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THE BOYS ARE HERE

The City in Possession of the Brave Grand Army Boys.

LIST OF THE DELEGATES PRESENT

Interesting Session at the Opera House Today. The W. R. C. Here in Great Numbers and Hold a Meeting at Rockwood Hall.

From Wednesday's Daily.

At the department roll call this morning 232 delegates answered to their names, and were given badges indicating their membership of the department.

Not being able to be present himself the annual address of the department commander was read by the adjutant. The following excerpt gives its opening paragraphs:

COMRADES: Once more we are assembled, at our fourteenth annual business encampment, here in this beautiful city, the guests of its hospitable citizens. Let us see to it that their welcome is cordially returned. Our department has made steady progress during the year, adding considerably to its numbers and growing in enthusiasm and interest, notwithstanding the visitations of Providence, which have made this a hard year on the old boys and a most arduous one for the Commander. I have traveled over 5,000 miles in the interest of the order; visited and encouraged a great many posts, camp fires and reunions; have organized eighteen new posts, with a membership of 366, and reorganized four posts, with a membership of 104, and made a net gain in the department of 694, leaving a present membership in good standing of 8,137.

OFFICIAL ROSTER PRESENT.
Senior Vice Commander Joseph Teeter, Medical Director W. H. Johnson, Chaplain Rev. Wm. E. Kimball, Ass. Adj. Gen. John B. Sawhill, Ass. Qm. Gen. C. L. Howell, Chief of Staff Chas. E. Bulmester.

Council of Administration—J. W. Thomas, H. W. Short, J. H. Malone, John Diener, W. D. Wildman.

Past Commanders—Paul Vandervoort, A. V. Cole, H. C. Russell, E. H. Wilbur, S. J. Alexander, H. E. Palmer, J. M. Thayer, W. C. Henry, S. H. Morrison.

Kearney post 2, Omaha—Michael Coady, James Davidson, John Reagan, Chas. Kohlmeier.

McPherson post 4, Fremont—I. P. Gage.

Custer post 7, Omaha—J. W. Honza, Jno. A. Cuscaden, John B. Sawhill, M. J. Feenan, A. Allee, J. C. Wilcox.

Lyon post 11, Grand Island—Jno. M. Thayer, N. H. Herford, S. P. Mobley, J. T. Connell.

Strickland post 13, Hastings—H. G. Knight, C. J. Dillworth, J. J. Buchanan.

Edgar post 16, Edgar—S. C. Beck, J. R. Kidd.

Morton post 17, Hebron—J. H. Stickle.

Stanton post 20, Rising City—A. Roberts, D. F. Canfield.

Wadsworth post 21, Syracuse—J. F. Diener.

Wilson post 22, Geneva—C. C. Shumway.

Baumer post 24, Nebraska City—Chas. G. Fisher, S. H. Morrison, J. C. Brown.

Farragut post 25, Lincoln—Martin Howe, Chas. Gould, J. C. Bonnell, R. C. Hazlett, O. C. Bell, Phelps Paine, J. W. Bowen, J. B. Strode, Henry Meyer, J. D. Garner, J. S. Sarwick, Joseph Bolshaw, Jerome Shamp, Jas. Stevenson.

Reynolds post 26, Osceola—H. W. Kennard, H. F. Bense.

McCook post 31, Ashland—Z. J. Hall.

Sheridan post 34, Schuyler—J. W. Schultz, H. C. Russell, J. D. Mill.

Rawlins post 35, Beatrice—J. E. Hill, G. L. Cole, O. H. Phillips.

Mitchell post 38, Waverly—Wm. McCroft, P. H. Walker, P. H. Sudduth, R. S. Cooley, Jas. Welch, Amos Peck, Henry Carpenter, M. V. Blanchard, M. H. Mills, J. V. Jones, John Tomkinson.

Oliver post 43, Fairfield—W. S. Randall.

McConihe post 45, Plattsmouth—J. W. Johnson, H. J. Streight, Thos. Wiles, Malon Dixon, S. P. Vanatta.

Heckathorne post 47, Tecumseh—R. T. Brown, Peter Platt, J. S. Dew, Purdy Platt, J. W. Bouffsu.

Wallace post 50, Hubbell—L. wells.

Mansfield post 54, Palmyra—C. H. Smith.

Dahlgren post 55, Papillion—J. F. Hildebrand, John Q. Goss.

Winslow post 56, Milford—J. H. Culver.

Gates post 58, Lyons—R. S. Hart.

Lafayette post 61 weeping water—J. W. Thomas, J. H. Davis.
Upright post 62, Bennett—D. Ellis.
Fremont post, 68, Neligh—R. F. Fried.

Beadie post, 72, Hardy—C. T. Forsha.

Douglas post, 69, North Platte—R. H. Stuart.

Russell post, 77, Fairbury—F. R. Petel, J. T. Thompson.

Geary post, 81, Juniata—B. F. Smith, A. V. Cole.

Veteran post, 84, Falls City—Wm. Windle.

Curtis post, 89, De Witt—D. F. Bowditch.

Andrew post, 90, Wahoo—John Steen, Ott F. Steen, E. E. Lyle, C. M. Copp, — Thorpe.

Strong post, 91, Minden—Josepa Hull.

Ingram post, 95, Pawnee City—Edgar Wood, A. D. Strunk, C. H. Hare, L. A. Wheeler.

Sill post, 99, Sterling—J. D. Jump.

Wyman post, 101, Firth—C. M. Wittstruck.

Roberts post, 104, Talmage—Peter Brown, J. M. Cathcart, Christian Schlitt.

Mathewson post, 109, Norfolk—P. Senwenk.

Grant post, 110, Omaha—Chas. F. Manderson, C. S. Chase, E. A. Parmelee, C. E. Burmeister, H. H. Benson, Q. H. Shinn, — Bloom.

Glover post, 111, Holdrege—J. E. Austin.

Reno post, 112, Lexington—L. P. Griswold.

Whitehead post, 114, Orleans—W. H. Barnwell.

Coleman post, 115, Wymore—James Crawford, W. H. Frost.

Stoneman post, 116, Ponca—A. B. Hoyes, — Bohan.

Boomer post, 118, Tekamah—B. F. Pugh.

Hunter post, 122, Ohioway—L. H. Corbin, — C. Mmslow, J. M. Walker, Wm. Matson.

Kenesaw post, 123, Elmwood—D. McCaig.

Lookout Mountain post, 127, Friend—A. J. Justice, W. F. Doudna.

Stacy post, 130, Friend—E. Whitcomb, P. C. Johnson, W. F. Wolfe.

Slocum post, 141, Endicott—W. Kuler.

Chase post, 143, Madison—W. P. Sibley.

Kleven post, 146, Culbertson—N. Mishler, W. D. Wildman.

Live Eagle post, 147, Fullerton—J. Z. Jackson.

Mission Ridge post, 149, Greenwood—Ira Tinkham, E. C. Coleman, J. W. Stott, J. Kamo.

Corinth post, No. 153, Genoa—Henry Stevens.

Indianola post, 154, Indianola—G. W. Burt.

Valley post, 156, Minden—Edward Crick.

Freas post, 163, Beaver—J. T. Sumny, J. B. Fevis.

Volunteer post, 164, Dawson—B. F. Miles.

Gere post, 165, Table Rock—A. D. Davis.

Jessawattomie post, 179, Hartington—W. H. Stephenson, B. Olsen.

Harvey post, 182, Tilden—J. D. Askinth.

Moorehouse post, 188, Tobias—Jas. McCree, D. C. Marsh.

Garrison post, 189, Fletcher—Elijah Harber.

Kendall post, 190, Stanton—Samuel Gher, J. Eberly, Jno. A. Earhardt.

Barnes post, 207, McCook—H. H. Berry.

Mulligan post, 209, Western—A. H. Frost, J. Mullin.

Appoattox post, 214, Lincoln—L. T. Pace, Paul Cook.

Hay Springs post, 223, Hay Springs—J. M. Waterman, B. F. Duffenbacher.

Lennington post, 227, Chadron—T. F. Powers.

Jordan post, 239, Clay Center—Elder Friar.

Nickajack post, 245, Diller—J. W. Henrys, D. B. Kelleys, James Condon.

Crook post, 262, Omaha—Geo. C. Bruner, Thos. L. Hull, L. F. Maginn, B. R. Ball.

Gering post, 265, Gering—W. H. Johnson, J. P. Finley.

Norton post, 226, Daykin—T. J. DeKalb.

Hull post, 269, Palisade—J. N. Kountz.

Little Phil post, 270, Tecumseh—W. H. Miller, C. H. Halstead, Robert Huston.

Atlanta post, 275, Platte—Robert Price, — Smith.

Drury post, 278, Pender—Aaron Young.

Livingston post, 282, South Omaha—J. Cress, S. H. Dennis.

Ogelsby post, 384, Huntley—O. H. Woodworth.

Sackett post, 285, Haigler—W. D. Roby.

Thompson post, 309, Brownville—Dewitt Heckmann.

Gossard post, 315, Herman—James Mead, — Triplet.

G. A. R. Notes.

Capt. Teeter of Lincoln has the call as a candidate for department commander.

A lively contest is on for the position of adjutant general between the incumbent, J. B. Sawhill, of Omaha, and Brad P. Cook, of Lincoln.

Gov. Thayer and Speaker Elder of the house are among the prominent personages visible in the crowd at the Riley. The latter is a delegate.

M. V. Wood of Elmwood precinct was among the visitors to the encampment today. He said he was glad that the county seat trouble was settled at last, and thought talk of a new petition was a hoax.

The Riley and Perkins were filled to overflowing and a large number of the delegates went to other hotels. Both of these hotels are provided with cots so that they can provide for still others if there should be a demand for them.

Phelps Peine is not here for fun, but is having a good share of it all the same. The rotund form of Paul Vandervoort is visible about the encampment lobbies. He is looking after the special welfare of Speaker Elder. Of course there is no politics in that.

Miss Celia Clarkson, daughter of Department Commander Clarkson, died on Monday at Colorado Springs. This distressing event has taken Col. Clarkson to Denver, and made it impossible for him to preside at the present encampment of the department. The funeral of the deceased young lady will take place at Omaha tomorrow.

THE W. R. C. CONVENTION

Met at Rockwood hall at 11 o'clock and was called to order by the president, Mrs. Mary R. Morgan, with a full list of officers and some forty corps, represented by about 150 delegates.

A committee on credentials was appointed and routine business was attended to until after dinner. At the afternoon meeting reports of executive officers for the past year were made and listened to, and the national officers were presented.

The appearances indicate that a most interesting session will ensue. The following is the official roster of the convention:

President—Mary R. Morgan.
S. V. president—Laura A. Bates.
J. V. president—Otelia Dudley.
Chaplain—La Dell Stillson.
Executive board—Lyde M. Bohne, Sophia L. Bennett, Julia L. Bowen, Mary E. Miles, Jennie L. Holmes.
Secretary—Amanda M. Lafferty.
Counselor—Helen E. Cook.
Inspector—Theresa Woodward.
Corresponding secretaries—Julia S. Bowen and Laura A. Bates.
Past department presidents—Emma Manchester, Mary R. Morgan and Lyde M. Bohne.

W. R. C. Notes.

Relief Corps delegates from Madison—Mesdames M. V. Allen, Mary L. Carder, Wm. Parkinson, Carl T. Seely.

The following delegates were present from the Madison Relief Corps: Mesdames M. V. Allen, Mary L. Carder, W. Parkinson, and Carl T. Seely.

The W. R. C. convention is composed of the most intelligent, refined looking and handsomely-dressed company of ladies the reporter has ever seen in the state.

The local Relief Corps ladies are having a serious time securing entertainment for the many delegates present, while it is notorious that many of the best equipped mansions in town are entertaining no one. This is wrong.

Death of Mrs. E. Windham.

The Glenwood Opinion says in regard to the late Mrs. Windham: After several days lingering on the verge of eternity the spirit of Mrs. E. Windham took its flight on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock. The funeral services were held at the family residence on Monday at 3 p. m. The house was inadequate to contain the great number of friends that attended. Revs. Hunt, Nutting and Stephens participated in the exercises. The two former making fitting addresses and the latter reading appropriate passages of the scripture. The following relations were present: Mrs. Anna M. Goodell and son of River Forest, Ills.; Mrs. Sarah Madison of Los Angeles, Cal.; Mrs. H. H. O'Neill of Danville, Ills.; and R. B. Windham of Plattsmouth, Neb.

Death of Mrs. Ann Erwin.

A telegram was received last night from Louisville announcing the death of Mrs. Ann Erwin, grandmother of Telegraph Agent R. W. Clement of this city. Mrs. Erwin was born in New Castle, England on the 17th of February eighty-two years ago. Mr. Clement and his mother will leave for Louisville tonight or in the morning. The funeral will be held Thursday.

Plenty of A No. 1 flour on hand to exchange for wheat at the Factoryville Roller Mills. Wheat taken on deposit. 38-171 T. W. WARNE.

Wedding Anniversary.

On Saturday the 14th of February Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Young jr. celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their wedding day at their home six miles southwest of Plattsmouth. It was also the fiftieth birthday of Mr. Young, he having been married the day he was thirty years of age to Miss Eliza Law.

About seventy persons, old and young, gathered at their home to celebrate the event, to renew old friendships, and to make glad the hearts of those whose anniversary they were celebrating. The day was spent in social visits of old acquaintances, and in musical entertainments by Mrs. Frank Root and Miss Luella Young as organists, assisted by Miss Lillie Kauble with her violin. During the afternoon seventy-two persons partook of a bountiful dinner prepared by the hostess and her lady friends. Mr. and Mrs. Young received a full set of stone china ware dishes costing \$20. They also received the following presents from individuals: A wine set, a cake stand, and a box of cigars from Miss Tillie Bauer of Louisville, a lady's and gentleman's cup and saucer from Mr. and Mrs. Leavitt of Lincoln, a china mug and three china vases from Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, and a china fruit dish from Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Conn of Nehawka.

There were present at the anniversary Messrs. and Mesdames I. S. White, J. W. Conn, Joseph Saus, S. G. Latta, A. Root, A. M. Holmes, L. H. Young and daughter Luella, A. B. Taylor, Hiram McDonald, T. W. Faught, Frank Root, Wm. Morrow, R. F. Dean and daughter Grace, F. M. Young, sr., and daughters Anna and Kate, Joshua Gopen and daughter Anna, S. L. Furlong, D. A. Young, W. A. Royal, Henry Boeck, Frank Moore, E. A. Kirkpatrick, and Lee Kirkpatrick and sister Kate, and Mesdames Wm. Holmes, Wm. Taylor, Austin Johnson, Lizzie Cochran, Wm. Ellington, Misses Lillie Kauble, Jennie Young, Tillie Bauer, Satchell, Messrs. Wm. Young, Wm. Gilmour, Byron Young, Sam and Lloyd Gopen, George, Ray and J. H. Holmes, of Sherman county.

The following named persons attended the anniversary who were at the wedding twenty years ago: E. A. Kirkpatrick, who acted as groomsmen, Wm. Young, D. H. Young, Miss Jennie Young, Mrs. Lizzie Cochran, Henry Boeck and wife, L. H. Young and wife, A. M. Holmes and wife, S. G. Latta and wife, and S. L. Furlong and wife.

In the evening about seventy young people gathered at home of Mr. and Mrs. Young and enjoyed themselves at various amusements until 12 o'clock and then dispersed for their several homes.

Suicide at South Bend.

From J. M. Grace, who came in from South Bend this morning, THE JOURNAL learns that a man there named Wilcox had committed suicide last night by taking two ounces of aconite, and was found dead in his bed this morning.

Wilcox is described to have been a shiftless sort of a fellow, about 50 years of age, who has lived in town there since last fall, engaged at work at pretense about a livery barn, and pretending to be a horse doctor. He lived in the house with his former wife, who was divorced from him. About three weeks ago he had some difficulty with the owner of the livery stable where he stayed, and soon after the barn was set on fire, and also the man's house. After this he got on a big spree, and was heard to say that he was suspected of burning that barn, and he then threatened to burn the town.

Threats of his arrest followed and he skipped out for some days, returning recently. The next heard of him was this morning, when he was reported dead, as above stated.

Coroner Unruh and Sheriff Tighe were called on to go out today to investigate the matter.

Nebraska City to Plattsmouth.

From the Union Ledger.
It is almost a settled fact that the B. & M. road will build from Nebraska City to Plattsmouth, and it is also a settled fact in the minds of some of good judgment, that if it builds at all it will follow the river. While the people of Union and vicinity would gladly have this line of road from Nebraska City to Plattsmouth via Union they need not lose any sleep because of the route it will likely take. While it will do us no good it will do us no harm, by way of causing a new town between ours and the river, because it is evident that a station of any importance, could not exist in such a small bit of territory as will be allowed it. Union has a large territory around it and is so situated, with its railroads, that it is almost impossible for a town to build up near to its detriment. In fact, our town can take care of itself; Union is a good name for it, but independence would be better, and our people have nothing to do but pay up their obligations to it and watch it go—to the front ranks.

FINISHER FINISHED

His Career on the Streets of Plattsmouth Saturday Night.

NO KNOWN HEIRS TO HIS PROPERTY

His Dead Body Found on South First Street—The Coroner's Inquest Shows Death to Have Resulted from Old Age and Exposure—Buried Monday.

John Finisher finished his journey upon this earth sometime early in the evening of Saturday last. As Anton Nitka, William Smithman and William Mayall were on their way to the U. O. T. B. dance, between 8 and 9 o'clock Saturday evening, they discovered the body of a man lying about half a block north of the East Fourth ward school house. The body proved to be that of John Finisher, a well-known character and an old resident of Plattsmouth, whose house was in what is known as Happy Hollow. The police were notified and the body taken to the undertaking rooms of Coroner Unruh. Mr. Unruh was out of the city—at South Bend holding an inquest on the suicide Wilcox—and the inquest upon Finisher was therefore postponed until 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. At that time Messrs. Geo. Weidmann, Ben Hempel, M. Archer, H. H. Vanaranam, W. D. Bates and T. L. Murphy were empaneled as a jury, and, after hearing the testimony, returned a verdict of death resulting from exposure and old age.

Mr. Finisher was an eccentric old man a widower (by divorce) and lived alone in his own property in Happy Hollow, where he owns lots 10, 11, 12 and 13 in block 10, one of which is his late residence. So far as is known he has no living relative and his property will go to the state. He had no trade and worked as a laborer—most of the time of late years for the city. In 1868 Mr. Finisher was the landlord of the River hotel and at that time he was still living with his wife. His wife, about whom there is little known, was a little loose, and in 1878 Finisher got a divorce from her on the ground of desertion. She then married a Richard P. Cartwright, a B. & M. shop employe, and went with him. In 1879 Finisher bought the Happy Hollow property, built him a house and has since lived there in bachelor style. For a number of years thereafter he was employed by Walter White and T. L. Murphy.

Mr. Finisher was considered industrious and was honest in his dealings with all whom he came in contact. Nothing, not even a scrap of paper was found on his person, and at first there was a suspicion of foul play. But the coroner, in company with Messrs. Geo. Weidmann, Ben Hempel and Policemen O'Neill visited his house, which was unlocked, and there found his keys, pocket-book and household belongings in good order and thus disappeared the foundation of the foul play theory.

Geo. Weidmann, with whom the deceased was well acquainted said that Finisher often told him that he had no relatives, and expressed the wish he would be decently buried when he should die and that he cared nothing of what became of the rest of the property. The deceased was a Hungarian by birth, and was about 60 years of age. He was buried in Oak Hill cemetery Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock and there were no services, no one seeming to know of the deceased ever expressing a desire for such ceremony.

How the Contest Resolution Was Killed.

In the senate Wednesday the vote on the passage of the joint resolution providing for the contest was as follows:

Yeas—Coulter, Day, Dysart, Hill, Michener, Poynter, Randall, Sanders, Smith, Stevens, Warner, Williams—12.
Nays—Brown, Christofferson, Collins, Eggleston, Keiper, Mattes, Moore, Schram, Shumway, Switzer, Thomas, Turner, Van Housen, Woods—13.

Senator Kountz was paired with Senator Wilson, Senator Starbuck with Senator Horn and Senator Beck with Senator Shea—Senator Taylor absent and not voting.

A Historic Pen.

The contract with Architect Gray for the plans, specifications and superintendence of the erection of the new Cass county court house was duly completed and signed by the county commissioners and Mr. Gray Thursday evening. The pen with which the signatures were affixed has been preserved by County Clerk Critchfield and will be used likewise to sign the contract with the builder when that is made, and it is proposed to place the pen and holder in the corner stone of the structure when that is formally laid, as a relic of the occasion.