

CARRIE NATION, ACTRESS.

At last, after many months of battling against fate, Carrie Nation finally has struck her salt. She has been doing stunts in a vaudeville show in Philadelphia, raking in the dollars of the curious ones and making life miserable for the managers of the house.

And this is the same woman who declared she was only carrying on the crusade against the saloons for the sake of religious belief and not for mere notoriety or money. She smashed for the sake of temperance. She went to jail, she defied the right of the law to interfere with her, she was hysterical, wild and fearless.

A recent attempt to force a London hotel keeper to draw the color line against 200 colored delegates to the Methodist ecumenical council, to meet there in Wesley Chapel, signally failed. These delegates were to be guests at a fashionable West End hotel, at which a number of wealthy Americans were quartered.

An Eastern newspaper suggests that owing to the price of potatoes being almost \$2 a sack and beyond the reach of common people, that rice be substituted as the staple article of diet in place of the high-priced "spuds."

In the Moxie district, near North Yakima, Washington, there are at least twenty-five artesian wells that flow to the surface. The tempera-

ture of the water as it comes to the surface is 70 degrees and is largely used for irrigating purposes. A surface flow is reached at an average depth of about 1,200 feet. Some of these wells furnish sufficient water to irrigate sixty and eighty acres of land.

A national convention of negro bankers, the first of its kind ever held in this country, is being arranged to be held at Buffalo September 26th. The prime mover of this undertaking is John Clayton, president of the First Colored bank, of Philadelphia.

INSTITUTE IN SESSION.

A Concise Report of This Morning's Proceedings—Those Present.

[With apologies to our reporter who furnished an extended report, which for lack of time and space we were compelled to abbreviate.]

Eighty-one teachers and visitors assembled in the High school assembly hall this morning. The day was an ideal one, cool and clear. The attendance large.

This morning's session opened with singing, conducted by City Supt. Landers. This was followed by a few brief introductory remarks by County Supt. C. L. Gilbert, in which he stated that this was the thirteenth annual institute held in this county and the sixth that he had called. He also pointed out the fact that the average length of school terms had increased from about 4.1 months per year to 6.7 months since he had gone into office.

The regular program opened with a talk upon reading, by Prof. French, of Monmouth, his object being to show what he reading implies, and at the close of his splendid address his listeners had comprehensive ideas of the manner in which that important study should be taught.

Prof. W. C. Hawley then talked upon history and civil government, explaining in the first place their relation to one another. He clearly outlined the American policy of the United States in regard to immigration as compared with that of European countries. The history of the United States is cosmopolitan in character, and the influence of foreigners has been great in its moulding.

Prof. Hawley spoke understandingly and in an interesting manner, and we regret our inability to publish the extended report of both his and Prof. French's address, as handed in by our reporter.

Prof. French again spoke on reading, very vividly illustrating his talk by a direct conversation with a child, in developing an idiom and relation of words contained therein. In methods Prof. French is certainly a master, and the State Normal School at Monmouth are fortunate in securing so able an instructor. Prof. French is principal of the training department.

The teachers and visitors present are: Supt. C. L. Gilbert, Pres. W. C. Hawley, Prof. R. C. French, Mrs. R. C. French, Prof. J. S. Landers, Bessie Underhill, Lexie Strachan, Willis McDougal, Z. E. Freer, Louise Rintoul, Tina Rintoul, Dora Nielsen, C. D. Thompson, R. R. Allard, J. T. Neff, Mabel Riddell, Elsie M. Ball, Alice M. Ball, Anna Horton, Julia A. Hill, Inez Fitzgerald, Mella White, Kate Davenport, Madge Warren, Ruth W. Sturges, James Springer, Kate Martin, Stella Brown, Edna Brown, Christine McNeil, Maggie Kelly, Grace Gambel, Ella Miller, Bertina Cramer, Kate Roche, Etta Wrenn, Anna Thompson, H. W. Kelly, E. H. Hartwig, Cassie M. Cheese, Hester Kent, Josie Spink, Ada Bell, Lulu Rowe, Minnie Elton, Content Elton, A. May Seehler, Ruby M. Groat, E. Maie Barnett, Salina Phirman, Mrs. E. D. Baldwin, Margaret Baldwin, Daisie E. Allaway, Rebecca Wilson, Maude M. Mitchell, Emma Roberts, Anna Taylor, Nan Cooper, J. W. O'Brien, Mary N. Campbell, Flossie Adkinson, Alice M. Dodds, Willems Dodge, Lottie Covey, Geo. W. Brown, Maud Sigman, D. C. Allard, L. H. Arneson, Vernon Cooke, Mattie Matthews, Neva Harvey, Bessie N. Hastings, Louise Goodnow, Lelah Driver. Visitors—Mrs. B. S. Huntington, Mabel Boorman, Miss Sigman, Chas. Stark, and Edward Baldwin.

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