

Hotel Clerks Bring Their Wives to the Convention



—Photo by Herbert-Shower, Omaha, Dec. Moines, Lincoln.
GROUP OF MEMBERS OF THE NEBRASKA AND IOWA HOTEL CLERK'S ASSOCIATION WHO HAVE BEEN MEING IN OMAHA THIS WEEK.

ST. MARKS' ANNIVERSARY

English Lutheran Church Commemorates Twenty-Fifth Year.

HAS THREE DAYS' CELEBRATION

Well Known Speakers Will Tell the Story of the Growth of the Church During Quarter Century.

St. Mark's English Lutheran church, Twentieth and Burdette streets, will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the church with services commencing Sunday and continuing through Tuesday evening. The program will be as follows:
Sunday, December 10—
Sunday school, 9:45 p. m.
Anniversary sermon, Rev. George H. Schuur, 11 a. m.
Addresses, Lutheran pastors of Omaha, 2 p. m.
Jubilee sermon, twenty-fifth anniversary, Luther M. Kuhar, 7:30 p. m.
Monday, 7:30 p. m.—
Addresses, visiting pastors and friends of the congregation.
Tuesday, 7 p. m.—
History of St. Mark's, J. F. Wilhelm, and addresses by various members, followed by social.

History of the Church.

In the early part of the year 1886 it was thought by residents of what was then the north part of Omaha that an English Lutheran church should be established in that part of the city. In May of the same year an English Lutheran Sunday school was organized in a hall over a store at Twenty-fourth and Clark streets, with a membership at the beginning of forty-six. In the same room, December 12, 1886, the St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran church was organized with twenty-four charter members, of which number at present four remain as regular attendants. A frame chapel was built at Twenty-first and Burdette streets, and June, 1887, the congregation moved into this. These people are now located in a modern brick building, seating capacity 250, at Twentieth and Burdette streets, into which they moved March, 1907.
During the twenty-five years this organization has existed there have been enrolled 262 as members, twenty-four of which have been taken away by death and seventy-six by removal, leaving the present membership 182. Five pastors have served these people:
Rev. George H. Schuur, August, 1886, to July, 1889.
Rev. J. G. Griffith, January, 1890, to April, 1892.
Rev. J. S. Detwiler, April, 1892, to December, 1893.
Rev. W. L. Remberg, December, 1894, to June, 1896.
Rev. Leonard Grob, present pastor, since June, 1896.

Manual Training to Begin at Park

The Park school department of manual training will open for the first time this year Monday morning in charge of Miss Stella Flanagan, an experienced teacher. The new eight-room annex to the Windsor school will open a manual training department, two rooms being occupied by this branch and four other rooms being used for regular classes. Miss Craig will be in charge.
Miss Craig was prepared to open the manual training department at Windsor September 1, but was unable to do so for lack of space. Miss Flanagan has been teaching in the seventh grade at the Monmouth school, but will now devote her time exclusively to her duties at the Windsor.
Manual training is compulsory in the fifth, sixth and seventh grades, but the difficulty has been to provide for all the children who wanted to take the work. The course has proved very attractive to students in all grades and large numbers have wanted to engage in it.

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The first of the steel columns for the eighteenth and last story of the Woodmen of the World building is hoisted into place and as workmen fastened the rivets in the upright, an American flag broke out from the top of the great metal beam, 250 feet above the curb line.
The placing of the balance of the steel for the eighteenth story of the building will be completed this week. This marks a record in steel construction, not only in Omaha, but in the United States.

The Noelke-Richards company that has the contract under the Selden, Breck Construction company, general contractors, commenced the wrecking of the old Milton Rogers three-story building July 11. Excavations for the foundation soon commenced and October 19, the first steel column was placed. Since then the work has progressed night and day.

Expenses of City Smaller Next Year

Pursuant to the demand of the city council heads of departments of city government are preparing estimates of the expenditures necessary to maintain their offices and departments during the next year.

A few officials have completed their estimates and announce that, without hindering the work of their departments, the expenses for 1912 will be less than in 1911. More money will be demanded by some departments which have felt the burden of smaller appropriations than were needed this year, but the aggregate amount to be expended will not pass \$1,000,000, the cost of the city's government each year.
During the last week in December the finance committee of the council will meet and pass on the estimates and final action will be taken on them the second week in January.

Four Men Arrested for Alleged Thefts

Four Omaha men have been arrested on suspicion of having been connected with the recent thefts of plumbing from vacant houses. They are Harry Smith, Twenty-second and Leavenworth streets, Allan Huston, 719 North Twenty-second street; William Firth, 1233 South Eleventh street, and Frank Myers, 821 South Twentieth street.
The three latter were arrested late yesterday afternoon by motorcycle officers Emery and Wheeler. A report came to the station that three men had broken into an empty house at Twenty-first and Cuming streets and were tearing out the plumbing. Emery and Wheeler were dispatched to the scene. The men had left the house before the officers arrived, but they arrested two of them later.

Santa is Deluged in Sea of Letters

Poor old Santa Claus is so swamped with work that he fears he will not have time to open and read all the letters that have been directed to him, and he has written an appealing letter to the postmaster asking for help. The postmaster has concluded that all the Santa Claus letters shall be turned over to the Associated Charities or any such organization, instead of being sent to Santa's home at the North Pole. All of the Santa Claus letters mailed in the Fourteenth Division of the railway mail service are sent to this office and they will be turned over to any charitable organization that desires them.

Awards Received for School Work

The Board of Education has received a check from Miss Anna V. Day, superintendent of the industrial department of the Lincoln schools, covering the value of the prizes won by the Omaha schools at the exhibit during the recent convention of the State Teachers' association. Omaha won in the general collection of the exhibits of arts, in the general collection of manual training exhibits, kindergarten exhibits, and Samuel Blacker, student in the Omaha schools, secured a prize for the best book bound by any student in the state.

U. P. Train Makes a Fast Run to Omaha

Union Pacific No. 16, the Colorado express, made a new speed record Wednesday afternoon as it came down the valley of the Platte river, attaining and maintaining an average of almost sixty miles per hour.
No. 16 left Grand Island yesterday afternoon one hour and seventeen minutes late, pulling into the Union station at Omaha on time, covering the 153 miles in two hours and fifty-seven minutes, making four stops en route.

Abundance of Snow Assures Good Flow for Irrigated Lands

Farmers and ranchers throughout Wyoming, Nebraska and South Dakota and other western sections where irrigation furnishes the water supply for crops are jubilant over the outlook for next year. These reports indicate that the snow fall in the mountains to the west, up to date, is the heaviest ever known.

Throughout the mountain districts of Wyoming, Montana, Idaho and Colorado, as a rule, prior to January, there is little snow. This year, however, this rule has been reversed and during November and the first few days of December there has been an immense quantity of snow. In portions of Wyoming it has been so heavy that wild animals have been driven even out of the foothills to the plains. In many localities it is estimated that up to this time the snowfall for November and December aggregated two feet, while the normal to this date is less than one foot. While there has not been much snow, the weather has not been as cold as usual.

Railroad men report another fall of snow through Illinois and over much of eastern Iowa. It is said that at this time in central Illinois the snow is eight inches deep and that weighing is the best in years. This snow is said to extend as far south as Springfield and north pretty well up into Wisconsin.

Rock Island Enters California Again

Unable to patch up differences with the Western Pacific the Rock Island has entered into a deal with the Southern Pacific by which beginning Friday it will be able to send through tourist cars from Omaha into southern California. The cars will leave Omaha over the Rock Island every Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock and will be carried to El Paso, Tex., over the company lines, where they will be turned over to the Southern Pacific, reaching Los Angeles the following Monday at 7:15 in the morning.
Since the break with the Western Pacific the Rock Island has been completely shut out of California, so far as through business has been concerned. The service that goes on Friday will be the first since the break in the previous friendly relations.

Motorman Injured When Cars Collide

C. J. Johnson, motorman, 2215 North Nineteenth street, received several bad face lacerations when a Farmington car backed into the Dodge car in his charge at Tenth and Harney streets yesterday morning.
At this corner is an automatic switch. The Farmington car going south on Tenth street was erroneously switched by the contrivance. The car was backed and struck the Dodge street car, which was coming at a fast clip directly behind. Mr. Johnson threw on the brake when he saw the Farmington car begin to back up, but could not stop before it struck his car. The front of the Dodge street car was wrecked. Johnson was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, where he was attended by Police Surgeon Peppers.

Co-Operative Live Stock and Grain Men Coming Here

J. S. Canaday of Minden, secretary of the Nebraska Farmers Co-Operative Live Stock and Grain Shipping association, says he expects 400 members at the convention of that association, which will be held in Omaha, January 10-14, in conjunction with the meeting of the Nebraska Farmers' congress and the Nebraska Rural Life commission. Mr. Canaday was in Omaha last night to confer with the publicity bureau of the Commercial club relative to arrangements for the meeting.
There are 250 co-operative shipping associations in the state, all members of the state association.

Creche Plans for Big Christmas Tree

The thirty-two kiddies at the Creche, the nursery at the corner of Eighteenth and Harney streets, are all well and have been for two months past. The Creche home, however, has been in a somewhat run-down condition and \$600 worth of repairing has been done lately. At the regular monthly meeting of the board of directors yesterday plans were made for the Christmas festivities for the small boys and girls of the Creche. The tree and entertainment will be held at 6 o'clock Christmas eve.

Mrs. A. B. Tabor of Griser, Mo., had been troubled with sick headaches for about five years, when she began taking Chamberlain's Tablets. She has taken two bottles of them and they have cured her. Sick headache is caused by a disordered stomach for which these tablets are especially intended. Try them, get well and stay well. Sold by all druggists.

EXPERT GAS REPORT READY

City is Ready to Show All Should Have Dollar Gas.

LONG INVESTIGATION FINISHED

Representatives of the Engineering Department Have Been Working with Experts Appointed by Company.

City Engineer Craig says the engineer in his department who has been making an inventory of the Omaha Gas company's property for the last five months will be ready to report by the first of the year, and that from their report deductions will be made to determine what an equitable charge for gas should be.
"The city has been paying \$1 for gas," said Mr. Craig, "and the citizens \$1.25. The city council passed a resolution asking that gas furnished consumers be so done at a cost not exceeding \$1. The Omaha Gas company objected to this and while the company was instructed to make an inventory of their property to find out what a proper charge would be.
"The gas company has been employing about a dozen experts to assist us. We have had four men in the field and they have been checking up every meter, main and fixture and will know exactly what property the company possesses. We expect to be able to show the experts in such matters, by the data we will produce, that the action of the council is substantiated by facts. This matter has been brewing a long time and a just settlement will be welcomed by both parties."

McShane to Retain Foster as Deputy

Sheriff Elect F. J. McShane, Jr., has announced that when he takes office the first of next year he will reappoint W. A. Foster, republican, the present chief deputy sheriff under Sheriff Edwin F. Dhalley. Mrs. Jennie McPherson, matron at the county jail, also will be reappointed. Other appointments have not been decided upon.

SUPPLY DEPOT AND SCHOOL TO BE INSPECTED

Information received here in the regular army bulletins issued by the Department of War says that Lieutenant Colonel G. P. Scriven of Washington, D. C., has been detailed to make an inspection of the signal corps general supply depot, the signal corps school for enlisted men and the post of Fort Omaha. Colonel Scriven is also ordered to do similar duty at Fort Leavenworth.

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