

BRIEF CITY NEWS

SARCOPHAGUS. Electric Fans—Burgess-Granden Co. Fidelity Storage & Van Co.—Doug. 1514 Have Broom Print It—Now Beacon Press.

When you take your vacation leave your silverware, etc., in Omaha Safe Deposit Co.'s burglar proof vault. \$12.50 per month for good sized package.

Copper Wire Stolen—A spool containing 1,000 feet of copper wire was stolen from a Missouri Pacific rooming house at Fifteenth and Nicholas streets Friday night.

Novell Joins Commercial Club—Rev. William Jasper Howell, pastor of First Baptist church, has been elected an honorary member of the Commercial club.

Labor Meeting Moved Ahead—Because the regular meeting night of the Central Labor union falls upon the Fourth of July it will be held instead on Tuesday evening. The meeting will be in order at 8 o'clock.

Joe Bolker's Place Raided—The police raided Joe Bolker's place at 503 South Thirtieth street, arresting five persons besides the proprietor, who is charged with operating a disorderly house.

Valuable Brooch Lost—A cameo brooch, which is highly valued because it is a family heirloom, was lost near the Seymour Park club Friday night. Finder will be rewarded by returning it to the piano department of Hayden Bros.

Going to a Barbecue—L. B. Scott and son are taking a special car of Omahans to Lubbock, Tex., over the Missouri Pacific Monday. There will be an old-fashioned barbecue on the Fourth of July, when the Omaha city folks will have an insight into the way their forefathers used to celebrate on holidays and other auspicious occasions. Mr. Scott will be in charge of the car and as he is familiar with the country and people around that section of Texas an enjoyable time is assured.

Dad Weaver Books Many Attractions For Ak-Sar-Ben Show

J. D. Weaver, secretary of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben, is completing the bookings for the fall carnival. He has about filled his allotted space on the carnival grounds, with high-class concessions, he says, and with the approval of them by the board of governors an idea of what will be in store for the Omaha public and the visitors who are expected to attend. Weaver has signed a contract and finished arrangements with the Irwin brothers for the exposition of the wild west show, which starts September 27, to last eight days. The show has been greatly improved since last year. Weaver says, and additional features will be put on for the Omaha carnival.

Tzschuck Heirs Ask Division of Estate

Mrs. Alice Meyer and Mrs. Marie Antoinette Gerber, daughters of the late Bruno Tzschuck and heirs to a large part of his estate after the death of their mother, have asked the district court to divide the property. Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Tzschuck died in February, 1912. One third of the estate is to be held in trust for the heirs of Bruno Tzschuck under the terms of the will, the income going to her during her lifetime, after which it will be divided between Mrs. Meyer and Mrs. Gerber.

MUCH SPACE RENTED IN BUILDING JUST STARTED

While the excavation for the addition to the Brandels theater building has just been started, more than one-fourth of the space of the building has already been rented. John L. Kennedy, chief of the building, is confident that the entire addition rented before the construction is very far under way.

GEORGE GREEN'S BAND TO PLAY AT RIVERVIEW

George Green and his band will give a concert at Riverview park Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The program of selections follows: March—Povhantas' Daughter, Sousa; Meditation—Charismatic, Morrison; Fantasia—Diana of Stephen, Tobias; Marche, from "Il Trovatore," Verdi (Duet by C. Nefiod and J. Chyola); Selection—Opera, Offenbach; Waltz—Wedding of the Winds, Hall; Mazurka—Spanish Intermezzo, Brooks; Selection—The Bird, Herbert; March—Frishtingsted (Spree), Sosen; Serenade—Silver Wedding, Bach; Selection—Late Popular, Berlin and Snyder; Finale—America, Wiegand.

FLORENCE MAN PETITIONS FOR SHIPPING FACILITIES

C. L. Nathaway of Florence has petitioned the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railway for train service, stock yards and shipping facilities at the south cut half way between Florence and Coffman. The State Railway commission also has the petition and will render a decision soon.

A Serious Breakdown

From chronic constipation Dr. King's Life Pills relieve headache, nervousness, liver and bowel trouble. Sold by Beaton Drug Co.—Advertisement.

Key to the situation—See Advertising.

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE WORK

Period of Rest Succeeds the Commencement Season.

NATIONAL REPORT ON EDUCATION

Statistical Details Cover School Year of 1911—What is Happening at Nebraska Normal—Educational Work.

The annual report of the United States commissioner of education, just issued in two volumes, contains a great variety of statistical information and special papers on educational topics. Statistics of educational institutions are brought down to June, 1912, but the statistics of state school systems cover only the school year ending June, 1911. The enrollment for 1911 aggregated 20,779,958. This number included 525,582 in miscellaneous schools and institutions, and is largely estimated. In its introduction to the report the commissioner discusses the wide discrepancy between the increase in the number of children of school age and the actual enrollment; an apparent reduction in teachers' salaries during the year; the remarkable increase in high schools and high school enrollment throughout the country; the decrease in professional schools, due to the enforcement of higher standards; lack of preparation of teachers, which Dr. Claxton characterizes as "one of the greatest evils of our school system"; the shortness of the school term in the United States, as compared with other civilized nations, and the abnormally large percentage of illiteracy in the rural districts. In noting signs of real advancement during the year, Dr. Claxton says special emphasis upon the growing realization of the unity of all educational effort. "That education, however differentiated and complex, is one thing, not many, seems to be better understood than it has been for many years," he declares. "This is probably the most important symptom of all."

Vocational education occupies a prominent place in several chapters of the report. The progress of the year, the clash of opinions that has developed over certain phases of industrial training, new vocational experiments in many cities and states, new legislation on the subject—these and other matters are impartially recorded. Current criticism of the public school is summarized and discussed in the report, and the point is made that most of this criticism is bearing fruit in actual constructive programs, several of which are given. School inquiries are considered pro and con, particularly in the chapter on city school systems. Agricultural education and the rural advance are treated interestingly and in detail in several important chapters. The foreign field is covered with unusual comprehensiveness and breadth of view. The chapter on higher education contains interesting discussions of the attempt to combine higher institutions in some of the states, "standard colleges and junior colleges," training for journalism, and other live issues of the universities, colleges and professional schools.

FREMONT COLLEGE NOTES.

Commencement Week Will Begin on Tenth of August.

Miss Helen Kaarstad returned Thursday from her home at Bradish, where she attended the wedding of her sister. Among the students who have registered this week for special work in art are E. E. Hand of Clarkson and Miss Christy Stout of Missouri Valley.

J. E. Dalrymple, scientific graduate, 1909, visited his college Wednesday and gave a talk at the chapel exercises.

The primary department had an unusual attraction in the way of an exhibit of silk worms, showing the different stages of progress from the tiny worm to the spinning of the cocoons.

John Chisabour, jr., of Canton, S. D., and O. H. Johnson of Wilcox, former students of Fremont college, were visitors here Wednesday.

George Steinke, principal of the St. Paul High school, is a guest at the college and will remain for a few days.

The students of the various classes are looking forward with anticipation to commencement week, which will begin August 10 and close with the commencement address August 14.

A. A. Kennedy, a member of the classic course, who will complete the course this August, went to York last Tuesday and was married to Miss Eli Mitchell, returning to Fremont with his bride, where they will spend the remainder of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemmons received a letter from Mrs. J. P. Mueller, written aboard ship, giving an account of an interesting voyage, having had a smooth sea and pleasant associations.

LINCOLN MUSICAL COLLEGE.

Artists of Wide Reputation Secured For Faculty of Institution.

In announcing the faculty for the season beginning September 1, 1913, it is well to note the number of new artists of international reputation that have been added to the already large faculty.

PERU STATE NORMAL.

Prof. Clifford Hendricks addressed the students at Friday's chapel service on the subject, "Efficiency and Education." The speaker's effort was directed to convincing his audience that the money spent by the student for normal training paid back a large return on the investment in dollars and cents.

FIXING A BABY STANDARD

Competitive Examinations in Twelve States to Arrive at Correct Measurements.

To secure measurements of the American child at various ages from birth until its entrance to kindergarten, the medical council of the New York milk committee has organized a series of competitive examinations in which measurements will be made of over 100,000 children throughout the United States.

The division of child hygiene of the Board of Health is co-operating with the milk committee, which, in making its tests, will have the help of similar examinations from twenty states in various parts of the country.

Statistics, covering the weight, height, physical measurements, conditions and mental development of normal children, will be registered by examining physicians in the various states. Duplicates of this national score card will be sent to the headquarters of the committee in this city, and within a year the standard of American health, which it is hoped, will have been secured.

At the same time, physicians will have learned valuable facts about the influences, food, environment, habits and conditions which lead to the development of children. Examinations for the first contest are now taking place at the Lenox Hill house, 44 East Seventy-second street. Certain features will make them different from anything yet attempted. Not only will prizes be awarded to the best developed babies in different age groups, but there will be prizes for those who show the best progress along health lines in the next six months. In the meantime, special effort will be made to instruct the mothers in methods of improving their babies.

Normal babies in the state of Oregon, says the circular of the milk committee, "have proved to be about six months in advance of the standards in physical and mental development. This fall national score card, endorsed by the council of the New York milk committee, will be used in Oregon, whose state fair officials have appropriated \$1,000 for the expenses of the contest."

"Starting in June there will be held at county seats all over the state elimination contests, conducted by medical societies, parent-teachers' associations, clubs for women and child welfare societies. Twenty thousand school children have been enlisted by their teachers in the work, and they will induce parents to enter children 3 years of age or less in these elimination contests. The score cards of both elimination and final contests will be sent to the office of the New York milk committee, where statisticians and children's specialists will compile them for the final national standards.

"In North Carolina the standards will be secured by co-operation with the Hook Worm commission, which will hold better babies contests as part of its campaign to stamp out the disease. In Massachusetts, social workers will conduct the contests, the first of which will be held in the city of Fall River among the babies of the factory workers.

"In Louisiana and Missouri the contests have been held under state fair auspices for five and two years, respectively. Tennessee will handle the campaign through the Society for the Conservation of Child Life, which meets in Knoxville in June. In Iowa, by the co-operation of its state fair officials and its federated clubs for women, will hold its first better babies contest this September. Montana will conduct its campaign through the co-operation of the state fair officials and the immigration department of its big railway companies. Contests will also be held in the states of Washington, Iowa, Nebraska and Minnesota."—New York Post.

HOT RUN OF WHITE AND BLACK

Scotter Led to Graveyard Gate and Headed for Marathon Home.

The boys had gathered a sack of walnuts in the woods, and on their way home, passing a churchyard, the sack became heavy. It was getting late, and one of the boys suggested that they divide the nuts into two packages, so they could carry them easier. When they came to the gate in the high brick wall surrounding the cemetery they turned in.

Just as they started two big walnuts fell out of the bag into the road, and one of the boys wanted to stop and pick them up, but the other said "Oh, let's wait till we come out and then we will get those two." They went behind the wall into the graveyard, dumped all nuts on the ground and, to get them equally, decided to choose a nut in rotation until they were all divided. So they started in. The big boy chose one first, saying "I'll take this one," and then the little fellow, "I'll take this one." It was growing dusk, and old Uncle Mose, a nearby colored tenant farmer, happened to be passing that way. He heard Scotter talking out of the corner of the graveyard and he seen what was taking place, "And, again, 'I'll take this one.' He listened a moment, then turned and 'shot-footed' down the road as fast as his legs could carry him. He ran, perhaps, a quarter of a mile, when he met his old master, Colonel Tolliver, who stopped him abruptly with "Look-a-yeah, nigrah, what you running away for, anyhow?" "For Gawd, Marne Bab, Ise runnin' away from dat graveyard; de Lord and de debil back dere 'vidin' up de folks!"

RALSTON RELIEF FUND

NEAR \$25,000 MARK

Following is a list of contributions to the Ralston relief fund received up to June 30. The relief station now is at 292 South Seventeenth street:

Table listing contributions to the Ralston Relief Fund, including donors like F. B. Lewis, Detroit Motor Car company, Hartford, Wis., etc.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

The eighteenth International Congress of Students will be held at Cornell university August 29 to September 15.

Miss Phoebe Lee Leavitt has retired at 70 after twenty-five years of service as a kindergarten teacher in Charlestown, Mass.

Rockford, Ill., college authorities are proposing a \$20,000 memorial to Clara Barton, in the shape of a new building for the college group.

Dr. Mary A. Sawyer, dean of the Western College for Women at Oxford, O., refused the presidency of the institution for the second time. She prefers to be dean, although the position carries a mean annual salary. Dollars don't count with her, however, so she will continue to be dean, but will be acting president.

Easton, Pa., can claim a school superintendent whose term of service rivals anything here or abroad, so far as is known. Sixty years in one profession is in itself remarkable enough, but when it is added that Superintendent William W. Cottingham's record of sixty years in the same position, his case appears to be unparalleled.

The authorities of Smith college were required to raise the \$1,000,000 fund by June 30, and completed it on June 2. The largest contribution was that of Mrs. Willard C. Strickland, who, notwithstanding the fact that she is not a college woman herself, she said she gave the money because of the college's feminist movement. Before her marriage Mrs. Straight was Miss Dorothy Whitney.

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It is also stated that since saccharin does not aid fasting as does sugar, the manufacturers are in the habit of using extract of soap bark, which produces a good foam. Not only is this substance deceptive, but also the soap bark contains a toxic principle, saponin, which is markedly poisonous. The bulletin of the New York City department of health sets forth a regulation prohibiting the use of soap bark in beverages and in fillings used by bakers. Violations of the regulation will be criminally prosecuted.—Philadelphia North American.

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