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ADAMS TALKS GAS

ENGINEERING SOCIETY HOLDS AN INTERESTING MEETING.

Representative of Lincoln Gas & Electric Company, on "Lincoln Gas" — Society to Give a Dance.

The engineering society met in the Temple last evening with a large attendance of student engineers. After the minutes of the preceding meeting were read, Mr. B. C. Adams gave a very interesting talk on the making of the two gases, water and coal gas. He made it very clear that water gas is not made from water as a great number of people think, but from materials which cost nearly as much as those used in the production of coal gas. Mr. Adams passed blue prints of the two machines used in making the gases among the engineers while he talked, which made it very interesting. He also gave the complete process for the making of both gases. He gave all statistics as to the cost of gas per thousand cubic feet in every detail. He was able to do this on account of the federal court making them public.

In talking of water gas he says the term is incorrectly applied. Water gas is nothing more than carbonated blue gas. It does not give as much illumination, but is much better in some other respects than coal gas. The reason for making the two gases is that the water gas machine is started and shut down more easily and with less expense than the coal gas machine.

The coke obtained in the making of coal gas is used to help make the water gas. The coal gas is made on account of its high heating value. Lincoln gas is distributed to the consumers through sixty miles of main.

A large per cent of the gas made never brings in anything. Some is lost by leakage and slow meters while some is never paid for at all by the consumers.

Mr. Adams argues that although the materials used in the making of gas have advanced in the last few years nevertheless gas has been delivered to the consumer at a reduced price.

One of the reasons of the present expense in making gas is the cost of coal delivery in the West. It costs the Lincoln Gas and Electric company five dollars and sixty-five cents to have every ton of coal placed on their floor. They use a high grade of Pennsylvania coal. Mr. Adams also says that he can deliver gas at one dollar per thousand cubic feet at the end of four years.

He also impressed the idea of "depreciation" on the engineers and asked them not to forget it.

After answering numerous questions and giving away several secrets of the company he complimented the Engineering society on being able to turn out so large an attendance.

Another Engineering smoker will be given on the last Saturday night of (Continued on page four.)

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St. Paul's Church

6 O'CLOCK

PHI ALPHA TAU.

An Informal Banquet Held at the Windsor.

Instead of having the regular program of extemporaneous speaking the Phi Alpha Tau fraternity held an informal banquet at the Windsor, Tuesday evening in order to give the members an opportunity to respond to toasts.

Mr. H. H. Hannan acted as toastmaster and although he claimed that it was his first opportunity to act in such capacity, the other members thought he was either an old man at the business or was naturally a man of talent along that line.

His introduction to the speakers and remarks afterwards showed that he was not only master of his own position, but also had the subjects of the other's well in mind. He introduced George Fenlon as the first speaker, who responded to the toast, "The Ideal Citizenship."

Ben Cherrington spoke on "Congress and the Country," and brought out the fact that congress was not doing anything now and didn't intend to until after the election. Ross King introduced D. P. De Young with a few remarks of welcome.

Mr. De Young has been in eleven countries since graduating in June. He spoke on "A Traveller's Note Book." His talk was mostly about Argentine Republic and was very interesting and instructive. J. Carroll Knode spoke on the "Spirit of Colonization," and showed that it takes the spirit of the puritan to accomplish anything in any line.

J. E. Bednar gave a recitation: "How Mr. Schnider Gave/Mrs. Lewis the Small Pox." Mr. Bednar exhibited much ability along that line. R. A. Van Orsdell spoke on "State's Rights, versus Centralization," and showed that centralization was necessary to handle some problems and states' (Continued on page 4)

UNION PROGRAM.

High School Commencement Program

Commencement exercises of the Greenville High School will be held in the hall of the Union Literary Society, Friday evening, March 13. Five members of the class of 1908 have successfully completed the prescribed courses. They are as follows: Nina Belle Smith, Bessie Mabel Roberts, Roy Herbert Walford, Jessie June Glass and Laura Harris. The class emblem is "Shamrock" and the class motto is "Push." These pupils have proved an earnest, conscientious and hard working class and wish to announce their graduation with the following program: Piano Solo.....Miss Minnie Pitman Salutory.....Nina Belle Smith Class Poem.....Bessie Mabel Roberts Class Prophecy.....Jessie June Glass Song.....Miss Zelia Griffin Valedictory.....Roy Herbert Walford Address—The Twentieth Century Man.....Mainard Ellen Crosby Music.....Miss Pearl Oleson

At the close of the program, John Wentworth, president of the school board, will speak a few words of cheer and advice to the class. The friends of the graduates and patrons of the school are cordially invited to be present.

Debates.

At the Students' Debating Club, Saturday evening the following debate will be given: Resolved, "That It Would Be for the Best Interests of the City of Lincoln to Adopt the Des Moines Commission Plan of Government." The affirmative will be represented by J. T. Votava and C. D. Wolford; the negative by E. W. Hills, and A. Shouka. This question was recently discussed by the Commercial club here and promises to be an interesting debate.

Your car fare would pay for a nice lunch at The Boston Lunch. Why go home?

MORE KIDNAPPING

THE MASTER OF CEREMONIES OF FRESHMAN HOP TAKEN.

Nye Morehouse Disappeared Wednesday Evening—Nothing Whatever is Known of Him.

Mr. Morehouse did not expect the sophomores to make an attempt to capture him because of the chancellor's Nye F. Morehouse, master of ceremonies of the Freshman Hop which is to be held at the Lincoln Hotel this evening was kidnapped Wednesday. attitude toward such practices and so did not take any precautions for his own safety.

Wednesday night a sophomore, who is in a class with Morehouse, went to the Sigma Chi house to study with him. After studying a while, the sophomore suggested that Morehouse accompany him to his own home, to get some additional matter.

They started and Morehouse has not been seen by his friends since. The freshmen have no clue to the whereabouts of the captive, and the captors are not known.

The action of the sophomores—as the captors probably are in this class—in taking the freshman master of ceremonies was unexpected, for it was felt that Chancellor Andrew's action in regard to the kidnapping of the sophomore master of ceremonies in January had put a stop to kidnapping here.

Dramatic Club Performance.

The Dramatic Club, under the direction of Miss Howell, appeared in the fascinating French comedy "Gringoire" before the Faculty Women's Club, Wednesday afternoon. The play was supported by a strong cast and was pronounced a grand success by those in attendance. "Gringoire" will be given before the public in the Temple auditorium on Saturday, March 21. Watch the bulletins for particulars and arrange to attend this amateur theatrical.

Laws Elect Randall Ball Manager.

The Law school had a mass meeting yesterday for the purpose of organizing their 1908 baseball team. Without a dissenting vote, George Randall was elected manager. The prospects are very encouraging for one of the best teams ever turned out. This is saying a good deal, as it is generally conceded that the Laws furnish more athletes than any other department of the University.

New Telescope.

Work on the new telescope is now well under way in the pattern shop. Mr. Bunting hopes to have most of the patterns completed this semester. At present the large and complicated piece which forms the head of the pier and carries the polar axis is in process of construction. It is estimated that this pattern alone would cost two hundred dollars if made by a professional pattern-maker.

First Annual Interfrat Athletic Meet

University Armory, Saturday, March 14, 2:30 p. m.; Adm. 25c.