

#### ANNIVERSARY OF LEAGUERS

Methodist Churches General y Observe Etworth Natul Day.

SERVICE AT HANSCOM PARK CHURCH

Various Organizations in City Report on the Work Accomplished During the Past Year.

services were held generally in the Methodist churches of Omaha yesterday by the Enworth league on account of the day being the fifteenth anniversary of the

At the Hanscom Park Methodist Epischurch in 1889. Reports were received from the earth." He said: the First Methodist church, showing the year. Similar reports were also received and read from the leagues of Seward

Street Methodist and Trinity churches. The meeting at the Hanscom Park church, which was held at 7 o'clock in the evening, was attended by about seventyfive members of the church, Rev. O. W. Fifer, pastor of the First Methodist church at York, delivered a short address upon the subject of league work in his home

CALEB AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL AGES His Hustle for Hebron Shows What a

Man Can Do.

Rev. O. W. Fifer, pastor of the First Methodist church of York, Neb., occupied the pulpit at Hanscom Park Methodist Episcopal church last night. He chose for his subject Joshua xiv:14, "Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb, the son of Jephunnet, the Kenezite, unto this day, because that he wholly followed the Lord God of Israel."

Bome people hide under a certain sense of modesty, said Rev. Mr. Fifer. "When danger appears they are ever ready. Such a man was Caleb. In our mind's eye we can see Joshua dividing tht promised land after it had been taken, and we can imagine the troubles that he must have had with some people wanting a little better than their neighbors were getting. Here comes the man, Caleb, who has done most of the fighting, and Joshua feels somewhat downcast when he realizes that all the best land has been given out, but he is surprised when Caleb says, 'For my share give me Hebron.' Joshua would be pleased to comply with the request if Hebron was his to give, but it was occupied by ene-

"In modern times Caleb would probably have been in his grave for fifteen years had he followed the modern idea of living.

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He was 85 years of age, and was asking time we have paid on the floating debt for the hardest task he had ever set himelf, that of taking Hebron. This is indeed a lesson for the people of our times, when we see young men looking for easy gage, more than \$14,000. An expense of a at middle age as unfit to perform the duties set for their younger brothers. The modern treatment of old age is perfect cruelty. The life of Caleb is a stern rebuke to us. He is both a morning and evening star; a lesson for young and old. His is also an example of patience finally rewarded. We of today want our reward

WIDE FIELD FOR MISSIONARIES M. Wilson Tells of India's

cannot work and wait.'

Need of the Gospel. Rev. E. M. Wilson, a returned missionary from India, occupied the pulpit at Kountze Memorial church in Metropolitan hall yescopal church C. F. Clark, president of the terday morning. He preached from the Church league, led the meeting, assisted text Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power, by Miss Della Day. Dr. Clark outlined a after that the holy ghost is come upon brief sketch of the work accomplished by you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me the league and read the minutes of the both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and first meeting of the league held in the in Samaria and to the uttermost part of

"The importance of His mission is to work done last year and outlining the plan | carry the gospel into all parts of the earth of work to be pursued during the coming If there be objections to the foreign missions they must be objections to Christ. It was His order that His gospel should be given to all the world and to every

creature. "The people of India occupy a territory as large as that portion of the United States lying east of the Rocky mountains to the Atlantic coast. In it are 300,600,000 people. They have but little idea of patriotism. About 200,000,000 of them are under British rule and the remaining native states suzerainty of Great Britain. There

are 500 languages and dialects in India, comprising a veritable babel of tongues. "If the Lord meant anything He meant the gospel should be preached to everyone. There are many things to admire and many things to denounce in India. In my district there are 14,000 widows under the

age of 4 years. Their code of morals is immeasurably different from those with which we are familiar. "The curse of India is the system of caste. There are four degrees of it: Brahmas or priests comprise the first, warriors the second, tradesmen the third and servants the lowest. The barrier between each degre of caste is absolutely insurmount-

one caste to another.

"The Christian missionaries are classed with the fourth caste. For one caste to shake hands with another is a profanation and defilement. This caste system is intensifted in the children, and it is impossible to control or modify it. Were it not for caste the work of the missionaries would be easy. There are now probably 1,000,000 a population of 300,000,000 yet to work upon." FINDS SKEPTICISM IN CHURCHES

Mr. Long Tells Congregation Many Do Not Believe.

Rev. M. DeWitt Long, pustor of the Knox Presbyterian church, told his congregation yesterday morning in his sermon that he feared many church members are skeptics He intimated some of his hearers might

be affected the same way. "Many of the church people do not believe down deep in their hearts," said Rev. Mr. DeLong. "They profess to believe in the power of prayer and the works of the Creator, and they may want to believe, Creator, and they may want to believe, him, machinery, which now requires less but I am convinced many of them do not. men to produce an article than it did when They are the kind who need some great manufactured in a more primitive man, state agent of the company, spent They are the kind who need some great nental shock to wake them to the true condition.

"They are what might be called the piritually imperfect—they cannot see Jesus. uccess in business is not absolutely necessary-success in professional life is not absolutely necessary, but every man must be able to see Jesus. The word spiritual has been much abused. In fact, it is one of the most abused words in the language. "Spirituality is not incessant prayer nor persistent counting of the Bible, although these go hand in hand with it. Neither

is it the wearing of a long face and a sanctimonious air. The real quality of mind is the ability to perceive religious truths and to know and keep the faith,"

ANNIVERSARY OF DEBT PAYING

Sunday Brings Cheer to First Methodist Church People. Sunday was debt paying anniversary in the First Methodist Episcopal church. On the piedges made at this time 1903, the sum of \$16,083.05 has been paid which is something more than the requirement. In addition a sum of \$000 will be received into the A., 1323 Farnam street, Omaha, Neb. treasury in a few days. The congregation pledged itself for \$1,300 to apply on interest

'May 17, 1908," said Rev. E. Comble Smith, in making the announcement, "we accomplished in this house, the valsing of a sum sufficient to cancel the entire floating and mortgage debts of this church. Since that "May 17, 1908," said Rev. E. Combie Smith,

which consists of notes to banks and individuals, more than \$1,500 and we have sent to Milwaukee to apply on the mort-

The announcement that interest was due blow to a portion of the congregation. This stands second, the only city having as by special collections, but during the last twelve months these were omitted because in the front rank of risks, considered from of the heavy strain on the subscribers. The an insurance standpoint, being wide streets, to come quickly and without effort. We ledge that never again would the interest area, improved construction of buildings by as large and some members subscribed and a good water supply. All of these very liberally. The highest donation was points in favor of Omahn, it is believed.

each amount was received. The day was celebrated also as the anniversary of the Epworth league. The observances began at 9 o'clock in the morning with an Epworth watch service. At 7 and 8 o'clock in the evening, however, were

CURED BY AN UNDERTAKER incombustible are brick, stone, terra cotta, Q. Smith of Lincoln Tells How De termination Worked in Effecting

His Restoration.

A. G. Smith of Lincoln has fust recovered from a five or six weeks' siege of illness and was at the Millard last evening. Being complimented upon his improved appearance, he said: "Yes, I am about well And the strange part of it was that I was cured by an undertaker, Walt Scott of

"Was he negotiating for your cadaver and the funeral?" "Not exactly that, but I do not know what his designs may have been. I was

sitting in the Paddock hotel at Beatrice a few days ago, having just come from the sanitarium, and Scott and Dr. Fall were standing nearby and apparently talking about me. Scott finally said to Dr. Fall: "Look at Smith over there. He reminds me of a big, thin Shanghai rooster sitting on an ash barrel with a bad case of chicken cholera." "I heard the remark all right, and my first impulse was to kill Scott, but as I

imagined I looked about as he described it, I determined to beat him out of that able. There is no chance of rising from undertaking job with me the star actor, and I said to him, 'Walt, I am going to get well, and when I gain a few more pounds I am coming back here to lick you.' The fact is that I was actually shamed into getting well, and Scott will get that licking and a good round doctor's fee for curing me." Lininger & Metcalf Co., 6th and Pacific

Christian converts in India. And there is sts., have just received a large consignment of the latest eastern novelties in golf wagons and light surries. Largest wholesale stock on the river to choose from.

EACH MAN HIS OWN EMPLOYER

Seattle Socialist Expounds His Idea of Industrial Independence at Washington Hall.

Dr. Titus, editor of the Seattle Socialist, delivered a lecture last night at Washington hall, in which he gave the effect modern machinery plays in modern life and ern machinery plays in modern life and company for lowa. His headquarters will the remedy for the results. According to be at Sloux City. manufactured in a more primitive manner, must necessarily throw a large number of persons out of employment and sufficiency and leads to evil, crime and misery. Dr. Titus said that the remedy for this state of affairs is for each man to own the machinery he operates and possess the result of his work. During the lecture the speaker took many a sly shot at the ambitions of Hearst, declaring him to be an imposter when he claimed to be to be an imposter when he claimed to be the friend of the masses. At the conclusion of the address Mrs. Roe, Miss Jorgenson and Mrs. McIlvane sang an English version of the Marsellaise hymn.

#### EXCURSION RATES

Vin Rock Island System. To all points in western Nebraska and Kansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Texas on basis of one fare plus \$2 for round trip. Tickets on sale May 17. Return limit twenty-one days from date of sale. Oklay homa Express leaves Omaha 4:10 p. m. Send for free literature. F. P. Rutherford, D. P.

DIED.

curred at the Burlington & Missouri yards.

#### IN THE INSURANCE FIELD

Many Omaha life insurance men take objections to the reports which have gone abroad to the effect that life insurance companies collect sums of money in the state each year which in the aggregate make up an enormous total, and that this is never returned to Nebraska, but is a dead loss to the state. In speaking of this feature of the insurance business G. W. Noble, general agent of the New England Mutual Life of Boston, says: "Last year the various companies doing business in this state paid to Nebraska beneficiaries in death losses alone \$336,063. In addition to this large sums were paid in dividends, cash surrenders, fifteen and twenty year mal awoke his master, George Lott, cussettlements and matured endowments. These items together with rents, taxes and door opening into the room in which Mr. agency expenses amount to much more Lott was asleep, and, true to his canine than the companies were receiving ten instincts, howled as if in distress. Mr. years ago. The payments to policy holders Lott thought little of the incident, except are increasing very rapidly since there are that it kept him from sleeping, and called many more policies maturing. In some to the dog to "lie down," But the faithful cases certain companies have paid back old servant only howled the louder. Then to residents of Nebraska in one year more his master was convinced something had money than the gross amount of premiums gone wrong, so the custodian opened the received from policy holders of the state door and saw that the pavilion was blazhave continued to advertise that alien life the Benson fire company and Omaha comcompanies are absorbing large sums of money, not a dollar of which is returned but with the low water pressure and the to Nebraska. We have been too busy to start the fire had, all that could be done take time to answer these arguments advanced by some agents, but if people will buildings that were destroyed. While astake a little time to consider the matter they can readily see that the statement is the pavilion, Mr. Lott sustained slight

Judging from reports which come from the east there appears to be no question but that there will eventually be some raise in fire rates in congested districts of cities. The matter is still under consideration, but it will probably be at least three months before a final decision to raise the rates will be made public by the companies. It is of great interest to property owners and business men of this city in this city will not be raised, and if there is a raise it will not involve more than one-third of the business district. The present plan of raising the rates which is inder consideration by the companies, is earry the additional risk due to congesand Toronto fires. The reason why the tasks, and when men are being cast aside few dollars has been incurred in doing this probabilities of an advance in rates in burned section will be fenced off." this city are slight is because in the list of American cities, where an advance has to the amount of \$2,000, was something of a been considered, it is found that Omaha interest formerly has been met half yearly many points in its favor being Minneapolis. The principal factors which place this city ongregation was encouraged by the know- few high buildings, few buildings of large \$150 and the smallest \$10 and but one of will have the effect of cutting this city out of the list when the general raise in rates is announced.

> An insurance journal in speaking of fire-proof construction of buildings defines it as "being built of materials such the principal services. The former was as not only do not burn, but which under taken by the junior league with recitations, the action of fire, remain intact and presongs and exercises and the latter was ad- serve their strength or the strength of dressed by the pastor who preached an those parts which they protect. The materials commonly used in building construction which are generally considered wire, glass, fron, steel and concrete. By incombustible materials is meant those which will not burn or produce fiame when subjected to a heat of 2,000 to 3,000 degrees Fahrenheit. Incombustible materials are not necessarily fire-proof."

> > The work which is being done on the Union Pacific headquarters building to afford better fire protection to the property, it is said, will result in the lowering of ing parks and expects to make Krug park the rate of insurance from 25 to 35 per cent. In all of the passage-ways about the building wooden doors covered with tin are being installed in such position that they can be readily closed in case of an alarm of fire. Most people are of the opinion that such doors would afford but slight protection in case of fire, but experts say that they are far preferable to doors made of sheet iron or sheet steel as when the heat reaches them they will not warp, and they are very slow to burn Sheet iron doors will warp under extreme heat and allow the fire to pass through The basement of the building has been almost entirely rebuilt, and the old wooden shelving has been replaced with tin-covered and sheet iron shelving. Fire escapes have been placed on all sides of the building for the safety of the occupants. The rate on the building has always been high on account of its inflammable construction and the large area which it covers.

Notes from the Offices. H. J. Lund, special agent of the Phenix f Brooklyn, is in Chicago on business. H. D. Neely, state agent for the Equit-able Life, has just returned from a trip

Mrs. Alice W. Fell has succeeded James B. Elliott in the insurance business at Trumbull, Neb. She will represent the Phenix of Brooklyn. W. C. Henry of Kansas City, Mo. special agent for Nebraska of the Delaware and Reliance insurance companies, spent a couple of days the past week with his Omaha agents.

Armour & Co. at South Omaha sus-tained a small loss in the fertilizer depart-ment of their packing plant during the week. It is said that it will not amount to more than \$2,000 or \$3,000.

a couple of days the past week in Sloux Falls, S. D., with a view of entering the Columbia in that state.

thus cause a competition between the employed and the unemployed. This competition is the cause of low wages and in the cause a competition between the employed and the unemployed. This competition held their regular monthly meeting wages and in the cause of low wages and in

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FIREMAN'S LEG IS SMASHED B. & M. Employe Sustains Severe Ac-

eldent While Attempting to

Board Engine. Adam Kurtz, a fireman in the employ of the Burlington, residing at 610 Pierce street, slipped while attempting to get on the running hoard of an engine yesterday morning and had his right leg badly mashed. He was taken to the Wise Me-

morial hospital and was reported to be

doing well last night. The accident oc-

### DOG GIVES ALARM OF FIRE

Big Newfoundland Awakes Master When Blaze Star s at Krug Park.

LOSS FULLY COVERED BY THE INSURANCE

Leader His Valued Compositions -Park Will Be Opened Next Sunday.

A Newfoundland dog gave the alarm of the disastrous fire at Krug park shortly after midnight Sunday. The faithful anitodian of the park, by scratching on the during the same year. Certain concerns ing. Immediately he gave an alarm, and pany No. 8, from Walnut Hill, responded, was to confine the conflagration to the sisting in saving some articles stored in burns on the hands and neck

The cause of the fire is still not definitely known, but it is determined that it originated in the pavilion, as was stated in The Bee Sunday. This structure, the bowling alleys, cottage and bandstand were destroyed, as was also a quantity of shrubs, plants and park benches. The los is estimated at \$25,000, and is fully covered by insurance. The fire was confined to what is known as the annex, leaving the to know that in all probability the rates park proper intact. The management an nounces that the park will be opened for the season next Sunday.

Blames Electric Wicing.

"While the cause of the fire is unknown the supposition is that it originated in the to allow the general rates to remain as electric wiring in the pavilion," said Wilthey are, but to add 20 per cent to policies liam Krug yesterday. "Work will be becovering risks in congested districts, it gun today on a new pavillon for this seabeing estimated that this will suffice to son, and everything that money and labor can do will be done to have the park in tion which has occurred during the past readiness for the public next Sunday, few years, and the danger of which has Next year it is my intention to erect a recently been called to the attention of fireproof pavilion on a larger scale. We the companies by the Baltimore, Rochester hope to have this year's pavilion in readiness in three weeks. In the meantime the

The new pavillon had just been completed at a cost of \$15,000, and was to have been opened yesterday. It was 100x180 and two stories nigh. One of the features was a well-apportioned cafe with facilities for catering to small or large parties. Around the second story was a balcony where guests could sit at tables and at the same time enjoy the music below. About \$500 vorth of plants and flowers were destroyed around the pavilion. These decorations recently were taken from the new hot house, crected last rall, and set

vious efforts of the management. The bowling alley was a four-alley structure, while the cottage that was destroyed was a small building moved to the east portion of the park when the new pavilion

out in a manner that surpassed all pre-

was erected. Saturday evening the electric lights were turned on for the first time and everything was found to be in readiness for the intended opening yesterday. The park has had a general renovation and improving, the old buildings having been repainted and the lighting considerably enlarged.

Determined on Polite Resort. Mr. Krug says it is one of the ambitions of his life to make the place in fact as well as in name a family resort, and to this cnd he says he will continue to devote his time and money. Some years ago he spent six months in Europe studyone of the best, as time and conditions

will permit. Huster's band suffers a great loss by this fire, as all its property-musical instruments-except the base drum and a few of the instruments owned by individual members, was totally destroyed, involving a loss of about \$1,500 in cash, besides a number of musical selections which cannot be replaced. Albin Huster, the leader of the band,

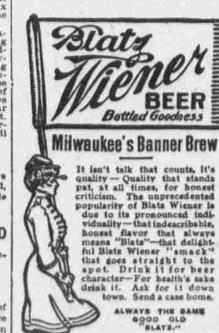
had taken his entire musical library to the grounds Saturday night and it was totally destroyed. In the collection were about twenty original compositions, no copies of which remain, as both scores and parts for instruments were consumed. In addition to this, about fifty arrangements of the work of other composers which he had prepared were burned. This collection was the work of Mr. Huster's lifetime as a musician and its value cannot be estimated in money.

There is some talk, among friends of the band, of giving a benefit for the organization to assist the members in recuperating their loss in part.

Homeseekers' Rates to North Dakota. Every Tuesday until October 25 the Chicago Great Western railway will sell round trip tickets to points in the above named state at a great reduction from the usual fare. For further information apply to Geo. F. Thomas, general agent, 1512 Farnam street, Omaha, Neb.

Run Over by Wagon.

Howard Wilson, the 7-year-old son of irs. I. R. Wilson of 319 North Seventeenth street, was run over by a wagon at Seventeenth sireet, was run over by a wagon at Seventeenth and Davenport streets Saturday evening. The boy sustained injuries of the back, the extent of which cannot as yet be determined. He was taken home and attended by Dr. F. J. Wearne. It is said the boy was playing around a house that was being moved and did not notice the approaching wagon when he stored to the approaching wagon when he started to



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