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Funeral of Miss McBride—The funeral of Miss McBride, who died Tuesday morning, will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence, 214 North Seventeenth street. The interment will be in Forest Lawn cemetery. The Knights of Pythias will have charge of the services.
New Officers of Corn Exchange Bank—At a meeting of the directors of the Corn Exchange National bank held Tuesday, two more officers of the bank were elected. H. P. Marshall was made vice president, and L. H. Tate was chosen as assistant cashier. The election held Tuesday was merely to choose those officers who were not appointed at the directors' annual meeting held January 1.

To Repair the Jail—Plans and specifications for improvements in the city jail, which will put the building in a sanitary condition are being prepared in the plumbing inspector's office. A resolution was passed by the city council Tuesday night ordering the city clerk to advertise for bids as soon as the plans are completed. The repairs will cost in the neighborhood of \$75,000, according to the plumbing inspector.

Tom Thum's Wedding—A Tom Thum wedding in which about sixty young folks of the Clifton Hill Presbyterian church will participate is planned for Friday evening, February 24. The bride, groom, clergyman and all attendants will be under 25 years of age, and all will be married in appropriate wedding apparel. Supper will be served following the ceremony by the juniors to the wedding party and guests. The affair will be given under the auspices of the women of the church, and Olive Orion Anderson will be in charge.

Weld as Accused to Cutting—Gus Kerbet of Cleveland, O., was arrested by Officer A. A. Rich Wednesday morning in connection with the stabbing of John Dasher by George Farrell in the Gospel Mission at Thirteenth and Douglas street Tuesday night. Kerbet is held at the city jail on the charge of cutting with intent to wound, says that Kerbet handed him the knife with which he did the cutting. Kerbet stoutly denies having done so. He will be held as an accessory to the crime. Dasher is reported at the Omaha General hospital as being out of any imminent danger.

Old Man Has a Severe—Peacefully reading the evening paper in his home at 815 Pacific street, J. B. Metcalf received the scare of his life Tuesday night when a wild-eyed man burst in the door, excitedly accused Metcalf of stealing his two girls and, grabbing him about the throat, started to choke him. Metcalf, who is an elderly man, was putting up a losing fight when help arrived. His assailant was arrested on the charge of drunkenness. At the station he gave the name of Thor Knutson. In police court Wednesday morning he could remember nothing of the night before, and was fined \$15 and costs on the charge of drunkenness.

Ward Trial of Suit—The case of Ward against The Aetna Insurance company is being heard Wednesday before Judge Sutton. This case has been heard by Judge Sears four times and has been reversed by the supreme court three times. The action is for \$1,500 on an accident policy taken out by Frank Ward in favor of his mother, Ward, a Union Pacific fireman, was injured August 1, 1906. He died August 17 of the same month. The plaintiff declares he came to his death as result of injuries to his foot and side, while the defense holds that he came to his death as result of drinking too much for water on his first trip after the injury.

JUDGE REDICK DEFENDS HIS RECENT DECISION

Judge Redick's recent decision on the appeal of the Wilson case has been defended by Judge Redick in a recent issue of the Chicago Record-Herald and because of the head and appended story, Judge W. A. Redick of Omaha is justly indignant. In effect it is made to appear that Judge Redick recently rendered a decision that makes it only necessary to marry a second time to escape payment of alimony due to a former wife. Many Chicago jurists are quoted to prove wrong Redick in the wrong.

Judge Redick admits the facts as made to appear, that he undoubtedly would be in the wrong. He says the reporter twisted the facts to suit his own purpose and explains the situation as follows: "About two years ago Laura Winters of Lincoln was granted a divorce from her husband and was allowed alimony of \$15 a month. About a year later the husband moved to Omaha and married again. Then the former wife had her judgment transferred to Douglas county and carried the wages of her former husband. On the hearing of the garnishment before Judge Redick, about two weeks ago, the former husband claimed his wages exempt, being a married man with no homestead or personal property worth in the excess of \$500. The question then was, who had the better right, the wife under her judgment, or the new community established by the second marriage. Judge Redick held that as much as there was no exception in the statute to aid the former wife, that on the grounds of public policy, the claims of the new community were superior to the claims of the former wife, by reason of judgment for permanent alimony. The question has gone to the supreme court for final determination.

Judge Redick says the judgment against the first wife is as valid today as the day given, and that should he ever become possessed of property, the judgment could be collected, but that so long as he has nothing but his salary he believes his salary should not be taken because it is against the policy of the law to discourage marriages, but is rather to encourage them.

"Assuming this to be true then," argues Judge Redick, "if a man were ever married, divorced and remarried, the average man would never marry again were this not true, because of his inability to support two families."

Building Permits.
Annie Hansen, Thirty-ninth and Gold streets, frame dwelling, \$80; T. C. Miley, 219 North Thirtieth street, frame dwelling, \$1,200; D. K. Shriver, 437 North Twenty-seventh street, frame barn, \$100; V. Rasmussen, Twenty-ninth and Vinton streets, frame dwelling, \$1,000; Rasmussen, Twenty-ninth and Vinton streets, frame dwelling, \$1,000.

ASSOCIATED AD MEN GROWING

Membership Has Doubled Since Last Convention in Omaha.

VISITOR TALKS TO LOCAL CLUB

Great Preparations Are Being Made to Entertain Ad Artists of America at the Next Annual Convention.

Because Omaha made such splendid showing as it did in entertaining the Associated Ad Clubs of America last July, the association has grown like a city in the night. This was the statement made by Sam C. Dobbs, president of the association, on his arrival in Omaha Wednesday morning. Mr. Dobbs, who later was to address the local ad club at its luncheon, made a remarkable report relating to the ad clubs, and the forthcoming convention in Boston, August 1, 2, 3 and 4.

"As many new members have been admitted to the association since January, as were in the entire association at the Louisville convention two years ago."

"Inside of thirty days after the convention in Omaha last July, a tentative program set down on paper had been arranged for the convention which is to be held in Boston."

Three cities have begged to have the privilege of taking the ad men's association in a body from Boston and giving them a wonderfully good time in their city the day following the convention.

The foregoing are some of the statements Mr. Dobbs made in the interview. He reported the complete program of entertainment and business which is to take place at the convention, and announced that nearly 2,000 men from all over the country would be in attendance at the great affair.

Mr. Dobbs is accompanied by D. N. Graves, treasurer of the Boston club, in a tour across the country. Mac Martin, another official in the national association, is making a tour of the northwest.

The Pilgrim Publicity club is the name of the Boston association which is to entertain the visiting host at the convention. It has received from the business men of the city a fund of \$15,000 to spend on taking care of the convention. Moonlight excursions on the bay, theater parties and every conceivable sort of diversion will be given to the ad men. A delegation from New York City will have a special boat to take them to the city of Boston, and will make its headquarters in the boat in Boston harbor. A delegation from Gotham is to come down in a special train.

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City Council Starts Its Censorship of the Omaha Theaters

First Visit is Made to the Gayety, with the Krug on the List for Last Night.

The judiciary committee of the city council, to which the ordinance for the regulation and censorship of theaters and moving picture shows was referred, started its tour of investigation of the theaters Tuesday night.

After the meeting of the city council five members of the body visited the Gayety theater, where they were received with open arms by the management. The committee consisted of Councilmen Berka, Johnson, Burmeister, Hummel and Schroeder.

"From what I saw at the Gayety there is nothing that can be objected to," said Mr. Schroeder. "The show was simply an exhibition of high-class burlesque. There was nothing objectionable in the program and nothing that should have been eliminated."

The committee continued its tour last night, when it visited the Krug theater, which also offers burlesque. The committee visited moving picture shows yesterday afternoon.

The junket of the theaters was proposed after the Barons Union offered an ordinance to the council regulating the moving picture shows of Omaha. A resolution including theaters was passed by the members of the council.

PIONEER PREACHER OF NEBRASKA

He Preached the First Sermon in Omaha Sixty-one Years Ago.

Pioneer Preacher is Ninety-Five Years Old and Still Active

Rev. Harrison Presson, Who Preached the First Sermon in Omaha Sixty-one Years Ago.

On the 15th day of February, 1850, near Farmington, in the state of Maine, Rev. Harrison Presson was born. In 1858 he moved with his parents to Cincinnati, O. In 1866 he moved to Illinois. In 1868 he was commissioned first lieutenant in the Fifty-fifth Illinois infantry and went to the front. He has been a Methodist minister for sixty-five years, and preached the first sermon that was delivered in Omaha in 1869, while on his way to California. He is the father of fourteen children. He lives at the present time in Wabash, Neb. He is quite active and preaches occasionally. He was 85 years old yesterday.

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Mrs. G. E. Norman, the proprietress, in compliance with instructions from the health officers, had lighted formaldehyde candles, placing them all about the house in order to thoroughly fumigate it. She did not think would harm the nurse and her patient in the upper room, as she knew the door was shut. As the fumes filled the house they began to pour through cracks around the door. Mrs. Carlson opened the door a little, but soon perceived that egress through the hall was impossible. Opening the window wide, she and her patient leaned out on the sill. She then called the attention of Mrs. Norman in the kitchen below, by dropping heavy articles upon the floor. Mrs. Norman ran outside and, in compliance with Miss Carlson's request, managed to throw some old rags up to the window. With these the nurse stuffed up the cracks about the door and stopped the influx of the stifling fumes.

By leaning far out of the window Miss Carlson and her patient were able to breathe with comparative comfort, until the doors had been opened and the house somewhat cleared of the formaldehyde fumes. Both escaped any injurious effects. Davis is a student at the Creighton Medical college.

Col. Cody Wins Race With Grim Reaper

Hastens Many Miles to the Bed-side of His Dying Sister in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Helen Cody Wetmore, sister of Colonel W. F. Cody, died February 8 at Los Angeles of cerebral hemorrhage at the age of 59 years, after an illness of some weeks.

Colonel Cody, who was at his mines in Arizona when he heard of his sister's sickness, made a race against the grim reaper and reached the bedside of his sister just before she died.

Colonel Cody was at his mining camp, forty-five miles north of Sentinel, Ariz., to which place the message was forwarded. From Sentinel it was carried to him by one of his engineers, who risked his life in swimming the Gila river, which had become swollen by heavy rains, in order to reach the colonel.

"We immediately started for Pasadena," said Colonel Cody, in speaking of the race against time. "After a racing drive to Sentinel we reached the Gila river, which was a mile and a half wide and full of logs and trees. Myself and companions, Bob Anderson, Emil Zellau and Jack Saunderman, who accompanied me here, ferried across in a little skiff. All were soaked before we reached the opposite side."

"We then boarded a stage for Tucson, and I believe killed the driver's best horses in the mad dash. Arrived there, we boarded the first train leaving and reached here only to learn of the death of my best friend, Mr. Norton, and that my sister was dying and unable to recognize me."

Colonel Cody was still attired in the red flannel shirt, trousers of rough cloth and other wearing apparel fitted for mountain climbing, which he wore when the news of his sister's serious illness reached him. He had not stopped to change clothes.

WALTER MARTIN GIVES UP HIS LONG STRUGGLE

Young Man Dies at a Local Hospital After Long and Heroic Fight for Life.

Ending a heroic struggle to survive after many months of illness of an ailment little understood by medical specialists, Walter K. Martin, 23 years old, passed away at the Clarkson Memorial hospital Wednesday morning. Tuberculosis of the spine, at first diagnosed two years ago as appendicitis, was the disease which brought death. Mr. Martin was encased in a plaster cast from early last June, when the true nature of the affliction was discovered, until a few days before he died.

The young man attracted widespread attention among physicians who heard of the case, not only from the strangeness of the ailment which had fastened upon him, but for the stoicism he possessed. Paralyzed and with heart action and strength gone to the last ebb, he lived through sheer nerve.

Martin's home was at O'Neill, Neb. He had been homesteading in Tripp county for a long time after he first became ill. About two years ago he underwent an operation for appendicitis, through an erroneous diagnosis.

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Commercial Club is for Reciprocity

Executive Committee Adopts Resolution and Will Send it to Chicago.

Complete favor for the proposed reciprocity trade agreement between the United States and Canada was voted by the executive committee of the Commercial club, according to the report given out Wednesday morning. The resolution to this effect will be presented at the reciprocity banquet which is to be given by the Chicago Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening in Chicago.

Those who represent Omaha at the banquet are Messrs. C. C. Rosewater, general manager of The Omaha Bee; H. H. Baldrige and Gerrit Fortson.

OMAHA MAY BE PLACED ON THE MOTORCYCLE CIRCUIT

Officers Are Elected for the Local Club, Which Boosts Its Membership.

Omaha may be placed on the national circuit of motorcycle racing as well as motor car. If the plans now on foot go through, The Motorcycle club of Omaha, which is a member of the Federation of American Motorcyclists, has voted to try and bring this city on the national circuit and will start the work towards attaining that object at once.

State Commissioner S. F. Board assured the Omaha club that it had a good chance to get the races and that it would bring some national riders here. The club is going to start by boosting its Federation of American Motorcyclists membership. Officers for the year were elected, H. C. Pierce being chosen president, T. F. Barnett, vice president, and Charles Rosenberry, secretary.

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