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DEAN BROWN TALKS ABOUT "SPASMS" OF **EVANGELISTIC WORK**

Retiring Congregationalist Moderator Flays "William of Potsdam" and Discusses Revivals.

COUNCIL MEETS AT NEW HAVEN

Speaker Takes Up "Language of Gutter and Antics of Circus" in Pulpit.

WHAT CANNOT BE OVERLOOKED

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 20 .-The national council of Congregational churches began its forty-first biennial session in historic Center church this afternoon, devoting its first sitting to election of officers, reception of reports and preparation for consideration of denominational matters

Henry M. Beardsley of Kansas City, Mo., was chosen moderator in succession to Dean Charles R. Brown of the lale school of religion. Rev. Dr. William Horace Day of Los Angeles was chosen first assistant moderator and Rev. Dr. Alfred Lawless, ir., of New Orleans second assistant moderator. The council received an invitation from the Congregational churches of Los Angeles to come to that city for the meeting in 1917.

The delegate body was probably the largest in the history of the council when Dean Brown called the gathering to or-

Refers to War. Dean Brown, the retiring moderator,

referred to the "direful fact that the world is at war" in his address. "We are met at a great crisis in the moral history of the race," said Mr. Brown. "The spiritual force of that European civilization to which we owe so much seems for the hour to have

"In the face of this disaster it is for churches to mobilize their spiritual forces anew and to bear themselves toward the warring nations, towards China and Japan in such a way that this land will be a Messianic nation."

gelism at home is urgent. "We have seen spasms of evangelistic efforts in certain cities," he said. "The introduction of the language of the gutter and the antics of the circus in the pulpit may be over-looked for the sake of the greater good. Rebekahs, Grand Encampment and Says Hearers of Great Teacher George Shirley and Wife Perish but irreverence, blasphemy, the teaching of immoral ideas and unscriptural conceptions of religion are harmful and cannot be everlooked.

Opportunities Great.

The present opportunity of the ministry never was so great. War with all its burdens should bring a new and more ef- cided they wanted to hear "Billy" fective lineup of Christian forces. of progress was too much for Philip II, of Spain; it was too much for Napoleon, and it will be too much for William IL of Potsdam."

President M. L. Burton of Smith college presented the name of Mr. Beardsley for modeato; Rev. F. G. Smith of Kansas City and Rev. Dr. J. E. Kirby of Des Moines seconding it.

Business Committee Chosen. Rev. D. R. F. Bradley of Cleveland nominated Dr. Day of Los Angeles. Dr. Day himself rose, however, to say that as the overwhelming sentiment was for a layman, he withdrew his name. The choice of Mr. Beardsley was then made. Nominating and seconding speeches for the assistant moderators were made by T. C. MacMillan of La Grange, Ill.; Rev. Dr. Proctor of Alabama, Dr. W. E. Barton of Chicago, Rev. A. C. Garner of Washington and Rev. Mr. Dunn of New Orleans, and in each instance election was by unanimous vote.

business committee chosen included the Rev. Dr. Patten, Columbus, O.; Prof. E. C. Norton, California; Rev. Al Phillips, New Haven; Rev. H. E. Brown, Seattle, Wash.; W. Van Patton, Burlington, Vt.; Rev. C. H. Myers, Chat tanooga, Tenn.; Rev. C. H. Thorpe, Duinth: Marquis Baton, Chicago, and H. T. Richardson, Boston.

Assistant secretaries chosen were: Rev. C. N. Hand, Chifornia; Rev. C. R. Harrison, Ohio, and Rev. F. D. Thayer, Massachusetts.

Rev. Joel S. Ives of Meriden, Conn. treasurer of the council, reported that the receipts for two years had been \$64.768, and the balance was \$3,527.

The delegates reassembled in Woolsey hall at Yale tonight, where they were ned by Mayor J. Rice, president Arthur T. Hadley of aYle and the Rev. Dr. Oscar E. Maurer, pastor of the Entertaining church.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Thursday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity -Fair and warmer. Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.



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nperature and precipitation depar-

"BILLY'S" FINAL WEEK SMILE-And he has more of a smile coming to him if the signs visible to the observer are not deceptive.



Dean Brown said that work of evan- ODD FELLOWS GO TO HEAR SUNDAY

Grand Lodge All Adjourn to Go to Afternoon Meeting.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs de-Sunday.

The Rebekahs, the Grand Encampment and the Grand Lodge all adjourned yesterday afternoon and went in a body to the Tabernacle, where they heard the great evange-

When the matter was mentioned of adjourning in the evening to hear the evangelist, it was frowned upon and changed to the afternoon It was no that they did not approve of "Billy That was not it at all. They aimply did not want to break up the set program in that way, for there was lot of degree work ahead, and many did not think it right to abandon this or put it off when the convention was called and the hundreds of delegates from all over the state were on the

In the afternoon, however, the program was not quite so pressing, and an agree ment was reached to adjourn for the Tabernacle meeting.

Report on York Home.

Tuesday night 250 Rebekahs took de grees in the work at Hotel Fontenelle. This morning committees were appoint ed in the Rebekah assembly, and various reports were made. Mrs. Mable E. Wilson, matron of the Odd Fellows' Home at York, made a report of condition at the home. She stated that there an sixty-three children in the home now and that in a few days the home is to re ceive a baby six weeks old, which will be the youngest child in the institu-

The Rebekahs held their memorial ser vices after the Sunday meeting, and the election of officers for this auxiliary is to be held Thursday.

At the conclusion of the memorial serv ices yesterday afternoon H. F. Swanbeck, 101 years of age, was introduced and made a short address. He has been an Odd Fellow for seventy-two years. Dr. Little of Omaha was also introduced as an Odd Fellow who is 59 years of age, who has been a member for all ty-cigh years. Dr. Little made a short talk an finished by singing a song.

The report of the memorial committee showed the Rebekah branch of the order has lost 115 members while the other branches of the order lost 305 members by death.

The election of officers in the grand lodge is also to take place Thursday. The place for holding the next meeting is to be selected Thursday afternoon Omaha is in the field for the convention again, and the delegates are expressing themselves as well pleased with the trait. treatment they have received in Omaha. It is the concensus of opinion that Omaha will again be chosen as the place for the next year's meeting.

Confer Degrees Tonight. Various degrees were conferred up the delegates last evening at the Douglas auditorium and at the Pontenelle ho-Rabekah degrees were conferred at a special session in the evening at Hotel Fontenelle.

When the "Billy" Sunday matter came up in the grand lodge yesterday a resolution was adopted stating that the newspaper report to the effect that the ings who will be unable to be here or nothing further for Joseph Hillstron ledge would not adjourn for the "Billy"

CHRIST'S DIVINITY TWO DIE IN BED SUNDAY'S THEME

Needed No Dictionary to Learn What He Meant.

DEGREES ARE NOW CONFERRED INTELLECTUAL MUTTS IN OMAHA YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED A YEAR

THIRTY-BIGHTH DAY. Trail Attend. Collec-Mitters. ance. tions. Previous days 5,549 607,500 \$30,400.96 Tucsday-Afternoon 4,500 Evening 323 11,000 Totals5,872 623,400 \$30,778.71

*Collections for benefit of the Inter-national Evangelistic association. BOY AND GIRL TRAIL BITTERS.

MEETINGS TODAY. m.—Central High school girls' teeting, First Methodist church, to 2 p. m.—Husiness women's 1809 Farnam street, Miss Miller.

12;15 p. m.—Sunday at the Brandels theater. Men only.

2 p. m.—Sunday at the Tabernacle.

3 p. m.—Tabernacle Bible class.

3:15 p. m.—South Bide High school girls. First Presbyterian church, South Side.

Side.

3 p. m.—Maids' meeting. Y. W. C. A.,
Mrs. Sunday and Mrs. Asher.

3:45 p. m.—Boys' and girls' meeting.
Swedish Lutheran church, Miss Gamilia.

4:30 p. m.—Boys' and girls' meeting.
Danish Lutheran church, Miss Gamilia.

7:30 p. m.—Sunday at the Tabernaole.

8 p. m.—Meeting for teachers. First
Eaptist church, Council Bluffs, Miss
Gamilia. 8 p. m.—Bible class, Olivet Baptist church, Miss Saxe.

Two thousand delegates to the Odd Fellows' convention which is meeting here were at the tabernacle lows, brought two big bouquets up to "Billy" and "Ma."

"Billy's" theme was the wonderful things about Christ, which, he said, were in themselves proof of His di-

two as, for instance, when he suddenly exclaimed:

"You've got a fe wintellectual mutts n Omaha that are shocked at m ypreaching. Go to the devil! If I lived here I'd keep my hen roosts locked." Speaking of Christ's preaching for the

on people, he said: "They didn't need to lug around a di lonary to find out what He meant. He put the jam and cookies on the lower shelf where everybody could get them. Eight Trail Hitters.

seats being taken. Eight persons bit the

autdience was large, nearly all

Though repeated announcement has been made that collections are to be taken for "Billy" Sunday only at the services on the last Sunday of the campalgn, a collection was taken for that purpose yesterday afternoon. Envelopes were distributed through the audience and the people wer einvited to place in them cash, checks or pledges. They were PRESIDENT WILL NOT then coffected.

It is explained, however, that the sums collected through this wee kwill all be counted in the collections of next Sun-day and that this procedure is taken beto obtain entrance to the tabernacie

BY SUFFOCATION

When Gas Water Heater Exhausts Oxygen in House.

and his young wife, Edith, aged 24 of about a score of freight soliciting oryears, were found dead in bed, as the ganizations which routed through traffic result of suffocation, Wednesday aft- various through routes were in lively ernoon in their home, 3558 Dodge

Robert Shirley, a brother, receiving no response at the door, pried the government expects to use it as a open a window in their bedroom and basis upon which to build up the story of discovered the lifeless bodies. Since the gradual acquisition of the lines by Monday evening relatives and friends the New Haven, with which Mr. Meller had repeatedly called the house by 1882. phone but to no avail. Yesterday afternoon officers of the Omaha Pawnbroker Dies Crockery company, where Shirley was employed, notified relatives of ghirley's absence.

According to Coroner Crosby, the gasbeater under the water tank in the base ment, was left burning, and all of the oxygen in the house was burned up. Suffocation was the result. Death, which was apparently accidental, evidently oc curred some time between Monday night and Wednesday noon. According to police officers the house was so filled with fumes that it was with difficulty they managed to throw open the windows and doors to air the place. Shirley was last seen Monday night, when he rode home with H. C. Forester, treas urer of the Omaha Crockery company. Fumes Fill Closed House,

yesterday afternoon. C. A. Baum- a chimney, and the fumes quickly filled gardner, on behalf of the Odd Fel- the closed house, is the belief of the

The Shirleys were married a year ag on the platform and presented them last June, and formerly lived at the Stratford Terrace apartments, moving to the Dodge street residence about a

Michael Shirley, father of the dead man, of the firm of Shirley & Phelan, railroad contractors, lives at 381 Burt There wasn't much slang, but street. Mrs. George Shirley was for Billy" gave the audience a thrill or merly Miss Edith Collins. Her mother notified. The dead man has a brother, Pheian Shirley, who lives at Albion Coroner Crosby will hold an inquest. Two years ago a similar happening occurred at the home of Harry R. Bowen. manager of the Central Furniture com pany, but fortunately for Mr. Bowen and his wife and child, several windows in the house were open, as it was a warm

UNCLE SAM TO KEEP HANDS OFF SERBIA AND BULGARIA

fall evening, and the family was awak-

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10 .- President Wilson today signed a proclamation giving notice of the neutrality of the United States in the war between Serbia and Bulgaria. The proclamation was along the same general lines as those issued, covering the wars between other nations.

DO MORE FOR HILLSTROM

WASHINGTON, Oct. 39 .- President Wilson today advised W. A. P. Ekengren, cause many will attend the weekly meet- Swedish minister here, that he could do Swedish citizen under sentence of death in Utah for murder.

MELLEN TESTIFIES FOR GOVERNMENT IN NEW HAVEN CASE

Former President of Road Cordially Greeted by Men Against Whom He Appears as a Wit-

THERE IS MUCH HANDSHAKING

Gives His Occupation as a "Farmer" and Tells of Railroad Experience.

GOES FULLY INTO DETAILS

NEW YORK, Oct. 20 .- Charles S Mellen, one-time president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, testified as a government witness today against the eleven men with whom he was formerly associated on the road's board of directors, whose trial on the charge of violating the Sherman anti-trust law began one week ago.

Standing before a government map of the New England railroad system with a long pointer in his hand, Mr. Mellen spent two hours explaining the nature of the competitive railroad conditions twenty-five years ago, when the New Haven's alleged conspiracy to control the entire transportation traffic of the six states began.

Cordinlly Greeted. The former New Haven president was greeted with every evidence of cordiality by the defendants and there were umerous handshakings. William Rockefeller was among several of the defendants who stepped forward to converse

Mr. Mellen gave his occupation as "a farmer-an agriculturist." He told of his railroad experience, which dated back to 1869, when he was a clerk in the pashier's office of the Northern Railroad of New Hampshire. Then he traced on the map the routes of the dozen New England railroads which in 1890 had an

independent existence. He described their steamboat line connections with New York and other points and their rail connections with other roads outside of New England. The New Haven at that time was not much of a freight line. The Old Colony, with its steamboat lines from Fall River and New Bedford to New York, was getting the major share of the traffic. The New Haven's chief strategical advantage at the time, the witness indicated, was in passenger traffic, as none of the other roads could maintain through passenger service to New York except over the New Haven tracks.

All these roads maintained their freight connections to points outside of New England through traffic arrangements E. George Shirley, aged 27 years, and contributed pro rata to the expenses competition, Mr. Mellen said.

The witness was still in the midst of his testimony when adjournment was taken until tomorrow. When completed became connected as vice president in

By Taking Poison; Tells Wife of Act

Sol E. Brodkey, a pawnbroker at Four teenth and Douglas streets, took his own life at his home, 2643 Chicago streets, shortly after noon by drinking an ounce

Brodkey went home at noon, walked upstairs, drank the polson and returned downstairs to tell his wife what he had

Hearing the cries of the children, Ton McGovern, former city commissioner who was passing the house, called the

Mr. Brodkey was attended by Dra Phillip and Simon Levi, but their efforts were futile, as Mr. Brodkey passed away shortly after 3 o'clock. Commercial troubles are said to have prempted him to take his life.

Gold for Wedding Ring for Mrs. Galt

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20 .- President Wi son today received a delegation of won and girls from California who gave his a piece of gold from a California mine and also a bar of gold to make a wed ding ring for Mrs. Norman Gait, his

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Denver	127	85
Indianapol	is,168	75
Kansas Ci	ty 244	90
Milwaukee	331	83
Minneapoli	B199	66
St. Paul	166	19.4
	121	99

GIRL TOILERS TELL PATHETIC STORIES

Garment Workers of Tenements Describe Struggle to Gain Precarious Livelihood.

NORMAL PAY IS FIVE A WEEK

CHICAGO, Oct. 20,-Pathetic stories of the lives of girls who dwell in tenements and gain a precarious livelihood in the garment trade were unfolded today before the aldermanic committee investigating the garment workers' strike and its causes. Manufacturers ignored invitations to be

The normal earnings of the girls, testimony showed, were \$5 a week, and only by supreme efforts, working from daylight to dark without lunch, would bring in \$8. Sidney Hillman, Italy's declaration of war against Bulhead of the garment workers' union, garia increases the hopes of her allies explained to the committee that in that she will join in the Balkan camthe better shops girls received \$12 a paign, but what form her assistance will take has not been indicated definitely. week for the work with which today's Russia, the first of the allied powers to testimony was concerned. Today's present an ultimatum to Bulgaria, now witnesses came from the cheaper finds herself alone in not having issued

Use Same Towel. Anna Simsky said that for three years fined to the two tips of the long battle she has worked from 5:30 a. m. to 7 p. line. The Germans are pressing their m. without the usual noonday rest for offensive in the northern area near Riga. lunch, and made \$8 a week. Pearl while General Ivanoff claims several Krupnik said that in duli times she had successes for his Russian army in Gaearned as low as 78 cents a week. Fannie licia. Berg testified that the girls have to buy Reports from the entente allies on the their own needles. Three hundred siris western front indicate that the Germans she said had to use the same roller have been reinforced heavily and are towel. Alderman Healey called the atten- showing a disposition to essume the of-

tion of the health department to this. All of the witnesses complained in greater or less degree to harsh treat- complete repulse north of Loos or Ger-

to live on their incomes. Miss Berg explained: "I pay \$5 a month for my room and my sister charges me 15 cents a brought a luli in political activity and the crisis which many persons expected would develop in the cabinet this week, is hardly likely to occur until the presurprise to the committee which was appointed originally to investigate charges of police brutality in dealing with strik-

"What have you and the others beer doing since you went on strike?"

she was asked. "Going around beating up scabs," calmly replied the witness

"Did you ever beat up one yourself?" "Yes; I beat up one?" "Did anyone ever tell you to do that?

Did you receive instructions from head quarters to do that? "No; no one ever told me. I knew mough to do that without being told." Bessie Alt, who earns \$4 a week, re cited that she keeps within her incom by walking two miles to and from work and spending only 25 cents a day for Miss Alt, like the others, was

vances to her. "Some of the girls told me that th foreman had asked them to go out with him," answered the witness. "If they

asked if any foremen made improper ad-

did they were better treated." "Better paid?" asked Alderman Gelger "I think so."

Talked About Him; He Shot Somebody

PETALUMA, Cal., Oct. 20.-Andrew Mc-Phail, an expressman, was shot dead on the street here today. Hiram Tally, a civil war veteran, was arrested. "Everybody was talking about me," he said to the police, "I decided to kill

Tally was a member of Troop E, Third Pennsylvania cavalry.

The Day's War News

TURKISH FORCES are to co-sper. ate energetically with the Bulgarians in opposing the alited operations in the Balkans, Athens advices state. Turkish troops, it is reported, are being concentrated near Dedeghatch, Bulgaria, on the Aegean sea. The landing of an allied force at Enos, near Dedeghatch, was reported recently.

BULGARIAN TROOPS are being concentrated on the frontiers of both Roumants and Greece, according to a Saloniki dispatch to Paris. Three divisions are being gathered near the Greek border, it is stated. CUTTING THE MISH-SALONIKI railway line south of Nish by the Bulgarians has compelled the diplomatic corps at Nish to postpone its expected departure for Monastir in southern Serbin an Athens dispatch states.

REPORTS FROM GERMAN sources received in London indicate that a campaign against Montenegro by Austro-German forces is contemplated. Twenty thousand infantry men, together with an artillery force, have been sent from Gallets to Bosnin in preparation for an advance into Montenegro, it is as-

SERBIA OVERRUN BY THE ARMIES OF NEIGHBORS

Eight Bulgarian Forces Are Sweeping Across the Territory in a War that is Bringing Death and Destruction.

GERMANS SLOWLY ADVANCING

Movements of Anglo-French Army Remain Undisclosed, Wounded Are Arriving at Saloniki.

ACTIVITY ALONG EASTERN FRONT

LONDON, Oct. 20 .- Latest reports from the near east indicate that Serbia is in deadly danger of being overwhelmed by the armies of its neighbor. No less than eight Bulgarian forces have crossed into Serbian ter-

The Austro-German forces are advancing slowly, but steadily, their latest claim being that a junction has been effected to the west of Semendria. The railroad between Nish and Saloniki has been cut by the Bulgarians, sweeping over the frontier in superior numbers. No news has been received of the movements of the Anglo-French army, although it is known to have been in action, as the arrival of French wounded at Saloniki has been re-

ported. a formal declaration of war ugainst her former protege.

Along the eastern front activity is con-

Field Marshal Prench announces the

ment from foremen, mostly in the way mans who made an attack after heavy of abusive language. of abusive language.

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mier is able to appear in the House of Commons, At that time Sir Edward Carson may give a public explanation of his resignation of the attorney generalship. British submarines, now reported to have been reinforced by Russian craft, continue to inflect severe losses on German shipping in the Baltic sea. A Copen hagen newspaper asserts that eight steamships have been prey of the submarines since Monday.

Oppose Operation of Allies. LONDON, Oct. 20 .- Advices from Athens indicate that Turkey and Bulgaria are undertaking energetic measures to oppose the land and sea operations of the entente alijes in the Balkans. The Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company reports that Turkish forces are being concentrated in the region of Dedeaghatch, in Southern Bulgaria, on the Aegean sea. Large Bulgarian forces, the correspondent states, (Continued on Page Two, Column One.

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