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MRS XANDERS IN WASHINGTON.

Attends Meeting Held There of American Pen Women.

Elected State Representative

She Had Some Difficulty in Reaching the Meeting Owing to Getting on the Wrong Street Car.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,
The Gladstone,
1423 R. Street, N. W.

The trip from Baltimore to the City of Magnificent distances, is made in one hour. This time limit seemed considerably shortened by the unexpected presence of my sister's brother-in-law, Sir Knight, Harry E. Buckingham, senior warder of the State of Pennsylvania, whom I have not seen for six years. The time passed swiftly in reminiscent talk.

At seven thirty, Monday evening, May the third, we arrived at the handsome, new and immense, though not quite completed, Union station, at Washington. It is impossible for me to give you an adequate idea of the size and beauty of the building and its surroundings. It is by far the finest in the United States, if not in the world. Before leaving the station I telephoned my friends of my arrival, at the same time informing them of my intention of attending the meeting at 8 o'clock, of the League of American Pen Women at their headquarters, 1347 L. Street, N. W. As luck would have it, we took the wrong car, and was obliged to transfer; that alone would not have been so bad, but the long wait for the car, was annoying to say the least, even though I was assured that they would not open the meeting on time. Mr. Buckingham left me on the very threshold of the "Sanctum Sanctorum" of the League; at the same moment I was greeted by a cordial hand-clasp from a member to whom I confided my name and state. The historian was more than half through reading the history of the past year and so I missed mention of Nebraska. At the conclusion of the reading, and the brief discussion it called forth, Mrs. Rachel Tongate Beck, 2nd vice-president, presented me to the president, Mrs. La Salle Cophell Pickett, who gave me a very cordial welcome to the annual meeting. I assured her of the pleasure it afforded me to be present at this time. She then presented me to the members collectively and not individually. It was left for me later to speak to them individually.

All the annual routine business was promptly dispatched. It included reports from all the officers. The president was requested to name a committee to draft resolutions on the death of a former president, Mrs. Morgan. When the committee retired the president called on your Society reporter for a speech. The call was so sudden she could only remark, she came to hear and not to be heard, and I extended greetings from the Nebraska members.

When the committee on resolutions were ready to report, the president requested the members to stand during the reading. The election of officers for the ensuing year was a revelation in more ways than one. In the first place, neither the officers or members paid strict attention to parliamentary rules—not that

there is any question as to their knowledge along those lines, but it did seem unnecessary, where all was such sweet and charming graciousness, and where such deference was paid to the wish of each individual. There was positively no electioneering, no rival candidates at sword's points, no antagonism of any kind, peace and good will reigned supreme.

Your reporter received the unanimous vote for representative for the state of Nebraska.

At the close of the meeting a pleasant social half hour was much enjoyed, after which I put myself in care of the historian and new first vice-president, Mrs. Beck. On the car the latter lady gave me a lovely copy of her poem, entitled, "The City Beautiful," (Washington) and finely illustrated by the husband of the historian. Before leaving me at the entrance to the "Gladstone" the historian invited me to luncheon on Wednesday. The president, a charming woman, was in evening dress, and presided with winning modesty and grace. There was nothing of a social nature planned, owing to the serious illness of her mother.

It was a surprise to find so many of the League are members of the D. A. R. It is a cause for deep regret that my visit did not include that National convention held here only a week or two ago; at which time a number of social functions were given in its honor.

At 10:30 my friends were anxiously awaiting my arrival, when I was surprised and pained to learn of the death of my friend, Mrs. Nagel's husband, last December.

In my next letter I will tell how it came about that I had the pleasure of meeting President Taft.

Sincerely,
MRS AMANDA L. XANDERS.

WILL CELEBRATE JULY FOURTH

Committee Appointed to Raise Funds for the Occasion.

WANTS TO RAISE \$1500.00

Sentiment Very Generally in Favor of the Celebration and it Promises to be a Hummer.

The meeting called for last Tuesday evening at the court house to determine whether or not Broken Bow would celebrate the Fourth of July, was unsuccessful, due very largely to the many other attractions on that evening. A committee of the commercial club consisting of A. E. Anderson and Joe Molyneux had been appointed to raise the money for the celebration. The committee finds the sentiment in favor of celebrating very strong and it expects to raise about \$1,500. Aside from the money subscribed by the merchants, it will probably suspend ropes from each corner of the square to the flag pole and advertising space on these ropes will be sold. The committee may also secure a moving picture show to be given in the Temple theatre. If this is done it will be to keep a second show from coming in and the proceeds will go to help pay the expenses of the celebration.

Manager Groat of the opera states that Sanford Dodge will be here on the 27th with a large company. Mr. Dodge is one of the best known actors in the country. He has put on the play of Damon and Pythias in this city and made a great hit with the audience. Watch for full announcements later.

CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY OFFICES.

Definite Announcements are Appearing Now.

Non-Partisan Election Ballots.

Candidates for Judge and County Superintendent Must File for the General Election.

The changes which were made in the direct primary law by the last legislature will tend to take considerable interest out of the coming primary this summer and may cause some changes in the line-up of the candidates. The law now provides that the candidates for university regents, supreme judges, district judges, county judge and county superintendent shall file their applications to be placed on the ballot at the general election and the names of these candidates shall appear on a non-partisan ballot. The object of the law is to take these offices out of politics, though it is doubtful if it does that when put into practice. The constitutionality of the law also seems to be somewhat in doubt and it will probably be tested in time to determine the question before it is too late to file for the primary.

The candidates for county judge and county superintendent are required to file a petition signed by 200 voters when they file their application to have their name put on the non-partisan ballot.

W. W. Waters, of Westerville, and Garland E. Lewis, of Anselmo, have announced that they will be candidates for county superintendent and it is possible that J. R. Teagarden, Supt. Pinckney, and Prof. McIndoo may join the list of applicants. Ex-Judge Armour will be a candidate for county judge. N. D. Ford, of Ansley, and A. R. Humphrey are also considered as possible candidates for the county bench.

W. H. Osborne, jr., will probably have a clear field for county clerk, as he is regarded as one of the strongest men in the county. George Porter will be a candidate for registrar of deeds and Horace Kennedy will make another try for sheriff. Both of these men are very popular fellows and will have easy sledding at the primary. D. V. Joyner, of Merna, was in the city last week and filed his application to have his name placed on the ballot for county treasurer. Julius Ottun, of Sargent, will also be a candidate for the treasurership. A. J. Van Antwerp and J. L. Ferguson will oppose each other at the primary for the nomination for county surveyor.

CITY COUNCIL IS RE-ORGANIZED

Carlos and England are to Fill Vacancies of Ledwick and Teagarden.

ROCKWELL BECOMES MAYOR

W. A. George Closes Work of Three Successive Seasons—Rockwell Announces Appointments.

The city council met Tuesday evening in the city hall for the first meeting of the new council. Clyde Carlos and C. H. England assumed their duties as councilmen to succeed J. R. Teagarden and James Ledwick and Dan Rockwell took the mayor's seat which has been occupied by W. A. George for three successive terms.

Mayor Rockwell appointed

Hugh M. McBernie water commissioner; P. M. Towsley, street commissioner; Elmer Draper, marshal; Dr. Pennington health officer, and A. P. Johnson city attorney. Mr. Towsley will act as marshal during the day time and Draper will be on duty at night.

Managers J. H. Currie and Lee Pickett were present representing the telephone company and asked that some changes be made in their franchise. The matter was referred to a committee consisting of Councilmen Taylor, Kimberling, and Carlos.

The mayor appointed the following committees:

Water: Taylor, Baisch, Squires.

Side walk and crossings: Carlos, Baisch, England.

Supplies: Squires, Carlos, Kimberling.

Parks: England, Carlos, Taylor.

Finance: Baisch, Kimberling, Squires.

Streets and bridges: Kimberling, Taylor, Baisch.

SPRING MEETING OF MEDICAL SOCIETY

Program in Parlors of Burlington Hotel—One Interesting Clinic Promised.

The Custer County Medical society will meet for the spring session in the parlors of the Burlington hotel next Tuesday at 2 p. m. The officers of the society announce that they will have at least one interesting clinic. The following is the program for the meeting:

Paper by Dr. G. E. Pennington, Broken Bow.

Paper by Dr. G. F. Bartholomew, Broken Bow.

Paper by Dr. E. F. Ward, of Anselmo. "A case of Typhoid with interesting complication and sequela."

Paper by Dr. F. W. Buckley, of Broken Bow. "Aids to Diagnosis."

Mother's Day.

You are invited to come to the Mother's Day service at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning. Wear a white carnation in honor of your mother. The church will have the flowers, and all mothers who come will receive flowers free at the church. Others will be supplied at the McComas' drug store at a nominal cost. Mother songs will be sung and souvenir programs of the occasion will be issued. Autos will call for all mothers whose names are sent to the pastor.

One of the most interesting wrestling matches ever seen in Western Nebraska will be pulled off at the opera house on the 15th. Farmer Burns, the world champion wrestler, will wrestle Jack Miller who was here recently for a match with Frank DuCray. The two men are about the same weight, and they are said to be evenly matched. The wrestling skill shown in this match will be second to none in the county.

John E. Myers and son, Morris, were in the city yesterday. While here they purchased a Percheron stallion of Miller and Nelson. The stallion is a three-year-old weighing 1835 pounds. He is one of the finest built Percherons ever seen in Custer County. Miller and Nelson have been shipping in some of the best horses in the country and they consider this one second to none that they have put on the market here. He will stand at \$15.00 on the Myers ranch on the South Loup.

TO RE-ORGANIZE COMPANY "M."

Old Company Mustered Out by Maj. Phelps.

Kennedy Mustering Officer.

Kenoyer Will be Captain, Molyneux First Lieutenant—Meeting Friday Night.

Ass't Adj. Gen. Phelps, state inspector of small arms practice, was in the city last Saturday and mustered out Company M. This was done in accordance with Special Order No. 15 issued by the adjutant general last week. Mr. Phelps stated that the Company was mustered in order that it might be re-organized and that it was not the intention of the adjutant general to discontinue the existence of the Company here. He simply believed that it would be better for the Company to have it mustered out and re-organized. He said he wished to state that a great deal of credit was due Captain Hollandsworth for the hard, earnest work he had done for the Company. He considered Mr. Hollandsworth to be one of the very best men in the state in taking care of the equipment of the Company.

Horace Kennedy has been authorized by the Adjutant general to muster in the new company if the commercial club succeeds in effecting a new organization. The committee of the commercial club believes that the first and most essential thing in the organization of the company is the selection of good commissioned officers. After considering the matter for some time the club has selected Hugh Kenoyer for captain, Earl Molyneux for first lieutenant, and Homer Rupert for second lieutenant. Kenoyer served as a sergeant in the Company during the Spanish-American war and was elected a lieutenant after the war was over. Molyneux received some military training in the Kearney Military Academy and has made an excellent record in the company here. Rupert was captain of the cadet company, in the University School of Agriculture, which won second place in the competitive drill between four companies. The Company will be organized with the understanding that these men will be the officers. Captain Kennedy announces that a meeting will be held in the armory soon for the enlistment of men and the company will be mustered in as soon as they get the requisite number of men.

WANT BRASS BAND TO GIVE CONCERTS

Committee Appointed to Take the Matter up and Raise Funds.

The Commercial club has appointed a committee consisting of H. G. Myers, S. R. Lee and Ramah Ryerson to raise the money to hire the band to play in the public square on every Saturday night during the summer. The plan suggested by the officers of the club and the one which will probably be followed by the committee is to ask every citizen of Broken Bow to pay one dollar toward the fund necessary to secure the music. It is expected that the committee will be able to get the band to appear on twenty occasions for something like five hundred dollars. Definite arrangements have not been made as yet owing to the fact that Mr. Taylor is out of the city.

The committee plans to publish the list of contributor each week, beginning next week, in all of papers in the city.

If the committee gets the band to play twenty nights the man who puts up one dollar will be able to hear twenty concerts at a cost of only five cents per concert. The opportunity to listen to these concerts would cost an individual at least twenty-five to fifty cents per night so that if a man gets to hear only four of the concerts during the season he will get his money's worth. Nothing is nicer than a good band concert in the open air. Contributions will be received by any member of the committee and do not wait for the committee to call on you for it; come around and hand it to us.

IN THIS CITY SATURDAY

A Large Delegation is Expected From Some of the Towns Sending Representatives.

The annual athletic contest of the Custer County Athletic Association will be held at the fair grounds next Saturday at 2 p. m. The high schools of Ansley, Mason City, Merna, and Broken Bow will be represented by teams in the meet.

The events this year will cover a little wider scope of athletic stunts than usual. It will include the 100 yard race, the quarter mile, the half mile, the

mile and the five mile races. There will also be contests in jumping, hammer throwing, pole vaulting, wrestling and putting the shot.

The interest in the meet and the rivalry between the schools is very keen this year and a large delegation is expected from each school. It is reported that thirty people from Ansley will accompany the Ansley high school team.

Hacks will be on hand to take the people to the grounds. Fred Russon is the manager of the meet and the credit for its success is due very largely to him.

The Custer County high school oratorical and declamatory contest will be held at the Methodist church in this city at 8 p. m., next Saturday. The first and third of the orations mentioned in the program below are from Merna and the second and fourth are from Mason City. The first and sixth of the declamations are given by students in Broken Bow, the second and fifth by Mason City students, the third and seventh by Merna representatives, and the fourth contestant comes from Ansley.

Program.

Music
Oration—"Value of Difficulties".....Mabel Lucas
Oration—"Patriotism".....Morris Green
Oration—"Luck and Pinch".....Lula Black
Oration—"A Rounded Life".....Orcelle Runyan
Music
Declamation—"The Soul of the Violin".....Clara Doidis
Declamation—"Caveau Shall not Ring Tonight".....Maud Curtis
Declamation—"An Old Actor's Story".....Lizzie Sommer
Declamation—"The Last Banquet".....Mabel Anderson
Declamation—"How he Saved St. Michael's".....Eighth Grade
Declamation—"Swear Off".....Oliver Osborne
Declamation—"Lasea".....Alice Kelly
Music

Report of judges and awarding of medals.

Miss Miller, of York college, Prof. Verner, of Grand Island college, and Supt. Bradford, of Aurora, will act as judges.