

None Under 21 Should Dance.

Declaring the modern waltz and two step to be the most heinous form of dancing ever introduced, Dr. M. V. O'Shea of Wisconsin university told the teachers of north Nebraska Friday morning that the modern ball room was no place for a young man or woman under twenty-one.

Dr. O'Shea declared that young folks developed too young. He condemned vigorously the crowding down of adolescent interests and made his plea that the young people be kept boys and girls as long as possible. Failure to do this meant, he said, a vital loss both to the individual and to the community. The decay of Naples in Italy was, he pointed out, largely due to the stifling of youthful development.

Is a Noted Educator. Dr. O'Shea came to the convention from the University of Wisconsin, where he is at the head of the educational department. He is one of the big men in the educational world.

With "Trend of the Teens" as his subject, Dr. O'Shea made many emphatic statements to the teachers at the morning session. He made clear specific cases where the teachers were instructing in too mature a way.

Would Restore Old Dances. Dr. O'Shea would restore the old folk dances and would have them taught in the schools. But no child should dance a modern dance or visit a dance room until twenty-one. "And it would be better if they did not step inside until they were twenty-five. They would enjoy it more," declared the speaker with emphasis.

The speaker further paid his respects to high school fraternities which he condemned unstintedly.

High School Love Affairs. Dr. O'Shea went into the psychology of high school love affairs and note writing. He did not think that these youthful love affairs could be weeded out. In fact the professor admitted that the greatest danger was in specialization and that the high school boy who had three or four "affairs" was much better off than where a single strong attachment ran through the school years.

The Vital Years for the Child. The vital years in the child's life were declared to be from eleven and twelve to fifteen, sixteen and seventeen, the great remodeling period of life, when care should be taken of the forces which came in contact with the plastic nature of youth.

The Evening Address. "Hidden Forces in Life and Education" was the subject of the evening address delivered by Dr. O'Shea before the convention. While of a technical nature, it abounded in human interest and was well received. The Wisconsin man is credited with being one of the best speakers of real worth who has addressed a Norfolk audience.

President Warner Speaks. President Warner of Yankton college followed Dr. O'Shea on the morning program. He spoke on "What is of Greatest Worth."

HOLD PILE MEMORIAL

Worth and Influence of Late President Subject of Addresses.

The hour just before adjournment Friday noon was given over by the teachers to memorial exercises for the late President J. M. Pile of Wayne college. Ex-State Superintendent J. L. McBrien of Lincoln and other prominent speakers united in tributes.

Superintendent U. S. Conn of Columbus, who once taught at Wayne, reviewed the history of the school and told of President Pile's wonderful courage during the hard times, when the students often paid their tuition with loads of corn.

H. E. Mason, of the Meadow Grove banker, who was the first graduate of the Wayne school, in a tribute to its founder, declared that the normal would live and grow whether the state purchased it or not.

H. C. Bright, who has taken up part of President Pile's work and who spent four years in the Philippines after being county superintendent of Wayne county, gave an eloquent review of the influence exerted by Mr. Pile over the young people and the teachers of north Nebraska.

D. C. O'Connor of Lincoln, former city superintendent in Norfolk and later at the head of the canal zone schools, paid a short tribute.

J. L. McBrien's Address. The exercises closed with the address of J. L. McBrien of Lincoln, former state superintendent. Mr. McBrien said:

"It is altogether fitting and proper at this time on your program, when every minute is valuable, that this association reverently pause in obedience to the holiest impulses of human nature to contemplate 'the profoundest mystery of human destiny, the mystery of death,' and to pay tributes to the memory of a faithful husband, a loving father, a loyal friend, an upright citizen, an honest man, a prudent counselor, a genial companion, a sincere Christian—President James M. Pile."

One year ago in this city at the banquet given by the Nebraska Normal college, it was my privilege to hear the many earnest and eloquent words spoken in praise of President Pile in his living presence. That occasion was a tribute that would make glad the heart of any man. Little did we dream then that a year would bring forth. Today while the funeral bells are still tolling our departed friend, we enshroud him with a deeper reverence, a better appreciation and a greater love than ever before. We have learned the fuller meaning of the saying written in the good book, that the day of death is better than the day of one's birth, and that it is better to go to the house of mourning than to go to the house of feasting. And yet it is hard for our weak human nature to look upon death save as a bitter enemy.

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Norfolk of a land where the people never die, where the aged grow ever older, their steps more feeble, their eyes more dim. James M. Pile was inspired by a safer gospel than that. He had faith in a friend and brother who would take him through this sacred momentary trance which we call death into the scenes of a higher and truer life. He had faith in One with whom he could walk through the valley of the shadow of death and fear no evil. And by that faith this mortal man put on immortality, and death was swallowed up in victory.

It may help us to a better understanding and appreciation of death to remember that the patient and long-suffering Job said: "I would not live forever," and Dean Swift's philosophy is sound and comforting: "It is impossible that anything so natural, so universal and so necessary as death should ever have been designed by Providence as an evil to mankind."

Nor did Lord Bacon ever say a truer thing than this: "Death is a friend of ours; and whosoever is not ready to entertain him is not at home." With all his mighty eloquence, Richard Baxter never preached so convincingly or to the purpose as when with his dying breath, he said: "I am almost well, and then added in his last words, 'I am quite well.' My prayer this morning is that henceforth each and every one of us may be able to look upon death with the calm thought and firm faith of Benjamin Franklin, who said: 'Life is rather a state of embryo, a preparation for life; a man is not completely born until he has passed through death. I look upon death to be as necessary to our constitution as sleep. We shall rise refreshed in the morning.'"

This gives us an authoritative and affirmative answer to that momentous question which has troubled so many honest souls during all the centuries: "If a man die, shall he live again?" No more positive and convincing answer in this question than the words of Senator Ingalls in his eloquent tribute to the memory of James Nelson Burns: "Neither veneration nor reverence is due the dead if they are but dust; no cenotaph should be reared to preserve for posterity the memory of their achievements if those who come after them are to be only their successors in annihilation and extinction. If in this world only we have hope and consciousness, duty must be a chimera; our pleasures and our passions should be the guides of our conduct, and virtue is indeed a superstition if life ends at the grave. This is the conclusion which the philosophy of negation must accept at last. Such is the felicity of those degrading precepts which make the epitaph the end."

James Madison Pile, whose life, character and career we commemorate today, was an honest man, and that is the noblest work of God. He was a successful man in the truest and best sense. A conservative, he never traveled the road of retrogression; progressive, he had but one lamp by which his feet were guided and that was the lamp of experience. He possessed opinions and a will of his own without trying to force his conclusions upon others. He knew that different men often see the same subject in a different light and therefore may honestly differ as to the method of its solution. He was courteous without the tricks of flattery. A plain, modest sincerity marked his every act. He was a brave man but not a brawler. To him there were but two paths open to men—the right and the wrong, and he walked in the right path fearlessly and faithfully to the end.

He was an untiring worker. This was the key to his success. He worked through the morning hours. He worked through the sunny noon. He worked till the last beam faded—faded to shine no more. He saved every minute something to keep in store. He worked while the night was darkening, and now his work is o'er.

He worked wiser than he knew. He lived long because he lived well. Great are the achievements that crowned his efforts. Measure, if you can, the far-reaching influence of the thousands of students and teachers who were inspired by this man to be something and to do something worthy of themselves and their opportunities. Thomas Jefferson said of his old Scotch teacher, Samuel Small, "There is the man who fixed the destiny of my life." Then Samuel Small had a hand in the destiny of the Declaration of Independence, assisted in the founding of the university of Virginia, and counseled in the purchase of Louisiana. The first man to be invited to an audience with James A. Garfield after his inauguration as president was Mark Hopkins, Garfield's old teacher. At that conference, President Garfield said, "I want to thank Doctor Hopkins who has always been an inspiration to me and who has done so much to make me what I am. He seems a man apart from other men, while his feet were on the earth he held his towers in heaven."

One year ago in this city I heard some of the ablest school men and women of Nebraska praise and thank President Pile for the broader vision and the great help he had given them. In his living presence they did this with tears of gratitude and in words that came from the heart. Of every one of the 17,000 students who have attended the Nebraska Normal college during the past twenty years and who there came under the inspiration of President Pile's teaching were to express their appreciation of and debt of gratitude to him, each would say, "This is the man who fixed the destiny of my life." So to live in hearts that are left behind is not to die.

There is no death, the stars go down, To rise upon some fairer shore, And bright in heaven's jeweled crown, They shine forever more.

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But ever near us, though unseen, "The dear immortal love of ones tread, For all the boundless universe is life, there are no dead."

MULLEN FIGHTS WAYNE BILL. He's the Chief Obstacle, Wayne Normal People Say.

Supporters of the Wayne normal school declare that Arthur Mullen of O'Neill is the chief obstacle in getting Governor Shallenberger's signature to the bill appropriating \$90,000 to buy

the Wayne school. Mr. Mullen is said to be fighting the bill in the interest of future school prospects for O'Neill.

Where is Garrett? And where is E. O. Garrett?

Everybody around the teachers' convention has been feeling that something was missing, a nervous realization that something had been forgotten.

This morning it came into words, when a new comer asked: "And where is Garrett?"

E. O. Garrett, the Fremont book man and last fall the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, has missed the convention. It has been hinted that demands political have kept him in Lincoln.

Garrett is usually a convention fixture.

Frank Pilger Quits. County Superintendent Frank Pilger of Pierce is almost always "on the job." He has held the "hard work" offices of pretty nearly every school organization of north Nebraska. This year he insisted that someone should be elected to succeed him as treasurer of the North Nebraska Teachers' association. W. E. Miller, who was elected, has been assisting Mr. Pilger throughout the convention and is familiar with the work.

A. V. TEED HERE. Former President and Apostle of Sunshine Prominent in Convention.

A. V. Teed of Ponca, sometimes known as "Sunshine" Teed of Dixon, who was president of the successful convention of a year ago, has been a prominent figure in the political and social side of the teachers' convention.

In matters political and in matters not political, Teed has always won favor with his motto, "Let the blessed sunshine in."

That's one reason that the man from Ponca with the glad smile and the happy word was made chairman of the resolution committee.

Hidden Crime Comes to Light. Pierre, S. D., April 3.—Sensational in the extreme is the effect produced by the finding in the yard of Mr. Holbrook, at East Pierre, the head, shoulders and one arm of an infant child, which had evidently been given shallow burial and afterward been dug up by dogs and part of the body devoured.

This is the fourth discovery of a similar hidden crime within six weeks, and the community is wrought up to an intense state of mind.

Fremont Against Wayne. Yesterday Mayor Wolz in behalf of the city, sent a telegram to Governor Shallenberger asking him to veto the Wayne normal bill. Similar messages were sent by other persons. Waldo Wintersteen sent one calling the governor's attention to the fact that such an act would be highly gratifying to his Democratic constituents of Fremont.

THURSDAY TIDINGS. Will O'Brien is in Omaha. C. A. Smith is in Iowa on business. M. C. Hazen was in Wayne Thursday.

Mrs. Chapman of Niobrara is visiting Mrs. M. O'Brien. E. G. Coryell is back from a trip to Ashland and Omaha.

Miss Kathryn Tully of Madison is the guest of Miss Nora O'Brien.

Misses Ruth and Gertrude Mount of Fremont are visiting in Norfolk.

Roy Harlow of Tilden came down for the contest and to visit his uncle, W. H. Shippee.

Mrs. Ed Martin is up from Madison on a visit with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. Nyland.

Mrs. Bondurant has returned from a visit at Mt. Moriah, Mo., where she was called on account of illness of her mother, who is now much improved.

Mrs. G. W. Roseberry and daughter, Miss Tessie Roseberry, arrived home last night from Chicago, where they have been visiting for the past week. Mrs. Roseberry was accompanied home by her father, W. M. Rye, who has been visiting in Chicago for the past two months.

E. D. Perry is having two houses erected on South Fifth street.

E. B. Taylor's new home on South Fifth street is nearly completed.

J. W. Horkisy has accepted a position with C. P. Parish in the latter's grocery department.

William Hill, Northwestern machinist, will erect a cottage on South Fourth street this spring.

Work is progressing rapidly on A. B. Baldwin's new cottage on Park avenue between Fifth and Sixth streets.

August Kaun, living four miles north of the city, has moved to Norfolk and purchased a lot on South Fifth street on which he will erect a house.

President A. L. Killian of the Norfolk Commercial club, and a few others, have received invitations to attend the annual banquet of the Columbus Commercial club Friday night.

Charles Richardson has resigned his position as janitor of the Bishop block, in which he has served faithfully for the past five years, and will accept the position of janitor of the Grant school building.

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A Contest for Offices. Two candidates were placed in the field for president, Mr. Doremus and W. M. Finnegan, a popular city superintendent from Hartington. Mr. Doremus was elected by a good size majority.

For vice president, A. E. Fisher of Neligh and Mr. Finnegan were nominated. Mr. Fisher winning out by a close vote.

Miss Nina Longcor of Creighton had no opposition for secretary. Miss Longcor is the normal training instructor in the Creighton schools.

W. E. Miller Succeeds Pilger. Frank Pilger of Pierce, who as treasurer of the association has had much to do with the success of conventions in the past, this year declined to serve longer. His successor, W. E. Miller of Hartington, county superintendent of Cedar county, was chosen by acclamation.

Resolutions Committee. The following committee on resolutions was appointed: County Superintendent A. V. Teed of Ponca, Superintendent J. A. Doremus of Madison and Miss Florence Zink of O'Neill, county superintendent of Holt county.

Next Year's Convention. While the question of next year's convention has not been taken up and will probably be left to the executive committee there is no disposition so far on the part of anyone to suggest any other convention city than Norfolk.

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