

THE AMUSEMENT DEAD LINE

Evangelist Has Opinions on Entertainment.

CARDS, DANCES AND THEATER

Does Not Approve of Things That Some People Do, and Calls Them Hard Names — Arrangement of Many Good People Included.

[The views of Mr. Lyon as expressed in this radical lecture will meet with hearty disapproval of a great many of the most intelligent and the most highly refined people of Norfolk and of society at large. It is unfair for one who lacks definite knowledge in matters of this sort to assign evil motives to those who indulge in the dance, the card game or the theater. It is evident that Mr. Lyon does not know what he is talking about in regard to any of these three. Instead of a liberal view, he has set a dead line against all forms of amusements in which many people who are pure in their lives, innocently enjoy. His arguments against the stage, the parlor card table and the dancing party are for the most part, resented by people of liberal views as an insult to their intelligence and morality and the discussion, to say the least, would appear to be as narrow as possible.]

Last night every seat in the Methodist church and the aisles were filled with a crowd curious to hear what the evangelist would say on the amusement question. Mr. Coulters sang for a solo, "Have you any Room for Jesus," and the song service was very inspiring.

Mr. Lyon took for his text I Corinthians 10:32, using the revised version: "Give no occasion of stumbling either to Jews or Greeks of the church of God."

"Daniel Webster said that in the handling of any important subject a speaker should lay down some fundamental propositions that will receive the support of every fair minded person." The speaker then laid down four propositions to which he asked his audience to give assent. First—A christian has a right to do anything and everything that anyone else has. Becoming a christian does not increase a man's responsibility to God. Some people think they can be as mean as satan as long as they do not assume the name of christians. Second—Christianity does not consist in giving up things; christianity is not negative but positive. It is a principle within the heart, not a rule. A rule is temporary. A principle is eternal. Third—Seek first the kingdom of God and then not only for Christ's sake but also for your own sake give up that which mars or destroys your life. Christ wants you to give up only that which you ought to give up for your own sake. Fourth—God wants us to have more, rather than less amusement; God does not limit human enjoyment. He wants you to have everything that makes life better, richer and happier. What is the dead line in amusements? When you or I allow anything in our own lives that hinders physical, intellectual, moral or spiritual welfare or development, or hinders physical, intellectual, moral or spiritual growth and development in any other, we have crossed the dead line in amusement."

Mr. Lyon then brought three indictments against the theater: First, the character of those who attend the play. The theater is the resort of the lowest and the vile. Not everyone who attends the theater is low and vile, but you must admit that the play has a fascination for and appeals to the lowest of human society. Second, the character of the plays: Actors are notoriously dissolute. Of course there are the Terrys, and the Booths, and the Barretts, but the trend of the theater is to bring out the lowest and dwarf the best that is in the player. Third, the character of the plays. A Chicago critic on a daily paper in that city said: "The plays are becoming nastier and nastier each year and the public is becoming debauched. If the plays now put on the stage were put on twenty years ago it would have landed the troupe in the police court." The sacred ties of family life are held up for jest and ridicule on the stage. Many girls who succumb have gotten corrupt and fatal ideas of life from the stage. A few minutes before the Iroquois disaster a song was sung on the stage: "The Beer That Made Milwaukee Famous." Would you want the words of that song to be the last the ears of your loved ones should catch as they passed out of the world? The notorious play of Sappho which was forbidden in New York is no worse than many others that are upon the stage according to a New York critic. The so-called religious plays are sometimes among the worst. Some one asks, can we not patronize the good play and taboo the bad? No! For the same reason that we do not go into a saloon for a glass of lemonade. Return to premises: We have no right to encourage that which hinders physical, intellectual, moral, or spiritual welfare or development in ourselves or in another.

Two indictments were brought against card playing. First that it is a thief of time. The game was in-

vented to while away the time of an idiotic king, and there has been no invention that has done more to waste time than the game of cards. Time is too short between the cradle and the grave to waste it in the all-night card party. Second: It is one of the most prolific sources of gambling. Three-fourths of the gambling outside of the race track and the pool room is done with cards. Can we not gamble on any game? says one. Yes, but we are not dealing with theories but with conditions. The parlor card table leads to the gambling hell. When a man says he will bring cards into the home and teach his children so that they will not go away to play he might just as well say, he will bring in liquor and evil associates for the same purpose. The playing of cards by society people for a prize is just as much gambling as when the man plays draw poker for money.

Three indictments were brought against the modern dance. First, it hinders spiritual effectiveness. The lethargy of the church is caused by its worldliness. The moth of worldliness has eaten the garments of the church until the world sneers and ridicules our raggedness. In the state university of Iowa not one in a thousand students who danced or played cards could be depended on for spiritual work. Quotations from different authorities cited by the speaker showed that 75 per cent of the abandoned women were brought to their pitiable condition by the dance. The position assumed in the dance shows its harmfulness. What right has any man to take liberties with your wife and daughter in the ball room more than in any other place. At a convention of dancing masters recently one said that the latest dance must satisfy the most ardent devotee of dancing because of the position assumed and unless there is some change dancing will soon be banished from all respectable society. You may say that in the dance you have never had evil or impure thoughts. Well, that may be true, but how about your more passionate sister. When you take off the mask and the sugar coating, when you get down to the real secret of dancing the motive of it is found in passion, passion, mere animal passion. It is the secret of many of the divorces. Third: It is a hindrance to accepting Jesus. Down in your heart you know it is wrong, and thousands are kept away from Christ because of their love for this sinful amusement. Friends, be consistent. When you come to die, if you have been a dancer, don't send for the minister to stand over your coffin and say beautiful things about you. Don't ask a choir to come and sing "Asleep in Jesus" when they know better, but send for the dancing master to tell the assembled friends what a graceful dancer you were.

For an hour and a half the evangelist spoke and then dismissed the audience without any after service. Sunday morning he speaks on "The Deity of Christ" and Sunday afternoon at the men's meeting on "Sowing and Reaping."

THE NEBRASKA NATIONAL

Comptroller Approves Application from Norfolk.

CHARTER HAS BEEN GRANTED

New Norfolk Bank Will Soon be Ready for Business—Capital Stock of \$50,000—Applications Approved by Comptroller Yesterday.

Washington dispatches state that the application of G. D. Butterfield, John Friday, Peter Stafford, George B. Christoph, H. C. Sattler and Isaac Powers to organize the Nebraska National bank of Norfolk, Neb., with \$50,000 capital, has been approved by the comptroller of the currency.

When the official notification of this approval has been received by the company in Norfolk they will be ready to begin business and the new bank will probably be opened soon after the arrival of the required documents.

For Better Roads.

Fort Scott, Kas., March 33.—There was a good attendance at the opening of the good roads convention to discuss plans for getting better public highways in eastern Kansas. Those in attendance included representative agriculturalists, business men and others from nearly every county in the eastern part of the state, together with a number of road experts who gave practical demonstrations of improved roadmaking.

CENTRAL TEACHERS AT AURORA

Twelfth Annual Session Convened Today With Good Attendance.

Aurora, Neb., March 30.—The teachers of the Central Nebraska Educational association are holding their twelfth annual meeting in this city. The sessions, which are unusually well attended, will continue through Friday. The regular business sessions of the meeting will be interspersed with a number of special features, including a concert, declamatory contest and spelling match.

WOMEN CAUSED DOWNFALL

Edgar Waugh is Now in Prison Because of it.

THE STORY OF HIS CAPTURE

He Was Working on a Bridge Gang and His Whereabouts Were Led to by Letters From His Wife, Who Lives at Denton, This State.

Lincoln, March 30.—Women who knew a good thing when they encountered it were the cause of the downfall of Edgar Waugh, who was brought back to Lincoln Friday by Detective Malone to answer for the theft of money belonging to the county while he was a clerk in the office of the county treasurer. That is, if the story he told to the detective should prove true. When arrested he readily admitted that he had gotten away with county money. "I took about \$1,900," said he, "and I gave most of it to two women with whom I had been associating. I kept no account of the money taken, but I took it in big chunks, so that it was pretty easy to keep track of it in my mind."

Waugh did not hesitate to tell to whom he gave the money. He said that he gave most of it to two sisters named Sharp. He had met the elder of the two sisters, he said, at a rooming house on Tenth and P streets. He was introduced to her by Mrs. Bertie Love, who runs the house. After keeping company with the elder for two months or thereabouts he formed through her an acquaintance with her younger sister, and kept company with the latter for about a year.

At one time a brother of these two women was on trial down at Plattsmouth on a charge of robbing freight cars, of which he was convicted, and during the trial young Waugh sat in the court room day after day with the two sisters of the defendant. It was Frank Sharp that was convicted at that time. Another brother, named Charles, was also involved in the suit. The father of these boys once served a term in the penitentiary, being sent up from Cass county for disposing of mortgaged property. The father is now dead and Frank Sharp was paroled out of the penitentiary by Governor Savage.

Relatives Knew His Whereabouts.

It was through Waugh's correspondence with his wife, who lives at Denton, that his whereabouts were learned. It is now known that his relatives have been advised of his whereabouts ever since he went away, and that his wife has been in constant and sympathetic correspondence with him. When he was arrested Thursday morning at Thebes, Ill., letters were found on his person from Mrs. Waugh, in all of which she expressed her affection for him, her confidence that he had been true to her and her hope that they might soon be united.

When arrested Waugh was employed as a member of a gang that was sinking the foundations for a bridge across the Illinois river. He worked at the bottom of a caisson, sixty feet below the bed of the river. His hours were from 11 a. m. until about 8 p. m., and he received \$4.50 a day.

Detective Malone arrived at Thebes, which is down in that part of the Sucker state known as Egypt, Wednesday evening. He at once went to the postoffice and inquired if there was a letter there for Edgar Waugh. A young lady found one and handed it to him. The detective read the name, and thereupon informed her that it was evidently not for him as "the name was not spelled right." That letter was from Denton, Neb., or bore that postmark. Then Mr. Malone went to the hotel and began to try to get into communication with the town marshal, in order that that official might watch the office until the claimant came for the letter.

Thursday morning while Malone was waiting for the marshal to show up and was sitting in a window of the hotel, he noticed a familiar face and figure turn away from him and dart down an alley back of a boarding house. He recognized Waugh, and at once concluded that he had been seen. Hurrying out, he went swiftly to the boat by which the workmen were wont to go to their work in the middle of the stream, but no Waugh got aboard. He then turned to the hotel, and having satisfied himself that he could not have been seen in the hotel window, he again sat down there. It was not long before he again caught sight of Waugh. The marshal had not yet come, so he sallied out and approached his man. He was at once recognized, and Waugh shook his hand cordially.

Was Ready to Come Back.

He took Waugh over to the hotel and into his room, and when Waugh suggested that he supposed it was all up with him, Malone advised him that he was right. Waugh expressed a desire to get away from Thebes without any publicity, and to draw something like \$35 that was coming to him. Malone was agreeable, but advised him that he might insist on having requisition papers. Waugh did not care to sustain the publicity, so it was decided that they should go together and draw the money coming to Waugh. In order that he might not attract attention from hav-

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10 Prizes 100.00	1,000.00	10 Prizes 100.00	1,000.00
20 Prizes 50.00	1,000.00	20 Prizes 50.00	1,000.00
50 Prizes 20.00	1,000.00	50 Prizes 20.00	1,000.00
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ing a companion Waugh went and got his lunch bucket to take with him.

It was while the two men were out climbing along over the big girders of the bridge, which were no wider than a plank, that Waugh might have taken desperate chances on getting away, but he manifested no inclination to avail himself of the opportunity. Having drawn the money coming to him, the two left Thebes, no one there being the wiser concerning the true situation.

Waugh was yesterday given a sentence of four years in the penitentiary.

CONFIRMATION SERVICES

German Lutheran Churches Have Services Here.

PRESENT MANY YOUNG PEOPLE

The Palm Sunday Services Were Given Over in the Various Churches to the Confirmation of Those Classes Which Had Advanced Thus Far.

Confirmation services were held in Norfolk German Lutheran churches, the occasion being Palm Sunday. The Christ Lutheran church, St. Paul's Lutheran and Johannes Lutheran all had classes which were presented.

At Christ Lutheran church the following were confirmed: Herman Gehm, Friederick Thompson, Willie Thompson, Leo Klug, Friederick Kluyndt, Max Jahn, Ernst Heckman, Jacob Horst, George Klein, Otto Blank, Gerhard Pasewalk, Wilhelm Bluecher, Theodore Miller, Herman Schelly, Charles Hulac, Carl Drescher, Emil Wilde, Otto Christian, Bertha Roche, Adela Bucholz, Hattie Ahlmann, Lizzie Klepke, Matilda Schmode, Martha Lou, Anna Zelter, Dena Lehmann, Martha Vargas, Lillie Degner, Lillie Langenburg, Hattie Klug, Elsie Kehl, Elsie Heckman, Mary Schelly, Lizzie Vargas.

At St. Paul's church north of the city, the following were confirmed: Adolf Moldenhauer, August Grimm, Gustav Wichter, Herbert Lehmann, Frank Raasch, Carl Nitz, Edmund Machmuller, Max Wagner, August Bergmann, Rose Utter, Olga Klug, Martha Ralling, Anna Hoelzel, Esta Peters, Dora Richard, Agnes Smith, Annie Pahn, Martha Hartman, Otto Utecht, Fred Wolf, Nema Hillie, Emily Nitz, Eleanor Dederman.

At Johannes a class of two, Clara Kiehl and Hattie Karo were confirmed.

WHY HE CHOOSES NORFOLK

Confidence in the Coming Importance of City.

MUST BE A DISTRIBUTING POINT

The Fact That Hundreds of Farmers From Iowa and Illinois Are Moving Westward to Fertilize Lands at Lower Rates, Means a Future.

"I have located in Norfolk," said H. W. Starlin in an interview with a News reporter, "because the people I represent believe it is destined to be the gateway and distributing point for a vast territory. I represent a wealthy Ohio and Indiana syndicate who own lands all over the west from northern Canada to southern Mexico. My company owned at one time 19,000 acres in the adjoining county of Stanton and still own vast tracts in Nebraska. Some of these lands have been held by the present owners for a quarter of a century, but their increase in value has grown so enormously in the past few years that it is no longer profitable to retain them. The demand for agricultural land and the increased rate of taxation, as these lands grow in value, called for their cultivation, and it became an unsurmountable task to look after tenants on millions of farms, hence the effort to dispose of them. It is a compliment to Norfolk that this is the only point outside of cities of 25,000 or over in which this company has an exclusive agency. My faith in Nebraska and the western farm lands is unbounded. Farmers in Illinois and Iowa who received their farms as a free gift from the government are selling out in numerous instances for as high a price as \$200 per acre. And these men are moving west to get cheaper land for themselves and children where they can grow crops that will equal if not excel, those raised on the lands they sold.

"Every year the increase of population in the United States would people the state of Iowa as densely as it is peopled today. At the present rate of increase from immigration and other sources ten states like Iowa can be filled up in the next ten years. Now I ask you, where are these people going to get homes, and get fed and clothed? That is why I have faith in western farm lands."

WARNERVILLE.
John Homan went to Madison, S. D., last week.
Vern and Roy Copeland went to the

state of Washington Tuesday to see the country with a view of locating.

Mrs. Maud Killmer is reported seriously ill.

Miss Grace Hills is sick with inflammatory rheumatism.

C. J. Lodge went to Madison Tuesday to serve on the jury.

Miss Mary Johnson went to Randolph Saturday to teach school.

The M. B. A. lodge will give a dance in their lodge room Friday evening, April 8.

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