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COMING COMMENCEMENT DAYS

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LAST DAYS IN THE SCHOOL ROOM.

The Embryonic Websters and the June Roses Who Will Take Up the Battle of Life Within the Next Thirty Days.

Before the close of the next month, the end of the scholastic year will have come and gone. The classrooms will have closed, the scholars will have abandoned their studies for two months of vacation, and the dear, close-worn, ill-reputed teachers will have entered upon the duty of finding rest and recreation.

These months of vacation are the saddest of the year in the vicinity of the schools in which the youth of the city are educated.

The playground and campus are deserted. The athletic sports and merry laughter of the young ones have been moved elsewhere, and the school buildings themselves seem to feel their abandonment. A single football echoes and re-echoes through their deserted halls, and the pines of their great glass eyes have the vacant, far-off look of a distracted mother who has been ruthlessly deprived of her offspring.

The schoolboy and girl have their own troubles and anxieties, but, in the main, realize the idea that they generally think taught of the morrow. Commencement day, however, attracts their attention. It is looked to from afar off, both by lad and lass, but frequently with varying emotions. To the scholar on which to merit the reward of well-directed efforts and receive the applause of discriminating auditors and the admiration and congratulation of friends.

To the scholar, however, whose time has been wasted, whose mind has not improved, who has been a drone in the hive of studiousness and education, commencement day brings thought but self-enslaving remorse. There are no attainments which may be displayed, no laurels which have been justly won, nothing to lead to the forum or the workshop where distinguished parents and friends extend to the youth who has done his duty.

There are scholars, however, who do not appear on commencement day. They are, perhaps the most modest, and may be the most informed in their class. They may lack the qualifications necessary to appear to advantage, but their minds are not the less brilliant nor are their attainments the less useful. They modestly glide from the class room to the studio, the forum or the workshop where distinction awaits their modest but well-directed efforts.

And the teachers! Ten months of work, often exhausting, have worn them out. The closeness of the classroom—because not one room in fifty is ventilated; intense anxiety, inseparability of scholars, and censorship of parents have driven the roses from their cheeks and marked their brows with care.

They will return to their homes, seek summer resorts or by drafts upon the earnings of the season while away the weary days which must intervene before the next term. Some of the teachers will return, some will marry and, who knows? some of them may die! For each who fails to return, a flower is ready to fill the place. The vacant chair will not be draped and the memory of the departed one must live or die in the memory of her scholars becoming as she impressed them well or otherwise during her trying life.

For the coming of commencement day, young teachers are now making preparations. Some are putting the finishing touches to this session's work by a careful review; others are revising the essays which are to grace the day, while others still are conducting the elocutionary work which is to round the efforts of the fortunate essayists.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS. All the public schools of this city will close

on the last Friday in June. The last week will be devoted to examination, upon which will result the promotion to a higher grade at the opening of the next session. Upon it will also depend the scholars who will next term commence their studies in the high school. In each of these schools there will be literary and musical exercises, and in some of them the entertainments will be both varied and of a high order of merit.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The first graduating class of the high school left that institution in 1876. It consisted of six scholars.

On the last Thursday of next month, the next graduation will take place and on that occasion sixty-four young ladies and gentlemen will leave alma mater, some pursuing favorite studies elsewhere and others to commence in reality the battle of life.

The graduation exercises will comprise orations by Harry L. Akin, Arthur F. Montmorency and Frederick S. Nave, and essays by Alice H. Howells, Minnie L. Buegland and Eugene Getner; two declamations by scholars not yet chosen, and three musical numbers, a piano solo by Harriet E. Brown, a vocal solo by Louise F. Holtorf and a piano piece by Pauline Collette and Elizabeth Liddell.

The graduates and their residences are as follows: Elizabeth P. Allen, Burt and Twenty-second; Harriet Brown, Woodstock near Capitol avenue; Bernella Brown, Capitol avenue between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh; Ada E. Blackmore, Eighth between Dodge and Capitol avenues; Lillian Bruner, Thirty-second between Poppleton and Woodworth avenues; Minnie L. Buegland, Davenport between Twenty-second and Twenty-third; Maud C. Church, Eleventh and Grace; Sophia B. Cole, Twenty-second and Chicago; Pauline Collette, Leaveworth and Twenty-third; Annie Johnson, Twenty-seventh between Howard and Harney; Sadie T. Lyman, Davenport between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth; Edna F. Wilson, Twenty-second between Mason and Leaveworth; Doris V. McMaster, Nicholas between Forty-third and Forty-fourth; Alda E. Mills, Spring between Dodge and Capitol avenues; Lois G. Morrill, Hamilton between Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth; Annelia V. Pearson, 144 South Ninth; Flora Riddell, Twenty-second between Grant and Spencer; Carrie L. Robertson, Boulevard and Twenty-third; Isabella Ross, Eighteenth between Center and Hickory; Eva Spigle, 328 Sherman avenue; Sadie Stone, Twenty-fourth between Dodge and Douglas; Anna Walker, Twentieth between Webster and Burr; Hattie J. Wilson, corner Eighth and Ohio; Anna E. Withrow, 630 South Nineteenth; Mary McMahon, 940 North Ninety-fifth.

Harry L. Akin, Mason, between Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth; Thomas W. Battin, Twentieth between Leaveworth and Pierce; Otto J. Bauman, Belmont and Twenty-third; Burdette and Grace; Albert S. Billings, Mason, between Thirtieth and Thirty-first; Silas R. Brewster, Carroll M. Carter, Farmington, Davenport between Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth; Arthur P. Montmorency, Thirty-third and Francis; Frederick S. Nave, Fort Omaha; Roland Robinson, 24th and Twenty-fifth; George W. Williams, Rogers, corner Thirty-seventh and Half-Howard; Charles Rosewater, Douglas between Seventeenth and Eighteenth; Carlisle N. Rowley, 2219 Spruce; Arthur Shields,

corner Second avenue and Williams; Edwin T. Stiger, 2330 Capitol avenue; Wertz, Douglas between Sixteenth and Seventeenth; Charles Westerdahl, Burt between Seventeenth and Eighteenth; Ernest Weymuller, 939 North Twenty-sixth.

Of the young men, fifteen will go to college, among the colleges selected being Harvard, Princeton, Dartmouth, Cornell, Michigan university, Ohio Wesleyan university and Doane.

Seven of the young ladies will go to college, Cassar, Oberlin, Wellesley and Smith, and thirteen will go to normal schools.

These young ladies and gentlemen have a class organization, one of the most effective ever established in the school. It is officered as follows: Charles C. Hungate, president; Abby Holmes, vice president; Edwin F. Stiger, secretary.

The class pin is a four-leaf clover in gold, the characters, "O. H. S., '00," being enameled in blue on the petals of old rose and blue.

BROWNELL HALL.

The commencement exercises at Brownell Hall will begin June 8, on which day Rt. Rev. Anson R. Graves, bishop of the South Platte diocese, will preach the anniversary sermon at St. Matthias church at 7:30 p. m.

Monday evening, June 9, there will be an exhibit of the albums of the class in historical art, and in the afternoon the annual meeting of the alumni will occur, which will be followed by a reception tendered by the senior and junior classes. In the evening there will be a musical recital by Miss M. E. Wallace's class.

Tuesday at 10 o'clock the honors will be awarded those members of the graduating class who have attained a position in it worthy of that distinction, and the diplomas will be conferred. This will be followed by a reception.

The past year at Brownell hall has been a very successful one, the attendance having been good, the health of the pupils excellent and in fact everything fully up to the most sanguine expectations.

Some of those who will graduate at the approaching commencement are: Winifred A. Heasley of Council Bluffs, who has been a student at Brownell hall for the past four years; Kate Earl Drake of Omaha who has been in the school for seven years; Maud L. Hayward of South Omaha, a pupil for the past three years; Angeline Hansen of Omaha, a pupil nine years; Lulu J. Loring, four years; Mary Rainbolt, Norfolk, three years, and Jessie M. Silsbee, Seward, three years.

Some of those young ladies, it will be observed, have been at the seminary for a number of years, having gone there when quite young.

There will be no graduates this year from the college courses, but several are expected from the university. The university examinations have not yet been held. Commencement exercises will be held June 11 with the following programme: Essay, Miss Helen Loudsdorf; Bellevue; Essay, Miss Lottie Hamilton; Decatur; poetess, Jessa Binko; Bellevue; prophetess, Mattie Elliott; Beatrice; oration, James Castler, Bellevue; oration, George F. Williams, Niobrara; oration, Harry A. Carnahan, Pawnee City; thesis, Charles A. Mitchell, Springfield, O.; piano solo, Miss Blanche Davis Missouri; piano solo, oration, Prof. H. A. Kinney, Woodbine, Ia.

Rev. W. W. Harsha, D. D., I. L. D., former president of the college, will deliver the annual address to the students on Tuesday evening, June 10, at 7 o'clock. At 8 o'clock the president's reception and pronouncement concert will be held at Elmer hall, which will be formally opened on this occasion. The board of trustees will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, June 10.

The outlook for a large increase of students at the opening of the fall term, September 9, is very encouraging. Indeed, the management cannot see how the splendid opportunities and attractions at Bellevue college can fail to draw a large body of students. No better site for a great university could have been selected. It is but nine miles from the Omaha postoffice, on the B. & M. railroad. To build up one of the great universities of this country is the aim of the management.

There will be no graduating class from Creighton college this year, but President Fitzgerald said he expected to have one next year. He has a rhetoric class of five young men whom he hopes to graduate in '91 if they conclude to return to the college and not enter into business. The names of the students are as follows: James Kusler, Michael O'Connor, William

Flynn, Philip McMillan and Patrick McGovern.

The course necessary to graduation is seven months, and many young men cannot afford to go through it.

The commencement exercises will take place during the last Wednesday in June. The debating society of the college will furnish the exercises, assisted by the musical talent of the college. The programme has not yet been prepared, but will consist entirely of literary and musical numbers which will be carefully selected and of great general interest.

SACRED HEART ACADEMY. This institution in Park Place, under the direction of the ladies of the Sacred Heart, will hold its graduation exercises on Tuesday afternoon, June 24. The programme has not yet been definitely decided upon. It will, however, comprise a beautiful little play founded upon history, the characters of which will be sustained by the young ladies of the academy. The several graduates will read essays, some of which, it is said, are literary gems. There will also be a varied musical programme, comprising vocal selections with piano and harp accompaniments. The institution is now nine years old and has already graduated thirty young ladies, some of whom reside in this city while others live throughout the state. The graduates this year are as follows: Miss Katie Creighton, Miss Mary McCreary, Miss Wilhelmina Love, Miss Minnie Stephenson and Miss Anna O'Keefe of Omaha; Misses Nora and Nancy Otis of Humphrey, and Miss Eliza Lee of Fremont, Neb.

THE DAY ACADEMY. The day academy of the Sacred Heart, at the head of St. Mary's avenue, has only been open about two years and has consequently had no graduating class for the close of this session. The institution, however, of a public character will be made until it is known whether or not Bishop O'Connor will recover. If he should not improve in health only the annual examination will be held.

ST. CATHERINE'S. The graduation exercises of this academy, corner of Eighteenth and Cass streets, will take place Saturday, June 28. The exercises, as usual on such occasions, will be varied and interesting, comprising vocal and instrumental music of superior merit, literary and dramatic work, together with an elaborate display of art and needle work. The graduates, all residents of this city, are Misses Clara Van Camp, Margie Perkins, Margie Geisraue, Lizzie McKenzie, Ella Tracey and Stella Shams.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS. The several private schools, mainly under the direction of religious denominations, will close about the same time and in many instances the examinations will be given of what the little boys and girls have learned during the present year. These pupils are as follows: St. Paulina, corner Howard and Ninth; St. Agnes, Holy Family church, Eighteenth and Izard; St. Joseph's, 1309 South Seventeenth street; St. Mary Magdalen's, Douglas near Sixteenth; St. Patrick's, 1422 Castellar; St. Peter's, 3724 Leaveworth; St. Stanislaus, 2830 Decatur; St. Vincent's, 1430 South Fourteenth; and the German Lutheran school, 1035 South Twentieth.

EXAMINATION. An examination for entrance to the freshman class of all departments of Princeton college will be held in this city at the First Presbyterian church, beginning Tuesday, June 12, at 11 a. m., and continuing through the afternoon of Friday.

EDUCATIONAL. The German citizens of Philadelphia, have presented the University of Pennsylvania, a quite a large library on German literature.

The university of Pennsylvania authorities have at last taken a hand in college athletics, and hereafter the students will be more restricted in the various sports.

The Somatic department at Harvard will be considerably enlarged next year, and will furnish a very complete course of instruction in original languages and history.

The measurement of 1,000 students at Cambridge, England, showed that success in literary examinations is in no way connected with stature, strength or creasing capacity.

An effort is being made by the Wharton school of finance and economy at the University of Pennsylvania to gather a complete series of census reports for the whole of Europe.

President Francis Kling of Johns Hopkins

University board of trustees, speaking of the movement for the admission of women to the medical school, said that a mistake had been made in the published amount of the fund. The ladies interested have determined to raise \$200,000, not by subscriptions limited to \$100 or over, but by gifts and donations of any amount. The fund has already reached about \$40,000.

School statistics for Paris state that there are 17,516 children attending the municipal or state schools; 41,294 attending schools directed by religious orders, and 3,000 attending free day schools where religious instructions is given. It is also stated that attendance at municipal schools has increased by only about 200 in the last three years. The annual expenditures for the municipal schools is 26,500,000 francs.

A number of Browning's manuscript poems, by his pen, will be presented to Ballou college. Robert Barrett Browning has had the manuscript handsomely bound, and will in a few days forward the valuable legacy to Professor Jewett, to be placed in the library of the college. The manuscripts are said to be such extraordinary examples of neatness and clearness that it is difficult to realize that they were written off-hand by Mr. Browning, who seldom or never copied his first draft.

The University of Pennsylvania is almost the only institution of learning in the world which has a professorship and a course devoted to the history of the United States. When John Wharton school of finance and economy was established, American history was expressly laid out as a branch of the institution. Some years later, with the advent of Professor John Bach McMaster, whose "History of the People of the United States" has given him a national reputation, a new impetus was given to the course in American history at the university, until now it stands high in value and in popular favor.

HONEY FOR THE LADIES. And now there is black ice cream, Turkish prunes being used for this coloring. As it is difficult to ornament the gaudy and very airy fabrics made up on the bias a great deal of herring-bone and feather-stitching in silk is used on the hem of frills and the head of tucks.

One of the local prints has been holding an election of candidates who will be three most popular women in England. The result is in favor of the Princess of Wales, the Baroness Burdett-Coutts and Miss Ellen Terry.

The long, slim foot is the stylish shape. The crumpled-up, knobby knuckles have gone out. The girl who wore 8 1/2 now wears a 4 1/2 shoe, and finds that her feet look smaller and more comfortable than they ever did before.

The endless forms in which stockings and knitted articles that schoolgirls call "stockings" now come, are very entertaining and in many instances are really beautiful examples of the jeweler's art, although sometimes they are novel rather than beautiful.

There seems to be no limit to the number of articles ladies may attach to their chanceries. One of the latest ideas is a cute little case for car and bridge tickets, the sides of which are delicate silver filigree work. A silver vinaigrette simulates a violet-covered pocket.

Two enormous bouquets were recently sent from Langres to the Princess Marguerite and her fiancé, the Duc d'Orleans, who is still detained in the Clairvaux prison. That of the princess, which had been ordered from Nice, was composed of marguerites and white roses, ornamented with white ribbons and lace.

The one-button glove is a ghastly innovation, devised for no one knows what end. The sleeve is lengthened to cover most of the arm, and as the solitary button does not permit the hand to be uncovered a woman has the alternative of eating with her gloves on or drawing off and on again the long stocking of suede leather.

Pretty and convenient bookmarks made of from three to five narrow ribbons attached by rings to a silver or gold bar. Pendant from the ends of the ribbons are various quaint and quaint and suggestive emblems in silver or gold—true-love knots, hearts, crosses, anchors, monograms, initials, etc. In fact anything that the owner may wish to attach.

Some of the jewelry shows to a woman of suggestive mind would inspire a toilet. Such are the open petalled flowers cut out of sandalwood, the apricot tints of which are so soft and rich in stuffs. These flowers have deep drops of diamonds or have their petals bordered by tiny gems. The lovely translucent jade jewelry harmonizes well with the greens which seem to be as fashionable as ever this season.

Tight shoes are always a mistake as they ruin the feet; they are supposed to improve; but quite as frequently mistakes are made in the opposite direction. It is not a new idea that shoes which fit so loosely that the feet move about in them at every step produce as bad results as tight ones; and it is even ascertained, on good authority, that people who systematically wear tight shoes never have corns. A change from tight shoes to very loose ones is sure to be followed by these troubles.

Everybody now is calling for autumn hair. It is the color above all others in favor in the world of fashion. The shade is very becoming, especially to women with pretty shades of complexion, or fair, as the case may be. The autumn has the warm, bright glow of the sun, without the unbecoming tendency of golden hair to exaggerate features and make them look so much larger. Auburn hair is now in greater demand than blonde hair ever was, and is gaining favor daily.

Of course, Patti is the originator of the present style.

I saw a garment made by some city house for Mrs. President Harrison, writes a Washington correspondent. It was neat and stylish and seemed to indicate the quiet, refined character of the president's wife. It was a brown serge raglan, or a garment similar in style. Brown, by the way, is a favorite color of Mrs. Harrison's. It had wide sleeves making in two points ornamented by mould fringe. It was trimmed in front with wide damasce silk ribbon goes around the neck. The trimmings are of lighter shade of brown than the body of the garment.

A new fad indulged in by society girls is the "alcohol foot bath." It is a method of securing by absorption a very exhilarating effect, and, if indulged in long enough, even intoxication. A gallon of ninety-proof alcohol will suffice for several baths, and as the only accessories are a little cologne and a hot brick, this latest idea can at least be classed as an inexpensive one. The modus operandi consists in dropping the hot brick into the alcohol (previously perfumed) about a half hour before using; then, after ascertaining

that the liquid is just hot enough not to burn, immerse the feet in the foot tub, and after covering the tub to prevent any escape of the vapor, you sit and, in the words of a French woman, "think you are going to heaven."

If a sweet woman would be economical and make her last year's traveling gown do duty this year, she should try one of the ornate evolutions of the once assuming dust cloak, which is a peculiar product of the season. One of the latest is of bronze green silk, and the back falls in straight broad folds, which are gathered into a corslet of gold and bronze green passementerie. The yoke and high puffed sleeves are of unlined silk, the latter being gathered in deep, close cuffs of the passementerie. The collar is a kind of pointed ruff of green and gold, with a ruche of the silk inside. Now a woman in so cool, dainty, and becoming a duster as this would never be tempted to lay it aside unless she had an equally smart traveling dress beneath. Then would she be torn by conflicting emotions.

About Carpets. Buying carpets is like buying a house, a farm or a horse; it must suit your eye, your purse, your comfort. No lady has a pleasant recollection of a carpet department or the store where her carpet was purchased if the pattern is poor, the colors hideous, or the quality inferior. It may be she allowed herself to overlook all these defects to save a little money at the time of purchase only to regret it as long as the carpet lasts. The Morse dry goods company of Omaha make a specialty of carpets of all kinds. Honest in quality, perfect patterns at fair prices. You can't buy all these things in "job lots," but you can buy them at reasonable prices from the Morse dry goods company. All grades of finest willow, body Brussels, axminster and other carpets as well as choice patterns in Ingrains, tapestry, linoleums, rugs, etc. Are you building or furnishing a house? If so, let us figure on your carpets and curtains. We carry as large a stock as though we did not keep dry goods, making a specialty of carpets and draperies.

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