. Mr. Kelby said the Burlington earns only 2 per cent on its taxable value in Nebraska on state business, and Mr. Munroe said the Union Pacific earns only 1 per cent on Nebraska business.

General Freight Agent Spens confined his talk to the difference in conditions between Iowa and Nebraska, and sought to show thatt he density of traffic in Nebraska is about 50 per cent of the density of traffic in Iowa, and that the cost of carrying decreases with the increase of density of traffic. He said he did not blame the shippers of Nebraska for comparing Nebraska and Iowa rates, but he thought when they understood the conditions they would understand the matter.

C. J. Alger of Leigh, succeeded in getting through an amendment professionally excommunicating any doctor who does not abide by the recognized standards of the calling. One of the amendments is as follows:

Any physician, not in good standing with the county association of this county shall be refused professional intercourse by each physician, except the extreme need of the patient requires the temporary suspension of this rule.

Schavland Chosen Secretary.

Christopher Schavaland of Madison, was the unanimous choice of the State Board of Assessment for secretary this afternoon. The election occurred on the first ballot. Mr. Schavaland was born in Norway and is 41 years of age. He served eight years in the office of clerk of the district court of Madison county, four years as county treasurer and seven years as secretary of a building and loan association. The salary is $1,600 a year. The board will begin work at once on the assessment of railroad property.

Prisoner Objects to Quarters.

Attorney H. M. Sullivan has applied for a writ of mandamus in the supreme court to compel the sheriff of Custer county to take James M. Carland to another jail where sanitary conditions are better than in the Custer county jail. Carland is charged with murder, but cannot be tried until September. The supreme court will hear the case June 2.

Express Company Reports.

The Pacific Express company, after several months of coaxing by the State Railway Commission to conform to the law, today filed its Nebraska station report with the comission. The other express companies have not yet reported.

New Plan to Encourage Drill.

The adjutant general's office has been paying 25 cents a week to each member of the Nebraska National guard who appears at the weekly drill, and is also paying officers service pay, or an increase in pay in accordance with the length of time served in one office. It is yet difficult to say whether the new plan has resulted in much improvement in attendance at drill.

Corn for Omaha Show.

The National Corn commission which is planning for a large representation of Nebraska corn at the show to be held at Omaha, December 10 to 19, met last night to complete arrangements for the growing and exhibition of corn. William Ernst of Tecumseh, Dean Burnett of the agricultural college, Secretary W. R. Mellor of the state board of agriculture, and members of the comittee were present. Secretary E. G. Montgomery of the national exhibition and William James of Dorchester were in attendance. The commission now has 2,000 farmers in Nebraska raising corn for the show. The next meeting will be for corn growers and will be held Thursday, September 3, at 10 a. m., in the live stock pavilion on the state fair grounds.

SONS OF HERMAN CONVENE

Omaha Men Visit Grand Island for Annual Meeting of German Order.

GRAND ISLAND, May 20.—(Special.)—The Sons of Herman, a German fraternal organization, met in annul session in this city today with all of the approximately 100 delegates present. The officers of the organization are: Past president, Fritz Volpp, Scribner; president, John Mattes, jr., Nebraska City; vice president, F. J. Freitag, South Omaha; second vice president, Albert v. d Heyde, Grand Island; secretary, Carl Rohde, Columbus; treasurer, J. E. Melcher, Wisner;; trustees, August Boetscher, Columbus; August Brummond, Norfolk, and J. H. Lohman, Bloomfield; physician, Dr. E. S. Stockert, Nebraska City; guide, Fritz Boesking, Talmage; watches, B. M. Mohr, Omaha; Gus E. Neuman, Grand Island.

After the address of the president, in which several recommendations were made, the reports of the officers were taken up. The reserve fund was shown by the treasurer's report to have increased in the past term by $11,000 and there was an appreciable increase in the membership with three additional local lodges. Several propositions involving changes in the constitution are before the lodge, one of them being for a certificate of $1,000 as well as that for $500. Resolutions of respect were adopted by an impressive vote over the death of J. H. Johannes, late secretary of the grand lodge of Columbus. The session will come to a close tomorrow night with a banquet tendered by the local organization.

George Martin New Principal.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 20.—(Special.)—The Board of Education has elected George E. Martin of the high school as superintendent of the public schools of this city. He has been principal of the high school for the last six years or more. C. Roy Gates of Oakland, Neb., has been elected principal of the high school at a salary of $125 per month and the teachers are Misses Ida W. Heise, Marion Livingston, Helen R. Dowart and Clara Mackin. Miss Augusta Eisenmann did not apply as teacher of science, as she expects to take a special course at some university for the coming year and Miss Anna Stevenson was elected to fill her place. The following is a list of the teachers of the graded schools, the first named being the principal:

Second Avenue—Mrs. Anna Reynolds, Misses Louise Homeyer, Clara Van Ella, Effie Gilmore, Winona Proper, Rose L. Cox, Caroline Sheer and Anna Fastenau.

Sixth Street—Misses Minnie Wilhelmy, Louise Eisemann, Emma Bachler, Mary Aird, Abbie Lyon, Hannah Johnson, Katherine MacCuaig and Veleda McLellan.

Kearney—Misses Agnes Bradford, Nellie Wills and Etta Hoke.

Greggsport— Misses Amelia Wille and Clara Rehse.

Edgewood—Miss Grace Bloomingdale.

The salaries of the high school teachers were raised to $90 per month, but no change was made in the salary of the graded school teachers.

Nebraska News Notes.

BEATRICE—The Beatrice Commercial club will hold its annual banquet at the Paddock hotel Thursday night.

BEATRICE—The city council last evening purchased $5,000 worth of bonds from Spitzer & Co. for 93¾ per cent of their face value.

NEBRASKA CITY—Drs. Frank S. Harnell and Claude Watson have gone to Lincoln to attend the meeting of the state medical society.

BEATRICE—Rev. J. E. Davis and family were called to Jamesport, Mo., yesterday by a telegram announcing the death of Mr. Davis' father.

NEBRASKA CITY—The Morton-Gregson pork packing plant which has been closed down to undergo repairs for the past sixty days, has resumed operations.

BEATRICE—The marriage of Rudolph Engler and Miss Elizabeth Broschinski was solemnized yesterday at the home of the bride's parents in West Beatrice, Rev. Poeverlein officiating.

BEATRICE—The commencement exercises of the Beatrice High school will be held in the Christian church, June 5 and 6. The graduating class numbers fifty-two, thirteen more than has ever graduated before.

NEBRASKA CITY—The cadets of the state university will come to this city next Tuesday for a five days' encampment. Arrangements have been made to royally entertain the young men while they are here.

BEATRICE—In the City league the Blue Valley ball team defeated the Young Men's Christian association nine last evening by the score of 12 to 7. The association has lost every game played since the opening of the league.

BEATRICE—State Labor Commissioner Ryder was in the city yesterday making an investigation relative to complaints made of certain buildings needing fire escapes. He found several buildings on which fire escapes must be placed.

PLATTSMOUTH—The Masonic order in Plattsmouth have elected the following named officers for the ensuing year: Oliver C. Dovey, worshipful master; Fred Ramge, senior warden; John W. Crabill, junior warden; M. Archer, secretary.

NEBRASKA CITY—John Mattes, jr., A. P. Youngf, Dr. C. F. Stockert, William Gebert, Henry Heesch, Claus Koch and Henry Winkleman have gone to Grand Island to attend the meeting of the grand lodge of the Sons of Herman.

LEIGH—The Leigh Iddependent Telephone company has made connections with the Nebraska Telephone company. This measure is a welcome one to subscribers as hereafter long distance calls will not necessitate a trip down town to the central booth.

NEBRASKA CITY—John Tyner and Miss Rachel McIntyre of Randolph, Ia., came to this city last evening and were united in marriage by Rev. A. E. Perry of the Presbyterian church. They are prominent young people and the marriage was a surprise to their many friends.

BEATRICE—Company C met last night to organize a social order. A committee was appointed to draft constitution and bylaws and will report Friday night. The company numbers fifty men and is in command of Captain A. H. Hollingworth. The boys received their new uniforms last evening.

GRAND ISLAND—Retail Merchans Association has been organized with S. Hexter as president and C. E. Fralick secretary. Retail merchants and their managers only are eligiblet. The particular purposes of the organization are united action as to donations, advertising in fake schemes, the matter of credit, etc.

BEATRICE—James Gilbert, charged with assault and threatening the life of Frank Van Boskirk, was bound over to the district court yesterday at his preliminary hearing in the sum of $500. He furnished bond and was released. Both are farmers living northwest of Beatrice, and have been having trouble for the last year.

NEBRASKA CITY—The county commissioners awarded the contract to the Wilson Re-enforced Concrete company of Omaha for the building of a large bridge across South Table creek, in the eastern portion of the city, to take the place of the large combination bridge washed away by the storm of two years ago. This is the first concrete bridge to be erected in this county and if they prove a success many others will be ordered.

OGALLALA—At a special election held here Tuesday to re-vote on water bonds, the bonds were defeated, after having carried at the regular election. On account of the notice of election not having been properly adverticed, the regular election was declared illegal and a special election became necessary. The vote stood 53 for and 20 against. As it required a two-thirds vote, the water bonds were defeated.

PLATTSMOUTH—Sneak thieves got busy in Plattsmouth Tuesday night. A man was seen trying to remove a screen from a window in the residence of C. C. Wesott, but he was frightened away and the police officers notified. The night prowler then went west in the alley to the next block and removing a screen from the window entered the residence of A. W. Atwood and took his gold watch. He then entered another room and was met by Miss Fannie King, a sister of Mrs. Atwood, and frightened away. In the next block west he entered the home of John Becker and carried away with him two gold watches, one a ladies'; two hats and $23.22. Sheriff Quinton and Deputy Manspeaker and the entire police force made a thorough search, but failed to find the light fingered strangers.

BEATRICE—Dr. J. B. Fulton has brought action against the Nebraska Telephone company to recover $159. Last October he was called up over the telephone and told by the operator that a party at Superior, Neb., wanted to talk to him. A request was made of Mr. Fulton to send his bloodhounds there at once. The dogs were sent, but it was afterwards learned that the call came from Deweese, Neb. The plaintiff asks damages in the sum of $159.

NEBRASKA CITY—Byron McNealy, a minor, through his best friend, Frank McNealy, has filed a suit in the district court against Charles Kraft, sr., for $5,000 for damages. He states that on February 21, 1908, he was going along the road adjoining the farm of the defendant and fell into a well seventy-one feet deep, which was covered up with brush and rubbish and remained there for three days. His health is broken and he has never fully recovered from injuries areceived at that time. The farm is situated in Cass county.

NEBRASKA CITY—A force of some fifty men are engaged in tearing down the Argo starch plant and dismantling the same. The timbers are being sold and machinery disposed of. The brick will be taken down and sold or shipped. This was one of the largest starch plants in the west and was closed down several years ago when it passed into the hands of the trust. The citizens tried to purchase the buildings, which are five and six stories high, so as to use it for for other industries, but the price asked was too high.

MORE PAPER MAKERS TESTIFY

Hearing Will Not Be Finished in Time for Report to This Session.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The investigation of the wood pulp and print paper industry was not concluded today by the special house committee which has been inquiring into this matter, and the chances for a report being made to congress in time for action at this session are not as bright as they were a few days ago. A number of paper manufacturers were examined today and the committee was informed that several others are due from the west tomorrow.

The testimony today embraced both the increase of the cost of the body that goes into the paper and increase in the prices of wages. Arguments against the removal of the tariff on wood pulp and paper also were made.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—To meet the many demands for information the census bureau today issued a preliminary report showing that the consumption of pulp wood in the United States for the calendar year ending December 31, last, reached 3,962,669 cords, an increase of a little over 300,000 cords over the previous year, and estimating the total production of pulp in tons in 1907 at 2,547,869. The report, which covers the consumption of 558 mills, shows the following for the different kinds of wood:

Spruce, domestic, 10,975,278 cords; spruce, imported, 905,575; hemlock, 576,154; poplar, domestic, 352,142; poplar, imported, 19,798; pine, 78,583; cottonwood, 95,084; balsam, 43,884, and all other kinds, 125,162.

DES MOINES MAN KILLS SELF

Jud B. Vance, Former Banker, Commits Suicide in Hotel in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, May 20.—Jud B. Vance of Des Moines, Ia., aged 45 years, shot and killed himself in his room in the Savoy hotel tonight. His body was found lying across the bed, a bullet hole behind the right ear and a revolver lying where it had fallen from his right hand. In the room a note was found asking the proprietor of the hotel to notify his wife at Des Moines and to send her all of his personal effects. "I am awfully sorry to do this, but think it is the best thing for my family," the note said.

Vance left a widow and three sons in Des Moines. He came to Kansas City three weeks ago and had been drinking lately, according to the coroner.

Vance at one time was in the banking business at Danvers, Ill., and withdrew with $60,000 cash, which he lost in speculation. He carried $20,000 life insurance.

INDICTMENT AGAINST BROKERS

One Member of T. A. McIntyre & Co. Must Stand Trial on Criminal Charge.

NEW YORK, May 20.—An indictment against a member of the failed brokerage firm of T. A. McIntyre & Co., was reported by the grand jury this afternoon. Which member of the firm the indictment is against was not specified.

Young Man Hurt by Cars.

MITCHELL, S. D., May 20.—(Special Telegram.)—William H. Scheurenbrand may die as a result of an accident which befell him at Plankington last night while attempting to board a freight under motion. He attempted to climb in a freight car to avoid getting left, but lost his hold and fell under the wheels. One leg was practically cut off, his left leg dislocated and he was bruised about the head and eyes. He was brought to this city and his leg was amputated.

A year ago the young man was severely injured in California when a brick wall collapsed and fell on him and he had not fully recovered from that injury. His father is a prominent cement block manufacturer and was with him when the accident occurred.

Prepare to Greet Travelers.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 20.—(Special.)—The annual convention of the Black Hills Traveling Men's association, which will be held at Hot Springs on June 12, 13 and 14, will be the best attended and most interesting ever held by the association. Practically every traveling man in the Black Hills will be present. Elaborate preparations are being made by the people of Hot Springs for the convention and the entertainment of the visiting traveling men and others.

Scalded by Steam

or scorched by a fire, apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Cures piles, too, and the worst sores. Guaranteed. 25c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

Chance to Go Back to Pen.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., May 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Charles Dunn, a farmer, aged 50 years, was arrested late this afternoon, on the charge of incest. The complaining witness is Dunn's step daughter, Ethel Sandstrom, aged 16. Dunn is an ex-convict, having served seventeen years for participating in the famous assault and robbery of William Scott, an aged miser of Timber Creek township.

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FUN AND FOOD IN ABUNDANCE

Grand Secretary Guest of Honor for the Occasion—Money Raised to Pay for the New Home for the Lodge.

Never before in the history of Omaha Elkdom was such a stag social pulled off as that given in the Auditorium on Tuesday evening.

Twenty-five hundred guests—or, rather 2,500 guests, for 1,000 of those present were Elks—attended the monster social. Plenty of eatables, drinkables and smokeables were provided, there was entertainment galore, and an era of fun and jollity reigned supreme in the spacious Auditorium from early in the evening until the clock struck the midnight hour. The building was decorated in the Elk colors, royal purple, and the festoons of incandescent lights installed for the electrical show were still in place and helped materially in the decorations. The 200 hundred members of the reception committee were in full dress, the army officers attending wore full dress uniforms, and altogether the spectacle was one which will not soon be forgotten.

Arthur C. Wakeley and William I. Kierstead occupied the roles of chairmen and made the statement that a larger and more enthusiastic crowd never before attended a stag social of the Elks in the United States, not even excepting grand lodge sessions. In the big affair of Tuesday evening Omaha Elks believe they have set a pace which it will be hard for the next lodge to follow. Carl E. Herring, ably assisted by a huge megaphone, presided at the social, though he did not have a monopoly on the megaphone by any means, as speakers and singers alike had to bring them into use to make themselves heard above the constant laughter predominant in every corner of the room.

Praise for Omaha Elks.

The social was officially opened by Mr. Herring, who, in a few words, told of the reason for the giving of the big party, and he introduced Fred C. Robinson of Dubuque, Ia., grand secretary of the Elks, who spoke briefly, eulogizing the Elks, and more particularly the Omaha Elks, in the highest terms.

"I have just visited eighteen lodges in cities large and small, between here and Pennsylvania, but you have excelled all the others and I want to congratulate you on account of this magnificent gathering, and bring to you the felicitations of over 300,000 Elks who glorify you in your having secured a permanent home of your own," said Secretary Robinson. "The Elks of the country have $16,000,000 invested in homes, and it is indeed gratifying to the officials that old 39 has got in line.

"To those who are not Elks, I want to say that the Elk lodge is coming to be a factor. Nearly all the great men belong to the order, three-fourths of all the United States senators are Elks, nearly every governor of a state belongs to the lodge, and officials in all the large cities wear the antlers.

"The Elk lodge is purely an American order, built and nurtured on native soil. Elkdom knows no partiality, no politics; all Elks unite in working for charity, for there is no more beautiful flower in all the world than charity. It is one of the noblest of orders with a noble aim."

Lysle I. Abbott followed with a short talk, bidding all welcome and asuring them that with the chief of police a member of the lodge and the chief of detectives on the reception committee, no harm would befall any of those present.

Money to Pay for Home.

The feature of the evening was the completion of the fund to buy, clear of all incumbrance, the Grantie block for a permanent home for the lodge. In less than ten minutes as many thousand dollars was raised, and upon the $75,000 mark being reached the taking of subscriptions ceased, even though many hands were up offering more money for the fund. Gus Renze wrote on a blackboard that $65,700 had been raised and that $9,300 more was needed, and the names of those subscribing and the amounts were written on the board.

This clean-up of subscriptions followed a song by a company of all stars, headed by George R. Hughes, who marched around the stage singing the chorus to an Irish ballad of which Hughes sang the verses. Hughes picked his assistants from among the crowd and they comprised General Morton, Mayor Dahlman, Rev. George A. Beecher, dean of Trinity cathedral; Gould Dietz, Rev. T. J. Mackay, Rev. Addison Knickerbocker, Grand Secretary Robinson, Tom Swift, David O'Brien and a number of others. The singing by this wondrous aggregation "brought down the house."

A dozen colored men later sang a number of old time southern songs and later day ragtime melodies. They also did some fancy clog dancing. Another "stunt" was a boxing contest, the boxers standing in barrels, which were easily overturned upon the landing of a neat blow under the chin.

The Elks' quartet of Council Bluffs sang two songs through megaphones; Major MacCarthy of the regular army sang an Irish song, and Mr. Nevins gave a tenor solo, which completed the musical portion of the program, with the exception of music furnished alternately througout the evening by Finn's Greater Omaha band, and the singing by the Elks of "Auld Lang Syne" when the clock struck 11, the hour which all Elks remember.

Good Price for Donkey.

Interspersed between the musical numbers W. W. Cole and James Reed rode through the crowd on a two wheeled cart drawn by the Ak-Sar-Ben donkey, which afterwards was auctioned off to the highest bidder, being knocked down to Mayor Dahlman for $50. Dr. Despecher and Prof. Chatelain gave a real fencing exhibition with rapiers. A wrestling match was pulled off between two acrobats, who threw one another around in great shape. Dr. Costell of Chicago lodge gave an impersonation of the street medicine faker and of a barker in a circus side show. Five boys, with their hands tied behind them, tried to win the belt for pie eating, and several other attractions of a similar nature were given.

The great aerial feat wherein Madame Davenport, a world wide wonder on the tight wire, was widely advertised to make a slide for life down a tight wire from the roof of the Auditorium to the stage, turned out to be a farce. A dummy was fixed up to make the slide, but was caught among the electric light festoons and was carried off.

The big social was brought to a close by throwing on a canvas a series of motion pictures, showing the trials and tribulations of a candidate for membership in the lodge.

LEARNED IT AT WEST POINT

Son of a Diplomat Shows a Trick or Two to Guatemala Poker Players.

It wasn't exactly "the old army game," but it was its young and active brother, the West Point game of draw poker, that surprised a number of members of the American colony at Guatemala City, including the American consul general, and caused a shrinkage in bank rolls that made a financial panic look tame by comparison.

The story of the game, which has caused something as nearly approaching a sensation in the sleepy Central American city as climatic conditions will permit, was brought to New York yesterday by Don Arthur Calvo. The young man is the son of Don Joaquin Bernardo Calvo, minister from Costa Rica to Washington, and his father was a highly amused listener to the tale in the Hoffman house.

One day recently, just after the siesta hour, the club at Guatamala City began to fill. Several Americans arrived, and a poker game was suggested. There were only four men present who answered the call, and no one wanted to play four-handed, so they began to look about for a recruit.

Seated on the balcony of the club was a young South American. He was a guest of the club, but none of the Americans knew him. Nevertheless, they wanted to start the game, and he was asked if he played. "I know a little about it," he replied, and the other players congratulated themselves in advance. It "looked easy."

When the game broke up the stranger was several thousand pesos to the good. Consul General Kent was one of the big losers at the game.

"And where did you learn to play poker?" asked one of the Americans while the young South American was stowing away his gains.

"At West Point, I graduated there last year."

"I was that South American," said young Mr. Calvo, at the conclusion of his story yesterday, and he laughed again at the discomfiture of the clubmen of Guatmala City who thought they had introduced a novice into the game.—New York American.

CUT OUT THE HOT WORDS

Buffalo Bill's Press Agent Tells How the "Wild West" Has Reformed.

Major John M. Burke, Buffalo Bill's right bower, press agent and general manager, was in Baltimore with his usual beaming face and, as ever, redolent of optimism.

"I am not a professional reformer," said the gallant major, "but I would like to see the American people abandon the swearing habit. We are, as a nation, too prone to use cuss words whenever things don't go right or our feelings are hurt. It seems to me that real profanity should be tabooed by all who aspire to be considered gentlemen, so as to create a sentiment that the use of such expletives is a mark of vulgarity and ruffianism.

"Instead of ugly oaths when laboring under excitement, the coming generation should be taught to employ only near-swear words, such as 'By the jumping Jehosaphat,' 'by jingo gee,' 'by the beard of the prophet,' and the like. The late Jim Hogg, governor of Texas, one of my best friends, used the innocent, but blood-curdling, cuss phrase 'by goolings' whenever his hot southern blood got inflamed.

"A great number of prominent Americans got on very well without using actual profanity. Colonel Cody, though a frontiersman all his life and accustomed to the society of men who handle the mother tongue carelessly, is not given to blasphemous speech. The colonel, when worked up, has been known to say 'dog-gone it,' and 'dag-blame it,' and now and then 'dodgast it,' but this is the limit of his impassioned vocabulary."—Baltimore American.

Tested Summer Recipes.

Asparagus Soup—Wash a bunch of asparagus and put it on to boil gently three-quarters of an hour. Take out and cut off the tips and set aside. Press the stalks through a colander and add one pint of rich milk or cream, one pint of water in which the asparagus boiled, salt to tasts and one tablespoonful of butter, rubbed smooth in two of flour. Stir until it boils, add the tips and serve with squares of buttered toast.

Venetian Chicken—Take one large chicken or two small ones and boil the stock down to one and a half pints. Remove all bones and return to kettle; add three large tomatoes, fresh. (Canned ones will do). Also add one large onion sliced thin, a few bits of celery and seasoning to taste. Boil all together quickly for about fifteen minutes and it will thicken.

Modernized Version.

Pythias had returned, just in time to save the life of Damon.

"Gee!" exclaimed Dionysius. "Boys, when that story is worked into a play it will make a great hit."

"Most noble tyrant," said Pythias, venturing to correct him, "it's merely a sacrifice hit."

Many of the scorers, however, having only a superficial knowledge of the game, marked it down as a double play.—Chicago Tribune.

Our Letter Box

Contributions on timely topics invited. Write legibly on one side of the paper only, with name and address appended. Unused contributions will not be returned. Letters exceeding 300 words will be subject to being cut down at the discretion of the editor. Publication of views of correspondents does not commit The Bee to their endorsement.

Religious Foundation.

OMAHA, May 19.—To the Editor of The Bee: In your issue of this evening, commenting on the action of the Omaha Ministerial union in calling for the dismissal of our efficient chief of police, you say "If some of these energetic professors of religion were to amend their habits so as to conform a little more closely to the teachings of the gentle man who founded their religion, much good might result and much petty dickering would disappear."

There is one thing I would like to know: Who was that gentle man who founded this religion? It seems to me if one man founded a different religion for each member of this ministerial union he must be just as crazy as any of these gentlemen.

I believe that each religion which these gentlemen represent had its own different founder who favored a religion to suit his own taste. READER.

New Bank at Hot Springs.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., May 19.—(Special.)—The People's National bank is a new financial institution organized recently in place of the defunct Hot Springs National bank. About forty of the leading business men of the city are interested in the new bank. The following officers were chosen: President, J. F. Parks; vice president, S. L. Kirtley; cashier, A. C. Forney. Directors: Emile Hargens, W. E. Reeder, L. E. Highley, A. C. Forney, George Brady, N. H. Dryden, J. F. Parks, F. P. Hesnard and S. L. Kirtley.

Dye with Tea.

A garment made of almost any material may be creamed with tea. Make the tea strong and soak the garment well in it. Iron the garment before it dries and the color will be a pretty cream. The tea does not streak the goods as coffee does and has a prettier color and less expensive than the creaming substance that is bought.

Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup is best for women and children. Its mild action and pleasant taste makes it preferable to violent purgatives, such as pills, tablets, etc. Get the booklet and a sample of Orino at all druggists.

Frank E. Ferguson Appointed.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Frank E. Ferguson of Hagerstown, Md., was today appointed assistant director of the bureau of engraving and printing by Secretary Cortelyou. Mr. Ferguson has been connected with the bureau for thirty years.

FOUR GIRLS

Restored to Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Read What They Say.

Miss Lillian Ross, 536 East 84th Street, New York, writes: "Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound overcame irregularities, periodic suffering, and nervous headaches, after everything else had failed to help me, and I feel it a duty to let others know of it."

Katharine Craig, 2355 Lafayette St., Denver, Col., writes: "Thanks to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I am well, after suffering for months from nervous prostration."

Miss Marie Stoltzman, of Laurel, Ia., writes: "I was in a run-down condition and suffered from suppression, indigestion, and poor circulation. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound made me well and strong."

Miss Ellen M. Olson, of 417 N. East St., Kewanee, Ill., says: "Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cured me of backache, side ache, and established my periods, after the best local doctors had failed to help me."

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.

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