

### SUNDAY TALKS TO THOUSANDS OF OMAHA MOTHERS

Grandmothers Held to Make Up the Audience at the Tabernacle, Where the Evangelist Is at His Best.

NO HAT RULE IS SET ASIDE

Tribute to Woman Who Manicures Fingernails Over Washboard to Support Children.

NO USE FOR POODLE HUGGERS

Silvery tresses, wrinkled, careworn visages and trembling footsteps distinguished the greater number in the audience to whom Billy Sunday preached his mothers' and grandmothers' sermon Friday afternoon at the tabernacle. This is one of the revivalist's best sermons and it brought out the largest week-day afternoon attendance since his arrival, over 7,000 being present. The entire middle section nearest the platform and a large section of seats on the platform were reserved for the mothers and grandmothers. Ninety-one persons hit the trail.

White flowers and white ribbons, honoring mother, were worn by almost everyone present, "Billy," too, and "Ma" each wearing a white rose. "Ma" came back from Winona Lake, Ind., in time to be present at the meeting.

The ironical rule of the tabernacle, "All hats removed!" was set aside when Homer Rodebeaver announced that the women over 55 years of age might keep their hats on if they chose. A great number of women kept their hats on, some of the younger women also not being intimidated by the limitation. Rev. Leonard Groh, for twenty years pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran church, was escorted to the platform and offered the opening prayer.

Passing street cars annoyed "Billy" Sunday as he began his talk and he waited for them to pass. Then he shouted to the ushers, "Don't let people come down the aisles to hunt seats!"

Story of Moses. Mr. Sunday's sermon was based on the story of Moses and his mother.

"I'm going to heaven some day through faith in Jesus, though a man in Omaha told me I was going to hell, and the first person I'm going to hunt up after Jesus is the mother of Moses. I'm going to ask her how much money she got from Pharaoh's daughter for nursing her own baby," said the speaker.

"I think that's a great joke," Mr. Sunday said, high tributes to the mother who "manicures her finger nails over the washboard to keep her brood out of the poor house."

"There are not devils enough in hell to pull a boy out of the arms of a godly, (Continued on Page Five, Column Seven.)

### Forgets Where to Meet Her Mother

Twelve-year-old Katherine Hoffman left her mother at the tabernacle to go over to the nursery where the children were playing. Her mother designated a spot where to meet at the close of the meeting. On Katherine's return she was unable to locate her mother, whereupon she burst into tears. Two women led her weeping to the platform and appealed to Mr. Brewster for assistance in finding the mother.

Mr. Brewster mounted a chair and called out to the stragglers that a little girl was lost.

Mrs. Hoffman was in the crowd and came forward to claim her tear-stricken daughter.

"I forgot where you said I should meet you," sobbed Katherine.

### DR. DAY BRINGS CRIPPLED GIRL TO SUNDAY MEETING

Selma Ohls, the South Side crippled girl in whom a number of Omaha club women are interested, was brought to the tabernacle with her mother by Mrs. G. F. Copper. Dr. C. M. Day provided an automobile to bring the crippled girl.

### The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m., Saturday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity—Showers; not much change in temperature.

| Temperature at Omaha Yesterday— |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| 8 a. m.                         | 61 |
| 9 a. m.                         | 61 |
| 10 a. m.                        | 61 |
| 11 a. m.                        | 62 |
| 12 m.                           | 62 |
| 1 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 2 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 3 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 4 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 5 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 6 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 7 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 8 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 9 p. m.                         | 62 |
| 10 p. m.                        | 62 |
| 11 p. m.                        | 62 |
| 12 m.                           | 62 |

Comparative Local Record—

| 1915, 1914, 1913, 1912. |     |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Highest yesterday       | 62  |
| Lowest yesterday        | 45  |
| Mean temperature        | 55  |
| Precipitation           | .00 |

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal—

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Normal temperature             | 62    |
| Excess for the day             | 0     |
| Total deficit since March 1    | 2.45  |
| Normal precipitation           | 56.25 |
| Deficiency for the day         | 0     |
| Total deficiency since March 1 | 56.25 |

Deficiency for corresponding period, 1914, 51.81 inches

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

| Station and State | Temp. | High. | Low. |
|-------------------|-------|-------|------|
| Omaha             | 62    | 62    | 45   |
| Chicago           | 64    | 70    | 47   |
| Denver            | 62    | 68    | 45   |
| Des Moines        | 62    | 68    | 45   |
| London            | 62    | 68    | 45   |
| North Platte      | 62    | 68    | 45   |
| Omaha             | 62    | 68    | 45   |
| Public            | 62    | 68    | 45   |

### LAYMEN HAVE HOT TIME AT MEETING

Conference of Laymen Waxen Warm as Country Brethren Try to Put One Over on City Folks.

SYSTEM IS NOW CHANGED  
LAY DELEGATE ELECTED.

Omaha district, M. D. Cameron, First church; Lincoln district, W. E. Gates, Lincoln; Tecumseh district, G. B. Buckner, Waverly; Grand Island district, C. J. Fennel, Columbus; Hastings district, George M. Sparlock, York; Kearney district, John H. Dryden, Kearney; Holdrege district, Mrs. Emma J. Cox, Wilcox; Fairbury district, George H. Davis, Blue Springs; Norfolk district, M. E. Evans, Dakota City.

Reserves: Chancellor C. A. Fuller of Nebraska Wesleyan university, University Place; Miss Ella Watson, Lincoln; John H. Slater, Holdrege.

"Politics!" "gag rule!" "unfair!" "unjust!" "cruel!" "insult!" and similar epithets heated the atmosphere at the First Congregational church during the opening session of the quadrennial conference of Nebraska Methodist laymen. Old-timers in the councils of the church said afterward it was one of the liveliest sessions since the good old "shouting Methodism" went out of style.

The conference gets together once every four years to elect nine delegates to the world-wide general conference of the church, and the heated arguments at the first session were precipitated by a lively and successful attempt by the rural delegates to "put one over" on the city delegates.

Heretofore the nine delegates have been elected direct by the state conference, and generally about seven of the nine were city men, because the city candidates were the most popular and widely known. Desiring to change the system and have one delegate come from each of the nine districts in the state, G. B. Buckner of Waverly led the successful fight on Page Seven—Column One.

It was only after long and loud debate, intricate parliamentary tangies, violent assertions and considerable change of personalities that the change was given the nod. The city delegates, who lined up distinctly on one side or another of the contest between the city and rural parastates.

Cities Want Control. "The cities are trying to control the delegates to the detriment of the rural districts," Mrs. Mary Culmer of Carleton, a rural district candidate, asserted in a lengthy and exciting speech. She was one of the leaders of the ruralists.

Judge W. G. Sparlock was prominent in the stand-pat opposition to the method of election, and maintained the old system gave the "best delegates." A Lincoln delegate declared that the new method was "as cruel as any political gag rule."

"It's an insult to us farmers to say that the old system of mostly city delegates gives the best delegates," H. W. McFadden of Holbrook, a sandhill delegate, shouted. "There's politics in this position."

"If there's any politics, it's in your pockets," replied McFadden, but the latter denied the assertion.

Where Do You Stand? "Are we going to be politicians or servants of God?" another westerner inquired.

Delegate Buckner, father of the new system of election, asserted that the city opposition permitting each district to elect its own delegate was not in accord with church law, which requires that the state conference as a body shall elect the delegates.

But he said that each district might nominate its own candidate, who would be then elected by the conference, unless the latter saw fit to disregard the nomination and elect somebody else.

The outcome was that the conference in each instance followed the choice of the districts, thereby electing one representative from each, instead of giving the city districts control of the entire delegation. Delegations from the latter considered that they had won a big victory and set an important precedent.

J. A. Brown of Normal acted as secretary of the conference. Chairman Elrhardt appointed A. M. Walling of David City, Mrs. Culmer and T. E. Young of Ashland to be the committee on resolutions. J. A. Brown and Judge Sparlock formed the committee on credentials. The chief business of the conference was to elect delegates to the world-wide general conference at Saratoga, N. Y., next May, to which all delegates have their expenses paid.

### ARGENTINIAN CARRIES DIAMONDS IN POCKET

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Diamonds worth more than \$25,000, which were found in the pockets of Shay Kuncher, a wealthy Argentinian, when customs inspectors searched him on the American liner Philadelphia last Monday, were seized yesterday because Kuncher had failed to declare them upon his arrival.

### View of Two Big Missouri Pacific Engines Soon After Head-On Collision in Which Three Were Killed

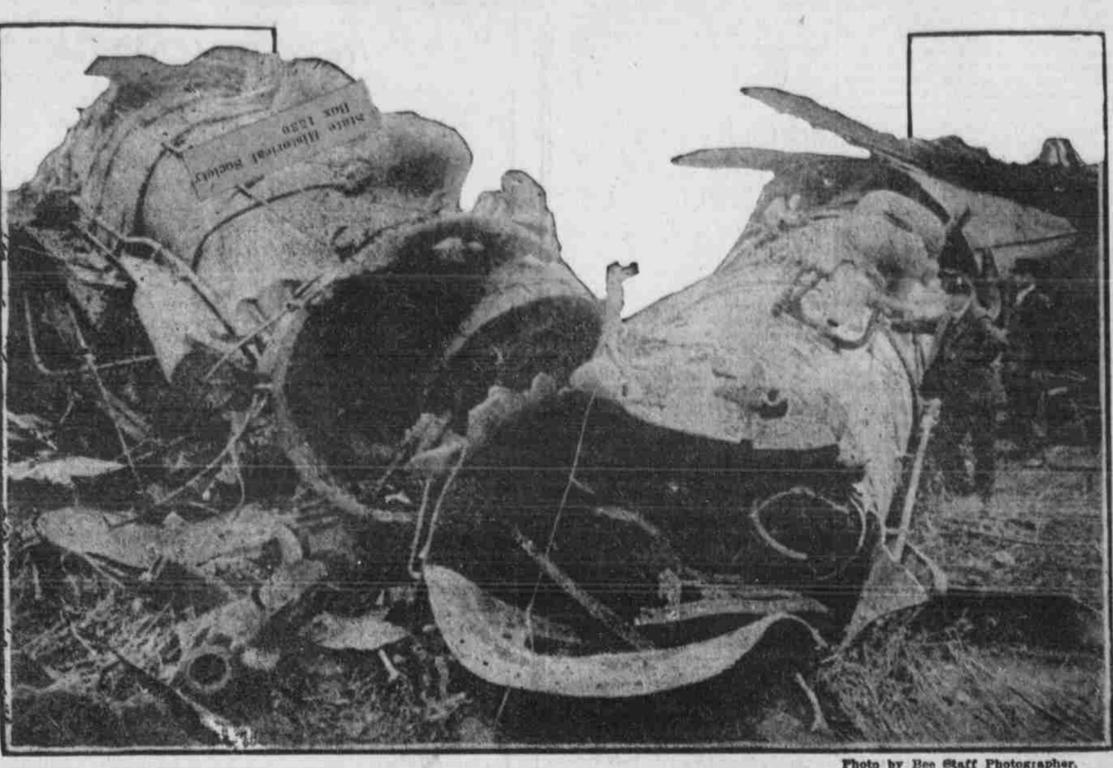


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### SHARP FIGHT NEAR PROGRESSO, TEXAS

One American Soldier and Several Mexicans Are Killed in Battle on the Border.

TWO AMERICANS ARE WOUNDED

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Sept. 24.—American troops and a large band of Mexicans retook today at Progresso, with the Mexicans retreating under fire and the Americans pushing them toward the Rio Grande, a mile distant. One American soldier, Private Stubbiefield of Troop B, Twelfth United States cavalry, was killed and two others were reported wounded. The Mexican casualties have not been ascertained.

One troop of the Twelfth cavalry and a large detachment of the Twenty-sixth infantry were engaged in the fight, which began early today. Of the Mexicans had been killed.

The Mexicans approached from the direction of the Rio Grande, one mile distant from the hamlet. The American detachment was camped in front of a house. The Mexicans opened fire from the shelter of the walls.

Telephone Wires Cut. Lieutenant Payne, in charge of the infantry detachment, reported by telephone to Brownsville at 10 a. m., that the fighting still was in progress and that several Private Stubbiefield fell at the first volley. The telephone wires between Mercedes and the point where the fight occurred, were cut early this morning and only meager details were obtainable from an irrigation pumping plant four miles from the scene, where it was reported that, besides killing Stubbiefield, the Mexicans wounded two other American soldiers.

The soldiers returned the fire, moving toward the house and firing at the Mexicans every time one showed himself. The Mexicans were mounted and retreated in the brush in the direction of the Rio Grande, the troopers pushing the fighting.

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### Smyth for Judge, District or Circuit? So Report Has It

An unconfirmed report from an unidentified source was in circulation yesterday to the effect that Constantine J. Smyth, to date generally conceded the odds in the race, had been dropped out of consideration for the federal district judgeship vacancy with his own consent, under assurance that he would be named for a better place on the circuit bench to be available shortly.

When asked by a Bee reporter whether he still expected to be Judge Munger's successor, Mr. Smyth replied:

"My name is before the attorney general. The last news I had was in your paper today. I haven't the slightest notion what they will do, not the slightest notion."

### STOP! OFF! INZ OMAHA THE METROPOLITAN WAY

Here are the dates for our coming Ak-Sar-Ben events:

- Sept. 29, Carnival begins
- Oct. 5, Floral Parade
- Oct. 6, Electrical Parade
- Oct. 8, Coronation Ball
- Oct. 9, Carnival Ends

### Twelve Pounds of Dynamite Carried Across Continent by Parcel Post

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Eight sticks of dynamite, weighing twelve pounds, were found in a package in the foreign branch postoffice here today. The package was mailed at Napa Junction, Cal., September 7, being sent to the foreign branch office.

Postal authorities said the package was addressed to H. Virginia Roasco, P. O. Ceva, Italy, and the name of the sender was given as Luigi Ghirolfi of Napa Junction.

The package containing the dynamite received much handling during the trip across the continent, being transferred to and from various mail bags. On receipt at the Grand Central terminal it was shot down a long chute and must

have struck the bottom with considerable force. The failure to explode is explained by the heavy wrappings of newspapers.

There was an outer cover of heavy Manila paper. Next to this was a heavy layer of newspapers, inside of which was a large cigar box. An Italian almanac, bearing a portrait of President Wilson was stuffed in one end of the box, while two cloth bags each held four sticks of dynamite. The powder was 66 per cent and of the type used for blasting in mines.

The package was held for sufficient postage, but postal authorities have been unable to locate a Luigi Ghirolfi at Napa Junction.

### ZEPPELIN TO FLY ALL OVER OMAHA

Visitors to Ak-Sar-Ben May See How Giant Warships Looked as They Attacked London.

MAY CARRY SOME PASSENGERS

Ak-Sar-Ben will have a monster free attraction.

Moreover, the Ak-Sar-Ben will have one of a distinctly original and up-to-date nature. It will take the form of an Omaha Zeppelin.

Randall K. Brown and Gould Dietz went into executive session together and decided that war was all that General Sherman said it was and then some, but as the former said, "What do the people of Omaha know about the perils of war? If they were in London, England, now, they would be out looking for Zeppelins, hourly awaiting a raid from Kaiser Bill."

"What are you driving at remarked the latter?"

"Thinking of those poor Londoners and incidentally getting some ideas for Ak-Sar-Ben," remarked his partner in crime. "We will show them just what it is to have an immense Zeppelin flying over them during the carnival. Let's put up our Omaha Zeppelin during the carnival and engage Dad Weaver as bomb thrower-in-chief to illustrate the awful damage that might occur if we were at war."

To Fly Over City. So the immense Di-ri-gible will fly at the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities and visitors from outside can see for themselves the latest air craft in action. It will ascend from the vacant lot at the corner of Fifteenth and Jones streets.

Applications for passage may be made to Dad Weaver, who will have as chief assistant Charles Black of hot air balloon fame as adviser in general.

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### The Day's War News

GREECE HAS DECIDED upon mobilization of its army and has called the classes of 1892 to 1911 to the colors. Athens dispatches, through Paris, quote the official statement that Greece intends to defend its own rights and support Serbia. It is expected that the Greek parliament will be summoned tomorrow.

IT IS REPORTED in Athens that Bulgaria's Blizar Ben porie, through which it would appear to Russian attack by water, are being hurriedly fortified.

LONDON HAS unofficial reports that their successful offensive in Volhynia the Russians have recaptured the fortress of Lutsk.

BRITISH STEAMER CHANCELLOR of 4,580 tons, has been sunk. Part of its crew is missing.

### GREEK ARMY IS CALLED TO COLORS

Menacing Move of Bulgaria is Followed by Order from Athens Mobilizing Troops.

TENSION IN BALKANS INCREASES

BULLETIN. WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—A statement cabled to the Bulgarian legation here today by Premier Radoslavoff announces that Bulgaria does not intend aggressive action against any of its neighbors and that its mobilization is not to be construed as indicating that it is about to enter the war.

BULLETIN. ATHENS, Sept. 24.—(Via London.)—A decree for general mobilization of twenty classes of Greek soldiers was signed last night by King Constantine and promulgated. The decision of the king has aroused the greatest enthusiasm.

Insistence of the mobilization decree came quickly after the king had granted an audience to Premier Venizelos. The premier informed the king that mobilization was the only possible reply to Bulgaria's move. To this the sovereign agreed, stipulating that it should be regarded as a defensive measure. The twenty classes now called to the colors are in addition to four classes already under arms.

PARIS, Sept. 24.—An official decree for the mobilization of the Greek army was issued in Athens today, says the Athens correspondent of the Havas News Agency. Parliament probably will be summoned tomorrow.

The dispatch says the decree was (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

### AUSTRIANS FAIL TO CHECK RUSS

Tentons Said to Have Abandoned the Fortress Northwest of Dubno and Retired.

WEST RUSS LINE IS HOLDING

BULLETIN. BERLIN, Sept. 24.—(Via London.)—Field Marshal Von Hindenburg has made further progress in his efforts to capture the Russian fortified city of Dvinsk. The taking by storm of additional Russian positions defending the city northeast of Smelina is officially reported today.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Military activities on the eastern front are once more assuming the familiar phases of a slow German advance, following the recent impetuous rush of the invaders. The German plan of dividing the Russian armies north and south of the Pripiet has been a strategic success in a way, but the immediate effect of the severance was to throw an increased burden on the Austrians, who seem unable to check the Russian drive.

Unofficial dispatches from Petrograd state that the latest Russian victory northwest of Dubno is of more importance than was revealed by the official communication from Petrograd involving recapture of the fortresses of Lutsk northwest of Dubno. Relinquishing this fortress, the Austrians are said to have retired across the Str.

All the way from the Baltic port of Riga to the Pripiet marshes the Russians are holding their line stubbornly in an attempt to bring their long retirement to an end. The fighting is particularly severe southeast of Vilna and east of Dvinsk. Envelopment of the Vilna army having failed, it is assumed the Germans will develop their offensive movement at Dvinsk with the view of an ultimate blow at Riga. It is generally believed the (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.)

### A Stunner! The Bee's Photos of "Billy"

Have put it over all others and then some. Another fine one Tomorrow

### THREE KILLED IN HEAD-ON CRASH AT OREAPOLIS

Freight and Passenger Trains on the Missouri Pacific Road Meet in Front-End Collision with Fatal Results.

NONE OF PASSENGERS KILLED

Both Engines and Baggage Car Demolished When the Two Trains Came Together.

ONE TRAIN IS OVERLOOKED DEAD.

H. J. SHERLOCK, engineer of Kansas City.

W. E. GOODWIN, fireman, Kansas City; J. E. WILSON, brakeman, Falls City.

Injured. Arthur Stuber, Omaha, knee out bruised.

E. L. Cooper, Auburn, baggage-man, right leg out.

E. B. Edwards, Omaha, traveling salesman for the M. E. Smith company, right arm cut and bruised.

L. M. Williams, Omaha, right knee and elbow lacerated and bruised.

Charles L. White, Kansas City, news agent, shoulder bruised and cut on hands and head.

James A. Madden, St. Louis, porter, hands cut and right shoulder bruised.

D. E. Parker, Kansas City, porter, right hand cut.

W. S. West, postal clerk, Kansas City, right thigh fractured.

J. H. Harris, Stella, Neb., face cut and bruised.

James McClurg, Leavenworth, Kan., bruised about the shoulders and chest.

Harry Cotton, Kansas City, baggage-man, face and right arm cut and bruised.

Three men were killed and eleven injured in a head-on collision on the Missouri Pacific, one mile south of Oreapolis, this morning at 8:45, when a northbound freight train crashed into a southbound passenger. The men killed were the engineer and fireman on the freight train and the head brakeman on the passenger. There were thirty passengers on the train.

Mistakes the Train. The cause of the wreck is attributed to Engineer Sherlock disregarding orders, or, rather, mistaking a wild train for one that he was warned against. He had orders to pass freight No. 153 on the siding at La Platte. When he arrived there No. 155, a wild train, was on the siding. It is presumed that he mistook this train for No. 153 and went on at full speed.

Two miles farther down the line, and just below the Oreapolis crossing, he met No. 153 head-on, and so quickly that he had no time to act before the crash came.

The scene of the wreck was at a curve toward the east. Three hundred feet north of where the wreck occurred, a row of large trees extends up to the right-of-way from the east. Until this point is passed it is impossible to see the track more than 200 feet ahead. It is on a slight up-grade and from the position, in which the body of Fireman Goodwin was found, he was striking his engine when the crash came. The body of Engineer Sherlock was pinned against the head of the fire-box. His skull was crushed and it is presumed that his (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

### THE WANT-AD WAY

I SURE GOT A HURRY

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