ENTER NEW CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor Maorae in His Message Reiterates His Views on Water Works.

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS ARE ALL NAMED

Tie Vote on Poundmaster, and Mayor Turns the Scale for Burke-Major Richmond Reappointed Chief. of Police.

Mayor Macrae delivered two annual addresses last night, one to the retiring city ouncil, congratulating the members on what had been achieved during their term of office and the other to the new council, in which he made a number of recommendations and dealt at length upon the water

His address to the new council was in part as follows:

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I wish at this time to make a few recommedations to your honorable body, which I hope may be favorably acted upon at an early date. I will not tree you with an exhaustive list, but rather refer to a few which seem of parameant importance. I can do no better than reiterate my advice to your predecessors, namely: That the city either buy the present plant at its actual value or construct and operate a new plant. Many obstacles are in your path. Much money may be necessary before a successful termination is possible, but I charge you to stand by the guns and you must come out victorious.

In the opinion of the city solicitor and the city's special counsel the franchise and contract of the company expired January 24, 1905, although they recognized the possibility that the company might contend that the whole ordinance was extended by the amendment of April 2, 1881, to the time of the dissolution of the injunction in December, 1881. They also gave it as their judgment that the provisions of the ordinance seeking to bind the city to the payment of hydrant rental of \$100 and \$75 per hydrant per annum for the full period of twenty-five years, was unreasonable and void, but that it was unwise to invite litigation and that any revision of rates would better await the expiration of the franchise in January, 1908.

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About the time of the expiration of the water franchise an ordinance was passed, taking effect March 80, 1906, materially reducing hydrant rentals and charges to private consumers. Two questions can be raised by the company in opposition to this

ordinance:
First—That their original contract and
franchise is still in force and this ordinance
is void because in conflict therewith.
Second—That the rates fixed in the contract are confiscatory and the ordinance
is therefore void.
In the indement of the city's course, the

In the judgment of the city's counsel the first claim is untenable because the contract between the water company and the city has expired by its terms, and because that contract, so far as it sought to bind the city to an exorbitant hydrant rental for a term of twenty-five years, was unreasonable and void.

The second question is one of fact depend-

The second question is one of fact dependbe income it will receive the water plant, the income it will receive under the new rates and whether that income will pay a reasonable return on the actual value of

thus be seen that the incoming cil is brought face to face with impor tant problems in connection with the water plant affecting the interests of every citi-

sen and taxpayer.

The conventions of both political parties in the recent city campaign declared in favor of the municipal ownership of the water plant and the obligation rests upon the council in this administration to out that expressed wish of the people in the most advantageous manner.

Suit Already Started. I have learned that a suit has been in-stituted in the federal court by an alleged stockholder of the water company to en-join the enforcement of the new ordinance regulating rates, based upon the ground that it is in conflict with the franchise rights of the water company, and would not yield them as income sufficient to operrecommend that the council take

such steps as may be necessary to bring about municipal ownership of a water If it is the judgment of the council that it, would be wise to purchase the plant of the existing company, that efforts be made to see whether or not a satisfactory contract of purchase can be made with the existing company. If it is the judgment of the council that a new plant ought to be constructed, that they employ a competent hydraulic engineer to furnish plans and specifications for the water plant, and an estimate of the cost thereof. It might be well to have this done in any event, and when the council knows the terms upon which the present plant could be bought, and the cost of a new plant, it could more wisely determine which of the two propositions would be to the advantage of the city. If it is the judgment of the council that

would recommend that the city resist by all proper means the injunction suit that has been instituted to prevent the en-forcement of the rate ordinance, and that, in the meantime, the city refuse to pay hydrant rentals in excess of the amount fixed by the new rate ordinance.

The individual consumers can refuse to

The individual consumers can refuse to pay water rates in excess of those fixed by the new ordinance, and if an attempt is made to shut off their water they can enjohn such action. That would, of course, involve them in a controversy with the water company as to the validity of the new rate ordinance. It is for each individual consumer of water to determine for rate ordinance. It is for each al consumer of water to determine elf what his action in that particular Electric Light.

I see no reason why this council should not begin work at once with the object in view of owning the electric light plant. The electric plant in connection with the water system would be especially desirable for obvious economical reasons.

The gas furnished by the gas company has been most imsatisfactory to the citizens. I would recommend that a special committee be appointed to investigate this important matter and report to this council at an early date.

min this connection I would also recom-mend that the meters of the company be examined and that a strenuous effort be made to reduce the present rates. Appointive Places Filled.

Macrae named the following standing committees;

Pinance-Floring, Younkerman, Wallace, udiciary-Olson, Smith, Knudsen. Naims and Printing-Knudsen, Hendrix,

Smith. Streets and Alleys-Wallace. Fleming, Majoney.

Bridges and City Property-Smith, Olson, Hendrix. Health and Sewers-Maloney,

Vallace Younkerman, Water Works-Hendrix, Knudsen, Olson, Fire and Light-Younkerman, Maloney,

Major George H. Richmond was named by the mayor as city marshal and ex-officio chief of police and the appointment was unanimously approved by the council. The ordinance passed by the old council

last week increased the number of men en the police force to tweaty-one in addition to the chief and one deputy marshal. The mayor, however, only named eighteen men last night, thus leaving four appointments on the police force get to be made. Those appointed last night are: J. M. O'Neil, J. C. Nicoli, S. A. Green, Thomas Stoan, C. W. Crum, George W. Wilson, Thomas B. Richardson, J. C. Shafer, S. B. Smith, Thomas Gullagher, John A. Steinhofel, F. B. Wood, George Gillespie, O. P. Peterson, O. C. Arneld, D. L. Weir, Phomas F. Callaghan and Antone Larson. The men have not as yet been assigned to positions, and it is understood there will be some change in the present make-

up of the force. The following appointments were made by the council City Clerk-W. F. Sapp. Chief of Fire Department-Robert W.

ones.
Street Supervisor—George Rockwell.
City Physician—Dr. N. J. Rice.
City Electrician—James G. Bradley.
Custedian of City Hull—William Larson.
Lidwalk Inspector—James Peterson.
Poundmaster—Charles Burke, colored. Owing to the restraining order served on the councilmen by A. Fellentreter, the appointment of a poll lax collector was post-

Supp was elected by the quantimous vote

of the council, but Jones only secured the votes of the republican councilmen, while Maloney and Younkerman voted for M. Nicholson. For city physician, Dr. Tubbs received three votes and Dr. Rice five. Bradley was elected electrician by a unanimous vote, as was Larson for custodian of the city ball and Peterson for sidewalk inspector. For poundmaster, Burke and John Taylor each received four votes, and Mayor Macrae asserted his privilege in voting in case of a tle vote and gave the appointment to Burke.

Bonds Are Approved. The following bonds were approved: Dr. D. Macrae, mayor, \$3,000; surety, C. R. Tyler, F. T. True, city treasurer, \$100,000, sureties, E. E. Hart, T. G. Turner, J. P. Greenshields, E. A. Wickham, F. R. Davis, F. F. Everest, W. Arnd, C. F. Kimball city solicitor; sureties, C. E. Kimball, W. H. Kimball. Frank Peterson, park com missioner, \$5,000; sureties, E. E. Hart, N. P. Anderson, J. F. McAneney, auditor. \$5,000; sureties, L. G. Consigny, C. F. Kird ball. E. E. Hart. S. L. Etnyre, city en gineer, \$5,000; Surety Bonding company Major Richmond, chief of police, \$1,000 Surety Bonding company; Major Richmond, chief of police, \$1,000; Surety Bonding company; as city marshal, \$5,000 Surety Bonding company, W. F. Sapp, city clerk, \$14,000; sureties, E. E. Hart, E. A. Wickham, J. P. Greenshields; as clerk of superior court, \$4,000; sureties, C. A.

Wiley, T. G. Turner, W. Coppock. As soon as the new council had assumed their seats Deputy Sheriff Woolman entered and passed around copies of the restraining order secured from the district court by A. Fellentreter.

The clerk read a copy of the injunction ssued by Judge Smith McPherson of the United States court in the water works litigation, and on motion of Councilman Olson it was promptly referred to the committee of the whole, which will meet this afternoon to consider what steps are o be taken in respect to it.

The old council before retiring allowed the bills and payrolls for March and approved the minutes, including those of its short session last night, as is the custom. Among the bills was that of Hari & Tinley, special counsel in the water works litiga-

tion, for \$1,060. The new council adjourned to next Mon-

WATER ORDINANCE IN COURT Stockholder Seeks to Enjoin Enforce

ment of New Rate. On the petition of George N. Smalley, a resident of the state of Massachusetts, who states that he owns \$28,000 of the stock of the Council Bluffs City Water Works company, Judge Smith McPherson of the United States court yesterday issued a emporary restraining order enjoining the mayor and members of the city council from putting into force the ordinance passed February 22 and which provided for reduced schedule of water rates.

As will be seen by the court's order, which follows, the hearing on the application for an injunction is set for April 24 at Davenport:

George N. Smalley, complainant, against the City of Council Bluffs and other defendants. Order.

The bill of complaint verified having been presented, it is ordered:

That a restraining order issue against each and all of the defendants and their successors in office, commanding each and all of the defendants to not authorize the recording, engressment or enrolling of a

all of the defendants to not authorize the recording, engrossment or enrolling of a certain ordinance of said city passed February 22, 1806, upon the subject of water rates. And the said defendants and all of them are prohibited from enforcing or attempting to enforce said ordinance or any part thereof.

This order shall be and remain in force until April 26, 1808, unless sooner modified on motion of defendants on notice to complainant or his cousel, said date being fixed two days later than the hearing for temporary injunction.

And this case is set down for bearing at Davenport, is... on the first day of the court there to convene April 24, 1808, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day.

Done April 2, 1906. SMITH M'PHERSON, Judge. part of the stockholders of the water works people. company was not unexpected, as it was known for some time here that such a step was contemplated.

While only the members of the old city ouncil are named as defendants in the petition the restraining order enjoins the new council as well.

cites that the suit is not a collusive one to

otherwise have cognizance. Although the recently passed ordinance to national supervision. When that time educing the water rates is attacked the ontention is made that the franchise of Mr. Pierce the head of the national departthe company does not expire until Decemher 19 of this year, and possibly not until and "no graft" on his banner; but how the January 24, 1908. In support of the contention that the franchise does not expire until their deputies will kick and howl against December 19 of this year it is asserted that | national supervision! They will be out of the charter, which was granted on January 24, 1881, was suspended until December 19, 1881, owing to litigation begun by N. P. Dodge and others of this city, and therefore the franchise dated from the latter date. Later the council extended the time for completing the water works to January 24, 1883, and that this extension operated to extend the franchise twenty-five years

from that date. Regarding the ordinance reducing the water rates it is asserted that the enforcement of the ordinance would decrease the company's income to such a point that it could not meet its obligations and operating expenses.

In conclusion the pourt is asked to set aside and declare as null and void the or dinance passed February 22 last and to make the injunction perpetual.

Albert Halstend Succeeds Brother. WASHINGTON, April 2.- The presiden has decided to appoint Albert Haistead as American consul at Birosingham, England. to succeed his brother, Marshall Haistead, resigned. Mr. Haistead is a well known Washington newspaper correspondent and is the son of Murat Halstead.

Geronimo Joins a Show. LAWTON, Okl., April 2.—Gerouino, the aged Apache warrior, today joined a wild ow for the season, with the c

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AT ALL DEALERS

from the purchase of the assets of the American National bank by the Union National bank of Omaha in 1835. Suit was begun in the case in the latter part of December, 1886, and has been pending in various stages of luigation since.

Control of Life Insurance. OMAHA. April 1.-To the Editor of The FOLK TO WATCH THE POLLS Bee: An article in your insurance issu of the 1st inst., by John L. Pierce of Lin- Governor of Missouri Will Give Per- She told the women something of her coln, state insurance deputy, entitled. "Upsonal Attention to Kansas heaval Brings Reform," says: City Election.

OUR LETTER BOX.

few days ago:

during these unsettled times, I remain MANAGER.

I will leave this question of "Upheaval

Brings Reform' by asking the insurance

department "What are you going to do

In another portion of the article by Mr.

Pierce, he mentions the "fearless" commis-

signers of the New England states. Let

was about to purchase the majority stock

policy holders. The Massachusetts com-

missioner-Cutting-said to this company,

substantially, "Gentlemen, if you purchase

large deposit with the - Trust company;

from them, in which they agreed to de-

posit only a moderate amount. Will Mr.

Pierce show us any law for this. Mr.

by the democrats only two years ago; be

the Armstrong committee.

holding the lower court.

responsibility.

for examining his company. Respectfully, H. R. GOULD.

Bank Notes Defeats Wyman

and Others.

WASHINGTON, April 2.-The supreme

Wyman and others against Sumner Wal-

lace and others in favor of the latter, up-

Wallace was the holder of one of three

National bank of Omaha, Neb. The bank

went into voluntary liquidation in 1896.

The lower court held the stockholders lia-

insurance:

of a trust company with the funds of the

The actual results of the tonline or semi-tonline plan of insurance, as recently re-vealed, when compared with the estimates made at the time such contracts of in-surance were sold, are sufficient to make any one pause for a long time before pur-chasing investment insurance. KANSAS CITY, April 2.-Governor Jomeph W. Folk, who passed through Kansas where he is to speak tonight, is quoted as Permit me to ask what the insurance saying he would return here on Tuesday lepartment of Nebraska is doing to prevent morning and, in company with members the citizens of this state being fooled and of the local police board and Board of Elecdeluded by "estimates" made by Nebraska tion Commissioners, make the rounds of the

companies that Mr. Pierce must know voting precincts. cannot be realized? No actuary of any There have been many arrests here since reputable company would dare stake his the primaries for illegal registration, and reputation on an estimate such as these in this respect Governor Folk said: npanies are permitted to put out broad- case there be any crimes against the ballot cast, for he knows, and so should Mr. I shall aid, as far as I am able, in seeing Pierce, that fulfillment is utterly impossi- that the offenders are punished." Every police officer in the city was called ble. When this is put before the Nebraska

before the police board today and given department they hide behind "the law" and say they see no way to prevent it, personal instructions regarding the duties while Missouri, with some backbone, but of the police on election day.

with no more law than Nebraska, simply The election in Kansas City tomorrow tells the companies they will not be per- will be for mayor and all the elective mitted to fool the people, and the com- city officers, half the members of the upper panies cease their disreputable practices. house and all the members of the lower It may be of interest to quote here a letter house. The issue is municipal ownership, to the insurance department written only a which both republican and democratic platforms endorse in principle. The democratic ownership plank reads:

OMAHA, March 27, 1908.—John L. Pierce, Deputy Insurance Commissioner, Lincoln, Neb.—Dear Sir: For the perusal of Audi-tor Searle, I enclose a slip from the United States Review of the 22d inst.; this is sent you to emphasize what the association en-We declare that all public utilities should be owned by the municipality and operated in the interest of all the people. cipality and operated The platform opposes extension of gas

and street railway franchises. The republican platform declares against date for mayor is Henry M. Beardsley. Robert L. Gregory, a grocer.

States Review of the 22d inst.; this is sent you to emphasize what the association endeavored to impress upon Mr. Searle, when you and he were kind enough to attend our January association meeting; that is to say that the insurance commissioner or auditor, does not always need a law, literally specifying his every action. In other words, that he has the right to make certain rules for the good of the business.

I feel certain that the policy holders of the state and the general public would back up Mr. Searle, if he absolutely shut out any company writing special contracts; any company making estimates, and any company that is guilty of rebating or twisting.

Won't you kindly put my name down for three copies of your pamphlet, covering the business done by life and assessment companies during the year 1906.

Thanking you in advance for this and assuring you that I appreciate the strenuous duties of an insurance commissioner during these unsettled times, I remain, been shown. and the large independent vote that is ex-

Republicans Lose in Practically All

Cities Except Grand Bapids. DETROIT, April 2.-Except in the city of Grand Rapids, where George E. Ellis, republican, was elected mayor by a plurality of 2,720 over Mayor E. F. Sweep, independent, and Charles R. Sligh, democrat, the independent and democratic tickets seemed to have the advantage in the greater numme Illustrate that: A certain company ber of city elections today through the state of Michigan. The returns indicate that the people voted decisively in favor of having the next legislature make provision for the election of delegates to a constitutional convention to provide a sub this trust company you can't do business stitute for the present constitution, which in this state." Again, he said to this dates back to the year 1850. At Owosso, same company, "You cannot keep such a Mayor Stanley E. Parkmill, democrat, was re-elected on an independent ticket after a and he requested a written undertaking heated campaign, in which the mayor's activity in securing a grand jury investigation of county affairs was kent well in the foreground. Albion, Flint, Alpera, Traverse, Cutting did not hide behind a law which City and Marquette elected democratic mayors. Republicans carried St. Joseph and Adrian. Warren A. Cartler, repuband stoutly rules, "thus far shalt thou go, the other successful candidates being demolican, was elected mayor of Ludington, all

bone," and if the responsible head of the CITY ELECTIONS IN MINNESOTA Struggle Generally Along Lines of

License or Nuclicense. ST. PAUL, April 2.-Municipal elections held in numerous office in Minnesota som; nor would that other sweet smelling North and South Dakotz today. In few of association-the Bankers Union-have sur- them were party lines drawn to any ex-This appeal to the federal court on the vived so long as it did, to swindle the tent, most of the contests being based purely upon local issues. In Minnesota the How Mr. Pierce can defend state super- struggle was principally between the livision as against national, with lowa's ex- cense and no license elements. At Rushperience with boodle commissioners, Penn- ford license won by one vote. At Grand sylvania's grafting outfit, and the condi- Meadow a majority of 43 was polled against tion of things in New York is the licensing of saloons, in Fargo, N. D., beyond my comprehension. When an J. A. Johnson was elected mayor by a commissioner admits - as plurality of 375 over Wall, the present in-The water works company is made party Hendricks of New York did when ques- cumbent, this being the fifth time that defendant to the suit and the petition re- tioned by Inquisitor Hughes-that he knew Johnson has been elected to the mayoralty. nothing of life insurance when he went At Grand Forks, N. D., George F. Duls, confer on a court of the United States jur- into the department, and expected to know the present incumbent, who ran as an in tradiction of a case of which it would not at least as little when he went out, it dependent, was re-elected mayor by a maonly shows that there must be a change jority of 366 over John Dinnie, republican. State issues entered largely into the can comes we expect to push hard to make vas.

ment, because we believe him to be honest MICHIGAN WINS TAX CASE other different state commissioners and United States Supreme Court Holds Railroads Must Pay Taxes as Others.

a job and the policyholders of the different companies will be saved hundreds of thou-WASHINGTON, April 2.- The supreme sands of dollars each and every year, by court of the United States today decided not having a raid-under pretense of an the Michigan railway tax cases involving examination-made upon them by a lot of the taxes of all the railroads for several absolutely incompetent commissioners, or years, against the railroads. The opinion their deputies and clerks. Why incom-

was by Justice Brewer. petent? because appointed by the republi-The case involved the validity of a Michicans only a year ago; because appointed gan law fixing the tax value of railroad property on the average value at which cause appointed by the "pops" three years other property is assessed. As this nearly ago. May be the fourth year has come quadrupled the taxes paid by the railroads along, and then, why, a new administrathey resisted and approximately \$2,000,000 tion, and a new set of men, who-with all n back taxes is now collectable.

their good intentions could not properly In an opinion by Justice Brown, the examine a company of \$1,000,000 of assets, supreme court of the United States, today and do you think them capable of examining-with any degree of efficiency-the Central Railroad company against J. A. decided the case of the Houston & Texas \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000 company? Now, if Mayes in favor of the company.

these men-well meaning and honest as most of them are-will quit gallivanting to ship 65 head of cattle. The cars arrived Mayes ordered seventeen cars in which across the continent to "examine" some twenty-four hours after the time set in the company they have no business with; stay at home and mind their business, giving for damages done his cattle by the delay attention to the graft that's right under and also under the state law to recover \$55 their nose, maybe, the senator whom Mr. per car on his contract with the company. Pierce unnecessarily takes a fling at will attend to his end of the wire by honestly The supreme court, however, holds that the The lower courts upheld the complainant. and faithfully looking after every interest law takes no account of accidents, is too of the great company, whose founder- arbitrary, eneroaches upon federal control thirty years ago-he was, and which is the of the interstate commerce and is therefor very pride of his life, the only company by the way, which voluntarily went before Justice McKenna dissented. unconstitutional. Chief Justice Harlan and

Incidentally, Mr. Editor, he will also put City of St. Joe and others, the suthe necessary quietus upon any insurance preme court of the United States today nissioner who comes to him with affirmed the decision of the United States a bill two, three or four times too much circuit court for the eastern district of Missouri dismissing the case for want of jurisdiction, which was favorable to the city The case involved a claim to land on the SUMNER WALLACE WINS SUIT bank of the Mississippi river in St. Louis, which has been taken as a wharf and to Holder of Old American National which Joy claimed title under a Spanish concession made in 1797. The opinion was handed down by Justice Peckham.

WASHINGTON, April 2-Justice Day of the supreme court of the United States to ours today decided the case of Henry day filled the text of the court's opinio in the Chicago Traction cases. The text of the dissenting opinion by Justice Brewer Brown and McKenna, also was filled

otes for \$67,600, given by the American POSTOFFICE IN FIRST CLASS Omaha Receipts Greatly Increased. Which Will Mean More Pay

ble for \$67 on each share of stock, the to Many Attaches. double liability. The fact that one minor-While the report of the receipts at the ity stockholder of the bank. Justice Brewer said, voted against the liquidation of the Omaha postoffice for the fiscal year endbank's affairs, does not relieve him from ing March 21 has not yet been fully com piled so that it might be given in detail for publication, Postmaster Palmer is au The case is the outgrowth of a suit thority for the statement that the receipts brought by Sumner Wallace against the will reach approximately \$625,000. This will stockholders of the American National put Omaha in the rank of cities of the first bank to compel them to pay their liabili- class and will insure an increase of salties as stockholders of the bank, arising aries to many of the officials and clerks.

WOMAN IN CLUB AND CHARITY

Mrs. E. B. Towie was the speaker at Monday afternoon's meeting of the social science department of the Woman's club. She told the women something of her work as assistant probation officer and gave them the closer touch with the swils that give rise to the need of the juvenile court and its probation system by relating some of her personal experiences. A whisome of her personal experiences. A white tling solo by Dr. Wells and a vocal solo City last night enroute to Des Moines, by Mrs. Sharey were the other number of the program, which was in charge of the civic improvement committée. At the brief business meeting that preceded the program it was decided to bring before the whole viub the investigation of the department's committee regarding the white label of the Consumers' teague as carried by Omaha merchants. The club treasurer, Miss Bertha Tinkham, Waterloo, will be asked to co-operate with the department in creating the demand for the labeled goods, which are at present carried by but two of the stores. The interest the women feel in the coming election was manifested by the leader asking to what extent the members had used their inuence with their husbands, brothers o fathers in the investigation of candidates and to get them out to the polls. An informal reception in honor of Mrs. Towle who was formerly leader of the depart ment, and Mrs. Frank Carmichael, forme secretary, followed, the members of the New Book Review club being guests of the afternoon.

down stairs in the city half for about one the school children may see them. Mrs. 8. DEMOCRATS WIN IN MICHIGAN D. Barkalow presided during the program, which included a violin solo by Miss Grace McBride, a vocal solo by Miss Laura Goetz, a recitation by Miss Vivian Pates and a paper, "The Fire of Patriotism," by Mrs. J. N. Wise.

> Following is the monthly message of the president of the General Federation to the club women. Her facetious treatment of several subjects may well be followed by others, especially those who might have taken them seriously;

Many letters were awaiting the return of the president with questions relating to the biennial arrangements, program, etc. Two days spent in St. Paul tound the local committees working most harmoniously and efficiently. The auditorium in the Armory where the convention will be held is a room of splendid proportions, wide instead of long, and finely American in its simplicity. To obviate the absence of sloping floors a high stage will be built, which will be of size to accommodate 100 persons. It was the expressed desire of the board of directors that invitations with stage tickets enclosed should be sent to every past officer and board member. It is always a great pleasure to see the dear familiar faces, and it is hoped that many will respond by their presence at every session. Four fine rooms on the second floor will be used as conference rooms.

lieged to meet, it is much to be feared that some of the younger delegates may be tempted to stray from the serious business of the convention at times. But the General Federation believes in sentiment, and all such derelictions will be forgiven and unnoticed. The old state capitol, as it is called, will be used for the respective state headquarters when desired, also the exhibits and demonstrations of committees headquarters when desired, also the exhibits and demonstrations of committees will be given there. The biennial committee will shortly send out the plans concerning this arrangement, and it is hoped that, if accepted by the state presidents, a much closer acquaintance and followship will result. Two large halls, formerly used as the senate chamber and house of representatives, will be at the disposal of the delegates for informal conferences or special meetings. ial meetings.

cial meetings.

Quoting from a letter received today;
"My husband will go to St. Paul with me,
as he has business in the vicinity at that
lime. I very much desire to have him atlend the meetings. Will it be permitted,
and will it be considered proper?" Yes,
andeed, and a thousand times yes. The only
regret is that there is not a national law
compelling every husband, son and brother
to ston work once in two years and come compelling every hisband, son and brother to stop work once in two years and come with their sisters, mothers and wives to spend a week considering not dollars nor politics, but the things that make for a great people. Bring every husband, whether he is, as the Irishman would say, "a club woman" or not. Nothing is so convincing and converting to the scoffer as a week's association with this great number of the sensible, representative, happy women of the land.

This is a burning question which has

women of the land.

This is a burning question which has come in several letters:

"What shall we wear at the biennial? It takes so many fine clothes we cannot afford to go," etc. Now let us see. The principal meetings of the biennial will be held in the mornings, beginning Thursday, May 31, continuing Friday, Saturday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday The sessions will open at 9:30 and close at 1:30. No afternoon session will be held, only conferences. The evening sessions begin Wednesday, May 30, continuing for seven successive evenings. continuing for seven successive evenings, Sunday omitted. Six morning sessions, for

which the comfortable silk or tailor dress is most appropriate, as also for the afternoon conferences and for the excursion day. Tuesday, when Minneapolis club women will be the hostesses. The evening meet-ings, house receptions and even the grand reception will require perhaps one light dress or more delicate waists. If the

semblage. SARAH S. PLATT DECKER.

The following women have been elected officers for the coming year of the lown State Audubon society: President, Mrs. Ellen Brown, Waterloo; vice president, Mrz. James B. Diver, Keokuk; second vice president, Mrs. W. B. Small, Waterloo; secretary, Mrs. William F. Parrott, Waterloodirectors, Dr. Margaret Vaupel Clark, Rev. Effic K. M. Jones and Dr. G. Hardy Clark of Waterloo, and Mrs, Lillian Felt Whitney of Keckuk; executive committee, Dr. Margaret Vaupel Clark, Mrs. Matt Parrott, Mrs. William F. Parrett and Mrs. Ellen Brown of Waterloo, and Mrs. James B. Diver of Keokuk.

CRUISER WOULD KEEP NAME Friends of the New York Object to Having It Lose

Identity. WASHINGTON, April 2-The suggestion that the projected leviathian 20,500-ton battleship, which congress is expected to Mrs. Edward Porter Peck was hostess of authorize at the present session, should be the April meeting of the Daughters of the named "New York," involved the abandon-American Revolution Monday afternoon, ment of that name for the armored cruiser Mrs. R. C. Hoyt, regent, presided during which was the flagship during the Spanish extension of franchises without adequate the business meeting, at which it was de- war of the Atlantic fleet, the most formidreturn to the city. The republican candi- cided to exhibit the stand of colors pre- able naval force ever gathered under the sented by the Daughters of the American American flag, has caused some commotion an attorney; the democratic candidate. Revolution to the battleship Nebraska at in naval circles. While realizing the policy the city hall on April 19. On that date of securing support for the navy by identi-The campaign has been free from sen- the local chapter will award its annual fying the ships with great cities, many sational incidents, but great interest has medal to the high school pupil writing the naval officers hold that for sentimental best essay on some patriotic subject and reasons, ships should not be christened Well informed men on both sides say the the colors will be exhibited then. It will with names of vessels that have been result is uncertain, owing to the new issue also be arranged to have them exhibited famous in their own time; that the latter should be permitted to retain for themhour on the same day, that the public and selves whatever of reputation they may have earned.

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> WOOD AND WOOD ACQUITTED Philadelphia fron Managers Found Not Guilty of Accepting Rebates From Great Northern.

PHILADELPHIA, April 2.-Walter Wood and Stewart Wood, members of the firm of R. D. Wood & Co., iron manufacturers of this city, were found not guilty in the on the second floor will be used as conterence rooms.

The conference to be held in the afternoons being entirely separate, no limit of time is placed, but each meeting may continue indefinitely at the pleasure of the chairman and audience. The bureau of inchairman and audience. The bureau of information and other committees will have the use of the company rooms of the same floor as the great hall. If all the company men are as fine and attractive a type of gentleman soldier as those we were privileged to meet, it is much to be feared that some of the younger delegates may be tempted to stray from the serious business of the convention at times. But the Gen-Winnipeg merely as agent for the Camden.

> alleged to have been given. BLOW RUINS EYE OF WOMAN Man Insists He Struck Her Because

> > She Had Robbed Him of

N. J., and Florence Iron companies and

they received no benefit from the rebate

- His Roll. W. R. DeVore was arrested early Monday evening by Officer Sandstrom, charged with having assaulted with intent to do great bodily injury Lucy Crawford, 214% North Eleventh street, an inmate of a colored resort. DeVore charges the woman took \$10 in bills and some small change from him, and upon her refusing to return the money he gave her a severe blow in the right eye. The Crawford woman was also arrested and at the station Police Surgeon Wills found her injury so serious that he sent for City Physician Arnold. After examining the eye Dr. Arnold said the optic would have to be removed entirely, and the woman was taken to the Omaha General hospital, where the operation will be per

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