

## G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT

### STARTS AT FAIRBURY

### Plattsmouth Delegates Leave This Morning to be in Attendance at Sessions.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

The thirty-fourth annual encampment of the Department of Nebraska, Grand Army of the Republic commences this morning at Fairbury and a party of three delegates representing Plattsmouth left on an early train today to attend the three days program which lasts Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The local trio of delegates consisted of Guy McMaken and W. S. Askwith of the G. A. R. and Mrs. J. W. Hickson of the W. R. C. the auxiliary of the G. A. R. The encampment this year is in charge of Captain A. M. Trimble, adjutant general of the organization who is of the opinion that this gathering will be the most enjoyable ever held.

The daily program begins at six thirty when the old veterans are awakened by reveille, and music by the bugle and drum corps. One of the features of the annual encampment is the martial music rendered by the old civil war musicians. This evening at the Fairbury Christian church a general reception will be held for the members of the Woman's Relief Corps and a patriotic program rendered. Tomorrow morning will be given over to different musical concerts and the annual parade. In the parade will be 1,000 school children some from the city schools and some from the country schools. In addition there will be a civic section automobiles and floats. At eleven thirty the state organizations will meet for the transaction of business. In the evening a big campfire will be held in the City Park and martial music will be rendered by the National Association of Civil War Musicians and choruses. Thursday morning, department officers of the G. A. R. will be elected and in the evening installed, following which the encampment will close with the benediction and taps.

### To Auction Off Stock

J. W. Larkin is announcing rather a novel way of disposing of the stock of nevelties and notions. He is going to auction off his \$1500 stock of goods commencing Wednesday morning and continuing until the entire amount is disposed of. They have secured the services of a well known auctioneer who will conduct the sale. This action is taken by the Larkins in order to close out their stock in the shortest possible time. The couple have not been enjoying the best of health since the first of the year and they have decided to get into work that would not be so confining for both of them. They have not decided where they will locate, but it will probably be some place in the state where Mr. Larkin can return to his chosen profession, the ministry. By the removal from the city of the enterprising business couple, Plattsmouth will lose two of its best boosters and their many friends whom they have made in their short stay in the city will greatly miss them.

### Championship Debate at York.

Word was received yesterday that the championship contest of the High School Debating League will be held at York on Friday night of this week. The annual High school field day which was to be held at Lincoln on the same day has been called off on account of the small pox scare at that city and York was named as the location for the debate this year. Ten representatives of the ten schools that have won the championships of the respective districts will debate the proposition that "Labor unions, are, on the whole, beneficial." Miss Marie Douglass is to represent Plattsmouth, being district champion of this vicinity. The order of speaking will be as follows:

Affirmative.—Wayne, Soper, Broken Bow; Miss E. Floy Lewis, Wymore; Jesse Ertel, Geneva; Lloyd Worley, Ashland; Van Webster, Hastings;

Negative.—Miss Edith Christensen, Valentine; Clarence A. Davis, Beaver City; Joseph Fitzgerald, Kearney; Miss Ethel James, Alliance; Miss Marie Douglass, Plattsmouth.

### Installation of Pastor.

At the Presbyterian church on tomorrow evening the 18th, at 7:45 o'clock.

Order of Exercises.—  
Rev. Mr. Perry of Nebraska City Moderator of the Presbytery, will preside and preach the sermon.

Rev. Thomas L. Sexton, D. D., will deliver the charge to the pastor and Rev. J. H. Salisbury will deliver the charge to the congregation.

The benediction will be pronounced by the pastor.

The public is cordially invited to these services.

## A Five Ton Broadside.

In the five turrets of the Florida the battle ship just launched, will be ten 12-inch guns, which can be trained upon a single point and hurl 10,000 pounds of metal at one discharge. All the ships with which Dewey fought the battle of Manila Bay had a combined broadside only half as powerful, and the effective range was less by several miles. Though our battle ships of twelve years ago destroyed the Spanish fleet at Santiago almost without receiving a scratch they are antiquated now and are completely outclassed by the leviathans lately added to the navy. The Florida will be equivalent to a great fortress or defense, and a speed of twenty-one knots is an indication of what she would be expected to do offensively. With the Panama canal open she could steam from New York to San Francisco or Honolulu inside of two weeks, an illustration of the extent to which the waterway across the isthmus will add to the available strength of the navy. Our battle ships will count for more than twice as much when the canal is completed.

Forty-eight years ago an improvised armored vessel, covered with railroad iron, steamed down the James, took any position it preferred, and sank some of the best wooden ships of the United States, whose shots in reply were harmless. Another armored vessel, the Monitor, happened to be there in the nick of time, and finally drove off the ironplated assailant. That was the starting point of modern navies, in which the Florida is now believed to be the most massive and heavily armed ship afloat. She may never fire a hostile shot. Probably she will be considered a preventive of war, and in that way easily be worth the \$10,000,000 she cost. Four other battle ships of this class all greater than the original dreadnought, are an addition to the United States navy, assuring that its preparedness has been carefully provided for by recent administrations.—Globe Democrat.

### Train Wreckers After M. P.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 16.—(Special)—For some time past someone has been giving the Missouri Pacific employees here considerable trouble by smashing the switch lights along the track in the southern part of the city. Watch was placed, but the guilty party could not be discovered. Last Friday morning the section foreman found four large railroad spikes driven in a frog of a switch on the main line, so that a passing train would have been wrecked. He removed them and reported the matter and on Saturday morning two large bridge bolts were found driven into the switch rail at the same place. A watchman had been placed at this point with a hope of locating the party or parties who seem bent upon wrecking some of the trains at this particular point. This is very close to where the passenger train was derailed in the day time some two weeks ago.

### Gets Pianola at Theatre.

Manager Schlaes of the Majestic theatre received his pianola today and has it unpacked at his new play house. The machine is a fine model of the Columbus player, one that he had used at his Tekama house. It was quite badly damaged in transit and it will have to be overhauled and repaired before it will do satisfactory work. The case was carelessly packed in damp hay at Tekamah, which has spoiled the dark finish in a number of places. It is the proprietor's plan to have the woodwork revarnished and the instrument tuned up before he puts it into service. He will station the new music maker near the front of the building and keep the piano at the stage so that it may be used for the illustrated songs while the piano at the door will serve to attract attention of passersby. Tonight is amateur night and several numbers of local talent have been billed.

### Episcopallans to Omaha.

Ten Plattsmouth ladies, members of the local Episcopal church left this morning for Omaha where they will attend a number of church meetings which are to be held in the cathedral there today. It is the annual meeting day of the Diososan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. The Plattsmouth ladies who are attending the sessions are Miss Alice Eaton, Mrs. Carl Fricke, Mrs. T. P. Livingston, Mrs. W. J. White, Miss Barbara Gering, Miss Helen Dovey, Miss Dora Fricke, Mrs. Kuhn, Mrs. A. W. Dawson and Mrs. J. H. Thrasher.

### Unclaimed Letters.

Following is the list of unclaimed for letters remaining in the Plattsmouth postoffice May 16.:

LADIES.—Mrs. G. A. Johnson. GENTS.—W. H. Allen, Henry Busman, R. D. Dixon, Emmert, J. B. Hagerman, Peter Haraka, W. M. Haller, F. G. Meyers, Frank J. White.

Above letters unclaimed will be sent to dead letter office May 30.

H. A. SCHNEIDER, P. M.

# HYDE'S FATE SEALED BY HIS OWN TALK

## Attorneys Looked For a Deadlock Among the Jurors.

## JURY OUT THREE DAYS MOVE FOR NEW TRIAL

### The Doctor Takes the Verdict Without Flinching and Thinks He Will Yet be Free.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 16.—Dr. Bennett Clark Hyde, whom a jury today found guilty of murdering Colonel Thomas H. Swope and sentenced to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary, owes his conviction to his own testimony on the witness stand, says W. C. Crone, a juror.

Crone is in reality the man who decided the physician's fate. Until Sunday night Crone and S. R. Johnson, a farmer from Sibley, Mo., held out for acquittal against the rest of the jury. Remembering Dr. Hyde's demeanor on the stand, Mr. Crone finally decided the accused man was guilty and voted for conviction. He then convinced Johnson, making the verdict unanimous.

"Dr. Hyde was his own worst enemy in the trial," said Mr. Crone tonight. "His own testimony convicted him. When Dr. Hyde said that he had bought cyanide for ten years and yet could not remember where he bought it he damned himself as a witness. If he had not testified as he did I think he would not be in the position he is in."

"At first I believed Hyde innocent, and until tonight I voted to acquit him. Then I recalled his testimony about his cyanide purchases and I decided he was guilty. I told Mr. Johnson I had changed my vote and I talked with him about my decision. I think my reasoning had an effect on him."

A strange feature of Juror Crone's action is that his son, Albert, was recently sentenced to eighteen years in the state penitentiary for murdering Bertha Bowler, his sweetheart. Tonight all the participants in the great murder case are as calm as they have been at any time since the trial started. The return of the verdict was marked by the absence of any dramatic features. Mrs. Hyde cried a little when she heard the verdict in the court room. Dr. Hyde did not change his usual stoical appearance. Mrs. Logan A. Swope was unmoved when at her home at Independence she heard of the outcome, but she soon regained her composure. It was what she had been fighting for and she was satisfied.

### Broomstick Causes Trouble.

On complaint of Hans Rothman a warrant was issued by Judge Archer this afternoon for the arrest of one Hamburg, first name unknown, whom Rothman claims disturbed the peace this morning by wildly brandishing a broom stick and using it strenuously on both him and his cow. Mr. Rothman's bovine took a notion last night to seek greener pastures and before sunup this morning the owner set out upon the trail of his wanderer. He came upon the aforesaid Hamburg, who was massaging the animal's perterhouse with a broom stick for trespassing on his property. The owner of the live stock objected to such treatment to his bossy whereupon the wielder of the weapon turned his attention to Rothman and fanned him for a few minutes with the hard side of the stick. When the parties separated they were not on the best of terms and the complaint before the justice was the result. The warrant has not been served at the present time.

### Parmele Files Answer.

Thomas E. Parmele has filed answer to the petition of Frank B. Johnson's suit for an accounting of money expended in obtaining the passage of the franchise ordinance for the Independent Telephone company and that received from its sale. The answer is characterized by the same lack of detail as to the nature and amount of expenditure as was Mr. Johnson's petition. It merely makes general denial of all the allegations of the petition.—World-Herald.

### Noah and His Troubles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Noah of Greenwood were in the city between trains this morning on their way to Stella, Neb., on account of the large number of people who crowded onto the

train when it pulled into the station, the aged Mr. Noah was unable to get off the train and the result was it started up with him in the vestibule and Mrs. Noah frantically calling to him from the platform. The train was stopped by the conductor before it had gone more than ten or fifteen yards and the old gentleman with the Biblical name managed to get off and join his wife who had become nearly frantic when she saw the nasty train taking her Noah away from her.

### At the Court House.

A hearing was held in county court today in the estate of Sam S. Johnson and Dr. Alton of Elmwood was appointed administrator with will annexed the bond being placed at \$30,000. A hearing was held on the petition for final settlement in the estate of Fred Wehnes. This afternoon in district court the case of the First National Bank vs. Breckenridge is being argued. A dipsonomic complaint was made today by Thomas Sedlock against Frank Podlesak, the hearing being set for three o'clock. Podlesak had recently sued the above mentioned Sedlock for an amount due him for wages. A mandamus suit was started today by the county surveyor against the county to secure an outfit of surveying instruments the papers reading, State of Nebraska, ex rel, relator versus county commissioners, respondents.

Bert Gallup, the mandolin instructor was in town yesterday on his periodical visit to the city. He packed his freight for Omaha this morning from where he goes to other towns where he has musical classes.

W. A. Parker of Omaha returned home this morning. He had been in town making a short visit with his brother J. D. Parker.

## PRODIGAL DUMAS.

His Disregard of Money and Failure as a Publisher.

The Mousquetaire, a Parisian journal founded by Alexandre Dumas, grew and flourished for a short time and then became extinct. It was carried on during a brilliant existence with an astonishing disregard of business methods commonly in vogue. Its staff was the largest and most varied ever known. Persons would walk into the office, propose working for the paper and find themselves at once accepted.

"What will you allow me?" a new man would ask.

"Whatever you like, my boy," Dumas would return. "By the way," he would explain to every new aspirant, "we must understand one thing: I mean you to be handsomely paid. You must have 1,000 francs a month, and if you should want a month's pay in advance now don't scruple to ask for it."

Everybody was dazzled, and Dumas himself more than all the rest. No business enterprise, however, could exist on such a basis, and the journal began to languish. Then a man named Boule proposed taking the speculation out of Dumas' hands. He offered the great man 100 francs a day, which meant more than \$7,000 a year.

"Here," said Boule, "is a check book full of those little tinted leaves you are so fond of. Every morning you have only to write your name at the foot of one, send it into the office and touch your 100 francs."

Dumas loved money, and his face beamed with delight. "But suppose," said he, "that some day I should want 300 or 400 francs?"

"Well, all you have to do is to send in three or four of your checks. Nothing is more simple."

The book lay on the author's desk, a delightful and ready resource. Did a creditor call? A slip of paper, and he was paid. A poor woman was about to be turned out into the street. A few more slips, and she was relieved. At the end of the week nothing was left of the book but the cover. Then Boule changed his mode of procedure.

## PLAYERS' BATS DIFFER.

Some Big Men Wield Small Sticks, and Midgets Use Big Ones.

Baseball players' bats differ in size and shape as much as the players do in physique. And the strange part of it is that many of the big fellows use a small, well shaped warclub, and a couple of the "rabbits" wield something resembling a wagon tongue.

An instance of this is the woodpile of "Rebel" Oakes, a former Cincinnati star, but now with the St. Louis Cardinals, uses. A man can scarcely imagine such a little fellow swinging so large and heavy a bat as Oakes does. The opposite side of the case is represented by Bresnahan, who, while large in stature, hits with a reasonably small club.

After a glance at the Hans Wagner bat one would think that the "Flying Dutchman" might just as well go and pull up a young but promising tree and use that to destroy the hopes of young and old pitchers alike. No balance to it, large and heavy all over, the average man could hardly swing it. It takes a person of immense strength to use it properly, and Hans is that. Being so heavy, the great batsman can meet the ball either on the handle or the very end and make a hit where another player would put up a pop fly or weak grounder.

## INTERMOUNTAIN RACING.

Long Meeting to Open at Ogden, Utah, May 25.

Manager Richard Dwyer of the Utah Jockey club has officially announced the dates of all meetings to be held under the jurisdiction of the International Racing association. Ogden is scheduled to open the season with a meeting commencing May 25 and running till June 4. Salt Lake City then takes up the running, the spring meeting at Buena Vista park opening June 6 and continuing until July 21. Following this meeting a jump will be made to Butte, where the runners will hold forth from July 23 until Aug. 29. Cheyenne will hold a meeting commencing Sept. 1 and finishing the 20th. Returning to Salt Lake City, the final meeting on the intermountain circuit will begin Sept. 24 and conclude Oct. 20.

### Compact Quarters.

It was the tiniest of tiny flats. "Yes, sir," said the maid, "the stork arrived with a fine baby boy." "Great Josephus!" exclaimed Mr. Flatte, who had been away on a trip. "That means more room. Have you hung the broom in the air shaft?"

"Yes, sir."

"And trimmed the leaves of the rubber plant down to one-half their normal size?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then take the pet dog to the fancier's and have his tail cut off. We must economize room some way. Thank goodness it wasn't twins!"—Chicago News.

## TWO MORE DRUNKS ARE

BROUGHT INTO TOWN.

Louisville and Greenwood Each Generously Donate One for City Strong House.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

The Cass county jail is again assuming its popularity and this morning to more callers were assigned apartments in the Manspeaker hotel. The first part of the month the transient business at the old shack was comparatively dull but the last few days it has been picking up to a great extent. The police in the county towns have been getting busy and making life miserable for the drunks who care to bibe with in their city limits. A few days ago one was brought down from Greenwood by Constable Andrus and this morning he appeared with another. His charge today was one John Doe who had been creating quiet a disturbance in that peaceable town by being drunk and disorderly. He was given a hearing before W. E. Hand, justice of the peace, and received a fine of \$10 and costs which totaled up to \$22.35. Doe was lacking with the dough so he's lying out the fine at the jail.

C. M. Seybert, marshal for the town of Louisville, turned over to the jailor a drunk giving the name of Arthur McVey. He had stirred up quite a fuss at Louisville last night when he had a big snoot full. Justice of the Peace Lewis gave him a stiff sentence of thirty days in the cooler with the last ten on bread and water.

While in the city the Louisville marshal spoke of the poor condition of the jail at that place. It is not safe to put a desperate character in confinement there for the brick walls are much like the walls of the county jail. About two months ago, a pair of store breakers who are now serving time a Lincoln, very near made their getaway by digging through the wall and since that time they have not trusted the jail with anyone more than twenty-four hours. He says Louisville and Plattsmouth can shake hands on the jail proposition.

## DISTRICT COURT

CONTINUES SESSION.

City Clerk Instructed to File Transcript of Hearing Before

City Council.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

The May term of the District court was continued today at the court house. Late yesterday afternoon a settlement was reached in the case of C. W. Baylor vs. Claude Butler. The defendant Butler was ordered to pay the plaintiff \$15.50, the original amount owed on a quantity of coal purchased from the fuel yard of C. W. Baylor. The plaintiff was ordered to pay the costs of proceedings amounting to \$23.30 and the case was dismissed.

This morning the case of Alvin L. McDonald against Agnes McDonald was brought before Judge Travis and the plaintiff was given leave to amend his petition. The parties waived objections to the presiding judge, Travis, hearing and deciding the case and a demurrer was argued and submitted. The hearing in the Gering case was continued and City Clerk Elster was directed to file in the court a transcript of the proceedings had before the city council, on the payment of the charges for the same by J. M. Leyda, attorney for the remonstrators.

The county commissioners are in regular session today in their rooms at the court house.

## Masonic Election.

Annual election of officers was held last evening of the Blue Lodge, Order of Masons, and about the largest attendance of the year was present. The following officers were elected: Oliver Dovey, W. M.; Fred Range, S. W.; W. C. Ramsay, J. W.; M. Arher, Sec.; C. G. Fricke, Treas. There are other officers of the year who are appointed but the appointments have not as yet been made.

## To California.

New through tourist car line to Los Angeles, Calif. Leave Plattsmouth each Friday 12:03 a. m. via Kansas City C. R. R. L. & P. El Paso arrive Los Angeles Monday 7:05 a. m. Returning leave Los Angeles Thursday 3 p. m. arrive Plattsmouth 5:03 p. m. Sundays.

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