

LETTER CARRIERS CATHAR

Lincoln the scene of lively convention by Men of Mail Boxes.

FUNERAL OF H. A. BABCOCK TODAY

Late Deputy State Treasurer Will Be Buried from His Residence This Afternoon—Van Houten Details Story.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 30.—(Special.)—The letter carriers from all over the state to the number of over 100 gathered in Lincoln today and gallivanted over town until late this evening, waiting for the arrival of the Omaha and South Omaha contingent in order to get down to work with a full house. This afternoon on the part of Omaha and South Omaha delegates delayed the calling of the meeting to order until after 4 o'clock, when the election of officers occurred with this result: M. R. Thorp of Nebraska City, president; F. E. McFarland of York, vice president; E. P. Doney of Kearney, treasurer; John Flynn, South Omaha, secretary; Thomas Fitzgerald, South Omaha, sergeant-at-arms; E. J. Grady, M. B. A. collector; members of executive committee, Thomas McShane, W. H. Hargreaves of Lincoln and J. L. Johnson of South Omaha.

The annual banquet was pulled off at the Lindell hotel, and a right enjoyable affair it was. Edward R. Sizer, Lincoln's handsome postmaster, presided as toastmaster and started the ball, after which the following toasts were responded to: "The Capital City," Mayor George A. Adams; "Aims of the Letter Carriers Association," C. W. Miller, superintendent stock yards station, South Omaha; "On the Carpet," Postmaster F. McCartney; "The Press," A. L. Gale; "Our Country Cousins," F. H. Cunningham, president National Association of Letter Carriers, South Omaha; "The Man of Letters," Postmaster T. E. Sedwick; "What It Means to be President," M. R. Thorp, letter carrier, Nebraska City; "Are the Dailies In?" Harry T. Dobbins; "Make Your Bow to Sister Biddy," Postmaster F. J. Eisey; "On the Beach," F. J. Eisey; "The Sub-Carrier and His Pull," Frank Melick; "The Service from a Business Standpoint," J. E. Miller.

FUNERAL OF H. A. BABCOCK.

The funeral of H. A. Babcock, deputy state treasurer, who died yesterday morning, will occur from the family residence, 124 J street, at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The funeral will be held from 12 o'clock until after the funeral, the state officers acting as honorary pallbearers. The Wisconsin Veterans, of whom there are a number in Lincoln, will either be the active pallbearers or those will be old friends of Babcock. Ben Ord, the committee having the arrangements in charge not having decided on this. Rev. Swearingen of the Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Babcock was a member, will preach the sermon.

Van Houten Details Story.

George Van Houten, night watchman at the state house, who was arrested last night on complaint of Harry Kirk, was freed from jail this morning and a \$100 bond, given by Attorney General Probst, who, it is understood, will defend Van Houten in police court tomorrow. Kirk and Josie Cutler were arrested at the state house Friday night and Kirk claims that he was arrested because he consulted them for release and that after letting him go, kept the girl locked up until 4 o'clock in the morning in one of the offices in the building. Van Houten claims the story is false in every particular and that the two have been arrested because he consulted them to leave the state house grounds.

Omaha Assessment.

The Commercial club will meet tomorrow and it is understood that the matter of the Omaha assessment will be discussed. Assessor Reed of Douglas county has answered his critics from Lincoln, but this, it seems, has not satisfied the critics down here and they want to discuss the matter further.

Crippled Flagman Robbed.

Robert Kelly, an aged flagman in the employ of the Burlington, has reported to the police that some one entered his room and stole \$10 from the pockets of his trousers. Kelly is a cripple, having been injured in a wreck many years ago and is over 70 years of age. The police have no clue to the robber.

Ministers Entertain Each Other.

The ministers of Lincoln and their wives spent the evening at a real humorous banquet given at the First Presbyterian church. The occasion was the annual ministerial banquet and the toasts delivered were certainly unique. The subjects followed: "Why I Like to Preach," Rev. H. C. Swearingen; "Why I Cannot Preach Any Better," Rev. G. M. Geles; "Why More People Do Not Hear Me Preach," Rev. J. E. Tuttle; "How I Should Like to Preach," Rev. L. M. Denton; "What People Think of the Preacher," Rev. J. W. Ball.

News was received in Lincoln today that Miss Virginia Thornton, for many years a reporter for the News here, who resigned several weeks ago because of ill health, was critically ill at the home of St. Joseph. Miss Thornton fell on the ice last winter and severely injured herself, from which time her illness dates.

W. J. Bryan returned last night from his southern trip and tomorrow will head the delegation to Omaha to take part in the democratic state convention to be held there Wednesday.

For Firemen's Tournament.

NORFOLK, Neb., May 30.—(Special.)—The local members of the State Firemen's Association have named their committees for the work of the tournament this year and the fighters of blazes are all busy now getting things in shape to advertise the event and to take care of the visitors when they have arrived. The dates chosen

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Sweetser-Pembroke Dry Goods

The most sensational bargains ever offered to the buying public of the West. Silks, Dress Goods, Imported and Domestic Wash Dress Goods, Swisses, Prints, Calicos, Ginghams, Linens, Ladies' and Children's Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Swiss Curtain Nets, Etc. Great quantities of goods arriving every day.

In this sensational sale One Dollar does the work of Five Dollars. Sale resumed Tuesday at 8 a. m. Read the Sunday advertisement for details.

Second Day of the Sweetser-Pembroke Auction Stock Sale Tuesday 8 a. m.

CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

- 200 suits, men's and young men's, from Kohn Bros., Chicago, worth up to \$15, sale price..... 10.00
300 suits, men's and young men's, from L. Abt & Sons, Chicago, worth up to \$25, sale price..... 12.50
500 suits, bought from Hirschman Bros. & Co., New York, worth up to \$30, sale price..... 15.00

Underwear Department—15c, 23c, 50c, 75c and 89c

Men's and boy's union suits—they talk for themselves. Men's Hosiery Dept.—10c, 3 for 25c; 15c, 2 for 25c; 20c, 3 for 50c and 25c. Don't overlook these hose.

Handkerchief Dept.—5c, 10c, 3 for 25c; 15c, 2 for 25c (worth double) SHIRT DEPT. This department is the talk of all of them. "Ideal" M. E. Smith Co's. home made shirts on sale at 35c, 50c, 69c and 89c. All worth double the money. How's your shirt want?

Hat Department

- One more drummer's line of sample hats, worth up to \$2.50, sale price..... 1.00
See the new electric blue hats for blue serge suits—received by express Monday a. m.—for men or young men, \$2.00 and 1.50
On sale Tuesday a. m. TROUSERS DUTCHESS, 10c a button, \$1.00 a rip—from \$5.00 to 1.00
Sole agents for Omaha. 100 pairs of trousers out of suits, worth \$5.00, at 2.50

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will please observe we cannot send samples. Please describe fully the patterns, colors, etc., of the goods you wish to buy and as long as the stock holds out, mail orders will be filled promptly.

MEMORIAL DAY IN THE STATE

Citizens Generally Join in Observance of Beautiful Custom.

OLD SOLDIERS IN THE LEAD EVERYWHERE

Veterans with Their Wives and Friends Pay Loving Tribute to the Dead Gone Before.

Chadron Academy Commencement.

CHADRON, Neb., May 30.—(Special.)—While the Chadron High school is the center of attraction last week it is the Chadron academy now. Commencing with the baccalaureate sermon at 11 a. m. yesterday by Rev. John H. Andrews, president of the board of trustees, the commencement week program follows: Annual address to the students, Monday evening, by Rev. D. J. Clark, presiding elder of the Chadron district of the Methodist Episcopal church; Tuesday, May 31, commencement concert in the evening; Wednesday evening, June 1, senior evening, "As You Like It"; Friday, June 3, commencement day; address by Rev. J. E. Tuttle, D. D., of Lincoln; presentation of diplomas; "No flowers"; "No presents."

Commercial Course—Homer F. Gillett, Gregory; Edgar Sprague, Coville.

Normal Course—Amalia Oberkotter, Geneva; Claire Moorman, Chadron; John L. Willis, Chadron; Bertha E. Phelps, Belmont.

Commercial Course—Frank J. Eber, Chadron; James A. Hasburgh, Chadron; Pearl Mengel, Belmont; Edith Y. Higgs, Holly; Gertrude A. Hasburgh, Chadron; Amelia Kleeman, Hough; Frank Headen, Deadwood; B. D. Mabel Wilkinson, Crawford; W. T. Worthington, Hay Springs.

Music Course—Blanche James, Chadron; Alberta Munkres, Chadron.

Lame Back.

This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and may be cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm two or three times a day and rubbing the parts vigorously at each application. If this does not afford relief, bind on a piece of flannel, slightly dampened with Pain Balm, and quick relief is almost sure to follow.

Poverty at Osceola.

OSCEOLA, Neb., May 30.—(Special.)—Osceola's Degree of Honor lodge has just held at the Auditorium building what they called a poverty social, and for all the outlandish poverty that has ever been exhibited in Osceola that lodge takes the cake and whole bakery, and the most poverty-stricken person that showed up was Miss Clara Mills, and she took the first prize as being the maid-all forlorn, who from head to foot was all tatters and torn. The second prize went to the McCormick young man, and taking the whole outfit together it required pretty good judgment to decide who was tattered the most. The women gave a nice supper and realized a good sum of money from the crowd, notwithstanding their poverty.

Advertisement for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Text: 'Is to love children, and as home can be completely happy without them, yet the ordeal through which the expectant mother must pass usually is so full of suffering, danger and fear that she looks forward to the critical hour with apprehension and dread. Mother's Friend, by its penetrating and soothing properties, allays nausea, nervousness, and all unpleasant feelings, and so prepares the system for the ordeal that she passes through the event safely and with but little suffering, as numbers have testified and said, "It is worth its weight in gold." \$1.00 per bottle of druggists. Book containing valuable information mailed free. THE BRAINFIELD REGULATOR CO., Atlanta, Ga.'

and was listened to with close attention.

Music was furnished by the Hooper band and there was a big crowd of people present, many coming in from adjoining towns.

Big Crowd at Tekamah.

TEKAMAH, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The best attended and most interesting memorial services ever held in this county have just closed. Great crowds were present from the country and seemed to take the most interest in the decoration of graves at the cemetery and the services in the opera house this afternoon. The Tekamah band and Company E, Nebraska National Guard, participated with Boomer post, Grand Army of the Republic in the ceremonies. Rev. A. J. Markley of Tekamah and Judge Barnes of Norfolk were the speakers and infused and pleased the great audience with their pathos and patriotism. Judge Barnes especially reached a warm spot in the hearts of the veterans. The day was grand and everybody was satisfied.

Union Services at Edgar.

EDGAR, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Memorial day was observed by union services in the opera house at 11 o'clock a. m. Rev. A. C. Crosthwaite preached the sermon and was assisted in the services by the pastors of the Presbyterian and Baptist churches. Excellent singing was furnished by Prof. Fuller's special choir. A large audience was present, the post and corps being present in a body.

Observance at Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Decorative day was fittingly observed here. In the forenoon members of Rawlins post No. 25, Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief corps, Spanish-American war veterans and others visited the cemeteries where the graves of the dead comrades were strewn with flowers. Exercises were held at the Auditorium in the afternoon, the address being delivered by Hon. Charles H. Sloan of Geneva, Neb. At the close, those assembled marched to the Court street bridge where the waters of the Blue river were strewn with flowers in memory of the dead soldiers and sailors buried at sea.

Ceremonies at Wayne.

WAYNE, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Business houses, public buildings and school buildings were arrayed in flags and bunting, and many of the business houses were closed this afternoon. Farmers in general are through planting and hundreds of them were in the city. Three or four thousand people visited the cemetery which had been better arrayed than ever before, and the decorations were most elaborate. The exercises were under the auspices of the Casey post No. 5, Grand Army of the Republic. The post, with a band of little flower girls, marched to the opera house at 1:30 p. m., where hundreds of people were unable to gain admission. Short addresses were made by Mayor Britton and Prof. Snodgrass, interspersed with excellent music. The speaker of the day was P. E. Taylor of Tekamah, who presented an eloquent and able address which received marked attention. At the conclusion of the exercises one of the largest processions ever seen in this city formed and marched to the cemetery where the graves of departed comrades were decorated with flowers under the leadership of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Memorial exercises were held at the Methodist church yesterday under the auspices of Casey post and were attended by several hundred people.

Rev. T. J. Whitte, pastor of the church, delivered an address which was given close attention throughout. The old soldiers marched in a body to the church.

Services at Alliance.

ALLIANCE, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Memorial day was fittingly observed in this city today. All business was suspended at noon and the city throughout was very beautifully decorated. Services began at 1:30 p. m. at the Methodist church, where the graves used by the school children the flowers used to strew the heroes' graves. A procession was then formed and a visit paid to the cemetery here and over the graves of seventeen old soldiers a touching service was performed.

Day at David City.

DAVID CITY, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Memorial exercises were held at the Congregational church yesterday afternoon, Rev. F. A. Colony of St. Luke's church delivering the sermon. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief corps met at the armory and

ing of Group No. 7, State Bankers' association.

H. L. Malloy of Springfield was elected president of the group; F. H. Swingley of Atkinson, vice president, and W. A. Bucklin of Long Pine, secretary and treasurer. A banquet was tendered the visiting bankers in the evening at the Osborn house, at which Judge A. W. Scattergood of Ainsworth acted as toastmaster. The banquet consumed two hours of unusual pleasure. Among the resolutions adopted by Group 7 was one concerning the refusal of World's Fair Commissioner Walsh to advertise western and northwestern Nebraska and the merits of the Kincaid bill.

Arapahoe's Observance.

ARAPAHOE, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Decorative day was duly observed in an appropriate manner under the auspices of Garret post No. 120, W. D. Pruitt, commander. On Sunday memorial services were held at the Methodist Episcopal church, addressed by Rev. Chandler. Today at the graveyard assembled a large concourse to decorate the graves. After decorating the graves and dinner in the city park, Decoration day services were held in the opera house with an interesting program and the attendance limited only by the capacity of the house. The business houses closed during the services.

Commander Brass Speaks.

M'COOK, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—State Commander Harmon Brass of the Nebraska Grand Army of the Republic, was the speaker of the day at the Decoration day exercises in McCook. He spoke to a crowded house in the Baptist church at 2 o'clock this afternoon. After the exercises in the church the graves of departed soldiers and sailors were decorated in the several cemeteries of the city. Business was suspended in the city, which was decorated for the day.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Decorative day exercises were held in this city today at the First Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. J. W. Scott delivering the address. The Grand Army of the Republic, firemen and other civic organizations marched to the cemeteries and decorated the graves of their dead. After the exercises of the day the Loeb concert band gave a concert at the city park.

Schools Assist at Schuyler.

SCHUYLER, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Decorative day was fittingly observed here today, although announcements and preparations were made and begun late. All of the school children of the city gathered at the high school building at 9 o'clock, where each room was made to accommodate the pupils of one room from the other schools, until all were provided for. Thirty-minute programs were given in each room, and the most interesting special addresses by parties from outside the schools, after which all marched to the cemetery to strew flowers upon the graves of deceased soldiers. It was heartily participated in by teachers and pupils and felt to have been much more impressive than the usual manner of participating with the soldiers and citizens in the after part of the day. At 1:30 o'clock the old soldiers, Woman's Relief corps, city officials and citizens, headed by the Citizens' band,

formed a procession and marched to the cemetery for the customary ceremony of decorating the graves of soldiers.

Returning to the Methodist church at 2 o'clock they were addressed by Rev. T. C. Webster. The members of the local post, Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief corps and Company K, Nebraska National Guard, attended memorial services at the Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. C. A. Arnold of the Presbyterian church delivering a splendid address.

GERMAN REFORMED CONFERENCE

Six Days' Session at Dry Branch Church Comes to Close. HUMBOLDT, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The annual conference of the Nebraska district of the German Reformed church is holding a six days' session at the Dry Branch church, southeast of this city, the meeting having begun on May 25. Rev. Fred Maurer of Harbine is president and Rev. William Bonekemper of Sutton secretary of the conference. The former preached the opening sermon on Thursday evening and on the following evening the delegates listened to an interesting talk on the deaconess work by Rev. W. H. Hortsch, superintendent of the German hospital and deaconess home at Cincinnati, O. The lecture was illustrated by stereoscopic views, pertaining to the work. At the Sunday morning church hour sermons were delivered to the children by Rev. J. Schilvikhart and A. Hamann, and to the older people by Rev. J. Arnold of Lincoln, Neb. Sunday evening the pulpit was filled by Rev. J. Bauer of Heldon, Neb., and today the ministers held a private conference at the home of the pastor, Rev. E. Lehrer.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the pulpit at the Fourmile church, a short distance away, was filled by Rev. J. Brown of Duncan, Neb., who spoke to the older ones, while Revs. C. Iffert and J. Bauer talked to the Sabbath school children.

Coal at Lynch.

NORFOLK, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Coal has been struck in paying quantities at Lynch, Neb. The artesian well there, into which a pipe 600 feet long has been sunk, is shooting out chunks of combustible carbon that the citizens feel proud of. It is estimated that it will boom the town. The quality is good. John A. Lynch, for whom the town was named, was in Norfolk today and reported that that section of the state had benefited by most excellent rains and that the prospects for a fine crop were never better than this season.

Commits Suicide.

BEATRICE, Neb., May 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Louis Housman, a young man residing about fifteen miles below this place, shot himself this afternoon with a .32-caliber revolver. It is supposed that Housman committed suicide, although no reason is given for the act. Housman was a soldier in the Philippines and was discharged from the service only about six months ago. He was employed as a section hand at Barnston, a short distance below this place. He is 27 years of age.

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