WEST LEAVENWORTH CLUB

Improvers Have a Merry Time With a Mixed List of Speakers.

DAVIDSON ON PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF OMAHA

Superintendent Tells How Parents Can Help Raise the Standard by Requiring Better Behavior from Children.

The meeting place of the West Leavenworth Improvement club at Forty-eighth and Farnam streets was too small to hold the attendance comfortably last night at a session held for the dual purpose of self-congratulation on the betterments secured and to enthuse the members with vigor in prosecuting work still to be accomplished.

A great variety of entertainment, running all the way from oratory of the highest order through mimicry and music to cigars, beer and sandwiches, enlivened the evening and it was an exceedingly pleased crowd of citizens that went home just the retiring side of midnight.

Politicians were there in plenty, but the discussion of their trade was tabooed and broken in one case only—that of Frank Dunlop, who pleased so excessively with droll stories and character studies that he was recalled, compelled to perform another stunt and was labeled the democratic nominee for the council from the Fifth ward.

How to Help the Schools.

Superintendent Davidson of the public schools made the principal address of the evening. He pleaded for sympathy and appreciation of teachers' work by parents and co-operation by instilling the spirit of obedience in children. He said:

These gatherings are of great value from many points of view. You come here to feel the spirit of growth and enterprise and carry on the uplift in the community. With reference to the public school system of Omaha our present business is the improvement of that system. You are deeply interested in the cause of education because the public schools of the city and what they stand for represent the largest and broadest thought which men and women have.

There was never any idea spread abroad more erroneous than that the public schools are an expense, for if they mean anything at all they mean an investment. The greater the amount of culture and intelligence in Omaha the richer and wealthier Omaha will grow in a material sense and the city will improve in proportion to its advancement first in this way. I firmly believe every dollar spent on the schools of Omaha is an investment which pays a larger percentage than any other single investment made from one year's end to another. The public school system is the jackscrew which has raised the mass of the people to a higher level than that occupied by the leaders half a century ago.

Some Others Who Spoke.

J. W. Eller presided over the meeting, remarking incidentally that anything the club wants now it can get and that no political candidate can hope to get any votes in the southwest part of the city unless he comes out and gives the club a chance to look him over. Somewhat in the nature of sequence to this act Judge Eller called upon E. A. Benson, who sat near, to make a speech.

Mr. Benson lauded the organization in the superlative and told a bunch of stories and made his getaway under cover of music supplied on the mandolin and banjo by the brothers McIntosh, who played "The Angels' Serenade."

City Comptroller Lobeck was introduced as a "good thing to look at," Judge Eller being determined to carry out to the letter the waybill of freight announced for the meeting. After the comptroller had squared himself with his audience for assuming to pose as a beauty he ascended into the clouds of prosperity and altruism and remained there seven minutes. Descending, he told the club to help public officers and newspaper reporters rather than to cuss them.

Somewhat facetiously the presiding officer introduced County Commissioner W. G. Ure by saying he would talk of "things to eat." Mr Ure blushed, said the jail is badly crowded and launched off into a defence of his action on the jail feeding matter.

Dunlop Score a Hit.

The orchestra softly played "Rufus Rastus Johnson Brown" and Frank Dunlop made his way to the platform amid loud cheers. He had his audience at his feet in two minutes and kept them there until he rang down the curtain on his vaudeville show.

After which Fred McIntosh gave a distinguished imitation of how a down south darky plays the banjo in exuberant moments.

In response to a question from Judge Eller as to what is going to be done about macadamizing Leavenworth street from Thirty-seventh to Forty-eighth this year County Commissioner Kennard said it was up to the park board; that the county commissioners would provide the money, but the board would spend it. Carrying the matter to the park board L. N. Gonden, member of that body, spoke very hopefully regarding the matter and said in all probability the work will be done this year and clear to Elmwood park.

What Caused Laughter.

County Commissioner Solomon stated he came to hear what was wanted and not to talk immoderately. He was introduced as a "newly elected commissioner." He was followed by Fred McIntosh in a painstaking sketch of a "newly elected politician." The merriment provoked by this coincidence was checked by the reading of a letter from Ed P. Smith, democratic mayoralty candidate, saying business engagements kept him from being present. Music followed, the selection being "If You Ain't Got No Money You Needn't Come 'Round."

George D. Rice of the Board of Education made a few remarks and was followed by City Clerk Elbourn and Councilmen Dyball and Huntington in the same capacity.

Others who were present and did not speak were Councilmen Schroeder, Evans and Trostler. Mr. Schroeder made the club happy by sending out 200 cigars.

Governor Boyd Improving.

At his home Friday morning the condition of former Governor James E. Boyd was described as improving. He has been confined to the house for several weeks and has not yet been able to go downstairs. How soon he will be able to get out on the streets is conjectural, but it is thought the time will be short.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION MEETS

Visiting Leaders Address the Body on Labor Topics and Committees Are Named.

C. O. Pratt of Chicago, chairman of the international board of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electrical Railway Employes of America, and Collis Lovely of St. Louis, president of the International Boot and Shoe Workers' union, delivered brief addresses before the Omaha Central Labor union Friday evening on topics pertaining to their respective crafts.

Mr. Pratt said the organization of street railway men is very prosperous throughout the country and that he is very much encouraged by the outlook for a more effective organization at Omaha and Council Bluffs.

The subject of convict labor and how vitally it comes into competition with our labor throughout the entire country was the theme of Mr. Lovely's talk. The speaker has been making a careful investigation of the convict labor conditions throughout the south, the eastern and middle western states and gave a comparative illustration of the methods adopted in the several localities. He favored a duplication of the convict labor law of New York, which had been in successful operation for ten years past and provides that prison-made goods in that state should not come in competition with products made outside the prison and that only such goods as are used by the state should be made in the prisons. He urged as an effective means of nullifying convict-made goods to refuse to purchase any manufactured article not made by union labor.

The following delegates were admitted as members of the central body: F. W. Lessentin, W. H. Adkins, sr., Orin Stanfield from Omaha Musical union, Cope, Pancocky, Schrotner from Omaha Printing Pressmen's union, John Hagestrom, journeymen horse shoers' union.

The special committee appointed to visit the city council in connection with the bids for city printing now before that body was ordered continued.

The following standing committees were announced for the ensuing year:

Law—A. Ellis, typographical union, chairman; E. R. Baum, barbers' union; Christman, stationary engineers' union; Young, plumbers' union; Hall, blacksmiths' union.

Home Industry and Union Label—Cogan, horseshoers' union; Baker, barbers' union; Gibler, walters' union.

Press—Griffith, typographical union; Pechta, pressmen's union; Miller, coopers' union.

Organization—Jewell, Federal Labor union; Lanahan, street railway employes' union; Rupert, carpenters' union.

Educational—Hansen, Federal Labor union; Clark, ministerial union; Grayson, electrical workers' union; Drake, hackmen's union; Martin, painters' union.

Arbitration—Wardlaw, laundry workers' union; Michelson, street railway employes' union; J. Anderson, structural iron workers' union.

Sanitation—G. Jones, brewery workers' union; Getschman, cigar makers' union; McKay, machinists' union; Bushey, stage employes' union; Shirley, stationary firemen's union.

A communication was received from the Brooklyn, N. Y., Federation of Labor asking that the Omaha Central Labor union contribute to the fund for the purchase of a burial plot and monument to the late John Swinton, whose body has lain unburied for four years past in the vault in Greenwood cemetery, Brooklyn. The communication was laid over until another meeting.

Announcements of the Theaters.

At the matinee this afternoon two features in particular among the varied numbers of excellence will appeal to the children at the Orpheum. Santa Claus in his many doings as depicted by the kinodrome and Barnolds' dogs, cats and monkeys. On the last performance tonight the curtain will rise at 8:15 sharp. For next week, beginning Sunday matinee, a merry, well balanced and varied bill is announced. Thorne and Carleton, styled "The American Jesters," will be there with their best. Then there will be artistic Agnes Mahr; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Keley in "A Tale of a Turkey;" Harry LeClair, the famous female impersonator; Perle and Diamant, two dashing Spanish dancing girls; Flo Adler, the singing comedienne, and her boy; Lillian Mills and Elida Morris, lively black-face minstrel maids, and entirely new creations in motion pictures by the kinodrome.

A matinee this afternoon and a performance this evening close the engagement of "The Serio-Comic Girl" at the Boyd. On Sunday evening the acting version of "Parsifal" will begin its engagement of three nights. This version follows very closely the operatic story and preserves its atmosphere completely. The scenic and lighting effects are said to be wonderfully impressive. The curtain goes up on the performance at 7:45 sharp.

With the matinee and evening performance today the bill at the Burwood, "Rosemary," closes. The bill for the week starting on Sunday afternoon will be "Charley's Aunt."

Operetta, Blue Boy.

The young people of All Saints church will present this little operetta in the Lyric theater Saturday evening, February 10, under the management of Miss Blanche Sorenson. The proceeds are to be used in the purchase of a window, to be called the "Children's Window," in the new church.

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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Candidates for Precinct Committeemen Coming in On the Home Stretch.

COLORED MAN A CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR

W. J. Ford First Man of His Race to Offer Himself for This Office in the History of South Omaha.

With the approach of the last day of filing there was quite an increase of candidates, most of which were for committeemen from the various parties. It now appears all the parties will be completely represented in this respect. Besides the filings for committeemen there were several other candidates. Among them was a colored candidate for mayor of South Omaha. This was W. J. Ford of Twenty-ninth and R streets. Without doubt this is the first time in the history of the city that a man of color has been a candidate for this office. He files on the republican ticket. It is known that the republican club known as the South Omaha Citizens' club, composed of 200 colored voters, met Thursday night in their rooms and endorsed W. P. Adkins for the office of mayor. Nothing was hinted there of a candidate from among their number. Samuel S. Fullerton filed as a democrat for the office of councilman in the Sixth ward. Herman W. Swanbach, republican, filed as councilman in the Third ward. James H. Chadwick, socialist, filed for the office of city attorney. Fred Garson, democrat, filed for the council in the Fourth ward. A. F. Lucas, socialist, became a candidate for the council in the Sixth. Rasmus Larson withdrew as a republican candidate in the Second ward, as did P. H. Shea, as a democratic candidate for the office of tax commissioner.

The Kosciusko Republican club will meet again tonight at Tom Koziol's hall, Twenty-seventh and J streets. President Urbanski made the statement that he intended to have the club determine on the entire ticket which would be supported by the organization at the primaries. The other republican clubs of the city have not progressed as far as to determine on any candidates, except perhaps for mayor, W. P. Adkins. The Good Government club met last Thursday night. It is likely that the club will meet each Thursday night during the campaign.

Preparing for Damage Case.

The city attorney is preparing for the damage case against the city in which John Burke seeks to recover for injuries which he claims to have received while filling an excavation and while in the employ of the city. It is said that he fell in the excavation in some manner and was hurt. The case will be begun in the district court Monday.

Sunday Services.

There will be the usual morning and evening services at the First Presbyterian church tomorrow. The music will be by a full chorus choir.

At St. Martin's church Rev. Mr. Wise will conduct the service of the holy communion at 11 a. m.

At the United Presbyterian church Dr. Renwick will preach both morning and evening. In the morning his subject will be "A Six Years' Review" and in the evening "How Different People Give." The basement of the church has lately been repaired for the accommodation of the primary classes of the Sunday school.

There will be a special Epworth league meeting at Leffler Memorial church at 6:30 p. m. The leader will be Miss Nellie Eversole. In the evening the pastor will preach on "Scriptural Repentance."

The Ladies' Aid society of the Southwest Methodist church, which was to have met last Thursday afternoon at the parsonage of Leffler church, will meet Thursday next at the same place. A dinner will be served to the society and all are welcome.

At the First Methodist church next Sunday morning the subject will be "In Proportion to our Unselfishness Do We Prevail With God and Man" and in the evening "Man's Inner Self Fixes His Standing Among His Fellows." There will be special music by a large chorus choir under the leadership of Mr. Baker. The time of the services will be 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

St. Martin's church has established another mission. A building has been rented at Twentieth and Vinton streets and services will be begun there one week from tomorrow afternoon. They will be in the nature of a Sunday school and the time is 2:30. The work is under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

"Sorrow, Its Cause, Consequences and Cure," will be the morning topic at the First Baptist church. In the evening the pastor, Rev. George Van Winkle, will conduct a revival service. The Sunday school and the Baraca class meet at 9:45. There will be a young people's service at 6:30 p. m.

Magic City Gossip.

Edward Kolansky, 2261 F street, reports the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarkson will entertain a number of their friends today.

Mrs. Lawrence Moore, 155 South Twenty-eighth street, is reported to be seriously ill.

It is reported that Miss Clara Freitag has almost recovered from her long sickness.

Mrs. D. L. Holmes served luncheon to about fourteen of her old friends yesterday afternoon.

H. C. Murphy is about ready to move into his fine new residence at Twenty-sixth and C streets.

Richard O'Keeffe, who has been visiting for some time in Missouri, has again returned to town.

Miss Mabel Stephens, one of the force of teachers at the Lincoln school, will spend Sunday at Lincoln.

Mrs. W. C. Robinson of Silver Creek, Neb., is visiting this week with Mrs. H. N. Lyon, 312 North Fifteenth street.

E. G. Burson, timekeeper at Armour's, will soon go to Chicago, where he has the promise of a more lucrative position.

C. H. Melchoir has received a permit for a house to be built on lot 12, block 6, Spring Lake Park addition. It will be a two-story cottage.

Thomas Hoctor has just returned from a trip to Minneapolis. He reports everything in a flourishing condition there and spoke of several fine openings offered him.

Mrs. A. L. Lott, Mrs. Dr. Everett and Mrs. J. B. Martin will entertain a number of their friends at an afternoon party which will take place February 14, St. Valentine's day. It will be given at the residence of Mrs. A. L. Lott.

The Swedish-Norwegian Republican club held a lively session Thursday evening at the Commonwealth hall. Several speakers occupied the floor and kept their auditors interested for two hours or more. The club adjourned for one week.

Miss Nellie M. Golsberry was married to Earl A. Mason of Lincoln at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Spear, 724 North Twenty-first street, Thursday afternoon. After the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. Dr. Renwick of the United Presbyterian church, the guests were served a supper.

Patrick McCaverty of Spalding, Neb., injured himself quite seriously yesterday morning by falling after a stroke of epilepsy which came on him at the corner of Twenty-fourth and N streets. A deep gash was cut in his head, and greater injury was at first suspected. Dr. Koutsky soon revived him.

The mothers' meeting at the Lincoln school yesterday afternoon had an unusually large attendance. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. Dr. Berry and Mrs. Van Dusen. It aimed at a better understanding of the problems of motherhood and child nature. The bearing of these on the schools was likewise emphasized.

Charley Gollogley and John Smith were the unfortunate offenders to draw four days' service on the town rock pile yesterday. Another man by the name of Barnet Lloyd, frequent offender, managed to sleep so soundly that he could not be wakened long enough for his trial. He will probably be awake this morning.

There was an election of the Athenian Debating society yesterday afternoon at the high school, and for this reason the promised debate was postponed until Monday afternoon. The officers elected were as follows: President, Earl Clark; vice president, Harry De Young; secretary, Alta Mead; treasurer, Minnie Hass; sergeant-at-arms, Julius Stienberg.

After exhausting every effort to find some trace of the relatives of O. Z. Beckham, who was scalded to death a week ago in the Burlington yards, G. H. Brewer ordered the burial of the remains in Laurel Hill cemetery. It was thought that he was a nephew of ex-Governor Beckham of Kentucky, but a telegram to the governor showed this to be without foundation. Several letters were written with a hope of discovering his connections. He was buried by the railroad, which provided handsome means for his burial.

ONE HOSPITAL FIRST CLASS

Others Will Be Inspected by Health Commissioner Ralph in Behalf of Sanitation.

Health Commissioner Ralph has begun inspecting the private lying-in or confinement hospitals and homes of the city. He has found one on Charles street conducted in a manner which he says is a credit to the city. For this hospital a permit has been issued. The doctor found the place to be in an exceptionally good condition from a sanitary standpoint and he believes it is operated in the most legitimate and commendable way. The permit authorizes the treatment of ten patients at one time.

DIAMONDS—Frenzer, 15th and Dodge.

Lincoln Statesman Here.

Representative Chauncey Warner of the country surrounding Lincoln spent Friday in Omaha, taking in the sights of a real city. He took advantage of a little surplus time he found on his hands and visited half a dozen of his friends, among them Harvey Newbranch and Representatives Foster and Barnes. Mr. Warner was asked if he thought of running for the legislature a third time and replied: "Yes, if the farmers urge me and the state seems to demand it." Representative Burgess, whilom chairman of the republican state committee, also spent the day in Omaha.

GREETING TO DR. HYDE

Bishop Scannell's Hearty Commendation of the Gaelic Revival Movement.

Rt. Rev. Richard Scannell, bishop of Omaha, heartily endorses and explains the purpose of the Gaelic revival and tenders an advance greeting to Dr. Douglas Hyde, its leading spirit, through the editorial columns of The True Voice. In part he says:

There are few subjects of study more interesting to the scholar than that which has for its theme the revival of the Gaelic tongue. Has become a question of life and death. Let the Gaelic tongue cease to be spoken and the Irish race, as a race distinct from other races, with its own genius, its own characteristics and its own habits of thought—will have ceased to exist.

The next few years will be the crucial period for the Gaelic tongue. If the present movement continues to grow and gather force it will carry along with it those who now may be apathetic or hostile, and in ten years Ireland will be Irish, the identity of the race will be secured and the ancient tongue will be saved. But to accomplish this high purpose there will be needed the support of the "Children of the Gael" at home and abroad, and for that support Dr. Hyde will appeal next Thursday evening. He treats of racial characteristics, their growth and their value, of the multiplication and development of languages, and in general of those things that come under the name of ethnology. Of all these, language is unquestionably the most important, for it is the instrument by which a race thinks and acts and leaves its impress upon the world. It is the language that differentiates one people from another and makes one land rather than another the Fatherland.

"Where'er is heard the German tongue,
Where German hymns to God are sung,
There, German brother, take thy stand;
That is the German's Fatherland."

The president of the Gaelic league and his associates are working to save from extinction one of the oldest and purest of the Aryan tongues—the Gaelic—and to bring it again into general use in Ireland. With the single exception of Greek, the Gaelic is the oldest vernacular in Europe today. It has a magnificent literature, which is unique in many respects; it is rich in inflections, and its grammar is highly developed, for which reasons, as well as for its great antiquity, a knowledge of it has become indispensably necessary for the ethnologist. Indeed, every European philologist of note today—in England, France, Italy and Germany—is, as a matter of course, thoroughly acquainted with the ancient tongue of the Gael.

RECEPTION AT THE STATION

Omaha Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Greet Their National President.

Mrs. L. R. Foote, national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, with her secretary, Mrs. Ross, both of Denver, were given a reception at the Burlington depot Friday afternoon. The party was met by a reception committee consisting of the president of the Nebraska department, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, three past presidents of the department and the president and past president of Garfield Circle No. 11 of Omaha, with a number of other local members of the order. Mrs. Foote was presented with bouquets of roses and carnations by the department and local officers.

The stay of the party in the city was necessarily very brief, as Mrs. Foote and Mrs. Ross were en route to Minneapolis to arrange for the meeting of the national convention of the order to be held there in August next, at which time a formal reception will be tendered her. In speaking of the growth of the order during the past few months Mrs. Foote said twenty-one new circles have been organized since September up to January 1, and several new circles organized during the month of January, though all the reports are not in. The financial condition of the order is the best in its history and the membership is rapidly increasing, particularly in the west. It is expected that there will be a much larger attendance of delegates at the Minneapolis convention than at any convention since the order has been organized.

The regular meeting of Garfield Circle No. 11 will be held Monday evening at the new hall in the Rohrbough block, Nineteenth and Farnam. The new president will announce the standing committees for the ensuing year.

Mortality Statistics.

The following births and deaths have been reported to the Board of Health during the twenty-four hours ending at noon Friday:

Births—P. H. Harrow, 2538 Corby, boy; C. J. Burkamp, 4126 Saratoga, boy; Jonas Printz, 3321 Jones, girl; W. P. Mix, 2201 Locust, girl; Fritz Christensen, 2622 Erskine, girl.

Death—Mrs. M. J. Zacek, West Point, 53.

Room for One More at Jail.

William Kellogg, charged with criminal assault and out on bond, was surrendered by his bondsman, Chase Green Friday morning. Judge Sutton turned Kellogg over to Sheriff McDonald, who remarked: "The county jail is like a street car in one respect—there is always room for one more."

LOW ONE-WAY RATES.

Every day from Feb. 15th to April 7th, 1906, inclusive, the Union Pacific will sell one-way tickets from Omaha as follows:

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