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ALL COMPANIES COMPLETE THE FIRST FIRING TEST---200 YARDS FROM PRONE POSITION

MACHINE GUN COMPANIES D AND M AND HOWITZER COMPANY ALSO ON RANGE YESTERDAY FOR A STIFF WORKOUT.

From Thursday's Daily.

Yesterday there was completed at the rifle range the first of a series of infantry firing tests that will take up the two weeks' encampment—a 200 yard range from prone position, 10 slow fire shots. Other contests in the series will include the same range from sitting and standing positions and a 350 yard range from the various positions, both slow fire and rapid fire shooting.

The 2nd and 3rd battalions finished up their firing begun the day before last yesterday forenoon, and Earl Cline's 1st battalion was at once assigned to the range and completed their firing a few hours later.

Some high marks were made, one man, Harry Zalinski, of Co. K, Omaha, registering 49 out of a possible 50 points. Co. L, the crack Omaha company composed largely of former army men showed up to good advantage, seven of the members scoring 48 and one 47, with the high average for the company of 42.3.

Following the completion of the infantry test the Hewitzer company of Mitchell was assigned to the range and fired both their 37-mm gun and Stokes' trench mortar. Each afternoon they will be assigned problems and fire at about 4 o'clock when the range is cleared of infantrymen.

Machine gun companies D and M were also out for some intensive firing practice, and company H will get their turn with the Brownings today.

Last evening at 6 o'clock the first regimental review was held by the troops of the 134th infantry at the parade grounds north of the camp, and was one that was enjoyed by quite a large number of the Plattsmouth people from the hills and the nearby tracks of the Burlington.

The fact that the ground was rough and uneven made the task of passing in review one of the greatest difficulty for the troops, but in

spite of this handicap the guard made their sharp ground as they moved over the ground.

Col. Amos Thomas of the regiment, with his staff reviewed the troops and General H. J. Paul, Lt. Col. W. A. McDaniel and other of the regular army officers attached to the guard were also present on the field to witness the passing of the troops. The condition of the ground interfered with the companies clearing the line when they had passed the reviewing stand and also made it very difficult for the execution of the march, especially by the band men, a number of whom cut their lips on their instruments in stumbling over the bumps in the stubble field.

It had been desired to have this review made a part of the afternoon program of drill and exercises, as it is the one spectacular movement to break the monotony of the day, and will draw many visitors to Plattsmouth to witness it, but after the experience of last night, Col. Thomas, regimental commander, announced there would be no more reviews until the ground could be placed in proper shape.

The Chamber of Commerce, seeing the need of immediate action, took the matter up last night and made arrangements to put tractors and discs on the field today. After a thorough discing it will be harrowed and wet down, after which it should be ready for use tomorrow night, in which event Col. Thomas announces the regimental reviews will proceed. Without this action, even the review before Gov. McKelvie would have had to be dispensed with and his visit made merely the occasion of a camp inspection.

It has been said that the reviews are an important part in keeping up the interest of the men in regular army life, and an encampment without them would certainly be lacking in something worth while.

PLEASANT LUNCHEON

Marie Stokes and Alice Ptak were hostesses at a six course buffet luncheon Wednesday evening, given in honor of Dorothy Cowles, who is leaving for Grant, Neb., for an extended visit.

The Ptak home was beautifully decorated in a color scheme of pink and white.

The afternoon was spent at playing bridge, Dorothy Cowles winning first prize and Dorothy Sattler second.

Marie Stokes gave a delightful solo dance, and Blanche Braun and Elizabeth Wadick sang a duet, also a violin and piano solo was given by Roberta Propst and Caroline Schulhof. A reading enjoyed by all was given by Alice Ptak.

Those present were: Misses Caroline Schulhof, Roberta Propst, Dorothy Cowles, Marie Stokes, Elizabeth Wadick, Dorothy Sattler, Alice Ptak, Mary Halas and Blanche Braun.

VISIT RELATIVES HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Oliver of Janesville, Wis., who have been visiting at the home of Mr. Oliver's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Oliver, Sr., and also at the homes of Harry Henton and Will Oliver, Jr., for the past five weeks, left Saturday morning in their car for their home. They enjoyed the trip to Plattsmouth very much and expect a pleasant drive home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Countryman were also visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver. They also made the trip in their car. Mr. Countryman and family spent three weeks here visiting relatives and friends and are now at the Yellowstone park. They expect to spend several weeks in the West.

VISITING IN OMAHA

From Thursday's Daily.
This morning, Miss Virginia Beeson and Miss Ruth Shannon departed for Omaha where they will be guests at the house party to be given by Miss Ruth Buffington. The young ladies will be entertained at a dinner dance this evening at the Happy Hollow club and on Friday at a theatre party with a dancing party later at the Fontenelle hotel.

OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

From Thursday's Daily.
Yesterday was the fifty-sixth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Weybright of Los Angeles, who are visiting at the home of Judge and Mrs. Allen J. Beeson, west of the city. The occasion was passed very quietly with a few of the old and intimate friends gathered at the home in the evening to extend their well wishes to the old time friends.

MR. AND MRS. SID MOORE PARENTS OF A DAUGHTER

On Wednesday morning, August 16, 1922, a fine ten pound baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sid Moore at the home of Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Langhorst in this city. Grandma and Grandpa Langhorst are as proud as can be and he claims that this means another democratic victory. Mr. and Mrs. Moore reside in Omaha. The happy parents have the congratulations of their many friends in the happy event.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

LEGION AUXILIARY ELECTS DELEGATES THURSDAY

To the State Convention at York Next Month—Also Discuss Purchase of Unit Flag.

From Friday's Daily.
Yesterday afternoon at the American Legion Auxiliary held their regular meeting for the month of August. In spite of the intense heat, a number of the members and friends assembled at the club rooms and a very interesting business session was held.

Various plans were discussed for the purchase of a flag for this organization and a committee of two, Mesdames Tom Short and Gus Swanson, was appointed to investigate the matter and report at the next meeting.

The second annual state convention of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held at York on the same dates as the Legion convention, September 18th, 19th and 20th, and Mesdames Fred Sydebotham and F. R. Gobelman were elected as delegates to this convention, while Mesdames M. Hill and Gus Swanson were chosen as alternates.

A little further time was devoted to discussion of various plans and then the business session was adjourned.

At the hostesses of this occasion, Mesdames Henry Ote, August Koessler and John Farver served some very dainty and delightful refreshments.

GUARDS TAKEN AWAY FROM THE C. B. & Q. DEPOT

Officials Will Have Armed Guards Remain Away From Passenger Station in the Future.

From Friday's Daily.
Following the visit here today of Division Superintendent N. C. Allen of the Burlington, the armed guards over whom more or less controversy has been going on for several weeks, were instructed not to visit the Burlington passenger station at train time as has been their practice.

The railroad officials instructed the guards who are to accompany the men that may come here to work from the trains to the shops, to meet the men at the stock yards, south of the depot, and escort them from that point to the shops.

This will eliminate the annoyance to the traveling public from the armed guards and cut out the possibilities of trouble as far as the station is concerned and as the new stopping place is on the right of way of the company and away from the path of the traveling public, it will not cause any inconvenience.

PAY DAY AT CAMP

From Friday's Daily.
The most joyful day in the life of the soldier was observed at Camp Barry yesterday when the paymaster Major Ely, of Omaha, paid a visit to the camp and paid off eight of the companies for their stipend for the period from January 1st to July 1st, covering the amount that the boys receive for their weekly drills in their home armories.

It has been the practice to pay the men every six months in the past, for this class of service, but while here, Major Ely announced that in the future payment will be made every three months.

The members of the guard will have another pay day before leaving camp and which will include their \$1 per day stipend for the two weeks' encampment.

The total amount paid out yesterday was estimated at \$20,000 and will go a long way toward adding to the enjoyment of the guardsmen.

GARAGE BURNED UP ALSO A FORD AUTO

On last Thursday the auto garage on the Fred Lake farm north of town was destroyed by fire about 11 o'clock that night. An explosion was heard by Miss Winkler who aroused the rest of the family. By that time the fire had gained such headway that it was entirely beyond control and the garage together with a Ford touring car belonging to Harvey Stevens who is working there was destroyed.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

JERSEY CATTLE EXHIBIT AT STATE FAIR

Arrangements Made to Show the Prize Bovines Week of September 3rd to 8th.

Appreciative of the remarkable growth of dairying in this state, the officials of the Nebraska State fair have arranged for the showing of the Jersey cattle educational display at Lincoln, September 8 to 10. The exhibit will be shown by the American Jersey cattle club and will be in charge of a personal representative of the breed association. It will be housed in a large tent to be erected in close proximity to the cattle barns and will be designed to present educational and economic features of dairying.

Particular stress will be laid on the possibilities that thoroughbred Jersey stock holds for the small farmer and a canvas will be begun immediately by city officials to insure a maximum attendance of Jersey breeders at the exposition where the opportunity to inspect the exhibit will be afforded.

On the side walls of the exhibition tent, which will measure 40x80 feet, there will be educational charts bearing life-sized photographs of farmers' Jersey cattle together with official records and other information that has been grouped carefully to afford ease of assimilation.

Daily lectures and demonstrations by livestock men will be conducted in explanation of these charts and displays and dairymen of all operations of dairying, whether from the standpoint of Jersey cattle interests or those of other breeds will be discussed.

Among the daily demonstrations will be cow-judging on live animals by which the audience will be instructed by an expert in such points which indicate large producing ability. The animals used in these lectures will be the Jersey state champions for production, so an unusual opportunity is afforded all dairymen to learn the points which indicate the profitable producer. When it is realized that one-third of the \$9,000,000 dairy cows in the United States is being kept at a loss, the value of this educational exhibit to both the farmer and the consumer cannot be overlooked.

In addition to the educational text the owners of the greatest Jersey herds in the state are bringing their prize winners to enter competition with other herds, so an unusual opportunity is given to everyone interested in cattle or the health of the family to witness an important upon which the future of our nation rests.

In addition to the exhibits, lectures and demonstrations, a series of meetings of state and local Jersey cattle clubs are to be conducted in the exhibit tent on different days during the exposition, and it is hoped by means of this demonstration to make the exposition the official annual meeting place of the future for Jersey breeders. It is the first time in the history of the club that an effort has been made to present such an exhibit and elaborate display anywhere except at the National dairy show last year. The results obtained from the display in Minnesota were such that officials of the organization felt that a similar experiment should be attempted in this state.

RECEIVE SAD NEWS

From Friday's Daily.
The message was received here today by Col. and Mrs. M. A. Bates, announcing the death of Mr. A. T. Clabaugh, father of their son-in-law, Albert Clabaugh. The death of Mr. Clabaugh occurred Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home in Baltimore, where the family are old residents. Mr. Clabaugh was at the time of his death aged 75 years and has for many years been identified with the business life of the Maryland city and was known as the "father of the stock exchange" in that city and was one of the best known and popular members of the exchange. Since the death of the wife in the early part of 1921, Mr. Clabaugh has been in failing health. He leaves two sons and two daughters to mourn his death. Albert Clabaugh of St. Louis, Wilson Clabaugh, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Louise Weeks, Englewood, N. J.; and Mrs. Carrie Spink of Baltimore. The deceased was also a cousin of G. W. Clabaugh of Omaha.

The funeral was held at Baltimore and was in attendance there at the family burial lot.

NEW FIRM FOUNDED

From Thursday's Daily.
A new business firm has been established in this city. Mr. George Wolfelman, taking as a partner in a business in the auto repairing and supply line, Mr. P. W. Crum, one of the best known and expert auto mechanics in the city. The firm, composed of experts in the automobile line, should be a great success in every way and will occupy the Propst garage building at the corner of 7th and Vine streets, where they will be enabled to take care of all business in their line which includes tire repairing and vulcanizing as well as mechanical work.

HAD MISHAP

When Mr. and Mrs. White and daughter and Mrs. W. H. Tuck were returning from an Iowa visit they ran into a ditch at Council Bluffs and had to be helped out. No one was hurt but the car was damaged considerably.

They phoned to Dr. Tuck to come after them. He got it over the phone that they were at the B. & M. hotel. He hunted two hours before he finally located them at the B. & M. depot.

Mr. and Mrs. White went on to their home at York, but Mrs. Tuck and Agnes White came down home with the doctor.—Weeping Water Republican.

LOCAL PEOPLE ENTERTAIN AT CAMP BARRY LAST NITE

Members of National Guard are Enthusiastic in Reception of the Popular Entertainers.

From Friday's Daily.
Last evening a number of the musically gifted residents of the city were at Camp Barry to furnish an evening of entertainment for the members of the National Guard, and gave a well selected program that was enjoyed to the limit by the boys of the various companies.

The program was given at the recreation tent and while delayed in starting by the fact that "pay day" was held in a number of the companies, it was a real winner when it was held. The selections given embraced musical numbers, both vocal and instrumental and also a number of readings and which will long be delightfully remembered.

Proceeding in the program a general singing was held in which the members of the camp joined and this served as a most delightful start for the evening's entertainment.

Vocal solos were given by Mrs. E. H. Wescott, Edna Marshall Eaton and Ben C. York, and all of which were enthusiastically received, and the duet by Mrs. Wescott and Mrs. Eaton was given a great ovation by the audience.

For the musical numbers, Mr. E. H. Wescott presided at the piano in his always pleasing manner and Mrs. Wescott also gave a very charming piano solo during the evening. Mrs. William Baird, in her clever manner, gave a number of readings which were much enjoyed and served to round out nicely the program of the evening.

With difficulty that the entertainers were able to close the program as the enclosures were very strenuous and the members of the guard found warm expression of the appreciation at the program that the local people had arranged at the request of Capt. H. C. Capsey, regimental chaplain.

The local people will give another entertainment at the recreation tent on next Thursday evening.

COMMISSIONERS LOOK OVER ELMWOOD ROAD

From Friday's Daily.
Yesterday County Commissioners Farley, Harris and Gorder were out in the vicinity of Elmwood, where they were in consultation with the state engineer as well as the federal highway representative.

The bridge over the "o" street road that has been the scene of many accidents was visited and the repairs and changes necessary to place the road in the best of shape discussed. It is planned to have a new bridge placed there as soon as possible and in time the federal aid project will be brought to this point and the highway made a part of the great system of permanent highways of the country.

Mr. Cole when in Lincoln recently looking after the possible identification of Wewhorster, the Lutz assault suspect, called at the state engineer's office and after some discussion brought the attention of Mr. Johnson personally to the condition of the road and the result has been that the bridge and roadway will soon be placed in first class shape.

PRIESTS INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Father Eugene Feeny and Father Thos. Corcoran of Elmwood, experienced an auto accident Tuesday afternoon about 5:45 which was a narrow escape from very serious injury.

Father Feeny had started to take his friend to Brownville to show him the country and soon after they had crossed the Missouri Pacific tracks, he lost control somehow of the car which swerved to one side and turned turtle. The top was torn off at the very first and the men thrown thru the top. Father Feeny was considerably bruised and shaken up and Father Corcoran was badly cut up about the head and chest. The body and the car is a complete wreck.

The injured priests were brought to the city and medical attention immediately provided. They are improving as well as could be expected. It was a narrow escape from possible death.—Auburn Herald.

Blank books at the Journal Office.

WOULD ABOLISH THE OFFICE OF CO. ASSESSOR

State Tax Commissioner Wants to Give Duties to Co. Clerk and Appoint Assessors.

Now that the state tax levy has been made and state taxes reduced one-third, State Tax Commissioner W. H. Osborne will take time to look over the revenue law with a view to making recommendations for changes. The new law enacted by the legislature of 1921, in response to changes made by the people in the state constitution, was tried out this year for the first time. All the results are not exactly as were expected. Mr. Osborne says he is not married to the new law, but he desires it to have a fair trial.

He is not discouraged because that part of the new law lowering the rate of taxation to one-fourth of the rate on tangible property will produce less revenue than the revenue produced under the old law. The same result followed the first year's trial of a similar law in Minnesota, but in ten years it was working there satisfactorily and bringing a big increase in revenue.

Tax Commissioner Osborne is of the opinion that the enforcement of any new law depends largely upon precinct and county assessors. He cites the case of one precinct assessor in the state constitution who this year made a special effort to show taxpayers that they ought not to conceal intangible property from taxation and that under the new law there is inducement to list it all.

That precinct assessor listed ten times as much intangible property as he did in the same precinct the year before, although Lancaster county entire did not list three times as much this year as in 1921.

If all precinct assessors had done as well the new law would start off with flying colors. Complaint is also made that county assessors in many counties did nothing to get intangible property on the tax rolls.

Mr. Osborne is of the opinion that precinct assessors should be appointed and not elected and that county assessors should be abolished and their duties served over to county clerks. There are 5,000 precinct assessors and the state tax commissioner is unable to get them to do all he desires done. He has similar trouble with county assessors. He finds that wherever there are poorly qualified county assessors the intangible property makes a poor showing.

Thirty-five counties do not have county assessors. By a vote of the people of that many counties the county assessor has been abolished. One reason why Mr. Osborne favors county clerks serving as county assessors is that in all counties except Lancaster the county clerk is required by law to make out the tax list. The county assessor takes reports of precinct assessors and makes the tax roll. This he turns over to the county clerk, who makes out the tax list and in turn gives it to the county treasurer, who collects the taxes. In the opinion of Mr. Osborne, the county clerk might make the tax roll, as well as the tax list. He says county clerks are generally well qualified for clerical work, while county assessors are often chosen from among those who have had little or no experience in the duties they are called upon to perform. He was county clerk himself at one time.

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HENRY O'BRIEN PASSES AWAY ON SATURDAY

Henry O'Brien passed away at his home on Saturday afternoon about six o'clock.

He had been very sick for weeks, suffering with heart trouble, but lately seemed better. He was lying on a cot on the porch when death came.

Mr. O'Brien has been a resident of Weeping Water for thirty-eight years. For years he has run a second hand store.

He was a man with many kindly traits, a good neighbor, accommodating and thoughtful, as many who lived near him testify.

Henry O'Brien was born in Illinois on November 12, 1863, and died at his home in Weeping Water on Saturday, August 12.

He was twice married, the last time to Miss Mary Conley, twenty years ago, who with an adopted daughter survive him.

The funeral was held at the Catholic church at Manly on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Full bearers were chosen from the M. W. A., of which he was a member, and the interment was made in the Catholic cemetery at Manly.—Weeping Water Republican.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion S. Waddell, who were married Wednesday at Nehawka, departed this morning on No. 6 for Mount Pleasant, Iowa, at which place they will make their home in the future and where the groom is to be an instructor in the Iowa Wesleyan college.

A Bank for the Women of Plattsmouth!

Because our officers have always aimed to provide here a banking service which would provide every courtesy and every possible privilege for its women patrons, we have today a steadily growing list of Plattsmouth women who are making good use of the advantages offered.

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