

BISHOP MAKES PLEA FOR BROWNELL HALL

Appeals to Episcopal Women to Raise Last \$60,000 of \$200,000 Fund for the New School.

In a voice broken with emotion, Bishop Arthur L. Williams Tuesday morning appealed to Episcopal women of the Omaha diocese at their annual convention at Trinity parish house to raise the last \$60,000 for the \$200,000 Brownell Hall fund.

"After fifty-three years in the Episcopal service, I could not hold up my head, I would be so ashamed and humiliated, if this money for Christian education should not be raised. I am disappointed and discouraged with the lack of response from out-of-town church people. Brownell Hall is not simply an Omaha institution. The school determines the character of more outside girls than Omaha girls in proportion to its enrollment," said the bishop.

Three More Months.

September 1 is the expiration date for the offer of ground made by George & Co., provided \$200,000 for buildings were raised. A \$50,000 gift from Joy Morton of Chicago is conditional on raising \$250,000. To make this gift possible one trustee has offered to give \$5,000; another said he would raise a like amount, and a third said he would double his subscription, the bishop told the women. The trustees will meet next week to plan raising the rest of the money.

Mrs. Eleanor Butler, a Cayuga Indian from New York, who is now living with the Winnebago at Winnebago, Neb., is one of the forty out-of-town delegates. She brought with her a little Indian girl, Ruth Lemerc, aged 4.

Negro Burned to Death By Mob Near Memphis

Memphis, May 22.—Eli Persons, a negro, confessed murderer of Antoinette Rappal several weeks ago, was burned to death near the scene of the crime at 9 o'clock today. A mob estimated at from 2,000 to 3,000 saw the death of the negro.

In preparation for burning the body was soaked in oil and afterward suspended in midair from the limb of a tree. A torch was then applied and the body burned fiercely until it fell to the ground.

Persons is said to have repeated his confession that he killed the child and implicated two other negroes. Members of the mob immediately set out in pursuit of them.

When all was in readiness Mrs. Rappal, mother of the dead girl, was taken to the bridge where the prisoner was held, and identified him. In a short speech to the mob she declared she wished Persons to suffer the tortures he dealt to his victim.

AGED MINISTER IS STRUCK BY AN AUTO

Rev. T. C. Webster, Pastor of Methodist Church at Florence, in Hospital in a Serious Condition.

Rev. T. C. Webster, pastor of the Methodist church at Florence and one of the oldest Methodist ministers in Omaha, was seriously and perhaps fatally injured Monday night when he was struck and knocked down by a speeding automobile, piloted by an unidentified driver.

Mr. Webster, who is 66 years of age, was returning afoot from making a parochial call. The motor car, it is said, was traveling at such a rapid rate the minister was unable to escape its path and was hurled several feet by the force of the blow.

Unheeding the damage it had done, the machine continued on its way, leaving the unconscious form of the minister in the street.

It was three hours before Mr. Webster regained consciousness. His shoulder was dislocated and several ribs were broken in addition to internal injuries. Three doctors and two nurses worked over the minister Monday night and it was not until Tuesday morning that they were able to remove him to the Nicholas Semm hospital, where his daughter is a nurse.

Before he was assigned to the Florence church Mr. Webster for several years was pastor of the Oak Street Methodist church of Omaha.

Crops Greatly Benefited By the Rain Monday Night

Following a rain of more than six hours' duration, general over all Nebraska, the weather has cleared and warm sunshine is the rule all through the west.

It was a steady, gentle downpour everywhere, most of the water soaking into the ground and going far below the roots of the grass and grain. The opinion of railroad men who have to do with crop conditions is that the ground was never in better shape for growing vegetation than now.

Omaha had a rainfall of 1.57 inches in the twenty-four hours, ending at 7 a. m. Tuesday.

Mrs. McCord Now Out of Danger, Says Physician

Mrs. W. H. McCord, wife of W. H. McCord of McCord-Brady company, who has been dangerously ill at the Hotel Fontenelle, was pronounced out of danger last night by Dr. F. M. Conlin, house physician.

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