

700 SOLDIERS AND SAILORS ATTEND HOME-COMING DAY

Through the efforts of the Canteen ladies, the Sammy Girls and the War Mothers, the reception tendered the returned soldiers and sailors Saturday was a pronounced success—even more successful than was anticipated, for the attendance of the boys who had been in service was considerably larger than really was expected, the number present not falling short of seven hundred. The first courtesy extended the boys was the chicken dinner given at the city park by the Canteen ladies. Four tables with accommodations for 125 at each table had been provided, but when the bugle announced the mess call, it was found that these tables were insufficient to accommodate all and other seats were provided, and even then some of the boys had to wait until those first seats were through. So thoroughly organized were the Canteen ladies that they served the first tables in less than fifteen minutes. The menu consisted of fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, cabbage salad, sandwiches, coffee, pie, cake and ice cream. The boys seemed to thoroughly enjoy the meal, and complimented the ladies in charge. A lieutenant in service was present and issued Victory buttons to all soldiers who had their discharge papers with them, and nearly all had them.

While the boys were eating dinner the Sammy Girls, under the direction of "Mother" McGraw, issued two general admission and two grandstand tickets for the auto races to each soldier or sailor, one ticket for himself and one for his wife, mother or best girl. Upon the completion of the dinner the boys headed by the North Platte band marched in a body to the race track and were seated in that section of the grandstand that had been reserved for them. Here the boys enjoyed the races along with the other six or seven thousand spectators. During the dinner the band rendered a number of selections, and at the race track Governor McKelvie made a short address to the boys. After the races the Canteen ladies served an evening lunch to all who accepted the invitation.

In the evening the Sammy Girls entertained the boys at a dance, a platform 50x150 feet having been built at the north end of Dewey street. The music was furnished by a big orchestra under the leadership of Earl Stamp, and from nine o'clock until twelve the platform was crowded with soldiers and sailors and their ladies. During the dance the Sammy Girls served sandwiches, doughnuts and coffee not only to the dancers but to the hundreds of spectators who surrounded the platform, which was appropriately draped with the national colors.

Fully eighty per cent of the boys wore their uniforms, and this, gave the dinner, the grandstand and the streets quite a military aspect, and the uniform was the badge which won the smile and courtesy of the public generally.

For the part taken by the Canteen ladies, the Sammy Girls and the War Mothers, the general committee appointed to arrange for the day extends its thanks for without the aid of these capable and enthusiastic women and girls the welcoming extended to the boys would not have been so successful—in fact it was these women and girls that made it a success.

The Sammy Girls bought the admission tickets and provided the dance with funds from their own treasury.

Colored Man Accidentally Shot.

A colored man who had been working on the section at Wallace, was brought to a local hospital Friday evening suffering from a gun shot wound in the hip. The section foreman had taken a shot gun out to work with the expectation of getting a duck or chicken, and in handling the weapon it was accidentally discharged and the negro, who was ten feet away received the full charge, which tore a big hole in his hip.

M. J. Forbes was notified, took the ambulance to Wallace and brought back the wounded man.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Blanche Fonda returned Saturday from a two months' trip to points on the Pacific coast.

Mrs. Frank Sullivan returned this morning from Omaha where she recently underwent an operation.

Diamond ear screws, Dixon has them.

Roland Warren returned home Saturday, having received his discharge after four years service in the navy.

Constance Talmadge's name and "A Lady's Name"—a good combination. A word to the wise is sufficient. Crystal tonight and tomorrow.

John Ticho, Sr., returned Sunday from Lexington where he had been spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Wilfred Stuart.

PLANKETS—All wool, of the famous Utah-make. Double and full size. See Freedman at the Palace Hotel (Phone 46).

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Fowles, who had been in town for a couple of months, left last night for their home in Long Beach, Cal.

Mrs. Dearing returned this morning to her home at Grand Island after spending the week end with her daughter, Mrs. Thos. Green.

For Sale—Five room house, modern except heat, on West B. Phone Black 889.

Misses Ruth Jacobson, Jennie McClain, Hilma Sjogren and Irene Tomp, of Lexington, were week end guests at the C. E. Souser home.

A. W. Plumer and mother will leave the early part of next week for southern California, where they will spend part or all of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Rincker, who have been visiting in Chicago following an operation performed on Mrs. Rincker, at Rochester, Minn., will arrive home tomorrow night.

Ira Whittaker arrived Saturday from Meckling, S. D., to spend a few days visiting relatives and accompany his family who have been spending the summer here to their home.

D-I-A-M-O-N-D-S spells both quality and reasonable prices at Dixon's.

Baptist group meetings will be held this week on Thursday as follows: Bible group with Mrs. Anderson, 224 west First street; Ann Hazeline group at the church; Q. E. group with Mrs. Rose, 520 south Chestnut. A good attendance of each group is requested.

The annual meeting of the Lutheran church was held last evening, and reports showed that each of the several organizations of the church were in fine condition. There has been an increase in the membership of the organizations and the financial showing stronger than ever before. Three members of the church council whose terms expired were re-elected so as not to disturb the personnel of the building committee which has charge of the new church.

Mrs. J. F. Clabaugh, city chairman of the Salvation Army drive, reports this morning that North Platte has gone over the top. The quota for the city was \$1,824, and this sum will be overtopped by at least two hundred dollars. Full reports from the county have not been received, but it is probable that each district will reach its quota and that the county as a whole will respond with somewhat more than the amount apportioned to it.

Dixon will be glad to give you booklet on diamonds.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Davis entertained eight guests Saturday evening at a beautifully appointed five course dinner at the Pacific hotel complimentary to Gov. McKelvie who was their guest over the week end. Gov. McKelvie gave the address at the soldiers' home-coming celebration Saturday and remained over the week end in order to spend a few days hunting. Mrs. Davis served a breakfast to Gov. McKelvie, S. M. Souder, Guy Swope and A. N. Durbin who made up the hunting party and last evening served a game dinner to the hunters and their wives. Gov. McKelvie returned to Lincoln last night, having been called back by the race riot in Omaha.

MOB HOLDS SWAY IN OMAHA SUNDAY NIGHT

William Brown, colored, charged with assaulting Mary Loebeck, was dragged from the county jail at Omaha Sunday night at 11 o'clock and hanged to an electric light pole following a struggle of nine hours to secure possession of him by an immense mob. Sheriff Michael L. Clark and his deputies held the fort in the top story of the court house, where he located the jail, with a hundred prisoners, until the building became a mass of flames and he was forced to submit.

At 11 o'clock, after Brown had been hung, the firemen were, for the first time, able to get a stream on the flames. At the same time additional extension ladders were sent to the third and fourth floors, where many of the occupants were standing on the window ledges on the one side of the building that had not yet been touched by the flames.

The negro was pulled out on the south side of the court house, giving the firemen an opportunity to work on the north side where the fire started. The fire, however, had already destroyed valuable records which can never be replaced. As soon as the mob had accomplished its prime object, it appeared to be ready to subside and began to diminish.

The lynching followed an afternoon and evening fraught with mob demonstrations seldom recorded. When the first rumblings of a possible attempt to lynch Brown were heard during the forenoon Sheriff Clark called in all his regular deputies and swore in a number of others. The first act that indicated the mob was in earnest was a parade up Harney street by about fifty men who detained from street cars a few blocks from the court house. They tore up Harney street at double quick and were at the sheriff's headquarters before he realized what had happened.

The original members of the mob were augmented presently by hundreds of others, apparently equally determined to lynch Brown. They yelled for their prisoner and attempted to get into the court house. The few police officers who had arrived were unable to keep them from breaking the doors for only a short while, and a number of the more radical of the mob gained entrance to the building, and started fires in several of the rooms on the ground floor, using coal oil to start the fire. The fire department was called out to extinguish the fires, but as soon as a line of hose was laid, the mob cut the hose. A hardware store was broken into, guns and revolvers taken and during the height of the disturbance thousands of shots were fired, one man killed, a number wounded, and policemen and citizens clubbed and beaten. The police were utterly powerless, the mob had full sway and did as it pleased.

Mayor Smith, after the court house had commenced to burn, emerged from the building and it is said that he had a revolver in his hand. Just at that time a young man was shot in the hand. The mob took for granted that the Mayor had fired the shot. A rope was thrown around the mayor's neck and he was dragged for two blocks and strung up to a pole. He was cut down by two policemen who had followed; again he was strung up by the mad crowd, and again cut down, and then hurried to a hospital where his condition was pronounced serious.

Troops from Ft. Omaha and Ft. Crook were directed to patrol Omaha by orders of the war department at Washington, and latest reports are that the city has quieted down to about normal.

The ruination of an imposing new court house by the fire; an attempt to lynch Mayor Smith; the death of one civilian and the wounding of 59 others; raids upon pawn shops and ammunition stores for weapons; the placing of Nebraska's metropolis practically under martial law; the burning of a police patrol; an early morning attempt to enter the central police station—all of these and other dramatic incidents entered into the awful situation.

All of this terrible demonstration of passion and emotion grew out of an outraged public sentiment against assaults upon white women by negroes.

Clayton Harvey, who was injured in the motorcycle race last Wednesday has improved to some extent, though he still remains the greater part of the time in a semi-unconscious stupor. The physician in charge states that nothing can be done and that nature must take its course. The turning point is expected to be reached within the next few days.

Rev. and Mrs. Hess returned the latter part of last week from Omaha where they attended the Methodist conference and visited friends for two weeks.

Skillful Job of Moving.

A gas container 70 feet in diameter and 75 feet high, weighing 200 tons, was moved three miles recently at Portland, Ore. First it was raised 15 feet and loaded on rollers. Then it was moved four blocks through the city streets and lowered 28 feet to a dock, whence it was moved upon a pair of barges. The barges were towed three miles to a shipbuilding plant, where the tank was unloaded and raised 26 feet, moved across newly filled ground for a distance of 2,000 feet, crossing a railroad track, and placed on its new foundation. It took 71 days to complete the work.

J. H. HERSHEY PASSED AWAY AT OKLAHOMA CITY SATURDAY

J. Harry Hershey, for many years a resident of Lincoln county, died at 7:30 last Saturday morning at his home in Oklahoma City. Death followed a paralytic stroke suffered a month or more ago, and for two or three weeks preceding the end he had been in a comatose condition. As Mr. Hershey owned property in Oklahoma City, and that city is also the home of his daughter Helen and her husband, and is likely to be the future home of Mrs. Hershey, it is presumed burial took place there.

The deceased came to Lincoln county about 1880 and for several years was foreman of the EW ranch located where Bignell now stands. Later he moved to North Platte and became associated with the late W. A. Paxton of Omaha in the purchase of a large tract of land near Hershey and an irrigation ditch was built to water the land. For a number of years he lived on a farm north of Hershey and the village of Hershey was named for him. Closing out his real estate in the valley, Mr. Hershey moved to Olathe, Kan., where he purchased a stock farm and also became interested in a bank. A year or two ago he removed to Oklahoma City. He was past seventy years of age and leaves a wife, a daughter and a son.

During his residence of about a quarter of a century in Lincoln county Mr. Hershey proved himself a splendid citizen; he was progressive and ambitious, the acme of integrity, generous in his treatment of others and a man of christian character.

Governor McKelvie Goes to Omaha.

Governor McKelvie, who was present at the home-coming celebration Saturday and went to McPherson county Sunday with Messrs. Swope, Souder and Durbin to shoot ducks, returned to town yesterday afternoon and left for Omaha last evening. He was advised early yesterday morning of the mob violence at Omaha, and received further word after arrival here. Before he succeeded in getting word through, Lieut. Governor Barrows had made application to the war department for sufficient federal troops and 200 regulars from Ft. Crook were assigned to patrol duty in Omaha and additional troops were ordered sent from Ft. Grant and Ft. Leavenworth.

Governor McKelvie deplored the Omaha mob spirit, terming it as a very black eye for Nebraska.

Rev. Fr. P. McDaid returned this morning from a visit in Denver.

For rent—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Phone Red 1069.

Mr. and Mrs. Bassford, left this morning by auto for Torrington, Wyo., after an extended visit with their niece Mrs. Herbert Hara.

For Sale—A large sized soft coal stove. Phone Red 1128, 503 west Second street.

M. W. McCullough has moved his family up from Maxwell in order that the children might have the advantages of our schools.

RECORD-BREAKING CROWD AT COUNTY FAIR SATURDAY

Secretary Birge said yesterday forenoon that he figured that the attendance at the county fair Saturday was between nine and ten thousand, an attendance at the grounds that has only been approached once before, and that at the auto races on July 4th of last year. Every seat in the grand stand and bleachers was filled, every auto reservation around the track was taken and the number who occupied the roof of the horse barns and other points of vantage, stood outside the stretches or were within the enclosure numbered not less than two thousand. It was a big crowd, an exceptionally orderly crowd, and a crowd that seemed to enjoy the occasion.

The fair officials had so organized their force of ticket sellers and takers that the crowd was easily and expeditiously handled.

117½ Wins the Big Sack of Flour.

The North Platte Flour Mills booth was one of the five spots at the county fair. Nearly two thousand people guessed on the weight of the big sack of flour and little Miss Edith McLenn, of North Platte, filed the only correct guess in the entire lot. Several guessed 118 and several more 117, but only this one guess hit the exact mark. Seventy-towns were represented in the cards that were dropped into the box, about half from North Platte and half from outside. Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska were all represented.

The bread baking contest was won by Mrs. C. I. Lewis and the second prize went to Mrs. Andy Yost. Two thousand mixing spoons were given to the ladies on Saturday.

Taking it all together this booth did a "land office business" and spread the fame of "Cow Brand" flour far and wide. North Platte has a live mill, a mill that is trying to give the town the best that can be furnished in the milling line. All they need is the backing of the people of North Platte to make this one of Nebraska's leading milling centers. See that you buy North Platte flour. Every sack you buy is a boost for your own town.

The Lutheran aid society will meet with Mrs. D. C. Giddeon Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Trotter left last night for Omaha where they will attend the Ak-Sar-Ben.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Whittaker and children left this morning for Meckling, S. D., after a visit with relatives in town.

Lost—September 27th, a watch and fob with letters "C. S." on fob. Watch engraved on each side with space on one side for initials. Finder return to this office and receive reward.

For Sale—Small Jewel heating stove cheap if taken at once. 108 west Third.

The Episcopal church will be entertained in the church basement Thursday afternoon by Mesdames MeJomber, Salisbury, Vroman and Newman.

NEGRO MURDERER IS NOW IN LINCOLN PENITENTIARY

According to press dispatches, Leo Darling, who shot and killed Conductor Massey on the streets of this city Monday night of last week, is in the penitentiary at Lincoln. Darling was taken to the jail at Grand Island by Sheriff Salisbury Tuesday morning, fearing that a mob might take the negro from jail and hang him. But as the late Conductor Massey made Grand Island his home for a number of years he had just as many friends there as in North Platte, and Wednesday night an attempt was made at Grand Island to get Darling from jail and lynch him.

A mob of about one hundred men appeared at the jail and demanded the negro. They were permitted to search the jail, being told the prisoner had been transferred to Lincoln. The mob in a short time reaching a thousand in number, then paid the city jail a visit, only to find the murderer had been removed. The officers understood an attempt at lynching might be made in the evening, the negro was promptly loaded in an auto and taken to the state penitentiary.

A real Cordova pocket book will please any lady. Dixon has them.

H. A. Fitch was over from Dickens Saturday.

W. D. Branch, of Stapleton, was a business visitor in town Friday.

The Christian aid will meet in the church basement Thursday afternoon. Refreshments will be served and all members are urged to be present.

Christian Science service Sunday 11 a. m. Wednesday evening meetings every week at 8:00. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services. Building & Loan building, room 25.

ETHEL CLAYTON
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A picture clear full of romance. Try to come and get the story.
Crystal Theatre, Thursday and Friday.

Keith, Wednesday and Thursday.
"A ROMANCE OF THE AIR"
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One of the two survivors of the famous Lafayette escadrille.
Famous cast in famous photoplay reflects daring aerial adventures.

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