

200 feet. A large portion of the conservatory, the largest plant of the kind in or about Lincoln, was leveled with the ground. Large trees in the beautiful grove in front of the institution were broken as pipe stems. What at noon today was the most beautiful lawn in the state is now desolated with the debris of broken trees, brick and rubble. The coverings of the roof, which were scattered to the four winds.

No person was injured except the assistant engineer, Mr. Workman, who received a slight scalp wound by the falling of brick in the electric house. Superintendent Abbott says that it is impossible to estimate the damage to the state property at this time, but he is satisfied that it will run up into the thousands. Tonight the hospital people are in darkness, except a few oil lamps, which were obtained immediately from the city.

Tobias Castor, ex-Adjutant General Gage and the secretary of the State Board of Transportation, Sutherland, arrived from Omaha just as the storm broke over the city. They were advised to remain in the car and did so. Mr. Sutherland said that the car rocked and they expected that it would be thrown from the track every minute.

Street car traffic was not interrupted, but outside telephone service is temporarily disabled. Beatrice is out off. During the early part of the evening the electric light service was disabled on account of the prostration of wires, but later the demands of the city of A. M. Moore, residing at 2335 South Ninth street, saw the storm approaching, and ran from a neighbor's house to her own. She was blown down, and her left arm fractured above the elbow. The Turner house, on B, between Ninth and Eleventh streets, was tilted to the east by the wind, and afterward blown back toward the west setting six feet below the foundation. Mrs. Lansing and four children, living in the house, fled to a neighbor's.

**ELKHORN HAS A CLOSE SHAVE.**

**Emergent Tornado Narrowly Misses that Town.**

ELKHORN, Neb., May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Elkhorn this afternoon had a hair-breadth escape from destruction by a cyclone. All the afternoon storm clouds, black and lowering, hung southwest of town. At about 2 o'clock the storm was directly over the town and a few minutes later a funnel-shaped cloud shot downward from the storm center and a general stampede of citizens for caves and cellars ensued. At the school house the school children fled panic-stricken to the furnace room. The scene at the school house was one of wild confusion. School was dismissed for the remainder of the day.

The cyclone struck the ground in a pasture just north of the town. Its course was northeast. The path of the storm is from 200 to 300 yards wide and everything in this path is razed to the ground. There were no buildings in this immediate vicinity in the path of the storm. Oakland cottage, Hon. A. J. Poppleton's summer residence, just north of town, however, escaped demolition by a narrow margin. The destruction of the fence enclosing the grounds was blown away and large trees along the highway adjacent were torn and twisted out of the ground.

Carl Johnson, late of Omaha, farms a portion of the Poppleton tract, and shortly before the storm struck he started for his home. He had a team attached to a wagon and behind the wagon led another team. Before he was aware of it the storm was upon him. He endeavored to skip it, by driving onto a meadow to the westward, but before he could lash his horses out of the way of the rapidly approaching hurricane he was caught in its vortex and man, horses and wagon were blown to the westward, together with fence boards, posts, wire and other debris. Mr. Johnson escaped serious injury. His clothes, however, were literally torn off his back and he received a number of minor wounds about his person.

In speaking of his experience, Mr. Johnson said the storm was much the same as a foot ball player using a ball. At times the wind would raise him high in the air and drop him to the earth, only to be caught up again and blown to the westward. He described a circle and when the storm finally passed over he was 150 yards or more distant from where the storm first struck. Mr. Johnson's horses were much the same as their master. The wagon was completely demolished. The box was broken up into shreds and lengths. The front running gear is intact, but of the rear nothing remains except the tires and felloes of the wheels. After traversing a distance of about two miles the funnel-shaped cloud arose as suddenly as it had descended to the earth and at a point of five or six miles farther to the northwest dropped again to the earth. Following the tornado was a heavy fall of rain. Particularly noteworthy is the fact that no rain was obtained at this writing.

**FRIGHTENS BENNINGTON PEOPLE.**

BENNINGTON, Neb., May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—A report comes here that a tornado visited the vicinity of Bennington station, doing considerable damage, but as it has been raining hard since that time it is impossible to find out at present the extent of the damage to property or whether or not there were any lives lost. The funnel-shaped cloud was watched with much anxiety from the street corners and house tops. Those who had seen similar storms were confident that it was only a mile or so away, and in fact it was so near that large clouds of dirt could be seen rolling in the air. At this time it was thought certain that the cyclone would strike this place and those who believed their cellars to be a place of refuge set no time in getting there. Several women came out of their homes with their children into the calm air crying with fear and watching what they supposed to be the cause of a horrible death, and in fact the thought of having to meet this terrible looking cloud removed the smile from every one's face. It lasted only a few minutes, when it seemed to scatter. The clouds gathered again, and the dirt and debris of the tornado fell again, and fell back to the earth. Shortly after this another funnel shaped gathered west of town.

**RAIN CAME DOWN IN TORRENTS.**

**Street Cars Delayed and Considerable Damage Done to Streets.**

Residents of Omaha who were returning to their homes from their daily toil last evening about 5 o'clock were given a slight taste of a genuine tornado, but the taste was not calculated to whet their appetites for more of the same kind. A gentle rain commenced falling about 3 o'clock, accompanied by a light southwest wind, but at 4:30 p. m., the barometer, which had been very low all day, commenced to rise very rapidly, the mercury going up .12 of an inch in about fifteen minutes. The wind shifted suddenly to the northwest and the rain commenced falling in torrents. In the five minutes from 4:54 to 4:55 p. m., .35 of an inch of water fell, an exceedingly heavy rainfall. At 5:15 a heavy gust of wind passed over the city, coming from the west, the velocity reaching thirty-six miles an hour, and continuing for about ten minutes. All these rapid changes were accompanied by a sharp fall in the temperature, a fall of 15 degrees in half an hour being recorded at the weather office.

After the embryo tornado had passed the rain continued falling at a rapid rate. From the very beginning of the storm the flashes of lightning were frequent and vivid, forked tongues of the subtle fluid rushing to dart from all quarters of the heavens at the same instant, the sharp crackle being followed almost instantly by non-striving reverberations, which seemed to shake the very earth. There were several sharp showers of hail, the largest of the hail being almost as crooked as the lightning flashes. The heaviest fall seemed to be near the center of the city and in the western residential district.

The deluge of rain was so heavy that the sewers could not carry it, and all the streets in the city were flooded with miniature rivers. This caused many washouts in the suburbs and flooded cellars and basements were the rule. It also stopped the motor trains at several points, the water standing so deep that the tracks that it was considered dangerous to attempt to run the motors through it, for fear they might be "short circuited" and burn out. No accidents happened to any of the trains beyond a slight delay caused by waiting for the water to subside, and it was not found necessary to shut down any of the street cars.

At Twentieth and Cumine streets a full-sized geyser was formed by the huge volume of water which had found its way into the old cable conduit, and had gained great force in its journey down the hill from Dodge street. The trench had become clogged near Cumine street and the water made its escape through a manhole near that point, lifting the heavy iron cover to one side as though it weighed nothing, instead of ten pounds. The water spouted through this manhole to a height of several feet and delayed trains on that line for some time.

**STUCK AN ELECTRIC TOWER.**

An accident to an electric light tower at Eighth street and Broadway, in Council Bluffs, cut off all of the eastern line of the Western Union Telegraph company. The tower was struck by lightning and fell to the ground, cracking with it every direct Chicago wire the company had out of Omaha. Communication was established via St. Louis to Chicago, and business was transacted with little delay.

At the telephone office considerable annoyance was caused by the lightning, which caused all of the "drops" to fall so that it was difficult to tell whether a message was calling or the lightning was using the phone. No accidents were reported, however, to any telephones.

A few "ground" wires were caused on the fire

alarm lines, but nothing serious developed. The Postal Telegraph company was fortunate, escaping without any serious difficulty. A washout of the water trench in Pierce street, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets, was reported about dark.

During the heaviest downpour of water about 6 o'clock the settlement of some houses near Twenty-fourth and Union Pacific tracks presented the appearance of a miniature Venice. The land is low lying and the water from a tank in the basement on Twenty-fourth street is muddy floor around the dwellings. Many of the occupants were obliged to place their household goods upon chairs and stools, while the inundation lasted. If it had subsided somewhat the settlement presented a busy spectacle as each owner of a shack armed himself with a shovel and scraped out of his front porch a thick layer of mud which had been deposited there. A similar state of affairs existed among the poor people on the bastions near Fourth and Omaha streets, but the damage was of small moment.

**MOTOR CARS DELAYED.**

At Twenty-fourth and Spaulding a good-sized river poured over the motor track's bridge, and the water ran down the gutter on the switch and the terminus. Another stream of gully size flowed down Sprague street and left a number of large holes near Twenty-fourth street. A considerable size was reported on South Thirtieth near Valley street. A culvert has been placed under the roadway at this point, nearly every evening rain causes in demolishing it and caving in the banks.

South on Twentieth near Cass street a trench, nearly a block long, dug by the water-work company, raved, and an accumulation of mud was deposited on the corner below.

A wooden sidewalk was reported missing at Twenty-fourth and Omaha streets, and a section of curbing, together with a small amount of brick pavement was caved in on the south side of the roadway. A large hole was washed into the curbing at the corner of the street at Twenty-fourth and Pierce streets and the roadway, which is unpaired, made temporarily impassable.

The street railway lost a lot of time on account of the storm and no washouts which effect the lines. A number of motors on the Walnut Hill line, while bound city on Lewis street, were delayed by a motor #1 and another one in charge of motor car No. 3 on the Dodge and North Twentieth street line were likewise disabled.

During the heaviest rain, which was accompanied by hail, a number of horses tied to the curbs around the city broke loose and caused considerable mischief. One animal was hustling to regain them. A team hitched to an Adams express wagon, left unpaired in front of the New York Life building, started down a steep stream of water, and was captured about 6 o'clock, but was captured several blocks below before they had succeeded in doing any damage.

A small bridge at Twelfth and Bristol streets was reported washed out last night and a large section of embankment surrounding the approach was carried along with it.

Near Thirty-ninth street the lightning struck the ground in the alley between Dodge and Davenport. Parties who saw it said it appeared as though a stream of fire twenty feet high shot into the air. One woman in the neighborhood thought her residence had been struck and rushed out into the pouring rain, clad only in the light wearing apparel she had on. She had made a tour of inspection around the house only to find the only damage was to her own raiment by the heavy rain.

**AMUSEMENTS.**

**ROSEWATER-BRYAN DEBATE**

Held Under the Auspices of the Republican Binnetic League.

All Arrangements are Now Complete.

Money Question to be Discussed for Three Hours at the Creighton Theatre Next Friday Evening.

The preliminaries have now been completed for the joint debate between Hon. W. J. Bryan and E. Rosewater on the money question, which will occur at the Creighton theater on the evening of May 15. The debate will be under the auspices of the Republican Binnetic League of Omaha and Judge Gregory, the president of the league will preside. The doors of the theater will be open at 7:30. The seats on the lower floor and balcony will be reserved until 8:15, after which the lower floor will be thrown open to general admission. There will be no reserved seats in the gallery, but admission will be by ticket thereto, and the earliest arrivals will have the choice of seats.

It has been decided to dispose of 200 reserved orchestra seat tickets at 25 cents each in order to cover the expense of the theater, but all other seats will be free. These reserved seats will be on sale tomorrow at the box office of the theater.

Of the remaining one-half will be given to Mr. Bryan to distribute, and the other half to Mr. Rosewater. Applications for tickets may be made to the business office of the League or that of the World-Herald. There will also be issued 200 stage tickets, which will be sent to prominent bankers, city and county officials, business men and labor leaders.

The debate will begin promptly at 8 o'clock and continue to 11. The speeches will be from fifteen to twenty minutes in length, and each contestant will have a timekeeper, so that the time limit will be rigidly maintained. The order of debate will be: Bryan, twenty minutes; Rosewater, twenty minutes; Bryan, ten minutes; Rosewater, five minutes; Bryan, five minutes; Rosewater, five minutes; Bryan, five minutes; Rosewater, five minutes; Bryan, five minutes.

Another lot of Laundered Waists—percales, silkettes, percales, Scotch ghilghams—such as "Star," "Stanley," "King," worth up to \$2.50 each, go at

**AMUSEMENTS.**

In spite of the heavy downpour of rain, which continued with scarcely abated violence until 9 o'clock, one of the largest audiences of the season filled the Creighton theater last night to do honor to Ad Rahn and the Daly company, who presented "The Taming of the Shrew."

The comedy was given entire, in five acts—b-side the induction; the staging, if not unobtrusive, was at least adequate for a road production; and the performance throughout was a high perfect one which is looked for under Mr. Daly's management, providing altogether one of the most delightful entertainments of the year.

Miss Rehan's Katharine is recognized as among the highest achievements of her success. It may be said of her that each separate part in which she is seen—Rosaline, Viola, Vera Lady Teazle, any of the respective roles in the comedies from the German—obtains more and better than any other. But surely, in temperament, face, figure and dramatic method, she is greatest of all. Kate, the Curst, she is the center of her shrewish rage, filling the center of the stage, with arms folded, her proud head surrounded with a aureole of reddish-golden hair, and her fiery flowing hair, rounded down to her feet; and she is no less magnificent in her subjugation and in the sweet complaisance of the final act. Her mellow voice strikes the melody of turning out the lapse of time, her mouth has the same saucy downward turn at the corners and her inflections fall upon the ear with the old soothing cadence of all points, and in her heart she is alone and without a rival in that field of comedy where she reigns.

The Tetrulo (spelled correctly after the Italian) is a play, though Shakespeare was it for the sound of Mr. Clarke was full of vigor and abounding in rich humor. Mr. Lewis, in the small part of Grumio, found voice for the play of the old times, and Mrs. Gilbert, in the smaller part of Curts, had a warm reception on her first appearance. Miss Carlisle was a sweet and pleasing figure, and Mr. Stevens contributed an amusing, though somewhat exaggerated, bit of character work to the ensemble of the induction.

The program of the evening, provided by Mr. Carlan, was a very tasteful copy of "Stars of the Stage," containing many portraits in sepia, including one of Miss Rehan in character as Lady Teazle, over against which was set the bill of the play, and printed and admirably free from errors.

The company leaves this morning for San Francisco for trading and stop and opening in that city next Monday night.

**ONE MAN DEAD.**

Street Dowdall, driver for the Union Pacific supply wagon, was driving near Eleventh street and Capitol avenue last evening, rounding the hall corner, when his horse became frightened and ran away. Dowdall struggled to gain mastery over the animal for nearly a block, when he was thrown from the wagon and thrown to the pavement, and both wheels on one side passed over his body in the region of the heart. He was picked up by a patrolman in the Union Pacific ambulance and taken to his residence, 1217 North Eighth street, where physicians were called to attend him. The man died shortly after 1 o'clock this morning. Dowdall leaves a wife and four children.

**STORM IN IAWA.**

CRESTON, Ia., May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—A storm passed over southwestern Iowa last evening, rain, hail and wind vying with each other in violence. Immediately surrounding Creston the storm was not so severe, although considerable damage was killed by lightning. Farmer Shearer lost head of cattle, and other farmers lost ten head at stations along the Burlington line. The house of a farmer near Creston was destroyed by the wind. Many small buildings were demolished.

**BARBER SHOP LAY DECEASED.**

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 12.—The supreme court today rendered a decision holding the barber shop Sunday law unconstitutional, as class legislation, co-operating with the liquor laws.

The court also holds that the owner, which is construed as property.

The court also holds that drug stores and other places operating on Sunday cannot be compelled to sell to colored persons or any other class not desired. Such laws are not necessary for the public good and can be operated at the will of the owners.

**THE STATE**

Beginning Tomorrow,

**Will Close Out**

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**Cloaks, Suits, Etc**

**AT ONE-THIRD VALUE**

Never anything to approach it in the magnificence of the bargains—The State Clothing Co. thought it to get the location for a clothing store and don't want the cloaks and suits—it must go at once.

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**AMUSEMENTS.**

**WHARTON FOR PARK COMMISSIONER**

Long List of Disappointed Aspirants for the Place.

At the meeting held in court room No. 1 yesterday by the district judge, John C. Wharton was elected to fill the vacancy existing in the board of park commissioners, owing to the resignation of the term of Judge George B. Lake. The judges went into executive session in the private room of the criminal court and had the matter under consideration for fully an hour before their decision was given.

Among the leading candidates who have aspired to the place were E. J. Cornish, C. A. Baldwin, John Grant, C. S. Chase, Louis Littlefield, Heriart Leavitt, J. H. Butler, George E. Smith, and G. J. Canan. The amount of money paid to the incumbent is small, being only \$200 per year, but the degree of interest taken in the election to the position has been in an inverse ratio to the salary it commands. Down in the First ward there was a hot fight between John Butler and E. J. Cornish. The South Side Improvement club finally endorsed Cornish and the Grand View Republican club followed suit a few days later. Butler announced a week ago that he was out of the race and did care much for the job any way. The new commissioner will take his place on the board the 15th of the present month.

**Court Calls for Wednesday.**

Judge Powell—14-315, 46-205, 46-279, 47-49, 47-167, 47-227, 47-337, 48-205, 48-226, 48-239, 48-375, 50-7, 50-8, 50-229, 50-261, 50-275, 50-366, 50-323, 50-347, 50-354, 50-375, 50-377, 50-382, 50-415, 50-419, 50-420, 50-425, 50-430, 50-435, 50-440, 50-445, 50-450, 50-455, 50-460, 50-465, 50-470, 50-475, 50-480, 50-485, 50-490, 50-495, 50-500, 50-505, 50-510, 50-515, 50-520, 50-525, 50-530, 50-535, 50-540, 50-545, 50-550, 50-555, 50-560, 50-565, 50-570, 50-575, 50-580, 50-585, 50-590, 50-595, 50-600, 50-605, 50-610, 50-615, 50-620, 50-625, 50-630, 50-635, 50-640, 50-645, 50-650, 50-655, 50-660, 50-665, 50-670, 50-675, 50-680, 50-685, 50-690, 50-695, 50-700, 50-705, 50-710, 50-715, 50-720, 50-725, 50-730, 50-735, 50-740, 50-745, 50-750, 50-755, 50-760, 50-765, 50-770, 50-775, 50-780, 50-785, 50-790, 50-795, 50-800, 50-805, 50-810, 50-815, 50-820, 50-825, 50-830, 50-835, 50-840, 50-845, 50-850, 50-855, 50-860, 50-865, 50-870, 50-875, 50-880, 50-885, 50-890, 50-895, 50-900, 50-905, 50-910, 50-915, 50-920, 50-925, 50-930, 50-935, 50-940, 50-945, 50-950, 50-955, 50-960, 50-965, 50-970, 50-975, 50-980, 50-985, 50-990, 50-995.

**Y. M. C. A. IS SHORT A SECRETARY.**

Frank W. Ober Goes to Chicago to Take Up Editorial Work.

At a meeting of the directors of the Young Men's Christian Association, held last night, the resignation of Frank W. Ober, general secretary, was presented and accepted. While it was known by some of the directors of the association, it came as a surprise, as it was thought that possibly Mr. Ober might reconquer and decide to remain in Omaha. Mr. Ober, however, will continue to serve as general secretary until June 1, when he will go to Chicago, to accept the managing editorship of the Young Men's Era, the official organ of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Frank W. Ober came to Omaha five years ago and took hold of the affairs of the Young Men's Christian Association, which then had a membership of 465. Notwithstanding the hard times, he has purchased the membership up to 1,136. He has established all of the educational departments, the Current Topic club and many other features that have made the association so popular.

Kalamazoo, Mich., is famous for celery—and also the home of Thos. Slater, whose advertisement appears on page 7.

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**AMUSEMENTS.**

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