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With the prospect of congressional enactments for increased pay for the army and the approaching cold weather, a decided stimulus is noticed in army recruiting. The Omaha recruiting station has reported that ranks among the most thrifty recruiting depots in the country. During the month of October thirty enlistments were made out of about seventy-five applications, and in November twenty-eight recruits were accepted out of sixty-seven applicants. Thus far in December there have been, in addition, three applications for enlistment and eight acceptances.

No diminution in the rigid physical and moral requirements for recruits has been observed and in fact they have been somewhat increased. The rejections have been largely because of recruits who are defective in various veins and flat feet, though many have been rejected for deficient moral qualifications.

All Branches of Service.

Enlistments are being made for all branches of the service at the Omaha station, the recruit being given the preference of the branch of service desired. Some have been made for the Philippine service, with a few re-enlistments. All of the recruits are sent to Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, for training and further examination, although the examinations at Omaha depot are sufficient reasonably to warrant the word and order of the station arrival at the Jefferson Barracks depot.

Naval enlistments are largely on the increase. The number enlisted at the naval recruiting station in the federal building during the month of November is largely in excess of the corresponding month of last year. The recruits for the naval service are invariably younger than for the army service and are as a rule young men of better physique than apply for enlistment in the army. The allotments of the naval service are also greater than in the army, affording a better opportunity for seeing the world and a man is taking advantage of this opportunity.

WHICH CHURCH SHALL I JOIN?

Evangelist Bennett Discusses Subject at Thursday Evening Meeting.

At the North Side Christian church last night Evangelist Bennett's subject was "A Bible Answer to Which Church Shall I Join?" The ordinance of baptism was administered at the beginning of the service, and all others who are ready will be baptized.

Mr. Bennett in answering this question goes back to the early church as it was organized and conducted by the early Christians, as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles and said in substance as follows: "In view of the fact that there are over 100 various religious bodies and most of them claim to be the true church of Christ, it does seem a difficult question as to how any one shall know or find out what church he ought to join. It can be simplified if we will recall one self-evident fact that since Christ came into the world to found a church, it is reasonable to suppose that He would name it, tell people how to enter into it, and give the rules and principles for its propagation and government. The New Testament is the guide from adjacent cities. Opening our New Testament we find it was called Church, Church of Christ, and Church of God. Its creed was the living Christ enthroned in the heart of every disciple. Its ordinances were the Lord's supper and baptism. Men of all nations were to be baptized by believing in the Christ, repenting of their sins, trying to keep the ordinances.

EAGLES SELECT OFFICERS

Thomas J. Flynn, a Post Entry, Chosen Worthy President for Ensuing Year.

Having been sprung as a "dark horse" at the very last minute, Thomas J. Flynn was elected by an overwhelming majority as worthy president for the ensuing year at the annual election of officers held by local No. 28, Post of Eagles, Thursday night, in Eagles' hall. Outside of the office of president, interest centered in the election of aerie physicians, as Secretary D. W. Cannon and Treasurer Dresher had no competition. The following officers were elected: Worthy president, Thomas J. Flynn; worthy vice president, Arthur Asher; worthy secretary, Dr. J. T. Mathews; secretary, D. W. Cannon; treasurer, A. V. Dresher; inside guard, M. W. Walters; outside guard, Joseph Hubank; trustees, K. S. Fisher, W. S. Stryker, E. S. Fiske; physicians, Dr. M. J. Ford, Dr. W. A. Hostetter.

The banquet consumed by the election committee in counting the ballots the aerie went into a social session, presided over by Dr. M. J. Ford. The large number present were entertained by a number of extemporaneous addresses by various members who were called by the chairman. The lecture was of deep interest. A number of plans were rendered by Prof. Henry E. Hanger.

LECTURE BY MISS WALLACE

Omaha Traveler Shows Interesting Castles of Europe and Tells of Them.

"Medieval Castles of Europe" was the subject of a stereopticon lecture given last evening in the assembly room of the city library building by Miss Janet Wallace. The lecture was for members of the Sunshine circle of the Young Women's Christian association, who attended with their friends.

The stereopticon belonging to the city library was used. This machine, as well as the large assembly room, are available always for free use by those giving lectures for educational purposes or to which no admission is charged. The slides used were made by Miss Wallace from photographs taken by herself while traveling in Europe.

The lecture was of deep interest. The most interesting and historic places in the castles of England and continental Europe were pointed out and the description being given by one personally familiar with every spot held the closest attention of the audience throughout.

Miss Wallace will give a stereopticon lecture in the assembly room next Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock for the employes of the library and their friends.

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At the Theaters

"The Man of the Hour" at the Boyd.

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Richard Morrison... Louis Hendricks
James Plunk... Robert Tule
Ferry Carter Wainwright

Judge Newman... William Lloyd
Henry Thompson... R. D. Cain
William Ingram... M. J. G. McQuarrie
Alderman Roberts... Edward Dewey
Henry Williams... Alexander G. Carleton
Arthur Payne... William Cullington
John Mills... Robert Tule
Dallas Wainwright... Ruby Bridges
Cynthia Garrison... Cecil Kern
Mrs. Bennett... Ethel Brandon

Some very tense moments are afforded by "The Man of the Hour." In the second act the hero is asked to choose between bringing financial ruin on the girl he loves, as well as on his rival, his motive being deliberately misrepresented, or prove himself to his trust.

In the third act he is called upon to tell his mother that her dead husband's father, whom his mother idolizes and adores, was a thief, and prove it to her and to hear himself denounced as an unworthy thing by the girl he loves, and in the fourth act he has to choose again between his love and his duty. It is needless to say, though, that in each of these four several instances he determines to do right, to fight the grafters to the bitter end, and that, as the curtain goes down, the girl is in his arms. But the very apparent ending of the play does not at any time detract from the dramatic possibilities of the situations, and the assurance that the boy mayor is going to do right doesn't make it any the easier to the watcher of his struggles.

Mr. Broadhurst has taken a leaf from the same book that furnished his material for "The Lion and the Mouse." Only where John Burnett Ryder had federal judges and United States senators for his puppets, Boss Morrison contents himself with city councilors and the judges of the district court. In both instances the Money Devil gets his, and gets it plenty.

At the risk of being accused of changing graft and defending grafters, the Bee ventures the assertion that, unless it might have been in St. Louis or San Francisco, no such boss or bosses ever flourished. Due regard for Steffens is taken in making this assertion. Apart from his exaggeration, this book is a splendidly written, is splendidly presented and deserves the applause heaped upon it. "The Man of the Hour" may not be an object lesson, but it does show that at the theater at least it pays to be good.

Lionel Adams has the role of Alwyn Bennett, the son of a rich man who is made mayor because the boss thought he could handle him, and who proves himself the man of the hour. Mr. Adams has many qualities that aid him in his portrayal of

the part. He is a fine looking chap at the start, and has a splendid voice, deep, rich and full, with a caressing quality in its tone at times, and under perfect control. He has an excellent notion of proportion, too, and deftly develops his situations, which are many, to the end that they are given with such force as very accurately complete an excellent performance.

Of the two "bosses," Morrison, who bosses a party and Phelan, who bosses a ward, much might be said. Morrison is an impossibility in American politics. Mr. Hendricks gives him the appearance of a freight conductor of the old school, and the manners of a Mississippi river steamboat mate dealing with a lot of roustabouts. Coarse and brutal in every respect, it is hardly probable that even in the most corrupt of municipalities such a character could rise to any important position. Power cannot be gained by such a man, much less held. Phelan, on the other hand, is a type that abounds; he makes friends by doing something for them, and is respected by only asking their votes. People vote for such a man from gratitude rather than from fear, and he knows it. In this play Charles Wainwright is the personal representative of the Money Devil, and Mr. Armstrong makes him one of the conventional sort. Same is true of Mr. Davis' presentation of Gibbs, the rival in love of the mayor. Mr. Cain gives a fine finish to his part of Henry Thompson, private secretary to Wainwright, his denunciation and triumph being well brought off. Mr. Butterfield's juvenile part is also well done.

Miss Bridges has in her favor a fine presence, and goes through with a rather exacting role very well. She attains her results very naturally. Miss Brandon makes Mrs. Bennett a charming mother, just the sort any man might be glad to have. The minor parts in the bill are done in keeping with the whole, which is good.

The play and the company were well received by a large audience at the Boyd last evening, and the climaxes brought warm applause as did many of the popular speeches through the play.

"Easter Brown" at the Krug.

The Buster Brown Amusement company presented the cartoon musical comedy, "Easter Brown," to a well filled house at the Krug theater Thursday evening. Master Rice takes the role of Easter and the complications that he and his dog Tige get into keep the audience in a continual roar of laughter. They mix up especially strong in Jack Winn's and Buster Sweet's love affair and take many daring chances on getting scaped, but always escape serious injury. The musical part of the play is exceptionally good. The Musical Trio furnishes some genuine treats on several different instruments. The chorus girls sing well, dance well and are passing fair. Nellie Nichols sings some character songs that make a decided hit, and Robert Gray as a song and dance artist in a class by himself and is recalled until one would think he would drop from exhaustion. The entire company is strong and are truly entitled to be called an amusement company, for they do really amuse.

CHURCH FAIRS IN PROGRESS

Crowds Buy Christmas Goods and Incidentally Aid to Funds of Churches.

The Third Presbyterian bazaar and luncheon Thursday day and evening, was a pleasant and successful affair. The women are adding a fine lot of "Mitts" to the repair fund. They recently voted \$22 out of a fund already secured. The coun-

cil has a large var-colored map, marked in squares of indebtedness and they are being crossed off commendably.

The annual bazaar and church dinner of the Kountze Memorial church was larger and better this year than usual. It began Thursday in the church parlors. The sale of fancy and useful articles has been gratifying.

The sale of fancy articles by the ladies of the First Methodist Episcopal church of South Omaha in the Scargo block Thursday was very encouraging. The assortment of toilet articles and fine needlework made an attractive display. While the abundance of useful home-made articles created a large demand, the luncheon was well patronized.

ROYAL ARCANUM ENTERTAINS

Dancing, Cards and Music Furnish an Evening of Pleasant Memory.

Union Pacific council No. 1058, Royal Arcanum, entertained its members and friends at the Banquet Thursday evening at cards and dancing.

The large dining room was devoted to cards, while the ball was given in the large ball room just off the dining room. The dining and ball rooms were very prettily decorated with flowers for the occasion. Over 200 members of the order and their women friends were present, including a number of visitors from adjacent cities.

Following cards Miss Emille Gehring, who has recently completed a course of vocal music under some of the best European teachers, sang "Ecstasy," by Mrs. Beach, with Mrs. Maude Stevens as piano accompanist.

Following the musical number the remainder of the evening was given over to dancing, which continued to a late hour. Light refreshments were served during the evening. The affair throughout was a most delightful social success and brilliant in all respects.

BRYAN ON THE POINT OF VIEW

Peerless Leader Will Discuss that Subject at the Banquet Saturday Night.

W. J. Bryan telegraphs from Pittsburg announcing his final arrangements to attend the Dahlgren Democracy banquet Saturday night and to deliver an address. His subject will be "The Point of View."

The committee in charge of the arrangements states the doors will be thrown open to diners at 7:30 o'clock and to the general public at 8. Persons holding tickets, either for the dinner or for box seats, will enter the auditorium through the doors on Howard street. The doors at the main entrance on Fifteenth street will be for the accommodation of those who will not have tickets before Saturday night, a limited number will be on sale at the box office, but these must be taken before 5 o'clock.

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