

ONE CAMPUS FOR UNIVERSITY AND IT BIG ENOUGH

Report of Commission of College Presidents on Nebraska's Question Just Made Public. DOWNTOWN SITE CONDEMNED Too Small in Area to Ever Meet Needs of Growing School. ADVANTAGES OF FARM SITE More Land Needed in Order to Make Sure of Greatest Usefulness. UNIFICATION IS IMPERATIVE Colleges Should Be Together to Give Students Advantages. EXPERT ADVICE ON QUESTION

Problems Involved Discussed and Arguments on Both Sides Fully Weighed by Eminent Educators Now Reporting.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

One—That the policy of concentration upon the farm campus be adopted and put into effect in such a way as to minimize the inconveniences and economic disadvantages incident to such a change. Two—The commission urges the immediate purchase of as much land contiguous to the present farm site as can be secured on reasonable terms. Three—The commission urges the purchase of additional farming land as close to the present farm campus as the conditions permit. An aggregate minimum of 640 acres available for farm purposes is deemed by the commission as absolutely essential to meet the needs of the great agricultural state of Nebraska.

Consolidation of the University of Nebraska colleges on one campus, with the exception of the medical college located in Omaha, is recommended by the commission of college presidents which investigated the situation at the request of the Nebraska Farmers' congress.

The commission also recommends that additional land contiguous to the state farm at Lincoln be at once acquired, so that at least 640 acres, exclusive of the campus, will be available for state farm uses.

This report, which is just given to the public, is signed by William O. Thompson, president of the Ohio State University; Charles R. VanHise, president of the University of Wisconsin; Johnathan L. Snyder, president of the Michigan Agricultural college, and George E. Vincent, president of the University of Minnesota. These eminent educators and heads of four of the greatest state schools of the United States, came to Nebraska in January last, on the invitation of the Nebraska Farmers' congress, to make a thorough examination of the situation and a report of their conclusions. They spent some time at Lincoln, listening to what the advocates on either side of the question had to say, inspected the university buildings on the downtown campus and at the state farm. After concluding their work at Lincoln, they were honor guests at a dinner given by the Commercial club of Omaha.

Report Covers Conditions Fully. The report fully covers the conditions under which the necessity for inviting such commission arose, and classifies the arguments on either side of the question. The data upon which the report is based is cited, and the problem presented for specific consideration is carefully outlined. In making comparisons with other schools the commission cites the fact that the present downtown campus in Lincoln, including the athletic field, contains 16.1 acres, while the proposed downtown campus, with all extensions including streets, will contain 25.9 acres. The state farm has an area of

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The Weather

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity.—Fair; warmer in western portion. Temperature at Omaha yesterday: High 73, low 44, mean 58.5. Precipitation .00. Wind S.W. Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal: Normal temperature 67. Excess for the day .06. Total excess since March 1. 131. Normal precipitation .48 inch. Deficiency for the day .48 inch. Total rainfall since March 1. 6.31 inches. Deficiency since March 1. 1.39 inches. Excess for one period, 1912, 2.28 inches. Deficiency for one period, 1913, 4.86 inches. L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

MILLION IN BULLION LOST

Silver Bars Part of Cargo of Doomed Empress of Ireland. FEW BODIES ARE IDENTIFIED

Whole of Quebec Mourns Awaiting Arrival of Dead from Rimouski—Undertakers Far and Near Are Summoned.

QUEBEC, May 30.—Of the thousands of more persons who went to their death yesterday with the sinking of the liner, Empress of Ireland, the bodies of more than 200 had been recovered today, search for others, and the living—estimated at 25—were either at or enroute to their homes, garbed in garments supplied by the residents of Rimouski.

With the Empress, it became known today, went down \$1,000,000 in silver bars, shipped from Cobalt to England.

Early today the bulk of the dead then recovered were placed on the government vessel Lady Grey at Rimouski to be brought to this city, pending identification. Captain Kendall of the Empress of Ireland, still suffering from injuries, remained at the little village, from the wharves where, at low tide, he could see the funnels of his stricken ship gleaming above the river's surface.

It is the opinion in shipping circles that the Empress will either have to be hoisted or dynamited from its position for fear that its presence will cause the formation of a sand bar.

Fog Comes Suddenly.

The collier Storstad, that tipped over the liner's side, arrived at Quebec early this morning and proceeded slowly to Montreal, to which port its cargo of coal is consigned. Captain Anderson, while refusing to give out any extended statement, said the collision had been due solely to the suddenness with which the fog shut down on the vessels. He added that after the crash he picked up more than 300 persons, in fact most of those saved. Later they were transferred to the Lady Evelyn and the Zuruka. The collier had in its bow above the water line a hole large enough to admit three men erect. Its port anchor was missing, having been dragged away and sunk with the Empress.

Few Bodies Identified.

The whole of Quebec mourned today, awaiting the arrival of the dead from Rimouski. Undertakers from far and near have been summoned to the city and the government dock, so-called, has been converted into a morgue. High piles of coffins await the dead. They will be ranged in rows together with any scant belongings they possessed to facilitate their identifications. A few were identified at Rimouski but it will be long, slow work. Among those whose identification was thought to be correct was a Mrs. Gallagher of Winnipeg. Her son identified the body. There was a Gallagher, of sex un stated, mentioned yesterday in the first cabin survivors.

Another body was thought to be that of Albert Anderson, a first cabin passenger of Montreal or London. Other identifications, supposed to be correct were Mrs. P. Plack of Gravenhurst, Ontario, not mentioned in the passenger list, and the body of a man, a Mr. Taylor. There was a J. T. Taylor mentioned among the first cabin missing. There is among the dead the body of a well dressed woman, on whose fingers there are diamonds. Besides her lay the body of one of the Empress stewards. Many of the bodies are cut and bruised, some as if with a knife. There are many women and children. On the man Taylor's body was a belt holding \$2,000.

Some wore life belts when picked up, and of these many had died with their arms extended above their heads. The mother, previously mentioned, who held the body of her dead child to her breast, wore a gold chain bearing a gor's head. Hundreds of women, it is said, might have been saved had they not stopped to dress.

Salvation Army Delegates Hold Long Service at New York

NEW YORK, May 30.—At Salvation Army headquarters here, 700 delegates from all parts of the United States assembled to sail today on the Olympic in London, to attend the international convention in London, held an almost continuous prayer service for their comrades who perished in the Empress of Ireland disaster.

Messages received by Commander Eva Booth from Lieutenant Governor J. M. Gibson of the Province of Ontario, formed reports that few of the Canadian delegates aboard the Empress of Ireland, probably not more than twenty, were rescued. Commander Booth sent messages to Salvation Army offices in Quebec to make every effort to identify the dead and report the names of the survivors.

Kermit and Fiancee Call on Alfonso

MADRID, May 30.—King Alfonso today received in audience Kermit Roosevelt, together with Colonel Joseph E. Willard, American ambassador to Spain, Mrs. Willard and Miss Belle Wyatt Willard.

His majesty conversed for some time with Kermit Roosevelt, questioning him on his recent experiences in Brazil and listening attentively to the narrative of the explorations made by the party.

The king said he desired to meet Colonel Roosevelt when he came to Spain to attend the wedding ceremony.

The church wedding as well as the civil wedding is to take place on June 10, instead of June 11, owing to the latter being Corpus Christi day.

NEW YORK, May 30.—Theodore Roosevelt, accompanied by Philip Roosevelt, a young cousin, and his eldest daughter, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth of Cincinnati, sailed for Spain today on the steamship Olympic to attend the wedding of his son, Kermit, in Madrid on June 10 to Miss Belle Willard, daughter of the American ambassador to Spain.

LAWYERS CREATE FAT INDUSTRY AT RAILWAY EXPENSE

Few Minnesota Out of 1,340 Personal Injury Litigation.

TAKE CASES FROM MANY STATES Solicit Business by Most Modern Commercial Methods.

SEND OUT AGENTS FOR CLIENTS Pay Employes of Railroads to Help Them Land Suits.

CLAIMANTS NOT BIG GAINERS Often Lose by Process—Lawyers Get the Long End.

STATE BAR ASKED TO MOVE IN In Two Years 341 Outside Cases from Seven States, Aggregating \$6,400,000 Are Brought—Taxpayers Burdened.

By JAMES B. WOOTAN. NONRESIDENT PERSONAL INJURY INDUSTRY.

Cases Imported: Filed Jan., 1912, to Jan., 1914

Now in Twin City courts... 341 Aggregate amount claimed... \$6,358,522.50

Principal railroads as targets: Illinois Central, Milwaukee, Burlington, Northwestern, Great Western, Great Northern, Soo Line, Northern Pacific.

Cost to Minnesota taxpayers: Total per diem court expenses... \$ 100 First batch of cases, seventy-two days... 7,200

How suits are obtained: Solicitation by literature, personal and circular letters, agents, lecturers and more devious ways when necessary.

Demands for \$6,358,522 from a dozen railroads in 341 personal injury cases assembled from seven different states, but all filed in Minnesota within two years, suggests the possibility of a gigantic industry originated and maintained by shrewd lawyers taking advantage of favorable legislation and sentiment and applying modern business-getting methods to their profession.

Sixty-two of these cases were brought against the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, representing total claims of nearly \$1,000,000; thirty-eight were against the Illinois Central, with claims of \$1,120,000.

Both roads have their headquarters in Illinois and might have been sued there. The Illinois Central has only 30.19 miles of trackage all told in Minnesota, and not a mile in either Ramsey or Hennepin county, where the bulk of these cases are tried. The accidents occurred in Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Kentucky and Tennessee, and the demands for compensation might have been adjudicated in those states, where also all the claimants resided, except one, who hailed from Missouri.

According to the railroads, the chief beneficiaries are the lawyers, not their clients; also that the average net judgment is no larger than may be obtained in a fair case in any other state, if as large. A survey of the lawyers' own exhibits seems to show very few extra large judgments, but a multiplicity of smaller ones. In many instances, the railroads say, the crippled or deluded claimant gets much the worse of it for going to Minnesota with these lawyers.

Here is a case at hand: An Illinois Central switchman lost part of a hand

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AMES ORATOR IS BARRED FROM PEACE COMPETITION

AMES, Ia., May 30.—(Special.)—C. P. Wambam, the Iowa State college orator, who was chosen to represent the central west at the national peace contest at Lake Mohonk, N. Y., and later refused a chance to compete because his oration savored of war instead of peace, was given permission to deliver his oration in the contest Thursday, but not in competition. When he was refused the opportunity to go as a regular delegate, Wambam went at his own expense to plead his case to person. His oration was pronounced by the audience to be the best and great pressure was brought to bear to permit of his being awarded the prize, but to no avail. Texas won first, and the Kansas orator, who was substituted in Wambam's place, took last.

The Coming June Bride



Drawn for The Bee by Powell.

FLOWERS ARE LAID ON SOLDIER GRAVES

Woman's Relief Corps Visit the Various Cemeteries to Show Their Respect.

SALUTE FIRED BY MILITIAMEN Little Children Assist in Ceremonies at Forest Lawn—Graves Marked by Flags by Veterans the Day Before.

In paying tribute to the memory of the soldier dead, flowers were scattered over the 60 and more graves in the Omaha cemeteries, the women of the kindred organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic having charge of this work.

Friday a committee from the Grand Army visited the cemeteries and there, with tiny flags, marked the spots where their comrades were buried. Yesterday Mesdames Mabel Stoddard, Elizabeth Mettiff, Anna O'Conner, Lavina Winans, Lizzie Pierrenett and J. H. Bennett, comprising a committee from Garland and Gettysburg circles and the Women's Relief corps, in automobiles, proceeded to Forest Lawn, Prospect Hill, West Lawn and Holy Sepulcher, where, beside the little flags they deposited bouquets, wreaths and garlands of flowers.

The portion of the Memorial day program pertaining to holding services over the graves occurred in Forest Lawn and was in charge of the women of the Grand Army, with Captain J. H. Berger, marshal of the day. The exercises commenced at 10 o'clock and were attended

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C. C. Belden Catches Thief in the Act of Stealing a Skirt

C. C. Belden of the firm of Thomson & Belden, gave John O'Brien, a laborer, an unexpected reception when the latter entered the establishment and attempted to carry off a valuable woman's undershirt that was out on display on one of the showcases.

Mr. Belden caught the thief just as he reached the sidewalk, and a tussle ensued. The culprit was finally overpowered when several salesmen in the store came to Mr. Belden's assistance, while a policeman was called. O'Brien was locked up to await trial.

INDIAN BABY FALLS FROM WINDOW OF MOVING CAR

NORFOLK, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—While the mother was asleep, an Indian baby fell out of a coach window on M. & O. passenger train No. 9 between Emerson and Norfolk today. The train was in an up-ramp when the mother could not find the child. It was stopped and the cry was found crawling along the tracks and crawling litterly. Another passenger train had passed the child after the accident, but the baby was uninjured.

EIGHT PERSONS FROM MINNESOTA TOWN LOST

HOUSTON, Minn., May 30.—Eight from this little village of 28 people were lost on the Empress of Ireland. A telegram from the company's office at Montreal says they took the steamer and their names are not in the list of saved. The Houston victims are Andrew Carlson, Alf Johnson, John Gustafson, Mrs. Alvin Carlson and four children.

Boy Makes Highest Grade

UTICA, Neb., May 30.—(Special.)—While visiting at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Ragan, in Utica, Ragan Ratchiff, the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Ratchiff of Stratton, Neb., received notice from County Superintendent Ira F. Dowling of Hitchcock county that he had received the highest standing in the eighth grade examinations in that county.

WILSON MAKES AN ADDRESS

President Concludes to Attend Exercises at Arlington. HAD DECLINED THE INVITATION

Mr. Taunty Says President Was Afraid His Position Would Be Misunderstood and Concluded to Come.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—President Wilson today changed his plans and attended the Memorial day exercises at Arlington National cemetery. Secretary Taunty made a statement explaining that "the president was not willing his absence be misunderstood."

In announcing the president's decision, Secretary Taunty said: "When the invitation was extended by the committee representing the Grand Army of the Republic of the District of Columbia, the president informed the committee that he did not think the occasion would be opportune for the delivery of an appropriate address, and because of this, he felt he must decline the invitation, agreeing, however, to attend memorial services at a later date."

"Evidently a false construction has been placed on this action, and therein lies the reason for the change in the program. The president was not willing that his absence should be misunderstood."

President Apologized. WASHINGTON, May 30.—President Wilson was received with loud applause and said he had not come prepared to deliver a formal address, but could not refrain from saying a few words concerning those who fought for the union.

"They do not need our praise. They do not need our admiration to sustain them," said the president. "We come not for their sake, but for our own. A peculiar privilege came to men who fought for the union. There has been no other civil war of which I know, the stings of which have been removed before the men who fought it, were dead."

"I can never speak of praise of war and I know you would not desire me to do so. There is this peculiar distinction about a soldier. He goes into an engagement out of which he can get nothing. Peace societies will be unnecessary when all public service is done in the same spirit. We admire physical courage and we also admire moral courage. The soldier has both. It requires moral courage to enter into battle and physical courage to remain in the strife. Battles, wars, of arms, are often just as hard to go into and stay in as those with arms. The flag calls on us daily for service."

MR. AND MRS. FREEMAN SAFE AND ON WAY HOME

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 30.—(Both safe; coming home.) This was the wording of a telegram received today from Henry Freeman of West Albia, Wis., who with his wife, were aboard the Empress of Ireland. Their names were in the list of missing.

MRS. JUNE LEWIS SUFFERS PROSTRATION FROM HEAT

Mrs. June Lewis, aged 25 years, living in rooming houses, suffered stroke and lay prostrate at Sixteenth and Douglas streets. She was attended by a police surgeon and taken to a local hospital for further treatment. She had been in ill health.

THOMAS TAKES FIRST PLACE IN AUTO RACE

Wins Speed Contest on Indianapolis Course, Going Over Eighty-Two Miles an Hour.

BETTERS RECORD OF DAWSON Duray Finishes Second, About Three Laps Behind Leader—Gusot Third, Goux Fourth and Oldfield Fifth.

LEADERS IN THE RACE.

Driver. Time. Driver. Time. J. Thomas... 6:08:45.4 Goux... 6:17:24.2. Duray... 6:19:54.3 Oldfield... 6:25:51.5. Gusot... 6:41:01.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 30.—Gene Thomas, driving a French car, won the fourth annual 50-mile automobile race here today. His time broke the record for the distance, being 6:08:45, an average of 27.7 miles an hour. This is almost four miles to the hour better than Dawson's time in 1912.

Duray, also driving a French car, finished second, about three laps behind Thomas. Duray's time was 6:19:21.

Fifteen cars were left in the race at the end of 40 miles. Thomas was again in the lead, three laps ahead of Duray in second place, who was followed by Gusot. The time for the distance, 43:02, marked another new record. Bolliat, who was fighting for first place with Thomas had trouble with the rear wheels of his

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Young Degenerate Admits Killing of Falls City Woman

FALLS CITY, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Leo Davis, 19 years of age, arrested here, has confessed that he killed Mrs. B. F. Cook last Sunday night by choking her to death.

Since the murder Davis has been closely watched by Sheriff Aldrich and today evidence sufficient to warrant arrest was unearthed. Bloodhounds had gone over the trail of the murderer, and when Cook was taken to the house he described his actions very much as indicated by the course taken by the dogs. He told the officers where he entered the building, where he found the woman asleep and how he choked her to death to stifle her cries.

County Attorney J. E. Leyda and Sheriff Aldrich heard the confession, and in their opinion Davis is more a degenerate than insane in the ordinary acceptation of the word. He has been handling about the city for several days and will not tell where his home is located.

The "Swappers' Column"

The "Swapper's Column" is a great market place where those who have something to trade or swap for a refrigerator. There is no place like it elsewhere in Omaha.

If you have some chairs, for example, which you would be willing to swap for a refrigerator we can put you into instant touch with a number of swappers, from whom you can select the most advantageous.

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The Omaha Bee Everybody Reads Bee Want Ads

The Katzenjammers are coming---but unavoidably delayed