

MADISON COUNTY PEOPLE

PARTICIPANTS IN THE CARNES TRAGEDY WELL KNOWN.

ALL FORMERLY LIVED HERE

Bickley and Robinson are Brothers-in-Law and Lived at Madison—Sutherland Went to Keya Paha County From Battle Creek.

The participants in the Carnes tragedy, details of which were related yesterday in a special dispatch from Bassett, it seems were at one time all Madison county men. According to the memory of those who knew the families when they lived in this county, Wm. Bickley is not the son-in-law of A. K. Robinson, as stated in the Dispatch, but the two are brothers-in-law. The former is the son of Wm. Bickley, sr., who died a few years ago, who homesteaded a farm adjoining the city of Madison. He represented Madison county in the legislature in 1884, and was a powerful factor in securing the original appropriation for the construction of the Norfolk hospital for insane. When he lived in Madison, A. K. Robinson was the proprietor of what was known as the Board of Trade building. Some years ago the families moved to Keya Paha county and took homesteads. Mother Bickley going with her children.

Warner Sutherland, the young man who was shot, is said to be the son of one of the Sutherlands at Battle Creek, so he also is a Madison county man, and said to be connected with some of the best families in Madison county.

DETERMINED BY A CARD GAME

Dr. Bear Became a North Nebraska Citizen by Chance. A card game made Dr. A. Bear a north Nebraska citizen. At least that is a story that the pioneers tell. Dr. Bear and Dr. T. C. Sexton participated in the famous game. It was played in Fremont in 1866. Homesick and more than a trifle discouraged the two young physicians viewed the western frontier and the desolate prairies with alarm. They were about ready to toss it all up and



Dr. A. Bear

return to the east. But the story is that they played a card game to decide. They stayed.

It was a fortunate issue of that game. Both men became prosperous and honored citizens in the great commonwealth that they had a substantial part in building. The lives of both men have fitted so well into their north Nebraska setting that the skeptical may find it a trifle hard to believe that at one time it all hung on a card game. But its a story oft repeated.

Husband Deserts, Child Dies.

Ainsworth, Neb., May 18.—Special to The News: The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cunningham died Saturday night and was buried Sunday afternoon. Cunningham left his wife two weeks ago and nobody knows his whereabouts. The family had no means and the deserted wife and her child have been sustained through charity since that time. The poor woman, doubly bereaved, has the sympathy of the entire community.

TUESDAY TOPICS

O. A. Reimers of Pierce is driving a Jackson twenty-four horse power touring car which he purchased through E. A. Bullock of Norfolk.

The city council meets next Tuesday evening, the council meeting nights having been changed to the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of the month.

The front of Emil Koehn's saloon on Fifth street has been remodeled to conform with the requirements of the new saloon ordinance. A full view of the entire room can now be had from the street.

J. L. Kudzie of Sioux City, who is preparing to start a creamery in the Olney building, arrived in Norfolk yesterday with a force of three or four men. Some work will be required to get the building ready for the creamery.

The Norfolk pickle company had little trouble in securing the necessary cucumber acreage this spring. It is thought that the same acreage will bring in more cucumbers than last year. This year the company is contracting for cabbages in advance.

Battle Creek will not put a baseball team in the field until the summer vacation brings the college players back to town. Several of the best players among the younger ball enthusiasts are away to school. The

Norfolk "Brownies" wanted a game with Battle Creek and designated J. F. Flynn as their representative on the occasion of his visit to Battle Creek yesterday.

Master Leroy Beck is ill this week. Mrs. Simms returned home Sunday evening from Stanton, where she spent the afternoon with friends.

Mrs. Gannon and daughter, Marguerite, and son Roy returned to their home in Fremont Monday noon after a brief visit with her brother, C. R. Kampan and Philip Kampan.

James C. Mahoney returned to Norfolk yesterday from Council Bluffs, where he spent Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. Elmer S. Cummins and three small daughters arrived home Monday noon from Battle Creek, where they had been visiting Mrs. Cummins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shipplee.

Hamp Nelson and son Orley arrived home from Missouri yesterday, where they had been to look after some property.

The Union Pacific's evening passenger from Columbus now arrives at 9:25 p. m., a new time card bringing it into Norfolk ten minutes earlier than formerly. As yet there has been no change in the M. & O. time card based on the recent twenty minute advancement of the Northwestern's noon train. The noon mail is now dispatched from the post office twenty minutes earlier than formerly.

Mrs. M. R. Green came very close to having a serious accident the other night while driving on Norfolk avenue. Another horse became frightened at a passing automobile and plunged against the buggy in which Mrs. Green and another lady were riding. In the collision both of the back wheels of Mrs. Green's vehicle were broken. Fortunately neither of the occupants of the buggy were injured. The man driving the horse which caused the collision never stopped to ascertain the extent of the damage.

The Norfolk school board has two vacancies to fill in the local teaching force. Miss Alta McKiver has declined a re-election and Miss Rena Olmsted who was elected to one of the third grade rooms, will teach in the Pierce high school the coming year. Miss McKiver had been assigned to second grade work. Miss Maude Boyd, who has been principal of the Grant school, notified the board sometime ago that she would not teach here next term. She has had one of the preliminary grades in the Grant school. Her class will be assigned to Miss Laura Durland.

The Norfolk automatic telephone plant is getting into working order as fast as the experts can make the necessary connections with the complicated switchboard. The company is now giving service to about 150 subscribers in Norfolk. This week the company secured connections with Madison switchboard. This line styles them connections with Newman Grove, Elgin, Monroe, Cornelia, Lindsay and Petersburg. The Norfolk company has had connections with Hoskins, Battle Creek, Tilden and Meadow Grove for some time. The independent office has been able to reach Madison for some time by the way of Battle Creek but the new connections are direct between this city and the county seat.

Sugar City Aerie Grows.

The eagle will fly next Friday night. He will fly in Norfolk and the course of his flight will be especially directed for the benefit of some forty or fifty avowed candidates for initiation into the local aerie.

Friday night will be a big night in the history of the Sugar City aerie. A big class of fifty candidates will be initiated into the lodge.

Among the prominent Eagles from away who will be here for the occasion will be P. J. Barrett, deputy grand president for the south Platte country, J. M. Tanner, secretary of the state lodge and editor of the Mid-West Eagle, C. W. Britt, an Omaha attorney, Thomas Malloney, mayor of Council Bluffs, and L. J. Faeger of Chadron, famous the west over as "Billy the Bear."

The initiation of Friday night will bring the membership in the Norfolk lodge up to about 200 members.

The first of next month the Norfolk aerie entertains the state aerie. The Norfolk aerie boasts of the president of the state aerie, P. M. Barrett.

Baseball is Waking Up.

The Norfolk base ball situation is beginning to take pretty definite shape. The base ball committee has been making an active canvass for financial support the last day or two. The committee is securing definite monthly pledges and proposes to enter the season on a working basis. The responses to the committee's appeal, while not in all cases as liberal as might have been expected, are still such as to make the local outlook encouraging.

The base ball team itself is about to appear. E. C. Shafer, who runs a cigar factory in the Mast block, has been chosen captain and has taken active charge of the team. Mr. Shafer came to Norfolk a few months ago from Missouri Valley, Ia., where he had an enviable reputation as an all round ball player.

Captain Shafer has called the local players out for practice. The men who will be candidates for positions in the regular line-up will work out each evening.

The base ball diamond is to be laid out anew so as to bring it directly in front of the grand stand. The judge's stand, which at present obstructs the view of the field from the grand stand, is to be taken down.

Norfolk, it is stated, will have a good team in the field when Benson Eagles come here for a game the first day of the state convention of Eagles next month.

STATE U. C. T. MEN HERE

NORFOLK IS ENTERTAINING NEBRASKA CONVENTION.

LIVE WIRES OF COMMONWEALTH

Commercial Travelers Began Arriving in Norfolk Thursday Evening to Attend the Tenth Annual Session of the Nebraska Grand Council.

The Nebraska grand council of the United Commercial Travelers of America is in session in Norfolk. It has brought to Norfolk scores of the most representative commercial men of the state. Norfolk welcomed Thursday evening and Friday morning the "live wires" of the state.

The grand council was called to order shortly after 9 o'clock Friday morning. The council meets in the Masonic hall in the Mast block and will be in session until Saturday noon. The meetings of the grand council are always secret.

E. A. Bailey of Lincoln, grand counselor, presides over the state meeting. The greater part of the actual convention details fall on Fred W. Hawkins, grand secretary. Grand Conductor S. F. Erskine is a Norfolk officer of the grand lodge.

There are ten councils of the U. C. T. in Nebraska: Omaha, Lincoln, Hastings, Beatrice, Norfolk, Grand Island, Chadron, Fremont, Holdrege and Columbus. Each council is represented at the state convention in Norfolk.

This is the tenth annual session of the Nebraska council. Norfolk council has made a tremendous gain within the past year, having brought the membership of the local council, No. 120, up to the 120-point.

THE DECORATIONS.

Colors and Emblem of U. C. T. Brighten Norfolk.

A hearty welcome to the grand council of the U. C. T. and to the individual knights of the grip assembled in Norfolk for their tenth annual state convention was expressed in hundreds of banners, flags and "colors" displayed on Norfolk buildings and in store windows.

The pretty colors of the United Commercial Travelers, blue, old gold and white, afford an opportunity for a number of very attractive window displays.

The decorating was universal, indicating that Norfolk was unanimous in her greeting.

The U. C. T. colors were displayed about the homes of many Norfolk travelers.

EXTENDS GREETING.

Grand Council Sends Message to Five Councils in Session.

The Nebraska grand council of the U. C. T., meeting in Norfolk, extended greetings to sister grand councils in convention in five different states. The message was dispatched to the grand council of Kentucky, the Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia meeting at Parkersburg, W. V.; to the grand council of Illinois meeting at Decatur, Ill.; to the grand council of Indiana meeting at Terra Haute, Ind.; to the grand council of Georgia and Florida meeting at Macon, Ga., and to the grand council of the Carolinas meeting at Asheville, N. C.

The message read: "Nebraska grand council assembled extends fraternal greetings and best wishes for a pleasant and profitable meeting."

THE PARADE.

Commercial Travelers, a Hundred Strong, Marched up the Avenue.

A hundred commercial travelers in Norfolk for the grand council meeting of the U. C. T., marched up Norfolk avenue Friday noon. It was the annual parade of the U. C. T.

The parade started exactly at the noon hour. It was headed by the Norfolk band.

Following the band came Mayor J. D. Sturgeon, one of Norfolk's delegates to the grand council, and Grand Counselor E. A. Bailey of Lincoln, head of the U. C. T. in Nebraska. The executive head of the commercial men's order and the U. C. T. mayor of Norfolk rode in the official automobile, the mayor's runabout.

Then came the traveling men, two abreast. There were an even hundred in line.

The parade was an imposing one. Norfolk has never seen a better appearing body of men than the long line of Nebraska travelers, graded with badges, lodge colors and parade canes.

Word From Supreme Office.

The following telegram was received by the Nebraska grand council from the supreme office of the U. C. T. at Columbus, Ohio: "Accept friendly and fraternal greeting from supreme office with best wishes for an enjoyable and profitable meeting. C. C. Daniels, supreme secretary."

GRAND COUNCIL ROLL.

List of Delegates Having Vote in Grand Council Session.

In addition to the grand officers, make up the grand council now in session: Beatrice: F. D. Owens, E. E. Abbott.

Lincoln: G. E. Doerck, E. T. Leek, J. A. Traphagen, W. E. Seely.

Omaha: F. E. Coatsworth, J. E. Hagan, E. W. Gettin.

Hastings: G. E. Horner, R. D. McFadden, A. D. Spehr.

Grand Island: John W. Sink, H. J. Holmes, Ed Euel.

Chadron: P. H. Patterson.

Holdrege: F. S. Emmons, E. R. Day.

Columbus: H. F. Fritz.

Fremont: W. W. Blackman.

Norfolk: A. Rantklev, C. D. Stimms.

RECEPTION AT ERSKINE HOME.

Ladies From Away Meet Wives of Norfolk Commercial Men.

A Friday afternoon reception given at the home of Grand Conductor S. F. Erskine, 210 North Ninth street, complimentary to the ladies from away who accompanied their husbands to Norfolk for the grand council meeting was a pleasant social feature of the program arranged for the special entertainment of the out-of-town ladies.

The reception in addition to affording a delightful afternoon gave the wives of Norfolk traveling men an opportunity to become acquainted with the wives of various prominent commercial men from over the state.

Mrs. Erskine was assisted in receiving by Mrs. A. E. Chambers, Mrs. O. L. Hyde, Mrs. A. Rantklev and Mrs. George E. Spear.

The Erskine home was prettily decorated for the occasion in the colors of the United Commercial Travelers, old gold, blue and white. A profusion of flowers in keeping lent to the pretty effect of the decorations.

An interesting program was arranged for the afternoon. Music was furnished by the Larson orchestra of Fremont. A piano solo was rendered by Miss Katherine Shaw and a violin selection by Ray Estabrook. Mrs. L. M. Hibbs gave a reading during the afternoon. Mrs. C. E. Greene of Plainview sang.

Punch was served by Mrs. D. S. Day and Mrs. E. C. Engle.

The hours of the reception were from two to four.

U. C. T. Directory.

When the grand council convened Friday morning all save two of the grand officers were present. C. C. Patrick of Omaha, a member of the state executive committee, was unable to attend, and J. R. Cary from Hastings, a member of the same committee, had not arrived.

The U. C. T. directory is: E. A. Bailey, grand counselor, Lincoln; Louis E. May, grand past counselor, Fremont; W. A. Salm, grand junior counselor, Beatrice; Fred W. Hawkins, grand secretary, Fremont; D. C. Hewitt, grand treasurer, Hastings; S. F. Erskine, grand conductor, Norfolk; C. W. Hinzio, grand scribe, Omaha; Paul B. Trueblood, grand sentinel, Grand Island; grand executive committee—R. W. Bock Grand Island, C. C. Patrick Omaha, J. R. Cary Hastings, C. E. Harmon Holdrege, C. J. Lyon, chairman railroad committee, Omaha; Fred H. Frahm, chairman hotel committee, Fremont; C. E. Harmon, chairman legislative committee, Holdrege.

The officers of Norfolk council, No. 120, which entertains the state meeting are: A. E. Chambers, senior counselor; E. C. Engle, junior counselor; A. Rantklev, past senior counselor; D. S. Day, conductor; C. H. Taylor, page; C. A. Rickabaugh, sentinel; Geo. H. Spear, secretary and treasurer; Frank H. Beels, A. L. Lager, C. A. Blakely, E. A. Moore, executive committee.

The local committees for the grand session are: Finance: J. D. Sturgeon, chairman; A. C. Rantklev, O. L. Hyde, Geo. H. Spear, S. R. Carney.

Entertainment: S. F. Erskine, chairman; Fred Gettinger, D. S. Day, C. A. Rickabaugh.

Music, badges, printing: Frank H. Beels, chairman; A. L. Lager, M. W. Beebe.

Decorations: E. C. Engle, chairman; A. E. Chambers, E. B. Kauffman.

SATURDAY BASE BALL.

U. C. T. and Elks Play for Benefit of Y. M. C. A.

The Elks or the U. C. T.? How do you line-up? With the coming of the commercial travelers to Norfolk interest in the Saturday baseball game has been getting up to the fever height.

There has probably never been as much interest in an amateur game as in the contest for Saturday afternoon. Every traveling man in town will be at the game. So will a good portion of Norfolk.

The game will be opened with a grand parade as all properly managed amateur games are opened.

After that the trouble will start. The game is called at 3 o'clock. The game is played for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. fund.

The revised line-up follows: U. C. T. Elks Well p Nicola Gettinger c Koeningstein Price 1b Burton Beels 2b Logan Marketan 3b Pasewalk Connelly ss Mapea Masters rf Brush DeHart cf Gutzmer Day lf Hall Sutherland umpires Shafer

Look for work among the want ads, and—to help along—have your own want ad. "take a hand" at the task.

FUTURE OF THE LIBRARY

IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

MAY SOLVE THE PROBLEM

The Question of Site is the First to be Settled—The Offer of a Free Site to the Council is Being Contemplated.

The future of the Norfolk free public library as yet existing only as a matter of ordinance, is in the hands of the city council. This situation has apparently been accepted by all of the members of the late library board. In fact several members of the board were in sympathy with the action of the council in declaring the board out of office.

There are indications that the council may be able to solve the library problem which immediately resolves itself into a site problem.

It is understood that the offer of a free site to the council is being contemplated. In fact this situation is in the air. As a result it would probably be expedient for any parties having a site and a mind to furnish it to get their favored proposition ready to present to the council.

SATURDAY SIFTINGS.

A. A. Corlie is in Milwaukee. James Poole was in Creighton yesterday.

C. B. Jones, a Sioux City attorney, was in Norfolk yesterday on business. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Greene of Plainview were among the guests at the U. C. T. banquet.

Miss Lulu Nethaway leaves Sunday morning for Belle Plaine, Iowa, to join the Trousdale stock company.

Mrs. B. T. Reid, who has been visiting in Norfolk for several days, expects to return to her claim in Wyoming next week.

D. Rees has purchased the residence property of F. F. Ware on North Ninth street.

Bailey of Lincoln and Grand Secretary F. W. Hawken of Fremont were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Rantklev during the grand council.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lyon of Omaha were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Erskine. Mr. Lyon was formerly grand secretary of the U. C. T. grand lodge.

Otto Voget of Wayne, who recently gave a Y. M. C. A. benefit concert in Norfolk, will leave Monday noon for the east where he will become the traveling representative of a New York nurse establishment. He will travel in Europe and America.

A little daughter has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. August Steffen. Mr. Steffen is the teacher in charge of the Christ Lutheran school.

Frank Owen, formerly of Norfolk, is in the city attending the U. C. T. convention. Mr. Owen is now in the headquarters of the Dempster Manufacturing company at Beatrice.

The local Rebekah lodge last evening elected the following officers: Mrs. Steele Beck, noble grand; Miss Maude Clark, vice grand; Miss Mina Trulock, secretary; Mrs. L. M. Macy, treasurer.

Definite notice has been received that district court will not be convened at Madison until next Wednesday afternoon. The equity session of the first week will be short. The jury work begins May 25.

A new time card becomes effective on the Northwestern Sunday morning. The noon trains as a result arrive and leave twenty minutes earlier. The corrected time card is published in this issue of The News.

Miss Mattie Davenport has been suffering a great deal during the past week as the result of having come in contact with poison ivy. Her eyes have been swollen shut and she has been confined to her bed for several days.

The automobile is a useful animal. When E. P. Olmsted got a larger machine he found it almost impossible to get into the garage the way the auto house stood. So he raised the garage, hitched it to the automobile and immediately hauled it around in another direction.

Dr. P. H. Salter of Norfolk has been invited to act as toastmaster at the banquet to be given next week in Lincoln by the state medical society, but has declined the honor. Dr. Salter is being mentioned by physicians in many parts of the state as the probable delegate to be chosen to the national medical convention which meets in Chicago early in June.

Count M. V. von Radhen of Creighton, who was in Norfolk a week ago to take in the Campbell Bros. circus, met here many old circus people whom he knew intimately. The count is an old showman himself, having been in charge of the foreign cavaly in Buffalo Bill's great show at the world's fair in Chicago. Besides attending the duties of justice of the peace in Creighton, the count is just now engaged in training four very beautiful saddle horses. He will drive two of his horses in tandem style at the Knox county fair next fall.

Ainsworth Commencement May 29. Ainsworth, Neb., May 18.—Special to The News: The Ainsworth high school commencement will take place Friday evening, May 29. There are five members of the class: Sherman E. Eddy, Helen R. Skillman, Della Gertrude Needles, Alta F. Seales and Charles Kenneth Paine. Sherman E. Eddy won the first prize, a scholarship in Doane college, and Helen R. Skillman second, a scholarship in Gates academy.

Invocation will be pronounced by Rev. Mr. Van Valkenburgh; Harold Humphrey will give a piano solo.

Mrs. Sadie A. Smith a vocal solo and Robert Herre a cornet solo. The class prophecy will be given by Echo Jarvis of the tenth grade. The orations and essays by the class are as follows: "Value of Time," Sherman E. Eddy; "Vocational Fitts and Mistfits," Alta F. Seales; "Success Through Conflict," Della Gertrude Needles; "The New Ideal," Charles Kenneth Paine; "Fads," Helen R. Skillman. The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered in the M. E. church on Sunday evening, May 24, by Rev. Joseph E. Johnson, the pastor.

U. C. T. NINE BEAT ELKS

CLOSE GRAND COUNCIL SESSION WITH BASE BALL.

TWENTY-FIVE TO THIRTEEN

Travelers Win Great Stick Contest Saturday Afternoon—Game Witnessed by 300 People—Brings \$50 to Y. M. C. A.

The United Commercial Travelers closed their triumphant two-days stay in Norfolk with a big score victory over the Elks baseball nine. The Elks interposed no serious obstacle to the triumphant procession of the travelers. Though they rallied in the latter part of the game the final score stood twenty-five to thirteen with the Elks holding the unlucky end.

Three hundred people saw the game, which was called shortly after 3 o'clock, Saturday afternoon. The side lines were lined with carriages and automobiles all decorated with the gay colors of one or both of the opposing nines.

The game brought about \$50 into the Y. M. C. A. building fund. The receipts at the gate amounted to \$62.75.

Burton's cubs lost the game in the first two innings. When they settled down the travelers were disappearing just around the corner. Disaster struck the Elks again in the seventh inning but the game was well to the bad by that time.

Dr. Brush negotiated for a three-bagger once. So did Burt Mapea.

The travelers were sixty-one times at the bat.

The story of the game is: U. C. T. Champions:

Table with columns AB R H PO A E and rows for Connelly, Kirkpatrick, Beels, Well, DeHart, Mapea, Price, Day, Scott, Gettinger.

Table with columns AB R H PO A E and rows for Koenigstein, Nicola, Burton, Pasewalk, Gutzmer, Brush, Logan, Hall, Mapea.

Statistics of the Game. Wild pitch, Nicola. Hit by pitched ball, Nicola. First base on balls, Well 2, Nicola 4.

Passed balls, Koenigstein 1. Struck out, Well 14, Nicola 8. Sacrifice hits, Price 1.

Stolen bases, Koenigstein 1, Burton 1, Pasewalk 2, Gutzmer 3, Hall 1, Mapea 1, Kirkpatrick 4, Beels 1, Scott 1, Gettinger 3.

The score: U. C. T. 25 7 4 0 4 0 8 1—25 Elks 13 7 0 1 0 2 4 4—13

The umpires: Sutherland, Shafer.

NORTH WEST BANKERS.

Annual Convention of Group Six Held at Chadron May 29.

Group six of the Nebraska Bankers' association will hold its annual convention in Chadron on May 29. The meeting will be called to order at 9:30 by President D. H. Griswold of Gordon.

Saturday the bankers will take an excursion to Hot Springs, S. D., taking advantage of the Decoration day holiday.

The convention program is: Invocation—Rev. J. Rockwood Jenkins, Chadron. Address of Welcome—Hon. J. H. Finnegan, mayor, Chadron. Response—C. M. Thompson, Newport.

President's Annual Address. Report of group secretary and treasurer. Appointment of committee by president.

Adjournment for lunch. 1:30 p. m. Convention called to order. Address—J. P. A. Black, president, Hastings.

Address—Clement Chase, editor of the Western Banker, Omaha. Address—C. F. McGrew, vice president Omaha National bank, Omaha. "What Has Our State Association Done For Us During the Past Year?"—W. B. Hughes, secretary N. B. A. Report of committee. Education of officers. Adjournment for dinner. 8:00. Question Box—E. F. Folda. 9:30. Banquet at Looper's opera house.

Toastmaster, Hon. W. A. Crites. Responses by: P. L. Hall, Lincoln; W. B. McQueen, Hays Springs; E. C. Burnham Norfolk; B. S. Basing, Ainsworth.

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TONE BROS., Des Moines, Iowa.

worth; S. C. French, South Omaha; W. F. Hayward, D. B. Jenckes, A. G. Fisher, Geo. C. Snow, all of Chadron.

Valentine Commencement This Week. Valentine, Neb., May 18.—Special to The News: The graduating exercises of the Valentine high school will be held in the opera house Friday evening, May 22. There are seven members in the class: Charles Helzer, Estelle Nicholson, John Gould, Edith Adamson, Mary Easley, Harvey Hornby and Gertrude Quigley. On Saturday evening following the exercises a reception will be tendered the class by the Valentine high school alumni. The baccalaureate sermon was preached last night by Rev. Mr. Wells at the Episcopal church.

Plenty of Rain in Brown County. Ainsworth, Neb., May 18.—Special to The News: This vicinity is having plenty of rain and crops look fine. Complaining is not all over, but much corn is up and will soon be ready to cultivate.

Elkhorn Valley Editors. Ainsworth, Neb., May 18.—Special to The News: The Elkhorn Valley editorial association meets