NEVILLE'S NAME ON TICKET

Secretary Porter Completes the Work of Certifying Nominations.

CASE IN COURT WILL NOW BE DROPPED

Popocratic Estimates of the Size of Bryan's Audiences Vary Widely from the Facts—Lincoln Local Notes.

LINCOLN, Oct. 25.—(Special.)—Secretary of State Porter has completed the work of certifying the various nominations for public offices to the county clerks over the state and, as supposed, the name of William Neville has been certified to all of the clerks in the Sixth district as the democratic nominee for congress. An order commanding Secretary Porter to appear in the Lancaster county court October 27 and show cause why Mr. Neville's name should be so certified is still in effect, but as the certificates have already been sent out it is probable that the case will be dropped. Secretary Porter said this afternoon that he would appear in the county court as ordered and if asked would tell why he certified Neville's nomination by the democratic party.

Reports published in the popocratic press concerning Bryan's audiences are the subject of a good deal of humorous comment in Lincoln. This morning it is asserted that Bryan spoke to 3,000 people in Polk county yesterday, or three-fourths of the voters of the county. It was reported that in Stromsburg, a city of 1,300 population, he spoke to 1,000 people; at Shelby, a village with a population of 313, he spoke to 1,200 people, and that at Osceola he spoke to a crowd that completely filled the public square. As the ordinary public square will hold about 8,000 people there was evidently a mistake in the estimate of the crowd at that place. It is also difficult to understand why it was reported that Bryan spoke to 3,000 in the county, or three-fourths of the voters, when there were only 1,864 votes cast at the last previous election.

From information received here it appears that an unusually hard fight is being waged in Sarpy county on the democratic candidate for county clerk—Charles Behrendt—and that the issue of the campaign there is the candidate's own official record. Behrendt is now county treasurer. A report of the treasurer examiner, on file in the auditor's office, shows that in 1897 he held notes and "I. O. U.'s" amounting to $1,670, most of which had been loaned to friends. The shortage was later made good by Behrendt, who gave a personal check for the amount. He is still holding office and hopes to step from the treasurer's office into that of the county clerk.

Lincoln Local Notes.

The Lincoln Board of Education is contemplating establishing a training school for teachers in this city and Superintendent Gordon is now in Chicago looking for instructors. The school selected for the training school will have teachers of more than usual ability, who will perform the service of regular teachers and in addition and after regular school hours will give instructions to pupils in the training department.

Employes of the operating department of the Lincoln Traction company in this city have petitioned for an increase in salary of 2 cents per hour. The company now pays its motormen and conductors different salaries, the scale ranging from 12 to 16 cents per hour, the amount paid varying according to service performed and the length of time the employe has been in the service of the company.

Major Warner of Kansas City will address the Young Men's Republican club in this city tomorrow evening.

A company comprised of thirty soldiers from the First regiment appeared in a minstrel performance last night. Those who took leading parts were: V. R. Johnson, E. Summerville, Harry Prey, G. Anderson, T. H. Steen, Claude Reed, Clifford Funke, J. B. Fulton, Frank Gaylord, Ted O'Shea, Frank Stebon and Harry Hale.

Notices have been sent out regarding a meeting of the Nebraska section of the American Chemical society in this city Saturday evening. Papers will be read by F. J. Alaway and M. E. Hiltner. The meeting will be held in the laboratory building of the State university.

The next meeting of the Academy of Sciences is announced by Prof. Bruner of the State university for December 1 and 2 in Lincoln.

Work on the new building at the state farm is progressing rapidly. An immense well is being dug which when completed will be one of the largest in or near the city.

NEBRASKA SOIL IS SATURATED.

Rain Falls Through Day and Night, Benefiting Fall-Sown Grain.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—During last night rain fell to the amount of 2.75 inches and a light rain is falling today. The ground is thoroughly saturated and the rain will be of benefit to the small grain.

BRADSHAW, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—This vicinity is being visited with a nice rain that is welcomed by all. It began raining last night about 8 o'clock and continued moderately all night and is still raining. The long siege of wind and dust is happily over.

GENEVA, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—Almost two inches of rain fell last night and it is still raining. This will give the ground the only thorough soaking it has had since spring. Very little wheat has been sown, though many have put in grain since the last rain, over a week ago.

YORK, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—Never before can farmers remember so dry an October as this month and the heavy rain of yesterday and last night was welcome. Winter wheat that laid in the ground without sprouting will be benefited. Notwithstanding the extreme dry weather York county farmers put out a large acreage of winter wheat.

FAIRMONT, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—It has been raining steadily for the last twelve hours, 2.15 inches having fallen.

PAWNEE, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—A heavy rain commenced falling in this section at 6 p. m. yesterday and continued until noon today. Average depth, two inches. Fall wheat prospects were never more assuring.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—An all-night rain visited this section and continued during a portion of the forenoon. The prevailing dust was settled and an unusual amount of good done for the fall wheat.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—This vicinity was visited by a big rain last night and today.

WESTERN, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—A long dry, windy, hot spell of weather was broken by a good rain last night, 2.97 inches falling. This will be of great benefit to the fall wheat, much of which has not come up yet. Cornhusking is progressing nicely and is turning out a very fair yield of excellent quality.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—The heaviest rain for many months fell here last night, being fully two inches. This makes the winter wheat much more promising and causes every one to feel better.

Tucker at Culbertson.

CULBERTSON, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—E. A. Tucker of Humboldt spoke to a fair sized crowd in the Ancient Order of United Workmen hall here last night from a republican standpoint. All were pleased with the speech on account of the fairness in which the talk was presented. No populists have been able to gather an audience yet for speakers who have been here.

CHILD MEETS STRANGE DEATH.

Falls with Trumpet in Mouth and Dies from Injuries.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—Several days ago a 3-year-old son of William Greve of this city fell and badly lacerated his throat with a toy trumpet held in his mouth. The boy died yesterday from the effects of the wound.

Burglars Loot Hardware Store.

FAIRMONT, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—E. A. Small's hardware store was entered by burglars Sunday night and $100 worth of pocket knives and razors was taken. Entrance was through a rear window.

Breaks a Rib.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—C. D. Woodruff of near here suffered a broken rib and other injuries while attempting to ride a wild horse yesterday.

UNIVERSALISM IN THE WEST

Needs of the Western Churches Presented at Universalist Conference in Session at Boston.

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—Nearly all of the forenoon session of the Universalist conference today was devoted to the presentation of the needs of the west. Charles L. Hutchinson of Chicago presided. The first paper was read by Rev. Rodney F. Johonnet of Chicago. He said: "The general convention can do best for western interests, not by attempting to start new movements, but by sending the ablest men of the denomination to cheer and encourage the churches in existence. There is a serious need of revivifying the missionary spirit of the western churches. What is needed above all else is a better class of ministers." Rev. Florence Kallock Crooker of Ann Arbor, Mich., also described and commented upon the "Needs of the West."

It was decided to appoint a committee of five to consider plans for a uniform service of worship, the report to be made at the next general convention. Dr. Powers of New York moved the adoption of the following:

"Resolved, That we believe all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator by certain inalienable rights; that among those are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed." (Laughter and applause.)

He also proposed that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to President McKinley. A motion to indefinitely postpone action on the resolution was carried.

Rev. Snow of Haverhill, Mass., said: "I do not believe in discussing this matter, but I am opposed to the whole Philippine business."

SOUTH DAKOTA NEWS.

Island Still No Man's Land.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—For some years the authorities of Clay county have been subjected to considerable difficulty and trouble owing to the status of what is known as the "Island"—an extensive tract of Missouri river bottomland which during one of the floods in the Missouri was separated from the Nebraska shore and added to South Dakota. State's Attorney Kelsey and County Auditor Trent of Clay county have been striving to secure a vote of the people of the county this year on the question of annexing the island to Clay county, so there would be no further doubt of Clay county's jurisdiction over the tract. The question cannot, it is learned, be disposed of this year, as the secretary of state has written a letter to Auditor Trent, in which he states that the election next month cannot be considered a general election in South Dakota.

Rare Bones for College Museum.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—Prof. James E. Todd, the well-known geologist of the State university at Vermillion, who accompanied the Union Pacific expedition to the fossil beds of Wyoming, reports that as a result of the trip the museum of the State university will have added to it several hundred specimens, some of which are quite rare. Among the collection gathered by Prof. Todd for the university museum are leaves, shells and corals from the cretaceous beds. Months will doubtless pass before the results of the expedition are fully known, as the new specimens of bones found will have to be subjected to careful and minute examination before their character can accurately be determined.

Three Prisoners Set Free.

PIERRE, S. D., Oct. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Governor Lee today, on recommendation of the Board of Pardons, granted pardons to James Pettijohn, sentenced from Deuel county on a charge of criminal assault; Clyde Kephart, sentenced from Moody county on a charge of robbery, and Lamar B. Boatright, sentenced from Meade county on a similar charge.

At a meeting of the School and Public Land board today the state land commissioner was given discretionary power to dispose of Taylor lands at appraised prices or better and large minor detail business was transacted.

Railroads Effect a Compromise.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—It is reported that the Milwaukee has resumed work on its new line in Charles Mix county. For a time the Great Northern seemed to have the best of the situation and effectually blocked all attempts of the Milwaukee to cross the Yankton Indian reservation. A compromise is said to have been effected, and in consequence the Great Northern resigns all attempts at further extension in South Dakota, while the Milwaukee has abandoned the idea of building a line to the head of the great lakes.

Church Fair at Huron.

HURON, S. D., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—The fair conducted by the women of St. Martin's Catholic church, assisted by Father Desmond, closed Saturday evening. It was a success in every particular. Elaborate preparations had been made and each evening hundreds of people were entertained.

The college chorus class, under the direction of Prof. Schoenert, has reopened for the season with an attendance exceeding that of last season.

DEATH RECORD.

Sister of Kit Carson.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., Oct. 25.—Mrs. Mary Ruby, a sister of Kit Carson, the famous scout, died here today of apoplexy. She was born in an Indian fort near Boonesboro, Howard county, and during the eighty-seven years of her life was never out of the state of Missouri. Mrs. Ruby was the last member of Kit Carson's family.

Minnesota Veteran.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Hugh Withrow, an inmate of the Soldiers' home in this city, died very suddenly last night. He was a member of Company H, Third Minnesota infantry, and was popular with his friends and comrades here at the home.

Mrs. A. A. Kleber.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. A. A. Kleber died on Sunday at her home a few miles northeast of this city after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held the following day, conducted by Rev. C. Eberhardt.

Double Killing at Reno.

RENO, Okl., Oct. 25.—C. W. Hopkins, a stockman, and Deputy Marshal Fox engaged in a fight with six-shooters in a saloon, with a result that both were killed. Fox had attempted to arrest Hopkins, who was drunk.

EXPERT OPINION ON REESE

Nebraska Lawyer Shows Need of Brains and Honor on Bench.

HOLCOMB'S RECORD CONTAINS WEAK SPOTS

Barristers and Laymen Alike Look Askance at His Course While Dignified Bearing of Reese Commands Respect.

The following communication from R. J. Nightingale, an attorney of Loup City, is indicative of the estimate of Silas A. Holcomb held by those who practiced in his court at the time he presided over the Twelfth judicial district. Mr. Nightingale points out the limited experience of Holcomb in the practice of law, his abandonment of his office for a political career, his attitude toward the recount and other weak spots which are generally discussed. The ability and uprightness of Judge Reese are mentioned in contrast, together with his dignified course in refusing to stump the state in pursuit of such an office. The letter is as follows:

LOUP CITY, Neb., Oct. 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: Although I am not a regular subscriber for your newspaper I trust that you will permit me through your columns to address my fellow citizens of this state upon the question, "Who ought to be elected in the interests of all people as supreme judge of this state at the coming election?" I am a lawyer by profession, residing at Loup City, and practiced in the Twelfth judicial district during all the time Mr. Holcomb presided over that court.

But it is not to lawyers I desire to speak, because all lawyers who are worthy of the profession desire just as much as I do to present their cases to the best judge, by which I mean a judge who stands high in character and integrity and also in that special learning which qualifies him to pass upon questions of law. I wish to speak to that large class, whether they be republicans, democrats or populists, who are not officeseekers, but for the most part business men and farmers and who realize the great importance of the judicial office to the welfare of the community.

The lawyers who live in the Twelfth district and a large number of the inhabitants generally are fully aware that for about ten years I have been earnestly contending that officers directly connected with the educational institutions of the state and with the administration of justice ought to be divorced from partisan politics and the incumbents chosen by the people solely with a view to their special qualifications and their integrity. I regret that we have not been making much progress in my own judicial district or in the state generally during these ten years in this direction.

Only Republican Courts Condemned.

When the populist party sprang into existence it severely condemned the idea of our courts being a part of the political machinery of the state and professed to be anxious for reform. I felt that that party was in sympathy with me on this question, subsequently discovered that in the eyes of populist politicians, but not in the eyes of populist voters, I trust, a partisan court was only objectionable when its politics were republican. It was no taint upon the judicial ermine of the incumbent of the bench were so full of populist sentiment and populist ideas that they flowed over the entire bar practicing in his court and reached the body of spectators beyond, thereby gaining for populist doctrines all the prestige which the sanction of the judicial office can confer upon them. In all districts where the populist party is strong candidates for the office of judge seem to have been chosen with a view to their campaigning qualities and have gone out upon the stump and indulged in eloquence, not unmixed with vituperation, in advocacy of their political views. Entertaining the ideas I have so long held with the strength of conviction, all this has been extremely distasteful to me and has been regarded by me with suppressed indignation.

In my own judicial district the judicial office has been made the reward for political services and for political services not always of the cleanest and most honorable character. The incumbents have used it as a stepping-stone to a higher political position. One climbs from the seat of justice to the governor's chair and another to a place in congress. Usually if a man is made of the proper material for a judge he is not fit for an executive or a legislative office. Of course there are exceptional men who possess a round ability to fill almost any position. I protest that the office of judge ought not to be the avenue to a political career, and I submit that a professional politician ought not to take his seat upon the bench.

In the Twelfth judicial district the judicial ermine has been so dragged in the mire of political filth that it will soon be impossible to get a respectable lawyer to accept a nomination for judge upon any ticket.

Lawgiving Deserted for Politics.

When Mr. Holcomb was the judge of our district he made us a good judge so far as his professional learning carried him. He was exceedingly fair in his decisions and possessed ability and legal acumen which were only hampered by his limited experience in the practice. Before his term had expired as judge I regret to say he abandoned his profession and the high office of judge and devoted himself entirely to a political career. For four years he was occupied with the executive duties of the governor's office and during all of this period was the prime mover and active head of the populist party. He unquestionably attained great skill in the art of political wire-pulling and in the manipulation of political conventions. This, however, in my view and I think in the view of a great majority of the voters, seriously disqualifies him for the office of supreme judge. With the professional politicians of the populist party it will be a magnificent achievement to place the prince of populist politicians upon the supreme bench, but with the rank and file of honest populist voters there is a serious shaking of the head.

However much they may dislike the politics of republican judges they have grave doubts whether skill in the art of political wire-pulling and in manipulating conventions will be of much benefit in aiding a supreme judge to render wise and honest decisions.

Contrast of Two Attitudes.

The populist voter really, down at the bottom of his heart, wants an honest judge above all things and among the great masses of our farmers the necessity for special learning as a qualification for that high position is not adequately realized. The plain people of all parties do know that the companionship of professinal politicians is not a good school for honesty and the atmosphere of partisan politics is not conducive to a clean and healthy condition of mind. The good, honest, sensible voters in all parties are making a comparison in their minds between the attitude of Judge Reese, who stands aloof from partisan politics and refuses to indulge in heated controversy over political questions, and the attitude of Mr. Holcomb, who is bombarding every obscure hamlet with his political gatling gun and tramping over the entire state imploring the electors to vote his party ticket, which is the same thing as a polite request to vote for himself. The best sentiment of the people says that such conduct on the part of Mr. Holcomb is degrading to any candidate who aspires to the highest office in the gift of the people and that the conduct of Judge Reese is at once modest and dignified and shows the profound respect which he has for the judicial office.

Our farmer populists are also severely condemning the governor because he accepted a free pass from the railroad companies while the officer and servant of the people. Again they argue in their commonsense fashion upon this question and want to know how a great populist leader, who believes in the government ownership of railroads as a cardinal doctrine of his political faith, can ever carry out his doctrine when he is himself owned by the railroads. Will he arise, like Samson, and burst the bonds wherewith he is bound?

What the Lawyers Want.

With my brother lawyers of this state the important question is to have a supreme judge elected in whose integrity they have full confidence and in whose learning and ability they have a sure guaranty that the statute and the common law will receive a correct interpretation. Lawyers perhaps realize also more than any other class that our courts are not only the dispensers of justice between man and man, but the palladium of the people's liberty, the sacred ark where those liberties are safe alike from the greed of the capitalist and the clamor of the unreasoning multitude. It is deeply to be regretted that the great masses of the people do not sufficiently reflect how important the judicial office is to their welfare.

I do not enjoy the pleasure of an intimate acquaintance with Judge Reese, but I know many who do and in whose statements and opinions I have the fullest confidence. From them I learn that the private life of Judge Reese is free from blemish and indeed it appears to be conceded by his opponents that he is in every respect a model citizen. Of his public record I know something and it meets with my hearty approval.

I am acquainted with the general sentiment of populists throughout the state, but in my own county, which is a stronghold of populism and the banner populist county of the state, the rank and file of the populists severely condemn ex-Governor Holcomb's connection with the fraudulent recount. At the time of the recount the populist county clerk of this county, who is an honest man though a strong partisan, openly stated that there was no mistake and no fraud in the count upon the proposition in Sherman county and if there was any mistake or any fraud it was at Lincoln. Populists in this county think that a man who aspires to be a supreme judge ought to avoid the appearance of fraud and not to countenance any kind of political trickery whatever.

House Rent a Millstone.

Our home populists also condemn the governor on the house rent business. They contrast his conduct with that of the republican governor, Crounse, an able jurist and a clean and honorable executive, who scorned to take from the public treasury money which belonged to the people and which they had not given him under the provisions of the constitution, although invited to do so by a Nebraska legislature, in many respects the general agent of the people. These plain people argue that just as a minister of the gospel, who is a moral reformer, cannot become intoxicated and then point to the man of the world and say, "I was not as drunk as my neighbor on the opposite side of the street;" so a reform governor cannot successfully plead as a defense that republican governors took more money from the public treasury without authority of law and that he only took just a little himself.

That he is eminently qualified for the high office for which he has been named as a candidate, the Nebraska reports containing the opinions of our supreme court while he was a member of that body are a standing monument and an irrefragable argument. None more cheerfully acknowledge the good natural abilities of Mr. Holcomb and his clear and logical grasp of legal principles when he presided as judge of the district court of my own county, but it would be wholly unreasonable to expect that so young a lawyer, who had devoted so small a portion of a lifetime to the study of law, whose attention while he was practising law was divided between his profession and the business of lending money to farmers on chattel security—a business which all bankers know demands constant attention to detail, and a lawyer who has been living in a frontier county, without access to law libraries and all the facilities for acquiring a legal education; I say it would be unreasonable to expect that he could be in any manner the equal of Judge Reese in point of special knowledge and professional attainment.

Holcomb's Record is Marred.

Mr. Holcomb has done some political work which commends him to the people of Nebraska by helping to bring about honesty and business integrity in the administration of state institutions. I fear there are some blemishes upon his public record. Let us be grateful to him for what he has done that is good and look upon his faults with charity.

It would not do for the people of this state to reject so clean and honorable a man as Judge Reese and so able a jurist for the high position of supreme judge and to give the office to an obscure young lawyer who has been elevated by the accidents of politics to the governor's chair.

I much regret that the question of who shall be our next supreme judge is being settled by a consideration of an altogether different question, namely, the question whether the national administration is right upon the Philippine question. It makes no difference what the opinion of Judge Reese or Mr. Holcomb is on this question so far as their fitness for judge is concerned. I am personally of the opinion that the republican party is not committed to a policy of foreign conquest or foreign aggression or to a colonial system. The Philippine islands have come to us as the result of a war which we all sanctioned in the interests of humanity and they are now a part of the United States territory. It is the manifest duty of the president to put down insurrection and maintain law and order within United States territory and it is equally the manifest duty of every good citizen to do nothing which will hinder him in the discharge of that duty.

Bryan Blinded by Ambition.

I regret that Mr. Bryan is about to make a tour of the state to assist in the election of Mr. Holcomb to the supreme bench. That distinguished orator and campaigner, like the English statesman, Gladstone, generally tries, I think, to square his political conduct according to the rule of what is right. As a lawyer he knows that Judge Reese ought to receive the votes of the people. Perhaps his personal ambition has blinded his eyes as it has blinded the eyes of many another good man. He will certainly drive away many populists and not a few democrats from his banners in 1900. Many who have admired this "plumed knight" of the democratic party as the fearless advocate of the people's rights will withhold their approval from him in this particular case. Many who will honestly vote for Judge Reese as the best candidate for supreme judge would just as honestly vote for Mr. Bryan on national issues.

A good supreme judge and not the Philippine question is the living and vital issue before us at the coming election.

R. J. NIGHTINGALE.

GIFT FOR ADMIRAL SAMPSON

State of New Jersey Makes Offering of Sword in Recognition of Skill and Valor.

TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 25.—Admiral Sampson, accompanied by Mrs. Sampson, arrived today. The admiral was presented with a sword by Governor Voorhees on behalf of the state of New Jersey as a mark of appreciation of his services during the Spanish war. The presentation took place in the assembly chamber of the capitol in the presence of a distinguished audience of naval officers and persons prominent in the public and social life of the state. The naval officers present included nearly all those associated with Admiral Sampson before the entrance to Santiago harbor. The naval officers occupied seats near the speaker's desk.

The formal ceremonies of presenting Admiral Sampson with the sword began with an address by Senator Ketcham, chairman of the joint committee. He said that the high state of efficiency of the American navy was due to Admiral Sampson's skill and ability more than to any other individual.

Governor Voorhees, in making the formal presentation, said that it was his great privilege to present the sword as the cheerful gift of the people of New Jersey, with whom Admiral Sampson had for a long time made his home.

When Your Brain Works,
with a headache, it don't work well. Wright's Paragon Headache Remedy cures.

HYMENEAL.

McIntosh-McFadden.

SIDNEY, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—John T. McIntosh, cashier of the American bank of this city, was married this afternoon to Miss Mary J. McFadden, a popular young woman of this city. Rev. Father Flood performed the ceremony. The young people left for Omaha this evening, where they will spend their honeymoon and immediately upon their return will go to housekeeping on East Second street.

Himes-Jarrette.

SUTTON, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—This evening, at the home of the bride, Walter H. Hines and Miss Evelyn Jarrette were married by Rev. T. S. Fowler of Exeter, assisted by Rev. Philip Smith of this city. Miss Jarrette has been a teacher in the public schools of Edgar, and Mr. Hines is well known in business circles.

WOMEN SPREAD THE GOSPEL

State Presbyterian Missionary Society Enlarges Its Work.

OFFICERS OF COMING YEAR ARE ELECTED

Executive Committee Recommends Continuance of Various Educational and Missionary Projects Already in Hand.

HASTINGS, Neb., Oct. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—This morning's session of the Woman's Missionary society of the Nebraska Presbytery was largely taken up with the meeting of the executive committee and the reports of the literature secretary, Mrs. B. M. Stoutenborough of Plattsmouth, and the corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. W. Dinsmore of Beatrice. A very interesting address on "Home Mission Work in Box Butte County" was given by Mrs. C. E. Rice of Crawford.

The afternoon opened with a message from the Freedman's secretary, read by Mrs. L. W. Shuman of Aurora. This was followed by a paper, "I Will Bear My Covenant," by Mrs. G. C. Thompson, read by Mrs. Clabaugh of Omaha. Mrs. McNee of Kearney gave an interesting sketch of the life, customs and religious conditions of Mexico; Mrs. C. C. Meek of Fairmont gave some personal experiences of woman's work in India and Mrs. Wright spoke of the work being accomplished in China, from which country she has only recently returned. Mrs. P. M. Conklin of Omaha made a report of the work being accomplished by the Young People's society.

The officers elected were: Mrs. J. H. Miller of Lincoln, president; Mrs. J. W. Dinsmore, Beatrice, corresponding secretary; Mrs. F. M. Hall, Lincoln, contingent secretary; Mrs. C. M. Sheldon, Holdrege, literary secretary; Mrs. P. M. Conklin, young people's corresponding secretary; Miss O. Grainger, Palmyra, special object secretary; Mrs. Horan, Fairmont, assistant object secretary.

Recommendations by the executive committee pledge an advance of $250 for the five schools in Tripoli; endorse the plans for the organization for women societies in the different countries; the taking of a special collection in the Sunday schools on the Sunday nearest Thanksgiving for the school at Tucson, Ariz.; the continuance of Miss Welch at Tucson, Miss Charlotte Crump at the Laura Sunderland school and Miss Susan Davis at Sitka, in place of Miss Carley; commend also the students' volunteer movement and ask that it be carried on in the synod. The committee also recommended that the present Christian Endeavor secretaries be appointed treasurers of Christian Endeavor funds and that they ask for a contribution from the Christian Endeavorers for the contingent funds. The society also pledges $1,000 to the Freedman's secretary for the ensuing year.

The meeting closed this evening with addresses by Mrs. John Elliott of Beatrice and Rev. William Baird of Korea.

PACKING HOUSE STATISTICS

Omaha Still Continues to Forge Forward to the Second Place On the List.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Price Current says: A slight reduction is shown in the number of hogs handled by western packers the last week, the total indicating 385,000 head, compared with 395,000 head the preceding week and 455,000 head last year. From March 1 the total is 13,185,000 head, against 13,470,000 head a year ago. Prominent places compare as follows:

Cities.	1899.	1898.
Chicago	4,125,000	4,630,000
Kansas City	1,593,000	1,835,000
Omaha	1,415,000	1,365,000
St. Louis	870,000	815,000
Indianapolis	717,000	635,000
Milwaukee	500,000	638,000
Cincinnati	375,000	380,000
St. Joseph	805,000	625,000
Ottumwa	410,000	403,000
Cedar Rapids	251,000	283,000
Sioux City	282,000	232,000
St. Paul	202,000	180,000

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Fair Thursday and Friday with North to East Winds in Iowa and Nebraska.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Forecast for Thursday and Friday:

For Nebraska, South Dakota and Kansas—Fair Thursday and Friday; north to east winds.

For Iowa—Fair Thursday and Friday, except showers and cooler in extreme eastern portion Thursday; northerly winds.

For Missouri—Showers and cooler Thursday, except fair in northwest quarter; Friday fair and variable winds.

For Colorado—Generally fair Thursday and Friday; variable winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Oct. 25.—Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1899.	1898.	1897.	1896.
Maximum temperature	59	70	77	45
Minimum temperature	49	40	59	33
Average temperature	50	55	68	39
Precipitation	1.21	.00	.00	.05

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1899:

Normal for the day	49
Excess for the day	49
Accumulated excess since March 1	22
Normal rainfall for the day	.07 inch
Excess for the day	1.14 inches
Total rainfall since March 1	23.27 inches
Deficiency since March 1	4.49 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1898	3.10 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1897	9.99 inches

Reports from stations at 8 p. m.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER.	Temperature at 8 p. m.	Maximum temperature	Precipitation.
Omaha, cloudy	48	50	.10
North Platte, partly cloudy	50	54	.00
Salt Lake City, partly cloudy	46	56	.00
Cheyene, cloudy	36	46	.06
Rapid City, partly cloudy	44	52	.00
Huron, clear	50	58	.00
Williston, clear	32	40	.00
Chicago, clear	70	74	.00
St. Louis, clear	70	78	.00
St. Paul, cloudy	46	50	.06
Davenport, raining	62	74	.02
Helena, clear	42	48	T
Kansas City, cloudy	60	66	.62
Havre, clear	38	44	.00
Bismarck, cloudy	38	40	.00
Galveston, partly cloudy	76	80	.00

T indicates trace of precipitation.

LUCIUS A. WELSH,
Local Forecast Official.

TO CONFER WITH THE UNIONS

Manufacturers' Association Accepts Invitation of Labor Unions to Hold Conference.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Oct. 25.—The Manufacturers' association today decided to accept the invitation of the labor unions to confer on the question of wages, the 30,000 operatives seeking an advance.

It is stated upon good authority that the manufacturers generally consider this an inopportune time for granting an increase in wages. They do not see, however, that there can be any great harm done in appointing a conference committee and considering the arguments which will be advanced by the textile committee. A mistake was made once in not granting a conference and the manufacturers do not propose to blunder in this way again. They can present their side of the question to the operatives and, whether the advance is granted or not, a better feeling will remain than if the conference were rejected.

FIRE RECORD.

DeSoto is Damaged.

DESOTO, Ia., Oct. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—One of the worst fires in the history of the town occurred here last night. The origin is not known, but the loss is in the thousands. The fire broke out in the rear of J. W. Blackman's store of general merchandise and buggies. It was first seen by the fireman of a train, who had just pulled in, and who announced the alarm by blowing the engine whistle. There was a strong wind and in spite of the fire department several buildings in the business portion of the town are a total loss.

Isaac Hoch & Son, general merchandise and implement dealers, suffered a total loss. Their stock was valued at $5,000 and building at $1,500, with $3,000 insurance. J. W. Blackman's stock was totally destroyed. It was valued at $6,000, with $3,000 insurance. The Jordan hotel was totally destroyed; loss $2,000, with $300 insurance.

Postoffice and Restaurant.

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