

CELEBRATION A GREAT SUCCESS

Nearly Ten Thousand People Came in Spite of Rain.

PROGRAM IS CARRIED OUT

Though The Fourth of July Committee was Greatly Handicapped by Weather Conditions, The People Declare it a Great Celebration.

The 4th of July celebration in this city last Monday proved to be the greatest ever seen in this part of the state in spite of the inclement weather. Extensive preparations in the way of decorations were started Saturday morning and the rain just after dinner not only stopped the workmen, but it also ruined the decorations that had been put up outside. The rain again Sunday afternoon made it impossible for the committee to carry out its plans in beautifying the city in honor of the occasion. Monday was damp and foggy all day and the streets were muddy, but the people seemed to pay no attention to the mud and rain when an opportunity of seeing one of the events on the program was offered them. People flocked in Sunday evening and Monday morning from all parts of the county. The crowd was variously estimated from seven to ten thousand people. Every one of them went home satisfied and declaring that the committee in charge had done everything in its power to entertain them. Every effort was made to not allow the weather conditions to interfere with the celebration.

The program started about 11 a. m. with the funny parade. A number of comical floats filled with boys in masked costumes led the parade. "Jake" Baisch made a hit dressed in the latest ladies fashions from Paris by winning the hearts of all the single men and even making the old married men feel a little blue to think that they were put out of running. W. A. George appeared in the parade leading the ostrich that was to have appeared at the county fair some years ago and Frank Kelsey brought up the rear with a home made automobile manufactured out of an old wagon, two mowing machine wheels, and a gasoline engine.

The weather prevented the automobile parade being as large as was expected though a good number of them came out for the parade. Eli Armstrong won the first prize for the prettiest auto, O. H. Conrad took second and L. Willis third.

The balloon ascension in the afternoon was the best seen here. The balloon soared smoothly into the air and disappeared in the clouds. Prof. Sorenson made his parachute leap at the high of about 3,000 feet and landed in good shape. The balloon got so wet in making this ascension that he was unable to go up again in the evening.

The address by Rev. Char. W. Savidge, of Omaha, was interesting and inspired the audience with a feeling of patriotism.

The acrobatic and contortionist work by Baby Albertena and the wrestling exhibition by Farmer Burns' two boys were two very strong features on the program. They held the attention of the crowd perfectly.

The events on the sports program resulted as follows:

Pie eating contest—Taylor, 1st; H. Ash, 2nd; Triplett, 3d.
Needle and thread race—Ruby Gordon, Merna, 1st; Ruth Ellis,

2nd; Pearl McCormick 3rd.
Wheel barrow race—Scholtz, 1st; McCandless, 2nd; Osborn, 3d.

50-yds. dash—Girls—Susan Kirkpatrick, 1st; Helen Bishop, 2nd; Mary Chesman, 3d.

50-yds. dash—Boys—Conrad, 1st; Cox, 2nd; Gremm, 3d.

100-yd. dash—R. Gallington, 1st; A. W. Stewart, 2nd; H. Bowman, 3d.

Turning stake, four races—First race, won by R. Gallington on foot; second race, won by H. Bowman on foot; third race, won by Govey on foot; fourth race, won by Rufus Torgerson, on horse.

Putting 16-lb weight, Newcomb, Sargent, 1st; W. Jenkins, 2nd; Campbell, 3d.

Ansley won the base ball game in the morning and the local nine was successful in the afternoon game. The crowd at the afternoon game was the largest ever at a game in Custer county. Almost 1200 were in attendance. About 600 were out to the morning game.

Farmer Burns won two straight falls in his match with Oscar Wasem, the champion heavyweight of the state and F. N. Ducray won an easy victory over a man from Ravenna.

The fireworks in the evening were magnificent. They lasted longer and were better than any in this part of the state.

Luther Miller returned the first of the week from a visit to his home in Cambria, Iowa. His brother-in-law, J. H. Moore, accompanied him and visited with the Miller boys here until Wednesday morning.

Attorney N. D. Ford, of Ansley, was in the city today. Mr. Ford will be a candidate for county judge. Over four hundred men have already signed his petition asking that his name be placed on the ballot.

The announcement of D. V. Joyner as a candidate for county treasurer appears in another column of this paper. Mr. Joyner is a deputy treasurer under W. A. George and made a very efficient officer.

F. N. Du Cray, the champion middle-weight wrestler of Nebraska, is in the city this week. Mr. Du Cray is thinking some of locating in the city and may decide to equip a gymnasium and conduct a physical training department.

Bert Johnson, of Minden, spent a few days the first of the week visiting his son, A. P. Johnson. He arrived in the city Saturday and left Wednesday morning. Miss Thelma, daughter of A. P. Johnson, who has been visiting at Minden, came home with him Saturday.

The old settlers picnic of the northwest quarter of the county will be held in Merna next Wednesday, July 14. This is the twentieth annual picnic given by the people of the northwest quarter Governor Shallenberger has been secured as the principal speaker of the day and the committee promises a royal time to all who attend.

Ryerson Bros. succeeded in making a satisfactory adjustment of the damage with the insurance companies and they now announce a great fire sale beginning Saturday, July 10th. The goods were not very badly damaged by the smoke because it was in the room but a short time and only a small portion of the stock was touched by water. The goods are in first class condition and the prices offered are extraordinary bargains.

HAY FOR THE HOBBY



WANTS SITE FOR ELECTRIC PLANT

John W. Early who got Franchise. Looking for Location for Plant—Will Have it in Operation by Middle of November.

John W. Early, of Columbus, who was granted an electric lighting franchise by the city council about six weeks ago, was in the city today. Mr. Early was looking for a location for the plant. He found a number of possible locations, but did not purchase any of them.

He stated that he expected to begin work on the erection of the plant very soon and that he would have it in operation not later than the middle of November. He thought he could finish the plant in two and one-half months after he started work on it.

The franchise granted to him provides that he shall commence work on the erection of the plant within sixty days after he has accepted the franchise. His time for commencing work on the plant will be up Saturday, July 10th. He has eight months after July 10 to complete the system and have it in operation.

Judge J. R. Dean has been visiting in the city a few days this week and was called to Lincoln by telegram on important court business.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Amsberry left Wednesday evening for Seattle to see the exposition and spend their vacation on the coast.

Do you want to sell, or exchange your business? The Omaha Bee will run your advertisement for you at one cent a word per day. There will be many out of their 40,000 readers who will answer your advertisement. Write today.

Mr and Mrs. J. T. Cole returned Sunday from St. Joseph, where they went to bring their son, Walter, home. Walter is the young man who had his spinal column injured by a horse rolling over onto him and was taken to St. Joseph for an operation. He passed through the operation in good shape and is very much better.

Mr. Kiffen, of the firm of Kiffen & Lucke, who are going to put in a store in the Baisch building, was in the city the first of the week. Mr. Kiffer stated that they would carry a complete line of dry goods and furnishings and would open for business about August 1st. J. B. Stone will go east with them Monday to purchase the stock of goods.

MOTHER OF THREE GOES INSANE

Mrs. Frank Spry Taken to Hastings Asylum.

Mrs. Frank Spry, of Georgetown, was taken to the Hastings asylum today after a hearing before the county insanity board yesterday. Mrs. Spry has been having epileptic fits for about seven years and these have affected her mind to such a degree that she became mentally unbalanced. She has shown a tendency lately to abuse the children and once last week she chased them through the cornfield with a barrel stave. Mr. and Mrs. Spry have three children. The oldest is eleven and the youngest five years old. The two small children will be taken care of by Mr. Spry's brother, Will Spry. Mr. Spry and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Will Spry, went to Hastings with her.

TRINITY COLLEGE CLOSING WEEK

President and Mrs. Luther Give Brilliant Reception.

TAKES IN ANOTHER CIRCUS.

Mrs. Xanders Writes of Seeing Ringling Bros.' Circus and Trinity College's Last Base Ball Game.

MRS. AMANDA L. XANDERS.
(Too late for last week.)

It is really wonderful what an attraction a circus has for all classes and conditions of people. The street parade is by far the biggest drawing card, and is viewed by thousands upon thousands of people annually without the least abatement of interest. Hartford is no exception to the rule. Long before the time, the people began pouring into the thoroughfares of the city selected as the route of the parade. There were a few unusual features, such as three elephants driven tandem fashion, and attached to a beautiful ornamental, Oriental float, sixteen camels, four abreast, also pulling a float, zebras, used for the same purpose and containing people from Europe and the Orient. This show is especially rich in comedy, as there are more than fifty clowns. I did not attend either performance, only viewed the two miles of parade over the heads of many people.

At 2:30 p. m., we were comfortably seated on the grand stand of Trinity base ball grounds. The band was playing a lively air, while the people were gathering to witness the final contest of '09 between Trinity and Wesleyan and as the former played in excellent luck

all season every one was optimistic of their final victory.

The music changed to march time as the band entered the ball grounds followed by members of the faculty, alumni, graduates and under graduates, single file, the man behind resting his left hand on the shoulder of the man in front, in short, in regular prison lock-step. The long procession marched around the diamond. You can hardly imagine how odd it looked; it made me think of some large animal of anti-deluvian fame crawling along with a fascinating, swaying motion. The band took its station beneath the shade of a giant elm tree while the men filled the bleachers, where they were prepared to give encouragement in new and startling ways. But the unexpected is almost always sure to happen and it certainly did happen that afternoon when Trinity lost to Wesleyan 1 to 5, to the complete disgust of the Trinity fans. Cook, Trinity's pitcher, walked man after man without power that afternoon to stem the tide of his ill luck.

After the game we walked around the campus in an effort to recover from our disappointment before we attended the reception tendered by President and Mrs. Luther to the guests, students, alumni and friends of the college. We never thought for one minute the affair would be the least bit elaborate, here again the unexpected happened. Dr. and Mrs. Luther received their guests in the large, wide reception hall. From there we joined the crowds in the different rooms, where the decorations were most elaborate, reminding me of the Williams-McCoy reception in York. The parlors were done in hundreds of pink roses, in the most striking and artistic arrangement imaginable. The dining room was a bower of beauty with its heavily burdened good things and its most elaborate decorations of white sweet peas and smilax. Colored men served the three-course supper which consisted of Italian croquettes, chicken salad, dainty sandwiches, finger rolls, the most delicious ice cream, strawberries, fancy cakes and coffee. But before this caramel ice cream was served in one of the rooms in sherbet glasses. Afterward there was fruit punch and salted nuts on the side veranda. There were all sorts of gowns worn from the plain tailored to the cool, charming, infinite, in variety, lingeree gowns to the more elaborate full evening satin gowns with handsome imported duchess and point lace. The gentlemen wore white serge trousers with black or navy blue coats and narrow rimmed low crowned white straw hats.

That evening there were fraternity reunions in the various fraternity homes. There were

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Mrs. Jack Wood, who has been visiting Mrs. C. Penn, returned home Wednesday.

Miss Edith Penn returned home this week after a ten days' visit at Milford, Lincoln and Aurora.

Arthur Haines, of Walworth, England, arrived in the city Wednesday evening. Mr. Haines is a cousin to Earl Smith and has come over to this country to stay.

A. Lanphear and C. R. Luce began work Wednesday morning filling up the half block on fifth avenue purchased by H. T. Bruce for a lumber yard.

FILING TIME UP SATURDAY, JULY 17

Candidates to Get on Primary Ballot Must File.

No Democrats Have Filed Yet.

Candidates For County Superintendent and County Treasurer Seem to be The Most Numerous.

The time for filing for the primary to be held August 17 will expire next Saturday. There is no indication that there will be a scarcity of candidates when the time for filing closes. A number of the men who have announced that they will be candidates for one or the other of the county offices have not as yet filed, but it is not expected all of these will be in good time next week.

There seems to be more candidates for the offices of Register of deeds and treasurer than any others. Three men, all of them Republicans, have filed for county treasurer. They are W. B. Poor, of Broken Bow, Julius Ottun, of Sargent, and D. V. Joyner, of Merna. George E. Porter, of Ansley, is the only one among the men who have announced that they will be candidates for the office of register of deeds who has filed. Porter will probably be the only Republican candidate. The Democratic aspirants for this office seem to be more numerous. James Lee, at present a member of the board of supervisors, will be a candidate and F. A. Amsberry, of Mason City, and John Heney, of Merna, have also signified their intention to file.

W. H. Osborn, jr., is the only man who has filed for county clerk. It has been quite generally thought that he would be the only candidate though last week's Beacon is authority for the statement that Alvin Daily, of Milburn, and C. H. Empfield, of Anselmo, will be candidates.

Former Judge J. A. Armour, of this city, and N. D. Ford, of Ansley, will probably be the only candidates for county judge.

M. L. Lamb will represent the fusionists as a candidate for county surveyor and A. J. VanAntwerp and J. L. Ferguson will make a try for the Republican nomination.

H. F. Kennedy seems to be the only man who will try to get the sheriff's job for the next two years.

The candidates for county superintendent have from the early part of the campaign been numerous. Avalo Vannice, Garland Lewis, W. W. Walters, J. R. Teagarden, J. M. McIndoo, Iver Johnson and Prof. Grimes are all known to have a desire to direct the school work of the county and three or four of these will no doubt be in the race in the wind-up.

George W. Dewey, of Gates, seems to be the only man who cares so far to run for the board of supervisors. Dewey has filed as a candidate from the second district. F. H. Wood, of Oconto, and George Headley will probably oppose each other in the sixth district.

The annual school meeting in Westerville township was held on June 19, at the Dunlap school house. Murrit Johnson was elected moderator, P. J. Glover director and Mrs. J. H. Dunlap treasurer. The people of the district voted to have seven months school and they will put a woven wire fence five feet high around the school house.