

Boston Editor Expresses His Views Relative to the Exposition.

BETTER THAN WORLD'S FAIR IN MANY WAYS

Admits that National Educational Association Made a Mistake in Not Bringing Its Annual Convention to Omaha.

Dr. A. E. Winship of Boston, editor of the Journal of Education, was one of the first eastern visitors at the exposition. He was in Omaha during the last week in May and in the last issue of his journal he writes a most enthusiastic description of the magnificence and beauty of the Transmississippi show.

"No twenty men of my acquaintance could have made me believe that half that I have seen in Omaha at the grounds of the Transmississippi Exposition, which is to open June 1, could be true. I saw the World's Fair a week before it opened, I saw it on the opening day and the closing, on the Fourth of July, New York day and Chicago day. I saw California's mid-winter carnival on Mardi Gras day and the Atlanta exposition on several days, so that what I have written is from experience with the rivals of the Transmississippi Exposition.

Neither the San Francisco nor the Atlanta expositions is to be mentioned with the Transmississippi. In both those there was a sense of sadness in remembrance of the World's fair, but not so with Omaha.

"How often has it been said that the World would never see another White City, but it has, irreverent as it may seem for one who admired the White City almost to devotion to say it, I venture the statement that the view of the Court of Honor, up the lagoon to the Auditorium building, is more beautiful than any possible view in Jackson park in 1893. In proportions, in uniformity of beauty, in perspective, in continuous line of building and colonnade presenting an unbroken, graceful white line back from the winding shores of the lagoon by day and the electric glow of the night, there is a beauty unknown at Chicago.

"The government exhibit is in every respect more elaborate, more interesting, more instructive than it has before made. The electrical maze of electrical displays at the Columbian exposition. The world has moved electrically in five years and every latest beauty and device of harness lighting will be on dress parade from June 1 to October 31. The agricultural exhibit is to be larger and more up-to-date than at Chicago as well as in-door, there will be a grand display of these resources of the west, notably of the wheat, corn and sugar beet industries.

Art Exhibit a Good Second.

"The art exhibit is a good second to that at Chicago. The number of cash prizes for stock competition and the display of blooded horses, cattle, sheep and swine will far outshine all previous stock exhibits. The Transportation building equals that at Chicago; the Manufactures building is not so extensive, but is very interesting; the mining exhibit will very nearly equal that at Jackson park, and the Midway—well, there will be as much fun to the square inch as on the Plaza. The Streets of Cairo, the Streets of All Nations, the Moorish Palace, the Japanese and Chinese villages will not be surpassed in beauty of displays. The general arrangement of the merry making will be more satisfactory and the instructive foreign features will be almost as good. Several things will be missed—Vienna will not be there, nor the undressed South Sea Islanders, but the supply of fun will be ample."

WHEN THE WOMEN COME TO OMAHA

Arrangements for the Entertainment of the Federation Delegates. The arrangements for the celebration of Woman's Club day and for the entertainment of the visiting delegates have nearly completed. The only thing that is yet uncertain is the selection of the music for the meeting Saturday evening. This has been selected once or twice, but several numbers have been changed and the complete program cannot be announced before tomorrow.

- President of the Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Thomas J. Kelly. Address—Club Courtesies. Mrs. Kate Tanager Woods of Cedar Rapids, Mass. Address—The Keystone of the Educational Arch. Mrs. Ellen Richardson of Cedar Rapids, President of the George Washington Memorial Association. Mrs. Herman Hall of Chicago. Soprano Solo—Angels Ever Bright and Fair. Master Horace Sims of Milwaukee. Address—A Phase of Education. Mrs. Mary E. Mitchell of Cedar Rapids. Address—Art in the Home, the School and the Church. Mrs. Herman Hall of Chicago. Soprano Solo—A Summer Night. Mrs. Thomas J. Kelly. Address—Club Courtesies. Mrs. Kate Tanager Woods of Cedar Rapids, Mass. Address—The Keystone of the Educational Arch. Mrs. Ellen Richardson of Cedar Rapids, President of the George Washington Memorial Association. Mrs. Herman Hall of Chicago. Soprano Solo—Angels Ever Bright and Fair. Master Horace Sims of Milwaukee. Address—A Phase of Education. Mrs. Mary E. Mitchell of Cedar Rapids. Address—Art in the Home, the School and the Church. Mrs. Herman Hall of Chicago. Soprano Solo—A Summer Night. Mrs. Thomas J. Kelly.

The officers will also be entertained at lunch on the grounds by the Omaha Women's club, and they will be tendered a reception at the quarters of the Bureau of Entertainment in the Mines building immediately after the Saturday evening program.

Another interesting feature of the day will be an address at 5 o'clock in the afternoon by Miss Gertrude Brooks of Chicago, president of the National Association of Women Stenographers. This will be given in the hall in the boys' and girls' building and the local committee is especially anxious that every woman stenographer in the city should be present to hear Miss Brooks. The address will be followed by an informal reception in the girls' reception room.

From 12 to 1 o'clock a concert by Thomas orchestra in the Auditorium, free to everyone. At 1 o'clock a luncheon will be tendered by the Omaha Women's club to Mrs. Henryson of Chicago, Mrs. Alice L. Breed of Lynn, Mass., Mrs. Etta Osgood of Portland, Me., Dr. Ellen Spencer Mussey of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Louise Van Loon Lynch of Syracuse, N. Y., Mrs. C. W. Bassett of Sewickley, Pa., Mrs. Clara A. Cooley of Dubuque, Ia., Mrs. Horace Hall of Chicago, Miss Sadie Anderson of Chicago, Mrs. Celia L. Woolley of Chicago, Mrs. Stoutenborough of Plattsmouth, Neb., Mrs. Van Vichten of Cedar Rapids, Ia., Rev. Florence Crocker of Boston, Mrs. Mary E. Mumford of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. W. Leach of Minneapolis, Minn., Mrs. Robert P. Parson of Chicago, Mrs. Edward Longtrath of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Cornelia Stevenson of Philadelphia, Pa., Miss Agnes Reppel of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Henry W. Blair of Manchester, N. H., Mrs. Anna A. Palmer of Saginaw, Mich., Mrs. Laura Stannum of Kansas City, Mrs. Jennie S. Tullar of Fargo, N. D., Mrs. Horace Brock of Lebanon, Pa., Mrs. Charles S. Morris of Berlin, Wis., Mrs. Ellen A. Richardson of Boston, Mrs. H. E. Stevens of Chicago, Miss Becks of Chicago, Mrs. Ruth McKinley Stewart of Philadelphia, Pa., Miss Clara de Grafenried of Philadelphia, Pa., Miss Cornelia E. Bedford of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Kate Tanager Wood of Salem, Mass., Mrs. W. W. Boyd of St. Louis, Mrs. Lucy W. Bancker of Jackson, Mich., Mrs. Lenora A. Hillborn of Milwaukee, Wis., Mrs. J. B. Pillow of Helena, Ark., Mrs. R. Hall Wiles of Chicago, Mrs. Frank H. Briggs of Auburn, Me., Mrs. P. F. Ford of Omaha and the executive officers of the Omaha Women's club, Mrs. Draper Smith, Mrs. George Nattiger, Mrs. D. A. Ferguson, Mrs. Clara S. Rosewater, Mrs. C. Bolden, Mrs. G. C. Thompson.

This luncheon will be served in the Boys and Girls' building, where special tables will be reserved for the guests of honor. At 2:30 in the Auditorium the program opens, to which everybody is invited. At 5 o'clock tea will be given at the Mines building, which will be the headquarters of the officers of the general Federation, the speakers, the Board of Directors of the Omaha Women's club and the entire committee of arrangements.

The evening program will be from 8 to 10 in the Auditorium. The club has selected the following program: "The Evening of the Transmississippi Exposition, opens the afternoon meeting, at which Mrs. Henrotin presides. Mrs. Alice L. Breed presides in the evening. After the evening program a reception by the Omaha Women's club will be given in the Mines building. The program will be from 9 to 10 o'clock, for all visiting club women.

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JUST TO SEE THE FAIR

able class of people the inspiring music of the band appeals more vividly than the orchestral performances, the full appreciation of which requires a somewhat greater degree of musical culture. Yesterday morning the program was introduced by an overture that was comparatively new to most of the audience, the program being by Mendelssohn. This was followed by the intermezzo from "Faust," by Leoncavallo; the Scene de Ballet from "Hamlet" and a Polish dance by Mozskowsky. Chopin's "Valse Brillante" and the grand fantasia from "Rigoletto" were played by request. The program was concluded by two compositions by Sousa and Mr. Santelmann. Sousa was represented on the evening program by a march, "The Gladiator" and the polonaise, "Presidential." Other notable selections were the fantasia from DeKoven's "Robin Hood," a selection from the "Gondoliers" by Sullivan and the medley "Down on the Plantation," arranged by Contero.

ANIMALS OF THE JUNGLE CLASH

Leuceryx and Lion Come Together for a Fight. While the beasts in Hagenback's animal show are not given to fighting, they are far from being as agreeable to one another as the audience has been led to believe. Yesterday afternoon when a leuceryx and a lion came together. Both animals are original natives of the jungles of Africa and their ancestors have been deadly enemies since the memory of man. The leuceryx is a horned animal, but the lion is the plan of the Nebraska antelope, with the exception that his horns are fully a yard long and as sharp as needles at the points. Everybody knows about lions.

Since the arrival of the Hagenback animals at Omaha yesterday the leuceryx has been confined in a cage in the rear of the pavilion, but yesterday Agent Kirkhart concluded that he would place the creature nearer the front and ordered the change in location. The keepers were making the change and just at a time when a performing lion was being taken to his cage in the rear. In passing the opening leading from the cage to the arena, the leuceryx caught sight of the lion and breaking away from his keeper made a dash, getting into the back cage that separates the performing ring from the cages. The lion was taken by surprise and before it had regained its equilibrium, the leuceryx had it down and was going it in genuine jungle style. This, however, was but a moment, for the lion gained its feet and landed with one paw on the side of the leuceryx, sending it heavily against the side of the cages. By this time the keepers got in their work and separated the animals just as they were coming in on the second round. Both of the beasts were considerably hurt, the lion receiving a couple of deep cuts in the side, while one side of the leuceryx was laid bare to the bone by the stroke of the lion's paw.

Made for Today.

Tonight will be "request" program night for the Thomas orchestra in the Auditorium. In response to numerous requests Chopin's Funeral March, as orchestrated by Mr. Thomas, will be included in the evening's program, in addition to that published yesterday.

The programs for the Marine band concerts today are: 10:30 A. M. March—Semper Fidelis. Sousa. Overture—Semiramis. Rossini. Song—Lombardi. Verdi. Waltz—Vienna Durlings. Ziehe. Selection—Bohemian Girl. Balfe. Characteristic—Listen to My Heart. Smith. Grand Army. Panofsky. Commemorative of Openheartedness. "My Country, 'Tis of Thee." Wilhelm. 6:30 P. M. Overture—William Tell. Rossini. Grand Fantasia—Hansel and Gretel. Humperdinck. Song—Schwanen Lied. Schumann. Waltz—Debutants (by request). Santelmann. Flute—Solo—Grand Fantasia. Schumann. March—The Stars and Stripes. Tschak. "The Turkish Patrol." (by request). Michaels. "Gems of Scotland." Godfrey. "Gems of Scotland." Godfrey. "The Voice of the Nation." Santelmann.

Exposition Chorus Rehearsal. The Exposition chorus held a well attended rehearsal last night at the city hall. Among the selections practiced were: "By Babylon's Wave" and "Rose Maiden." "Rose Maiden" is a complete cantata and has been in preparation for some time. Several miscellaneous choruses were also sung, but greatest stress was laid upon "By Babylon's Wave," the words of which are those of the One hundred and twenty-seventh psalm and the music by Gounod. This selection will be sung at the concert next Monday night.

Postal Committee of the Exposition. Most of the delegates to the convention of the National Association of Railway Postal Clerks remained in the city after the conclusion of their business meeting Wednesday night and spent yesterday in visiting the exposition. The party went to the grounds about 10 o'clock and put in the entire day in exploring the wonders of the Midway, examining the exhibits and listening to the band concerts. A few of the clerks left the city last night, but most of them are still here and many expect to remain for several days. Upon an invitation of the Swift Packing company the delegates will visit the company's plant at South Omaha and a visit to the smelter has also been planned by some of the party.

Exposition Stamps Arrive. The exposition postage stamps have arrived in Omaha at last, although not more than half the amount ordered was sent in the first shipment. The stamps will be offered for sale today at the postoffice and a great rush is expected, as the inquiries concerning them have been very numerous. The quantity of stamps received in the first order shipped to the Omaha office is as follows: One-cent, 200,000; 2-cent, 250,000; 4-cent, 20,000; 5-cent, 20,000; 8-cent, 5,000; 10-cent, 10,000; 50-cent, 1,000; \$1.50; \$2, 200.

Apollo Club of Chicago. Miss Julia Officer, manager of artists for the exposition concerts, who is an active member of the Apollo club of Chicago, succeeded in securing the club for three concerts in Omaha, at the exposition on the 21st, 22d and 23d, under the direction of Mr. William Tomlins.

Notes of the Exposition.

The Minnesota mineral exhibit has been heard from. It will probably arrive before Sunday. The executive committee has adopted an ironclad rule excluding bicycles from the grounds. A similar rule was adopted two days ago with exceptions in the case of messengers, etc., but the new rule prohibits the admission of wheels inside the grounds.

The celebration of the exposition, which occurs today, has been declared a day of rest. The building is practically completed and by working day and night it will be ready to turn over to the exposition management some Saturday. This will be a mere formality and the real Wisconsin day will not be celebrated until some time in September.

It has been practically decided to charge an admission fee of 10 cents to the Thomas concerts hereafter. This course has been largely induced by the fact that when no admission is charged those who wish to appreciate the performance are continually annoyed by people who pass in and out. This habit has developed into a nuisance and it has been thought that those who really wish to hear the music will gladly pay a nominal admission in order to be rid of it.

FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY

Meeting of Citizens Decides to Have an Old-Fashioned Blowout in Omaha This Year. Omaha is to have a big Fourth of July celebration that will be one of the greatest of citizens in Mayor Moore's office last evening. They gathered upon invitation of the chief executive and after organizing by electing him chairman and Dr. S. K. Spalding secretary they mapped out a plan for the day and appointed committees to work out the details.

The principal feature of the day will be the speakers. Invitations have already been sent to both Governor Cleveland and Benjamin Harrison to be present. There is to be a big parade and fireworks in the evening. The latter will be set off on the exposition grounds.

MASONIC GRAND LODGE BUSY

Routine Work Takes Up the Time of the Delegates to the Exclusion of Election. A vast amount of business was transacted at the morning session of the Nebraska Masonic grand lodge. There was a spirited contest over the location of the next annual meeting, the Omaha representatives being loath to let the convention go away from the metropolis. Lincoln, however, came off victorious by eight votes when the matter was submitted to the vote. The reporting of reports and the consideration of reports of committees took up the time.

DROWNED IN THE MISSOURI

Twelve-Year-Old Colored Boy Gets Caught in the Current While Swimming. The first accidental drowning of the season occurred last night under the Union Pacific bridge. Louis Jefferies, a colored boy 12 years old, went into the river at this point in company with a comrade, Frank Virke, who lives in that neighborhood. The boys were swimming near the shore when Jefferies seemed to be caught in the current and drawn away. He made an effort to reach the eddy, but his strength was unequal to the task and his companion saw him sink a short distance from shore. Jefferies is an orphan and has lived with H. W. Williams, a Pullman porter, who rooms at 1707 St. Mary's avenue. The body has not been recovered.

Assaults Patrolman In.

Patrolman Ina, on duty near Twenty-sixth and Walnut streets, a vicinity known as Shelytown, had an encounter with an unruly prisoner last night. The man suffered considerably. The prisoner was drunk and quarrelsome and quite clever with his fists. He sprang upon the officer without warning and the latter's face was painfully bruised and cut. Ina finally got action with his club and left several marks on his opponent's head. The man's name is Fred Morton and he is charged with drunkenness and resisting an officer.

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HIS FIRST DRINK CAME HIGH

Bert Py from Bradshaw Stops in a Tough Saloon and is Promptly Robbed. Bert Py was slugged and robbed yesterday morning in a saloon near Tenth and Douglas streets. He lost \$51 and was badly beaten about the head. Py had only arrived in the city a few hours. Bradshaw, Neb., where he is employed as a horseherd. He started to walk from the depot, and as he passed the saloon he stopped to get a drink.

He had stored his money in his sleeve bound in a handkerchief and was obliged to restrict one of the men to trace him into the street. When he recovered sufficiently to recognize his surroundings Py found that his money was gone and that his head was badly cut and bruised. He was taken to the police station, where he is being cared for.

An effort was made to apprehend the robbers, and last night "Muckle" Dan Thompson, the bartender, and Lester Bancroft were arrested on the charge of assault with intent to rob.

MEET BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Grain Dealers Discuss Their Trade Matters While in Executive Session. The second day's session of the Grain Dealers' association was a sort of an exclusive affair and was devoted to the trade matters being discussed. The attendance was somewhat larger than upon the previous days, some 200 grain men and commission brokers registering.

Several papers were read and discussed at length, many of the members joining in the debate. A committee of organization was considered. This subject did not pertain to organization against the farmer, but was along the line of having a uniform system of weighing and grading. There was a universal opinion prevalent that a union should be formed along the lines of the unions maintained by the trades assemblies of the country.

Before adjournment yesterday afternoon the delegates were invited by E. M. McKinney on behalf of the Cudahy Packing company to visit their packing plant at South Omaha. The invitation was unanimously accepted. Through kindness of the Union Pacific railway a special train will leave the Union depot at 9 o'clock this morning and will be run without stop direct to Cudahy's plant. On the arrival of the party at the plant the officers of the company will take them through and the complete details will be fully explained. After this tour is completed the visitors will be served with lunch. The special train will then bring the delegates back to the city in time for their afternoon session.

Visiting Nurses' Association.

The monthly meeting of the Visiting Nurses' association was held yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Omaha Visiting Nurses' association. Mrs. S. K. Rowne presided and reports were submitted regarding the work accomplished during the last month. About 75 young women in charge for the month and a large amount of flowers, food and clothing was distributed. About \$75 was received by selling with the proceeds of a recent recital given for the purpose by Mrs. Cotton.

Check Conveys Saunders.

George Saunders, who was arrested while trying to pass a check for \$18 which had either been found or stolen, was given a check for the amount of \$18 (yesterday afternoon). He was unable to give a satisfactory explanation of his possession of the check, which proves to be the property of George T. Atwood, by whom the check was issued. The pocketbook containing the check was taken from his pocket at the exposition grounds. Saunders bound over to the district court under bonds of \$1,000.

British-Canadian Club.

The British-Canadian American club has established itself in comfortable quarters in the Shely block and has already entertained a number of British visitors. Through kindness of the British consular officials, Mrs. E. L. Love, the British cyclists who are en route around the world, were present. The consular officials were accompanied by British and American flags and there is an attendant to care for the wants of visitors.

Bids Opened.

Bids on coal, ice, lighting and janitor supplies for the postoffice building were opened today in the office of the postoffice at Washington where the bids will be considered and the contracts granted.

FIRE RECORD.

Starts in an Armory. SHARON, Pa., June 16.—One of the most destructive fires in the history of Grove City, Pa., occurred last night. It originated in the armory. The town is without fire protection and volunteers were unable to check the progress of the flames. Ten buildings were destroyed, among them the principal structures of the town. A number of people had narrow escapes from being burned. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss will probably reach \$50,000.

Ten Business Houses Destroyed.

QUINCY, Ill., June 15.—Fire at La Grange, Mo., eight miles from here, today destroyed ten business houses in the center of the town. Loss \$30,000. One negro is supposed to have been burned to death.

Four Consultants Political Leaders.

PARIS, June 15.—President Faure is devoting the day to consultations with four political leaders. He has seen M. Henri Brisson, the former president of the Chamber of Deputies, M. Dupuy, Ribot and Bourgeois, former premiers, and M. Peytral, one of the vice presidents of the senate. It is understood that the Faure will defer the selection of a premier until tomorrow.

Sultan Approves Strains.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 15.—The sultan has given his approval of the appointment of Oscar S. Straus of New York as United States minister to Turkey, in succession to Dr. James B. Angell, resigned.

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INVASION OF PORTO RICO

Thirty Thousand Men Available for Army of General Coppinger. READY AS SOON AS TRANSPORTS ARRIVE. Large Proportion of the Force is Now in Florida, with Others Nearby at Mobile—More Than Are Needed Ready. NEW YORK, June 16.—According to estimates made by Adjutant General Corbin, says the Washington correspondent of the Times, the total number of troops left at Tampa after the sailing of the Santiago expedition is in the neighborhood of 23,000. This includes the portion of the Fourth corps remaining at Mobile, which is regarded as a sub-station of the Tampa camp. At Jacksonville, it is estimated by the adjutant general, there are about 9,000 men. This would make the entire strength of the force most eligible for embarkation to Porto Rico 32,000. Little doubt is harbored that out of this it would be possible to organize by the time the other preparations for the expedition are completed an army of 25,000 men thoroughly equipped.

The official returns to the War department show the following as the composition of the Fourth army corps, commanded by Major General Coppinger, which is expected to take part in the movement on Porto Rico: At Mobile—First division, commanded by Brigadier General Schwan, five regiments, the First and Second Texas, First and Second Louisiana and First Alabama.

At Tampa—Second division, commanded by Brigadier General Snyder, nine regiments, the Eleventh and Eighteenth regiments, infantry, First District of Columbia, Second New York, Fifth Maryland, Third Pennsylvania, One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Indiana, First Ohio and First Illinois. Also the Third division, commanded by Brigadier General Henry, six regiments and cavalry and artillery detachments, Fifth Ohio, First Florida, Thirty-second Michigan, Sixty-ninth New York, Third Ohio and Second Georgia, a provisional cavalry brigade, made up of the Sixth regiment cavalry, detachments from the Second, Fourth and Fifth troops of the First volunteer cavalry, six batteries of light artillery, C and F, from the Third, B and F from the Fourth and D from the Fifth, two batteries of heavy artillery, M and K from the Fifth.

At Lakeland—Detachments of the First and Tenth regiments cavalry. Only one division of the Seventh corps, under General Lee, at Jacksonville, has been organized—the Second—commanded by Brigadier General Arnold, and made up as follows: First North Carolina, Second Illinois, Second New Jersey, First Wisconsin, Fifteenth Iowa, Fourth Illinois, Second and Fourth Virginia.

The provisional division organized to accompany General Shaffer, and commanded by Brigadier General Snyder, was intended to be the first division of the Seventh, but has now been attached to the Fourth corps under General Coppinger. The Third division of General Lee's corps has not yet been formed, but the Second Mississippi regiment has been ordered to Jacksonville, and it will enter that division.

The War department has begun an investigation into the state of preparedness of the troops at Tampa, Mobile and Jacksonville, with a view to selecting the regiments for the Porto Rican force, but it is by no means certain that all of the regiments for that enterprise will be taken from these commands. In fact, it seems well assured that selection of equally equipped and trained regiments from the camps at Chickamauga and Washington will be made in organizing the new expedition. There is some reason to suppose that a portion of the force left at Tampa may yet be sent on to Santiago as a second division of General Shaffer's army. Should the Spaniards prove more numerous and formidable than Santiago than is expected, reinforcements will undoubtedly be hurried to that place.

Denies Story of Mutilation.

NEW YORK, June 15.—Stephen Crane telegraphs to the Evening World from Guantanamo bay, June 14, a positive denial of statements that the bodies of marines killed in the fighting on Saturday were mutilated after the men fell. The appearance of mutilation, it is asserted, was caused by Mauser bullets, fired at close range, the Spaniards, having ambushed the marines, one of whom was pierced by eight bullets. Surgeon Edgar is quoted as authority for the contradiction of the story of mutilation.

Sunday School Convention.

RAPID CITY, S. D., June 16.—(Special Telegram.)—The annual convention of the Black Hills Sunday School association met in this city. About forty delegates were present and a profitable session ensued. The following officers were elected to serve the coming year: President, Dr. W. E. Crocker; Secretary, L. W. Silwell; Treasurer, Dr. H. D. Dailly; Hot Springs, treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Johnson, Rapid City; assistant treasurer, Mrs. Henry Court, Spearfish. Keystone was chosen for the place of holding the next convention.

School Apportionment.

PIERRE, S. D., June 16.—(Special Telegram.)—The land commissioner's office today made the largest apportionment of money made to the schools of the state which has ever been made by the office, the per capita allowance being \$1.10 and the total amount \$119,652.

GOOD YEAR FOR THE CATTLE

Excellent Conditions Reported from Most of the Sections. CHICAGO, June 16.—Reports received from William Penn Anderson of the Union Stock Yards & Transit company as to the condition of the cattle and sheep ranges of the west and northwest, indicate a most promising season for the grazier. The ranges of Montana, the Dakotas, Kansas, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and northeastern California are said to be exceptionally good. The effects of drought are felt especially in western Oregon, southwest Washington, southern California, southwestern Arizona, along the upper Rio Grande in Texas and southwestern New Mexico and in parts of the Panhandle of Texas. Owing to the favorable weather in the early spring the percentage of the California crop has perceptibly increased, especially in the Montana district, where it is estimated at from 55 to 75, as against 50 to 60 per cent in former years. The increase is attributed to the greater number of bulls imported from the older states during the last two years and the better provision for the feeding of hay on winter ranges.

Politics in a College.

BOISE, Idaho, June 16.—(Special.)—The Board of Regents of the State university at Moscow have dismissed President F. B. Gault, who has been connected with the investigation into the case of the late President McKinley, Whitman and Corwain voted for dismissal and Traut and Forney against it. It is charged that the action taken is partisan. There has been a bitter fight on Gault for a long time. He has been a very efficient executive and antagonisms have arisen that have at last led to his downfall.

Smother Convicted.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., June 16.—(Special Telegram.)—John Hulman, a prominent local Sioux land rancher, was found guilty by the jury in the circuit court of cattle

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