

GRAND ARMY DEPARTMENT.

Brief Biographies of Nebraska Veterans Who Fought in the Ranks.

LONG SERVICE AND MUCH FIGHTING.

The Season of Installation Drawing to a Close—The Color Line in the South—National Reunion Gossip—Other Notes of Interest.

JUNATA, Neb., Jan. 20.—Your correspondent chanced to meet and interview Captain C. F. Lamar, who enlisted in company A, Twenty-seventh Ohio volunteer infantry, and served over four years. His first experience under fire was in the first battle of Bull Run, Va., after which he participated in the battle of Lexington, New Madrid, Camden Heights, and Wilson Creek, Mo. Then Island No. 10, Pittsburg Landing, Birds Point, and Fort Pillow, where he was severely wounded. He participated in the Siege of Vicksburg, was in the battle of Jackson, and Meridian, Miss., then returned to Memphis, Tenn., participated in the siege and battle of Corinth of Iuka, Missionary Ridge, Chickamauga and Lookout Mountain, then joined Sherman's campaign to Atlanta, and took part in the battles of Dallas, Snake Creek, New Hope Church, Resaca, Alton, Big Shanty, Kenesaw Mountain, and Peach Creek, where he was wounded, captured, and taken to Andersonville prison. He remained in prison five months, escaped and joined Sherman's army at Blair's Landing, marched through Washington and was mustered out as a member of First Brigade, First Division of Seventeenth corps. While in service he received seven bullet wounds, and carried an ounce of lead in his right knee, and an ounce in his right hip, and has a hole in his forehead covered with a silver cap.

A Veteran of the Nebraska First. LYONS, Neb., Jan. 21. Among the many heroes of the late civil war, the name of Tim B. Calnon, occupies an important place.

Mr. Calnon was born in St. Johns, New Brunswick, August 24, 1811. He moved with his parents to Galena, Ill., when he was 5 years old, where he received a good common school education. He lived there until 1836, when he removed to Omaha, remaining one year, when his family removed to Burr, county, Neb., near Decatur.

Tim, as he is familiarly called, was one of the first noble boys who left home to try the fortunes of war. He enlisted at Omaha, July 30, 1861, in company C of the First Nebraska Cavalry, under Captain John McConico. He was soon taken to Independence, Mo., where his company helped to release three Union men, whom the rebels were going to hang. He passed through the terrible battles of Port Hudson, Shiloh, Corinth, Cape Girardeau, Jacksonport, Chalky Bluffs, and fought in several skirmishes at Batesville, Ark., against General Marmaduke of Missouri. He fell a victim to the measles in the fall of 1861, and remained in the hospital at Helena, Ark., for three months. Recovering from his illness, he reenlisted at Batesville, Ark., Jan. 1, 1862, and served with his company until mustered out at Omaha in 1866. He was one of those lucky boys who was never captured or wounded, though subjected to the fiercest attacks of the enemy.

Mr. Calnon is well and favorably known in Burr county, having made his home since 1857. He is now living in Lyons, being engaged in the hotel business. He looks young to be in his 46th year, although the five years spent in the war left several marks on his vigorous vitality. He bids fair to be among the last survivors of the great conflict of 1861. He has a family of three children, who rank among the brightest pupils of the public schools of Lyons.

An Enjoyable and Patriotic Affair. U. S. Grant post, No. 110, Department of Nebraska, Grand Army of the Republic, and U. S. Grant Woman's Relief Corps, No. 104, held a very successful and impressive joint installation of officers-elect at their hall in the Continental building, Fifteenth and Douglas streets, Omaha. The officers of the post as installed were: Robert S. Wilcox, commander; Robert M. Stone, senior vice commander; Simon Adamsky, junior vice commander; John Jeffcoat, adjutant; Daniel T. Sorger, sergeant; Rev. William H. Christie, surgeon; Rev. Alex R. Thain, chaplain; Lafayette Anderson, officer of the day; Michael McMahon, officer of the guard; Frank B. Bryant, sergeant-at-arms; D. G. Rhoads, quartermaster sergeant.

The officers of the relief corps were: Mrs. Eliza S. Adamsky, president; Mrs. Helen Jeffcoat, senior vice president; Mrs. Laura Landgreen, junior vice president; Mrs. Margaret Anderson, secretary; Miss Nettie Haverly, treasurer; Mrs. Alice Seiver, chaplain; Mrs. Josephine Cook, conductor; Mrs. Hattie E. Church, guard; Mrs. Sarah E. Potter, assistant conductor; Mrs. — Badger, assistant guard.

The installing officer for the post was Dr. S. K. Spalding, past commander of George Crook post No. 262, and for the relief corps, past commander of U. S. Grant post No. 110 and present national vice commander, Major T. S. Clarkson. Besides the members of the post and corps, there were present many invited comrades and members of other posts and corps of this city with friends.

The incident of the occasion was the presentation by "Major" Clarkson to the post and corps each a wooden gavel made out of a piece of the floor of Libby prison. The language used in the presentation was affecting and pathetic in the extreme, breathing a spirit of loyalty that was heroic. The closing was that "Never while the world lasts may it have another Libby or Andersonville prison, or the world or the people of the United States have to witness or experience another such a war, such a striving of brother against brother, but the present glorious peace, fraternity, charity and loyalty may reign forever."

The response in acceptance by Mrs. President Adamsky and Commander Wilcox were likewise eloquent and touching.

The retiring commander and president was Colonel Champion S. Chase and Mrs. Eliza S. Collins.

After the installation ceremonies, a collation of sandwiches, cake and coffee was served by the ladies of U. S. Grant Relief Corps—being "relief" indeed, and a fitting close to a most enjoyable and long to be remembered occasion.

The Washington Encampment. A plan is being perfected by the committee on reunions of the Grand Army encampment for next year by which all old soldiers, sailors and marines who shall visit Washington during the week of

apart from the jubilee, shall be brought at once into communication with their comrades and shipmates who felt the magic elixir touch in their old regiments, brigades, divisions, corps, army, or ships.

It is proposed to divide the whole army into thirty-two corps, with headquarters for each and sub-divisions for the smaller commands. Rosters will be kept at each headquarters and the old commanders and other officers yet living will be urged to be present and every effort will be made to assemble the comrades at some time during the week in the same organizations they were during the war.

The following post officers were mustered in at Miller: B. E. Pease, commander; M. Conolly, senior vice commander; Otis Halstead, junior vice commander; L. Fith, officer of the day; S. B. Montgomery, chaplain; J. W. Stewart, quartermaster; John Abold, post sergeant; James Page, outside guard; C. O. Musser, adjutant.

The Woman's Relief Corps of Fairmont, installed the following officers: President, Lizzie Wells; senior vice president, Catherine Black; junior vice president, Susie A. Church; secretary, Clara Palmer; treasurer, Mary J. Smiley; chaplain, Alice Talmage; conductor, Clara Homewood; guard, Susie Thompson; assistant conductor, Mary Jones; assistant secretary, Mrs. M. Mosher; delegate, Mary J. Smiley; alternate, Susie A. Church.

Ewing camp, Sons of Veterans, installed the following officers: J. F. Zeilinger, captain; L. C. Munns, first lieutenant; Remond Evans, second lieutenant; Schuyler Brown, chaplain; Loran Jordan, first sergeant; J. T. Martin, quartermaster sergeant; Clyde Taylor, musician; Menzo Housli, S. G.; W. E. McKee, C. G.; Will Ray, C. S.; Earnest Reynolds, C. G.; Ernest West, P. Thomas Campbell, Ross Reynolds; and William Blair were the new recruits mustered in.

The Woman's Relief Corps of Scotia had a public installation at the rink on the evening of the 14th. Mrs. L. M. Merrill of St. Paul, Neb., being the installing officer. After the installation ceremonies the audience was entertained by select readings and recitations while the tables were being prepared for supper. The following were the officers installed for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Sumner; senior vice president, Mrs. Kellogg; junior vice president, Mrs. Buckley; secretary, Mrs. Farrell; treasurer, Mrs. Ed. Wright; chaplain, Mrs. J. C. Nease; conductor, Mrs. J. T. Price; guard, Mrs. Beck; assistant guard, Mrs. Jenner. The ladies served an elegant repast, which was heartily enjoyed by all present.

Following are the officers of Ewing post No. 192: J. B. Mastie, commander; E. A. Chace, senior vice commander; G. W. French, junior vice commander; J. A. Wood, quartermaster; O. P. Borden, officer of the day; C. L. Gunter, officer of the guard; E. Smith, chaplain; D. Brion, surgeon.

The Nebraska First. Luke Boyce, sergeant Company B, First Nebraska Cavalry, now residing at Flushing, Mich., writes to the National Tribune regarding the long service of Comrade Cunningham, Eighth Iowa, stating there are a number of comrades in Nebraska who served longer terms and ones in Michigan that he knows of. The writer was mustered into Company B, First Nebraska, June 11, 1861, and marched to Springfield, Mo., with General Fremont. He then returned to Sedalia, and went out under General Pope and helped to capture 1,300 prisoners. On the 1st of February, 1862, he went with Grant and participated in the capture of Forts Henry and Donelson; the battle of Shiloh and Corinth, after which they joined the Transmississippi army of General Curtis. There were enough members of the company veteranized to hold the organization, and they were mustered out until the 1st of July, 1863, which made five years and twenty days continual service in the same organization. They were, however, changed from infantry to cavalry by general order mounting territorial troops in November, 1863.

The Color Line in the South. The old trouble over the color question in the Grand Army of the Republic has broken out in New Orleans afresh, and threatens to cause a dissolution of all the white posts in the district, which includes the States of Louisiana and Mississippi. "The last national encampment of the Grand Army recognized the colored posts composed exclusively of negroes as legitimate and regular ones. A few days ago Captain Hodges, district commander, was notified of this decision and the white posts were called upon to recognize the full equality and fellowship of the colored posts.

They met to consider this and discussed the matter at length, and decided by an overwhelming majority that they would not accept the negroes under terms of equality under any circumstances, but would surrender their post charters in preference. This will be done at the state encampment, which meets at Fort T. S. Clarkson. The white members of the Grand Army will retire. It is thought that a majority of the eight will remain to prevent a forfeiture of the charters of the post, in which case the posts will be probably thrown open to negroes.

The Chickamauga Reunion. It is quite possible that a number of General Joe Hooker's fighting men of the Eleventh, Twelfth and Twentieth army corps, and of General Judson Kilpatrick's famous cavalrymen, will attend the reunion at Chickamauga September 28th, says the Philadelphia Press.

Those troops did not, it is true, participate in the battle under General Rosecrans, but they did snatch victory under the direction of General Grant, a month later, from the army commanded by General Bragg, at Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge and Taylor's Ridge, which are located adjacent to the first, and to some extent covers the same field, bearing about the same relation to each other as the site of the battle of the Wilderness does to Chancellorsville, in Virginia.

Should railroad fares be reasonable, such an excursion could be arranged for all veterans and their families who would so disposed to take such a trip. The battles named were not the only ones in which the Red, White and Blue stars distinguished themselves. The Bozard's Road, Resaca, Pumpkin Vine Creek, Dallas, New Hope Church, Pine Mountain, Kenesaw Mountain, Marietta

Peach Tree Creek, the several battles and siege of Atlanta, and a dozen of other general engagements were fought by Sherman's army, in which the Army of the Potomac's contingent lost heavily and won the praise it received by the commanding general. All of these old battle fields could be revisited by the excursionists.

The Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Forty-sixth, Seventy-third, Seventy-fifth, 100th, 111th, and 147th Pennsylvania volunteers and the Thirtieth and Thirty-third New Jersey all wore the star in these campaigns under Grant, first, and Sherman afterwards.

Commander of the White Squadron. The commander of the famous White Squadron is a man worthy of the place he holds and the responsibility entrusted to his care. John G. Walker was born in Millsboro, N. H., in 1839. He entered the United States navy in 1857, and served on various foreign stations until the outbreak of the civil war. During the rebellion he took part in many naval engagements in the Atlantic, the Gulf and the Mississippi squadrons. He participated in the operations that resulted in the surrender of New Orleans and Vicksburg and in the Yazoo river expeditions. While leading in the last named engagement as commanding officer of the Baron de Kalb his vessel fouled a torpedo which sent it to the bottom of the river. Later he commanded the Shawmut and Saco and assisted in the capture of the defenses near Wilmington, N. C.

His brilliant services insured speedy promotion, and he became a commander in July, 1862. He served at the Naval Academy and in various other positions up to October, 1881, when he became chief of the Bureau of Navigation. He took command of the White Squadron on October 1, 1883, his flag as admiral being hoisted on the Chicago on that date.

Sheridan's Famous Phrase. General Sheridan, whose famous raid of the Shenandoah valley in 1862 was made with a view to depriving Early's troops of the means of subsistence for their annoying excursions down toward Maryland, is credited with the remark that he meant to clean out the valley so thoroughly that thereafter "a crow flying over it will have to carry his rations." But a letter of General Grant to General Halleck, advising just such measures, and recently reprinted from official records, contains the phrase, "so that crows flying over it for the balance of this season will have to carry their provender with them." Instructions to this effect were sent to general Hunter in the valley before Sheridan was placed in command there.

Nebraska Notes. The following officers of A. Lincoln post, David City, were installed last week: C. D. Bremer; S. V. Hubbard; J. W. D. Roberts; G. E. Carnot; West, P. Munns; G. W. E. Garrow; A. Q. W. B. Naracomb; S. Cary Walters; S. G. John Coombs.

Prof. Laughlin and Hale have resigned from the faculty at Cornell to accept professorships in the new university of Chicago. Howden college receives a bequest of \$10,000 by the late Mrs. J. M. Howden of California, formerly of Harpswell, Me. The Carnegie gift for a great library in Pittsburgh, which now aggregates \$2,100,000, has now \$50,000 more, having been voted to the purchase of American works of art.

Upon the death of the widow of the late Dr. Buckminster Brown of Boston Harvard college will come into possession of a professorship of orthopedic surgery. There are in the world 147 educational institutions called universities. Eleven are in Paris, with 9,215 students; the next in Vienna, with 6,230; the third in Berlin, with 5,267.

Mrs. Mary P. Lemen, who died at Neosho, Mo., on the 19th, was one of the best known women who ever lived in Illinois. She was a Christian lady and a renowned educator. A series of eighteen free Saturday afternoon lectures has been commenced at the University of Wisconsin. Half of the lectures will be given by the faculty, and half by prominent men outside the university.

There is a flutter of anticipation and excitement among the ladies at Wellesley over the prospective presence of royalty at that college next spring. The news has reached them that the Princess Kalidini, of Prussia, will come to the college to complete her education in Boston.

E. S. Clark of Drakeo, S. D., has endowed Yankeo college to the extent of \$5,000, to be expended in the construction of a astronomical observatory, which Mr. Clark dedicates to his father. In the observatory will be mounted a fine telescope, and other philosophical bestowal upon the college several years ago.

With a magnanimous desire to mitigate the poverty which has afflicted the Missouri State university in the loss of its library and library, the Johns Hopkins university has tendered as a free gift all its own publications in mathematics, chemistry, geology, biology, physics, etc., besides some duplicate of important works found in its own library.

Mrs. Warren Newcomb of New York, who gave \$20,000 to endow the Sophie Newcomb college at New Orleans, has just made an additional endowment of \$4,000. Mrs. Newcomb established the college for young ladies as a memorial to her daughter. The Yale university is the trustee of the fund, and the institution is now in a flourishing condition.

The Yale faculty has just received a letter forbidding the student editors to receive advertisements from saucy concerns. The move is said to have been caused by the revelations in regard to the Yale Harvard; yet Yale's secret societies are exempt in comparison with the former. The same device has been used by other universities, so that the results of the faculty decree are serious and can not be foretold.

The announcement of the Yale faculty to organize a boat crew has caused great enthusiasm. They have accepted an offer of a large boat club at the Yale-Harvard race their boat house on the Schuylkill river. A mass meeting of students is soon to be held to discuss the best methods of organizing and racing on the water. The first crew will make a three-mile race on the "lowlands" south of the president's house. It is fifteen years since the old Princeton crew disbanded.

Dr. Cullimore, oculist, Bee building. One of the most fascinating conversationalists in Texas is Dr. S. H. Stout of Cisco, says the Dallas News. The doctor is a Tennesseean, from Nashville, "the center of Southern history," and is himself brim full of historical reminiscences. Dr. Stout was born at Nashville in 1822, and in his boyhood knew General Jackson, Davy Crockett, Sam Houston and other famous characters of that day. In an interview the doctor said:

"Davy Crockett was a giant, intellectually and morally, and he survived the ill-fated Alamo, he would have made a far greater record for statesmanship than Sam Houston ever made. No man has ever been more grossly caricatured than Davy Crockett. I never saw him dressed in the outre costume of buckskin shirt and moccasins, but he is generally represented in our histories. He dressed in a neat, genteel manner in conformity with the styles of his times. He was of Scotch-Irish descent, and a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. He was a good hunter and a fine shot, and probably a braver or nobler man never lived."

SOME TICKLISH SUGGESTIONS.

Happy Hits in Prose and Rhyme at Current Follies.

A FEW MINUTES WITH THE TWITS.

The sorrowful Set-Back of a Live Newspaper Man—Train-Dispatcher and Good-will's Glory—A Timid Appeal of an Intelligent Medic.

The Free Press tells of a "live newspaper man" from the east who arrived in a small western town, probably Detroit, and after he interviewed the proprietor of the hotel.

"Is there an opening in this place for a live newspaper man?" he inquired. "That was last week," replied the proprietor pleasantly. "Has it been filled?" "Well, no, not exactly, I reckon, but it got a man in it."

"Who is he?" "A newspaper chap from the east." "A live man?" "I reckon not. Leastways not so live as he was."

"How do you mean?" "Well, you see it was this way: A live man came out here, started a paper, jumped on the prominent citizens and rained thunder generally. Then our quiet and peaceable citizens dropped him in a cistern. The open's that yit of you want to try it."

A wedding ceremony was to take place in one of the prominent churches of New York, says the Herald. The bridal party had not yet arrived, but were momentarily expected, when a small boy put in an appearance and gazed long and curiously up the main aisle.

"Humph," he muttered disdainfully, "I don't see any 'at, boy?" asked an inquisitive understanding near. "Don't see de rat's of course."

"Rats—rats for what?" said the usher in wonderment, as a small group gathered around the boy. "Why, for de bride's train to run on, so?"

And the boy escaped, and there followed a stillness so dense you could have heard a cough drop on the doorstep around the corner.

"Is dis dere de life insurance office?" he asked, as he rested one foot sideways on the door sill. "Well, how far is insurance?" "Yes!" shouted one of the clerks. "Come in."

"Much blessed," he said with a bow and took off his hat. "I want ter get some life insurance on a mite ter see if de clerk looked surprised and said: 'You ain't looking for the mule to die, are you?'"

"Deed I isn't," he answered, "but I want ter sell the animal, an' anybody dat gets his eyes on me 'im for five minits de lawin' ter July 'im without a law insurance 'thachment. So I come labben miles ter see y' 'bout hancin' de value ob dat mule."

This is told by the Boston Post: "About how far is it to Gourdville?" "I've asked the stranger of a rank North Carolina who sat on the veranda holding up the front side of his nose. 'Twit as de lawin' holder an' as far as y' kin see beyond that.' 'But I'm conservative and can't 'oller' at all," urged the traveler. "How am I to tell anything from such a direction as that? 'Two hoo's an' a look; I reckon.'"

The clerk looked surprised and said: "You ain't looking for the mule to die, are you?" "Deed I isn't," he answered, "but I want ter sell the animal, an' anybody dat gets his eyes on me 'im for five minits de lawin' ter July 'im without a law insurance 'thachment. So I come labben miles ter see y' 'bout hancin' de value ob dat mule."

They strolled on the beach by the bright summer sea. As happy as any two people could be. Proud was his mind to all that he said. She modestly listened and hid down her head. While with swiftly flying blushes her fair face glowed.

Dear me. One of our physicians, says the Medical News, recently received the following letter from a country physician: "Dear doc I have a pashunt. Who's plis-ic? I don't know. The windpipe was ulcerated, and his lung have dropped into his stomach, he is unable to swallow and I fear his stomach tube is gone. I have tried every thing without effect. His father is wealthy. Operable and influential. He is an active member of the M. E. Church and god nos I doot want to loose him. What shall I do, ans, buy returne male. yours in need."

in the middle of the night and spoil your beauty sleep.

Etteral Rome! who sat on seven hills, Big with vast conquest and ambitious lust, Sent forth her legions, thick as Egypt's hills, To grind opposing nations to the dust.

And Rome still stands, immortal and sublime, Nor is there city where ye may not find Her legions now, as in that ancient time— They still go forth, their mission still to grind.

Miss Keene—It isn't often that a minister preaches a sermon that will apply personally to every young man that lives.

Mr. French—I should say not. Miss Keene—And yet Rev. Dr. Lorrimer of Boston, did it last Sunday.

Mr. French—Indeed! What did he preach about? Miss Keene—The title of his sermon was, "The Youth Who is in Love with himself."

"You say that Higginson did rave," said pretty Pree to Polly. "Because last night to him you gave The mitten!" That is true.

"He should and would his thanks avow, If he were but half witted. 'Twas a shame to love, he now Is surely man you mitted."

"That was a horrible tragedy. A western girl spurned the hand of a lover and he stabbed her with an icpick."

"It was her own fault. The account I read says 'she treated him in an icy manner.' He merely struck at the manner, but had the misfortune to hit the girl."

When first I met my cousin May, In what she called college. Says she, "You see, dear Cousin Jim, I'm veritably in the swim."

I blushed a bit as I replied— Her costume having slyly eyed— "You may not be just now, but say! 'You're fixin' for it, anyway.'"

Porey—You should congratulate yourself, my dear, on gawtting me. Lots and lots of the girls were after me.

Isabelle (who can't see what in the world she ever saw in him)—I acknowledge, Porey, that I have got a soft thing.

The philosopher of the Somerville Journal asserts: "If handwriting is an index of character, some newspaper reporters ought to feel afraid to go to bed with themselves nights."

CONVULSIONS. Only the girl who never had any brothers would ever send a bachelor an elaborate tidy for a birthday present.

May Foster, a teacher in the Chinese Mission Sunday school at Los Angeles, was married by contract to one of her pupils this week. The lawyer who drew up the contract charged the Chinaman \$50 for his services.

The military wedding of Miss Townsend, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Townsend of New York, and Lieutenant J. Clifford Bristow, First artillery, U. S. A., on Thursday evening, January 23, at St. Thomas' church, is expected will be a very pretty affair.

A notable wedding of the somewhat near future will be that of Miss Edith Sanford and Mr. John Sanford, member of congress from Amsterdam, N. Y. As the fiancée is mourning for her father, who was formerly minister to the Netherlands, the wedding will be celebrated in the quietest possible fashion at Sanford, Fla.

Orlando—You have basely deceived me, Elvira, and so must part forever. Elvira—Deceived you, Orlando? K-nd Heaven, tell me what does he mean? Orlando—I have learned only today that you have been taking a course of lessons at a cooking school. There can be no happiness for us together after that.

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