

## HOT AFTER WIFE DESERTERS

Board of Charities and Corrections Passes Resolutions on the Subject.

## HAIL INSURANCE EXPENSES ARE HIGH

Spring Municipal Campaign in Lincoln Warm Up, with Two Active Candidates for Republican Nomination for Mayor.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
LINCOLN, Feb. 6.—(Special.)—The State Board of Charities and Corrections spent a profitable and pleasant day, the second of its annual convention. This morning Chief of Police Donahue was to have been here and deliver an address on the punishment of the husband who deserts his family. The chief failed to show up, but his address was read and produced much favorable comment. The chief stated that he had requested the Douglas delegation to introduce a bill covering his idea. The bill is not to include punishment for wives who desert their husbands, said the chief, because cases of this kind were rare.

Following this, Chief of Police Hoagland of Lincoln endorsed the sentiments of the paper by the Omaha chief, excepting that the law should include runaway wives as well. Rev. L. P. Ludden and Rev. J. S. Leavitt, the latter of Omaha, made short talks, after which the following resolution was adopted:

Be it Resolved, That we commend to the legislature that a law be enacted that shall in some way restrict the license and lawlessness of unfaithful husbands and wives who abandon their families and their helpless children, or fail to support them in a measure of their ability and their means, and that the legislature be urged to pass a law which will deprive of the husband or wife or mother, who have cruelly left their home.

We recommend that such desertions be made a felony with adequate penalties. Moreover that a system be devised by which such husbands may be paroled and be compelled to work for the support of their families.

We call attention of honorable legislators to a law in the state of Ohio, which compels unfaithful parents to return and support their homes. The Ohio law is proving an effective deterrent against the cowardly and cruel evil.

Tr. Rowlands, Chief of Police Hoagland and John Davies were appointed as a committee to present this resolution to the legislature.

Rev. Luther P. Ludden gave an address on the subject of dependent children. During his course he was criticized for the action of the conference in sending resolutions to the legislature. He said the proper and most effective way would be for every one to write to his senators and representatives, demanding that they take some action in this matter, and suggesting changes that might be beneficial and effective. He commended the work that was being done, but suggested some other departments which were necessary to successfully carry on the work. A home for crippled children, especially, was recommended. The difficulty of getting these unfortunate into the homes for the friendless was spoken of, and the attempt that was being made to keep them out of the almshouses.

The delegates adjourned at 12 o'clock and went to the Lincoln asylum, where they were the guests of Superintendent Greene for lunch.

At the business meeting tonight the conference elected H. V. Hoagland president; John David, secretary, and C. E. Frevey, treasurer. The conference was the best attended in its history.

Talks of Juvenile Courts.

At the session last night Judge B. B. Lindsey of Denver addressed the conference. Judge Lindsey talked of the growing criminal tendencies of children in cities and showed by statistics the great number of young people who are arrested every year. He declared that the children are the problem of the age. Under conditions existing in many states they are thrown in with men of the worst type when arrested for trifling offenses. The juvenile court does away with this and takes the place of the parent who in many cases are not capable of taking care of them. The methods used are kindness and patience and are calculated to bring out the better qualities that every child possesses. The juvenile court recognizes the fact that they are misguided and not really criminals and seeks to change the course of their lives by giving needed help. The interest of the child is the first consideration of the court. The influences of a home are given if the child has no home, and he is taught to obey and respect the rights of others. He said that the law puts the dollar above the child, but the juvenile court is a saving to the state. Some figures used showed that 40 per cent of the children who get into the habit of taking little things later find their way into penitentiaries. The children arrested in Lincoln in one year numbered 316. The great consideration is to keep them away from criminals and lead them to a better life. This can be done where they are brought into contact with older men who are almost pure redemption.

Tonight Judge L. G. Kline of Des Moines, member of the Board of Control, delivered an interesting address on "The Humane, Efficient and Economic Administration of State Institutions."

Expenses the Big Item.

Because the Interstate Mutual Hail Insurance company of Omaha could not or did not pay its losses the state auditor wrote for an explanation at the request of the insurers. Today the insurance department of the auditor's office received a statement of the company's business with this cheerful note attached to the bottom: "From the above statement it will be seen that until these premium notes are paid it will be impossible for the company to make payments to those parties filing claims. We only wish we were able to do so."

The statement shows that the company

has collected \$4,515.03 in premiums and the claims against it amount to \$3,991.44. The management of the company has paid out the starting sum of \$250.00 on the claims. To pay the losses, should it all be collected, are \$384.06. The secretary only drew a salary of \$2,500 during this time. In the meantime the company has not made application to do business the coming year.

Orders for National Guard.

Adjutant General Colby has issued an order declaring the election of W. A. Dowling of Nebraska as captain of Company F, Dowling jumped from the ranks. Another important event in the military affairs of the state is the hospital corps organized by Dr. Birkner of Lincoln. Adjutant General Colby will issue an order today authorizing them to be sworn into the service. The hospital corps has been recruited from among the young men of Lincoln. Heretofore men for this service have been detailed from the companies. The following orders were issued today:

The election of First Lieutenant Frederick W. Linder to the office of captain of Company F, Second Nebraska Infantry regiment, is hereby approved, and Captain Linder will take rank from February 1, 1903. He will execute and forward to this office as captain of said company without delay.

Second Lieutenant William T. Linder of Company F, Second Nebraska Infantry, having been elected first lieutenant of said company, such election is hereby approved, and First Lieutenant Linder will take rank from February 1, 1903.

The sergeant Charles H. Dean of Company F, Second Nebraska Infantry, is hereby promoted to second lieutenant of said company, and will take rank from February 1, 1903. Sergeant Charles H. Dean of Company F, Second Nebraska Infantry, is hereby promoted to second lieutenant of said company, and will take rank from February 1, 1903.

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## GROUND UNDER THE WHEELS

Part of Remains Found on Car Truck When Train Reaches Hastings.

## REMAINDER IS SCATTERED ALONG TRACK

Victim is Supposed to Be David Nicholson, Who Was Returning Home After Two Years' Stay in Oklahoma.

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 6.—(Special Telegram.)—When Burlington passenger train No. 3 reached Hastings tonight it carried a part of a human body on the front trucks of the second sleeper. When the remains were removed it was found to be the chest and one leg of a man. The body was not a piece of clothing on the portion of the body and only a part of a shoe was on the limb. A search down the track revealed small pieces of flesh scattered along for a quarter of a mile. The head and arms were found a quarter of a mile from the depot, scattered along about thirty feet apart.

As yet nothing has been found to identify the body, but Policeman Widmer was aboard No. 3 and he is of the opinion that the remains are those of David Nicholson, who was on his way home to Kansas, Neb., after an absence of two years in Oklahoma. Mr. Widmer says that he was talking to Nicholson about ten minutes before the train reached Hastings and that as Mr. Nicholson was under the influence of liquor he offered his assistance and Nicholson accepted, but said he had to first get some things from another car. That was the last seen of Nicholson. The remains were so badly mutilated that it is almost impossible to recognize them, but judging from the cap, a pair of glasses and small pieces of clothing found Mr. Widmer seems confident that it was David Nicholson who met such a horrible death.

Coroner Chapman, in gathering up the remains, found half of the head in a snowbank, together with a few other scattered pieces of the body, and took them to an undertaker's establishment. It seems that the men was about 40 years old, had a gray beard, wore glasses and had on dark clothing. The inquest will be held in the morning.

Old Janitors Re-Employed.

The Board of Public Lands and Buildings met this afternoon and re-employed all the janitors now in service. It took no action on the election of an engineer. A fight is on for the place and nothing was done.

The municipal campaign for a city engineer is warming up to an extent that even the revenue committee has taken a back seat so far as the people of Lincoln are concerned. Present Mayor Winnett, who for several weeks has been making a campaign, has finally announced himself, and now he and S. A. Adams are red hot after the republican nomination. Each will open headquarters tomorrow. Whether the elections will be charged \$1,000 or \$1,500 for house in the great fight. At present it costs the saloons \$1,500 to do business.

BOY IS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

Looks Into Revolver to See if It Is Loaded and Death Results.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—Charles Woods, the 19-year-old son of Mrs. Lloyd of this city, was instantly killed at night by the bullet from a pistol into which he was looking to see if it was loaded.

Charles and a chum, Archie Lallee, were in a shed near the Lloyd home, where they spent much of their time with their traps and tools, and the boy had been fixing the revolver so it would work. When the shot was fired the victim fell, extinguishing the lighted lantern, which Lallee relighted before being aware that his friend was seriously injured. He ran at once to the house for help, but before the mother and uncle the victim had expired. The bullet having entered his right eye and penetrating the brain, lodged against the skull at the back of the head.

Funeral arrangements are being delayed on account of the absence of the deceased's sister, Grace, who is in the east, but who is expected to arrive as soon as possible.

CONVICT PASTOR OF ASSAULT

Charge of Shooting with Intent to Kill Did Not Stick with the Jury.

BEATRICE, Neb., Feb. 6.—(Special Telegram.)—After a trial lasting two days, the case of the Rev. P. Benbrook against Rev. S. P. Benbrook, charged with shooting at Dr. Johnson of Wymore, went to the jury at 10 a. m. today. In his instructions to the jury Judge Lemon said that if the evidence was not sufficient beyond a reasonable doubt to convict the defendant on the charge, they could bring a verdict of assault or acquittal. The jury returned at 6 o'clock with the following verdict:

"We, the jury, find the defendant not guilty as charged in the information, but find him guilty of assault."

At Mr. Benbrook has three days in which to file a motion for a new trial, no action will be taken in the case by the court until the necessary time expires. Benbrook was released on \$1,000 bonds. Nothing of a sensational character developed at the hearing. The defense was represented by W. B. Sabin and E. O. Kristinger, and the state by County Attorney Sackett and Deputy County Attorney Spafford.

Telephone Company Cuts Trees.

FREMONT, Neb., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—The Fremont Telephone company is having some trouble with people here over trimming trees. The new company's wires are many of them thirty-five feet above the ground. This brings them well into the tops of the larger trees and in order to put the wires across the tops of the trees they cut out the top of the tree. This method of trimming, while necessary in order to string the wires, ruins the looks of the trees—especially ash and elm. Several property owners have forbidden the company to cut the trees opposite their lots, and it will have to be done in order to put up the wires it is probable that an injunction suit may be started on account of the telephone business. The Bell company put an additional force of men at work today, and while they are undoubtedly local some business, are putting in some new telephone lines.

Snow Keeps Farmers at Home.

YORK, Neb., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—Hundreds of farmers were disappointed in not being able to attend the farmers' institute held here this week, owing to the heavy snow that fell and filled up the public roads, making it nearly impossible for them to come to York except by railroad. Many farmers who attended the last day of the meeting dug out the roads so that they could attend. A few of the lecturers were unable to attend. Among them were D. W. Ashburn and H. W. Campbell, the soil culture expert of Holdrege.

Dodge County Mortgage Record.

FREMONT, Neb., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—The following is the mortgage record of Dodge county for the month of January, 1903: Chattel mortgages filed 62, amount \$23,978; released 98, amount \$30,034.53; farm mortgages recorded 18, amount \$28,248.82; released 79, amount \$35,569; town and city mortgages recorded 13, amount \$17,559; released 23, amount \$18,447.56.

Snow Helps Wheat.

GENEVA, Neb., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—The ground is pretty evenly covered with about six inches of snow, which will be fine for the winter wheat.

THINKS HUSBAND WAS DIZZY

Wife of Dead Baritone Singer Says that He Was Subject to Attacks.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 6.—At the coroner's inquiry today into the manner in which William Paul, baritone of the Castle Square Opera company, met his death at the Southern hotel yesterday, Mrs. Paul testified that her husband had been suffering with the grip for several days and had been subject to attacks of dizziness.

She believed he had fallen out of the window in one of these attacks.

Roosevelt Refuses

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that Mr. Bowen has an absolute right, acting for Venezuela of course, to object to the president acting as arbitrator. To do so would be painful to Mr. Bowen, whose admiration for Mr. Roosevelt is well known, but he felt compelled to keep in mind that he is not here as an American, but as the representative of Venezuela.

The British ambassador's conduct has resulted in several details of the conference of last Monday looking out and these are substantiated by the other negotiators present.

It seems that when the British ambassador, who took the lead at this conference, had finished reading the cablegram of Lord Lansdowne, containing his last proposition for a 20 and 10 per cent division of the customs receipts between the allies and other claimant nations respectively, Mr. Bowen at once remarked in an emphatic tone that the proposition was but another scheme to trick the Venezuelans into an alliance against her for six years and probably longer.

Bowen Explodes Bombshell.

He added that he would not consent to any scheme for continuing the triple alliance one day longer than he was forced to do. A diplomat stated afterward: "Of course Mr. Bowen was not alone in exploding the bombshell the moment it was made."

The charge that Great Britain was endeavoring secretly to continue its alliance with Germany was resented by the British ambassador, although he showed no ill-feeling at the conference. He afterward sent a cablegram to London that he was displeased with the conduct of Mr. Bowen and if it were left to him to decide he would not continue negotiations with him.

He expressed to his conferees of the diplomatic corps a feeling of indignation that an ambassador from the court of St. James should be so treated. On the other hand, both the Italian ambassador and German minister have taken occasion to say several times since the Monday conference that Mr. Bowen has treated the negotiators with uniform courtesy and surprising generosity throughout the negotiations, and only yesterday both of these diplomats called and expressed thanks for his consideration of them.

Another feature of the last twenty-four hours has been the receipt of an exceedingly tart cablegram from Lord Lansdowne at the British embassy. The cablegram, it is stated, went so far as to remind the British ambassador that he was here to obey orders.

Dispute Bowen's Authority.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—The correspondent of the Matin at Caracas telegraphs that a pamphlet is being circulated in that city in which it is asserted that the powers conferred on Minister Bowen are null because of an article in the Venezuelan constitution providing that a representative of Venezuela, in such case, must have an authorization in order to serve the public, and the pamphlet points out that Minister Bowen has no such authorization.

Think Offer is a Concession.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—It is officially stated that the allies offer to submit the method of treatment of their claims to arbitration. This is a concession which should facilitate rather than delay a speedy settlement of the Venezuelan affairs.

At the German embassy it is said that the blockade should be raised within a few days.

Emphasis continues to be laid on the condition that the point the allies agree to arbitrate is not preferential, but separate treatment for their claims.

It is asserted that Mr. Bowen has made explanations to Ambassador Herberich which have removed the friction in that quarter, and it is just possible that recourse to the Hague, or to Mr. Roosevelt, may be averted even at the last moment by the representatives of the allies coming to an understanding with Mr. Bowen himself in regard to the separate treatment of their claims.

It is understood that instructions to the end have been reiterated from Berlin and London with the hope of facilitating the procedure.

FIGHT FOR CUSTODY OF GIRL

Foster Parents Separate, but Each Desires to Have the Care of Her.

TARKIO, Mo., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—One of the most interesting habeas corpus cases ever known in this county has just come to a close. The contest was to determine who should have control of a girl by the name of Hallway, who has been living with Mrs. W. H. Gillette of this place for several years, deserted by her father, whose whereabouts seems to be unknown.

A divorce is now pending between Mr. and Mrs. Gillette, in which each makes an extensive claim to take her. Mrs. Gillette says that she will appeal the case to the circuit court.

Judge Gordon settled the matter by turning the child over to A. L. Bristow, who had signed a will to take her, and Mrs. Gillette says that she will appeal the case to the circuit court.

CATTLE MEETING PUT OFF

American Growers' Association Indefinitely Postpones Annual Gathering Called for March.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 6.—The annual meeting of the American Cattle Growers' association, scheduled to be held in Denver during the first week of March, has been postponed indefinitely. It will be held later in the year.

EXPRESS COMPANY TAX FREE

Franchise Imposed Cannot Be Collected Owing to Interstate Commerce Law.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 6.—The supreme court today decided that no franchise tax could be collected from the Northern Pacific Express company by the state of Montana because the concern was engaged in interstate business.

MISSING WOMAN FOUND DEAD

Body of Wife of Prof. Peck of Yale is Discovered in Park.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 6.—The body of Mrs. Tracy Peck, wife of Prof. Peck of Yale university, was found today in Fort Hale park, at Morris Cove. Mrs. Peck disappeared yesterday.

More Statues for Washington.

Senator Wetmore, from the committee on library, today reported favorably his providing for the erection in Washington of statues to Count Pulaski and Baron Steuben.

President Has Nasty Cold.

President Roosevelt is suffering from a cold. It has not incapacitated him and he is attending to his official duties without

## SISTERS OF CHARITY

RELY ON PE-RU-NA TO FIGHT CATARRH, COUGHS, COLDS, GRIP.

Peruna for coughs and colds in children.

SISTERS OF CHARITY

All Over United States Use Pe-ru-na for Catarrh.

From a Catholic Institution in Ohio comes the following recommendation from the Sister Superior:

"Some years ago a friend of our institution recommended to us Dr. Hartman's Peruna as an excellent remedy for the influenza of which we then had several cases which threatened to be of a serious character."

"We began to use it and experienced such wonderful results that since then Peruna has become our favorite medicine for influenza, catarrh, cold, cough and bronchitis." SISTER SUPERIOR.

Dr. Hartman receives many letters from Catholic Sisters all over the United States. A recommendation recently received from a Catholic institution in Detroit, Mich., reads as follows:

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 8, 1901.

Dr. S. B. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio:

Dear Sir:—The young girl who used the Peruna was suffering from laryngitis and loss of voice. The result of the treatment was most satisfactory. She found great relief, and after further use of the medicine we hope to be able to say she is entirely cured."

This young girl was under the care of the Sisters of Charity and used Peruna for catarrh of the throat, with good results, as the above letter testifies.

Another recommendation from a Catholic institution of one of the central states written by the sister superior, reads as follows:

"A number of years ago our attention was called to Dr. Hartman's Peruna, and since then we have used it with wonderful results for grip, colds, coughs and catarrhal diseases of the head and stomach."

"For grip and winter catarrh especially it has been of great service to the inmates of this institution."

SISTER SUPERIOR.

A prominent mother writes to the editor of the Peruna:

"I can testify from experience to the efficacy of Peruna as one of the very best medicines, and it gives me pleasure to add my praise to that of thousands who have used it."

"For years I suffered with catarrh of the stomach, all remedies proving valueless for relief. Last spring I went to Colorado, hoping to be benefited by a change of climate, and while there a friend advised me to try Peruna. After using two bottles I found myself very much improved. The remainder of my old disease being now so slight, I consider myself cured, yet for a while I intend to continue the use of Peruna."

"I am now treating another patient with your medicine. She has been sick with

serious difficulty, but is troubled with an aggravated hoarseness. This is yielding to treatment, however."

Agriculture Waits on Stomach.

The senate committee on agriculture today considered, but took no final action on the agricultural appropriation bill. The general understanding is that the bill will be held up for a time in order to ascertain whether it is possible to dispose of the statehood bill without adding it to the agricultural appropriation bill as an amendment. The committee still stands by its decision, however, to connect the two measures if necessary.

Committee to Probe Coal Trust.

Representative Small (N. C.) today introduced a concurrent resolution providing for the appointment by the speaker of a committee of eleven to inquire generally into the coal situation in the United States. The resolution further directs the committee to "inquire whether any combinations exist between mine owners and operators and the transportation companies in violation of the laws of the United States."

WHISKY CAUSE OF DOWNFALL

Young Man Forges Four Checks and Gets Four Years in Penitentiary.

ROCKFORD, Mo., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—Roy Bevington was convicted last night of forgery and sentenced to four years in the state penitentiary. Bevington forged the name of Edward Vogel to four checks and had them cashed at four different stores in this city and received about \$100 on them.

Bevington confessed his crime and told the court that whisky was to blame. He said that he went to Corning on the day the checks were cashed and became intoxicated. It was after his return that he secured the money.

After securing the money Bevington went to Omaha, where he was later arrested and brought back to Rockford.

FIVE MEN ARE KILLED

Several Others Are Injured While Removing an Old Building in Buffalo.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Five men, Joseph Becker, William Burke, John Schneider, Adam Herszog and Michael Ambrose were killed, and M. Straubeiser and Charles Fagan were injured today by the collapse of a brick building at Williams street and Fillmore avenue, formerly occupied by Straus & Son as a tannery.

The men were part of a force engaged in raising the building preparatory to the erection of a new one. Several other men are reported injured.

Husband and Wife Dead.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Feb. 6.—Through a mistake Charles Fitzgibbon and his wife are dead at their home in this city. Fitzgibbon took home a quart of what he

thought was alcohol, but which later proved to be wood alcohol. Both drank it.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

More Snow is Promised for Today in the Eastern Middle States.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Forecast for Saturday and Sunday:

For Nebraska—Fair Saturday, preceded by snow in southeast portion; Sunday probably fair.

For Iowa—Snow Saturday; Sunday probably fair.

For Illinois—Snow in north, rain or snow in south portion Saturday; Sunday probably fair; fresh north winds, becoming variable.

For Texas—Rain Saturday, except fair in northwest portion; Sunday fair; fresh north winds.

For Colorado—Fair Saturday and Sunday.

For Wyoming—Fair Saturday; warmer in southeast portion; Sunday fair.

For Montana and North Dakota—Fair and warmer Saturday; Sunday probably snow.

For Kansas—Fair, west, snow in east portion; Sunday fair.

For Missouri—Snow in west, rain or snow in east portion Saturday; Sunday probably