would be to secure exhibits of women's work in all its multifarious lines. As this information was only conveyed after the women's board had met and adjourned, it took some time to make the out-of-town members understand just what these new duties comprised, but this was accomplished in due time and the executive committee turned to what it regarded as the most important function of the board, the organizing of congresses.

At the very outset the committee was confronted with the proposition that this line of work was outside of the province of the Department of Exhibits and properly belonged to the Department of Promotion. The Department of Promotion declined to co-operate with the Women's Board of Managers, and the feminine contingent is still in the same condition as Mahomet's coffin—suspended between high heaven and the lower regions. Numerous letters were written to the Department of Promotion in connection with this matter, but the only satisfaction so far received was to the effect that the department was too busy mobilizing the militia to give any attention to such trivial matters.

THEY ARE WAITING NOW.

In this dilemma the women are simply waiting and hoping for a Moses. Under its rules the Women's Board of Managers has no authority to incur any expense whatever without first securing authority to do so. The board is attached to the Department of Exhibits, which takes the position that expenses incident to anything in the line of promotion should not be charged to the exhibit department, and the Department of Promotion declines to take a hand in the matter. The women take the position that in order to have successful congresses at the minimum cost it will be necessary to secure some of the large conventions of organizations whose objects are in harmony with the general idea on which the congresses are to be conducted. For instance, the securing of the meeting of the National Educational association for 1898 is regarded by the women as being very important in order to assure the attendance of prominent educators and persons who are interested in the general matter of congresses. Other conventions are also desired for similar reasons but all attempts in this direction up to this time have been thwarted by interneciue discussions among the departments.

At the last meeting of the executive committee of the exposition a discussion along these lines was had, and Manager Bruce of the Department of Exhibits finally announced his determination to carry along the work of his department in accordance with his supposed prerogative of another department work of his department infringed upon the ideas, the inference being that where the he would assume the responsibility when such other department refused to act in the matter. The result may be that the women will be enabled to carry out some of their cherished plans.

## CHARGED UP TO THE BURGLARS.

### Accused of Looting and Setting Fire to O'Neil''s Residence.

After having looted the place, in order to cover up their crime burglars are supposed to have set fire to the residence of Eugene O'Neill, 1902 South Twelfth street, last Saturday night.

The blaze occurred at about 9:15 o'clock and was extinguished by the fire department after some $100 damage had been done to the building. The origin of the fire seemed to be in a closet, which contained nothing but a few rags and some rolls of wall paper. The cause was recorded on the books in the office of the chief as being unknown. When the fire occurred the occupant, Eugene O'Neill, and his family were away and no one was in the house. The family did not return until after the firemen had departed. When O'Neill made an examination of the premises he found that there was missing a considerable quantity of clothing which had been hanging in the closet in which the fire is supposed to have started.

Assistant Fire Chief Salter was at the fire and he personally made an examination of the closet. All that he found in it were a few burning rags and a quantity of wall paper. He removed this debris. He is confident the closet contained nothing that would indicate that it held any such quantity of clothing as Mr. O'Neill describes. It is therefore believed that after removing the clothing the thieves set fire to the house. As further evidences of a robbery Mr. O'Neill found the upper pane of one of the front windows broken. The glass was not cracked by the heat of the fire. Before leaving the house the O'Neills fastened every door and window. Mr. O'Neill Sunday reported these circumstances to Chief Redell, who in turn notified Chief of Police Sigwart. A detective has been assigned to the case, but has so far discovered no clew.

## MET AND GREETED GEN. STANTON.

### Veterans Spend an Evening with an Old Comrade.

General T. H. Stanton, U. S. A., paymaster general of the War department, who is in Omaha for a brief stay, was informally greeted by a number of intimate friends last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Grant, 1021 Park avenue. Most of those present were veterans of the rebellion and after an enjoyable supper reminiscences and song consumed the evening until a late hour.

Those present and greeting General Stanton were: General G. B. Dandy, Mayor Frank E. Moores, City Attorney W. J. Connell, Major John B. Furay, John C. Wharton, Colonel Abell, Major Towar, Mr. Thatcher of Fort Niobrara, John R. Manchester, A. U. Wyman, C. E. Burmester, Andy Traynor, Lew May, Lee S. Estelle, C. S. Cullingham, A. C. Powers and John Grant.

### Governor Budd and Durrant's Appeal.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—Governor Budd is making a personal investigation of the features of the Durrant murder case. Today he visited the Immanuel Baptist church, the scene of the double tragedy, accompanied by Chief of Police Lees and Durrant's attorney. The party then visited the houses of Mrs. Leake and Mrs. Crossett, two important witnesses for the prosecution, in order that the governor might see for himself what they had to testify and so be enabled to equitably act in Durrant's appeal for clemency.

### Odd Fellows Off for Aberdeen.

HURON, S. D., May 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Delegates and visitors left here this evening for Aberdeen, where the Odd Fellows' grand lodge and Rebekah assembly convenes tomorrow. The Black Hills delegation and many grand lodge officers were with the company. Huron will ask for the next meeting.

### Three Children Burned to Death.

SHAWANEE, Wis., May 17.—Martin Wicks and wife, who live near Gresham, this county, left their home this morning to look after some stock that had strayed away. During their absence forest fires spread over the farm and destroyed the house. Three small children, who had been left alone, perished.

### Leona's Officers Exonerated.

NEW YORK, May 17.—A coroner's jury today returned a verdict exonerating the officers and crew and managers of the Mallory line from all responsibility in connection with the disastrous fire in the steamer Leona on the 9th inst., which caused the death of thirteen persons.

### Trial of Tobacco Trust Directors.

NEW YORK, May 17.—District Attorney Olcott said today that the trial of the directors and officials of the American Tobacco company who were indicted for conspiracy a year ago will be begun on the first Monday in June, for which date it has been set down.

### Kansas Text Book Law Valid.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 17.—The validity of the state school textbook law is sustained in a decision rendered today by Judge Hazen.

You don't know where you got that cold. Do you know where you can get the cure for it? Every drug store keeps Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. *It cures coughs and colds.*

# ANY CHURCH OR NONE AT ALL

## Young Women's Christian Association on a Broad Gauge Again.

## EVANGELICAL IDEA IS RECONSIDERED

### New Constitution Without the Attempted Restriction on Membership is Adopted with Very Little Friction.

Membership and good standing in an Evangelical church will not be a necessary passport for admission to the Young Women's Christian association of Omaha.

The proposed article to the constitution attempting to put this religious restriction upon active membership was killed by a strong, concerted opposition at the regular annual meeting of the association, adjourned from last Monday night, at the First Presbyterian church. The section adopted allows all women over 15 years of age, of good moral character, to become active members if they pay an annual fee of $1 and behave themselves. Besides doing this the association also determined to incorporate itself as a legal body.

The prospective fight over the attempt to introduce the religious restriction to membership called out an unusual attendance. Not only was considerably more than a majority of the active membership of the body present to vote upon the question, but there were in addition a large number of non-members on hand to enjoy the probable fight. In all the attendance numbered over 300 and the parlors of the church were pretty well filled. Those who expected anything in the nature of a row, however, were disappointed, because the nonevangelical idea had an easy majority of adherents. Considerable feeling, though, pervaded the proceedings.

The liberal element believed that its cause was lost on the very start. This supposed indication of the strength of the forces was brought up when it was found that there was one less than the needed quorum to act on the incorporation. Miss Mulhall arose and called attention to the fact that Miss Mary Fairbrother's name had not been called on the roll call. Mrs. I. V. Tilden, the chairman, said that Miss Fairbrother had not paid her dues. Miss Fairbrother in answer stated that the association owed her money and that she had instructed the treasurer at last Monday night's meeting, when she was also refused a vote, to take the dollar out of her account. Mrs. Tilden held that this did not alter the situation, as last night's meeting was a continuation of that of the previous Monday, and if Miss Fairbrother could not vote at the one she could not at the other. Thereupon a motion was made to give Miss Fairbrother the right to vote anyway. Mrs. Tilden declared this out of the order, and thereupon Miss Mulhall appealed from the decision. Upon a division the chairman was supported by a vote of 76 to 61. This vote was believed to indicate the strength of the two forces.

ELECTS SOME DIRECTORS.

While some of the members went out to hustle up a couple of more votes, the organization proceeded to elect five directors to fill the places of those whose terms expire this year. The candidates were: Anna Hazzard, Methodist; Mrs. G. W. Hoobler, Baptist; Mrs. P. O. Hawes, Episcopalian; Dr. Freda Lankton, Presbyterian; Mrs. F. W. Richardson, Congregationalist; Miss Emma Wheatley, Christian; Miss Mary D. Ballantyne, Presbyterian; Mrs. John Steele, Congregationalist; Mrs. Streight, Episcopal.

Somebody wanted to know why it was that other churches were not recognized in this list of nominees, which was prepared by a committee, but nothing came of the query. The balloting resulted in the election of Miss Hazzard, Mrs. Hoobler, Mrs. Hawes, Dr. Lankton and Mrs. Richardson. They serve for three years.

A quorum having been gotten together by this time, a resolution to legally incorporate was almost unanimously adopted. The future legal name of the association will be the Young Women's Association of Omaha. It will assume the debts of the old body. Its affairs will be in the hands of a board of trustees, who, upon a vote, were made the same as the board of directors. This board, besides those elected last night, is composed of the following: Mrs. I. V. Tilden, Mrs. A. N. Ferguson, Mrs. W. P. Harford, Miss Lydia McCague and Miss Marie Gallagher, whose terms expire in 1899; Mrs. H. J. Penfod, Mrs. M. C. Nixon, Mr. H. H. Heller, Mrs. F. F. Ford and Miss Lillian Littlefield, whose terms expire in 1898.

Mrs. Ford then at once urged that the action of the preceding Monday night's meeting on the membership matter should be reconsidered because it was acted upon in the presence of less than half the active membership and was adopted by only one-fifth. In response to this plea, Miss Lillian Bruner, who had voted for the restriction, moved for a reconsideration. The motion was carried by a vote of 89 to 62. This result called out some applause, which Chairman Mrs. Tilden promptly frowned down. Her words, however, did not prevent further handclapping later in the meeting.

ONLY ONE SPEECH MADE.

Miss Margaret McCarthy was the only one who spoke. She said that she was one of the charter members of the association, and had been in its early life when there were no funds in the treasury, no secretary; when the members themselves had to serve the girls who went to the rooms. She asked what benefits would come from admission in the international association. She answered that delegates would be admitted, but she said that even she, "a Catholic," had been allowed in the meetings. It was charged that the organization would be too broad, but she stated that even she, "a Catholic," would not consider it too broad. No advantages could be obtained in spiritual work, because she said that she had obtained from the mouths of the evangelical idea supporters that the Catholics never interfered with the work of the association, and that the non-Catholics have not come forward in the past with aid. She also pleaded for the retention of the existing membership plank in the interest of harmony, saying that already by the dissension "a harvest of weeds of prejudice had been sown that it would take years to mow."

No one else wanted to talk and a vote was called for. An yea and nay vote was demanded. Upon roll call the liberal membership section was adopted by a vote of 85 to 69.

The remainder of the new constitution was then adopted section by section with few amendments. Finally the entire constitution was passed, although there was a vigorous "no" vote. The meeting then adjourned, the time being almost 11:30.

## ELEVEN ENDORSE THE MOVE.

### Preachers Who Want a Church Membership Test to Eligibility.

The Omaha Ministerial union met in regular monthly session at the Kountze Memorial church yesterday with Rev. Llwyd presiding. The attendance was unusually large, and the meeting exceedingly spirited and enjoyable. The topic for discussion was, "Humors of the Pastorate," with Dr. S. Wright Butler and Rev. John McQuoid, D.D., carded as the speakers. The latter named gentleman did not put in an appearance, but Dr. Butler entertained the brethren in a decidedly refreshing manner for the period of an hour or so.

While Dr. Butler is not a believer in punmaking, joke-cracking and facetiousness in the pulpit, his humorous narrative of personal experiences kept the members in an unceasing state of laughter, and when he closed was the recipient of a hearty handshaking. Revs. Mackay and Kerr indulged in brief talks, recounting in a fetching way the bits of fun that have happened them during their careers as deciples of the Lord.

The next session will be held Monday, June 21, when "Sabbath Observance" will be the theme for discussion, with Drs. W. W. Hatcha and W. W. Everts as the speakers.

The following was circulated and signed by eleven of the clergymen present:

"We, the undersigned, pastors of churches in Omaha, approve of the action recently taken by the Young Women's Christian association of this city in putting itself in fellowship with the great Young Women's Christian association movement throughout the country:" J. O. Staples, C. N. Dawson, J. M. Wilson, Alexander Gilchrist, W. W. Everts, S. M. Ware, J. M. Vawter, F. A. Warfield, S. B. McCormick, Thomas Anderson, E. MacDill.

## FILE A PLAT FOR A NEW TOWN.

### Grand Encampment Mining Boom Is Drawing Population.

RAWLINS, Wyo., May 17.—(Special.)—A plat was filed with the clerk of Carbon county this week of Grand Encampment townsite, a proposed town in the Grand Encampment mining district. The town is to be located near Peryam's ranch, and has two streams of water running through it with timber close at hand.

Work at Four Mile, south of this city, is opening up this spring in a very satisfactory manner. The Rock Springs company expects to increase the amount of gold taken out largely over that of last year. It has ample water and is working a large force of men. The West Side Placer company has enlarged its facilities for washing dirt and has changed its riffles and sluicing methods. The company expects good returns from this season's work.

J. W. Myers of the Mollie Hill company, who has just returned from Grand Encampment, brought in some heavy gold nuggets panned from decomposed quartz on the Pocatello lead. He has a force of men working on the claim, which shows excellent prospects. Mr. Myers reports that Messrs. Dowd & Colcord, two Colorado prospectors, have opened a vein of quartz in Mason's gulch which shows assays of gold running from $500 to $1,000 a ton.

### Open a Grave to Get Jewelry.

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo., May 15.—(Special.)—The city authorities are investigating an outrage committed in the Chinese cemetery some time during the past week. It had been currently reported that a quantity of jewelry had been buried with the body of Ham Sing, a Chinaman killed at No. 1 mine and buried last Saturday. Evidently with the intention of securing this jewelry the grave has been opened and the casket containing the remains taken out. The body was thrown upon the ground and left there, the miscreants either becoming frightened or being too disgusted by their failure to secure any plunder to rebury the body.

### Arranging Encampment at Laramie.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 15.—(Special.)—Major Wilhelm, U. S. A., instructor of the Wyoming National Guard, and Adjutant General Stitzer returned today from Laramie, where they met the city board of trade and discussed the plan of having a state encampment of the National Guard at Laramie during the coming summer. If the encampment is secured the War department will direct the regular troops at Fort D. A. Russell to attend. As the state legislature failed to make any appropriation for an encampment it will be necessary to raise the funds for the expense of holding it from public contributions.

### Superintendent Injured in a Runaway

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo., May 17.—(Special.)—Mrs. Mary A. Clark, county superintendent of schools, was seriously hurt by a runaway team while driving from Green River to this city Thursday. She was driving with her son when the horses started to run away. Mrs. Clark jumped from the carriage and fell. She was picked up in an unconscious condition and taken to the section house at Wilkins, where she remained until physicians went out from here. Later she was brought to her home in this city.

### Sheep Herder and His Flock Missing.

RAWLINS, Wyo., May 17.—(Special.)—Messrs. Harper & Miller, who are running sheep north of this place, report that one of their herders, a German whose name is unknown, has been missing with his flock for nearly a week. The camp wagon was found near Bull Springs, with the contents unmolested. Mr. Harper had ridden the range for three days but could find no trace of the sheep or the herder. Yesterday he procured men and horses and again started on the search for the missing man.

### Chief Arthur at Cheyenne.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 17.—(Special Telegram.)—P. M. Arthur, grand chief engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, who is traveling west on a visit of inspection was tendered a reception here this evening which was attended by over 1,000 people. Mr. Authur explained in an able speech the work accomplished by the brotherhood and its aims and purposes. Addresses were also made by Governor Richards, General John C. Thompson, Hon. A. D. Kelley and W. R. Stoll.

### Rich Strike in Ragged Top District.

NEWCASTLE, Wyo., May 17.—(Special.)—Henry Leppla of this city, has made a rich find of gold ore on Squaw creek in the Ragged Top mining district. His men who are working on the Ironside claim brought in samples of ore which apparently were of little value. An assay, however, showed values of $810 a ton. The ore was found at the end of a tunnel at the distance of 105 feet. The pay streak is ten inches wide, and average assays show $300 to the ton.

### Musical Services on Custer Field.

SHERIDAN, Wyo., May 17.—(Special.)—The members of the Grand Army of the Republic of this city are arranging to celebrate memorial services this year upon the Custer battle ground. Over 1,200 soldiers are buried at the Custer Battle Ground National cemetery, and it is proposed to have memorial services there every year in which Grand Army of the Republic members and others from all of the northern Wyoming and southern Montana towns will join.

## MADE INSANE BY WANT AND WORRY.

### Sad Plight of an Actress Stranded in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—Mrs. Yvonne Carlton, a stranded actress, is in a padded cell in the receiving hospital, her unfortunate condition being primarily due to nervous prostration caused by worry and want. She was a member of the Imperial Operatic Comedy company, of which Liners & Stringer were managers. They played in British Columbia and the Puget Sound country and got stranded in Sacramento. Mrs. Carlton had a child 3 years of age that traveled with her, but during a fire in Seattle the child was burned to death. After arriving here from Sacramento she endeavored to get an engagement in one of the local theaters, but failed. She was unable to get any employment, and became mentally unbalanced. She will be cared for by the local representatives for the Actors Fund of America.

## MURDERER TAKES HIS OWN LIFE.

### Wades Into a Pond and Then Shoots Himself.

MILWAUKEE, May 17.—The body of William Pautsch Pouch, as he was commonly known, the man who murdered Farmer Harris and wounded Mark Hold, his hired man, and Miss Vesbach, a domestic at the Harris home, near Kaukana, a week ago, was found in a pond near Prospect Hill today. The body was easily identified. There was a bullet hole in the neck. Pouch evidently waded into the pond and shot himself.

### United Brethren Conference.

TOLEDO, May 17.—At the United Brethren conference today devotions were conducted by Dr. Berger. A committee of seven was appointed to fix the salaries of general officers. It was agreed that elections of officers should begin Thursday at 2 p. m. Tomorrow at 3 p. m. was set apart to hear the greetings of the Women's Missionary association. The standing committees on missions and formulas reported. Ordered printed. The reading of the first line of the marriage ceremony, "The Lord have mercy upon us," awakened no little comment. Rev. M. L. Tibbetts and Isaac Pasker were admitted to seats in the body. Blanks for statistical reports of pastors were referred to the bishop for formal action.

### Bayard is Home Again.

WILMINGTON, Del., May 17.—Thomas F. Bayard, formerly ambassador to England, arrived in this city from New York this afternoon with the log of the Mayflower in his possession. He deposited the log in a safe deposit vault for safe keeping until he conveys it to the custody of the governor of Massachusetts.

### Reward for a Murderer.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 17.—Governor Clough today issued a proclamation, offering a reward of $250 for the capture and conviction of the murderer of W. D. Boxell and his wife near Howard Lake Saturday. No further reports have been received from the scene of the tragedy.

# RESUMES DR. FALL'S HEARING

## Board of Public Lands and Buildings Gets More Testimony.

## LAWYERS FIGHT OVER EVERY POINT

### Formidable Array of Counsel Engaged in the Case and a Long Sitting of the Court Apparent.

LINCOLN, May 17.—(Special.)—The hearing of the charges against Dr. C. P. Fall of the Institute for Feeble Minded Youth was resumed today, the Board of Public Lands and Buildings sitting as the court. Dr. Fall was represented by Judge Bush, E. O. Kretsinger, F. M. Davis, W. H. Woodward and W. H. Barnes. The interests of Dr. Given were looked after by A. D. McCandlass of Wymore. Captain Ashby was present to aid the board, but when he started to conduct the examination of witnesses objections were raised by Dr. Fall's attorneys. They thought he had no right to appear in the case. The objection was overruled, it being stated that Captain Ashby was there on request of the board as a personal favor. There were a number of interested spectators at the hearing, among them being several of Dr. Fall's adherents from Beatrice.

After a long season of preliminary wrangling Dr. C. L. Roe of Beatrice was put on the stand by the board to show that Dr. Fall had kept up his private office and practice down town since going into the institution, and that he was often absent from the institute attending to his private affairs. Other witnesses to corroborate this and also to show the incompetence of Dr. Fall were put on the stand.

After dinner Chief Clerk Nelson of the land commissioner's office was called to identify a number of letters and testify as to the business dealings of Dr. Fall with the board. An effort was made to show that Dr. Fall often acted independently of the wishes or arrangements of the board, and that he did not always purchase supplies from the persons authorized to supply the same. The employment of a number of Dr. Fall's friends without the knowledge or consent of the board was also touched upon.

BROUGHT ON AN ARGUMENT.

In the cross-examination of Mr. Nelson there arose a long and learned discussion between the attorneys as to whether testimony regarding the employes should be admitted, and in this discussion, which was at times quite heated, the trouble between Dr. Fall and Mr. Sheridan was quite frequently mentioned. Mr. Meserve said he had certain information that this trouble between Dr. Fall and Mr. Sheridan commenced long before either of them entered the institution. He did not believe the testimony in this case should be hampered by technicalities. He thought nothing should be done that could give Dr. Fall a reason to say that he had no opportunity to go thoroughly into the matter in his defense.

Mr. Nelson told of the dates of the various appointments and the total of salaries drawn by the employes. From his testimony it was learned that some of the employes were appointed by Dr. Fall and some suggested by him and confirmed by the board. It seemed that in one or two instances the board had refused to confirm and others were substituted. It was shown that the salary of those confirmed by the board amounted to $506 during April, while those appointed by Dr. Fall without confirmation drew $412.12.

Mr. Kretsinger inquired if the salary of Mr. Sheridan was included in the item of $506. Objection was made by a member of the board that the question was incompetent and irrelevant. This aroused a somewhat acrimonious discussion over the Sheridan matter, during which Mr. Meserve said that the board was not trying Mr. Sheridan at this time. If Dr. Fall and his friends had any way to get after Mr. Sheridan let them do it, but not try to get in here with that row; that part of the question had been gone into by the board, and Mr. Sheridan not now being in the institution he was not in controversy.

Judge Bush said if Sheridan was out of the institution it was news to him. Mr. Sheridan was at the institution yet this morning.

"He might be there, but he is not there officially," said Secretary Porter. "The doctor's wife may be there, too, and still she is not drawing pay and is no part of this controversy."

After a further dispute the board voted to keep Sheridan out of the testimony. Dr. Fall's attorneys maintained that Sheridan had drawn pay for a month after he was discharged, and Mr. Nelson admitted that the salary of the steward was not included in the item of $506.

Bush, Dr. Fall's assistant in the medical department, was called by the board and testified that he was a stenographer, had studied law some and at one time had sold stoves for a wrought iron range company, but had never studied medicine.

GIST OF THE TESTIMONY.

Land Commissioner Wolfe testified that the board ordered repairs at an estimated price and that Dr. Fall had far exceeded the cost in making repairs. Other instances were given where Dr. Fall had overstepped his authority or instructions.

Dr. Fall denied the charges made against him and explained at some length the appointment of employes. The board had made appointments and left the impression that Dr. Fall had made them. This had been the general rule. The attendants ought to be trained before taking charge. The attendant of the ward when the child was scalded to death in a bath tub was not one of the regular force of attendants. The testimony of Dr. Fall was very long and like that of the preceding witnesses, a great deal of his evidence had no bearing on the case.

Attorney General Smyth gave notice that the defense must close at 10 o'clock. To The Bee reporter Mr. Kretsinger complained of this order. He said that Mr. Smyth had come to Beatrice during the campaign and asked for help "and we used our time and money to help elect him. Now he begrudges us a little time to present our case, and forces us to pay for our own stenographer, when the state house is full of idle stenographers."

The testimony all through indicated that from the first there was the utmost confusion in the handling of the new employes and in all the business between Dr. Fall and the board. It also went to show that the principal objection of the board to Dr. Fall was that he did not discharge the old employes fast enough. At the close the attorneys of Dr. Fall moved for time to make a further showing. The motion was overruled and the arguments in the case were made, the defense being limited to thirty minutes.

### Gossip from the State House.

LINCOLN, May 17.—(Special.)—Requisition papers of the governor of Iowa for the return of Ben Smith from this state to Mills county, Iowa, were approved today. Smith is wanted for burglary, committed March 28.

The compilers of the session laws are nearly through with their labors, only a few special bills now remaining to be prepared for the printer. In the work on house roll No. 615 another serious error on the part of the enrolling committee of the house was discovered. The salary of the chaplain of the Kearney Reform school was placed by the legislature at $800 for the two years, and the bill was properly engrossed and passed as far as this item was concerned. The clerk who enrolled the bill cut the salary down to $300, and that is the way it will appear on the printed record.

### Young Married People's Club.

NORTH LOUP, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—A meeting of the Young Married People's club was held last evening at the residence of Warren Walker, the entertainment being provided by Mrs. Lou Barber and Mrs. Mattie Burdick. An interesting and amusing inaugural address was delivered by the president, Mrs. Mollie Thorngate, and this was followed by a program of speeches, songs and instrumental music. Lunch was served at 11 o'clock and the early hours were spent in various enjoyable games provided by the hostesses. A few of those present were Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Clement, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brace, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Thorngate, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. Guilford Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thorngate, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Green, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bee, Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Thorngate, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Watts, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Green, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Hurley, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Watts, Mrs. Nora Clement, Mrs. Eva Hill, Miss Cora Brace, Mr. Linn Davis, Mr. Harry Rood and Mr. W. Walker.

## STATE TREASURY BALANCE SHEET.

### Condition of the Funds on March 31 and April 30.

LINCOLN, May 17.—(Special.)—The following statement gleaned from the books of the state auditor shows the receipts and disbursements of the state treasury for the month of April:

FUNDS.

| | Balances. | Receipts. | Paym'ts. | Balances. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| General | $188,125 78 | $ 57,572 67 | $229,783 00 | $ 35,614 85 |
| Sinking | 185,568 83 | 5,408 87 | 180,970 60 | 10,067 01 |
| Per. sch'l | 98,534 42 | 47,086 29 | 12,476 32 | 133,144 39 |
| Tem. sch'l | 274,895 09 | 84,549 73 | ..... | 329,444 82 |
| Per. uni. | 1,591 18 | 3,394 87 | ..... | 4,986 45 |
| Ag. col. endow't | 20,888 71 | 83 51 | ..... | 20,972 22 |
| Tem. uni. | 39,128 27 | 11,365 47 | 31,152 44 | 17,441 30 |
| Pen'ty | 17 88 | 1 25 | ..... | 19 13 |
| Nor. bldg. | 13 | ..... | ..... | 13 |
| State bds. | 92 | 94 | ..... | 96 |
| Cap. bldg. | 153 60 | 11 35 | ..... | 164 95 |
| Ref'rm sch. bld. | 67 25 | 4 71 | ..... | 71 96 |
| Inst. F'ble Mind'd | 7,909 57 | 1,099 34 | ..... | 9,008 91 |
| Live stock Ind'ty | 807 10 | 3 40 | ..... | 810 50 |
| State rel'f | 10,648 38 | 1,094 62 | ..... | 11,743 00 |
| Hosp. for Insane | 2,342 51 | 111 05 | 1,000 00 | 1,453 56 |
| State Lib'y | 1,313 74 | ..... | ..... | 1,313 74 |
| Uni. Lib'y | (20 58 | ..... | (20 58 | ..... |
| Nor. Lib. | 1,377 65 | 300 00 | ..... | 1,637 65 |
| Nor. End | 5,904 03 | ..... | ..... | 5,904 01 |
| Nor. Int. | 1,559 31 | 470 00 | 1,340 00 | 669 31 |
| Int. chg'd Co. treas. | 94 | ..... | ..... | 94 |
| Conc'ce | 1 00 | ..... | ..... | 1 00 |
| Pen. labor fund | 2,734 15 | 817 22 | ..... | 3,551 37 |
| Unl. cash fund | ..... | 4,605 95 | 485 68 | 4,220 27 |
| Totals | $844,131 42 | $187,929 74 | $459,828 71 | $592,232 45 |

### Shower in Perkins County.

ELSIE, Neb., May 17.—(Special Telegram.)—A fine rain fell during last night, wetting the ground to the depth of two inches, almost reaching to the moisture below and which brightens the prospects for an excellent crop. Nothing has suffered so far from drouth.

GRANT, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—Crops have not yet needed rain, although for the last few days the surface of the ground has become somewhat dry. Grass is in excellent condition. With the exception of a light frost on Thursday night the past week has been splendid weather for the growing crops. Wheat is of slow growth, but it is rooting deep and shooting rapidly. The frost did little damage except to garden stuff and cherries.

### Find Big Profits in Feeding Sheep.

FREMONT, Neb., May 15.—(Special.)—The past season has been an especially profitable one for sheep feeders, and from present indications a still larger number of sheep will be fed here next winter. Among those who have large bunches of Oregon sheep on the trail headed for Dodge county, or will shortly start them east, are Turner & Hoebner, Philip Rine, Turner Brothers, W. S. Brown, Reynolds Brothers and Mahoney & Sullivan. In addition to affording a home market for Dodge county grain and hay a good many men are necessarily required to look after the sheep on the trail. About four months are generally consumed in driving the sheep from Oregon or Washington to the place of shipment on either the Elkhorn or Union Pacific railroads.

### Juniors Give an Entertainment.

NORTH LOUP, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—The junior class of the High school gave an entertainment at the town hall on Saturday evening for the purpose of raising funds for the school library. The receipts amounted to about $20. Miss Florence Clement gave an interesting history of the junior class which was loudly applauded on account of its well-tempered references to the rivalries and difficulties with the senior class, the members of which, to the number of sixteen, will graduate on Thursday evening. The grand climax of the entertainment was a farce, in costume, "The Irish Linen Peddler," which was greeted with boisterous applause.

### Burglars Offer to Plead Guilty.

YORK, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—John Biss and Edward Cook are suspected of robbing O. Lang's store last Saturday morning. They were arrested Saturday night at Gresham and nine revolvers, together with other articles missing, were found. While being detained at the Blodgett house in this city before being taken to jail one of the men attempted to escape. There was a desperate tussle before the man was subdued. This morning the two offered to plead guilty to the charge of burglary if the court would not give them over a year in the penitentiary. The court will probably do this.

### Get Teachers at Lower Salaries.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the school board last week a general cut in the salaries of teachers and superintendent was made. Prof. Bacchus of Florence was elected superintendent at $700 a year. The teachers elected at that time refused to accept the cut and their places have been filled by Miss Carrie Contryman, Miss Kate Russell, Miss Fannie Breece, Miss Williams and Miss Mildred Hart. W. C. Smith was re-elected assistant principal. Many regret the action of the board in reducing the salaries.

### Bound Over for Assault.

BERLIN, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—Henry T. Specht was today bound over to the district court on a charge of assault preferred by Miss Margaret Bucholz. The case was tried before Judge A. F. Young. The court room was crowded. About fifteen witnesses were examined. County Attorney Paul Sisson prosecuted and Attorney Sloan of Nebraska City and Day of Berlin defended. Bail was furnished in the sum of $500 by the young man's father.

### Ship Cattle to Chicago.

ULYSSES, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—A special train will leave here this evening for Chicago of twenty-four cars of fat cattle: J. C. Schrader, eight cars; Martin and Withers, six cars; C. B. Wilson, four cars; W. H. Lamey, two cars; Byron Beaver, two cars; J. H. Wynegar, two cars. These are all well fed cattle and will pay their owners a big profit. About 3,500 head are being and have been fed here.

### Catch a Robber in Grand Island.

ST. PAUL, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—Another man implicated in the Shanstrain burglary was caught in Grand Island last week and some of the stolen goods recovered. Another lot of goods, on the confession of this man, was found hidden in a cornfield about five miles southwest of Lincoln Saturday, and recovered by Mr. Shanstrain. The man caught in Grand Island, Runnels by name, will be brought here for trial.

### Smith-Orton.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—Saturday night at the residence of the bride's parents occurred the marriage of Mary Orton to F. M. Smith of Lincoln. Rev. Mr. Donegan officiated and only a few guests were invited.

### Consumption Carries Off a Boy.

HASTINGS, May 17.—(Special.)—The funeral of Victor Nelson was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Congregational church. Victor was the 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Nelson who came to Hastings about six months ago from Milwaukee. The boy was a consumptive and was brought here for his health, but died last Friday evening. The remains were interred in Parkview cemetery.

## BIG COLLECTION FOR EVANGELIST.

### Humboldt People Contribute Liberally to Mr. W. A. Sunday.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—A collection of $300 was taken up at yesterday morning's revival meeting as a personal compliment to Evangelist W. A. Sunday. Previously the contributions have all been devoted to general expenses. Yesterday morning Superintendent J. W. Dinsmore, in an effective address, spoke with some force of the work that was being done by Mr. Sunday and urged a liberal appropriation. The congregation responded and Mr. Sunday graciously expressed his gratitude.

In the afternoon twenty-seven converts were made at a meeting for men only.

At the farewell sermon in the evening the church was crowded and the people stood at the windows outside. Altogether 209 persons have been converted.

## BOTTOMS ARE TOO WET FOR CORN.

### Acreage May Be Somewhat Less, Owing to Excessive Moisture.

PAPILLION, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—It is estimated that Sarpy county farmers will be on an average about twenty days late in the planting of their corn crop this year. The heavy rains of the past few weeks have made it next to impossible to get bottom lands in condition for corn growing and it is probable that the acreage planted to corn in Sarpy county this year will fall below the average of past years. Prospects for small fruits are good and barring a late frost the yield of small fruits from this county will exceed the crop of previous years.

### Blair High School Commencement.

BLAIR, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—June 5 will be commencement day at the Blair High school. An excellent program has already been prepared, including three choruses by the High school girls and two musical numbers. Orations will be given by Cora A. Wilkey, George W. Brooks, Aimee Sutherland, Andrew Beck, Birdie G. Scott, Bessie L. Patrick, G. Arthur Bailey and J. Pearl Edwards.

### Platte County Pioneer Dying.

COLUMBUS, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—J. S. Murdock, senior member of the firm of Murdock & Son of this city, is lying dangerously ill at his home here and there is very little chance of his recovery. He is suffering from a complication of diseases. He came to Platte county nearly twenty-five years ago and has nearly ever since been engaged in mercantile pursuits. He is 68 years of age.

### Contract to Repair the Bridge.

COLUMBUS, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—Platte county supervisors have awarded the contract for repairing the Loup river bridge in the south part of town. An entire new floor and sills will be laid and the bridge will be closed to travel two hours each day. The work is to be completed in thirty days after commencing, and will be begun just as soon as the material arrives.

### Eight Years of Active Service.

YORK, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—The Epworth league of this city celebrated its eighth anniversary yesterday at the Methodist church. Rev. J. W. Stewart delivered an address in the morning and a literary program occupied the evening session. This organization is a very influential and active one.

### Over a Hundred Confirmed.

WESTON, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—St. John's day confirmation services were conducted by Bishop Bonacum yesterday, assisted by Father Klein, the pastor in charge. The class numbered 112. The bishop was escorted from the hotel to the church by a brass band and Catholic Knights.

### Meserve Spends Sunday at Ulysses.

ULYSSES, Neb., May 17.—(Special.)—The state treasurer and Mrs. Meserve visited over Sunday with their old friend Captain A. M. Niles and wife of Ulysses. They attended the Congregational church and listened to a sermon by Rev. Mr. Sage of Rising City.

## EIGHTEEN THOUSAND ON A STRIKE.

### Clothing Manufacturing Trade in New York at a Standstill.

NEW YORK, May 17.—There were no outward manifestations of excitement today at the headquarters of the striking tailors. William Cohen, business agent of the Brotherhood of Tailors, of which the strikers are nearly all members, said:

"In this city, Brooklyn and Newark 18,000 men and women are on a strike—10,000 of them in this city, where 1,000 shops on the east side are closed. The strike affects the entire clothing manufacturing trade. The reason for the strike is the failure of the contractors to live up to the agreement they made more than a year ago. About 6,000 persons struck yesterday morning and the others last night and early today when they had finished their tasks."

Cohen said that assistance was expected from the Progressive Tailors' union No. 11, which will meet tonight and in all probability order a strike. The union numbers about 2,000 members, who make the better class of ready-made garments. Of the strikers, according to Cohen, 15,000 belong to the Brotherhood of Tailors, 2,500 to the Children's Jacket Makers' union and about 1,000 to the Sailors' Jacket Makers' union.

Reports received at the headquarters were to the effect that every shop was closed in Brownsville, as the section of Brooklyn where the garment workers live is known. In