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"THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE" SUBJECT

Address of M. S. Briggs Before Brotherhood Class at Presbyterian Church Sunday.

Yesterday at the Brotherhood class meeting at the Presbyterian Sunday school, M. S. Briggs addressed the class on the subject of "The Emergency Clause." The cause of the selection of this topic being that someone else was to have spoken at this time, and they not having the time to prepare, and the speaker being also very busy, thought this would be a pertinent theme under the circumstances, and therefore adopted it.

In substance, he had to say that if there was any one thing which he would like to impress upon his hearers it was that of preparation for anything which was to be done. The fact of being thoroughly prepared recalled a story of a young man who was employed in the general offices of a certain railway, where it was necessary to send some of the office force out over the road looking after matters for the company, and in most every instance it required many hours to prepare

for the journey, and thus made it more expensive to do the work and did not get it accomplished as soon as the work was ready, as son as the work was ready. This young man determined that he would be prepared if the lot fell upon him, and therefore packed his grip with such things as would be necessary, that he would be ready. He did not have long to wait, for two days later an errand was necessary to be done, and he was asked to do it. The superior officers asked, "how soon can you be ready to start?" The answer was, "I am ready now," and he was going on the train that pulled out within two minutes. The sequence was that in after years this young man became the president of the company. His emergency clause was being prepared for the work which he was expected to do.

The matter of safety first, as practiced by the Burlington road, was commented upon very favorably by the speaker, and this was shown as a way to prevent emergencies, which would in all cases result in losses to the company, as well as the employees.

A little booklet written by Elbert Hubbard, was commented upon by the speaker, and an instance recited therein, in which William McKinley, in 1898, who was then president, and just before the beginning of the Spanish-American war, was wanting someone to send a message to General Garcia, who was the commander-

in-chief of the insurrectos of Cuba, that they might co-operate with the United States in the hostilities which were to open immediately. Some of the president's close friends suggested a man by the name of John Winthrop as being the man who would be able to carry the message, if anyone could. The message was given, and how he placed it in an oiled skin packet in the inner pocket of his vest and was four days later dropped off a liner on the shore of Cuba, where he disappeared in the jungle, to emerge three weeks later on the opposite side of the island, having delivered the message, bringing one in return, is only an incident, but it showed that for this very purpose this young man was prepared, and could be trusted.

Speaking on this proposition, the head of a concern which employed a large number of clerks in their office, said, "Do you see that man at a desk?" which he indicated, "Well, that man appears to be industrious, but do you know I could not send that man on an errand five blocks from this office, for before he had gotten three of them traversed he would have found it necessary to have visited the saloon on the corner, where he would have drank so much that he would be completely unfit for the mission on which he was sent."

The speaker impressed on his hearers the fact that to be dependable one must be prepared for the business which he is ex-

pected to perform; he must have the technical knowledge which will enable him to look after all the details of the business, as all great achievements are made up of details; he must be courteous and agreeable, meeting all obstacles with a smile, while to gain the point desired, he must exercise firmness at the same time. Honesty and truthfulness must go to help make up the character of the will to succeed, and he must not be afraid to work to win.

THE EASTER PROGRAM AT METHODIST CHURCH

Which Was Deferred Until Last Evening on Account of Storm Easter Sunday.

The program of sacred music which was to have been given at the Methodist church on Easter evening, but which was postponed on account of the weather, was given last evening at the church before a large audience of worshippers, and the music was given in a manner that made the lesson of the death and resurrection impress themselves very forcibly upon the audience.

The services opened with a prelude played by Prof. Frank J. Kolbaba on the violin, and the soft, clear strains of the beautiful sacred selection filled the hearts of the worshippers with a feeling of the spirit of the Christian faith and hope. The duet, "The Lord is Risen," by Mesdames Mae Morgan and E. H. Wescott, was most beautiful and inspiring and fully expressed the joy of the followers of the Saviour at His resurrection. The choir of the church rendered the anthem, "As It Begun to Dawn," the solo part being taken by Ernest Tuoy, and this number was one of the best of the evening's splendid musical numbers, as well as was also the solo of Miss Hazel Tuoy, "Hosanna," by Granier.

The cantata, "Death and Life," by Harry Rowe Shelly, was one of the finest musical selections that has ever been given in this city, and the choir did splendid work in their interpretation of the beautiful story of the Easter day, and the cantata was one that made everyone feel better for attending this service. The solo parts in the cantata were taken by Messrs. Ernest Tuoy, W. G. Brooks, Don York, Jennings Seivers, Jesse Perry and Misses Percis York and Zelma Tuoy, and their numbers were given in a manner that reflects great credit upon these talented musicians, as well as the leader of the choir, Mrs. E. H. Wescott, who has directed the work of the church choir for a number of years, and the cantata last evening was not only most beautiful from a musical standpoint, but also carried out the message of hope to the audience of faith and everlasting life.

KILLED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT IN WASHINGTON

The following account of the death of Louis Ballinger at Seattle, Washington, taken from the Lincoln Journal, will be of interest to many of the older residents of this city, where the parents of the deceased young man resided for a number of years, and where the father of the deceased was employed as conductor on the Burlington:

Mrs. Emma Ballinger of 329 South Twelfth street received word yesterday afternoon that her son, Louis Ballinger, of Seattle, Washington, was killed in an automobile accident Friday morning near Marshall Field, Oregon. Mr. Ballinger grew to manhood in this city. He worked for the Missouri Pacific in Omaha for a time and later moved to Washington. He was about 30 years old and left a wife and two small children. The details of the accident have not yet been learned. The remains will likely be brought to Lincoln for burial. John Ballinger, father of the young man, was at one time a Burlington conductor on one of the lines running out of Lincoln and was killed while in a railroad week several years ago.

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YOUNG MEN ARRESTED FOR STEALING TELEPHONE WIRE

The following in regard to the capture of two young men charged with stealing wire belonging to the telephone company near Greenwood, appears in the State Journal this morning. The sheriff will bring the young men here to be arraigned on the charge of petit larceny:

Harry McDougal and Wallace Swanson, both young men, were arrested yesterday afternoon as they stepped from a Burlington train and are being held at the county jail pending the filing of a complaint charging wire stealing. The two were accused of stealing wire belonging to the telephone company, just over the Cass county line. Sheriff Quinton of that county will come to Lincoln this morning to get the young men, whom he will take to Cass county. M. T. Caster of the telephone company first informed the sheriff two young men had been seen taking wire from near Greenwood. Many lines had been blown down during the storm of a week ago, and instead of hunting up the loosened wires the company laid new ones. Sheriff Myers and Mr. Caster found a package at the depot in Greenwood address to "Harry McDougal, Lincoln, Neb." The package contained some of the telephone company's wire and there was also some copper wire which had been removed from a de-corned farm house. The young men said that the wire had been taken from Cass county. They claimed that a lineman for the company, B. L. Rigger, had asked them to pick up the Postal wire and bring it to Lincoln where he could sell it. No complaint was filed against Rigger. The wire is valued at about \$15 and the charge against the men will be petty larceny.

MR. AND MRS. W. A. ROBERTSON ENTERTAIN THE WHIST CLUB

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. William A. Robertson entertained the Bridge Whist club at their handsome home on North Sixth street, and the members of the club and their guests spent several hours most delightfully in the playing of the fascinating game and were charmed with the delightful manner in which they were entertained at the Robertson home. The hostess at an appropriate hour served a most tempting luncheon, which added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening and the guests felt that it had been one of the most pleasant gatherings the club has had. The honors for the highest score was carried off by Mr. Robertson, who is quite an expert at the game. The members of the club present were: Messrs. and Mesdames R. W. Clement, C. G. Fricke, C. W. Baylor, W. J. Straight, W. A. Robertson, and the guests of the club were Misses Mia and Barbara Gering and Miss Esther Hunter of Fremont, who was a guest at the Robertson home over Sunday.

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ONE THOUSAND PLATTSMOUTH PEOPLE IN OMAHA SUNDAY

Yesterday was certainly without doubt Plattsmouth day in Omaha, and over 1,000 of our citizens were visitors in the big city to view the destruction wrought by the storm there. The morning train on the Burlington had three extra coaches attached here, but even with this the crowd was compelled to stand up, there being such a swarm of people. The afternoon train was filled up by the sightseers, and the Missouri Pacific morning train took quite a large number to the big city. The trains coming back were crowded to the limit, both No. 14 and the Missouri Pacific at midnight, which carried several extra coaches to handle the large crowd, which came principally from this city, although there was quite a large delegation from Nebraska City and points south.

The debris of the storm is being rapidly cleared away in the stricken district, but there is still months of work for the citizens of Omaha before the normal condition of affairs is reached there. The visitors from this city were treated to a very homelike scene in the metropolis, as the electric light current there was shut off for several hours and the principal streets shrouded in darkness, which goes to show that accidents can happen to the best and largest lighting plants.

Here From Lexington.
D. A. Young and son, Rex, from east of Murray, were in the city last Saturday, coming up to meet Mr. Clark Welliver of Lexington, Neb., who was taken to their home to spend Sunday. Mrs. Young and Mrs. Welliver are sisters. Mr. Welliver came to Omaha with some stock and came on to this city for a brief visit. He returned to his home today.

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