

Art at the University.

LINCOLN, Neb., June 16.—Among the many things of interest at the university during the past week was the exhibition of students' work in the art rooms. When one is reminded that the work on the walls was not made for exhibition purposes, but selected at the close of the year from the folios of the different students, one can better estimate what is being done in this department. One of the most marked characteristics of the exhibition is the decided individuality shown in the work of the students. There is no quality so precious in the work of a student as originality and the conscientious instructor will always endeavor to develop it. Among those most worthy of mention are C. C. Hull of Fremont, whose pencil drawings are especially clever; also Miss Myrtle Brown of Hastings, Miss Julia Lippincott and Miss Alice Clever of Lincoln.

Opening Day.

LINCOLN, Neb., June 16.—The spring racing meet opens at Lincoln park this afternoon. All of Lincoln is expected to be there to witness the wonderful speed that is sure to be shown in the 2:00 pace, which is the first race on the program. Leading business men have agreed to close their houses this afternoon and the day will be known as Lincoln day. Men, women and children who shivered in the cold at the grounds last fall will have an opportunity of witnessing speed contests today under favorable conditions. There will be no cold to complain of and the horses are fresh and capable of higher speed than at any other season of the year.

Favor Selling the Plant.

FALLS CITY, Neb., June 16.—The electric lights have failed to illuminate the city for the past several nights and the mayor has called a mass meeting of citizens to determine what is to be done under the circumstances, as the machinery is broken and nothing less than a practical rebuilding of the system will be of any avail. Many citizens are in favor of selling the plant and franchise, as it has always been operated at a loss to the city.

To Celebrate With Fremont.

FREMONT, Neb., June 16.—A committee representing the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Omaha was in the city Monday making arrangements for a big Fourth of July picnic and excursion. They conferred with the committee having in charge the celebration here and it was finally agreed to come here and to celebrate in conjunction with the fire department for the exercises of the day. They expect to run two excursion trains out of Omaha, bringing about 1,000 people.

Preparing for Horticulturists.

YORK, Neb., June 16.—The York county horticultural society held a meeting in the court house yesterday to make arrangements for the summer meeting of the state society which will meet in York July 23 and 24. All the fruit growers, and those interested generally in horticulture, are preparing a full and extensive display of all fruits ripening before the meeting, both fresh and canned.

Checked Up the Office.

LEXINGTON, Neb., June 16.—The postoffice at Sumner, this county, was visited by an inspector recently, who checked up the office. There was an alleged shortage of \$266, which the postmaster, made good. It is claimed they can find no one to take charge of the office.

Celebrate Their Silver Wedding.

PLATTSBURGH, Neb., June 16.—Judge A. W. Sullivan and wife celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at their elegant home an evening or so since. About one hundred guests were present. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan were the recipients of a number of handsome and valuable presents.

Accident Near Table Rock.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., June 16.—Another accident happened here Sunday evening. Mrs. Oscar Foale, who lives five miles north of here, her two children and her mother were thrown out of a wagon by the team starting up suddenly. The elder lady and one of the children were quite seriously injured.

STATE NEWS NOTES.

The Knights of Pythias of the state observed last Sunday as their Memorial day by decorating the graves of the deceased members of the order.

Governor Holcomb yesterday forwarded a letter to the American homeopathic association, in session at Detroit, extending the society an invitation to hold its 1898 convention in Omaha during the exposition.

A few grasshoppers have made their appearance in the vicinity of Hebron, but not enough to do any damage, but the potato bug is in full force and the fall for Paris green is immense. Old residents claim that never was such a multitude of bugs known.

The contract for a creamery building at Winside has been let to a local builder and the work will begin at once. A bonus of \$200 and a site was given the company in order to secure the plant. It is believed that much good will come of the enterprise.

J. H. Clark of Fullerton is eighty-one years old and still in the enjoyment of good health.

A lad about twelve years old attempted to cross the mill dam near Norfolk, but lost his footing and went in to the river. He was fished out by two men who saw him fall, and he ran home without giving his name.

A fire horse got away from his moorings in one of the departments at Lincoln Saturday night, wandered to the Rock Island trestle at Twenty-Fourth and J and attempted to cross. It fell through and was suspended by two legs until the department rescued it.

Ripans Tabules cure liver troubles.

"Who Got Them Steers?"

Solon Chase, of Maine, the old time greenbacker, writes: "The people's party has a foothold in this state and we shall largely increase our vote this year. There is an opportunity now for the people's party to make a ten strike. If unripe problems are kept out of our platform and we steer clear of all entangling alliances, we shall elect the next president, or clear the ground, so that victory will be sure in 1900. If the men who know so much that they can learn nothing from the logic of events, run the St. Louis convention, the day of deliverance will be put off."

Bedeviled Democrats.

Reports from Minnesota indicate that our meetings are being more largely attended than ever before and the enthusiasm in many places is at fever heat. Populists are not carried away by the cry for free silver, by the democratic party. Says J. H. Lydiard, of that state: "We know that if any reform is to be prevented, betrayed, bagged and bedeviled, the democratic party is the ready medium for such work."

Barney Gibbs Nominated.

The populists of the 6th Texas district held a congressional convention at Washington, June 1st, and nominated Barnett Gibbs as their candidate for congress. His election is assured, as the district was carried by the populists two years ago, although the populist nominee was counted out and the democratic nominee counted in by less than a hundred votes.

Wall Street's Cursed Victims.

The latest advices from New York indicate the growth of reform sentiment in that Wall street cursed, monopoly ridden state. Populist clubs are being organized in many of the rural districts where our doctrine has never been preached before. Verily when New York can be aroused there is hope for the country.

Southern Populists.

The condition of the people's party in the south is growing better every day. In Tennessee the party is now more compactly organized than ever before, especially in this true of the middle and western sections of the state, and the outlook for success in Texas, Alabama and Georgia is certainly very bright.

They Will Whoop it up.

The call has been issued for a state convention of the people's party of Missouri, to be held at Sedalia, July 30, for the purpose of nominating a full state ticket. A system of railroad and wagon excursions will be inaugurated and a large and enthusiastic convention is assured.

Mississippi Pops.

E. T. Winston, editor of the people's Banner, Pontiac, Miss., writes that very little effort will be made to organize that state until after the national convention. The congressional convention for the 4th Mississippi district has been called at West Point, on Thursday, August 6th.

Sing the Glad Tidings.

A populist male quartette composed of well trained Welch miners, from Macon county, Missouri, promises to be one of the entertaining features of the St. Louis convention. Several state delegations are also planning to bring bands or glee clubs to the convention.

LINCOLN'S FLOWER DAY.

Prisoner's in the Pen and Patient's at the asylum get Flowers.

The Wonderful Improvement Under Populist Rule.

Sunday was spent by the INDEPENDENT editor at the penitentiary and the insane asylum. The ladies of Lincoln, under the lead of Mrs. Angie Newman, gave all the inhabitants of both places a bouquet of flowers and a very unique entertainment, in which a gentleman from India and his wife made addresses to the prisoners and patients. Mr. and Mrs. Ilahi Baksh are highly cultured people who have come to this country, he to study theology, she to study medicine. They are both great linguists. The gentleman speaking seven languages, the lady thirteen. Mr. Ilahi Baksh sometimes hesitates for a word when speaking English, but his wife handles our language as if it were her native tongue.

It was one Sunday, more than twenty years ago, that the writer first visited the Nebraska penitentiary, being sent as a correspondent of a great daily paper. Then were the days of absolute republican rule in this state, where a republican nomination in any part of it, was equivalent to an election. There were no pops in those days, but the bad management of the penitentiary had reached the ears of the manager of the great daily and the writer was sent to investigate and report. He found that the prison had been located in a low, unhealthy spot, although beautiful wild, unoccupied land stretched out in every direction, because some of the managers of the republican party owned the adjacent property, and it was thought that the location of the prison there would put some money in these chaps' pockets.

The prison (inside was a hell on earth. Nobes was the assistant warden at the time and he and the warden constantly inflicted the most cruel and inhuman punishments upon the hapless prisoners, what was called the "bull ring" being one mode of torture.

A lively row resulted over the exposure. The warden, we believe was removed, and another, no better, was appointed. The prisoners at that time were a miserable looking lot of creatures. Hatred and mutiny showed in every line of their faces. There was a mutiny

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shortly afterward, when the prisoners captured the prison and United States troops had to be sent from Fort Omaha to quell it.

Those were republican days, when republicans had everything from constable to governor.

How different are things at the prison now in these populist days. When the prisoners were marched in to hear the addresses and receive their flowers last Sunday, what a different set of men they were, under the wise and kindly management of the populist Warden Leideigh. Bull rings and all modes of cruel punishment are banished under his rule, and yet there is no disorder and no signs of mutiny. As the 300 prisoners marched into the hall, physically they were a fine body of men, being healthy and strong.

It was about the same time that there was a big scandal at the insane asylum, and again the managing editor ordered us to visit it and write it up. It was in the same days of absolute republican rule. We found that the republican gang who ruled things then, had put a man in charge who had never studied medicine. He was a political doctor who had no diploma and never had one. There were but few patients in the hospital at that time, and nearly one fourth of them were in irons, straight jackets or under some sort of physical restraint. We will never forget one patient, a young woman suffering from puerperal mania, who was confined in a straight jacket. Her pitiful moans haunted us for weeks afterward. She was burning up with fever and that poor quack hadn't the slightest idea what to do for her.

Those were republican days. Now, under the populist management and an excellent physician, doctor Abbott, straight jackets, handcuffs and other terrors of the republican rule of those days, are banished, just as the bull rings have been at the penitentiary under the management of Warden Leideigh. Neither are there tons of coal charged up to the state during the hottest months of the year as was the case under the last years of republican rule, before Mr. Rewiek was appointed by a populist governor to take charge of the supplies.

Mrs. Newman's flowers, the music, and the thought of the blessings populist government had brought to the unhappy inmates of these two state institutions, made the day a happy one.

Lincoln Notes.

The next annual meeting of the Masonic Grand lodge will be held in Lincoln.

In the divorce case of Russell J. Brydon vs Laura A. Brydon, the court granted the decree to the woman.

Mr. J. M. Day, county attorney for Hamilton county, was in Lincoln last week.

Wm. Smith (colored) has made the quickest trip to the penitentiary yet recorded. He was arrested on Friday, had his preliminary hearing, was bound over to the district court. The next day he was arraigned on the charge of robbery, plead guilty and sentenced and taken to the penitentiary at once, less than two days from the time he was captured.

David R. Lillibridge, president of the Lincoln Business College, died on Friday of last week at his home in this city. He had been ailing for several weeks but his condition had not been considered dangerous. The autopsy showed the cause of death to be blood poisoning from abscesses of the liver. Mr. Lillibridge was 57 years old, a member of the Episcopal church, of Apomattox post of the G. A. R., the A. O. U. W. and Masons. He leaves a wife and three daughters.

There is a move among Lincoln business men to secure the erection of a large auditorium in the city, one that will seat from 7000 to 10,000 people.

The committee on arrangements for the state meeting of the G. A. R. have selected the state fair grounds in this city as the place for holding the reunion. Some dissatisfaction is reported and it may have to be changed.

The Sons and Daughters of Protection is the name of a new secret lodge organized in this city. The chief officers of the lodge are all residents of this state and the principal office is permanently located in this city. Its membership is increasing rapidly and as a Nebraska organization it will undoubtedly prove a success.

Lawrence Steiner and John Abbott were working on a scaffold some thirty feet high at the P. H. Cooper ice house when one of the planks broke and they fell upon a pile of iron pipe and broken rock. They were both badly hurt and may not recover.

Governor Holcomb has received a letter from Governor Culbertson of Texas thanking the citizens of Nebraska for the provisions recently shipped to the sufferers in Texas.

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Working Together. The free silver, people's party and reform press editors of Minnesota, held a meeting in Minneapolis the first of the month to organize, for the purpose of working together harmoniously during the campaign.

Old Solon's State.

The Maine populists in state convention June 4th declared for the coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 and the issue of United States currency to the amount of \$50 per capita. Resolutions were also passed favoring the government ownership of the railroads and telegraphs. L. C. Bateman was nominated for governor by acclamation. He has twice before been the nominee for that position.

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It may surprise some of our readers to learn that the Oxford Mds Co., has sold and delivered during this year into the hands of the consumer, the enormous number of 10,000 sewing machines, and that there are over 100,000 of these machines in the homes of the people at this time. That their merit is appreciated is evident in thousands of letters received by the company from grateful people who have taken advantage of this opportunity. One writes—"I have now had my Oxford machine three months, and have given it a fair trial at all kinds of sewing, and can conscientiously pronounce it equal, if not superior, to the \$40 and \$50 machines sold by agents." Another writes—"One month today I received my Oxford Columbia machine, and have given it a thorough trial, and find it satisfactory in every respect. All of my friends think it a beauty. I find it equal in every way to the machine my mother bought last spring, for which she paid \$55. I recommend the Oxford to anyone." And yet another writes—"We have given your sewing machine a fair trial, and find it excellent. I consider it one of the best machines I have ever seen. Equal in every respect to any of the machines sold by agents for \$50 and \$60." Such letters of praise being the unsolicited testimony of intelligent people who appreciate a good thing, tell the story of a high grade article, sold strictly on its merits, at a low price direct from the factory. An interesting feature which this company inaugurated is the free trial system, which has many recommendations for the buyer and gives to those doubting or timid, the advantage of seeing and trying for 30 days the sewing machine before it is paid for. We cannot recommend too highly the liberality of such dealings, as they may inspire confidence, and we take this means to make it known to our readers, whose interests we always make it our business to take care of.

Every household in the land ought to have the catalogues of this company, and a postal card addressed to the Mds. Co., 300 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, will bring the catalogue to you by return mail. They publish elegantly illustrated catalogues of their famous Oxford sewing machines, also bicycles and baby carriages, and you should send for them at once and don't forget to mention that you read it in the INDEPENDENT. Remember that true economy can be practiced by buying the most we can with the means at our disposal, and consequently you buy for \$20 what would otherwise cost you \$60, you have \$40 left for other needs.

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