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## A GOOD SHOWING

BATTALION MAKES SPLENDID APPEARANCE AT INSPECTION.

Captain McAlexander Is Pleased—A Very Creditable Drill—Inspector Is Veteran of Many Campaigns.

Captain U. G. McAlexander, inspector for the War Department, who reviewed and inspected the battalion of cadets yesterday afternoon, was exceedingly well pleased with the appearance and work of the University battalion. Captain McAlexander is at present on a tour of inspection of the university battalions in all the north central and northwest states, beginning with the University of Iowa and ending with the Washington University at Seattle, and he finds the Nebraska battalion equal to the best he has inspected.

The inspector was especially well pleased with the promptness and precision with which every detail of the afternoon's work was handled. Not a moment was lost in delay of any kind. The battalion was on the field and ready for inspection when Captain McAlexander arrived from the train at 2:50 p. m. Battalion review and inspection took place at once, after which the separate companies were drilled in turn. As a whole, the afternoon's drill was very creditable to the cadets, altho some of the officers made a few minor mistakes in giving commands. The tidiness and polish of equipment was a marked and commendable feature. The inspector also carefully examined all the books and records in the Military department and found them in perfect order.

Captain McAlexander is a member of the general staff of the United States army, the membership of which is selected from the cream of army officers. He is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, and of countless Indian campaigns. He has served in the Philippines, Cuba, Porto Rico, and was for some years stationed at a military post in Alaska.

### IVY DAY PROGRAM.

Interesting Exercises Have Been Arranged for Today.

The Senior class will celebrate Ivy Day this afternoon at 3 o'clock with interesting and appropriate exercises. The class poem will be read by Miss Dorothy Green, who is chairman of the Senior class-day poem committee, and the Ivy Day oration will be delivered by Mr. C. A. Sunderlin. At the conclusion of the exercises the Seniors will hold a dance in Memorial Hall. The program for this afternoon follows:

1. Music.
2. Class poem.
3. Ivy Day oration.
4. Presentation of class memorial.
5. Response.
6. Class song.
7. Planting the ivy.
8. Presentation of trowel to the Junior class by President Brown.
9. Response by President Shaw of the Junior class.
10. May pole dance.

SATURDAY,  
MAY 25

EPWORTH  
PARK

## 1910 PICNIC

Get Tickets Before Friday

(30 CENTS)

### AT OMAHA.

Commencement Exercises of College of Medicine Tomorrow.

This year's Medic class at Omaha numbers eighteen. Of these only six will begin practising as soon as graduated.

E. W. Arnold, E. D. Banghart, Robert A. Hamill, '03, Guy P. Stokes and E. M. Ware will begin practise at once some place in this state, Wyoming, or the Dakotas. Jno. F. Hyde, '05, will practise in Omaha, Jas. M. Woodard will practise with his father in Aurora, Nebr., and John Buis, '05, will act as interne at the Immanuel Hospital until about September, and will then probably go into active practise. Jno. B. Potts will take up eye and ear work in Dr. Gifford's office.

The following men and one woman will serve regular internships of one year each at the following hospitals:

John F. Allen, '05, Methodist Hospital, Omaha.

Matilda Berg, Clarkson Memorial Hospital, Omaha.

Edgar Christy, '04-'05, Institution for Feeble Minded Children, Glenwood, Iowa.

John J. Fossler, '02, Immanuel Hospital, Omaha.

Charles Stein, Immanuel Hospital, Omaha.

Charles S. Stoakes, '05, Douglas County Hospital, Omaha.

Merle F. Warner, Wyoming General Hospital, Rock Springs, Wyo.

Charles H. Willis, Methodist Hospital, Omaha.

Merlin B. Wyatt, Douglas County Hospital, Omaha.

The class was the guests of the Porter-Ryerson-Hoobler Company on Monday afternoon. Thursday they will be given a luncheon at 1:30 p. m. by the Alumni Association, and Thursday evening, May 23, the graduating exercises will be held in the First Congregational church, at which time the degree of Doctor of Laws will be conferred by the University upon Dr. James Carroll, who is the only surviving member of the Cuban Yellow Fever Commission. Dr. Nicholas Senn of Chicago will deliver the commencement address.

The entire graduating class will be in Lincoln for the purpose of taking the state board examinations on May 28 and May 29.

### Engineers Meet.

The Engineering Society holds its last meeting in M. 211 at 7:30 this evening. The important business to be transacted this evening is the election of the members of the Blue Print board for the coming year.

## NOT A MISTAKE

PANAMA CANAL A GREAT FEAT ACCORDING TO POLLARD.

An Account of the Work by One Recently Investigating It—Problems Solved by the Government.

Congressman E. M. Pollard spoke at Convocation yesterday morning on "Panama" and the construction of the canal. Congressman Pollard was among those who inspected the work a short time ago and he reports it to be the greatest piece of engineering undertaken in the whole world.

The Panama Canal proper is only nine and one-fourth miles in length and the distance from the Atlantic to the Pacific is forty-nine and one-fourth miles. The canal runs north and south, and because of the curve at the Isthmus, the Pacific entrance is east of the Atlantic entrance. There are two inland lakes across the Isthmus, the larger one about thirty miles long, ranging from two hundred feet to one-half mile in width. Much earth was excavated by the French when the land was in their possession and the Americans have already excavated three and a fourth million cubic yards of earth.

A dam 7,700 feet long has been made of earth and three locks 1,000 feet long, 100 feet wide, 45 to 75 feet deep have been constructed of concrete 85 feet above sea level. It has been estimated that in five years the cut will be completed. All of the scientific problems have been solved, but the construction of dams and locks and the excavation are yet to be done.

One of the greatest problems was that of sanitation and the prevention of outbreaks of yellow fever. The Americans cleared out the jungles and underbrush, drained the swamps and flooded them with crude petroleum. The government cleaned the cities, put a system of waterworks in the city of Panama, paved the streets and furnished the native houses with running water.

Another difficult question was that of labor. Many Jamaicans were employed, but they were not dependable. Since they insisted on a diet of fruit and would eat no solid food, only 60 per cent of the force could work. But the laborers now giving the most satisfaction are Europeans from Spain, Italy and southern France.

### FRESHMEN.

Class of 1910 Will Have a Picnic Next Saturday.

The class of 1910 will hold a picnic at Epworth Park Saturday, when they expect to have the best time of the year. The committee has planned all kind of "stunts" and is going to give everyone the worth of their money.

Tickets are selling at thirty cents each and must be secured before Friday. The committee that has charge of the picnic and the sale of tickets is composed of the following: S. A. Mahood, Alice Curry, Hedwig Jaeggi, Mamie Shrum, R. K. Taylor, P. H. Comstock, H. S. Gow, and A. Ayres.