

WHERE WOMEN HOLD SWAY

General and Mrs. Wheaton's Presence Calls Out the Swells from Their Seclusion.

MARRIAGES CELEBRATED THE PAST WEEK

Mrs. Carter Informally Entertains a Number of Friends Who Have Artistic Ability—Card Party at Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wakely's—Society Toasts.

The presence of General and Mrs. Wheaton in the city, who are remembered by many in Omaha as most charming and delightful people, whose functions at the garrison were always beautiful, brought out...

There were several weddings to give the girls a chance to talk wedding gowns and "sach" and a card party or two. But taken as a whole, the week was happy up to the standard, and as stated before in these columns there is little hope of any great social unbending until the Thanksgiving holidays come around.

At this season of the year, when so many young and talented women are about to become brides, it is interesting to learn something of the rise of the bridal wreath. It has ever been so sung by poets and rhymers as that which graces the head of the bride on her wedding day, and in most countries or districts it is the goddess of the bridal wreath. The latter has become a symbol of true womanliness, of purity of mind and soul, and even Schiller among the poets has proclaimed its praises.

Nowadays the myrtle has, however, several rivals. In America, in England, in France and in Italy, the white rose has taken the place of the evergreen and fragrant myrtle wreath. In Spain the red rose and in Portugal the carnation are the favorites. In many parts of Germany there are several distinct customs to be observed. The wreath shall be twined must in some places be taken at a fixed hour of the night between certain holy days. In some countries or districts the red is placed on the wreath. In the province of Dalarna, in Sweden, the bride wears a white cloth round her head and in several countries the bride wears in the course of time taken the shape of a more or less elaborate headgear or wedding crown. This is the case in Norway, where the silver and gold plates and coins, a veil and a profusion of floating ribbons of gaily colors complete the bride's crown. In the north of Germany, in Altemberg it takes the shape of a red velvet cap, round which run thirteen silver rings, from which are suspended a number of silver and gold plates and coins. A veil and a profusion of floating ribbons of gaily colors complete the bride's crown.

How to Educate a Child's Mind. The Women's club met in regular session yesterday afternoon. The meeting was an interesting one and evidently enjoyed by every member who attended. The subject for discussion was "The Ethical Training of the Will" and was treated as follows: First—If we accept as the purpose of education to make man free, i. e., able to think and to act for himself, in just how far as contributors to this end should parents and teachers direct the thought and control the action of the child?

Second—At what period of mental development may such direction and control be safely with drawn? When should the pupil decide for himself what he will or will not do, what he will or will not learn, and in what direction? The following ladies took part in the discussion: Mesdames Powell, Bradley, Ford, Babin, Newton, and Mrs. W. F. Lucas. Mrs. Nossan, the Misses La Rue, Nevins, Mr. Charles, Salna, Lehmer, McCarthy, Cooper, Shippey, Goodman, Burnett, Hanna, Moore, Foster, Altar, Roy, Hekko, and Farnham. Mrs. Sudborough presided, the discussion being purely informal. Mrs. Sudborough led the discussion in a most interesting and tactful way, much as a toastmaster discusses the various speakers, and said just the right thing to weave the remarks of the others into a durable fabric.

The gist of much of it was that from a mother's standpoint use tact first to discipline young children, then, to reason to lead children to their own will in the right direction. The child's will must be strengthened. Parents and teachers must co-operate at this point and each supply the other with strength in the work of the other. The child must be taught how to apply his mind. There are peculiar children mentally. We should begin with all children on the mother's knee if possible. Allow the child's nature to unfold in a natural way, not fostering difficult things. How far shall we push, how far make the child?

Considerable discussion turned on the definition of implicit obedience in the child and the extent to which the mental will is present in the mind and tones of voice of those who have the care and training of the child, to what extent this will be used. It was agreed that implicit faith in the child begets implicit obedience.

Lucas and Parker. There was a quiet wedding in Walnut Hill Wednesday, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Parker, 581 Franklin street, in which their sister, Gertrude, was united in marriage to Mr. W. F. Lucas of Creighton, Neb. The ceremony was celebrated at 8 o'clock a. m. and was witnessed by a small circle of relatives and intimate friends. The bride party was preceded by little Bessie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Parker, who scattered flowers in the path of the bride, and Miss Bessie was followed by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lucas of Bloomfield, Neb., brother and sister of the groom, who acted as bridesmaid and best man, and by the bride's mother, Mrs. W. F. Lucas of Creighton, Neb. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. M. Griffiths of Niobrara, Neb., an old friend and former pastor of both bride and groom.

After tea the bridal party, consisting of the bride and groom, the groom's mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lucas and Rev. C. M. Griffiths, took the Northwestern limited for a two weeks visit at the World's fair. The bride is a beautiful and accomplished young lady enjoying a wide circle of friends, not only in Omaha but in Creighton, Neb. The groom is a young business man of the Creighton and junior member of the well known collection and brokerage firm of Rice & Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Lucas will be at home to their friends at Creighton, Neb., after November 30.

To Aid the Music Fund. The Parish Aid society of Trinity cathedral will give a parish reception, with short musical program, at the residence of Mr. E. B. Johnson, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. It is to be given for the benefit of the music fund. Following is the program: Piano Solo—Selected. Mrs. Hess-Fuchs Vocal Solo—(a) The Fooling. (b) Meyer Lied and Recitation—The Organ Builder. Anon. Vocal Solo—Lute Boy. Mrs. Hess-Fuchs. Piano Solo—Selected. Mrs. Hess-Fuchs. Surprised on Their Birthdays. A very enjoyable birthday party, which was a surprise to Miss Emma and Belle Smith, was tendered these young ladies Tuesday evening at their residence, 1019 South Nineteenth street. Cards and dancing were indulged in until a late hour, delicious refreshments being served during the evening.

Those present were: Misses Moore, Lulu Wearne, Brandin, Hattie Wilson, Dayman, Annetta, Wilson, Emma, Edna, Edna, Lambert, Belle Smith, Mrs. H. C. Tempier, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crane, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Babcock, Messrs. Redfield, Burnley, Wiggins, Crane, Smith, Moor, Dayman, Wearne, Cook, Proctor.

Started on Wednesday. The marriage of Mr. C. H. Schuello and Miss Matilda Busch was solemnized last Wednesday evening at the residence of the bride's parents, 2922 Hamilton street, in the presence of a large number of friends. Rev. J. W. Mattings officiated. The ceremony was performed in the front parlor, which was profusely decorated for the occasion. The bride, who was attired in a handsome gown of white satin, and wearing a wreath of orange blossoms and veil, presented a fair picture of loveliness and was attended to the altar by her sister, Miss Etta Busch, and the Misses Rosie and Lillie Feister. The groom was accompanied by Mr. H. Westphalen and Mr. G. Well. After the ceremony a sumptuous supper was served.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Burt and Mrs. W. H. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Kaiser, Mr. and Mrs. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. O'Boyle, Mr. and Mrs. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Bornholt, Mrs. Wacker, Mrs. O. J. McCormick, Mrs. H. P. Jenson, Mrs. Corriean, Mrs. E. Free, Mrs. Wisniald and family, Mrs. Giesendahl, Mr. and Mrs. Hager, Mrs. Lillie and Lena Feister, Etta Busch, Wacker, Ida Feister, Katie Schaubert, Emma, Margie, Carl, and Mrs. A. C. Messers, Westphalen, Weist, Charles Rogers, Gilck, Seifert, Frank Feister, Arthur Busch, Jesse Moraine, Corrigan.

Unity Club Resumes Work. The first session of the Unity club for the year was held in the lecture room of the church Friday evening. The program for the year consists of three sections. The first section, directed by Mrs. W. S. Curtis, will study the history of painting in Italy. The historical section, under the leadership of Mr. C. S. Loebinger, will take up the history of the science of political economy. Mrs. A. C. Messers, Miss Wallace and Mrs. W. S. Curtis compose the committee in charge of the lecture and dramatic sections.

The subject of the opening evening was: "Remains of Greek and Roman and Early Christian Painting." Miss Hamilton read an excellent paper on "Painting in the Etruscan Tombs." Miss Josie McHugh gave an interesting talk on "The history of the wall painting in the Vatican." Miss Margaret Read presented a well written paper on the "Byzantine Style." Curtis then gave a general talk on the subject of the evening, illustrating it with drawings and photographs of ancient Italian vases, wall painting in the Vatican, and the present of the club, will open the lecture section next Friday evening. Subject—"Economics in the Ancient World."

Thirty Years Married. Judge Pat O'Haves and Amelia M. Hampton celebrated their thirtieth anniversary at their wedding yesterday. They were married on the 21st day of October, 1863. It was in the midst of the war and the judge was captain of company F, Fourteenth Kentucky infantry, and was sent to Catletburg, Ky., as provost marshal of the district of Columbia. He was soon after taking charge of the post, he became acquainted with Mrs. Haves, and in five months they were married. The judge never intended to marry until the war was over, but there were so many good looking officers in that country that he was afraid if he did not hurry that he would be chance.

Carried Off an Omaha Girl. One of the prettiest weddings of the season was that of Miss Anna Lou Fitch and Mr. George Adam Meister of Springfield, Ill., Wednesday evening at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Darius G. Goy, 1117 North 16th street. For the event the house was profusely decorated, palms, cut flowers and smilax entering largely into the decorations. Four guests were invited to the ceremony, gowned daintily in pink and green, the young girls being Misses Gracie and Amy Goy, and the bridesmaids, Misses Viola and Hazel Goy of this city. The bride, who is a very sweet and charming woman, wore a lovely wedding gown of ivory satin, duchesse silk and lace to give it a dainty ornamentation. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Patterson of the First Presbyterian church, the bridal party taking position in a torn bower in the front parlor.

A short reception followed, the bride and groom leaving for the honeymoon night at Springfield, where they will be home Wednesday in December. For General and Mrs. Wheaton. Judge and Mrs. E. S. Dundy throw open their beautiful home on Georgia avenue to the guests of General and Mrs. Wheaton, who are here for a few days. The evening was a thoroughly charming one, made so by the vocal selection of Mrs. Wheaton and Mrs. Metcalf, in addition to cards. Among the guests were: General and Mrs. Wheaton, General and Mrs. Porter, Captain and Mrs. Sarson, Mrs. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wakely and their guests, Mrs. McKewen of Baltimore, General and Mrs. Dundy and Miss Dundy, Judge and Mrs. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Gaeber, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. A. Redick, Mr. Chat Redick, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf, Mrs. E. S. Dundy, Jr.

The "Jolly Four" to the Front. The "Jolly Four" gave another very delightful party Wednesday evening at Lyceum hall. There was a large attendance, the evening being exceedingly pleasant throughout. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. and Mrs. Cafferty, Mr. and Mrs. Cook, Misses Curley, Updike, Hamlin, Winney, Farnsey, Latsch, Houder, Keller, Lindstrom, Gunnis, Snydery, Craig, Gilligan, Graves, Goff, Latsch, Gruber, Neve, Graves, Broches, Messrs. Thomson, Bura, Hanson, Hage, Theissen, Donahue, Allison, Henderson, Potter, Reynolds, Oceanbeam, Potter, McDonald, Zimmer, Hanns, Whitmore, Hay, Newton, McKee, Potter, Cress.

Forty Kindergarteners. Mrs. O. M. Carter gave a jolly informal drawing party Thursday evening at her residence on Upper Farnam street. The guests were presented with slips of paper numbered and as their numbers were called were asked to draw the animal announced on each paper placed at one end of the room. As one guest said, "my number it, called for a zebra, but I am sure the animal looked more like a zebra than a zebra." Prizes were given for the best drawing and also to the person making the greatest number of guesses as to the names of the animals.

Among the present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Colpeter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Squires, Mr. and Mrs. George Squires, Mr. and Mrs. Cady, Mr. and Mrs. Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartman.

Fashionable Mitzvah. Miss Drey, who recently returned to Omaha and out of her social establishment in Mrs. J. Benson's store, has met with pronounced success. Ladies are assured of getting the very latest shapes and styles. A specialty is made of order work which is executed promptly and with good taste.

Wheaton, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Valli, General and Mrs. Brooke, Mr. and Mrs. Colpeter and Dr. and Mrs. Robert Doherty.

Movements in Sweet Circles. Mrs. Jo Barton has returned from the World's fair. Mrs. W. W. Donnelly has returned from the White City. Mr. W. F. Vail has returned from a short visit to the fair. Miss Millie Hubbard returned yesterday from a visit to Chicago. Mrs. Frank Cross has returned from a month's visit in Chicago. Mrs. George Krup and family left yesterday on ten days visit to the fair.

Mrs. S. J. Fisher and baby are visiting at the residence of Moritz Meyer, 2104 Douglas. Mrs. M. Hoth is now at home at 1916 Dodge street, after an absence of several months. Mrs. Gotsch has removed to the McCormick residence, Eighteenth and Capitol avenues.

Last evening the Metropolitan club gave the opening ball of the season at the club rooms. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sheldon and son, Edward, left last week for a two weeks visit in Chicago. Mrs. Frank Colpeter has issued "at home" cards for Wednesday afternoon, 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Learned returned Thursday from another delightful ten days at the World's fair. Mrs. Deering and Miss Deering of Portland, Me., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rogers. Mr. George Axford and Miss Ida Axford have gone to Chicago, Milwaukee and other western points. Miss Susie Woolworth of Albany, N. Y., was the guest of Mrs. J. M. Woolworth for a few days last week.

Miss Monroe and sister, Miss Jessie, left for Chicago yesterday. They will be guests at the Hotel Omaha. Misses Margaret Riley and Nellie Nostle-bush have gone to Chicago, where they will witness the closing of the fair. Miss Tatum leaves on Monday for Chicago to remain until the early part of November, when she goes east for the winter.

Quite a number of Omaha people attended the hop at the post Friday night. Mrs. Worth followed the dance with a supper. Mrs. Clement Chase returns today from Chicago and will be accompanied by her mother, Mrs. E. Edwards of California. Mr. and Mrs. William Kaufman celebrated their wedding last night at their residence, Seventeenth and Castella streets.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boyd, Miss Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bierbower have gone to Chicago to witness the closing of the fair. They are guests at the Palmer house. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Drake will entertain Monday evening the Park Avenue Card club and the Bon Ami club, which will be consolidated for this winter's games. For General and Mrs. Wheaton, who were their guests for several days last week, General and Mrs. Dundy entertained a number of friends at their home on Georgia street, Wednesday evening. Mrs. Paul Heinrich and her daughter Lulu sailed Wednesday on the steamship Freisland of the Red Star line for Germany, where they will remain until the end of the season. Mr. J. M. Campbell of the passenger department of the Burlington leaves this week for Philadelphia, where on October 28 he will meet Miss Lulu Dunning of the Quaker City.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Newman will shortly arrive in Omaha to be the guests of Mrs. Newman's mother, Mrs. Dundy, before finally returning to their home in New York. The Young Peoples society of the First United Presbyterian church was entertained by Miss Emma Smith of Clifton hill Friday evening. An literary and musical program was rendered.

Bishop and Mrs. Worthington gave a charming reception last Saturday evening at "Bishopthorpe" in honor of the missionary bishop from Liberia, Rev. W. J. Ferguson. About fifty guests, including the joyful and delightful hospitality of the bishop and his esteemed wife. The hop at the garrison Friday evening brought out a number of the people from town among whom were: Miss McKenna, Miss Lodman, Miss Emily Wakely, Captain and Mrs. Ayers, Lieutenants Dean and Quay, Captain Goy, Mrs. Ayers, the family, Mr. Charles Wilson, Mr. Al Patrick, Mr. Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Quivry celebrated their eighteenth wedding anniversary at the home, northeast corner of Sixteenth and Howard streets, Wednesday evening. The birthday of Mr. Millard, Miss Houck and Miss O'Connell were also celebrated, being thirty-five guests were present, and the evening was made charming by dancing, cards, music and refreshments. J. P. Yost, the pastor of the Castellar Street Methodist Episcopal church, was very agreeably surprised Wednesday evening as he returned home from an evening visit, finding his home crowded with people who came to pay their respects to the family. The company was such as often meets in the parlance, and a good time is reported. Baskets, boxes, packages and various other contributions were stacked upon the table, for which the pastor and his family are very grateful.

A pleasant surprise party took place Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Birch, 1729 South Eleventh street, the evening being spent in playing high five until a late hour, when refreshments were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hiner, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Keller, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd, Misses Addie and Mamie Carolan, Carrie Wolfe and Emma Schlichter, and Messrs. Bert Carmelgo, Joe Dennis and Adolph Messner, the first prizes being awarded to Nelson Dennis and Mrs. Lloyd, the boobies to Adolph Messner and Mrs. Keller.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report. Mrs. Drey, who recently returned to Omaha and out of her social establishment in Mrs. J. Benson's store, has met with pronounced success. Ladies are assured of getting the very latest shapes and styles. A specialty is made of order work which is executed promptly and with good taste.

DOINGS OF OMAHA WOMEN.

Something About Domestic Economy as a Branch of the Club.

MRS. Z. T. LINDSEY'S PAPER ON POETRY

In Beautiful Language She Shows How a Nation's Poetical Life Corresponds with that of a Man in his Youth, Prime and Senility.

So many ladies are anxious to be among the charter members of the Omaha Women's club that Mrs. Mary Andrews made a motion at the last meeting to suspend the rules for awhile and thus open the way for all who wish to do so to sign the constitution during the next few weeks while it is in process of amendment and revision. It is the purpose of the club to give the constitution and by-laws a thorough overhauling so that they will meet the requirements of the club, which is already much larger than the committee who drew up the charter ever dreamed it would become.

Great interest is centering around the new department of Domestic Economy, which was formed Monday, with Mrs. Halter as chairman. The idea of being always practical and of having the principles of the club and in this department reforms that are of vital interest to men, women and children without any sentimentality may be instituted. There can be no more important issue in woman's world than that which affects her home. All signs of the times point to the massing of the artistic, theosophical and political science studying woman, and to the re-entrancement of the woman who cares most for health, home and children. It is partly on this account that a revival of homekeeping is going to sweep the country, and the tendency of modern literature to be the fad for the next few years. The results can be only good and the department of domestic economy will no doubt be the most popular one in the club.

The program under the auspices of the department of English verse was almost wholly one of entertainment. This class, although the first to appear, had no excuses to make, and to be congratulated on being established as such a precedent. "The English ballad, 'Only a Rose,' as sung by Miss Julia Talliferro, was beautiful and interesting in that lady's unusual style, which her friends take, as a matter of course. The selection, 'The Lotus Eaters,' read by Mrs. Richardson, added not a little to the enjoyment of the evening. Miss Knight's paper on the 'Living American Poets' was presented by Mrs. Percy Richardson, and received hearty applause. The essay was a tacit admission that there are no American poets, but will be. The authors gave numerous extracts and opinions of the best modern poets, and several compliments, and in one or two instances proved that authors almost reached the true poetic inspiration. If the times demanded it there would be no lack of poets in this country, but there seemed to be no occasion for them just now. The paper was bright and original, and well worth applause.

Mrs. Lindsey's paper. The "bright, particular star" of the occasion was Mrs. Z. T. Lindsey. Her subject, the "Decadence of the Heroic in Poetry," was a difficult one to handle in so brief a time, and she handled it with a grace and ease that was a revelation to those who had not the ground in an scholarly and pleasing way that proved her to be a woman of wide information and keen insight into the poet's mind and the poet's art.

The lifetime of man is generally divided into three main divisions—youth, maturity and ripe old age. While it is often difficult to place an individual in his proper age, it is to wit that the author has divided the life into three chief periods. The marks of youth are unmistakable as the characteristics of maturity, but we can easily never mistake for either and youth is full of a vitality, and its impressions, though few, are extremely vivid. A baby's smile and a woman's smile, though they rattle while the intricate harmonies of Wagner would fill to keep him quiet. Nice and delicate, but with a long and long cultivation, and a discriminating conscience is largely the result of education and training. A child loves and hates, but cannot where they will, and the poet's life is largely the result of education and training. A child loves and hates, but cannot where they will, and the poet's life is largely the result of education and training.

Applying the Parallel. "Nature passes through the same stages of development as the individual. We can scarcely see the lines dividing the seven successive ages and periods as they fade from one into another, but we can easily trace the three main divisions. In early Greece the mass of the people believed that they were created solely for the completion of their natural end, and that when they led, to add to their renown in time of war and to minister to their pleasure in time of peace. It was a poetical account of their glorious deeds and those of their ancestors, were warmly welcomed then closed the program with a short review of these stories of heroes, and its distinguishing feature is the entire absence of personal thought or emotion. In modern times, whether the work of the author, or the completion of the works of many, are free from any trace of the individuality of the author. He is a poet, not a man, and his thoughts and feelings do not dream of obtruding himself, his thoughts or feelings upon his audience.

Later on, when democracy began to raise its head, and the poet's work for mankind that they had rights, their poetry changed, gradually but unmistakably introducing the personality of the author, but we can easily reach the height of self-expression was reached. The epic poets of Greece are the poets of their youth, when deeds, not emotions, were the natural impulse. Roman and English Nationalities Tell the Same Tale. "Of early Roman poetry we know but little beyond the single fact that it was of the epic or heroic type, becoming in its nature, the nation's pride and deeply reflective and moralizing in its old age. "Could any but a primitive people, with a natural impulse, have written the Nibelungen Lied? Bushide, Siegfried and Kriemhild stand out boldly. They work legends, they love and hate, but we can easily find that man. There is no reflection, no moralizing, no hint of the personality of the author, all is swift, vigorous action. It is thoroughly Teutonic, as one would expect in the maturity of the nation's life. His personality is everywhere apparent. You cannot escape it, and in his masterpiece there is a touch of philosophy to point to what must follow, what has followed, for metaphysical German literature is now in its ripe old age.

France and England in Political History. France owed much to her Roman conquerors and her earliest literature is Latin, but after the treaty of Verdun, when Italy, France and Germany were separated, the French began to sing songs of their own. And what began to sing songs of their own? The knight, and Chivalricism? Heroic songs, all of them. Not to exaggerate, as one would expect, but still full of marvelous deeds of prowess. By and by France outgrew these heroic tales and Chivalricism, and began to sing songs of their own. The knight, and Chivalricism? Heroic songs, all of them. Not to exaggerate, as one would expect, but still full of marvelous deeds of prowess. By and by France outgrew these heroic tales and Chivalricism, and began to sing songs of their own.

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LOWERED THE TAX RATE.

What Mayor Bemis Has Done to Force a Reduction of City Taxes.

By a vigorous exercise of the veto power Mayor Bemis saved the taxpayers of Omaha the sum of \$125,410.00 on one bill swoop. This was at the beginning of the current year, when the annual levy of taxes for the support of the city government was made. The city council, through its finance committee, made up the annual levy ordinance and proposed to levy a tax of 50 1/2 mills upon all real and personal property within the city limits. In other words, the council proposed to conduct the business of the city, at an increase of nearly \$300,000 over the amount levied for 1902.

When the ordinance making this levy had passed the council, the mayor vetoed it. By his approval, it was promptly vetoed, the mayor assigning as a reason for his veto that he considered the proposed levy excessive and unnecessary. The mayor added: "While a sufficient levy should be made to meet the necessary requirements of the city, the council should have the utmost care should be exercised to avoid an unnecessary increase of taxes. The taxpayers of Omaha are already overburdened with taxation, and any further increase of the city levy for this year should be kept down to the lowest point consistent with good government and carrying forward necessary improvements." The veto of the mayor was sustained, and as a direct result of it a conference was held by the mayor, council and heads of departments, and a decrease of 1/2 mill effected, making a reduction in the levy of \$125,410.00.

It was found necessary to make an increase of 2 mills in the sinking fund levy over last year, in order to meet the interest on paying sewer bonds and to provide for the payment of rentals for fire hydrants. The sinking fund was reduced 1 mill, a large amount of money inherited from former administrations having been accumulated. The school levy was increased 1 mill in accordance with the request of the Board of Education. The library levy was made the same as last year, 1 mill.

The levy for the fire department was increased 1 mill, to provide for a new fire engine, additional hose wagons and equipment. The police fund remained the same as last year. An increase of 1/2 mill was made in the curb, gutting and cleaning fund, to meet the increased expense of street sweeping by reason of the large increase in the mileage of paved streets. A reduction of 1/2 mill was made in the levy for park purposes. The lighting fund was increased 1/2 mill, to cover a shortage in the levy for 1902, but it is probable that a balance will remain in the fund this year, by reason of the mayor's vigorous insistence that the Thomson-Houston Electric Light company should be paid only for the amount of light actually furnished. No levy was made for the health fund, a saving of one-eighth of 1 mill, it being agreed that \$10,000 should be transferred to this fund from the general fund. The levy for the general fund was made 2 mills less than the amount levied in the ordinance, which was voted, being fixed at 12 1/2 mills, an increase of 1 mill over last year. Of the amount levied for this fund \$61,150 was set aside for the board of public works and street commissioner, and \$45,000 of this has been expended by the street commissioner in employing laborers for repairing the streets of the city. The sum of \$125,410.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures sores. Wayne Herald: One by one the counties of our proud commonwealth are standing up for Nebraska and honesty by instructing their delegates to the republican state convention to vote for that grand old man, Hon. Samuel Maxwell. If there is any one who has any doubts as to the vote of the people won't be heard in the coming state convention just let him listen to the thunder's roar.

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