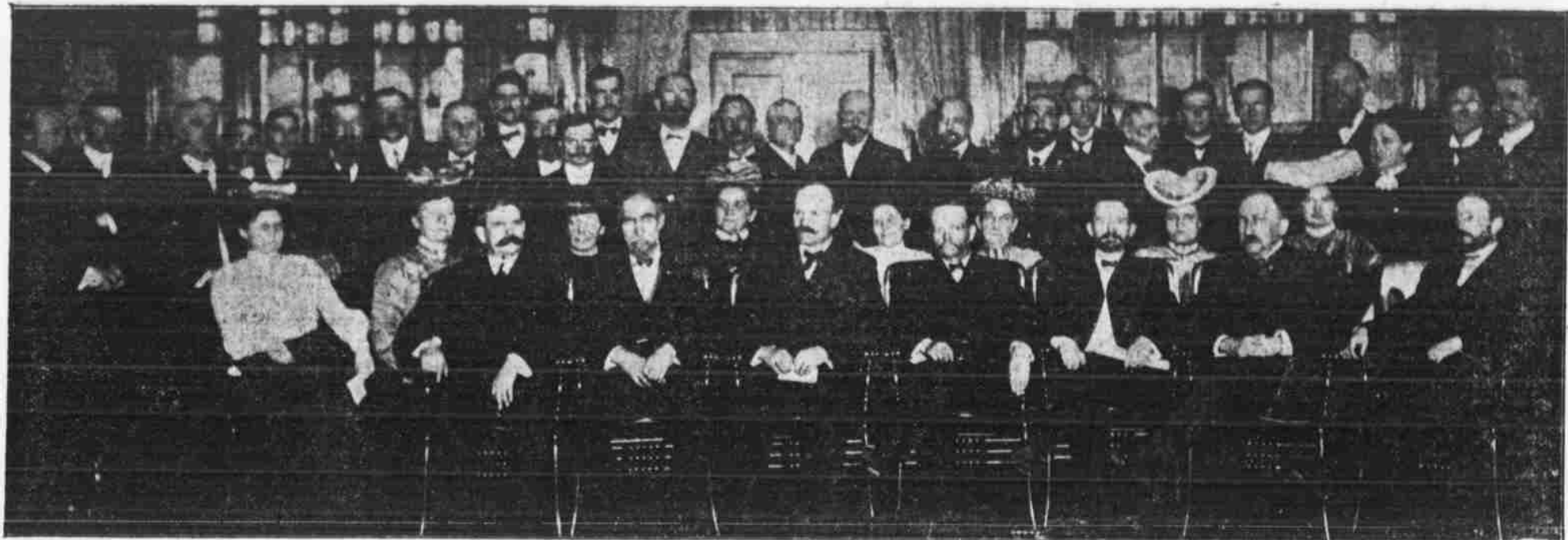


People and Things of Public Interest



MEMBERS OF THE NEBRASKA STATE HOMEOPATHIC SOCIETY WHO RECENTLY MET IN CONVENTION IN OMAHA.—Flashlight Photo by a Staff Artist.



H. C. LINDSAY, NEW CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEBRASKA.



DR. A. P. WELLES, MCCOOK, Neb., NEW PRESIDENT OF NEBRASKA STATE HOMEOPATHIC SOCIETY.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES BLAIR OF LINWOOD, Neb.

NEBRASKA practitioners of the Hahnemann school of medicine recently held a very pleasant, profitable session of their state society in Omaha. It was largely attended, and a very interesting, from a scientific point of view, program was carried out during the three days the doctors were in town, and the customary banquet was held just to show that the good things are not despised by the men of medicine. Dr. A. P. Welles of McCook, Neb., was chosen to be president for the coming year. Dr. Welles has been prominent in the councils of the society since its organization, and has held a number of offices under that to which he has just been elected.

During the same week that the doctors were here the Order of Eastern Star held its state meeting at Masonic temple in Omaha, and a series of sessions of great interest to members of the order were had. Many delegates and visitors were present, and during the time of the meeting the secret work of the order was exemplified by special teams, and chapters from out in the state gave exhibitions of special work. At the election of officers for the ensuing term, Mrs. Mary E. Haggard of Nebraska City was chosen to be grand matron, the highest honor the order can bestow on one of its members.

Harry C. Lindsay, who has just been named a clerk of the supreme court of Nebraska, is an attorney from Pawnee City. He has been prominently identified with state politics for several years past, having been chairman of the state republican committee for the last four years. Mr. Lindsay has shown much executive capacity in the management of state campaigns, and stands high in the esteem of those who know him best.

The election on Monday of Mrs. Mary Girard Andrews as president of the Omaha Woman's club gives an additional honor to one who has for a number of years been one of the most prominent women of the city. Since the organization of the club, eleven years ago, Mrs. Andrews has been one of its most active members, she having organized and led the department of ethics and philosophy, in addition to participating in the general work. An ordained minister of the Unitarian church, she has had several important charges, both in Nebraska and Iowa, one of which she holds at present. She has also been a prominent worker in the Women's Christian Temperance union and the Suffrage association of the city and the state, having served two terms



MRS. MARY E. HAGGARD, NEBRASKA CITY, RECENTLY ELECTED GRAND MATRON O. E. S. FOR NEBRASKA.

as president of the local union and for the past two years been chairman of the Omaha Woman's club's committee acting in conjunction with the other women's organizations of the state to secure a more equitable property rights law for women. Mrs. Andrews will accompany the Nebraska delegation to the biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's clubs at St. Louis, and will enter upon the duties of her new office at the expiration of the present club year, May 24.

On Tuesday, February 16, 1904, Mr. and Mrs. James Blair of Linwood, Neb., celebrated their golden wedding. James Blair is of sturdy Scotch-Irish parents and a native of Pennsylvania. Mary Ann Brown was born of Scotch-Irish parents in Londonderry, Ireland. She came to this country when 20 years old, and four years later on February 16, 1854, she and Mr. Blair were married in Venango county, Pa. In 1857 they migrated to Missouri and a year later, 1858, to Nebraska, locating about eighty rods east of their present cozy home. When they settled here there was not a white person from Salt Creek to Kearney. Mr. and Mrs. Blair, being the oldest settlers in Butler county, can tell of some thrilling experiences with the Indians and privations suffered during pioneer days. Nine children have been born to them, six of whom are living. The oldest, Mrs. Isabella Howie of White Owl, S. D., was not able to be present at the an-



REV. MARY GIRARD ANDREWS, WHO HAS JUST BEEN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE OMAHA WOMAN'S CLUB.

niversary celebration. The five present were S. B. Blair of Council Bluffs, Ia.; R. J. Blair of Alliance, Mrs. Martha Davenport of Octavia, Mrs. Minnie Lucke of Norfolk and W. J. Blair of Linwood. A

notable feature of the occasion was that A. B. Garfield of Octavia and P. P. Garfield of David City, nephews of Mr. Blair, were guests at the original wedding, and also the fiftieth wedding anniversary.