

CONDITION OF SCHOOLS.

Interesting Facts Gleaned from Supt. Crum's Report.

FINANCES NOTHING EXTRA.

Report Shows Considerable Indebtedness in Town and County—School Census Shows Gain in Towns but a Gain of but One in Country Districts.

County Superintendent Crum has lately filed his third annual report on the condition of the schools of Madison county with the state superintendent. The following are some of the more interesting features of this report.

EXPENSES. Of the six town schools: 1897-8, \$29,696.23.—1898-1899, \$33,430.69. In 1897-8, \$14,058.10 was received by these schools from saloon licenses and state apportionment; and in 1898-1899, \$14,309.40. In 1898 these schools closed the year with \$6,528.00 in the treasury and in 1900 with \$1,996.

Of the 73 country schools: 1897-8, \$21,398.98.—1898-1899, \$25,231.97. In 1898 these schools closed the year with \$6,545 in the treasury and in 1900 with \$5,370.

TEACHERS' SALARIES. The teachers of the county earned in wages: 1897-8, \$36,775.03.—1898-1899, \$43,148.86. Increase, \$6,373.83. The average monthly salary of the following classes of teachers have increased as follows: Male teachers in towns from \$73.82 to \$87.43, male teachers in the country from \$39.81 to \$52.55; females in towns from \$43.50 to \$44.52, females in country from \$28.47 to \$30.38.

SCHOOL DISTRICT INDEBTEDNESS. 1898, town districts, \$62,810.90; country districts, \$2,736.43.—1900, town districts, \$65,463.16; country districts, \$2,544.24.

VALUE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY. 1898, town districts, \$79,110.00; country districts, \$31,179.65.—1900, town districts, \$103,942.00; country districts, \$36,395.62.

AVERAGE NUMBER DAYS SCHOOL PER DISTRICT. 1898, town districts, 171.8; 1900, town districts, 174.3.—1898, country districts, 148; 1900, country districts, 154.7.

SCHOOL CENSUS. 1898, town districts, 3044; country districts, 3053.—1900, town districts, 3271; country districts, 3054. This is an increase of 226 in town districts and only one in the 73 country districts.

NUMBER OF PUPILS ENROLLED. 1898, town districts, 2390; country districts, 2115.—1900, town districts, 2709; country districts, 2208. The increase in per cent of enrollment is greater than that of the census, which indicates an increased interest in education both in town and country.

SUMMARY. The town schools have increased their expenses \$3,700.00; their indebtedness, \$2,650.00; and decreased the amount of cash on hand \$4,532.00. (This does not include the \$11,250.00 of bonds issued by the Madison district this year.) The country districts have increased their expenses \$3,823.00; decreased their debts \$182.00; and decreased the cash on hand, \$1,175.00.

The general increase of teachers' salaries indicates an increasing desire on the part of school boards to secure qualified teachers and their willingness to pay reasonable wages for competent service. In 1897-8, 21 district paid \$25 per month. Last year only four paid so low wages.

During the last three years \$8,375.00 of bonds have been paid off, and \$13,550.00 issued, not counting the \$11,250.00 issued by Madison and to be reported next year.

The value of school property shows a substantial increase, as does also the average number of days school per district, especially in the country districts which have increased a third of a month.

On the whole the showing of the country districts is particularly gratifying. Financially they are in better condition than the towns, they have decreased their indebtedness, increased the length of term, increased the enrollment while the census remains stationary, and the increase in teachers' wages shows a growing desire to retain strong teachers in these schools.

C. W. CRUM, County Superintendent.

Burial of Mamie Roberts. The funeral services over the remains of the late Mamie Roberts held yesterday afternoon were a fitting tribute to a pure and perfect child life by a large and sorrowing circle of friends of the little one. Perhaps no child in the city had more friends and fewer enemies among her playmates than Mamie, and her presence will be missed and sincerely mourned not alone by loved and loving parents, who did their utmost to stay the hand of the destroyer, but by all with whom she came in contact.

Short services were held at the house by Rev. G. H. Main, assisted by Dr. Fletcher M. Sisson, while the choir of the M. E. church furnished appropriate music.

The house could not accommodate all who desired to attend and the floral tributes from friends, both present and absent, were abundant and beautiful, those presented by the Degree of Honor, the public school class and by classmates

of the Sunday school being especially beautiful.

At Prospect Hill cemetery, where interment took place, the services were very touching. The grave had been carefully lined with white and decorated with sprigs of evergreen by thoughtful and sympathizing friends. After the services of song and prayer, each of the little maiden's classmates of the public and Sunday schools dropped a single flower and the scene was thoroughly illustrative of the regard in which she was held by her youthful associates.

Mary E. Scott Roberts was 12 years, 1 month and 12 days old. She was born in Antelope county, near Creighton, and came here with her parents seven years ago last spring, and during her residence here ties have been formed that were unusually strong, and the grief felt by the parents and relatives is scarcely more keen than that experienced by her youthful acquaintances.

Those who were present at the funeral from out of town were: Mrs. S. A. Baker of Lynch, grandmother of the deceased; Mrs. Allie Harper of Brunswick, a cousin; Mrs. Minnie Kelso of Grand Island, daughter of Mr. Roberts; Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Scott of Plainview, aunt and uncle of the deceased.

MR. SCOTT PASSES AWAY.

Editor of the Battle Creek Enterprise Died Shortly After Noon Today.

Robert D. Scott, editor of the Battle Creek Enterprise, succumbed to Bright's disease at his home in Battle Creek shortly after 12 o'clock today. The funeral, which will probably be held tomorrow afternoon, will be conducted under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity.

Robert Scott was born in Marion, Virginia, 42 years ago, and when about 25 years old he came to this county and located in Battle Creek. In 1887 he established the Enterprise, which he has published continuously since with ever increasing success.

Twelve years ago he was married to Miss Brecheisen, who, together with five children, the eldest 11 years old and the youngest two months, survive and mourn his loss. Mrs. Scott's parents still live at Battle Creek, and upon them she leans in this hour of affliction.

He was a member of the Masonic order, Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen and Royal Highlanders, and leaves friends where he had acquaintances. He was a kind father and loving husband, and always spoke of his family with pride. He leaves his family well provided for in a financial way.

At the time the message came from Battle Creek, the hour of the funeral had not been definitely fixed, but it was thought that it would be held tomorrow afternoon.

Not for a long time have the types told a story with as much reluctance as the announcement of the death of "Bob" Scott. Although the message was not unexpected, yet his manly fight against the angel of death has been so strong and enthusiastic that it did seem as though he would win in the end. But it was willed otherwise, and brave Bob Scott has gone to the great hereafter.

Until two years ago it is probable that Mr. Scott had never known a sick day. He was of a strong, robust constitution, hale, healthy and happy. In the fall of 1898 he caught cold, which developed into the grip, and remained with him nearly all winter. This left him with premonitory symptoms of Bright's disease, which developed later and gradually exhausted his strong constitution until the end. Many a less sanguine man would have given up long ago, but he was determined he would not die, and by sheer force of will he undoubtedly prolonged his life many days.

The writer has enjoyed the friendship of Bob Scott for about eleven years. He was a man among men—honorable, up right, just. Through a long series of business transactions it was found that his word was as good as his bond—what he said he would do, that he performed. Early in the business experience the agreements were reduced to writing in the customary business way, but during the past five years there has not been the scratch of a pen to indicate a contract, and yet the writer has never had cause to complain of one single transaction on the part of Mr. Scott. He was a loyal, conscientious, straightforward man, one whom anyone might be proud to call friend.

August Flower. "It is a surprising fact," says Prof. Houton, "that in my travels in all parts of the world, for the last ten years, I have met more people having used Green's August Flower than any other remedy, for dyspepsia, deranged liver and stomach, and for constipation. I find for tourists and salesmen, or for persons filling office positions, where headaches and general bad feelings from irregular habits exist, that Green's August Flower is a grand remedy. It does not injure the system by frequent use, and is excellent for sour stomachs and indigestion." Sample bottles free at A. K. Leonard's. Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.

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PLENTY OF AMUSEMENTS.

Bookings of Exceptional Merit for the Auditorium.

LAST LIEN HAS BEEN PAID.

The Season of 1900-01 at the Auditorium Under Manager Spear Promises to be of a High Order and of Pleasing Variety. Bright Outlook for Theatre Goers.

It is rumored that money has been sent to cancel the last lien outstanding against the Norfolk Auditorium—that of L. C. Mittlestadt—and that settlement was made Saturday, thus clearing the building of indebtedness for material and labor. What promises to be an extraordinary amusement season therefore opens with no weight of local indebtedness to combat and all the attention of the management can be directed to booking first class attractions, securing attendance and caring for the daily needs of the building.

Mr. Spear's first season as manager showed his capabilities in that direction and, with other weights removed and his experiences of a past season to guide him, those who anticipate a rich season this year have something better than surmise on which to base their belief.

Manager Spear has already booked a large number of first class city attractions and has all of them under iron clad contracts under which no foolishness goes and he will therefore have no fear of guaranteeing the entertainments. The list is not yet complete, as he is still in correspondence with a number of companies, but those secured will give an idea of the class of entertainments he has to offer and it will be seen that almost every taste in the entertainment line is catered to.

The season opens October 1 with "A Wise Woman," a three-act musical comedy by Wilfred Clarke, in which Miss Marie Lamour and Frederic Murphy are the stars. Readers of THE NEWS are more or less familiar with this attraction as its merits are discussed each day through these columns.

October 3—Booked by Manager Beale of Sioux City. Company not named.

October 4—May Smith Robbins and company, who come highly recommended as entertainers.

October 17—Booked by Beale. October 26 and 27—Victor Lee, "A Second Hermann," will entertain with legardemait at popular prices.

October 30—"Belle of Honolulu." November 8—Lecture by William Hawley Smith.

November 12—Martin's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Company. Said to be the largest attraction of similar character in the world. Popular prices.

November 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17—Warner's Comedy Company at popular prices.

November 28—Innes band, with 12 great operatic singers. Readers of THE NEWS also know the merits of this attraction as it has been extensively described.

December 1—Booked by Beale. December 12—Slayton's New York stock company of 18 people.

December 27—Walker Whiteside. December 31—New "Railroad Jack." January 15—Hanaford in tragedy. January 18—Booked by Beale. February 6—Frank Keenan's "Poor Relation."

February 9—"La Tosca." February 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17—Kilflye Stock Company. March 4—Booked by Beale. April 1—"The Two Johns," a comedy of errors which has heretofore entertained Norfolk people.

April 5—"Si Plunkett" and his hayseed band. April 20—"A Breezy Time."

R. D. Scott's Funeral. The funeral ceremonies over the remains of the late Robert D. Scott of Battle Creek held Saturday afternoon was one of the largest attended funeral exercises and more genuine sorrow was evidenced than at any funeral services ever held in the history of the village. All business houses were closed and the citizens turned out en masse to do honor to the memory of a fellow citizen and business man highly esteemed by all. The business of the republican county convention was speedily transacted, and the convention adjourned, giving all the delegates an opportunity to attend the funeral.

The services were held in the Baptist church which was full to overflowing. Rev. R. C. Miller, the pastor, assisted by Rev. Geo. W. Damon, a Methodist minister of Meadow Grove, had charge of the church services.

The remains were followed to the cemetery by a large procession of friends and neighbors and business associates. At the grave the Masons, of which the deceased was an honored member, had the entire charge of the services and he was laid to rest by his brethren according to the beautiful ritualistic burial code of that order. The floral decorations at the church and at the grave were abundant and magnificent.

The pall bearers were Jos. Osborne, W. C. Day, Wm. Bates, Danford Taylor, David Whitla and W. F. Renvis.

The age of Mr. Scott was given in Friday's News at 42. He was but 37 years of age at the time of his death.

BOILS AND CARBUNCLES

These unwelcome visitors usually appear in the spring or summer, when the blood is making an extra effort to free itself from the many impurities that have accumulated during the winter months.

Carbuncles, which are more painful and dangerous, come most frequently on the back of the neck, eating great holes in the flesh, exhaust the strength and often prove fatal. Boils are regarded by some people as blessings, and they patiently and uncomplainingly endure the pain and inconvenience under the mistaken idea that their health is being benefited, that their blood is too thick anyway, and this is Nature's plan of thinning it. The blood is not too rich or too thick, but is diseased—is full of poison—and unless relieved the entire system will suffer. The boil or carbuncle gives warning of serious internal troubles, which are only waiting for a favorable opportunity to develop. Many an old sore, running ulcer, even cancer, is the result of a neglected boil.



Baneful Boils

Dangerous Carbuncles

Keep the blood pure, and it will keep the skin clear of all the irritating impurities that cause these painful, disgusting diseases. S. S. S. cures boils and carbuncles easily and permanently by reinforcing, purifying and building up the blood and ridding the system of all accumulated waste matter. S. S. S. is made of roots and herbs which act directly on the blood, and all poisons, no matter how deep-seated, are soon overcome and driven out by this powerful purely vegetable medicine. S. S. S. is not a new, untried remedy, but for fifty years has been curing all kinds of blood and skin diseases. It has cured thousands, and will cure you. It is a pleasant tonic as well as blood purifier—improves the appetite and digestion, builds up your general health and keeps your blood in order. Our physicians have made blood and skin diseases a life study—write them fully about your case, and any information or advice wanted will be cheerfully given. We make no charge whatever for this service. Send for our book on Blood and Skin Diseases—free. Address, The Swift Specific Co., Atlanta Ga.



Articles of Incorporation of the Norfolk Tontine Savings Association.

Know all Men by These Presents: That we, George H. Spear, H. H. Patterson and D. Williams all of the city of Norfolk, county of Madison, state of Nebraska, have associated ourselves together for the purpose of forming and becoming a corporation in said state of Nebraska for the transaction of business hereinafter described.

1. The name of this corporation shall be The Norfolk Tontine Savings Association. Its principal place of transacting business shall be in said city of Norfolk, Nebraska.

2. The nature of the business to be transacted by said corporation shall be the buying and selling of merchandise, stocks, bonds and other securities.

3. The capital stock of said company shall be thirty thousand dollars to be issued in shares of one hundred dollars each, to be issued as required by the board of directors, and paid up in full at the time of issuance.

4. The existence of this corporation shall commence on the twenty-second day of June, 1900, and continue until the twenty-second day of June, 1950, unless sooner dissolved by the mutual consent of its stockholders.

5. The business of said company shall be conducted by a board of directors, not to exceed three in number, to be elected by the stockholders, at such time and in such manner as shall be prescribed by the by-laws.

6. The officers of said corporation shall be a president, a secretary and a treasurer, who shall be chosen by the board of directors, and shall hold office for a period of one year, or until their successor shall be elected and qualified.

7. The highest amount of indebtedness to which said corporation shall, at any time, subject itself, shall not be more than two-thirds of said capital stock.

8. The manner of holding stockholders' meetings and the method of conducting the business of this corporation, shall be as provided by the by-laws of said corporation.

In witness whereof the undersigned have here unto set their hands this 22nd day of June, A. D. 1900.

G. WILLIAMS, D. WILLIAMS, GEORGE H. SPEAR, H. H. PATTERSON.

State of Nebraska, Madison county. On this 22nd day of June, 1900, before me the undersigned, a notary public, duly commissioned and qualified and residing in said county, personally appeared the above named George H. Spear and D. Williams, and H. H. Patterson, who are personally known to me to be the identical persons whose names are affixed to the above instrument, and they acknowledge the same to be their voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and notarial seal the day last above written.

W. H. BUCHOLZ, Notary Public.

Notice of Chattel Mortgage Sale. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a chattel mortgage, dated July 7, 1900, given by Lewis Brown and L. V. Kenerson to Frank E. Reed and W. Reed, and duly filed in the office of the county clerk of Madison county, Nebraska, about the 9th day of July, 1900, to secure the payment of the sum of \$200 and on which there is now due the sum of \$200.35, on the following described property, to-wit: One J. I. Case threshing machine, including one 12 horse power; a 250 separator and attachments thereto belonging; and the undivided two-thirds interest in forty (40) acres of corn in section nine (9), and the undivided two-thirds interest in forty (40) acres of corn in section sixteen (16), in Madison county, Nebraska, default having been made in the payment of said sum we will, on the 25th day of September, 1900, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of the Norfolk Foundry & Manufacturing company, in the city of Norfolk, in Madison county, Nebraska, sell said described property at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, or so much thereof as will be necessary to satisfy the said sum, with interest, costs and expenses.

Dated this 4th day of September, 1900. FRANK E. REED, W. REED, Mortgagees.

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