END OF THE UNIVERSITY YEAR

Program for Commencement Week at the State Institution.

LARGE CLASS EXPECTED TO GRADUATE

President Northrop of the University of Minnesota Will Deliver the Address—Seniors Celebrate "Sneak Day" in Due Form.

LINCOLN, May 25.—(Special.)—The official program for the commencement exercises of the State university has been prepared by the university authorities and will be issued tomorrow morning. The demand for tickets to the various exercises this year will probably be greater than in previous years. A certain number of tickets are reserved for members of the senior classes and alumni of the institution and the balance will be distributed to the public. The annual exercises will begin Friday evening, June 2, with a concert at the Oliver theater by the graduating class of the University School of Music, and will terminate with the annual senior class lawn fete on the university campus Thursday evening, June 8.

The annual pan-hellenic dance, while not mentioned on the program of exercises, is one of the principal events of the commencement season and will be attended by nearly all members of the different secret societies represented at the university. There are about 300 fraternity men in the university and nearly as many fraternity girls. Under no consideration are the "barbarians" of the institution—the anti-fraternity students—admitted to this dance, which will be held the evening of the commencement concert.

One entire day will be devoted to the alumni of the university. The list of graduates will not be announced until next Monday, but it is expected that nearly 200 will qualify in the examinations. The graduating class this year will be slightly smaller in number than last year, yet this year's attendance breaks all previous records, there being 1,926 students registered. The effect of the war is felt by the senior class, as quite a number of its members enlisted last year and were necessarily thrown behind in their university work. The agricultural college of the university was given an impetus this year and the school of mechanic arts is also becoming more popular. The college of literature, science and arts will graduate about ninety students, the industrial college, which includes the agricultural college, will graduate about thirty-six students and the law college about fifty students. For advanced degrees there are fifteen candidates for the degree of master of arts and one for doctor of philosophy.

The names of the students who are to be admitted to the honorary societies were announced this morning at chapel exercises as follows: Sigma Xi, E. V. Capps, Z. E. Crooks, Mariel Gere, B. V. Hill, R. A. Lyman, H. C. Parmelee, E. J. Rentdorff, J. L. Sheldon, Joel Stebbins, A. A. Steel, Carl Bessey, D. N. Lehmer, De Alton Saunders, H. A. Senter, R. E. Moritz; Phi Beta Kappa, Cecil Pew, A. R. Condon, H. F. Beans, Ray Elliott, Robert Lansing, D. D. Feldman, Sam Tracy, William Ranson, Maude Brown, Jennie Fox, Mrs. J. A. Reed, Lillian Newbranch, Flora Fifer, Emily Weeks and Julia Loughbridge.

Baccalaureate Sermon.

The annual baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Chancellor George E. MacLean before the graduating class in the Oliver theater Sunday evening, June 4. The following evening Chancellor MacLean will receive the faculty and seniors of all colleges at his residence, 1037 H street.

Tuesday, June 6, will be class day. The annual class day exercises will be held at the Oliver theater in the morning. The Board of Regents of the university will meet in the afternoon and in the evening the commencement concert will be given by the university chorus, soloists and orchestra. Alumni day will be Wednesday and on this day will occur the quinquennial reunions and dinners, classes of '78, '83, '88, '93 and '98. Rev. G. C. Lorrimor of Boston will deliver the address before the Phi Beta Kappa society on the subject, "Gladstone, the Scholar, Statesman and Sage." Charles Sumner Allen, class of '86, will deliver the alumni address. In the afternoon of the same day Chancellor MacLean will read his fourth annual report at a joint meeting of the alumni of all the colleges in the university chapel. The annual business meeting of the alumni association will follow the reading of the Chancellor's report. Phi Beta Kappa initiation and banquet will be at one of the hotels of the city at noon.

Cyrus Northrop, LL. D., president of the University of Minnesota, has been secured to deliver the commencement oration Thursday morning at the Oliver theater. His subject will be "The Education Which Our Country Needs." Following the address degrees, certificates and commissions will be conferred. In the afternoon the university council will hold its annual meeting in the university chapel. From 8 until 9:30 o'clock in the evening the chancellor will receive the faculty, alumni and friends of the institution in the art rooms of the library building. The senior class lawn fete will be on the campus immediately after the chancellor's reception.

The committee on arrangements is comprised of E. H. Barbour, R. R. Ricketts, H. Ross Hill, C. W. Weeks, Emma Park Wilson and H. G. Shedd, secretary.

"Sneak Day" Fun.

It is now the custom of the members of the senior class to set apart a day of the school year shortly before the annual commencement exercises as a time when all classes and other work shall be strictly disregarded. This day is called "senior sneak day." The name applied is self-explanatory, for each senior makes it his especial purpose to absent himself from all classes and if any deserters are found they are promptly removed from the class rooms by their fellow classmen. The juniors object to this assumed privilege and do all in their power to break up the senior organization.

This morning the seniors congregated on the campus in front of the main building and announced their intention of having things their own way for at least ten hours. The juniors immediately resented this and in the mixup that followed coats, hats, collars and other articles of clothing were torn and a number of students left the field with sprained joints and declarations of eternal vengeance against their opponents. On "sneak day" if a junior can secure a senior hat and escape his pursuers his ambition is realized. Soon after the two classes lined up this morning, Andresen, a junior and the champion sprinter of the university, succeeded in capturing a senior hat and was successful in leaving far behind all the seniors who started in pursuit. Later in the day the seniors formed in line and marched through the different buildings defying attack from the under classmen.

"Sneak day" was instituted last year and is now regarded as one of the annual events at the university. So long as property is not destroyed the students are allowed to have their own way, the only penalty being the loss of a few hours' credit to each student.

Desire to Honor the Dead.

State officials and others interested in holding memorial services over the remains of the late Colonel John M. Stotsenburg are still in doubt as to whether the funeral party will return to Indiana by the way of Lincoln, and if so whether a stop long enough to permit the holding of memorial exercises will be made in this city. Mrs. Stotsenburg, who is returning to New Albany, Ind., with the remains of her husband, is accompanied by Lieutenant W. A. Cavanaugh of the Twentieth Infantry. A dispatch from that officer, dated at Reno, Nev., was received by Adjutant General Barry this morning stating that the funeral party would pass through Omaha at 4:45 Saturday afternoon. Following the receipt of this dispatch General Barry sent the following telegram, requesting that arrangements be made to stop in Lincoln:

"Lieutenant W. A. Cavanaugh, on Union Pacific Train No. 2, Bound East, at Battle Mountain, Nev.: I am directed by Governor Poynter to request that the sacred remains of Colonel Stotsenburg be brought to Lincoln to lie in state during memorial services on Sunday, and it is also desired to send a guard of honor to escort the remains to its final resting place. If this meets the approval of Mrs. Stotsenburg please wire route over which you will travel to Omaha and beyond."

The funeral party is traveling east over the Union Pacific and it is thought that under present arrangements the route will not include Lincoln. No word has been received from the War department in answer to the telegram sent yesterday.

Reception to First Regiment.

Commander Evans of the Department of Nebraska, Grand Army of the Republic, has authorized Adjutant General Gage to take necessary steps for a reception for the First regiment as soon as the date of arrival is determined upon. At a meeting of Grand Army men in Omaha yesterday different plans for receiving the regiment were discussed by Senator Hayward, Captain Palmer, Major Wilcox, Captain Culver, H. C. Russell and General Gage. A definite program will be published by the department commander as soon as reports are received from the various organizations and posts which desire to take part in welcoming home the members of the First regiment.

C. F. Beck, county superintendent of education, returned to Lincoln today from Gretna, where he attended the annual graduating exercises of the High school.

The State Board of Educational Lands and Funds is contemplating purchasing $12,000 worth of Cherry county bonds, but on account of a slight irregularity in the issuance action will be postponed until it is decided whether they are a safe investment. The bonds draw interest at the rate of 5 per cent, but there is some question as to whether they were advertised in accordance to law. County Attorney A. M. Morrisey was at the capitol today consulting with the attorney general with a view to instituting a case in the supreme court to establish the legality of the bonds.

The State Board of Public Lands and Buildings visited a few more of the residences offered for a governor's mansion today. Quite a number of the houses offered have not yet been inspected.

The Lancaster county republican central committee this afternoon decided upon June 16 as the date of the county convention. The primaries will be held on June 13. Nominations will be made for the following offices: Three district judges, district clerk, treasurer, county clerk, sheriff, county judge, county commissioner, superintendent, surveyor and coroner.

Enforce Pharmacy Law.

Henry H. Barth of Lincoln, chairman of the committee on violation of the Nebraska pharmacy law, has made several trips over the state looking after violaters of the law. The following persons were recently prosecuted, convicted and fined: I. L. Meseraul, Doniphan, Neb.; R. L. Bridgeman & Co., Barada, Neb.; George L. Edres, Sterling, Neb. The law reads as follows:

Section 8. Any proprietor of a pharmacy who, not being a registered pharmacist, shall fail or neglect to place in charge of such pharmacy a registered pharmacist, or any such proprietor who shall by himself or any person permit the compounding or dispensing of prescriptions or the vending of drugs, medicines or poisons in his store or place of business, except by or in the presence of, or in and under the supervision of a registered pharmacist; or any person not being a registered pharmacist who shall take charge of or act as manager of such pharmacy or store, or who, not being a registered pharmacist, shall retail, compound or dispense drugs, poisons or medicines of any kind, or any person violating any provisions of this act to which no other penalty is herein attached, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and for every such offense, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than $10 nor more than $100, or shall be imprisoned not less than ten days nor more than ninety days.

The Board of Pharmacy is going to enforce the law and will prosecute all violators to the fullest extent.

Masons Disport Themselves.

HASTINGS, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—About 225 Masons from the Sesostris jurisdiction gathered in Hastings today and had a right royal time tonight. At 8:30 a grand street parade was made headed by the Second Regiment band. The procession marched to the Burlington depot, where a large delegation from Lincoln and other eastern places was welcomed and escorted to the Masonic temple. The procession marched through the streets, which were illuminated with red fire and the heavens were ablaze with various kinds of fireworks. The procession came to a halt amid loud cheers in front of the Masonic temple, where the following novices were properly initiated: John C. Hedge, William R. Snyder, W. O. Wing, A. H. Farrens, C. H. Paulick, Howard Finley, C. J. Miles, all of Hastings; Edwin P. King, Edgar; H. V. Pugsley, Inland; J. E. Wilcox, Glenville; Joseph E. Spatz, Fairfield, E. J. Jenkins, Fairfield; Andrew J. Minor, Nelson; John R. Kerr, Fairfield; James H. Rothwell, Trumbull; J. E. Britton, W. R. Patrick, Elwood; S. Cardeal, B. Archibald, George J. Johnston, Crook. L. D. Woodruff, potentate, and John A. Ames, recorder, both of Lincoln, officiated. A grand banquet followed and numerous toasts were responded to.

Child Drowned.

HARVARD, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Yesterday afternoon a sad accident occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Warren, residing some seven miles northwest of Harvard, resulting in the death by drowning of their youngest child, a boy some two years of age. The child and his sister, some four years of age, was playing near the bridge or banks of a small creek near the house and in some way fell in. The mother, missing the child from the house, went out to look for it, and was told by the little girl playing with him, that her brother was in the water, but death had come to the little boy before the mother could reach him.

Sweet Girl Graduates.

SHELTON, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The commencement exercises of the Shelton High school took place last night. There were but two graduates in the class. Miss Adelaide W. Lee recited the class poem and Miss M. Edith Woodburn gave the salutory. After a brief program S. Wright Butler, D. D., of Omaha, delivered a lecture on "Life on the European Plan." The program concluded with music.

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Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the wonderful new discovery in medical science, fulfills every wish in promptly curing kidney, bladder and uric acid troubles, rheumatism and pain in the back. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day and to get up many times during the night. The mild and extraordinary effects of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in fifty cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it and its great cures, both sent absolutely free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention that you read this generous offer in The Omaha Morning Bee.

NEWS FROM THE STATE SCHOOLS.

Exercises Incident to the End of the Scholastic Year.

M'COOK, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The class day exercises of the McCook High school were held in the Congregational church Tuesday night under conditions which properly bring to the hearts of the people a feeling of the greatest satisfaction and pleasure. A class of seven graduates and others participated in the program, which was of unusual excellence. The graduating exercises will be held this evening, Rev. S. Wright Butler, D. D., of Omaha, being the speaker of the evening.

GENOA, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The graduating class of the city schools is composed of three young women. The graduating exercises will be held at the opera house on Friday evening of this week. On Saturday evening following the alumni will tender the graduates a reception and banquet.

The Indian school near this city will have a graduating class numbering nine, one young woman and eight young men.

HASTINGS, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The class exercises of Hastings High school were held last night in the Kerr opera house, which was artistically decorated with class colors and potted plants for the occasion. The program as carried out was as follows: Chorus, "The Revel of the Leaves," the class; salutatory, "Language in Tone," Grace E. Bigelow; reading, "The Gladiator," Laurence Scott; paper, "The Dryads," Luella Douglas; reading, "Decoration Day," Samuel J. Stewart; piano solo, "Valse Brilliante," Ola H. Ladd; reading, "Bridget as a School Teacher," June Newmeyer; reading, "Mistaken Destinies," Robert Scott; reading, "Miss Alice Smith," Marjory Russell; paper, "Our Eventful Century," James M. Ferguson; vocal solo (a), "The Spanish Gypsy," (b) "'Sweet Genevieve," Grace F. Edwards; reading, "Rags Reagan," Laura Mann; oration, "The Cradle of the Twentieth Century," R. Ralph Deetz; prophecy, Mary E. Mead; valedictory, "The Calendar," Goldie Edgerton; piano solo, "Pasquinade," Grace E. Bigelow.

GENEVA, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The Geneva High school commencement exercises were held last night. The program was a long and interesting one. The graduates all did very nicely and were dismissed just in time to escape a wetting, as rain fell during the remainder of the night.

BLAIR, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The graduating exercises of the Blair High school will be held on Saturday evening, May 27. Special features of the program are an original composition, "The March of the Ninety-Niners," by the supervisor of music in the public schools, Prof. W. L. Johnson, to be rendered by the High School orchestra; a clarinet solo by Jay M. French, a coronet solo by George Mencke, a debate, "Resolved, That the United States Should Enter Upon an Era of Colonial Acquisition," by four of the graduates. The alumni banquet and reception will be given on Monday evening in Masonic hall. Music will be furnished by the High School orchestra and a chorus of the city teachers.

BEAVER CITY, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The eighth annual commencement exercises of the Beaver City High school were held tonight, when the following graduated: Elsie Jones, William Green, Evelyn Corbin, Russell Moore, Della Fults, Albert Trehearne, Verna Maple, Claude Combs, Laura Droll, Bernard Newton and Pearl Roberts. Chancellor MacLean of the State university adressed the class, the usual orations being dispensed with.

Nebraska Blessed with Rain.

TRENTON, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—This county was visited by the heaviest rain of the season Tuesday night about 10 o'clock. About one inch fell in less than thirty minutes. It was accompanied by lightning and some hail, but not enough to do any damage.

CULBERTSON, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—This city was visited by a severe wind storm Tuesday night, followed by a heavy rain. Crops in this vicinity are looking excellent since the rains of the last week. Farmers are happy.

DANBURY, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—A good rain fell last night, about 1.1 inches, and was general all over this section of the county. Corn planting is about all over with and the early planting is up and looking fine. Wheat is looking good and the prospect at present is good for a large crop.

Lightning struck William Kendall's frame barn Tuesday night about 11 o'clock and burned it to the ground. He had insurance on it for $190. Two horses were burned and two sets of harness.

GENOA, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The heavy rainfall of the last four days has thoroughly soaked the ground and the farmers are looking forward to a big crop this year.

FARNAM, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—At 10 o'clock Tuesday night a very heavy shower of rain fell here, accompanied by a heavy and long continued hail storm. There was no wind of consequence. The hailstones were small and, though the ground was covered to the depth of two or more inches, no damage was done to the growing crops, the trees or the shrubbery. The grown absorbed most of the rainfall and is wet down to a depth of twenty-six inches.

SUTTON, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—During the severe thunder storm this morning the tower of Rev. Bonekemper's church was struck by lightning. Two windows were demolished and other damage was sustained.

Continuous daily rains are bringing forward the corn and wheat crops to the immense satisfaction of the farmers throughout this part of the state.

BANCROFT, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The sun appeared only a couple of times from last Saturday until Wednesday, and then only for a minute or so during the four days. Intervening rain fell the greater part of the time, soaking the ground to a considerable depth. Enough rain has fallen of late to make working in the fields well nigh impossible. Possibly two-thirds of the corn has been planted, with a fair prospect that a considerable of it will have to be replanted on account of cut worms and cold, wet weather.

AUBURN, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Owing to the heavy rains the grounds of Auburndale park were badly overflowed and covered with wood and cornstalks, but the Chautauqua management has leased the city park and secured city water and the Chautauqua will be held on schedule time.

GOTHENBURG, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Another fine shower of rain prevailed over this section last night, making three and a quarter inches of rain during the month of May. Tuesday evening, while a light shower fell here, there was a very heavy rain and hail fifteen miles southwest and rain and hail nine miles north of the city, doing considerable damage. At Level, the listed corn furrows were filled up, necessitating replanting. Reports come in that several hundred acres of corn will have to be replanted, while considerable ground still remains unplanted on account of the wet weather. Small grain is making excellent growth and never looked better.

Lodge Officers Elected.

WESTERN, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The annual election of officers of Western lodge, No. 140, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, took place last night and were: P. Waldorf, W. M.; C. Edwards, S. W.; C. W. McMaster, J. W.; J. S. Pusey, treasurer; H. P. Stevens, secretary.

Child's Body Found.

DAVID CITY, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Yesterday evening Night Policeman Joseph Calvin found the remains of a young child secreted in an old vault. From appearances it had been placed there immediately after birth and had been there two or three months. Coroner Brainard, who lives at Brainard, empaneled a jury and an inquest is being held. It is rumored that the police have a clue to the guilty parties.

WIND STORM AT HASTINGS

Heavy Blow Strikes Town Early in Evening and Does Considerable Damage.

HASTINGS, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—A heavy windstorm struck Hastings about 7 o'clock tonight and did considerable damage. One whole row of sheds just south of the St. Joseph & Grand Island track was completely demolished and several small buildings were blown over.

Harrington and Holcomb.

CHADRON, Neb., May 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: Under date of the 22d instant, in the Lincoln letter of your valuable paper, appears the following statement which purported to come from a prominent democrat in the northwestern part of Nebraska:

"Harrington will have to get in line if Holcomb is a candidate and he will have to take the stump for him in spite of the anti-fusion talk. He owes Holcomb a lot of favors because of the number of his clients who were pardoned out of the penitentiary." The speaker then went on to say that he issued more pardons for men defended by Harrington than for any other attorney in the state and opined that it must have been surely for political reasons.

Owing to the fact that the above statement does an injustice to both Mr. Harrington and ex-Governor Holcomb, I ask that you give the denial of the statement the same publicity that you gave the original. Since Mr. Harrington came to the state but four of his clients have ever been convicted, and he never asked a pardon for any of them but one. That one was an old soldier who had never previously committed any crime and who had a large family, and he was pardoned by Governor Holcomb upon the request of the prosecution as well as of the defense and in compliance with the wishes of a very large number of influential citizens of all political parties. The writer knows personally that Holcomb and Harrington are close personal friends, and Holcomb can count on Harrington's support should he be the nominee of the fusionists for supreme judge this fall. Very respectfully yours, JOHN G. MAHER.

Weeping Water Women Entertain.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The women of the Zetetic club of this city entertained the Chrysalis club, also the Plattsmouth and Ashland Women's clubs yesterday. The afternoon program was given in the Congregational church parlors, which were nicely decorated for the occasion. Each society was represented in a selection of some kind. Mrs. F. H. Sackett, president of the Zetetics, gave the welcome address, which was responded to by Mrs. S. S. Fales of Ashland. Readings, music, poems, papers, etc., followed. A permanent organization of the societies was effected and an executive board from each society was chosen, consisting of the president and three members. A reception was held last night at the home of Mrs. John A. Donelan, at which the visitors from out of town and the husbands of the Zetetics were present and, besides a short musical program, refreshments were served.

Smallpox Scare Passes By.

FREMONT, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The Eno hotel was today opened up for business after being quarantined for a week on account of a case of smallpox. The bedding and all the furnishings of the room occupied by the patient, Dalton Smith, were destroyed and the entire building thoroughly fumigated under the direction of the Board of Health. This was done on Thursday last, the day young Smith was removed to a house northeast of this city. No new cases have developed and the Board of Health and physcians generally are confident no germs of the disease lurk anywhere about the Eno hotel property. The case was a very light one and the boy will probably be released from quarantine soon. All the excitement over smallpox here has subsided. Young Smith, while sick, was in a remote part of the hotel, a part seldom used except when the hotel was crowded.

Burlington Improvements.

WYMORE, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The B. & M. has a large force of graders and other workmen here laying new tracks and preparing for the big elevated coal chutes which the company is preparing to put in here. The new coal chutes will be among the largest on the system, and will cost the company several thousands of dollars. The graders will probably be here for three months yet and the yards will be put in the best possible condition and much new track laid in them. Business with the B. & M. out of this city has not been so good in many years as it has been this spring, and new men are being put to work every day.

Beer Seized at Columbus.

COLUMBUS, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—City Attorney Hensley seized 200 kegs of beer yesterday which had been sent here by the South Omaha Brewing company and consigned to themselves. The beer was to be doled out here to purchasers in quantities, to saloons and others, and the city attorney claims that inasmuch as the brewing company has taken out no wholesale license they are violating a chapter of the Slocum law. On the other hand the company claims that the deal and sale is made at and from South Omaha, where they have a wholesale license, and they simply employ an agent here. The matter will be thoroughly tested in the courts.

Gamblers Rush to Wymore.

WYMORE, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The extensive advertising this city has received in regard to it being a "wide open" town under the new city administration has been the cause of gamblers congregating here from all parts of the country, including Omaha, Lincoln, St. Joseph and Denver. Several gambling houses have started up and in some of them any kind of a game may be had. The city authorities allow them to run unmolested for the sum of $25 per month for each house. Just how long these conditions will exist is hard to tell.

Well Known in Fremont.

FREMONT, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Earl Green, who was seriously injured in the Elkhorn yards at Hastings, was born here and lived in the city until about four years ago. His parents live here and he has a large number of relatives and friends here. Joel Green, his father, his mother and a brother left for Hastings this morning.

Sunday School Convention.

DAVID CITY, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The annual convention of the Butler County Union Sunday School association opened in this city this evening and will continue tomorrow and tomorrow night. Many delegates are in attendance and many more are expected tomorrow.

Charged with Bastardy.

NEBRASKA CITY, May 25.—(Special.)—George E. Thomas of this city was arrested here today upon the charge of bastardy, preferred by Florence Brown, a young woman who resides near here. Pending hearing, on June 30, Thomas gave a bond for $200 and was released.

Plans for Decoration Day.

NEBRASKA CITY, May 25.—(Special.)—Decoration day will be fittingly observed here by the Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief corps organizations. The principal address will be delivered by Paul Jessen and the department commander.

Fairmont Out to See Schley.

FAIRMONT, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Rear Admiral Schley passed through here on the 7:30 train last night. He was met by over 1,000 citizens of this section and was introduced by General Manderson. He was able to shake hands with but few on account of so much handshaking at other places. He was called on for a speech, but only made a short talk. When the train pulled out three rousing cheers went up for the admiral.

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

Summary of Their Condition and Business Last Year in Nebraska.

LINCOLN, May 25.—(Special.)—Owing to some difficulty with the state printer, the department of banking has not been able to publish the annual report of the business of Nebraska building and loan associations for the year 1898. Under the new law, reports will be required for the fiscal year ending June 30. As the law does not go into effect until next August, the provision will not apply to this year, but the board may call for a report for the half year, if it chooses. The State league recommended such action so as to avoid the complication of an eighteen months' report next year. No action has been taken by the board, but the probabilities favor a report being called for, covering business for the half year.

Secretary Hall furnishes the following summary of the delayed report for 1898:

ASSETS.

First mortgage loans	$2,821,703.11
First mortgage loans in process of foreclosure	56,357.89
Real estate	192,450.98
Furniture and fixtures	2,295.72
Cash	146,431.30
Expenses and taxes paid	48,358.52
Due from shareholders	47,082.55
Other assets	114,047.04
Total	$3,428,728.11

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid up	$2,906,863.53
Profits undivided, including reserve fund	330,247.31
Premiums unearned	47,517.51
Due shareholders on incomplete loans	19,475.18
Advance payments	5,095.44
Matured stock unpaid	110,120.66
Bills payable	5,550.00
Other liabilities	3,858.48
Total	$3,428,728.11

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1897	$ 77,099.53
Dues	902,933.54
Interest	253,483.68
Fines	6,387.33
Loans repaid	417,787.59
Other receipts	181,507.28
Total	$1,846,198.95

EXPENDITURES.

Loans	$ 757,104.07
Salaries	29,441.43
Other expenses	191,674.98
Withdrawals, dues	435,564.88
Withdrawals, earnings	71,887.08
Matured stock, dues	157,224.28
Matured stock, earnings	56,675.04
*Cash on hand	146,627.39
Total	$1,846,198.95

*Error in reports.

RECAPITULATION.

Number of shares in force at last report	66,232
Number of shares matured during current year	2,329
Number of shares issued during current year	26,338½
Number of shares withdrawn and canceled during current year	10,268½
Number of shares in force at this date	79,973
Number of loans for payment of homestead mortgages during current year	695
Number of loans made for building purposes during current year	380
Number of shareholders	12,752
Number of mortgages in process of foreclosure	76
Amount of mortgages in process of foreclosure	$ 64,461.84
Total appraised value of real estate and improvements held as security	5,183,247.10
Amount of insurance in force and assigned to the associations as collateral security	2,929,635.00
Value of other real estate held by the associations	163,548.66
Number of associations in force December 31, 1897	68
Number discontinued during year	4
Number in force December 31, 1898	64

The four associations which discontinued business are the Dewitt, Hebron, Bohemian of Omaha and Packers of South Omaha.

A comparison with the returns for 1897 show a marked gain for last year. While the total number of associations was decreased by four, and the assets by $126,050, membership increased from 11,821 to 12,752, and the shares in force from 66,232 to 79,973. A notable feature of the report is the showing of "loans repaid," the aggregate being $417,778.59. On the first of the present year associations had an abundance of cash on hand, the total being $146,627. This surplus has been largely reduced. Since March 1 the demand for money has been sufficient to reduce cash balances to the normal.

Poynter's Charges Against Sprague.

BEATRICE, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—A hearing in the injunction against Governor Poynter's removal of Dr. C. G. Sprague as superintendent of the Institution for the Feeble Minded has again been postponed until June 15, and charges have been filed against him by Governor Poynter. The defendant is called to appear before the governor at 10 o'clock next Saturday to make answer. There are eleven counts in the indictment which bears the governor's signature and are in brief as follows: Wrongfully appropriating premium on warrants of employes, neglect of patients, cruelty to inmates, carelessness and neglect of duty, causing the death rate to largely increase, misrepresentation of the condition of the institution in his biennial report, mismanagement in disposing of state property, failure to report funds in the sewing department, wrongfully charging to the state express on goods sent to relatives and friends, charging the state with cost of transportation to Omaha when a pass was used, and negligence.

Disbarment Proceedings.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The hearing of evidence in the disbarment proceedings against John C. Watson was continued today. Some eight or ten witnesses were examined on the part of the prosecution in support of the different charges in the complaint. Details were gone into regarding Watson's transactions with William Hawke and evidence was offered tending to show that Hawkes was out of the city at the time the instrument purports to have been executed. Alleged irregularities in professional services rendered by Watson to Bradley, administrator of the Meyers estate, and S. H. Morrison, a jeweler of this city, were touched upon by witnesses for the complainants. Members of the committee evince a deep interest in the proceedings and questioned the witness carefully and closely. The hearing will be continued tomorrow.

Nemaha County to Have Court House.

AUBURN, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The question of a new court house for Nemaha county was settled at an election held yesterday, a majority of about 700 votes being cast for the bonds. Eleven of the thirteen precincts gave majorities for the bond proposition, though only about a two-thirds vote was polled.

District court convened yesterday. There are no cases on the docket which are of any great importance.

Over 400 hogs were brought to this market Wednesday. There was no rise in the price, but farmers could not work in the fields so improved the time hauling hogs.

A large acreage of corn was washed out by the heavy rains and on the low lands many fences were destroyed.

Salary Too Small.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The Board of Education at the last meeting tendered the position of superintendent of the city schools to Prof. C. S. Jones, who has occupied a similar position in the Auburn schools for some time past. It is generally understood that Prof. Jones will not accept the position at the present salary.

Wymore Wide Awake.

WYMORE, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Wymore is making preparations to entertain the old soldiers and thousands of visitors next August, at which time the annual reunion of the Southeastern Nebraska Veterans will be held in that city. Wymore has one of the finest parks in the state, located on the river front, an abundance of shade, plenty of good water and an ideal place to camp. More than $1,000 has already been subscribed by the citizens to be used in entertaining the visitors.

Lumber Yard Changes Hands.

WESTON, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The Chicago Lumber company at this place has just closed a deal whereby it becomes possessor of the H. F. Blunk & Co. yard, combining the two in one. H. F. Blunk remains as the company's agent.

HYMENEAL.

Butler-Unruh.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—A very pretty wedding was celebrated at high noon today at St. Luke's Episcopal church, when Miss Mabel Adel Unruh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John I. Unruh of this city, and Orville Butler of Galena, Mich., were united in wedlock by Rev. H. B. Burgess. As the bridal party marched down the aisle the choir sang the wedding chorus. Miss Florence White was the maid of honor and Franz Ballance best man. The ushers were Misses Hallie Atwood and Jane Marshall and Messrs. Lee L. Atwood and Casper Thigeson. After the wedding dinner at the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Butler departed for a visit in Kansas.

Smith-Mickey.

OSCEOLA, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—At the home of the bride's parents, May 24, by Rev. L. P. Smith, Mr. H. O. Smith was married to Miss Bertha E. Mickey, eldest daughter of Hon. and Mrs. J. H. Mickey. A large number of relatives, together with a few friends, were present. Mr. Smith is the assistant to City Ticket Agent Bonnell of the Burlington at Lincoln and the happy couple will immediately go to Lincoln where they have a pleasant home furnished ready to keep house.

Clark-Simpson.

MEAD, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Miss Lulu Simpson, granddaughter of C. Ostenberg of this place, and Pearley Clark, agent of the Oregon Short Line at Kemmerer, Idaho, were married here yesterday afternoon by Rev. J. W. Swain of Wahoo. Mr. and Mrs. Clark left on the evening train for Seneca, Kas., for a visit at the home of Mr. Clark's parents, after which they will go to their new home at Kemmerer, Idaho.

Watts-Cheesbro.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Myrick Watts and Mrs. Serepta Cheesbro were united in marriage by Rev. G. W. Hawley on Wednesday at 8:30 p. m. at the residence of J. E. Bartlett, in the presence of a few relatives and friends. The marriage is of more than usual interest owing to the age of the contracting parties, the groom being 69 and the bride 63.

Taylor-Franck.

GRAFTON, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—On Tuesday at the Catholic church, Mr. Frank Taylor of Lead City, S. D., and Miss Lizzie Franck were married, Rev. Fitzgerald performing the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of our townsman, Mr. David Franck.

No Clue of Missing Child.

NEW YORK, May 25.—The kidnaped child, Marion Clark, is still missing, and though the police force is vigorously at work no clues of her whereabouts or of the kidnapers have been secured. The rewards offered for the discovery of the child and the apprehension of her abductors now amount to $4,500.

TODAY'S WEATHER FORECAST

Nebraska Atmosphere is Still Loaded with Moisture and Clouds Travel This Way.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Forecast for Friday:

For Nebraska, Kansas and the Dakotas—Showers and cooler Friday; Saturday partly cloudy and cooler; southerly winds.

For Iowa and Missouri—Warmer; partly cloudy Friday; showers Saturday; increasing south to southeast winds.

For Wyoming—Fair in western; showers and cooler in eastern portion Friday; west to northwest winds; Saturday fair.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, May 25.—Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1899.	1898.	1897.	1896.
Maximum temperature	77	87	67	79
Minimum temperature	63	67	49	72
Average temperature	70	77	58	76
Precipitation	.03	.00	.00	.00

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1899:

Normal for the day	65
Excess for the day	5
Accumulated deficiency since March 1	266
Normal rainfall for the day	.15 inch
Deficiency for the day	.12 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	6.18 inches
Deficiency since March 1	1.88 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1898	.39 inch
Excess for cor. period, 1897	.76 inch

Reports from Stations at 8 p. m.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER.	Temperature at 8 p. m.	Maximum temperature	Precipitation
Omaha, cloudy	75	77	.00
North Platte, partly cloudy	76	82	.00
Salt Lake, cloudy	58	72	.00
Cheyenne, clear	66	74	.08
Rapid City, clear	78	84	.00
Huron, clear	72	80	.00
Willston, partly cloudy	66	72	.00
Chicago, partly cloudy	74	80	.00
St. Louis, clear	74	82	.00
St. Paul, cloudy	70	72	T
Davenport, cloudy	76	80	.00
Helena, clear	62	72	.00
Kansas City, partly cloudy	74	76	T
Havre, raining	68	76	...
Bismarck, partly cloudy	78	82	.00
Galveston, cloudy	80	86	.00

T indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH,
Local Forecast Official.

Mrs. Pinkham's Advice Saved Mrs. Hayes From an Operation.

[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 64,283]

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—Words cannot express my thanks to you for your kind advice to me in regard to my health. I had been running down in health for about seven years. I had doctored with good doctors and taken a great many patent medicines. My trouble began when my first child was born. I had a very hard time and after its birth would have severe flooding spells.

"After my second child I had very good health until last winter when I again became pregnant and suffered very much and miscarried. I came very near dying, and the doctor said I must have an operation, which frightened me very much, and concluded to write to you for your advice, and take your medicine. Was troubled with the whites, great pain in back and hips, sometimes when lying down or sitting was unable to get up. Would have such pain in groins could hardly walk.

"I can say I have