

BOYS ADDRESS CONFERENCE

They Put Growups in Background at Tri-City Meeting.

WARREN HOWARD PRESIDENT

Officers Chosen for First Year of Newly Formed Organization—Members of High School Faculty Speak.

A discussion of boys and boy work and their social, physical, and moral problems, occupied the Saturday morning session of the Tri-City Boys' conference at the Young Men's Christian association...

Warren Howard, representing Immanuel Baptist church, and Stanton Salisbury of North Presbyterian church discussed the Sunday school's opportunity in working with boys...

The address of welcome was delivered by Glenn Stine, vice president of the Nebraska State Boys' conference...

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Harry East, chairman of the committee on what might be done toward stimulating interest among the boys in this work...

The conference closes Sunday afternoon at 1:30, the income from which amounts to \$150 per month.

W. A. Haberstro, field secretary of the Brotherhood of St. Paul, district, told of the influence of the work exerted by the conference in the work being done in Omaha, Council Bluffs and South Omaha.

One of the features of the conference will be the organization of a college club by the young men and boys who contemplate going to college...

Verdict for Mrs. Ingersoll

Widow of Orator is Given Judgment for \$170,000 Against Davis Estate.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—Legal services of the value of \$170,000, rendered by the late Robert G. Ingersoll were recognized today in a decree by Judge Hammond of the Massachusetts supreme court.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—At a special meeting of the democratic state committee shortly to be held here it is understood that James J. Hagan, Tammany leader of the Pittsfield assembly district, will present the following resolution:

Resolved, That we felicitate the militant democracy of the great state of Missouri upon their early recognition of the statesmanlike qualities of Warren Howard...

Resolved, That we assure the Missouri democracy that at the proper time the democracy of the Empire state will join them in an effort to make New York's mayor the next president of the United States.

It is understood, however, that Mayor Gaynor will not accept the invitation of the Jeffersonian club of Springfield, Mo., to attend their annual dinner.

That some action will have to be taken by the state to protect the farmers of the eastern part of the state...

A number of years ago William Cuppy, a wealthy farmer living near Avoca, maintained a large deer preserve on his farm.

At that time the deer were taken care of by the state game warden Lincoln of Iowa on the latter's return from the south, where he now is.

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Prof. Phillip May Take Place

Member of Faculty of University of Nebraska Considers Place Offered by Government.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Prof. F. N. Phillip of the University of Nebraska has been tendered an appointment as an Indian forester at \$3,000 per year.

The controller of the currency has approved applications to organize national banks as follows: The First National bank of Shannon City, Ia., with \$25,000 capital, by M. L. Roberts, E. T. Duffer, Frank Wolfe, S. M. Tennis and Ben E. Clark...

The United States National bank of Omaha has been approved as reserve agent for the First National of Missouri, Mont.

Rural carriers have been appointed as follows: Nebraska—Carlton, route 2, Milton B. Frank carrier, J. R. Potter substitute; Lincoln, route 7, Milton T. Harris carrier, Laura Harris substitute...

Iowa—Bedford, route 5, R. G. Melvin carrier, Bertha M. Melvin substitute; Conway, route 1, Norman L. Carmichael carrier, Ethel Cawthra substitute...

Nebraska postmasters appointed: Valmo, Saunders county, Edith Isaacson, vice A. M. Holmes, resigned; Smyrna, Nuckolls county, F. J. Jones, vice O. E. Stuehert, resigned.

South Dakota—Ellik Point, route 3, Byron P. Smythe carrier, no substitute.

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SMOOT DEFENDS TARIFF LAW

Senator Says it is Not Cause of High Prices for Food.

ALL VALUES ARE ADVANCED

Greatest Rise is in Items on Free List or on Articles on Which Duties Have Been Reduced.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Senator Reed Smoot of Utah, republican, has heard from democratic sources that possibly the Payne tariff bill recently enacted might have something to do with the advanced cost of living.

He disputed it indignantly last night at the banquet of the silk association with a defense of protection in general.

"The tariff bill passed at the last session of congress," said Senator Smoot, "is the best tariff measure ever enacted into law.

"In America we live in better houses, we sleep in better beds, we eat more and better food, we wear warmer and better clothing, our children attend better schools, we enjoy more of the comforts of life than any other people in any other country on the globe.

"I take it you are all alike interested in the general prosperity of the nation. We are all alike desirous of so safeguarding our industries as to insure our prosperity. We have such a safeguard and we call it protection.

"I deny that the tariff act of 1890 is the cause of the advance in the cost of living. The greatest advances have been upon articles on the free list, or upon which the duties were decreased, or upon which no advance was made over the Dingley rate.

It is also notable that the extreme advances are upon the products of the farms; yet the advance received by the farmer is insignificant in comparison with the increase paid by the consumer.

Investigation, said Senator Smoot, has shown that there is an increase of from 50 to 60 per cent in the price paid by the ultimate consumer over the cost of manufacture of many imported and domestic articles. "Something is wrong," he said, "in a system of distribution which will allow such results.

"Prices are advancing all over the world, in free trade countries as well as in protection countries. The supply has not kept up to the demand.

Representative Phillip Pitt Campbell of Kansas supported Senator Smoot in his defense of the tariff, and added: "It is said that prices of farm and food products are high. They are high. That is one of two things that makes our cost of market in the world. The other factor is the high standard of wages for American workmen."

SALES OF STAMPS INCREASE

Fifty Largest Postoffices Show Big Gains in Receipts.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—An unusually heavy increase is reported at fifty of the largest postoffices of the country during the month of January. Forty-nine of the fifty offices reported an increase in receipts as compared with the corresponding month of last year.

The general increase over the corresponding month of last year was 1.73 per cent at Dayton, O., to 27.81 per cent at Hartford, Conn.

The five postoffices showing the greatest percentage of increase in receipts over January of last year were Hartford, Conn., Springfield, Mass., Portland, Ore., Denver, Colo., and Chicago, Ill.

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Verdict Against Laura Biggar

Mrs. Charles C. Hendrick of Brooklyn is Given Judgment for \$75,000 in Alienation Suit.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A verdict of \$75,000, said to be the largest ever rendered in an alienation suit, was awarded today to Mrs. Charles C. Hendrick of Brooklyn against Laura Biggar, the former actress, accused of alienating the affections of Mrs. Hendrick's divorced husband, Dr. Charles C. Hendrick. Mrs. Hendrick sued for \$100,000.

Neither the defendant, who is said to be in California, nor Dr. Hendrick appeared at the trial, but were represented by counsel. Both were indicted several years ago for conspiracy in a sensational contest to win control of the \$1,000,000 estate of Henry M. Bennett, a Pittsburgh theatrical manager. Mrs. Biggar, the painter and Dr. Hendrick's convicted, but he later secured a new trial and was freed.

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Gaynor Plans Double Duty

Rumor that New York Mayor Will Assume Duties of Police Commissioner.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Mayor Gaynor may abolish the office of police commissioner in New York and assume the duties himself, it was rumored today.

The rumor was given color by the fact that Commissioner Baker had left on a ten days' vacation and by the mayor's refusal to discuss Baker's rumored removal or resignation.

Mrs. Gaynor ending an interview with the words: "How would I do for commissioner myself?"

If Baker returns, it is said, he will be only a figurehead.

Sale of Table Backs.

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M. PASQUALE WAS IN OMAHA

Suspected Blackhand Landed Through Officers Here.

WOMAN GETS BIG VERDICT AGAINST FATHER OF HUSBAND

Unique Alienation Suit Raises Interest of Public at Clear Lake, S. D.

MAZZEO PASQUALE, an Italian now under arrest at Denver on the charge of being a member of the Black Hand organization which flourishes in the east, is said to have been in Omaha about two weeks ago and to have gone from this city to Denver, where he has been arrested by the post-office authorities.

Pasquale is said to have threatened a leading Italian banker of Geneva, N. Y., with death if the banker did not give him money.

Pasquale succeeded in getting considerable cash in this manner from his victim. Coming west he sought to organize several gangs to work along the same lines as the Black Hand people work in the east. He continued to call on the Geneva banker for funds, but the police of Geneva traced him to Omaha and notified the local police department to look out for the man.

When he was here it is said he had the name of Mariano Stefano Paluca; he was waiting for the letter which he had directed sent in care of a well known Italian of Omaha. A letter was received at the Omaha postoffice for the man, but it was registered and he failed to call for it. Getting word in some way that the detectives were after him, he left the city, probably going to Denver.

The letter he wrote to the Geneva banker was as follows: "Dearest Friend: I wrote you a letter to