MOTHER WHEATON IN OMAHA

Venerable Prison Worker Tells of Her Strange Career as Reformer.

HELPED MANY A FALLEN ONE TO RISE

Stops Here to Have Plates Made for Book She is Wgiting-Will Preceed to the Pacific Const.

Elizabeth R. Wheaton, the prison evangelist, arrived in Omaha Thursday and is stopping at the Dellone hotel for a short time. "Mother Wheaton," as she is called, is known in every prison in this country and in some of the leading penal institutions of Europe. Twenty years of her life have been spent in prison reform and refuge work and while she is now well advanced in years she says she will continue in the work as long as she lives.

Mother Wheaton is not a stranger in Omaha, although it is years since she has been in this city. She is a large woman, with snow white hair and a behign, motherly face that is always ready to smile. She greets visitors with a blessing and leaves them with a prayer for their wel-

Mother Wheaton says she took up the work because she was divinely inspired. She is in Omaha at this time in the interest of a book which she is writing of her life work. She is having plates made in this city to illustrate the story and will have some of this work done in Chicago. During her stny in this city she has held several gospel meetings at the local fails and she has had photographs taken.

"I am on my way to the const," she "I intended to leave for San Francleco this afternoon, but I find that I will have to return to Chicago to look after some business and continue the trip west from there. I get no salary, but depend upon subscriptions while in traveling; the a first-class railroad man. railroads all over the country furnish me transportation. Only one road has ever refused this courtesy and this is a road on the coast.

Helped Up Many a Fallen One. "I have been instrumental in making some notable conversions, and some of the women I have saved are now engaged in the same work. Some have become useful members of society and married well, and several of my girls are wives of ministers and are doing good work."

"Is there any particular incident which led you to turn your attention to the fairs of the commission, in connection with work?"

"Yes. Twenty years ago I visited a prison in Columbus, O. While I was there they brought in a boy. I saw him shaved a big success and gave the state a splendid and sent to a cell. That picture made a advertisement. Exhibits were installed and lasting impression upon me. While I was maintained in all the great departments of leaving the place I saw a prisoner in the exposition by the commission, and in his hand so that he could walk more easily and when he saw our party he off by the state in competition with the shaded his eyes with his disengaged hand. more elaborate exhibits of other states. Back of him was a sign on which was but none of which were of any greater written, 'What shall the harvest be?' Subsequently my husband was made sheriff worth. and I frequently fed the prisoners, but the scenes and incidents at Columbus were the ber of special awards than any other in moving influences which directed my thoughts toward this work. I believe I was divinely inspired."

the reforms you have brought about?" "That of E. U. Trout, who now has a which was one of the most attractive and mission of his own in New York. He was unique exhibitions on the exposition practically a life prisoner. He came from grounds. a good family and had an excellent education, but led a dissolute life. He drifted west and made his living playing the banjo ow dives. One night at Alberquerque Japanese girl, for whom he often acted as banker. He found her lying upon the floor with her head crushed. After a while he told the police and Trout was arrested on suspicion. He was convicted on cir-

cumstantial evidence. It was on one of my visits to the western prisons that I met him and he told me his story. I believed him. He accepted religion, was pardoned work. He was for a time a helper at McAuley's place in New York and subseuently opened a mission of his own, and he is doing a remarkable work."

STRICKLAND GOES Superintendent of Nebraska Division of the Omaha Gets a Better Pince.

Samuel G. Strickland, superintendent of the Nebraska division of the Chicago, St.

division, will succeed Mr. Strickland. the Minneapolis and Iowa division. He by the end of the fiscal year. has been with the company twenty-five years. He has filled the position of chief clerk for the general superintendent, general agent of the freight department, assistant superintendent and division superintendent at this end of the line.

Mr. Kennedy, who, it is announced, will acceed him, has been assistant superintendent of the Minneapolis and Iowa division for six years. He is one of the oldest employes on the road and is spoken of as

SHEDD PLEASED AT RESULTS Returns Home to Wind Up Affairs of Nebraska World's Fair Commission.

Secretary H. G. Shedd of the Nebraska position, has returned from St. Louis and bank building in order to wind up the af-G. W. Wattles, president of the commisaton.

The Nebraska exhibit was in all respect He was holding a ball and chain grand prizes, gold medals, silver medals and a nost of special prizes were carried

The state was honored by a greater numproportion to the exhibits made, special awards of gold medals being given to the various superintendents and their assist-What is one of the most impressive of ants in charge, as well as to the operator in charge of the moving picture exhibition

Elizabeth Parkina Arrives. NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Elizabeth Parkina, a protege of Mme. Melba, the prima donna. arrived here on the steamer Majestic today to fill two engagements in this country. She will take Melba's place at a concert in Boston Sunday evening and will sign with Melma in Kansas City. Miss Parkina's home is at Kansas City, but she has resided in Paris for several years. The Majestic had a tempestuous passage and arrived here nearly two days late.

and took a year's schooling in reform November Report Shows City Finances to Be in Good Condition.

ONLY TWO OF THE FUNDS RUNNING LOW

Complaints Made About Conduct of One of the Male Teachers at the High School-Two Scraps Reported,

City Clerk Gillin has just completed his Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad, has report of the condition of funds for the been appointed superintendent of the Min- month of November. This report shows neapolls and lowa division of the system. the balances at the close of business on De-He will succeed Wallace C. Winter, who cember 6. With the 1904 levy of \$152,991 and has resigned to accept a commercial posi- the balance of the 1903 levy of \$13,902, there tion in Chicago, where he made his head- was available at the commencement of the quarters. It is announced that T. W. Ken- fiscal year \$166,794. So far the city counnedy, who has held the position of as- cil has been very economical, as only sistant superintendent of the Nebraska \$58,124 has been drawn. The figures show even a balance of \$108,689. This sum must pay Rumors of the change have been in the all expenses of the city government until to Stanton, is., yesterday afternoon air for several days, but the report could the end of July. The only funds that are not be verified until yesterday, when the running low are the judgment and street announcement was sent out from the head- repair. There is only \$187 in the judgment quarters of the company at St. Paul. The fund and \$272 in the street repair. Only appointment is regarded considerable of a a few days ago the Omaha Water compromotion and carries with it a large in- pany filed its bill for the semi-yearly hycrease in salary, as the Minneapolis and drant rental. There is enough money in crease in salary, as the Minneapolis and drant rental. There is enough money in lowa division is one of the largest of the the water fund to pay this claim and system. Mr. Strickland was appointed leave a small balance. Up to date \$14,845 and wants some other member to take up the work. superintendent of the Nebraska division has been paid for interest on outstanding five years ago. Previous to this appoint- bonds and a balance of \$26,458 is left in the ment he was assistant superintendent of interest fund. This fund will be depleted

> Both the fire and police departments will have to economize if they expect to go through the fiscal year without an overlap. There is plenty of money in the salary fund to pay the salaries of officials until the close of the fiscal year. City officials declare that the municipality is in the salary decreased and the salaries of officials declare that the municipality is in the salary decreased and the salaries of the salary day afternoon. The funeral will be decreased and application power than it has been salary for the salary day afternoon. The funeral will be decreased and application of the salary for the salary fund to pay the salaries of officials and ficials declare that the municipality is in dertaking cemetery. better financial condition now than it has een for a long time.

Complaints About Clausen. A number of parents of pupils attending the high school have filed complaints with Superintendent McLean against Henry Clausen, one of the teachers. These complaints are to the effect that Clausen has abused pupils without cause. On Tuesday last Clausen had a fight with Allie Mc-Reynolds in the assembly room and both went to the floor. Mr. McReynolds called at the school building to have an intercommission to the Louisiana Purchase ex- view with Clausen, but he happened to be out. Yesterday there was another scene in will open up offices in the Union National the assembly room. Clausen grabbed Godfrey Kadavy by the collar and threw him to the floor. From statements made by pupils in the room it was learned that Kadavy had not violated any of the regulations of the school, but was merely waiting for the bell to ring to go to a recitation room. When Kadavy was thrown to the floor Ross Tindall, son of Rev. Dr. Tindall, jumped out of his seat and put a stop to the fight. Young Tindall told Clausen that he had three recitations yet for the afternoon and he did not want to be interrupted. Principal Graham was called in and he soon stopped the fuss. Neither Superintendent McLean, Graham nor Clausen could be reached last night and their side of the story could not

> be obtained, Pupils in the high school state that the discipline is far from what it should be and is far below the usual standard.

> Sweeney Bound Over. Ed Sweeney was arraigned in police court yesterday afternoon on the charge of operating a gambling house. Up to a late hour last night Sweeney had not furnished bonds and was still in the city jail.

Business Men Pleased.

yesterday with the fall of snow. Dealers in clothing, shoes, etc., stated that the storm had brought an increased trade. Coal dealthe result was that every one on the streets wore a busy look. Up to the present time

the merchants of the city have not been AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA doing a great deal of business on account of the good weather, but now they look for a good run of trade for the rest of the

> Another Annual Election system will meet on January 3 at the residence of C. L. Talbot for the purpose of electing officers. Directors will also be elected. This sewer company is a private concern and has been in existence for ten or a dozen years. Sewers have been built in the section of the city east of Twentyfourth street and the stockholders in this company have paid the cost. J. B. Smiley is president of the company at this time and C. L. Talbot is secretary.

Marie City Cossip.

Livery men had a big call for sleighs last night. Byron Smiley is home from the State university for a few days. Interest in the revival services at the Methodist church continues. The South Omaha stock yards will be open for business on December 25. A Christmas cantata will be given on the evening of December 22 at Workman tem-

Chief Briggs and Captain Shields went The annual offering for home missions will be received at the First Presbyterian church on Sunday morning.

Cattle and sheep receipts show a decrease so far this year and hogs show an increase of only 74,000 head over the same date last

Sophia Zeek died yesterday at her home 467 South Thirty-first street. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the German Lutheran church. People traveling Twenty-fifth street are complaining about the amount of dirt that is being spilled by graders. Street Commissioner Troutan has been asked to look after this matter.

BAKER GETS HIS HEARING

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claims that he can equip men-of-war with batteries occupying considerable less space for three months. than are now in use and that no smoke will be emitted from the smokestacks. Naval officers he has seen before his arrival in Washington have exhibited unusual interest in his patent and recommended that he present his process to the Board of Steam Engineers.

The new medal of honor for conspicuous gallantry and bravery which is to take the place of the old medal, which resembles so much the insignia of the Grand Army of the Republic, will be ready for issuance shortly. Military Secretary Ainsworth stated today that all soldiers having old medals will be entitled to exchange them for new ones if they will write to the military secretary's office for blank applications for the same and in sending their old medals under registered letter to the office of the military secretary. Charles Pierce, superintendent of the Flandreau (S. D.) Indian school, is in

Washington. Favorable report was made to the senate oday on Senator Gamble's bill providing for an extension of the time in which the Yankton, Norfolk & Western Railroad company may construct a bridge across the Missouri river at Yankton, S. D.

Postal Matters.

carriers appointed: Nebraska, Bradshaw, route No. 3; James W. Devaney, carrier; John E. Owings, substitute, Charleston, route No. 1; Ernest F. Wil kins, carrier; Ida E. Wilkins, substitute, York, route No. 6; Alfred T. Gianque, carrier; Bertha L. Gianque, substitute. Route No 7, William F. Skinner, carrier; Estell Skinner substitute. Iowa, Lyons, route No. 2; Willie G. Romer, carrier; Howard L. Romer, substitute.

ers were rushed with orders for fuel and HEARING OF QUARLES-COOPER BILL

Senate Committee Considers Act to Amend Interstate Commerce Law. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.-The Quarles-Cooper bill permitting the interstate comsubject to a hearing today by the senate hall of the capitol, be made the special or- the hearty acceptance in principle by all committee on interstate commerce, at which Edward P. Bacon of Milwaukee, chairman of the executive committee on the interstate commerce law committee, had last summer in St. Louis, was the principal speaker. In response to an interrogation from Senator Tillman Mr. Bacon said he was confident that the bill represents the wishes of the business interests in providing for suspending the finding of the commission in cases of appeal.

"Then," said Mr. Tiliman, "you don't agree with the president, who recommends that a rate fixed by the commission shall go into immediate effect?"

Replying to questions by Senator Cullom, Mr. Bacon said that the shippers would prefer the suspension of rates for sixty days pending an appeal with a time limit on appeals to giving untimited time and allowing the rates to go into immediate effect. He said in response to Senator Elkins that in case it should be ultimately decided that the rate fixed by the commission was too low the railroads would have no recourse on account of the loss sustained, but he agreed with Senator Tillman that such a condition would be no worse on the railroads than would a rate that is too high would be on the shippers.

H. R. Fuller, representing the railroad labor organizations, made an argument against the bill relieving narrow-gauge roads from some of the requirements of the safety appliance law.

CONFIRMATIONS BY THE SENATE

Nominations of Indian Agents and Postmasters Approved. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- The senate to day, in executive session, confirmed the following nominations:

following nominations:

Collector of internal revenue, Charles W. Roberts, Sixth district of Missouri; Captain John McA. Webster, U. S. A., retired to be agent for the Indians of the Coiville agency in Washington; Frank Frantz, agent for the Indians of the Osage agency. Okiahoma; Charles F. Larrabee, Portland, Me., assistant commissioner of Indian affairs; Charles P. Neili, District of Columbia, commissioner of labor; Charles P. McKenna, Pennsylvania, district judge for the district of Porto Rico; Samuel Beliew, agent for the Indians of the Fiathead agency, Montana. Also the nominations for retired army officers sent in today and promotions in the navy and marine hospital service.

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Postmasters: Missouri-Edgar W. Prentiss, Bethany; Edward D. Lowe, Cuba.

North Dakota-Francis R. Cruden, McHenry; Miliard F. Kepner, New Rockford, South Dakota-William F. Bancroft, Wessington Springs.

Cassatt Visits President. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- A. J. Cassatt, fresident of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, called at the White House today prior to the cabinet meeting and had a conference with President Roosevelt. His talk with the president extended until after the hour for the meeting of the cabinet. When Mr. Cassett left the president's office he declined to discuss the nature of his visit, saying he called merely to pay his respects to Mr. Roosevelt.

The conversation between Mr. Cascatt and President Roosevelt related largely to the proposed changes in the interstate ommerce law as suggested in the president's annual message. It is stated that they found themselves practically in agreement on the subject.

Mr. Comatt, while at the capitol, con ferred with Mr. Elkins, chairman of the nittee on interstate commerce the suggestion in President

FOLLOWS FEASTING



"My health was excellent until about a year ago, when I had a complete collapse from overdoing socially, not getting the proper rest and too many late suppers. My stomach was in a dreadful condition and my nerves all unstrung.

runa Medicine Co., writes as follows:

"I was advised by a friend to try Peruna and eventually I bought a bottle. I took it, and then another, and kept taking it "At the end of that time my health was

restored, my nerves no longer troubled me, and I felt once more able to assume me, and I felt once more able to assume my social position.

"I certainly feel that Peruna is deserving of praise."—Nellie G. Loomis.

The rich foods usually served at holiday dinners and the unusual indulgence in them irritates the stomach and paves the way for catarrh which soon fastens itself upon its victims.

Catarrh of the stomach is usually called dyspensia. Many a case of dyspepsia had its beginning at some holfday feast or Christmas dinner.

The dose should be increased gradually o the usual size, as the stomach No other remedy in the world has cured

small dose, just before meal time.

o many cases of atomach trouble and A multitude of people are sending in testimonials to the effect that after everything else had been tried without success, Peruna has cured them.

Life Had Become a Burden, Caused by Acute Indigestion.

William J. Berger, Moran Bros. Ship Yard, Seattle, Wash., President Protected Union of Engineers, writes;

"I was troubled for some time with acute indigestion and palpitation of the heart, which distressed me greatly and deprived ms of the joy of life.

found that it brought a wonderful change

"I feel it a duty to state for the benfit of those who may suffer as I have, and who do not already know about Peruna, that is the only medicine that I found to cure my indigestion and nervous debility.

gestion for over four years, causing

distress after eating, with formation of

"This made me feel very miserable, but

six bottles of Peruha restored the func-

tions of my stomach until all traces of

"I have now a splendid appetite and enjoy excellent health."—Jennie Beicher,

Mr. Carroll Putmon, 856 Carlisle Avenue,

gas, heartburn and so forth.

dyspepsia had passed away.

Cincinnati, Ohio, writes:

"I had lost my appetite and was run-"I took pills and other medicines daily, but found as soon as I stopped I was worse off than eyer.

"Being advised to use Peruna, I soon found that it brought a wonderful change diseases to theatrical folks en route.

found that it brought a wonderful change in my entire system. It cleared up the sluggish channels of my digestive organs the value of Peruna in such cases often and assisted nature in relieving itself of accept the evil consequences of these feasts.

At the beginning of the first symptom of catarrh of the stomach or dyspepsia, Peruna should be taken.

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Sometimes it is necessary to begin with

Ask Your Druggist for free Pe-ru-na Almanac for 1905.

lation of railroad rates. During the discussion Senator Elkins brought up the question of a court of interstate commerce to have jurisdiction over the matter of equitable division of railroad rates between states. The proposition did meet with the approval of Mr. Cassatt, he is not unalterably opposed to the idea of giving the Interstate Commerce commission the authority suggested by president. His views on this subject were made known in a limited degree by a close friend

Will Receive Ingall's Statue Curtis (Kan.) providing that the exercises appropriate to the reception and acceptance

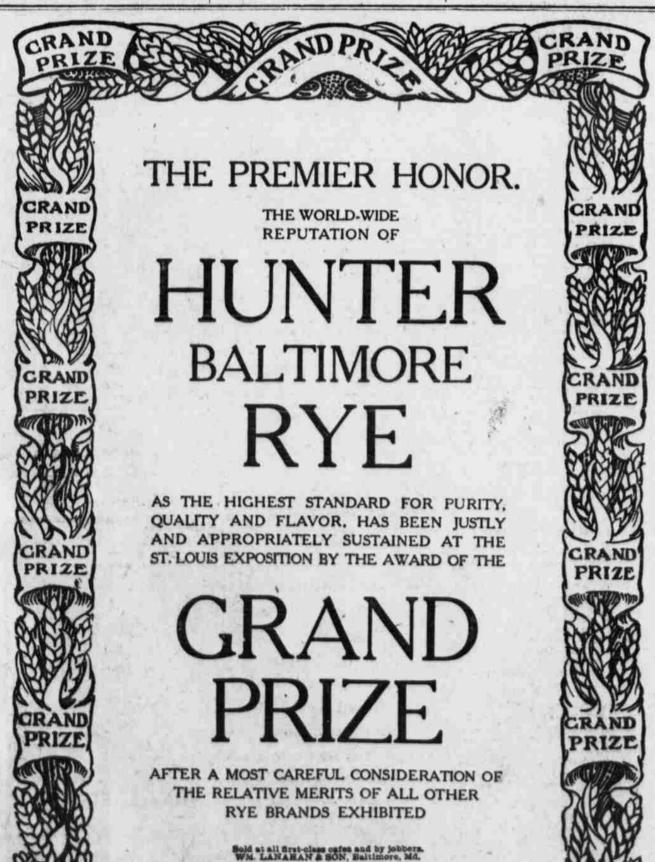
calendar.

CIRCULAR NOTE TO THE POWERS Replies to Peace Conference Note.

bassador and ministers accredited to the powers signatory to The Hague convention, for presentation to several foreign offices, WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.-The house to- replies to his note of last October suggestday adopted a resolution offered by Mr. ing a second Hague conference at The Hague to complete the work begun by the first conference. The note later will be from the state of Kansas of the statue of made public by the department. The efmerce commission to fix railroad rates was the late John J. Ingalls, erected in Statuary fect of the note is permanently to record

Roosevelt's message for government regu- der for Saturday, January 21, 1905, at 3 the powers addressed of this government's o'clock in the afternoon. The house then suggestion. The fixing of the date for this went into committee of the whole in con- assembly is a subject for further discussideration of the claim bills on the private sion, as Russia in her acceptance inserted the condition that the conference do not convene until the war with Japan had ended. In the reply of Japan the state de-Secretary Hay Sends Out Summary of partment finds a very reasonable provi-WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.-Secretary Hay it should be called in the lifetime of the present war, shall not in its findings efsuggestion appear to several neutral powers that it is thought possible that it may a circular note giving a summary of the yet commend itself to all the powers, including Russia. In case the conference specifically exempts from the scope of its rules the present war, it is the opinion of officials of this government as well as a number of diplomats that neither of the belligerents can reasonably object to the

immediate convening of the conference



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