

SONS ARE BANQUET GUESTS

Nearly 500 Young Men, Sent at Commercial Club Function.

SPEECHES GIVE INSPIRATION

Young Men Told that Life's Prices Are Not Won by Chance, but Only by the Greatest Effort.

The most successful banquet the Commercial club ever gave, from a standpoint of genuine joy afforded, probably the most cleverly planned of any ever given in Omaha in point of program and detailed arrangement for dispatch to carry it out; and undoubtedly the greatest for noisy enthusiasm, was that given last night to the sons of members.

The dining hall of the club on the eighth floor of the Woodmen of the World building was filled to capacity and an overflow crowd filled several tables which were set out in the hall. From a map showing each member and son where to sit it was told that there were exactly 48 men and boys in attendance. Where fathers did not have sons of their own and desired to attend the dinner they were provided with boys from the high and ward schools. They came into the club rooms and were ushered into the billiard hall, where the committee brought together "foster fathers" and sons. Many members had more than one boy to care for, but by the use of a map showing each where he was to sit in the big hall the entire gathering was seated fifteen minutes after the time scheduled.

Inspiration to Youth. Patriotism, fostered by an interesting reminiscence speech by Brigadier General Frederick A. Smith; home pride, fostered by many boosting songs and a determination to go away from the dinner better prepared to get into the battle of life inspired by an epigrammatic speech by Gordon W. Wattles, were feature qualities of the many good boy character elements engendered at this banquet.

Howard H. Baldrige presided at the speakers' table and introduced those on the program. In opening his remarks he declared the Commercial club had entertained from time to time many great personages representing all the standards of professional, business and moral life, but without having entertained a more important guest than the one at the dinner last night, "the great American boy."

"There were boys of today foregathered with the boys of yesterday," he said, "the men of today with the men of tomorrow—a combination more impressive than which could not be conceived."

New Spanish Fleet Sunk. A surprise concerning the life of Brigadier General Smith not before generally known was given in the address by the army man. He was describing for the benefit of the boys, his life in the army and told of his being the only army officer, who was an eyewitness to the naval battle of Santiago; and it was he who sent out the message of the great victory, which went round the world the morning of July 4, 1898. General Smith said that if it had not been for his loyalty to a superior officer, General Slocum, his name would have gone with the message and become as great as Lieutenant Hobson's, but that he sent the report of the sinking of torpedo boats and cruisers in Santiago harbor over the telephone to his superior officer at the front and it was picked up from the wires and sent to Washington under the latter's name.

General Smith brought the story of his life under the flag. He said it was an accident that he is today in the army. He was a discount clerk in a bank of Newburg, N. Y., in 1880, when the congressman from that district visited one of his employers. When the congressman left the bank, the employer asked General Smith how he would like to go to West Point. "I had formerly said 'No' to that," and in a very short time I had enrolled at the school to become an army officer," said the general.

General Smith told the boys that it was not easy to advance in the army. He was for nine years a captain, five years a first lieutenant and twelve years a second lieutenant. Much of General Smith's address deplored the attitude of many American people in believing the United States should not build up the army and navy. "We to the nation which thinks universal peace has arrived," said he. "The best protection and surest way to maintain peace is to keep the enemy fearing the great cost of attacking us."

At the conclusion of his address an American flag was dropped from the ceiling back of him and the burst of patriotic applause from the boys could scarcely have been withstood by a less substantial roof than that under which they were.

Gordon W. Wattles surprised many of

his friends, who had heard him talk on former similar occasions. At the banquet last night the sea of upturned boyish faces seemed to inspire him, and his address, trimmed with epigrams and crowned with the spirit of boyish ambition. He related how he had started out as a boy of 15 years, resolved to become a lawyer. He said he studied law, but later became a banker. "I want to tell you boys," he said, "there is no royal road to success. There is no such thing as luck. You gain nothing without great effort. Life is like a prize ring in which you must give tremendous blows and take them, too. How many men even in middle life look forward to the time when they shall have attained success and be able to give up their work for pleasure. I want to tell you that that time they look for never comes. We make a great mistake when we do not get out of each day all there is in that day. You get to take the things of life each day as you live them and they will not get them. Put nothing off until tomorrow."

Rube Wrestlers Appear. The applause for the speech was just beginning to die when Harry G. Counman, Jr. and H. R. Johanson, who attained a big reputation at the Ak-Sar-Ben Den last season as rube wrestlers, burst in upon the gathering, violently threatening each other. The boys thought a genuine fist fight was in store for them, but the two men were told to take their places on the platform if they desired a fistie encounter. They did and the entertainment they offered in a burlesque wrestling match met with more than the usual hearty reception the pair receives. The wrestling match was the end of an entertainment in which the boys truly had passed from the sublime to the ridiculous.

Dean J. A. Tancock of Trinity cathedral offered the invocation at the beginning of the program. The entertainment was well proportioned for songs and instrumental music. The boys' choir of Trinity cathedral offered numbers and music was given by Shook's juvenile orchestra.

The entertainment is to be made an annual event. Congratulations on the initial dinner were received from commercial organizations throughout the middle west and read last night. One which met with special attention was a telegram from the sons of members of the Commercial club of Kansas City, which originated the annual sons of members entertainment, addressed to Commissioner Guild. It read:

Please give this message to the sons of members at their dinner tonight. The sons of members of the Commercial club of Kansas City, Mo., congratulate you upon the happy event. We hope you will have an enjoyable time as we had at ours last May and which we hope to have at our annual dinner this year in April. We must get better acquainted for it will not be so very long before we will be co-operating as business men in our respective cities in doing things for this great western country we all love so much. We are asking the general secretary of the Commercial club here to transmit this message to you with our very best wishes for a happy and pleasant evening. When you get down to the ice cream don't forget to toast the boys of Kansas City. Yours for a good time, Other messages in similar tone were received from Howard Elling, president of the Chicago Association of Commerce; E. S. Warner, president of the St. Paul Association of Commerce; George H. Kelly, who wired from the Grand canyon in Arizona; G. E. Haverstick, who sent his congratulations from Miles City, Mont.

Suffragists Ask For Rooms in the New Court House. Aided and abetted by William H. Hatteroth, an attorney, a detachment of the Omaha Suffrage association crept into the county building yesterday and penetrated to the meeting room of the county commissioners. The detachment was under command of Mrs. George E. Covell, president of the association.

The suffragists and the commissioners were introduced. The commissioners were nervous until their visitors had taken out their annual dinner tickets for this year. Mr. Hatteroth exposed the designs of the suffragists to the commissioners. What they wanted was not votes, but an order granting them the use of the rooms in the county building occupied by the Douglas County Pioneers' association. They did not want to use the rooms all the time, but desired merely the privilege of holding meetings in them twice monthly.

ANTI-PANIC DEVICES FOR SCHOOL HOUSE DOORS

Bids for an "anti-panic" device were opened by the building and grounds committee of the Board of Education yesterday afternoon. This device is fixed to the doors and prevents persons locking themselves within the room. It will be installed on all school building doors. The bids will be tabulated and the low bidder announced.

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NOLEN'S BROTHER IN TOILS

Ernest Arrested, Charged with Trying to Liberate Digs.

BARBER JONES IS IN CUSTODY

Tennessee Officers Run the Men Down, Pick Up the Evidence and Then Capture Their Men in Memphis.

In Memphis, Tenn., yesterday as they were about to leave the city, Ernest L. Nolen, former city detective there, and John M. Jones, a barber, were arrested, charged by federal authorities with conspiring to liberate Digs Nolen, a government prisoner while in jail here. They were taken before United States Commissioner Mathews in Memphis, where they asked for a continuance until next Friday, which was granted. At the hearing a number of witnesses will testify for the government. Nolen's bond was fixed at \$5,000 and Jones' at \$2,000.

Upon the request of United States District Attorney Howell of Nebraska, warrants for the men's arrest were sworn out by Casey Todd, United States district attorney at Memphis.

Todd said Nolen was in Omaha in December, 1912, and by giving his name as Robert E. Lee secured a connection in some manner with a trusty prisoner and smuggled dynamite, saws, knives and pistols to Digs Nolen, his brother. He also charged in the Tennessee complaint that he smuggled into the Omaha jail a code, which it is believed was to be used in telling the prisoner the exact time for him to make a break for liberty.

Further alleged plans to liberate Digs Nolen are in possession of the government, but without pending other and important arrests in different parts of the country.

Several weeks ago, following Ernest L. Nolen's dejection from the Memphis detective force, government officers traced every movement he made. They even watched him at night. They trailed him from a barber shop he owned to his home and every place he went. The date on left Memphis for Omaha there was a government sleuth of the same train.

After He Reached Omaha. Arriving at Omaha, a tip was found and another man was placed to shadow Nolen. Officers knew his move to disguise his identity, but gave him plenty of rope.

In Omaha, Nolen, it is said, connected up with R. C. Burns. Federal officers, both here and in Memphis, believe this man, Burns, was Toke Dunn, a relative of the Nolen family, living at Eupora, Miss.

Jones' connection with the affair was in the form of writing letters for Nolen and sending telegrams with Nolen's name signed to them. Immediately after the men were arrested in Memphis they were taken to the federal building there. As Jones left in custody of Officer Lins, Nolen ordered him to say nothing to anyone. Jones went with Lins to General Todd's office, where, it is believed, he made a clean confession, implicating others, whose arrests are likely to follow.

One of the persons implicated is a woman, who is said to be Digs Nolen's wife and whose name was associated with the Holloway gang at the time they were arrested in Memphis.

Digs Nolen is now in the federal prison at Leavenworth serving out a five-year sentence for swindling Tom Dennison, Dennison lost between \$1,000 and \$2,000.

Pacific Roads Break Their Joint Agencies in Three Big Cities

Under the order of the United States court this is the date fixed for the dissolution of the merger of the Union and Southern Pacific roads. So far as dissolving the close traffic arrangements are concerned, Union Pacific officials last night said that had been accomplished and that today, while relations will be friendly enough, in business matters there will be nothing that will be in common. To comply with the court order it became necessary to dissolve all joint agencies, both east and west. This was accomplished everywhere yesterday, but last night the appointments at only three agencies had been announced at Union Pacific headquarters here.

Heretofore, G. N. Noyes has been joint agent of the two roads at Chicago. Under the dissolution order he casts his lot with the Southern Pacific and the Union Pacific separates the handling of its business. John P. Barron becoming general agent of the freight and George W. Vaux general agent of the passenger department. The Southern Pacific continues in possession of the old offices and the Union Pacific goes to the Merchants' Loan and Trust company building.

At Pittsburgh, Pa., J. E. Corfield, who has been traveling freight agent for the two roads, becomes general agent for the Union Pacific, succeeding G. G. Herring, who goes over to the Southern.

W. H. Conner continues with the Union Pacific as general agent at Cincinnati, the Southern finding a new agent. For the present Cleveland will be added to Conner's territory.

Red Men Give Dance After Initiation

An informal entertainment and dance was given by the local order of Red Men last night at Continental hall, Fifteenth and Douglas streets, for the members and their families. Several state and national officers of the order were in attendance and delivered addresses. Harry Siman of Winstele, Neb., grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, gave a short address. Wilson S. Brooks of Chicago, great chief of records of the United States, also spoke.

MOTHER OF W. A. ROURKE DIES DURING THE NIGHT

Mrs. Ellen Rourke, mother of W. A. Rourke of the Western league, died at her home, 219 California street, last night after a long illness. Mrs. Rourke was a native of Ireland and was 79 years of age. She had lived for many years in this country and for the last fifteen in Omaha. Her children are three sons and a daughter, Katherine; the sons are James, who lives at Grand Island, where he is engaged in the canning trade; William A., owner of the Omaha baseball team, who, with his sister, made his home with his mother; and Taylor J., secretary of the Omaha ball club. Mrs. Rourke suffered a paralytic stroke about four years ago and had never recovered from its effects. Arrangements for the funeral will be made later.

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DIPLOMAS FOR TWENTY-TWO

Mid-Term Graduation Exercises of High School Are Held.

ADDRESS MADE BY DR. COOK

Superintendent Graff Presides and President Holovitchner Presents Certificates to the Students.

Diplomas were presented to twenty-two mid-term graduates of the Omaha High school in the high school auditorium last night. Dr. John W. Cook, president of the DeKalb Normal school, delivered the commencement address. President E. Holovitchner of the board of Education presented the diplomas, three students receiving cadet certificates. Superintendent E. U. Graff presided. Rev. W. Jasper Howell of the First Baptist church invoked the blessing.

Following are the names of those who received diplomas: Alfred E. Adams, Harrison Malin, Richard E. Ballman, Charles R. Hobel, Fred A. Bock, Waldo E. Shillingator, Edwin J. Busch, Carl F. Storz, Robert Carlson, M. Carpenter, Roy H. Gould, Martin L. Hadra, Alfred P. Johnson, Madeline M. Metz, Charles J. Killian, Grace G. Northrup, Albert V. Landgren, Marion W. Parsons, Francis E. Lindberg, Henrietta A. Prinz, Walter C. Lindell, Byrdie E. Treblecock. "Education is an attempt to perpetuate civilization," said Dr. Cook. "It is an organizing of one's self. Get good habits, but be broad enough to get new habits. Be a person. The problem of life is the everlasting clash between individualism and institutionalism. Let us now be careful in our vocational training, lest we raise up permanent lines of cleavage in society."

Problem of Education. "It is the problem of education to settle the content of two desires—What I want to do and what I ought to do. You ought to do what you want to do—and what you want to do ought to be what is right and what you ought to do. Do as you please—if you're right. I would consider myself a failure as a teacher if I did not send my student's

Officer Bernstein Must Show County Where Money Goes

An itemized statement of expenditures of his office for car fare will be required of juvenile officer Mogy Bernstein by the Board of County Commissioners hereafter. Bernstein's office is given \$5 to \$10 for car fare by the county each month. Heretofore no accounting has been made to the county.

Bernstein called upon the county commissioners yesterday with a plea for more funds for his department. He wanted the use of an automobile to prosecute investigations of reports of sale of liquor to minors by roadhouse proprietors. He said Dr. Lyman, who has been making no charge for physical examinations of subjects of juvenile court inquiries, says she can make no more examinations without fees.

The commissioners mentioned the car fare matter and said Bernstein must keep down the car ticket bills. He said he would do the best he can. Commissioner Best instructed that hereafter Bernstein must make a monthly affidavit of car fare expense, giving the number of car tickets used by each member of his staff.

The juvenile officer was sent to the county attorney to talk over the legality of appropriations for physical examinations and the right of the county to furnish the requested automobile. He and the county attorney are to report to the board.

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