PROMOTIONS IN THE FIRST

General Order Issued Pushing Upward a Lot of Officers in the Regiment.

ON STOTSENBERG'S RECOMMENDATION

Certain Fusion Politicians Are Favored, as Well as Some Who Have Shown Meritorious Conduct in the Field.

LINCOLN, April 18.—(Special.)—A general order has just been issued making a new list of promotions in the First Nebraska at Manila, as follows:

Captain Frank D. Eager, Company H, appointed major, to rank from April 9, 1899, vice Williams resigned.

First Lieutenant Harry L. Archer, adjutant, appointed captain Company H, to rank from April 9, 1899, vice Eager promoted.

Second Lieutenant Burt D. Whedon, Company C, appointed first lieutenant and adjutant, to rang from April 9, 1899, vice Archer promoted.

Corporal William D. Dungan, Company D, appointed second lieutenant Company C, to rank from April 9, 1899, vice Whedon promoted.

Second Lieutenant Daniel Corcoran, Company A, appointed first lieutenant Company A, to rank from March 19, 1899, vice Yale resigned.

Sergeant Fred Fisher, Company L, appointed second lieutenant Company A, to rank from March 19, 1899, vice Corcoran promoted.

First Lieutenant V. Clarie Talbot, Company M, appointed captain Company G, to rank from March 20, 1899, vice Forby, died of wounds received in battle.

Second Lieutenant Burton Fisher, Company G, apppointed first lieutenant Company M, to rank from March 20, 1899, vice Talbot promoted.

First Sergeant Harry E. Hannes, Company G, appointed second lieutenant Company G, to rank from March 20, 1899, vice Fisher promoted.

The governor today cabled Colonel Stotsenberg the confirmation of the promotions in the regiment and also suggested to the colonel the desire of the executive department that future promotions be confined to the men in the companies where the places were to be filled.

A study of the list of promotions in the regiment from the time of the mobilization here last spring up to the present time clearly indicates that several of the advancements have been made because the officers favored were political pets, but it seems that the list just made is entirely on the recommendation of Colonel Stotsenberg, who is following the course adopted by Holcomb in rapidly promoting certain fusion politicians who are with the regiment. It is recognized, however, that some of the promotions mentioned in the list are made because of meritorious action in camp and field.

Adjutant General Barry has received copies of orders issued by the War department directing the honorable discharge of the following Nebraska soldiers, all being from the First regiment:

Quartermaster Sergeant George W. Bemis, Privates Louis Friez, Company A; William A. Coon, Jesse L. Farling, Edward M. Schopp, George W. Wilson, Company B, John Anderson, Lewis M. Gable, Norman C. Griffith, William Johnson, Charles F. Runyon, George M. Thompson, Henry W. Westbrook, Company C; Fred Carver, Company K; James W. Chevront, Company C; Thomas James, Company B. These soldiers were mustered out at San Francisco and were allowed travel pay to come home from there.

State House Notes.

State Senator Newell of Cass county was in the city this morning, in company with T. E. Parmalee of Plattsmouth. They were en route home from a visit to Marquette in Hamilton county, where they have a large cattle ranch. They own 1,380 acres out there and are feeding 350 head of cattle. Part of the grain for the stock is raised on the ranch, about 300 acres being under cultivation. They have had the Hamilton county ranch in operation about five years. Previous to that they kept a herd of cattle near Cedar Creek in Cass county. The cattle business in Hamilton county is proving to be a most profitable venture, and the land owned by Newell and Parmalee out there is worth a great deal of money.

The State Board of Regents of the university is holding its annual meeting, but so far have accomplished little more than to survey the large amount of work waiting for their attention. The initial steps toward the construction of the new buildings authorized by the last legislature and proposed changes in the arrangement of the course of study are among the matters that will receive attention. The meeting will continue several days.

Attorney John Stevens of Hastings was at the state house today for the purpose of looking over the original engrossed bills of the Criminal Statutes of 1873, to see if they agree with the printed copies. Mr. Stevens has been retained by the defense in the Horlocker poisoning case at Hastings.

Fred Jewell of the governor's office received word this morning of a serious fire that occurred on his farm a mile and a half south of Platte Center. The fire started from some unknown cause yesterday noon, and destroyed hay, grain and farm buildings to the amount of $1,500. The insurance was only $200. The tenant on the farm also lost six head of horses and seventy head of hogs.

Lincoln Local Notes.

One of the most brilliant society events of the season occurred last night in the marriage of Miss Florence Fawell Holmes to Dr. Charles Aaron Hull of Omaha. The wedding took place at Holy Trinity church before a large number of friends of both bride and groom, and later a reception was held at the home of the bride's father, Judge E. P. Holmes. Dr. and Mrs. Hull left last night for New York where they will take a steamer for Galveston, returning to their future home in Omaha in about three weeks.

George M. Bartlett, deputy collector of customs for the port of Lincoln, and member of the city Excise Board, died this morning after a brief illness. Last Friday he suffered a stroke of apoplexy and since then has been unconscious most of the time. Mr. Bartlett was born and raised in Ohio, but came to Nebraska in 1866 and settled in Omaha, where he held the position of treasurer for the Omaha Tribune company for some years. In 1871 he came to Lincoln and was appointed deputy state treasurer, which position he held eight years. Later he was elected state treasurer for two terms. He was appointed deputy collector of customs for this port last December and was elected to the Excise Board at the spring election two weeks ago. The deceased leaves a wife and one son, besides many personal friends who will mourn his loss.

At the meeting of the city council last night it was decided to take action against the Burlington road for closing with its fences Second and Eighth streets. The company has been cited to appear and give reason why the fence shall not be forcibly removed.

PRAIRIE FIRE ATTACKS FARMS

Several Persons Dangerously Burned and Many Buildings Destroyed in Lincoln County.

GOTHENBURG, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—The air has been full of the smoke and dust of a prairie fire raging northwest of Gothenburg in Lincoln county. The fire started about noon yesterday and had done great damage to farmers, as it swept over seven square miles.

Mrs. A. Anderson was so badly burned that she may not survive, and an employe on her farm named Westlund will lose his hand. Her house and barn were destroyed.

A. Fickinscher and his two sons, aged 18 and 20 years, living north of Brady, fought the fire all night and about 5 o'clock, after they thought their property was out of danger, the wind turned from the north and drove the fire back, catching them on the prairie. Their team was badly burned and will die. The face and hands of Mr. Fickinscher and his oldest son were painfully scorched, while the clothing of the younger boy was burned off and he is in a critical condition.

The fire destroyed more property than any prairie fire for twelve years.

Farmers' Prospects Brighten.

CREIGHTON, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—Farm work is being pushed very rapidly here. There were but comparatively few farmers on the streets Saturday. The last few dry hot days is putting the ground in splendid condition for seeding and spring work in general.

AUBURN, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—Fall wheat is not so badly damaged as was supposed a few weeks ago, yet some fields will be plowed up and planted to corn.

WEST POINT, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—It is many years since agricultural work was rushed as at the present time. Towns are deserted, farmers using every vailable man at their command in planting their crops. The seeding of wheat is about half completed. The acreage, however, is only about half that of last year.

Suicide at Nebraska City.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Dietrich Gaede, an aged German, committed suicide by strangulation at the home of his son-in-law, ex-Mayor H. H. Bartling, this morning. Mr. Gaede had been in ill health for some three years past and was fearful lest he became a burden to his family. Upon retiring last evening he seemed in good spirits and it was not until one of his grandchildren was sent to call him to breakfast that the tragedy was discovered. He had made a loop of a piece of twine, thrown it over a closet door and leaned forward upon it until life was extinct. He was 76 years of age and came to the state at an early day and to this city in 1870.

Meeting of Temperance Workers.

ORD, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—The executive committee of the Nebraska Woman's Christian Temperance union meets at the Grace Methodist church in Lincoln Wednesday. This body is composed of the general officers, the district presidents, and the state superintendents of departments, in all about forty, and at this meeting much important business will be taken up, including the making of arrangements for holding the annual convention in September.

Tie is Still Undecided.

NORFOLK, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—City Clerk Stitt has received a letter from Attorney General Smyth, to whom was submitted the question whether the clerk was legally right in refusing to draw cuts for the purpose of deciding a tie on alderman in the Second ward. The attorney general says there is nothing in the statute governing cities of the second class, having over 5,000 inhabitants, which authorizes such an action.

Officials of Home for Friendless.

LINCOLN, April 18.—(Special.)—The appointments of officers of the Home for the Friendless are as follows: Superintendent, Mrs. C. S. Jones; matron, Mrs. W. H. Hunter; physician, Dr. Perky; engineer, Mr. Osborne. The state has taken possession of the institution under the ruling of the supreme court, and finds everything in a dilapidated condition.

Physician Hurt in Runaway.

STELLA, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—Dr. J. A. W. Hull met with a serious accident yesterday while driving in the country. The team became frightened and ran away. The doctor was thrown out and lay a long time in the road unconscious. He received a severe gash in the head and other painful bruises.

Successful Raid of Burglars.

STELLA, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—The general merchandise store of A. J. Clark at Howe, a shipping station between this point and Auburn, was entered by burglars last night. The intruders gained admittance by breaking a front window. A number of gold watches, chains and pocket knives were taken.

Electric Storm at Alliance.

ALLIANCE, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—Yesterday afternoon a hard wind began blowing which developed during the night into an electric storm. The wind reached a velocity of nearly sixty miles an hour during the night. The storm continued throughout the day, but has now somewhat abated.

Democratic Sheet in Difficulties.

NORFOLK, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—The Times-Tribune, a democratic daily started here last summer, is in financial trouble. Yesterday claims aggregating several hundred dollars were filed against the office, most of them for labor. The paper has been a losing venture from the start.

Methodists Are Unflagging.

OSCEOLA, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—Revival services have been held during twelve weeks this winter by the Methodists. Another series of meetings will be begun under the leadership of Rev. H. L. Powers of Lincoln. Services will be held for two weeks, afternoon and evening.

But One Cure for Scrofula.

Scrofula is one of the most obstinate, deep-seated blood diseases, and is beyond the reach of the many so-called purifiers and tonics. S. S. S. is equal to any blood trouble, and never fails to cure Scrofula, because it goes down to the seat of the disease, thus permanently eliminating every trace of the taint.

Mr. H. E. Thompson, of Milledgeville, Ga., writes:

"A bad case of Scrofula broke out on the glands of my neck, which had to be lanced and caused me much suffering. I was treated for a long while, but the physicians were unable to cure me, and my condition was as bad as when I began their treatment. Many blood remedies were used, but without effect. Some one recommended S. S. S., and I began to improve as soon as I had taken a few bottles. Continuing the remedy, I was soon cured permanently, and have never had a sign of the disease to return."

By relying upon S. S. S., and not experimenting with the various so-called tonics, etc., all sufferers from blood troubles can be promptly cured, instead of enduring years of suffering which gradually but surely undermines the constitution.

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SEQUEL TO A SAD SUICIDE

Later Disclosures Concerning the Dead Cashier of the Humboldt Bank.

FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS SHORTAGE

Stockholders Make the Amount Good and the Doors of the Bank Are Thrown Open for Business.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—This morning marked a new chapter in the bank tragedy, when the State bank of Humboldt opened for business, in charge of Bank Examiner V. E. Wilson, with the following notice posted conspicuously:

To the Public: A complete investigation of the bank's affairs by the state bank examiner has disclosed a shortage on the part of our late cashier, Samuel W. Grinstead, to the amount of $14,956.76. The stockholders have already made this amount good and inasmuch as the bank was fully secured against any loss through Mr. Grinstead by a bond of the Fidelity and Deposit company of Maryland, in the sum of $20,000, not even the stockholders will lose a penny through the unfortunate occurrence. The letter by Mr. Grinstead for Mr. Gist fully exonerates the assistant cashier, J. F. Walsh, from any knowledge, blame or connection in the matter. S. P. GIST,
President.
W. A. GREENWALD,
Vice President.
L. J. GARVER.

I hereby certify the above statement is true and correct. V. E. WILSON,
State Bank Examiner.

Both S. P. Gist of Salem, the bank president, and W. A. Greenwald of Falls City, vice president, were on hand well supplied with funds to tide the bank over any panic which might be caused by false rumors or doubts as to how the shortage might affect the financial standing of the institution. The run failed to materialize, the depositors having regained confidence by reason of the plain statement above from the bank officials. The conditions would doubtless have been much worse had the amount of the defalcation been in doubt, depositors fearing it was more than it is.

The contents of the letter left by the deceased to the bank president have been made known to Mrs. Grinstead, but not to the public. It is said that in this letter the cashier gave instructions as to where to find the different entries made to cover the shortages and told this amount, which corresponded exactly with the result of the examiner's work.

A representative of the bond company is present today fixing up the liability of his company under the $20,000 bond. Mr. Grinstead's life insurance is said by those who claim to know to amount to $21,000. Of this amount $10,000 is fraternal insurance, carried by four lodges to which he belonged. The remainder is old line insurance and it is claimed some of the policies at least are in the hands of the bond company as a protection to its interests. The officials claim they do not know what became of the missing funds, but it is generally thought that speculation in grain or other options caused his downfall.

The funeral services were held over the remains of the dead cashier at the Christian church on Sunday afternoon, amidst a wilderness of flowers, demonstrating the esteem of the people toward the deceased. Elder L. L. Combs of Table Rock assisted the local pastor, Elder I. M. Gibson, in conducting the services at the church. The Knights of Pythias had charge at the cemetery and the local lodge attended in a body, as did also the other orders in which he carried membership. One-half the crowd could not gain admittance to the church during the services.

LINCOLN CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZES.

New List of Committees is Announced for the Coming Year.

LINCOLN, April 18.—(Special.)—Mayor Winnett last night announced to the city council the appointment of George Elman as street commissioner, to take the place of Bud Lindsey. Elman is a representative Swede, and his appointment is satisfactory. The mayor also announced the appointment of James Diffenbaugh as water tapper. At the meeting the following new list of committees was read:

Judiciary—Green, Bailey, Woodward.
Finance—Webster, Thompson, Spears.
Claims—Stewart, Dobson, Bailey.
Sidewalks and Bridges—Bailey, Thompson, Young.
Streets and Grades—Schroeder, Spears, Hutton.
Lighting Streets and Buildings—Erlenborn, Mockett, Stewart.
Printing—Thompson, Spears, Erlenborn.
Police—Young, Green, Malone.
Fire—Woodward, Hutton, Malone.
Water—Spears, Mockett, Webster.
Paving—Mockett, Dobson, Schroeder.
Sewers—Dobson, Hutton, Schroeder.
Additions and subdivisions — Stewart, Green, Thompson.
Taxation and License—Malone, Stewart, Woodward.
Rules, Privileges and Elections—Green, Woodward, Malone.
Health—Erlenborn, Young.
City Property—Hutton, Malone, Young.
Viaduct—Malone, Bailey, Dobson.
Unliquidated Claims—Mockett, Schroeder, Spears.

NEW SUGAR FACTORY IS BEGUN.

Standard Company Lays Foundations for Plant at Ames.

FREMONT, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—The Standard Beet Sugar company of Ames has a force of men at work driving, piling and excavating for the new factory. Carl Leonhardt of Chino, Cal., who had charge of the building of the factory there, is superintending the construction of the factory.

Two companies have been organized in this city for the purpose of raising sugar beets. One has a paid-up capital stock of $3,000, divided into shares of $50 each. It has leased 150 acres of land east of the city which is now being prepared for seeding. This company expects to expend not to exceed $20 per acre in growing the crop. Another company of seventeen stockholders, with a capital of $4,000, has leased 210 acres northeast of the city for beets. Other individual beet raisers will probably increase the acreage of beets in this immediate vicinity to 650 acres. While the ground is dry it is in good condition and the work of planting will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

LODGER REFUSES TO WAKE UP.

Tramp Puzzles His Captors by Sinking into a Five Days' Stupor.

FREMONT, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—Friday night an unknown man, evidently a laborer, was found sleeping on the street and placed in jail. He was apparently sober and not under the influence of any drug. He has slept constantly ever since. Sunday he roused sufficiently to give his name, which he said was John Ward. The physicians are puzzled over his condition, the man seeming to be free from any disease. The authorities are at a loss what to do in the matter. He has taken no food since he was placed in jail Friday.

Beatrice Council Organizes.

BEATRICE, Neb., April 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A special meeting of the city council was held tonight on the call of the mayor. He announced his committees for the year, the chairmanships of which are as follows: Judiciary, Carre; finance, Baker; fire and water, North; streets and alleys, Rutherford; sidewalks and bridges, Farhume; police and health, Randall; printing and rules, Metzger; street lights, McCallum; grades and public improvements, Moore; paving, Van Ness; license, Karsten; sewers, Jackson. It was expected that the mayor would make appointments of chief of police and water commissioner, but none were made. It became public today that ten members of the council had signed an agreement refusing to confirm anyone for these offices except the present incumbents, and this may have influenced the mayor's action. The council had not adjourned before certain individuals were seeking information from the license committee, who has been active in past years in holding up the saloon keepers.

NEBRASKA CROP BULLETIN

Summary of Conditions Existing in the Antelope State, Prepared by the Department of Agriculture.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA, LINCOLN, April 18.—In this, the first issue of the Weekly Climate and Crop Bulletin for 1899, a brief summary of weather and crop conditions for the last fall and winter is given to present a more complete view of the crop conditions at the opening of the season. Subsequent numbers will contain a chart of precipitation for the week ending Monday mornings and a summary of conditions in each county, as was done last year.

September—Heavy rains the second week in September placed the ground in excellent condition for seeding and much winter wheat was sown during the next two weeks. The wheat sprouted quickly and grew rapidly during the last days of September.

October—October was a cold month, with a snow storm on the 17th and 18th. The daily minimum temperatures were near the freezing point during the last twelve days of the month and wheat did not make the usual progress.

November and December—November and December were both cold months. The ground froze about the 20th of November and remained frozen. Wheat made little growth during November and started the winter less firmly rooted than usual, especially the late sown, for the continued low temperature presented almost unbroken unfavorable conditions for growth after October 1.

January—January was a warm month with less than the normal amount of snow, leaving wheat uncovered, and on the whole was rather unfavorable for wheat.

February and March—February and March was exceptionally cold; the ground remained frozen nearly all the time until the 1st of April.

The first week in April was cold and unfavorable for farm work and little was accomplished before the 10th of the month.

The last week has been clear, warm and dry. The daily mean temperature for the week averaged 7 degrees above the normal in the eastern and 9 degrees in the western counties. The minimum temperatures were above freezing and the maximum temperatures ranged from 85 to 90 degrees.

In the greater portion of the state no rain fell during the week. The rainfall in the preceding week was light in all districts. As the precipitation for January, February and March was below normal, the ground was dry enough to plow and seed as soon as the frost was out of it.

Very rapid progress has been made with farm work during the last week. Spring wheat sowing has been pushed and is now nearly completed in the southwestern counties and about one-half done in the central and northern counties. Oat seeding has commenced in the southern counties and is well advanced in the extreme southern portion of the state. A little plowing for corn has been done in the southern counties. Winter wheat is starting slowly and has been damaged considerably by the cold weather early in the fall and the severe winter and spring. The estimates of the condition vary widely, ranging from about all to only about 20 per cent killed. However, most reporters estimate the damage to be between 50 and 75 per cent. A good warm rain soon would probably materially improve this condition. Some wheat has been plowed up and in some instances the ground sown to spring wheat.

City Appointments at Fremont.

FREMONT, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—The city council met for its first session of the fiscal year last evening, Mayor Vaughn presiding. The mayor made the following list of appointments, all of which were confirmed: Water, sewer and electric light commissioner, A. C. Hull; street commissioner, George Mitterling; chief of the fire department, John D. Johnson; policemen to fill vacancy, E. D. Percy. Messrs. Null and Nitterling were reappointed. The standing committees of the council were also appointed. The council has but two democratic members, Wallace Wilson of the First ward and John Fuchs of the Third.

Dies of Her Injuries.

GOTHENBURG, Neb., April 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. A. Anderson, who was so badly burned by the prairie fire yesterday morning, died this afternoon. The fire is still raging north and east of this city. Gust Lindstedt lost his granary and cornerib containing 500 bushels of corn and 1,800 bushels of wheat, with no insurance. A number of cattle were burned and the loss in live stock over the section of country devastated will amount to considerable.

Incubator Factory.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—A meeting of the citizens of this place was held last evening at which $1,000 was subscribed as a bonus to the Sure-Hatch Incubator company for the permanent location of its factory at this place. A building site has been selected and work will commence at once on the building. This industry has grown to large proportions this year and the company has been running night and day to meet its orders.

Small Vote Polled.

TECUMSEH, Neb., April 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A small vote was polled on the proposition to reissue the city's $21,000 water bonds here today. But eight votes were cast against it. The bonds are now drawing 6 per cent and will be reissued at 4½ per cent.

Supreme Court Convenes.

LINCOLN, April 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The supreme court commenced its regular sitting this forenoon. The cases on the call are of very little public interest. A motion in the Meise liquor case will be taken up during the sitting.

Doane College News.

President Perry occupied the pulpit at Waverly last Sunday.

Thomas J. Bahr of the Observatory visited York and Lincoln April 15.

The Hesperia Literary society has just held one of the most successful meetings of the year.

Miss Anna Bennett has recovered from her long illness, but she will not be in college this term.

A movement is on foot to form a College State Tennis association, and Doane intends to be a member.

Pi Kappa Delta will debate with the Union Debating club of the University of Nebraska next Friday evening at Lincoln. A good crowd from Crete will attend.

Prof. Howard F. Doane lectured before a large audience at Chadron on April 14. The subject of the lecture was "Other People's Affairs." Life in Edinburgh, Heidelburg, Berlin and Athens was compared with life as seen in American cities.

President D. B. Perry presented his views on the Philippine question recently in the college chapel. The argument given was in support of the position taken by the United States government. President Perry spoke on this subject by request of the Current Events club of Gaylord Hall.

The annual election of the Owl board resulted as follows: Editor-in-chief, H. P. Fairchild; associate editors, R. W. Anderson, C. R. Vance and Miss Annie Porter; literary editor, C. F. Curtis Riley; alumni, Miss Mary Battey; athletic, John Fuhrer; exchange, Miss Nellie Fay; locals, Miss Anna Babcock and A. W. Taylor. The above will have charge of the college magazine, the Doane Owl, for the ensuing year.

THINNING OUT MUSTER ROLLS

Over Two Thousand Names Dropped from the Havana Lists.

INDIVIDUAL SHARE MAY BE ABOUT $75

So Many Claimants for Part of the Three Million Dollars Come in that the Sum Will Be Reduced Rapidly.

HAVANA, April 18.—The Cuban army lists are being examined by name by a large staff of clerks. Out of a total of 42,127 privates and noncommissioned officers 2,242 have been eliminated, 1,573 of these as persons who have enlisted since the surrender of Santiago and 669 as government employes at present. Of the remainder, 39,950, Captain Forest, a Cuban, who directed the preparation of the rolls, informs the administration that all, or nearly all, can be relied on to appear for a share of the $3,000,000.

In that case the individual share may be about $75, with nothing left for the officers. The inquiry as to the number of former soldiers in the government service shows four officers and one private. About 2,500 officers are in the island service. Many of the officers are as poor as the privates and several suggestions have been put forward for their relief, though none is considered available, except the proposal to employ as many as possible in rural police duty.

Today General Gomez issued a statement briefly reviewing the circumstances of his removal by the recently dissolved military assembly from the post of commander-in-chief, together with the conditions of his reinstatement and his reasons for accepting the delicate charge of assisting in the distribution of the $3,000,000 offered by the United States government.

The statement is on these lines:

With the assistance and good will of all we can count on this—the American offer—to work for peace and initiate a true reconstruction that will reclaim our beloved country and all that conscience imposed on the nation can be accomplished, thus realizing our exalted aspirations to be a republic of fraternity and good order. The combined efforts of all are needed to place us upon the highway to this achievement and to promote the taking of measures indispensable for crowning a grand work in Cuba.

Wish to Be Mustered Out.

Twelve hundred men enlisted for the war out of 1,700 in the Second artillery wish to be mustered out, 500 out of 1,800 in the Eighth infantry and 130 out of 250 in the squadron of the Seventh cavalry regiment at El Vedado. Besides these, 100 men out of 135 in Company H, Second artillery, have applied for their discharge.

Major General Wilson of the Matanzas province has accepted the resignation of Dr. Eduardo Dias, the civil governor, and has appointed General Pedro Betancourt, who is approved by the governor general.

Discussing brigandage today General Gomez said:

"All men are not angels and hungry men will feed."

Colonel Ellis of the Eighth infantry is about to depart on five months' sick leave. Colonel Randall arrived today to take command of the regiment.

Alejandro Rodriguez has been appointed chief of police of Havana to succeed Mario Menocal, who resigned today. Rodriguez holds the rank of major general in the Cuban army, and is chief of staff to General Gomez. He is considered, moreover, second to Gomez alone in the affections of the Cuban soldiery. He is not related to General Mayia Rodriguez.

The new nomination is approved by Cubans and Spaniards alike. The United States military authorities who knew Rodriguez well think they have at last found a man strong enough to discipline the force and make it capable of meeting the exigencies of the case.

OPENING OF RAINY SEASON

Initial Downpour of Spring Drives Soldiers from Their Tents to the Barracks Rooms.

HAVANA, April 18.—10:45 a. m.—Heavy rain is falling today, which is regarded as being the beginning of the wet season and as stopping the grinding of sugar cane.

The American troops which were camped in the city parks were moved into barracks yesterday. The Seventh cavalry and the Second artillery, respectively at Vedado and Marianao, are still in tents. Their barracks will not be ready for two weeks. Some of the troops at Matanzas, Guanajay, Cienfuegos and Pinar del Rio are still in tents.

BAD DRAINAGE IN PUERTO PRINCIPE

Considerable Typhoid Exists Among the Soldiers in that Province.

PUERTO PRINCIPE, Province of Puerto Principe, Cuba, April 18.—There has been considerable typhoid fever among the Eighth United States cavalry, but a majority of the cases are convalescent. The Fifteenth United States infantry has not suffered. Owing to lack of funds it is impossible to do much sanitary work in this city and as a result the sanitation is very bad. In fact, it is strange that typhoid fever does not prevail in a malignant form.

General Recio, the civil governor, says that before the war the cattle in this province numbered 700,000, but that now there are less than 10,000 head of cattle, although the pasture land is really magnificent. He advises capitalists to invest in cattle and assures them complete protection at the hands of the gendarmerie and all the forces at his command.

General Carpenter, the military commander of this district, has performed wonders with the means at his disposal. Many repairs are under way and the city roads are being improved. Cubans are given work upon every possible occasion, as is the case at Santiago.

REDUCING PORTO RICAN TROOPS.

Arrangements to Be Made at Once for Bringing 2,000 Men Home.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The War department authorities have decided to make a material reduction in the military strength in Porto Rico. There are now about 5,000 regular troops in the island, and it is believed that not more than 3,000 are needed. Although not finally settled it is more than likely that the Eleventh infantry and two or more batteries of the Seventh artillery will be relieved from further duty in Porto Rico.

General Henry, commanding the Department of Porto Rico, has asked to be relieved of his present duty on account of ill-health. No decision has been reached, but it is probable that General Henry's request will be complied with.

HYMENEAL.

Von Breuning-McKay.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Herr Adolf von Breuning, formerly first secretary of the German embassy in Washington, was married at noon today to Mrs. Gordon McKay, at the residence of the bride. The ceremony was witnessed by a small and select company of friends, including the German ambassador and the staff of the German embassy, as well as leading representatives of diplomatic and official life with whom Herr von Bruening has been closely associated. He has recently been relieved from his post as first secretary of the German embassy at Constantinople and with his bride will now return to Berlin to be attached to the foreign office pending an assignment to another post.

Miller-Brown.

BURWELL, Neb., April 18.—(Special.)—B. D. Miller and Miss Fannie Brown were united in marriage at the Brown hotel on Sunday evening. The groom is one of the proprietors of the hotel and the bride is the daughter of G. P. Brown.

Trusts Must Tell Whole Truth.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 18.—A bill was passed by the senate today making it obligatory on the part of trusts to furnish testimony for their own prosecution. It gives the attorney general authority to examine witnesses on order of a judge of the supreme court when he believes combinations have been formed to control the prices of any commodity. The bill provides punishment for persons who refuse to testify, the same as in contempt proceedings.

Insurance Policies Taxable.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 18.—Attorney General Davis has just given another opinion which has created a considerable stir all over the state. In reply to an inquiry from the assessor of Clark county, the attorney general holds that insurance policies are taxable under the law at their surrender value and advises that all such policies be listed for taxation.

TODAY'S WEATHER FORECAST

Probably Showers Wednesday. East to Southeast Winds; Probably Cloudy Generally.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Forecast for Wednesday:

For Nebraska and Kansas—Probably showers Wednesday; east to southeast winds; Thursday partly cloudy and cooler.

For Iowa and Missouri—Warmer and partly cloudy Wednesday, winds shifting to easterly; probably showers Thursday, with cooler weather in western portions.

For Wyoming—Showers Wednesday; colder in southeast portion; northwesterly winds; Thursday fair and warmer.

General—An area of cloudiness and rain is likely to extend over the western states and the Mississippi valley during Wednesday and Wednesday night.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, April 18.—Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1899.	1898.	1897.	1896.
Maximum temperature	65	51	76	58
Minimum temperature	38	28	41	49
Average temperature	52	44	58	49
Precipitation	.00	.85	.00	.19

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1899:

Normal for the day	55
Deficiency for the day	3
Accumulated deficiency since March 1	321
Normal rainfall for the day	.11 inch
Deficiency for the day	.11 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	.90 inch
Deficiency since March 1	2.31 inches
Excess for cor. period, 1898	.01 inch
Deficiency for cor. period, 1897	.55 inch

Reports from Stations at 8 p. m.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER.	Temperature at 8 p. m.	Maximum temperature for day	Precipitation
Omaha, clear	59	60	.00
North Platte, clear	64	66	.00
Salt Lake, cloudy	48	64	.02
Cheyenne, partly cloudy	62	66	.00
Rapid City, partly cloudy	48	56	.00
Huron, clear	50	54	.00
Williston, partly cloudy	56	56	.00
Chicago, partly cloudy	56	60	.01
St. Louis, clear	64	68	.00
St. Paul, cloudy	48	50	T
Davenport, clear	52	60	.00
Helena, cloudy	36	44	.22
Kansas City, clear	62	64	.03
Havre, raining	36	44	.01
Bismarck, cloudy	42	44	.00
Galveston, clear	70	74	.00

T indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH,
Local Forecast Official.

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