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CHARTER DAY CELEBRATION

Twenty-ninth Anniversary is Fifty Observed

ADDRESS BY PRES. DRAPER

Was an Eloquent Address and a Fitting Close to the Festivities of the Occasion—Exhibit of Departments

The University of Nebraska celebrated the twenty-ninth anniversary of its birth in royal style. It was one grand round of festivities from the electrical display Monday evening up to the close of President Draper's address Tuesday evening. Every department in the University had an exhibit and the University kept open house. Thousands of visitors, both from in and out of town, visited the University and saw the wonderful work and progress which is going on here. The electrical exhibit, the exhibits in the laboratories and the military exercises were all viewed with great interest by the many who were present. Everything possible was done for the accommodation of the visitors, and the University was shown off to the best advantage.

THE DRAINAGE CANAL

Isham Randolph Tells of the Big Chicago Enterprise

Mr. Isham Randolph, chief engineer to the sanitary district of the city of Chicago, delivered an interesting lecture in the chapel Monday evening, under the auspices of the society of Electrical Engineers. He was introduced by Mrs. E. B. Sawyer, president of the society, and proceeded immediately to his subject, "The Chicago Drainage Canal." This canal is a system for diverting the sewage of Chicago into the Illinois river to prevent its contaminating Lake Michigan, from which the city derives her water supply. It begins at the south bend of the Chicago river and extends to Joliet, a distance of over 40 miles.

This work assumes international importance, for with the deepening of the Illinois and Mississippi rivers, seafaring vessels may load in Chicago and discharge their cargoes in any part of the world. Great plants will be built where it is necessary to change the level of the canal and power transmitted electrically to Chicago and other points. Its capacity is to be 600,000 cubic feet of water a minute. It is constructed through fifteen miles of solid rock and several miles of glacial drift. About 8,000 men are employed on the work. The width of the canal will be 200 feet except through the rock, where it is contracted to 165. The estimated cost is \$30,000,000.

Numerous views of portions of the gigantic work were illustrated by means of stereopticon views. The various methods of excavating pursued by the different contractors was presented, the most recent scientific machinery being contrasted with the old fashioned device of team and scraper. Each side of the channel will be walled up with stone deeply laid in solid mortar. These walls, Mr. Randolph predicted, will stand as monuments for many coming generations. The speaker paid an eloquent tribute to Mr. Cooley, "the father of the enterprise and promoter of the largest artificial channel for sanitary purposes ever constructed."

THE ELECTRICAL DISPLAY

Exhibit of Electric Apparatus was Novel and Interesting

Immediately after the lecture the audience went over to the armory in a body. The searchlight on the tower of the main building brilliantly lighted the campus as they went over. On reaching the armory a reception line was formed by Messrs. Weeks, Sawyer and Hitchman of the society of electrical engineers. Mr. Randolph, Prof. Owens, the chancellor and regents. After a short period of handshaking the people spent an hour seeing the display and visiting the refreshment room.

The electric flag, made of red, white

and blue incandescent lamps was very attractive. Under the flag was a large bank of palms and plants prettily lighted with arms, on which were colored lights attached to the revolving shaft. These were so arranged that colored circles of light, with varying diameters, produced a striking effect. Any word of five letters and various designs were made by the lights on the electric sign.

The main part of the display consisted of electrical heating and cooking apparatus. The electric hair curler and warming pad were neat and novel. The electric 5 o'clock tea and chaffing dish were very pretty.

The electric heater, small stoves, griddle and chaffing dish were all used in preparing appetizing toast and Welsh rarebit. This part of the display was made an interesting success by the kind efforts of Misses Williamson, Harley and Andrews, who prepared the refreshments on the electric cooking apparatus before the people.

The refreshments were then carried into the recitation room which was used as a serving room by a little electric railway. This railway was a pleasing attraction. Two tracks ran along the south side of the armory through the office into the recitation room. A small car about two feet long, similar in design to the street car, with all motor and electrical equipments, ran easily and quickly back and forth on the track. The electrical connection was made from the rails to the wheels and thence to the motor which propelled the car by means of a small belt connected to the rear axle.

The serving room was made very pretty by liberal use of hunting, palms, flowers and fancy screens. An electric kettle was used to make the cocoa in. Misses Tuttle, Guile, Randall and Miller saw that all the guests were well served with hot cocoa and dainty Welsh rarebit. The creditable manner in which the young ladies prepared and served the refreshments by help of superior electric heat and railway transportation brought forth many compliments, and it is hoped that it may be repeated next year.

Credit is due the committee on arrangements, C. W. Weeks, E. B. Sawyer, M. A. Hyde, H. B. Noyes and especially the chairman, Mr. Weeks, for the successful way in which the reception and display was carried out. As the paid admissions to the lecture and display exceeded over 400 the engineers were able to make expenses.

In the spring the society will have several free lectures and receptions to which all interested will be invited.

PHI BETA KAPPA

Initiation Ceremonies at the Conservatory of Music

The first event of Charter day was the Phi Beta Kappa initiation ceremonies in the University conservatory of music at 9:30 a. m. The exercises were attended by about thirty members of the Nebraska chapter, together with a dozen invited guests. After the reading of a poem entitled, "Columbus," by M. E. W. Piper, the oath was administered by Dean Edgren to the initiates, W. S. Heitzman, Mrs. Edith Henry, O. H. Martin, Philip Russell and Mrs. Edith Schwartz. Following this Dean Sherman delivered the address of welcome. Phil Russell made the response on the part of the initiates.

A business session was then entered into. Miss Louise Pound was elected corresponding secretary of the chapter, in which position she has been acting for some time. Miss Pound presented some very interesting facts which she had collected together. She reported that there are 115 members of the society in Nebraska and of these all but ten are members of the local chapter.

After hearing other reports and attending to various matters of business the meeting was adjourned.

MILITARY EXERCISES

Pershing Rifles Presented With a Flag by Lieut. Pershing.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the University Cadet regiment marched out on the campus in front of the main building. A large crowd filled the walks surrounding the drill

grounds. On the reviewing stand just west of the chemical laboratory were Gov. Holcomb, Maj. Fechet, Adj. Gen. Barry of the Nebraska National Guards, Chancellor MacLean and the Board of Regents. The medals competed for last June were presented to the following winners: J. D. Hastie, first individual prize; Orlo Brown, second individual prize; George Burgert, first artillery prize; George Lyon, first cavalry prize; Company B, the winner of the cup last year, acted as escort for the medal winners.

As soon as the medals had been awarded the regiment passed in review and was dismissed.

Then followed the drill by the Pershing Rifles under the command of Capt. Oury. The rifles were conducted in front of the review stand and then came the event of the day, Chancellor MacLean, in a short speech, presented to the company on behalf of Lieut. Pershing a large, handsome flag. The gift was an elegant one, being made of silk, and the flag staff surmounted by a golden eagle. Following the flag presentation, the Pershings gave an exhibition drill. The members of the company seemed to catch the inspiration of the occasion and the drill they put up has never been surpassed on the campus. The company kept an almost perfect line in spite of the muddy condition of the campus and the drill which followed in the armory was even better than that outside.

GYMNASIUM EXHIBITION

Visitors Treated to Games of Baseball, Basketball and Volleyball

The exhibition of the physical training department began at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning with the game of basketball between the "midget" teams. Both sides were composed of players comparatively unexperienced in the game, but they managed to create a great deal of excitement for themselves and the 300 ladies present. The game was very close from beginning to end, neither side having any perceptible advantage over the other, unless it was that the team captained by Miss Jennie Pentzer played better together. The game ended with a score of 14 to 11 in favor of Miss Pentzer's team.

The following were the players: The "whites," centers, Jennie Pentzer (captain), Mabel Dempster, guards, Mabel Erford, Nettie Henry, forwards Grace Wheeler, Minnie Smith; the "reds," centers, Grace Broady, Bertha DuTeil; guards, Rosa Hess, Anna McCrosky; forwards, Adelloyd Whiting (captain), Lucy Griffith. The official score reads: Goals from the field, Smith 5, Wheeler 1; Dempster 1, Whiting 3, DuTeil 2; goals from the free line, Griffith 1; fouls, Dempster 3, Whiting 2, Griffith 1.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon came the indoor athletic games and contests and the gymnasium was tested to its fullest capacity to accommodate the crowd, which was desirous of witnessing the sports.

A game of indoor baseball between the Athletics and the Pershing Rifles was the first event on the program. Three close and exciting innings were played, ending with a score of 3 to 1 in favor of the Blues. The Pershing team was composed of the following: Lau, Rain, Hull, Oury, Mansfield, Stebins, Roddy, Brown, Hendy. The Athletics team was composed of: Waterman, Campbell, Ryan, Swallow, McGeachin, Hart, Rhodes, LaSalle and Campbell.

The indoor athletic contest followed the baseball game. Jewett gained distinction for himself in this event by breaking two University records—the horizontal bar jump and the running high kick.

The first event was the standing broad jump, which was won by Swallow by a jump of 9 ft. 9 1/2 in. LeMar was second, 9 ft. 9 1/2 in.; Moore third, 9 ft. 7 1/2 in.

LaSalle won first place in the standing high jump, clearing 4 ft. 4 in. Swallow came second, only one-half inch lower than LaSalle, and Jewett, third, with 4 ft. 2 1/2 in.

Swallow again came out on top in the three standing broad jumps, making 28 ft. 1/2 in.; LeMar second, W. E. Anderson third.

At this point the contestants were given a breathing spell and a game of volley ball was played between the faculty and athletic classes. The latter won by a score of 14 to 13.

The athletic contest was then resumed. Pillsbury won first place in the hop, step and jump, 26 ft. 2 in.; Moore second, 25 ft. 8 in.; Swallow third, 24 ft. 10 in.

The 25-yard dash was one of the most exciting of all the events. In the first heat R. D. Anderson and LaSalle were tie, but the latter won out by a narrow margin on the second trial. Time 3:3-5 seconds.

W. E. Anderson won the horizontal bar jump for height, clearing 7 ft. 11 1/4 in. Swallow was a close second.

It was in the horizontal bar vault contest that Jewett broke the record, making 2 ft. 6 1/2 in.; W. E. Anderson second.

Jewett also established a new record for the running high kick, 8 ft. 8 in. LaSalle also went above the old University record.

This concluded the contest, which was followed by a game of basket ball between the University team and the best five team. The game resulted in a victory for the University team, with a score of 6 to 4.

The officials in the contest were: Referee, Dr. Roscoe Pound; clerk of the course, Mr. Clements; judges, L. S. Ryan, C. T. Allen, H. O. Sutton; measurers, A. B. Wells, M. D. Baker, A. Shane; timekeepers, C. M. Story, W. F. Krelle, B. A. Yoder; scorers, E. A. Moore, C. J. Allen, W. M. Hopewell.

In the east end of the Armory was the trophy exhibit, which reflected great credit on the energy of Dr. Hastings in building up this valuable part of our athletics.

Six trophies were either shown or were represented by a design showing what they will be. Large placards were printed showing for what event the various trophies had been presented.

The total value of the trophies thus far secured aggregated \$225. They are as follows:

An individual prize of a \$10 track suit is to be presented by the members of the Athletic Board to the best all around athlete in the indoor Pentathlon, which will be held some time in March.

For the winner of the outdoor pentathlon to be held in April Mr. P. O'Mahoney, head of the book department, at Herpolsheimer's, has presented a \$20 solid gold medal. This will remain a permanent annual medal as long as Mr. O'Mahoney remains in the state.

The Armstrong Clothing Co. has offered as a permanent class trophy a \$50 solid silver cup to the class winning the annual field day. This cup will have the name of the winning class inscribed on it and will remain in possession of that class during the year in which it was won.

The Farmers' & Merchants' Insurance Co. has offered a handsome \$75 silver shield to be contested for at least three years by Doane, Wesleyan, University of Nebraska and probably Hastings college. It becomes the permanent property of the college winning it twice.

A \$20 silver water set has been presented by Fleming, the jeweler, as a permanent trophy for the sophomore-freshman field day. This was won last year by the class of 1900 by a score of 63 to 33.

As a prize for the baseball championship between the two state universities of Iowa and Nebraska, Herpolsheimer & Co. have offered a \$50 trophy. This completes the list of trophies, which it is hoped is only a starter in this line.

PRESIDENT DRAPER'S ADDRESS

Speaks on the Distinguishing Features of State Universities

The Charter day exercises were brought to a fitting close at the Oliver theatre Tuesday evening by the customary oration and the conferring of degrees on a number of candidates. The student body was out in force and occupied the greater part of the theatre. No representation was made by the fraternities or societies. The

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CONVENTION ENDS IN A ROW

National Convention is Held but is Turned Into a Howling Mob

EVERYBODY TALKS AT ONCE

Bitter Scrap Over the Money Plank in the Platform—Members are Belligerent—Details of the Big Scrap

All day Saturday prominent politicians of the four debating clubs were interviewing wavering followers and planning with one another for the evening's convention. Efforts had been made earlier in the proceedings to keep national issues from playing any part in the affair, but such attempts proved fruitless, all interest finally centering around the money question.

By the anti-silver men it was claimed that from the very conception of the idea of an open convention there had been a deep laid plot to pledge the meeting to the Bryan cause. Spurred on by this belief the opponents of free coinage laid counter-plots deep and dark to thwart the plans of the silver forces. Caucuses were held, leaders chosen and a plan of action adopted.

The first perceptible move was a call of the P. B. D. C. in special session Friday evening, at which the report of the original committee on arrangements was reconsidered, rejected and a new committee appointed. The latter reported immediately and so changed the personnel of the delegations representing the several states assigned that club, that instead of an overwhelming silver vote a large republican majority was assured.

This action was claimed to be illegal, and the new arrangement of delegates was contested before the executive committee of the national committee. No result having been announced at 7 o'clock, the time when the meeting was supposed to begin, the anti-silver forces massed themselves before the chapel door and executed a flying wedge with Sackett playing center and "Shorty" Turner in his old position at guard. In vain did the doorkeepers, Hansen, Green and Smoyer, buck the line: "By steady gains the whole force was soon inside.

Dean of the Maxwell's immediately rapped for order. Warfield, chairman of the national committee also attempted to call the meeting, but Dean entirely ignoring his presence, asked for nominations for temporary chairman. H. B. Stewart was nominated and declared elected. By this time the free silver forces had scented the battle from afar and were filling the room at a rapid rate. The platform was soon crowded with excited, arguing and angry men. In vain did Warfield and Stewart rap for order. Neither recognized the other as having any right to the chair and neither would yield, while the crowd, almost evenly divided, yelled its approval to the actions of each. What was to be done?

The night watch was finally given the chair, but after six or eight motions were hurled at him he fled in dismay. Perry and Lien together then mounted the platform and suggested that Searson preside until a temporary organization could be perfected. Meeting with opposition they withdrew the nomination and Warner was unanimously chosen.

A motion to proceed to the election of temporary chairman by ballot was adopted. Lien on behalf of the silver forces placed Kinder in nomination while Matson nominated Warner in the interests of the opposition. The result of the ballot was 101 votes for Kinder to 96 for Warner, there being five more ballots cast than there were voters registered by the secretaries. The house demanded another ballot, but before this could be taken the chancellor appeared and was unanimously chosen to preside. By rising vote Kinder was declared elected by something like 106 to 80. Kinder immediately took the chair and from that time on pandemonium reigned. Committees were appointed, but no one heard them announced. Lien read the majority report on creden-

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