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Class of 1910

Class Night and Commencement Exercises.

There is but one word which can be used in connection with all the commencement exercises this year and that word is success. Unlike most occasions of this character it did not rain and it was not suffocatingly hot. The weather this year was most ideal and contributed much towards making a success of all the exercises.

Sixteen graduates finished the course this year of 1910 being the largest class that has ever received the honors of graduation. This speaks to us in language louder than words of the growth of our district. Next year's class will be still larger and if we continue the ratio we will soon be in the metropolitan class.

Commencement proper began with the Baccalaureate address on Sunday evening delivered at the Methodist church by Rev. J. M. Bates. The church was prettily decorated and the music was excellent. Rev. Bates took for his text "I come that you may have life and that you may have it more abundantly." This was a most fitting subject to present to the graduates of our high school and the Reverend gentleman handled it in a most gratifying manner. He pointed out to them that the whole realm of thought, ancient medieval and modern was now at their command and that they had but to seek and the best of all time was to be had for their enjoyment.

Thursday night the class presented

their play "The Man in the Box" to the great delight and satisfaction of all hearers. The parts were especially well selected and the play was such that all could be stars and they all were. One could hardly realize that this was the first play ever attempted by the participants. The freedom and ease of movement was especially pleasing. To attempt to give each individual particular credit for the part acted would require more space than we have at our command. It is sufficient to say that the entire play was excellent. Something was going on all the time even during the change of scenery and stage settings.

Many of our people were unable to secure seats and the class kindly repeated the play on Saturday night to a full house. Friday night was Commencement proper and the entire program moved along with the precision of clock work. The opening chorus by the double quartet was alluded to by our music critics as being as good as ever performed before a Red Cloud audience, chautauqua concerts not excepted. Messrs. S. Albright and V. B. Fulton, tenors, Misses Helen Overman and Edna Holmes, soprano, Mrs. Sherwood Albright and Mrs. J. T. Diamond, alto, Messrs. Tackett and L. L. Albright composed the double quartet and their singing was certainly a musical treat. Mrs. Hughes presided at the piano and rendered valuable assistance to the singers.

The invocation was given by Rev. M. T. Stiffler of the Methodist church in which he brought in the class motto

"Out of school life into Life's School" in a very appropriate and telling manner.

The meeting was in charge of Mr. E. H. Newhouse, president of the board of education and he informed the audience that owing to unforeseen circumstances Mr. J. L. McBrien could not be present and that Ralph L. Metcalf, editor of the Commoner had arrived to fill the position. Incidentally it might be said that our people were very much pleased with the change.

Mr. Metcalf chose for his subject "Dreams that come True." His address was a very masterpiece of logic, history and poetic language. We failed to see the connection between his subject and the thesis but his subject matter was well chosen and ably delivered. He gave a graphic presentation of the lives of seven Americans, Hamilton, Burr, Arnold, Blaine and Cookin; Lincoln and Douglass. This grouping of these men in this manner was new to us which pleased us all the more.

Miss Florence Kellogg representing the class of 1910 delivered a charming oration on the subject "For Value Received I promise to Pay." We succeeded in securing this oration for publication and it will be found elsewhere in this issue. Miss Kellogg's delivery was exceptionally good, she appeared to be at perfect ease and one would not know but what she had been delivering orations all her life.

Miss Berta Green won the state scholarship prize for having the highest grade in all branches during the four years in the high school. President Newhouse presented this prize and the diplomas in a few well chosen words and it could be easily seen that the class were all pleased to receive official recognition for their years of study and application to school life.

By no means the most uninteresting part of the program was the awarding of the \$10.00 prize given by L. P. Albright, E. W. Cowden, E. U. Overman and C. J. Platt for the best spelling and writing. In the writing contest Kenneth Johnston received first prize Bonnie Essig second prize and Fred Slaby third prize. A remarkable condition confronted the committee on awarding the prizes for spelling. After giving a test of 1000 words it was found that it was impossible to spell down twelve of the contestants and so the prize was equally divided among them at their own suggestion. They are as follows:

- Grade 3—Alta Coon \$1.
- Merwie Edson \$2.
- Grade 4—May Huffer \$1.
- Thelma Lamborn \$2.
- Grade 5—Bessie Havel \$2.
- Ernest Newhouse \$2.
- Grade 6—Pruda Huffer \$2.
- Nettie Springer \$2.
- Hazel Wolfe \$1.
- Grade 7—Allison Cowden \$2.
- Maurine Caldwell \$2.
- Blanche Boner \$2.

One of the interesting parts of commencement this year was the display of work done by the manual training boys. They arranged specimens of their handiwork in the show windows of Albright Bros., and many people stopped to admire the collection of useful articles. There were footstools, hat racks, picture frames and numerous other articles which showed painstaking care and first class workmanship. We doubt if there is a carpenter in the city that can turn out better work of this character than the boys of our high school.

Thus the class of 1910 passes "Out of School Life into Life's School" to the entire satisfaction of their friends and with honor to this district. They are:

- Argabright Juanita
- Blackledge Gertrude
- Boyd Grace
- Foe Howard
- Fox Josephine
- Green Alberta
- Hedge Aaron
- Hollister Marie
- Kellogg Florence
- Leonard Grace
- Martindale Nello
- McCall Grace
- Ricker James
- Ryan Leo
- Simmons Lois
- Smith Pearl

Weather Summary for May 1910

Temperature: Maximum 85 on 31st; minimum 32 on 3d. Greatest range in 24 hrs 45.

Precipitation: Total 4.15 inches; greatest in 24 hours 1.21 inches on 27th; days with .01 inch or more 10. Clear 14, partly cloudy 8, cloudy 9, thunderstorms on 2, 6, 10, 16, 20, 21 and 28th. CHAS. S. LUDLOW.

Red Cloud Shuts out Kearney 3 to 0.

Yesterday afternoon Red Cloud and Kearney played ball here before a large crowd. Red Cloud got her scores in the 2nd and 3d inning. The score:

	R	H	E
Kearney	0	0	0
Red Cloud	0	0	0
Battery—Kearney, Herriek and Townsend; Red Cloud, Jarrott and Moss.			
Two base hits—Townsend, Fagan and Grant.			
Struck out—by Herriek 1, Jarrott 3. Base on balls off Jarrott 3.			
Double plays—Ward to Fagles to Gray, Magerkurth to Magerkurth to Quigley.			

Standing of the State League

	P	W	L	Pct
Grand Island	19	12	7	.632
Fremont	19	12	7	.632
Superior	19	10	9	.526
Seward	18	10	8	.526
Hastings	18	8	10	.444
Columbus	18	8	10	.444
Kearney	19	8	11	.421
Red Cloud	18	6	12	.333

Widow's Pension.

The recent act of April 19th, 1908 gives to all soldiers' widows a pension of \$12 per month. Fred Maurer, the attorney, has all necessary blanks.

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