DIFFERENCES OVER DUES

Proposal Which Will Put a Heavy Tax on Larger Clubs in Federation.

SETTLEMENT PUT OVER TO LATER DATE

Club Women Listen to Musical Program and Attend Reception by Mrs. Poynter and Mrs. Bryan.

LINCOLN, Oct. 10.—(Special.)—There has been considerable fireworks in the women's meetings and much discussion regarding a proposed change in the system of taxing club members in the state and in the general federation. Under the present arrangement each club pays a certain amount under in the state federation and $1 per year and $1 for each of its members. The proposed change is to tax each club 10 cents per member. This would be greatest tax upon the clubs of Lincoln and larger clubs of the state and there is a strong feeling in the matter. The leading women favor the tax in principle, but the Omaha club is against it, as it greatly increases its already heavy expense and it is now doing more for the state than any other club in the federation, besides meeting the demands made upon it at home and the expense incidental to the proper maintenance of such an organization. The small clubs give little or nothing to other clubs and the Omaha women find that the present system is the more just to all.

The establishment of a state traveling library seems to be the thing of greatest importance to all the women and the earnestness of the women from the remote towns proves conclusively the great need of such an institution in Nebraska.

There seems to be little concern regarding the election of officers and as Mrs. Anderson has expressed her willingness to run she will doubtless be reelected. The meeting is exceptionally harmonious, as yet there seems no choice of a town for the next meeting.

Reports from Clubs.

The morning session was called to order at 9:30. Mrs. Anderson presiding. The session was largely attended and was devoted to the reading of two-minute reports from the ninety-three clubs of the federation. These reports showed excellent work and served as most profitable suggestions to all. A great variety of work has been covered, embracing music, art, science, literature, parliamentary law, household economics and many other branches that must broaden and elevate women. Many libraries have been started in small towns by these women and this movement more than any other seems to be interesting them. This was forcibly demonstrated when Mrs. Stoutenburgh of Plattsmouth rose to make an announcement. She was greeted with a storm of applause in recognition of her unselfish and untiring efforts to secure for the women in the outlying towns and districts of Nebraska the state traveling library, for which they have so long and so earnestly asked.

In the midst of the reports Mrs. Ricketts, state chairman of correspondence, read a telegram from Mrs. Rufus J. Lowe, president of the general federation, extending greetings to the women of Nebraska and wishes for a prosperous meeting.

The report by Mrs. Sackett of Omaha was of especial interest, as that of the largest club of the state. It covered the work of thirteen departments and committees on child saving, women resume and city improvements.

The North Omaha Woman's club (colored) reported its chief work along the line of household economics.

Afternoon of Business.

The only part of the afternoon session was devoted to business. It was decided that nominations for all officers be made from the floor and those receiving the highest number of votes shall be candidates for election by formal ballot.

A telegram was read from "Octave Thanet" expressing regret at being unable to be present at the meeting, a misunderstanding making it impossible for her to be present until Friday.

The federation of Wayne telegraphed greetings and an invitation to meet there next year. A few minutes was then spent in Parliamentary Law, conducted by Mrs. Parker of Denver, amid peals of laughter.

The musical program followed, Mrs. Barbour presiding.

Mrs. Henry P. Eames read an exceptionally strong paper on "The Mission of the American Indian and Negro." She pleaded for a number of characteristic folk songs, which she promised to sing when the old mammys and uncles and [illegible] but quaintness of their songs seemed much more appreciated and of more musical value than they are at present.

The program, which followed, included selections from some of the most talented musical women of Nebraska.

A large delegation of Omaha people came in on the noon train, about thirty-five in all.

Mrs. A. W. Field entertained at luncheon at noon the state officers to be installed biennial, Mrs. Decker, Mrs. Poynter, Mrs. Gates of Lincoln, Mrs. Sackett of Omaha and a few other prominent women.

The reception at 8 o'clock in the Lincoln Federation of Clubs and in charge of the Lotus and Forum clubs of Lincoln, at the home of Dr. [illegible] Brunner was a most brilliant function, a gathering of the flower of Nebraska women and men.

In the receiving line were Governor and Mrs. Poynter, Mrs. Decker, Mrs. Gates, Mrs. Apperson and Mrs. H. W. Bushnell, Mrs. E. H. Barbour in mourning. The floral decorations were most effective, particularly in the dining room, where the color scheme of pink and white was carried out in detail in pink roses and white tapers.

Mrs. Bryan received the visiting women from 1:30 to 2 P. M. The affair was thoroughly informal. Mrs. Bryan standing alone with a simple wave of greeting and an invitation to "come and sit awhile."

Aside from the receptions at the governor's home there were a number of private dinner parties and "at homes" for the women.

Though all had looked forward to the afternoon for the conference of the president of club interests and especially for Stoutenburgh's paper, yet the Secretaries' and a number of the officers that have served a number of meetings of delegates and committees, business was all in good humor, in favor of the motion of Mrs. [illegible] for a 2 o'clock adjournment, a crowd of women that filled the hall, one of the striking features of the gathering being the fact that the women are as well informed on parliamentary rules as the men.

The following were the prize winners in germander at the Lotus club:

Flowers—First, Mrs. Wood of Omaha, second, Mrs. Fred S. Ames.

Figures—First, Mrs. Brock of Lincoln, second, Mrs. Hastings, third, Mrs. Fuller of Ashland.

Collective—First, Mrs. Brock of Lincoln, second, Schneider of Omaha, third, Fuller of Ashland.

Enamel—First, Perfect of Omaha, second, Fuller of Ashland, third, Wilson of Omaha.

Fruit—First, Morey of Hastings, second, Mrs. Stanley of Lincoln.

Nebraska Synod in Session.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Oct. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The twenty-sixth session of the Nebraska synod met in this city last night and was called to order by Rev. William M. Porter, who preached the opening sermon. Seventy-three ministers and twenty elders answered to roll call. Rev. John Gillmore was elected moderator and A. M. Hende and H. E. Martin clerks. The morning forenoon session were conducted by Rev. [illegible] Moore. Committees were appointed.

The afternoon session was devoted to receiving reports. One hundred and five ministers answered to roll call this afternoon. Tonight's session is a joint meeting, the conference being by Dr. Theron Marshall, field secretary of the Foreign Board, and Rev. Philip Mallinger of Lincoln on behalf of women.

FRUSTRATE A ROBBER'S RAID

Citizens of McCool Junction Have a Lively Skirmish with Burglars.

McCOOL JUNCTION, Neb., Oct. 10.—(Special.)—About three men broke into U. S. Lincoln's hardware store and stole a number of pocket knives and other small stuff. They entered G. M. Sprecher's grain office and went through his safe. It is believed even as he never keeps money in it. From there they went to Thomas Hightshoe's shop, securing heavy clubs and sledge hammers and taking with them a lamp belonging to E. E. Lincoln. They unlocked the front door of the Blue River bank where they commenced to crack the bank safe. The charge of nitro-glycerine must have been extra strong, as it blew out window frames, tearing in the door of the bank and tearing door plates off the door, but it was not well enough for them to open the middle door and get at the burglar-proof chest. The charge was so small that it never frightened anyone out, and William McFadden, merchant, the private telephone system has an arrangement by which to ring a fire alarm and on hearing the telephone fire alarm in the bank the burglars dropped their work and ran toward the Blue River park. Improved state Sheriffs posses were sent in pursuit. Two of the safecrackers ran in the national guards, Harry Hartman and were captured in Stanton, about four miles southeast of here, by W. W. Sing and Joseph Hanlon.

Hanlon was armed with a shotgun and stood guard while Sing went and woke in Stanton neighbors, Dave Shubler and the third man came out from the grove adjoining and coming out near Hanlon supposed that Hanlon was one of the safecrackers and scrambled for cover. Hanlon thinking that they might be burglars, and not wishing to take chances, shot both shubler and his third man. Three large bird shot entered Shubler's legs and four buck shot found a place in the body of the third man.

Over $2.00 was in the money chest in the bank and not a cent stolen. The robbers were not captured.

KNIGHTS ELECT OFFICERS

Pythian Grand Lodge Adjourns After a Two Days' Session at Lincoln.

LINCOLN, Oct. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The grand lodge of Knights of Pythias which has been in session here two days adjourned this evening, after electing the following officers: George E. Frohn, North Platte, grand chancellor; W. S. Leyda, Falls City, grand vice chancellor; Rev. Nichols Madsen, prelate; William H. Love, Lincoln, grand keeper of records and seal; John B. Wright, Lincoln, grand master of exchequer; W. A. Garrison, Blue Springs, grand master of arms; J. A. Gibbons, Elkhorn, grand inside guard; E. A. Thompson, Crawford, grand outer guard; Carl Kramer, Columbus, grand trustee. By unanimous vote it was decided to hold the next meeting of the grand council in this city.

The Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan celebrated the initiation of a score of neophytes. After a perilous journey over the burning sands of the great desert, attended by the usual hardships, the novices were taken to the Lindell hotel for the annual banquet. Toasts were responded to by H. M. Bushnell, J. Kelley, Luther P. Luddon, James Manahan, P. James Cosgrove, R. E. Moore and William H. Love of Lincoln, George A. Mooney and William L. Selsam of Omaha, Tom Norberg of Holdrege.

FOUR KILLED AT CROSSING

Engine Crashes Into a Farm Wagon at Holdrege with Terrible Results.

HOLDREGE, Neb., Oct. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—This evening at 5 o'clock Herman Wichers and family were driving the rails at the depot in a farm wagon to take some going west on the train, namely, Adolphus Miss, three girls, Mrs. Wichers and baby girl and Mrs. Barkenbusch, and seriously injuring the farmer's [illegible] and [illegible] the old lady dirt. The latter is [illegible] surprising. [illegible] wagon. The wagon was smashed into kindling wood and one of the horses killed.

[illegible] was the wife of [illegible] who was shot and killed [illegible] Monday night.

Plenty of Work to Do.

ATKINSON, Neb., Oct. 10.—(Special.)—The Atkinson Canning company has [illegible] of sugar beets harvested. The crop is [illegible] and eighty acres [illegible] beets. Table and preserving [illegible] used. The factory has a capacity for [illegible] per day. The factory is expected to be [illegible] and will employ [illegible] hands. The factory will be [illegible] and will employ [illegible] hands. The factory will be [illegible] and will employ [illegible] hands. The factory will