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Hosting Committee of Association Lights in Omaha for New Members.

TRAVELING MEN BUILDING UP ORDER

Chief Officers Come West on Crusade that is Systematically Sweeping All Over the Country.

Thad H. Howe of Chicago, national president; Louis T. LaBeaume of St. Louis, national secretary and treasurer; George W. Smith of St. Louis, chairman of the national board of trustees of the Travelers' Protective Association of America, constituting the "flying squadron" of the association, arrived in Omaha Thursday for the purpose of attending an increase in the Nebraska membership of the Nebraska branch of the association. The "flying squadron" is quartered at the Paxton and was met there Thursday morning by C. J. Ochiltree, president, and C. L. Hopper, secretary of Omaha Post A, and President John Purcuppe of the state organization.

"The purpose of the visit of the flying squadron," said Secretary Hopper, "is to make a thorough canvass of Omaha, Lincoln and the other larger cities of the state, with a view to carrying out state membership up beyond the 1,100 mark. The present state membership is 753, so we have only a little over 100 more members to secure, and believe we are going to do it. Nebraska has thirteen delegates to the national convention of the association, which will meet at Norfolk, Va., in June. That convention will consist of the largest gathering of traveling men ever held in the country. We will entertain the national officers at luncheon Thursday evening at the Commercial club, and Friday evening the local post will give them a smoker at the Commercial club."

Fly to Lincoln. The flying squadron will leave Thursday night for Lincoln to arrange for the canvass for new members there, but will return to Omaha in time enough for the smoker in Omaha in the evening. The canvass for new members will be prosecuted in the Illinois extreme in Omaha Thursday and Friday, and a party of Post A, with the state officers will go to Lincoln to assist in the canvass there. The flying squadron will be given a banquet by the Lincoln post Saturday evening. The canvass for new members will be prosecuted in the Illinois extreme in Omaha Thursday and Friday, and a party of Post A, with the state officers will go to Lincoln to assist in the canvass there. The flying squadron will be given a banquet by the Lincoln post Saturday evening.

BRIEF NEWS FROM FLORENCE

Good Road Movement is Started—Eagles Hold an Important Session.

The city council road committee has been out this week looking up the good roads question. County commissioners have also been in the vicinity, and Florence and vicinity will have considerable work done on the roads in the future. The road running west from State street is well under way. A petition having been signed up for putting the road through directly west from Florence.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles of Florence held a regular business meeting Wednesday night in Wall's hall. Twelve candidates were taken through the mysteries of the order. The membership is now 120 and growing steadily. There is a contest on between fifteen members of the order and the degree team of the order. The next meeting night will be a social and entertainment session.

The Florence Pleasure club has been

started and a full organization will be perfected Saturday night at Wall's hall at 8 o'clock. Grounds have been leased for three years, and a base ball team will be organized Saturday night. The grounds are near the car line, and Florence being a good base ball town, the venture is an assured success.

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WORK OF THE CLUB WOMEN

Nebraska Child Labor Law Refers to Governor for Signature.

MRS. DRAPER SMITH DESERVES ITS CREDIT

Chicago Industrial Exhibition a Great Success and a Permanent Show Likely to Result from Its Start.

The child labor bill has passed both houses of the Nebraska legislature and goes to the governor for his signature. While the actual work of passing the bill through the legislature has necessarily been confined to a few, the club women may justly take much credit to themselves for this progressive legislation begun at their instance. Of those who have been untiring in their efforts in behalf of the bill Mrs. Draper Smith, who deserves special recognition. As chairman of the industrial committee of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs Mrs. Smith was largely instrumental in bringing about the concerted action of the clubs and subsequently in gaining the active support of the State and Omaha Bar associations, the State Teachers' association and others who contributed their influence. Two years ago Mrs. Smith gave the same valuable assistance to the juvenile court bill and it was her continued interest in it after it became a law that convinced her of the necessity of the supplementary legislation embodied in the child labor bill.

Railroad Mail Women. The Omaha Women's club of the Railroad Mail service was entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Edwin B. Holt, 2219 Maple street. After a brief business meeting, including reports from the various standing committees, Mrs. John Taylor gave a paper on "Duties of Officers to Their Clubs." Mrs. H. E. Gregory gave a paper on "Physical and Mental and Their Moral Effects." A social hour followed, Mrs. Charles Reynolds of Council Bluffs, Mrs. W. E. Berkman and Mrs. Oscar Hubbel being the guests of the afternoon. Luncheon was served later, the hosts being assisted by B. F. Wallace, Mrs. D. C. Dodds and Mrs. John Bittinger.

Chicago Industrial Exhibit. So successful was the industrial exhibit held at Chicago March 11 to 17 that its promoters are considering the feasibility of establishing a permanent exhibit. At the closing mass meeting held Sunday afternoon, March 17, a resolution was passed authorizing the building of an exhibit to appoint a committee to arrange for future exhibits. The result may involve an annual exhibit held on a still larger scale than the one just closed, and it is probable that permanent quarters will be secured for a museum comprising features of the industrial and of the municipal museum, which last year was housed at the public library. The attendance at the exhibit was so large the last few days that the capacity of Brook's Casino, where it was held, was taxed to accommodate the crowd. An admission fee was charged. A mass meeting was held in the afternoon, Mrs. Margaret Drier Robins presiding. William J. Brten, Miss Mary MacArthur, secretary of the British Women's Trade Union League; State Factory Inspector E. T. Davis, President John Fitzpatrick of the Chicago Federation of Labor and the Illinois Federation of Labor were among the speakers. Resolutions were passed urging the state legislature to pass the bills before it relating to the betterment of industrial conditions, these bills including the protecting of handworkers, the securing of sanitary and proper working conditions in factories and the special care of sanitation in food-producing establishments. The rousing of public sentiment, one of the chief purposes of the exhibit, was accomplished, the contrast of sweatshop conditions and wholesome shops and factories being one of the most effective exhibits. The conference accompanying the exhibit began with a mass meeting Sunday, March 10, and continued each morning and three evenings. The speakers included university professors, the state officials, labor leaders, settlement workers and all interested in the betterment of industrial conditions.

Invitation from Mrs. Decker. Through the official organ of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the Federation Bulletin, Mrs. Decker has issued the following: To Every Reader of the Federation Bulletin—Sometimes a great longing overwhelms the officer, having always on her mind the intention that the Federation come into closer touch with the many. The Federation is now so large that a letter to each member would be an impossible task. It would also return replies. But a postal card is within the reach of every member. During the month of April the Bulletin will make the name of every member who will send a postal card to the editor, to take the place of a handshake, and to give joy to the heart and courage to the hand. Remember the address, 155 Sherman avenue, Denver, Colo. At home during April, R. S. V. P. SARAH S. PLATT DECKER. Hotel Committee for Boston. The following bulletin has been issued by the press committee of the local biennial board of Boston: The committee on hotels has been appointed by the local biennial board, and consists of Mrs. Anna Miller, chairman, 12 Richardson street; Mrs. W. B. Clark, Mrs. Nellie L. Duggert, Miss Emma C. Fisher and Miss M. J. O'Connell. Other members will be added later. By vote of the local biennial board, Hotel Vendome has been selected as headquarters for the ninth biennial convention, the committee on hotels having made suitable arrangements with that hotel for the entertainment of the General Federation of Officers and delegates. Hotel Vendome is generally located on Commonwealth avenue, Boston, two blocks from the public library and art museum, and within walking distance of Symphony hall, where the biennial meetings will be held. It is one of the most reliable hotels in Boston, and has an enviable reputation for the entertainment of large conventions.

New General Federation Members. The following clubs have recently been admitted to the General Federation: Illinois—The Forum of Rockford. President, Mrs. Martha Strickland Clark. Fifty members. New Hampshire—The Newport Woman's club of Newport. President, Mrs. Maude S. Lewis. Sixty-two members. Nebraska—The Hastings Woman's club of Hastings. President, Mrs. J. D. French. Twenty-four members. Massachusetts—The Winchendon Woman's club of Winchendon. President, J. D. Henry. One hundred and ninety-eight members. The resignation of the Eradication club of St. Paul, Minn., has been received.

Prairie Fire Near Wallace. NORTH PLATTE, Neb., March 28.—(Special Telegram.)—A disastrous prairie fire occurred in the southwest part of Lincoln county last Thursday, and the town of Wallace came very near being wiped out. The fire started near Ogallala and when it had reached within five miles of Wallace, the wind suddenly changed and drove it directly toward Wallace. Before much could be done the fire had consumed the barn of C. M. Hayden and he lost three head of horses. At the same time two or three other buildings were in flames and had it not been for the strenuous work of the citizens, Wallace at this time would

in ruins. The country in the vicinity of Wallace was also greatly damaged. A barn and 1,200 bushels of corn were destroyed on the McWilliams farm. Dr. Rains lost his buildings except his house and also all his farm implements and grain. Mr. Swanson on the Smith farm lost his barn, four head of horses and all his wagons, harness and farm tools.

SLOW WORK IN THE KENNISON CASE

Calling of Witnesses is Not Expected Before Monday.

SCOTT'S BLUFF, Neb., March 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Slow progress is being made in securing a jury in the Kennison trial. Eight out of the twenty-two peremptory challenges have been exhausted and over sixty talesmen have already been examined. It is believed that if a jury is secured and a statement of the case made it will be all that can be accomplished before Saturday night adjournment.

FIVE YEARS IN PEN FOR HENDEE

Former Saline County Judge is Sentenced for Embezzlement.

WILBER, Neb., March 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Former County Judge Hendee, convicted of embezzling \$3,385 belonging to the estate of George Smith, the hermit, was today sentenced by Judge Hurd to five years in the penitentiary.

News of Nebraska.

BEATRICE—The new bank building at Ellis is enclosed and will be ready for occupancy in a few weeks.

CRANFORD—A light frost occurred Tuesday night, but did no damage to foliage which had started to bud.

STERLING—The Rev. A. L. Williams of Omaha confirmed a class of eleven persons in St. Luke's Episcopal church.

PLATTSMOUTH—Stinson Hansen, a farmer residing west of Plattsmouth, ate the heads of 19 matches. He is in a critical condition.

STERLING—A number of hunters who have been gunning on the Platte returned home Saturday. They bagged nineteen geese and a number of ducks.

BLUE HILL—An appeal is called for April 30 when a proposition will be submitted to the voters for the erection of a new Webster county court house.

BEATRICE—The Beatrice Lawn Tennis club held its first meeting on Tuesday at the election of L. B. Howe, president, and V. R. Johnson, secretary and treasurer.

NEBRASKA CITY—Mrs. Mary Stroud, who has been a resident of this city for several years, died at her home Tuesday aged 84 years. She leaves two sons, Oliver and William.

BEATRICE—The funeral of Mrs. M. A. Steele was held today at 10:30 o'clock from the home of her son, W. S. Bourne, and was held in the First Methodist church in Evergreen Home cemetery.

NORTH PLATTE—The contractors who have in charge the erection of the Masonic temple and the Odd Fellows building in town, and arrangements have now all been completed for the work to begin.

NEBRASKA CITY—In district court Mrs. Flamme was granted a divorce from William Flamme on several charges. Mr. Flamme lived several years in Nebraska and represented Otos county in the legislature.

BEATRICE—This week brings to a close the public sale season in this vicinity. While it has been a season of unusual activity, the sale of the public lands has been comparatively few of our farmers leaving this season.

NEBRASKA CITY—The Missouri river is continuing to cut the banks above and below the city, and unless it soon stops cutting it will be a matter of time before several good farms have already been swallowed this spring.

STERLING—The funeral of L. Le Leggett, whose death occurred at Lincoln, where he had gone for treatment, was held at the Methodist church in Sterling Tuesday in charge of the Modern Woodmen of America, of which order he had long been a member.

PLATTSMOUTH—Andy Bane, a prominent farmer residing east of Plattsmouth, died Tuesday at his home in Plattsmouth, and was buried in the city cemetery. He was 72 years of age and had been a resident of Plattsmouth for many years.

PLATTSMOUTH—A party of box car chimney reports and around Plattsmouth train to visit Omaha. The train crew being unable to persuade them to leave the train, they were taken to the city and taken to the city jail. They were taken to the city jail and taken to the city jail.

BEATRICE—The big concrete reservoir at the new plant at Beatrice, owned by the City of Beatrice, was filled with 30,000 gallons of water, burst and let the city and state officials and residents pair the break and it may be found necessary to hoop and brace the reservoir for the purpose for which it was built.

NORTH PLATTE—A further examination of the bridge at this time of the Union Pacific. For the purpose of the examination, Mr. Wheatley, assistant superintendent of the Union Pacific, and Mr. Harriman, chemist and engineer, and Mr. H. D. Traver, arrived in town from Omaha last night. The examination of the bridge will be taken from the White Horse bridge.

NORTH PLATTE—Sunday evening Prof. Carson of the North Platte Business college held one of the best lectures ever held in North Platte. All most all the churches united in a union meeting and the lecture was well attended. Mr. Carson did not make matters any fact that the Union Pacific in North Platte could be made better than they are.

OAKLAND—G. C. Rodman, who has been in charge of the business of the Rodman-Loschen Land company, which has offices at Omaha, Hooper and Sidney, this week purchased the business of the Rodman-Loschen Land company, which has offices at Omaha, Hooper and Sidney, this week purchased the business of the Rodman-Loschen Land company, which has offices at Omaha, Hooper and Sidney.

STERLING—The hot weather of the last week has caused the grass and wheat to

take on rapid growth and the fields are as green as they usually are on May 1. Frost is being made, and should be made weather come the fruit crop will be ruined. Tuesday evening the hot south wind gave way to a cold breeze from the north, but as yet there has been no frost. Farmers are now in full blast. The crops are sowed and plowing for corn is now being done.

NEBRASKA CITY—Nebraska City burglar continue to ply their vocation in this city and their victims are the saloon keepers. First it was Jewett Thomas who received a visit, next John Michelson and then Charles O'Brien. The last was Frank Egan who was shot and killed in the office of the Atlantic hotel, removed a piece of the door leading into the saloon and shot the burglar in the back of the head. The burglar was shot and killed in the office of the Atlantic hotel, removed a piece of the door leading into the saloon and shot the burglar in the back of the head.

NEBRASKA CITY—At the meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance union held at Dunbar, in which all of Otos county was represented, a very interesting program was held and there was a large attendance. A number of the most prominent workers in the cause were present. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, M. C. Morrison of Syracuse; vice president, Mrs. Minnie Stooker of Dunbar; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Theresa Andrews of Syracuse; recording secretary, Mrs. C. A. Sweed of Fairbury; treasurer, W. W. Reed of Syracuse.

NEBRASKA FROM DAY TO DAY

Quaint and Curious Features of Life in a Rapidly Growing State.

Advice from Nemaha county indicate that the "alfalfa craze" has reached the Missouri river.

One Fact Ascertained—This much is certain about the alfalfa craze. The robber got cold feet—Nortonville.

Weeping Water has a woman painter and paper hanger, who not only works in town, but drives into the country to decorate houses.

The Weeping Water Republican recalls the fact that twenty years ago a man planned to open a saloon in that town. It does not say whether he was released from the insane asylum.

From the way fruit buds are appearing Nebraska will have an early harvest of practically no fruit this year; but the "corn farmer" can buy fruit easier than the horticulturist can buy grain.

Peculiar Complaint in Nebraska—The property owners about town are cutting down many of the shade trees about their premises. It's a good work. Tecumseh has too many shade trees.—Tecumseh Journal.

Cornstalks Are Fatal—Wool Bros. recently turned a bunch of cattle in a stalk field; the next morning twenty-seven head lay dead. Now some one jump up and say they did not have proper care.—Omaha Correspondent Broken Bow Chief.

The man who sets fires in western Nebraska in these days stakes his popularity on a breeze. No one is so popular as the prairie fire chaser who starts a prairie fire such as they did toward the man who stole a horse in the earlier days.

Dogs Were Persistent—The neighborhood south of town engaged in a wolf hunt last Friday. No signs were taken, but as the dogs did not come home until the next afternoon there must have been a scared wolf.—Elk Creek Correspondence, Tecumseh Chiefman.

Bronchos Too Strong—Warren Robet's bronchos seem to be a little too much for him by the way, they scattered the mail wagon and harness Tuesday. No serious damage was done to horses or driver, but quite a little inconvenience.—Trumbull Correspondence, Clay Center Sun.

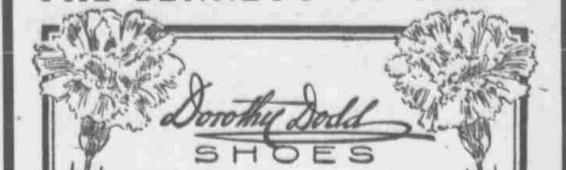
Enough Girls for All—Two young men of Bee engaged in a scrap one night last week over a young woman. Fortunately neither one got scratched or their complexions changed in the least, but the meat market got a broken window light. Boys, there is lots of girls.—Bee Correspondent Newark Blade.

The Contented Woman—After all, the woman who is so wholly wrapped up in her husband that she knows nothing only what "John" tells her, seems more contented and better satisfied with life than the woman who has ideas of her own and who is constantly getting out of her sphere.—Annie Vio Gates in Auburn Granger.

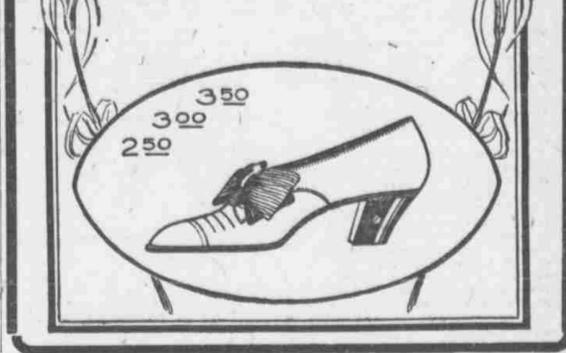
Muskrats Plentiful—George Douglas and Harvey Meyers went out the first of last week to hunt muskrats and returned today, bringing with them 1,019 of the little creatures. The hunting was extra good and every day was a red letter day for the hunters. They came to town and immediately shipped them to St. Louis. At the market price they will bring about 25 cents per head, so altogether the hunt netted Messrs. Douglas and Meyers about \$125 each profit.—Alliance Times.

Rushing Flour to China. CHICAGO, March 28.—It was announced today by the representatives of the Union Pacific and Chicago & Northwestern railroads that shipments of flour for the famine sufferers in China would be moved by expedited freight from Minneapolis to San Francisco. The flour will leave San Francisco on about April 3 on the United States transport Buford. The train carrying the shipment across the continent will be fifty cars long, each car carrying 40,000 pounds.

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STINGING BLOW TO DR. OSLER

Contempt Shown for His Doctrine in Selection of Aced Jurors.

THREE ARE OVER SEVENTY-YEAR LINE

Attorneys Ignore Quack Theory of Life and Also Legal Right in Accepting Old Men.

Contempt emphatic and uncompromising was shown the distinguished Dr. Osler and his famous doctrine in the presence of Judge Troup Thursday morning.

Three men over 70 years of age on one jury was the unusual sight witnessed in the criminal division of the district court where Jacob Miller was on trial for receiving stolen property. The three jurors with their ages were as follows: G. Stevens, 70 years; J. S. Bennett, 72 years; Fred Renner, 77 years.

The law allows the challenging of a juror over 60 years of age, but none of the three venerable gentlemen was rejected because of his age. In fact, it is believed by courts today that the 60-year age limit should be removed, for it is said a man who has lived in the world a long time is best fitted to judge in an unprejudiced manner of the disputes or shortcomings of his fellow men. Dr. Osler to the contrary notwithstanding.

The three jurors are well preserved men and all declare they are in their prime. "I didn't mark it down when I was born," said Mr. Renner, chuckling through his

long beard, "but I know I am 77 years old. I can't feel it in my bones. I'm just as young as I was in the war time. I could jump over that table."

"We're just as good as any of these young fellows," said Mr. Stevens, with a careless wave of the hand at his fellow jurors. "And if it came to staying out all night we could show them how to stand some hardship like we did in war time. These young bucks today are too delicate."

Mr. Bennett, who bears a striking resemblance to Mark Twain, with long curling gray hair and white mustache, proudly pointed out that he was older than Mr. Stevens.

"And I'm just as good as I was forty years ago. I've taken care of my health and I'm just as old as I feel."

Andrew Schenck. Member of the county council for the County of Grey, Ontario, and president of the Germania Fire Insurance company, recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for over a year, and can say that it has never failed to cure the most stubborn cough or cold. I can recommend it to any family as a sure and safe children's cough remedy.—Andrew Schenck, Aytton, Ont.

San Francisco Relief Work. WASHINGTON, March 28.—Estimates for relief work in San Francisco during March aggregated \$288,000. One-half of this amount is apportioned to the Red Cross and the other half to the local relief fund. The chief item in this estimate is \$200,000 for the completion of cottages. An estimate of \$300,000 is for rehabilitation.

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