Insinuations of Some of the Minis-

ters Are Resented.

TICKETS GO AT A RAPID RATE Prominent Clergymen Assert that

the Character of the Committee In Charge is Sufficient Guarantee.

Opinions at variance with the attitude against the charity ball taken by the Ministerial union Monday, are being freely expressed by some of Omaha's leading preachers, church members and business men. Many take exception to the appointment of a committee of minlaters to get the assurances of the ball management that the ball will be perfeetly respectable.

In the meantime, tickets for the big New Year's affair for the benefit of the City Mission are being sold rapidly. Harry Tukey, chairman of the ticket committee, said at noon that he expects that every one of the 3,000 tickets will be sold long before the ball takes place. He declares that the project is meeting with most encouraging support, and that many of the prominent men and women who are handling the tickets have already sold ten to thirty-five tickets each. Admission will be by individual ticket at \$2.50

regret that the Ministerial union took up the question of the charity ball at all, Rev. Frederick T. Rouse of the First Congregational church declared. "I favor a more tolerant attitude, and believe there are plenty of really bad thinss of the Nebraska Fontenelle for us to fight without interfering with

"The ministers cannot change the bail, and from the personnel of the ball management, it looks as if the affair will be conducted properly," said Rev. Edwin Hart Jenks of the First Presbyterian church. He and Rev. Dr. Rouse opposed action by the Ministerial union until the ball management was heard. When they failed in this, a compromise was adopted in the appointment of a committee to confer with the ball committee. "The action of the Ministerial union

was foolish," Rev. Thomas J. Mackay, rector of All Saints' Episcopal church, said when he learned what the preachers did. He said he got disgusted with the union some time ago and had not attended its meetings recently. "The money to be raised by giving the

ball is for a good cause," Dr. Mackay In Denver, according to Mr. Ruble, continued. "I know the ball will be a real winter holds the city, and for that citizenship is represented on the committee in charge."

"I do not know why the ministers should oppose the ball," said Dean James A. Tancock of Trinity cathedral. "It is for a very worthy cause. When a boxing and wrestling exhibition was given recently for the same purpose the ministers did not object. Some of the best people in the city are forwarding the ball, so its high character is assured."

To Raise Large Sum. Between \$4,000 and \$5,000 will be cleared by the ball and will be turned over to the managing board of the City Mission. according to Clement C. Chase, chairman of publicity for the ball committee. He says a similar big charity ball was given in Omaha in 1854 and that about \$2,300 was cleared then.

Besides the expression of some ministers who deplore the action of the Ministerial union Monday in questioning the respectability of the ball, other statements by highly respected business men are being made. George F. Gilmore, Ryder Will Have of the board of dire Young Men's Christian association, said: "I know that the people who are giving this ball are high grade people and will

make the ball a high grade affair." Belden Sees No Objection.
"I am sure that there can be no well founded objection to the ball," said C. C. Belden, who attends the First Methodist

"The men whom I understand to be promoting the ball are most excellent fellows," General Secretary E. F. Denison of the Young Men's Christian association

Robert Dempster, an elder of the First Presbyterian church and chairman of its benevolences, said: "I think that the ministers should have listened to the representatives of the ball committee before taking any action, instead of refusing to hear them. There will be a charity ball, so there is no need to kick up a fuss over it."

Many Boys and Girls Are at Work in the M. and M. Contest

The boys and girls already nominated in the M. and M. voting contest are setting the pace for the organizations and the grown-ups. Some of them make two or three trips a week to the contest department, so eager are they to get their votes recorded.

The standing of the contestants in each of the four districts and in the outside towns will be published in The Bee Decomber 23. The first bonus prize will be awarded in each district Christmas eve. December 24. The bonus prize to women is a handsome gold filled Eigin watch; to boys and girls, a pedalmobile. This pedalmobile is a beauty. It looks like a

The contest is only a little more than a week old. No one has a big start. The voting value on the various manufactured

One advantage of the big contest is that contestants can vote as often as they have coupons and labels to turn into the contest department. There is just one road to success. "Keep

everlastingly at it." Get your friends interested. Ask them to help you. Tell them to buy the products for which votes are issued. Ask them to patronize the merchants who give away M. & M. voting coupons. They'll do it, if they know that you need assistance to get votes. Out-of-town contestants are registering

every day. The free trip to Chicago is a big inducement. And it should be-it's worth while. Every effort will be made to make the trip one long to be remempered for its interest and pleasant as-

in addition to this trip, which is special in each town organized, the candidates in these towns are eligible to contest for the pony and cart and the Detroit in charge and expects to reach Chicago roadster automobile. Out-of-town organizations have also a

chance to compete for the \$1,000 in cash. 'A square deal' to all-that's the slogan in The Bee's M. and M. voting contest. contest department and let us fell you accidents and the nurses give demonall about it? The room is 224 Bee build- strations as to the handling of the ining, the phone is Douglas 3113.

MANY FAVOR CHARITY BALL | Preparing Plans for Fontenelle Hotel Is Not an Easy Task

As the plans and specifications for the new Fontenelle hotel building near com pletion, the magnitude of the task of erecting the building is becoming known. In addition to the general work of putting up a steel, concrete and brick structure to a height of almost 200 feet above the street, including fourteen full stories above ground, some strange and intricate problems in the detail work are being negotiated by Architect Thomas R. Kim-

The laundry mangle planned for the hotel will weigh over ten tons, yet it will be operated on the thirteenth floor of the building, which presents a nice problem, both in hoisting it to that position, and reinforcing the floor space where it will stand. The brick oven being considered for the hotel's own bake shop will weigh about 112 tons. Many similar problems in the plans and specifications are facing the men who are planning or will construct the giant building

William R. Burbank of Syracuse, N. Y. who will be the managing director of the new hostelry, has been in the city, con-ferring with the architect in regard to details in the plans. He left for his home yesterday.

Research into the history of the Funta nelle family, after one of whose members the hostelry is named, has been one of Mr. Burbank's hobbies. He plans to use a historic coat of arms in decoration of interiors, china and silverware. The Fontenelle family probably came originwas really Corbeau until he adopted his mother's family name of Fontenelle be cause of trouble with relatives at New Orleans in the early days. The original Fontenelle family was of noble lineage, according to Mr. Burbank.

Four Feet of Snow at Denver While Omaha Has Delayed Fall

Assistant General passenger Agent Ru ble of the Union Pacific, with headquarters in Denver, is in Omaha and pronounces this the ideal winter resort, asserting that he sees no reason why people should go elsewhere in search for climate and ideal weather.

very proper affair, for Omaha's best matter also Colorado. The snow that fell during the early days of the month still covers the ground to a depth of four feet, practically none of it having melted. The snow has been carted off the business streets of the city, but in the residence sections and in the suburbs it is so deep that it is next to impossible to get about. Street cars succeeded in getting back on their schedules only last week

The coal situation, Mr. Ruble says, is the most serious in years, not so much on account of a shortage of fuel, but because it is still next to impossible to deliver on account of the outlying streets and the alleys being drifted to a depth of several feet.

While Omaha people have been basking in real spring weather during the last two weeks, those of Denver have been going around in a temperature but a few degrees above zero, not a day having been warm enough to melt the snow.

a Larger Traffic Squad After Jan. 1

A traffic sergeant, who will devote his entire time to traffic in congested districts, and an increased squad of traffic policemen will be appointed by Police in rounding up six families who have Commissioner J. J. Ryder to go on duty

the first of the year. Traffic policemen will be placed at the following crossings: Fifteenth and Farnam streets, Fourteenth and Douglas streets, Twenty-fourth and Leavenworth streets. Twenty-fourth and Farnam Twenty-fourth and Cuming streets, streets and Twenty-fourth street and

Police Commissioner Ryder said: "I think it will be possible to increas the traffic squad after the first of the year. I believe the appointment of a ergeant to have charge of traffic officers and to look after traffic in downtown congested districts will help re-

many as we need." Emil Karsch, German Pioneer is Dead

traffic officers, but we can't have as

Emil Karsch, an old German ploneer of Omaha, died at his residence, 1910 Elm street, Monday night at the age of 72 years. Mr. Karsch was born in Germany and came direct to Omaha when he came to this country in 1869. He remained here from that year until the time of his death.

Mr. Karsch was a well-known business man of the city, as he organized the E, Karsch Grocery company at Nineteenth and Vinton streets eighteen years ago and conducted the business of the firm as agency and is entitled to one-half the aclong as his health permitted. He was a member of the Landverein society. Mr. products is so great that every one has He fought with the Prussian army Karsch was also a German army veteran. against Austria in 1866, just previous to his departure for Omaha.

He is survived by three sons, William of Sloux City and Henry and Gustave of Omaha, and two daughters, Mrs. Ellinghaus and Mrs. Leyboldt of Omaha. His brother, Jacob, died three years ago and his wife died two years ago.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the residence. Rev. Mr. Baltaly of Kountze Memorial church will officiate. Interment will be at Forest Lawn cemetery.

MILWAUKEE'S RED CROSS CAR AT COUNCIL BLUFFS

The Milwaukee Red Cross car that has been out on the lines of the system since November 4, was in Council Bluffs Monup through the Dakotas. Dr. Liscomb is late this week.

The Red Cross car carries a corps of surgeons and nurses, and makes the more important towns on the lines of the willingness to do more than just enough system. At these points and in the audi- to carn their pay. Moreover, concluded The contest manager would like to meet torium of the car the surgeons gather Dr. Lowe, "you must be square with premium ofter. Won't you call at the lectures on giving first aid in case of jured.

Adventures of the Globe Girdlers



ROUND UP FREIGHT ROBBERS

Detectives Believe They Have Gang that Stole \$30,000 Merchandise.

WRITTEN CONFESSIONS

Several of the Accused Have Made Statements as to Their Activities in Pilfering Burling-

That wholesale robberies from Burlington freight cars, covering a period of several years, and which total in the neighborhood of \$30,000, have been brought local detective department and Burlington police officials who have succeeded

participated in the work. George L. German, assistant chief ape cial agent of the Burlington, discovered the identity of the thieves several weeks ago when forty-seven cases of whiskey stolen from a car were traced to the home of one of the families under arrest. The police have secured a number of signed confessions and the net work of evidence is about ready for its presentation in a trial of the accused

Those who have bee narrested and arraigned to appear in police court for their hearing are: Mr. and Mrs. A. Sindelas, Mr. and Mrs. N. Renish, Mr. and Mrs. A. Silags, C. Bolgar, L. Silags and lieve the situation. We need many more Mr. and Mrs. F. Futi, all of whom reside in the vicinity of the railroad yards. All were released on cash bonds of \$500

Mrs. Cormack Asks for Share of Estate

of the late Thomas Cormack, former po- school folks see that he does lice captain and proprietor of a detective agency, has flied a claim in county court that pupils are promptly reported to the addition to the one-third which is hers by law. Mr. Cormack died intestate.

The widow's claim amounts to \$20,000, nearly all the estate. She alleges she was a partner in the business of the detective cumulations from that source. Then onethird of the remainder is hers by statute, According to her contention, two brothers of Cormack should share only in the remaining fraction of the estate. A hearing will be held January 5.

DR. LOWE TELLS STUDENTS **HOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL**

In an address to the students of the Omaha High School of Commerce on Monday Dr. Titus Lowe of this city characterized the kind of boy or girl that a business man desires to have in sale grocery house and worked his way through the business step by step until he became traveling salesman for the firm, he is thoroughly acquainted with some excellent advice to those who are preparing themselves for a commercial

"No one can win success in any line in business."

Persistent Advertising is the Road to

By a Member of The Bee Staff.

The public school year in Omaha com- of Young America usually ensues. It is prises thirty-eight weeks, exclusive of only fair to state that such cases are custody of Eather McCann, 16 years old, vacations and amounts net to about 183 comparatively rare,

the first second or third day of the two terms of nineteen weeks each, mak. are tardy in grasping this understanding, pay \$40 a month for the support of the ing 190 days. But seven regular holidays or loath to act upon it at certain times. girl, but only so long as she is within to a permanent close is the belief of the are provided for-Labor day, Thanksgiving day and the day following (for part such information to those at home Thanksgiving day falls on Thursday) Christmas, New Year's day, Washington's birthday and Memorial day. In addition to these, fast days may be observed when proclaimed by the state or general Education, acting through the superintendent of schools, who will notify each and minimums exceptions are made. principal.

Two regular vacations are provided, one ment, however. The child who puts in tions. good licks for 183 days in the year is said to receive all the schooling that he really needs and no less, if he be a normal

What amount of instruction is needed for the average child? The amount pro- the maxim that "prevention is better vided. No exceptions are made on that than cure," and by dealing with condiscore. The average child is supposed to tions affecting possible causes have very complete the entire thirty-eight weeks, little difficulty with spidemics. In the with these exceptions, each year and event of a contagious or infectious dis-Mrs. Mary Hay Cormack, formerly a there stands the compulsory education case, the school involved is promptly well known Omaha school teacher, widow law as a vigilant monitor to help the closed and thoroughly fumigated. The

So strict are the rules of attendance for one-half the estate of her husband, in truant officer for irregular or nonattend. Menday morning without losing a moother available means of securing attendance has been exhausted. The latitude given principals under the rules in force is sufficient in most cases to effect satisof this truent officer.

So rigidly are the rules governing atquired to bring written excuses from their parents or guardians for tardiness and absence. The teacher has a right to dehis employ. Since Dr. Lowe began work mand such excuses and to subject the in the shipping department of a whote- obild to suspension if they are not presented in due time. Each teacher is also to judge as to the validity of the excuse. Sometimes it may bear very suspicious earmarks affecting its authenticity. In business conditions and was able to give such instance the teacher may make what inquiry is deemed necessary to satisfy her mind on the subject and if after such inquiry it appears that Young America's dexterous hand hath writ the note, o unless he is in love with his job and whose existence the folks at home wot puts all of his heart and energy into the not, that is, if the pupil shall forge, prework," he said, and advised the students pure or assist in preparing such excuse hane of possible suspension.

thing contrary to the peace and dignity it increased.

Omaha's Public Schools

month, when it begins on the second Mon- the game may be played fairly and in Chicago and New York. day. It continues for the thirty-eight mutually satisfactorily, but it is frankly weeks of five days a week, divided into admitted that many parents apparently from last week he ordered the father to Efforts are made to have the pupil im- the jurisdiction of the court. responsible for him.

government. Any other suspension of how deeply the school authorities are im- compet her father to pay \$50 a month for school rests entirely with the Board of bued with the belief that all alike need her maintenance in Chicago, as asked by the full time each year. No maximums the mother,

But how about the sick or afflicted? Local cases of sickness are locally cared of two weeks for Christmas and one of for. The chronic affliction is a matter a week in April. Experience seems to for determination at the beginning of the justify these in the judgment of the school year under the provisions of the school authorities, although there is state health laws and city ordinances. some objection to the length on the part No child is admitted to any public school of some others. Experience is said to in the city who does not comply, men-teach the wisdom of the present arrange-

As to epidemics, they are scarce affairs in the life of the Omaha schools. They are watched with all possible vigilance. The authorities, including the city health commissioner, have for years applied here germs are thus destroyed. Cases are on secord where a whole building has been fumigated between Friday night and ance or habitual truancy. Such reports ment's time or the fact becoming current are made, however, only after the prin- knowledge. It does no good to have such cipal of the school is convinced that every information spread among a community or body of children.

Schools are sometimes, though not often closed on account of heat or cold. Last spring, in the closing days of the factory results without the aid of the year, when the mercury rose to abnormal truant officer, so that it has come to be degrees, it became necessary here and understood, much to the good of the there to lop off a little time. The teacher order, that when the truant officer is is the arbiter of conditions in her room. called in the case is one for drastic ac. She must see that the specified prevailtion. The effect is generally salutary ing temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit upon Young America, who in the vast ma- is kept up. If in the winter the cold is jority of cases has a most exalted opinion so intense as to make that impossible and the room becomes too cold for safety and comfort, the teacher notifies the tendance adhered to that pupils are re- principal, who has the right to close the room and dismiss the pupils, but the principal must immediately report such action to the superintendent of instruction, as well as the superintendent of buildings. The same thing holds good as to any other emergency for which rooms are closed temporarily.

MATHIESEN SAYS DAVIS IS LICENSE OFFENDER

Assistant License Inspector John Mathiesen, reporting to Mayor Dahlman, on the complaint of J. A. Davis, that License Inspector Berkowitz was not compelling all labor agencies to take out to cultivate a sunny disposition and a illegally, then again he falls under the a license, asserts that Davis himself is an offender and has given his office The principals, who inform parents much trouble. He says that out of four alike as to excuses, deportment and lax years Davis had a license for six months personally every one interested in this big the employes of the road and give them yourself if you wish to get a square deal work, become the custodians of all ques- and only once to his knowledge did he tionable excuses for tardiness or absence have a license for the entire year. and flie the same with the truant officer Mathiesen says Davis complained of the when deemed invalid, whereupon some-

Esther McCann to Get Money if She Stays in Omaha

Judge English declined to award the whose greatest ambition is "to become a The Board of Education, as well as great Shakespearean actress," to either It begins on the first Monday in Sep. superintendent, principals and teachers, her father, Charles E. McCann, a railsammas, known as a vaudeville singer

At the close of a hearing continued

Miss McCann said on the witness stand that if the judge did not allow her to Returning to the question, what amount return to Chicago to resume her studies of schooling is required for the average in dramatic art her whole career might child? We may see from the insistance be ruined. Judge English left her free to upon regular and punctual attendance stay with either parent, but refused to

INDUSTRIALISTS "JUGGED"

Thirteen, Some from Omaha, Are Arrested in Kansas City.

SEVENTEEN CENTS AMONG ALL

Six Earlier in Day Turn Backs on Judge in Court When Asked to Raise Right Hands and Be Sworn.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 16,-Thirteen industrial Workers of the World, speakers and singers, were arrested here to night by the police, as fast as the officers could drag them from an improvised rostrum at Sixth and Main streets, where an attempt was made to hold a street demonstration. Many of the men arrested said they lived in Chicago, Omaha and San Francisco, and that they had come here to aid the local Industrial Workers of the World organization "in the fight for free speech." All of the men arrested were red

badges on which was written, "Free Speech for Kansas City." The police asserted that when the men were searched a total of 17 cents was found among them. All were locked up. When six Industrial Workers, earlier in

the day, charged with speaking on streets

without permit, were asked to raise their

right hands and be sworn in court today, they turned their backs to the judge, and one found his tongue. "To hell with this court," he said. "No matter what we are, we can get no

justice here. The remark cost the man \$500-or that amount of labor. The others were fined \$100 each. One said he had just come from San Francisco in answer to a general call issued from Kansas City.

Licenses Granted to 150 Saloons by City Commission

At a meeting of the city commission Tuesday 150 applications for saloon licenses were granted, no protest against their issuance having been made.

Three protestants, including the Anti-Saloon league, have made a total of thirty protests. The city commission will hold a hearing in the council chamber Thursday morning at 9 o'clock on the

In the list of applications read by the cierk were four or five "doubtful houses," indications pointing to the possibility of the places attempting to do business on a wholesale and retail basis. These places were cut out of the list.

Several saloon keepers, chiefly those against whose saloons protests have been made, were in the council chamber when the licenses were let. One applicant, Haskell & Pullman, withdrew their ap-

McGovern Would Stop Smoking in All Local Cafes

An ordinance prohibiting the use of the 'noxious weed" in cafes, restaurants, boarding houses or any place where transients eat was introduced by Commissioner Thomas McGovern at the meeting of the city council, read twice tember unless that happens to fall on strive by every available means to have way mail clerk, or her mother. Ada and referred to the committee of the

> McGovern said he introduced the ordinance because he believed no man should smoke in a room where a woman was eating and that there was no justification of the act of smoking in any public eating house.

The ordinance carries a penalty of a fine of from \$1 to \$50 for violation. It provides that there shall be "no smoking at or near a table in any hotel, restaurant, cafe, lunchroom, boarding house or other place where meals are served to transients."

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