

**NEBRASKA PIONEERS  
IN ANNUAL MEETING**

Sixty territorial pioneers attended the annual meeting of the territorial pioneers association Tuesday morning at the Lindell hotel, preceeding the meeting of the state historical society, J. C. F. McKesson was re-elected president, to serve a third term, and Mrs. Minnie P. Knott secretary-treasurer. Mr. Jolly of Tecumseh was elected first vice-president and Col. T. J. Majors of Peru second vice-president.

The morning was devoted largely to reminiscences of pioneer days. Mr. McKesson in opening the informal program paid a tribute to the pioneers who made the state from nothing but sun and sod and whose fighting qualities are exhibited in their sons today. He called upon Colonel Majors who came to Nebraska in 1859 and has lived in the community for more than sixty years. After a brief resume of the early development of the state Colonel Majors passed the reminiscences on to Judge Wilbur F. Bryant of Hartington who compared the first constitutional convention with the one now in session, of which he is a member. He prophesied that within a century Nebraska, which he believes can support twenty times its present population will be as thickly settled as Belgium.

Among the old settlers who recalled their early experiences were Mrs. Barrows, who has been in the state sixty four years, having been born in

Nebraska City in 1856. Mr. Sims, who settled in Otoe county in 1856, William Carson, who settled in Nebraska City in 1854 and went to the first school in the territory, Capt. A. M. Trimble, who settled in Lancaster county forty-four years ago, Mrs. Ingram who came to Nebraska City in 1855, Mrs. Carmichael of Omaha, who came there in 1862 and was a member of the first graduating class from the Omaha high school.

Jerome Shamp dwelt with the present instead of the past, urging that there be provisions in the new constitution for the development of the watercourses of the state, no state in the union he believes, having as great resources in this direction as Nebraska.

The man whose vote moved the capitol to Lincoln when the issue was tied and who was responsible for putting the seal on the statute book of the state and the motto of the state, "Equality before the law," on that seal, Capt. Isaac Wiles of Plattsmouth gave a short speech, reviewing some of the dramatic incidents relative to "squatters" Sovereignty.

A man was brought into court for the illicit distilling of whiskey. "What is your name?" asked the judge.

"Joshua, sir," was the reply. "Joshua?" repeated the judge. "Ah, are you the Joshua who made the sun stand still?"

"No, sir, judge," was the answer. "I is the man who made the moon shine."—Ex.

**DEFLATING OUR IDEAS**

To prevent a further rising of prices it is necessary that production be increased and consumption be decreased. In Europe and in the United States there never was a greater recklessness in spending money than there has been prevailing since the conclusion of the armistice. The ease with which a larger amount of depreciated money can be earned has diminished the respect for money and the eagerness to save. A willingness to subordinate or sacrifice one's wishes and pleasures to the greater advantage of the country, splendidly manifested during the years of the war, has ended in the present reaction—of an orgy of brazen self-indulgence at the very moment when the war bill is presented for payment.

The first thing to be done is—as a prominent British financier put it—"to deflate our ideas." The world lives in a fool's paradise based upon fictitious wealth, rash promises and mad illusions. The disease is world-wide, it is spread too far to enable us to deal with it as a whole. We may agree on the principles on which it must be fought, but each country will have to be treated in accordance with its own particular conditions. The first step, however, is to prick the bubbles of false premises and to begin by clearing the world balance sheet of fictitious assets as far and as fast as we can.—Paul M. Warbury in The Nation's Business for January.

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**BISHOP STUNTZ ALL  
ALL DAY AT UNIVERSITY**

a ferry. He who talks of isolation today is a hang-over from another age and should establish communication with the stone age.

"You and I are under moral peril if we do not establish a kind of moral quarantine over the influences of the barbaric Turk, the passionate Polish, and the temperamental radical. We, of all people, need moral leadership primarily because more streams of learning are going out from America than from any other country.

"No other nation could be placed as we are placed to influence the ends of the earth. In the next three or four hundred years we are going to influence a mighty reconstruction within China and India. There must be a moral idealism that does not weaken or sag under any load, and the Americans are the only people who dare to face actual conditions.

"China has one-fourth of the human race. Right now she is initiating an enormous program to educate Chinese children. Billions of American money will be used to educate these children. The curse of China today is bribe-taking. What kind of outputs are the schools of China going to give to the world. There must be a moral idealism in the teacher himself to get any practical results or to imbue the scholar with it. There is no greater menace than the menace of the people across the Pacific.

In Many India Parts  
"I have traveled in nearly every part of India, and have been to China eleven times. One-fifth of the human race lives in India. The atrocities of olden times are dying out. Office-holding is not an opportunity there to fill private coffers—but often to fill private coffins. Moral strength transmitted to the natives is the fruit of the laborer in India, or China.

"There are 700,000 cannibals in Borneo. We find it difficult to get census takers to go among these head-hunters!" Borneo officials declare.

"There are 36,000,000 people on the little island of Java. They, too, need moral leadership. There is not even sanitation there. There is nothing—but miles upon miles of plantations, cholera, leprosy, and suffering. The illiteracy of women in Java is one hundred per cent; for men, ninety-five per cent. Unless we can send out

men who have moral leadership and moral strength, we shall not aid in lifting them out of the abyss into which they have fallen, but we shall retard them in their development.

"Wherever it may be, in Russia, Germany, or the East Indies, the crying need today is for a highly trained intellectual balanced and held steady by a profound moral conviction.

"He that seeketh his life shall lose it. He that loseth his life for My sake shall find it. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and the righteousness of that Kingdom."

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**NEW SYSTEM WILL  
REDUCE NUMBER OF  
FINAL EXAMINATIONS**

the present basis in addition to drill and physical education.

The change in systems would probably be made as follows: the five-hour courses running thru the entire year would be credited as one point for each quarter carried, or in some cases expanded into two point courses running through two quarters two hour courses running thru the entire year to be condensed to a one point course for one quarter. For instance, Freshman English now given as two hours for two semesters should be given five hours for one quarter. Advanced two-hour courses would be condensed to half point courses for one quarter, as for example, in chemistry a number of advanced seminar courses now given as two hour courses for the year would be given in the form of half point courses running one, two, or three quarters. Three hour courses running two semesters would be changed to two point courses for two quarters. All present one hour courses for a year would be either abolished or given as half point courses for one quarter. Other condensations and expansions would be made as the faculty or committees might see fit.

Advantages of the new system are numerous. As a working basis it would organize all courses on the 5 hour plan, would lessen the number of subjects to be carried by each student from the present five, six, or seven to three in addition to drill or physical education; it would simplify the registration (a point strongly in its favor), lessen the number of sections in many lecture subjects, enable the student to concentrate on a few sub-

jects instead of getting a superficial and disjointed comprehension of a number of them, and it would make the Summer Quarter a part of the school year, thus greatly strengthening the work.

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**FARM EQUIPMENT MEN  
TO MEET AT STATE  
FARM JANUARY 22**

Many of the programs contain the names of well-known men, and it is expected that the meetings will be of extraordinary interest on account of discussions and resolutions relative to national legislation and the state constitutional convention.

The Nebraska Farm Bureau Association, meeting at the university farm Friday, January 23, will be addressed by J. R. Howard of Clemons, Ia., president of the American Farm Bureau Federation. Mr. Howard is also president of the Iowa State Farm Bureau.

**UNITED STATES  
WILL TAKE CENSUS  
OF COUNTRY**

An army of 87,000 persons is being assembled by the Census Bureau, whose business it is to reap a harvest of the intimate details in the family life of Uncle Sam's millions and to number the birds and the bees of the air, the beasts of the fields, the quarries of the earth, the wheels of the factories, the deaf, the dumb and the blind.

The old promise of the eventual enumeration of the hairs of one's head, by some doubted and by others considered highly problematical, fades in interest with the task before the Bureau. In an effort to anticipate the insatiable curiosity of statisticians, economists and legislators, an inventory of our national lands, industry, livestock, natural resources and people has been planned which will be the most complete of its kind ever made in 130 years of census taking.

A cursory glance at the 140 schedules compiled in the Census Bureau with the assistance of our friends, the statisticians, would lead one to believe that nothing that could be counted had been omitted. This virtually would have been the case had a provision been made for a fish census.—H. F. Driver in the Nation's Business for January.