AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Over Eleven Hundred Names Added to the Registration Lists.

TRIFLE MORE THAN HAD BEEN EXPECTED

Republican Rally at Workman Temple Fully Comes Up to the Expectations of Candidates and Committee.

The revision of registration yesterday was attended with no unusual features, though the registration was a trifle larger than predicted. Full returns were in by 10:30 and were verified except as to the socialistic and scattering vote. The total registration was 1,117. The registration by precincts yesterday was as follows:

	Rep.	Dem.
First Ward—		
First precinct	27	40
Second precinct	44	39
Second Ward—		
First precinct	57	31
Second precinct	51	59
Third Ward—		
First precinct	70	80
Second precinct	72	68
Fourth Ward—		
First precinct	44	23
Second precinct	52	53
Fifth Ward—		
First precinct	32	25
Second precinct	41	73
Sixth Ward—		
First precinct	33	32
Second precinct	82	68
Totals	566	571

Republican lead, 24.
Independent and socialist, 51.

The unverified vote on the socialist and independent or scattering registration will add a few to the grand totals, though the vote of the republican and democratic parties is verified.

Biggest Rally of Campaign.

Every seat in the auditorium of the Ancient Order of United Workmen temple was filled at an early hour last night to listen to the speakers who united to make the meeting the biggest event of the city campaign. As soon as the seats on the lower floor were filled the gallery was opened and a large number of people flocked there and many stood at the back of the room. A number of interested women were present, though, naturally, the men were in the great majority. The speakers of the occasion, aside from the candidates, were J. H. Van Dusen and L. C. Gibson. The favorite candidates were cheered roundly as they appeared. H. C. Murphy, E. L. Howe and W. P. Adkins were specially singled out for an unusual demonstration. The speakers of the evening brought out the merits of the present campaign with vigor and eloquence. Some of the indisputable facts brought out during the evening were as follows: There has been a regular reduction in the rate of taxation since the republican party came into power. The rate grades down from 11 mills in 1900, thus: 1901, 9.30 mills; 1902, 9.29; 1903, 9.49; 1904, 8%; 1905, 7%. In 1900 the corporations paid $19,017.81 and in 1905 $84,047.56, an increase of $65,029.75. The home owners of South Omaha paid less taxes in 1905 than in any year since the first date mentioned.

There was in the treasury April 1, 1900, only $40,496.11, while March 9, 1905, the amount stood $355,528.14. Out of the present year's levy the city has paid for a new fire hall, $20,000; on a pest house, $1,000; on voting machines, $1,200; on primary election, $709.

An answer to the challenge of the democrats as to what was done with the scavenger funds was made a point of argument. This, it was explained, has been accruing since 1904, and the total amount received was $24,799.51. Here are the itemized disbursements: January, 1905, paid old judgments outstanding against the city and cleared up every outstanding warrant, $6,371.57; May, 1905, paid all the outstanding sidewalk warrants, which had run against the city for four years back, $4,310.88; June, 1905, appropriated to 1906 levy $6,761.12. Since that time $185.69 has been paid out on warrants which can be produced in evidence at the treasurer's office. There remains as a cash balance to be appropriated to the 1906 levy $7,170.25. So every dollar is accounted for by the records. Anyone taking the trouble can find the exact items.

Mr. Houseman's Attitude.

George Houseman has made it so plain what his attitude will be as a member of the Board of Education that no one need have any doubt as to his policy. In speaking of his attitude with reference to the school board, Mr. Houseman said to a representative of The Bee: "I want it distinctly understood that I shall have no part or interest in any factional or personal fight on the board. My aim will be to help in every way to promote the general welfare of the schools, regardless of personal or political quarrels. I want to see the schools grow in size and in strength. I am proud that we have one of the finest high school buildings in the west, and am proud, too, that we have a fine corps of teachers."

It may be stated that Mr. Houseman is a man of ripe experience and splendid judgment. He is a scholarly man, liberal in his views and peaceful in his nature. He has made a clean campaign and he has assurances from the voters of every class and clan that he will be elected on Tuesday next.

Adkins on Campaign.

W. P. Adkins, the republican candidate for mayor, expressed himself as well satisfied with the outlook for a complete republican victory at the approaching election. In the phrase of the moment he said, "We've got 'em skinned." He was more than satisfied with the result of yesterday's registration. The returns looked so flattering that he could not see a cloud in the way of success. He said: "You may say for me, with regard to the much talked of question of the vacating of the stub ends of streets and alleys in South Omaha, that in the first place these streets went back to the owners of the lots which connected with them, according to the state law, and not to the corporations as so positively stated. Of course, if a corporation owned property on one side or the other of the vacated property they got their half of the streets so vacated and no more. In 1901 the city collected in taxes from this very property, $994.62, and in 1905, owing to a reduction in the rate of taxation in the city, $642.21. The tax list will show that over twenty firms, companies and private parties have contributed to this tax fund. We've got two viaducts that never cost the city a cent, one on O street and the other at West L street. We are going to have two more within the next two years. That will be better than a bonded debt of $78,000, such as we got on account of the Q and L street viaducts. By yielding these streets we have increased the yardage facilities to a large extent. We have made room for elevators and industries such as the Peter's company and others which will follow soon. We have made it possible to be accommodated with two new and substantial depots. With regard to the rentals on hydrants, let me nail that right here. There is always a semi-public interest in the property of any corporation, and it is only justice to the heaviest taxpayers in the city to allow them to remain. I am confident that they cannot legally be moved.

"One of the best arguments for the continuation of the republican policy is the fine condition of the city's finances. It means that the city has been economically governed. When Treasurer Howe took his office, he could not collect his own salary for the first six months he was in office, by reason of the severe depletion of the treasury. At the present moment there is $255,609 deposited in the South Omaha banks to the credit of the city. The rate of taxation has been reduced from what it was when he took his office. It means economy and common sense in government. The people of South Omaha are not going to forget these things when it comes to vote."

Clothes Sold by John Flynn.

There's not a clothing manufacturer in the United States who would not accept it as a compliment to have his product compared favorably with the Hart, Shaffner & Marx make. John Flynn & Co. sell the H., S. & M. make. No need to look for better. You won't find better prices or handsomer patterns than we can show in our new spring line.

JOHN FLYNN & CO.

Magic City Gossip.

N. M. Graham will speak at the city jail this afternoon.

Jetter's Bock Beer is on draught at all first-class saloons today.

For Rent—Nearly new, modern, 6-room cottage, corner 21st and J Sts.

The Lithuanian republicans meet this afternoon at New Settler's hall.

Jetter's Bock Beer delivered to residences in 2-doz. quart or pint cases. 'Phone No. 8.

Mrs. H. Lovely will give her annual millinery opening Friday and Saturday, April 6 and 7.

A case of measles is reported at 1909 Q street, where John Ricka is confined by the disease.

During the coming week the pupils of the public school of the city will enjoy their spring vacation.

Floyd McKay has donated to the high school a fine collection of minerals, which is much appreciated.

James Hamilton, Twenty-ninth and Madison, has secured a permit for improvements to be erected on his property.

Oaths of office were administered to all the members of the South Omaha Board of Fire and Police commissioners.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union will meet at the home of Mrs. George Casley, 719 North Twenty-second street.

There were no arrests made in connection with the registration yesterday. Several registrations will be examined by the police.

Mrs. Love, Thirty-ninth and S streets, who has been a sufferer from rheumatism for the last two months, is now improving.

F. M. Sisson went yesterday to Randolph to present the question of license or no license to the people, who are in a local option fight in that city.

Wednesday of next week Rev. James Wise will address the women of St. Martin's church, being the fifth of his series of addresses. The hour is 3 p. m.

The sale of stamps at the postoffice during March was $7,836.72, as against $8,746.22 for the same month last year. The postage on newspapers amounted to $266.44.

The Jetter Brewing company has been putting the finishing touches on its offices this week and is about ready to move in. It will be a fine addition to the plant.

The Eastern Star society will give a farewell reception to Mrs. Edith Otterman, P. M., at Masonic hall on April 2 from 2 to 4 p. m. All members are specially invited to attend.

The Ladies' auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian association will have a meeting Tuesday afternoon. It will be the annual election of officers, and there will be a social time and light refreshments.

Banner court No. 75, Tribe of Ben Hur, will initiate several candidates Wednesday night. C. F. Way, state manager, will be present and a degree team from Omaha court No. 110 will have charge of the ceremony. Light refreshments will be served.

The results of the preliminary debates held at the high school auditorium last Friday night placed Horace Sisson first, Earl Clark second, Anna Lane third and Mame Bulla fourth. Miss Bulla will act as an alternate. The judges were S. L. Thomas of the Council Bluffs High school, Attorney R. H. Johnson of Omaha and C. M. Bracelen of the Omaha High school. The winners in this debate will enter the contest with Blair on April 28.

EARL GREY GUEST OF PILGRIMS

Governor General of Canada Returns Portrait of Franklin Captured by His Great Grandfather.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Earl Grey, governor-general of Canada, was the guest of honor tonight at the Pilgrims dinner held in the Waldorf-Astoria. At the reception which preceded the dinner many of the most prominent and distinguished men of the city were present.

Earl Grey, accompanied by Lady Grey and their daughter, arrived in company with his host, Joseph Choate. Shortly after 8 o'clock a bugle blast brought the formalities of the reception to a close and the guests assembled in the banquet hall, in the grand ball room. Regrets were received from Bishop Potter, President Roosevelt, Major General Corbin, Ambassador Whitelaw Reid and others. The toast, "The President and the King," was drunk standing, while the orchestra played see "The Star Spangled Banner," and "God Save the King." Then came a toast to "The Right Honorable Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada."

In introducing Earl Grey Mr. Choate said:

It was a remote ancestor of his—his great grandfather. Major General Sir Charles Grey, who became the first earl, that I wish to speak of, because his experience in America furnishes us with an incident which ought to give satisfaction to all American people. Sir Charles was in the possession of Franklin's home in Philadelphia at one time during the Revolutionary war. In the confusion of their departure a fine portrait of Franklin disappeared. Franklin himself was in Paris forming that conquering alliance with France. I suppose the British regarded the picture as a suitable capture, since they could not get him. How the picture got to England nobody can tell, but it came into the first Lord Grey's possession and has hung for 130 years in the Grey ancestral hall as a precious heirloom. And now Lord Grey, in full recognition of the desire for harmony and friendship, has decided to restore to the United States, as a free will offering this portrait, and a month ago he wrote to President Roosevelt making the formal presentation. It is hoped that the portrait will reach Philadelphia in time for the celebration next month.

The Earl made an extended response, dwelling upon the amicable relations between Canada and the United States. Other toasts were "International Comity," Secretary Root; "The Empire State," Governor Higgins, and "The Peace of the World," General Porter.

COLORADO SOUTHERN OPEN

Snow Blockade of Three Weeks Lifted After Strenuous Efforts.

GUNNISON, Colo., March 31.—The Colorado & Southern railroad was opened today between Gunnison and Alpine pass and Gunnison and Mount Carbon for the first time in three weeks. A rotary and seven engines reached Gunnison today after having been snowbound for sixteen days on Alpine pass, during which time the engineers were compelled to remain in their cabs. Food was carried to the trainmen over the frozen mountains.

Superintendent Bacon of the Colorado & Southern declared today that the siege of snowslides and blockades through which the train crews have passed was the worst in the entire history of the road.

Dakota Farmer Commits Suicide.

YANKTON, S. D., March 31.—(Special Telegram.)—Brooding over his arrest for shooting at Albert Olafson, his tenant, in a quarrel over cattle, C. A. West of Volin committed suicide last night by hanging. He was a prominent pioneer farmer, 70 years of age.

Double Crime at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, March 31.—Martin Giesebell, a machinist, aged 60 years, shot his wife aged 70 years, at their home today, mortally wounding her, and then killed himself. Neighbors, hearing the shots, rushed into the house and found the woman unconscious and apparently dying. Giesebell lay near her, dead, still clasping the revolver in his hand. The cause assigned for the tragedy is poverty and inability to make a street improvement assessment.

GROWTH OF REALTY TRADE

Increase in Business Shown by Register of Deeds' Report.

TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT GAIN FOR QUARTER

New Addition to Be Platted in North Part of Town, the Old Fair Grounds Tract to Be Opened.

A large increase in real estate activity in Douglas county this year is shown by the quarterly report of Register of Deeds Bandle which has just been made up. In the total number of instruments recorded the first three months of 1906 has the best of the same period of 1905 by 542, an increase of practically 25 per cent, 2,170 instruments having been recorded in January, February and March, 1905, and 2,694 for those months in 1906. Receipts of the office for the first quarter of 1906 were $2,750.90, and expenses $2,319.59, leaving a surplus of $431.31. Receipts of the office for the first quarter of 1906 were $3,279.40, and expenses $2,289.89, leaving a surplus of $989.51. This shows an increase of $558.20 in the surplus of the present year over that of the previous year.

The week was characterized by a decided lull in real estate. After a flurry of two or three weeks, it was natural a quietness should ensue for a few days, say real estate men who note that business always comes in "bunches." This term lull can be applied to the situation only so far as big transactions are concerned. For while big deals have been few, nothing having been reported involving a consideration of as much as $20,000, yet business in smaller properties has been brisk. One dealer remarked Saturday that he never had so many trades to close, and most of them were on properties ranging from $2,000 to $10,000. Requests for houses and lots were mainly from those who wanted to buy for homes.

An unusual number of inquiries is noted from persons out in the state who wish to come to Omaha to live, and several sales have been made to such people in the last few days. There is a considerable number, also, of men in the smaller towns who are buying Omaha real estate as an investment. Some of them come from the western part of the state to look at Omaha property.

Alfred C. Kennedy reports the following recent sales: Double house on southeast corner of Twenty-fourth and Dodge streets, to Peter Jessen, jr., for an investment, $7,500; one and one-half lots in Morsman park to Judge Howard Kennedy for a residence, $3,750; a house and lot at 4420 Harney street to Julius Thiele for a home, $1,700; two vacant lots in Fearon Place to James W. Davis to build a home, $1,100; 33 feet on Cuming street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets, to D. A. Hart for an investment, $1,650; vacant lot on northwest corner Forty-third and Dodge streets to Mrs. Eliza Withrow to build upon, $600; vacant lot on Thirty-first and Jackson streets to Charles G. Somers, $900.

May 1, which is moving day in nearly every city in the country, is only a month off, but Omaha has never come to give that day the character it has elsewhere. In Omaha the rental business, according to local rental agents, is peculiar unto itself. The people rent whenever they can and usually try to get in with or without leases. When they make leases they make them for a stipulated period of one year or two years, without reference to them expiring at any particular time; as a consequence there is no general exodus, although, of course, the spring and fall are the favored periods for house hunting in Omaha, as in eastern cities.

PATTISON IS NO BETTER

Family of Governor of Ohio Expects to Take Him Back to Home in Milford Soon.

COLUMBUS, O., March 31.—Governor Pattison's condition remains practically unchanged tonight. The bulletin issued by the attending physicians at 11 o'clock says: "He was somewhat restless in the early part of the afternoon, but that has subsided and he is now resting well."

His temperature continues normal with the pulse at 96 and respiration 20.

The members of the family continue hopeful that Governor Pattison may improve to such an extent that his desire to be taken back to his home at Milford, O., may be gratified, but the physicians have given no assurance that this is probable.

Watching for Contraband Arms.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—United States Minister Dawson at Santo Domingo has been advised by the State department to look out for the American bark Livonia, which sailed from Philadelphia for Sanchez two weeks ago and is supposed to be carrying a large quantity of Mauser cartridges for revolutionists.

Bonaparte Talks to Naval Surgeons.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Secretary Bonaparte was the chief speaker today at the graduating exercises of the United States Naval Medical school and presented diplomas to the twenty-one young doctors who finished their course.

War Veterans Meet in October.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The date for holding the national encampment of the United States War veterans in this city was definitely fixed today. It will begin in October and last throughout the week. The president will address the veterans and review the procession.

Kickapoo Kickers Heard.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The senate committee on Indian affairs today heard several witnesses on charges that the Kickapoo Indians had been defrauded in making sales of their land in Oklahoma to purchase a large tract in Mexico.

Special Ambassador to Wedding.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—President Roosevelt has appointed Frederick W. Whitridge of New York, as special ambassador to represent the United States at the wedding of the king of Spain.

Harriman Takes Man from Hill.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 31.—The Post-Intelligencer today says that J. D. Farrell, former assistant to the president of the Great Northern railway and Great Northern Steamship company, will affiliate with Harriman in a position analogous to the one held by him with the Great Northern. Official announcement has not been made, but it is expected soon. This means that Farrell will be the executive head of the Union Pacific in the northwest.

Mrs. Hoffman Keeps Child.

NEW YORK, March 31.—An agreement out of court has been reached by Mrs. Joseph Hoffman, wife of the pianist, and her former husband, George P. Eustis, by which Mrs. Hoffman retains possession of George Eustis, their 6-year-old son.

St. Paul Fifty Years Old.

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 31.—St. Paul put on its holiday attire today in honor of its fiftieth anniversary, as a municipality and celebrated, with parades of bands, military and civic organization.

Sleet in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 31.—A heavy sleet storm broke wires, windows and limbs of trees in central Indiana today.

NEWS OF OMAHA SUBURBS

Benson.

Mrs. H. J. Grove has been ill during the last week.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John Dougherty, on Friday, a son.

The brick for Peter Gravert's new elevator is on the ground.

Gus Judge has repapered and repainted the interior of his shop.

Sherd Quinn is erecting a two-story residence on South Morton avenue.

Rev. J. M. Leidy presides at the St. Edwards Methodist church today.

J. M. Degan went to Shenandoah, Ia., on Wednesday on business matters.

Miss Stiger is the guest of friends in Plattsmouth. She will return tomorrow.

O. B. Furbush will accompany sixteen of his friends to North Dakota Tuesday.

G. R. Williams is entertaining a brother from Minnesota, who arrived Thursday.

Mrs. C. D. Totman is slowly improving. She expects to leave the hospital by Easter.

There was a successful sale of twenty horses at Wolff's corner by Oscar Anderson.

Mrs. B. F. Miller entertained on Wednesday Mrs. Ed Mornell and Mrs. Elrod of Omaha.

Miss Stull came up from Plattsmouth on Wednesday and made a brief visit with friends here.

Mr. Harrison, formerly of this place, came in from Albion, Neb., Wednesday for a brief visit.

W. A. Taylor has resumed work this week after a long absence on account of severe illness.

Miss Bee Hoffman entertained a number of her young friends at her home on Thursday evening.

Miss Emma Eding of Omaha, who formerly taught in the Benson schools, was a Benson visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Clarence Pump and daughter of Irvington, visited her mother, Mrs. G. R. Williams, on Thursday.

Next Thursday the Sunshine club of St. Bernard's chapel will meet at the home of Mrs. Joseph McGuire.

The Benson camp of Modern Woodmen will give a smoker in connection with its regular session next Tuesday.

Flags were lowered to half-mast on Monday out of respect to the late mayor, Frank E. Moores of Omaha.

Rev. Mr. Totman preaches at Irvington this morning to fill a vacancy made by the departure of Rev. Mr. Rawson.

George Burr has taken permanent employment in the Benson meat market. He was formerly employed in Omaha.

Last night the Fraternal Union of Benson initiated about fifteen new candidates. Banner lodge of Omaha put on the work.

The Ladies' Aid society met last week with Mrs. W. S. Wedge. Next Wednesday they meet at the parsonage for important work.

A meeting of the Ancient Order of United Workmen lodge of Benson was held on Wednesday. John Herbst was a new candidate.

Miss Lizzie Meyers returned to her home in Lisbon, Ia., on Friday, after visiting her sister, Mrs. C. D. Totman, at the Swedish hospital.

A slight blaze in McGuire's elevator at an early hour Tuesday evening was discovered and put out before serious damage resulted.

Next Monday evening at the usual hour a meeting of the Benson fire department will be held. The annual election of officers will take place.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Morrison of South Halcyon avenue had as their guests last week Mr. and Mrs. William Newman of Amsterdam, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Williams have returned from New Orleans, where they visited and attended the Mardi Gras. They report an interesting trip.

William Hackman, sr., who has been on the sick list, is again able to be out. He expects to leave for North Dakota on Tuesday to investigate land prospects.

Fourteen of Burt Childs' friends from Irvington and Benson gathered at his home on March 24th. Cards, refreshments and sociability passed an enjoyable evening.

The Benson public schools will be closed during next week for the regular spring vacation. Last Wednesday afternoon a holiday was granted for the "Jim Key" matinee.

Next Tuesday evening a meeting for the organization of a lodge of Knights and Ladies of Security in this place will be called by State Manager Thomas and other chief officers.

Two candidates received the third degree in the Odd Fellows' lodge last week. Plans for the anniversary celebration were made. A smoker furnished by Mr. McCandless followed.

A committee composed of Messrs. Henry and Will Hackman and Henry Thomas, representing the Benson Pleasure club, will give their first grand ball next Saturday evening at the Odd Fellows' hall.

Rev. Mr. Winship of Walnut Hill will take charge of the morning services at the Methodist church today in Mr. Leidy's absence. The Ephworth league will hold the evening service, beginning at 7:30.

C. C. Williams, former proprietor of a general merchandise and grocery store on North Military avenue, has taken up the plumber's trade. He has sold his store to Baker & Meisinger of Cedar Creek, Neb.

A surprise party was tendered to Mrs. William Johnson on last Wednesday evening. High-five and whist were played with prizes given, and won by Miss C. Johnson and Mr. H. O. Wulff. About fifteen guests were present.

Next Tuesday three village trustees will be elected for a full term and one to fill a vacancy. The candidates on one ticket are, James Howard, Jesse Long, John Peterson and Burt Childs. On the other ticket, Charles Hansen, Frank S. King, Ben Morton and W. E. Somes. A large vote is looked for.

Frank Bleick and Alvina Schomer were married on Wednesday, March 28. Both bride and groom have been well known in this place and have many young friends throughout the vicinity. The bride is a daughter of Henry B. Schomer, sr., and the groom is a son of Albert Bleick. The young couple left for their future home in North Dakota.

Last Thursday the school board elected teachers as follows: John Speedie, principal; Misses Alice Culbertson, Margaret Fedde, Frances Bell, Emma David, Beatrice Hoffman, Anna Janes and Nellie Kuncel. The last two named will take the places of Hattie Pickard and Adele Ryan, resigned. Improvements to the grounds were authorized. Regular bills were allowed.

The boys' gymnasium is making great progress, having been affiliated with the Omaha Young Men's Christian association. Mr. S. P. Morris will have supervision of the local club. It will be their purpose to have debates, social stunts and practical talks in connection with the regular athletic work. Monday evening they will have a 7 o'clock supper followed by a debate and "gym" work. The following have been appointed chairmen over their respective committees: Dave Washburn, Ed Hansen and Walter Congdon.

Last Thursday evening the Epworth leaguers entertained a large number of friends at an indoor picnic at the Odd Fellows' hall. Bright decorations and the summer attire of the waiters were very appropriate. Mr. Denison, boys' director of the Young Men's Christian association of Omaha, rendered several interesting recitations. The Boys' club of Benson then gave a splendid exhibition of their gymnastic class work. This being their first public appearance they were heartily applauded and encouraged.

Florence.

J. R. Brisbin returned Thursday from a trip to Galveston, Tex.

Mrs. O. K. Turner of Emerson is visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Turner.

Father Senie of Omaha will say mass at St. Phillip Neri church today.

Miss Emma Lund of Omaha is the guest of Miss Ethel Hernkind for a few days.

The regular school meeting will be held Tuesday evening at the school building.

Carl Taylor of Council Bluffs has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Taylor.

Ice has been coming in the past week in carloads and is being stored in the Talbot icehouses.

Henry Stoltenburg has opened up his confectionary store. Miss Dolly Lowry is in charge.

Father Senie of Omaha spent Tuesday and Wednesday here, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Pulte.

Miss Katie Claycomb visited Mrs. O. K. Tucker at Wise Memorial hospital in Omaha Tuesday afternoon.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Brown, Thursday afternoon, a baby girl. Mother and daughter are doing well.

R. H. Olmsted returned Thursday night from a trip of several days in western Nebraska looking after some legal business.

Mrs. Newel Burton returned Saturday from several weeks' visit with relatives and friends at Imperial and Beaver Crossing.

John S. Paul and daughter, Margaret, Clarence Risley and John Feldhusen saw Jim Key at the Auditorium Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. Joseph and John Cramer, brothers, and cousins of William Pulte, from Kansas City, are here for a few days visiting Mr. Pulte's family.

A move is on foot to get a canning factory to locate in Florence. The Improvement club will take the matter up at its meeting Wednesday night.

John Bell spent several days visiting his family. Mr. Bell is located at Missouri Valley and will dispose of his property here and move his family to Iowa.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church held a semi-annual sale of fancy articles and lunch boxes Wednesday night. There was a good attendance.

Harry Swanson, Miss Hilma Swanson, Henry Dathman, Mabel Anderson and Herman Smith were an Omaha party Friday night that visited Miss McMaster at her home.

The city election will be held here on Tuesday, April 3. Full tickets are in the field, both republican and democratic, except that the democrats have not nominated for clerk.

Theodore W. McClure, who purchased Mr. J. S. Paul's grocery store some time ago, has with his family taken up his residence at the Hotel Brown until he can erect a house of his own.

Charles Hansen, who formerly lived just west of Florence, has purchased land near Fort street and the Boulevard, Omaha, and will erect a residence there. He purchased lumber here last week.

Several members of Jonathan lodge No. 225, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, visited Beacon lodge No. 20 at Omaha Tuesday night, where the degree of truth was conferred on several candidates.

The benefit dance given for Mr. Wiley Kihg was a success. George Gamble, George Foster and J. McGregory had charge of the dancing. Mrs. Charles Tietz, Mrs. George Gamble, Mrs. George Foster and Mrs. A. C. Cubley looked after the supper. From dance and supper $61 was realized.

The Nebraska Telephone company has two gangs of men here putting in poles and cables, preparatory to putting in the Florence exchange and running the country lines. Already a large number of the country residences have subscribed. All 'phones will connect with the Florence exchange and go direct to Omaha and Benson, and also in part to South Omaha.

West Ambler.

Little Georgie Blakely is again suffering from rheumatism of the neck.

Mr. Halpine is getting settled in his new home on the Martin homestead.

Mrs. Frank Hensman entertained her sister, Mrs. Bert Gantz, and children on Wednesday.

Mrs. D. Bartlett has been ill at her home near the county hospital with a severe case of bronchitis.

Owing to the inclement weather, the exercises of the Young People's society were postponed until tonight.

Mrs. A. M. Henderson was the guest of her friend, Miss Georgie Blakely, in East Ambler, on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Oleson will remove from Georgia avenue to their new home in Eckerman this week.

Little Martha Faverty has been staying with Mrs. Aughe during the absence of Mr. Aughe the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Scott were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Smith, for dinner Thursday evening.

Mrs. Donahue removed from the home of Mrs. J. Beswick, where she has lived so long, to Fortieth and Leavenworth on Thursday.

Mrs. J. Carroll of South Omaha was a visitor at the Beals school on Wednesday as the guest of her old teacher friend, Miss V. White.

Mrs. L. Arnold of Forty-eighth and Castellar has been ill with a severe case of the grip and been unable to attend to her duties at the high school.

J. E. Aughe arrived home on Friday afternoon from his week's visit with relatives in Ashland, where a reunion of the four brothers and two sisters was held.

Mr. Newman and family returned to the neighborhood after an absence of several years and are occupying the home of Mr. Strawn on Fifty-first and Pacific streets.

Mr. James Doyle and family spent the week with Mrs. Maestrick, mother of Mrs. Doyle, on Fifty-fourth and Woolworth avenue. They left Saturday for their future home at Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. John Hensman and family are staying with their neighbor, Mr. Fox, until their home, which was almost destroyed by lightning on Sunday, can be rebuilt. Mr. Hensman is slowly recovering from his severe shock.

The Ladies' Aid society was delightfully entertained on Thursday at the cozy home of Mrs. Judson Higely on Forty-seventh and Pacific. A large quilt was almost completed. A fine dinner was served by the hostess, assisted by her committee. Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Shandy. Miss Virginia White, principal of the Beals school, and her corps of teachers, were guests of honor, as were also Mrs. Will Span, Miss Ella Roessig and Miss Ada Gantz. The proceeds for the day were $3. The attendance was sixteen. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Stultz, in Eckerman, on Thursday, April 12. Mrs. Aughe, Mrs. Blakely and Mrs. Hensman are the committee to assist the hostess with the dinner.

Dundee.

Mrs. Stewart of Kearney is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Finch.

Miss Margaret Barr spent last week with the Misses Hancock in Omaha.

Mrs. S. R. Rush entertained twelve women at cards Saturday afternoon.

The Dundee Woman's club will meet on Wednesday of this week with Mrs. A. H. Palmer.

A daughter was born last Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Peters at Cass and Forty-ninth streets.

R. B. Haaker and family moved during the week into their new house on Capitol avenue and Forty-ninth street.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Dundee Presbyterian church gave an apple pie social Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John H. Harte.

The annual meeting of the Dundee Presbyterian church will be held at the church Wednesday evening. Light refreshments will be served at the close of the business session.

The Dundee school closed Tuesday afternoon, when a large number of its pupils availed themselves of the opportunity thus given to witness the wonderful performance of Jim Key.

Mrs. Elizabeth Colfax left during the week for a visit to Keokuk, Ia., accompanying her brother, Mr. Theodore Baldwin, who was on his way home from a trip to California.

The Round Dozen club met on Wednesday with Mrs. S. R. Rush. In the guessing contest which, with delicious refreshments, formed the features of the afternoon, Mrs. W. R. Lighton won the prize.

The meeting of the Dundee Card club, which was to have been held on Wednesday evening with Mrs. W. B. Howard, was postponed two weeks on account of the illness of Mrs. Howard's infant son.

Miss Nannie Tillson's Sunday school class of the Dundee Presbyterian church, which is making a study of Japan, met at the home of Mrs. P. S. Barr on Saturday and were shown some beautiful pictures, furniture, china and bric-a-brac of Japanese manufacture.

Prof. John B. Hamilton, who has resigned his position as principal of the high school at El Paso, Tex., to continue his studies at the Chicago university, was the guest during the past two weeks of his brothers, James W. Hamilton and Dr. R. P. Hamilton.

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The program rendered by the Browning society was entitled "Women of Fiction." Famous authors were guessed at by their peculiar personal characteristics. The program was further supplemented by an essay by Ruth Burford and a humorous recitation by Nell Carpenter.

The Frances Willard program was: Bertha Neef read "Lady Psyche's Address on the Ascent of Woman." An essay on "Colonial Education" was presented by Ethel Doran. Evelyn Mortensen and Effie Parker each developed a theme on the "Growth of Education" in the north and in the south, respectively. Two recitations, "My Aunt," by Ethel Sawyer, and "The Schoolmaster's Guest," by Emily Jenken, were given prior to adjournment.

The program by the Liniger Travel club was: Katherine Dunnigan gave the "Early History of New York City." "Bill's in Trouble" was recited by Katherine Lenhart. Addie Cronk, affirmative, and Goldie Starkey, negative, engaged in a discussion of the question, "Resolved, That the people of the United States travel in their own country." Irene Devitte then gave a sketch of "New York City of Today." In closing, Valentine Mix gave a reading and a brief dialogue was given by Ruth Tompsett, Josephine Doherty, Margaret Flanagan and Bernadotte Shelby.

The following program was rendered by the Pleiades society: First in order was a piano duet by Jean McMaster and Hazel Smith. Following this came a recitation, "That Baby of Mine," by Genevieve Glover. Sadie Hutton then gave a violin solo which met with hearty applause. An essay on "Alice and Phoebe Carey" was read by Viola Pederson. An original poem by Vera Henning was read by her. Mona Dillon read "The Unpreached Sermon." A piano and mandolin duet was given by Katherine Likes and Vera Henning. May, Grace and Jean McMaster gave each a reading before closing. At the close of the program the members regaled themselves with fudge.

The Elaine society anticipated April 1 by giving an April fool program. Florence Van Horn read selections appropriate to the occasion. "Louis' First April Fool" was read by Ruth Taschuck. Margaret Cole told interesting anecdotes. "An Unusual April Fool" was the subject of a paper by Bernice Withnell. Dora Johnson told amusing April fool jokes. April fool customs were given by Gladys Solomon and in closing recitations were given by Lillian Tallerephus and Eleanor McGavok.

The Margaret Fuller society rendered this program: A piano duet, "Etude," by Johannes Balhm, was given by Irene Jaynes and Myra Breckenridge. Mabel Stromburg gave the "Life of Joel Chandler Harris." "Silver Stream," by Bendle, was rendered on the piano by Myra Breckenridge. Helen Harris read a paper on "Richard Harding Davis." A selection from the works of this author was read by Elizabeth Charlton. Irene Jaynes brought the program to a close by reading a paper entitled "The Hand of Fate."

The Lincoln and Webster societies held their championship debate on Tuesday last before a large audience of students and their friends. The victory went to the Lincoln society after a spirited contest. The question debated was: "Resolved, That the power of supervising insurance business of an interstate character should cease to be exercised by the state in which such business is written and should be assumed by the federal government, constitutionality to be waived." Lyman Bryson, an alumnus of the class of 1905, presided. The debaters were Carroll Belden and Paul Hommell and Harry Ryan and Carroll Burkhard for the Lincoln and Webster society, respectively. Fay Felker opened the afternoon's program with a piano solo, "Nocturne," by Doehler, and responded to the hearty applause by another, "Twilight on the Mountain," by Rathbun. Rollin Andrews entertained the audience during the retirement of the judges with amusing remarks pertaining to the participants of the afternoon's debate. The judges consisted of Mrs. Sudborough and Messrs. Bernstein and Woolery.

NEWS FROM THE ARMY POSTS

Fort Niobrara.

FORT NIOBRARA, Neb., March 31.—(Special.)—Captain and Mrs. J. P. O'Neil entertained Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sparks and son, Leonard, of Valentine on Sunday last.

Captain and Mrs. O'Neil entertained Captain Lenihan and Lieutenant and Mrs. Ball at dinner on Sunday.

Major and Mrs. C. W. Penrose entertained Lieutenant and Mrs. Ball at dinner on Thursday.

Colonel and Mrs. R. W. Hoyt entertained the Bridge club on Saturday night.

Carl Amandus, the infant son of Lieutenant and Mrs. Brandt, and James Leitch, the infant son of Lieutenant and Mrs. Grier, were christened at the home of Captain and Mrs. Powell on Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Dr. Wells of the Episcopal church of Valentine officiated. All of the officers and ladies of the garrison witnessed the ceremony, after which refreshments were served.

The new Springfield rifles, model 1903, were received by all the organizations here on Tuesday. They are a great improvement over the old Krags.

The first twelve-mile march as prescribed in general orders No. 44, War department, took place on Thursday afternoon.

An examining board, consisting of Captain A. B. Shattuck, Captain M. J. Lenihan, Captain S. P. Lyon and First Lieutenant Fred W. Bugbee, convened on Monday and Tuesday to examine the non-commissioned officers in the "Catechism of Outpost Duty." Each officer above named examined the non-commissioned officers of two companies.

The schools for officers and non-commissioned officers have terminated for the year.

The student officers were examined in international law on Thursday. The examining board consisted of Major Charles W. Penrose, Captain Joseph P. O'Neil and Captain Michael J. Lenihan, all of the Twenty-fifth infantry.

First Lieutenant Henry A. Wiegenstein was absent several days during the week at the Rosebud Indian agency taking depositions to be used by the general court-martial in the case of Private Edward Rogers, Troop A, Ninth cavalry. His case was completed before the court on Wednesday. The action of the court will not be known until published by the department commander.

As First Lieutenant F. W. Ball, the present judge advocate of the general court, expects to leave on Monday next for Fort Washakie, Wyo., it is probable that a new court will be convened here.

Private George W. Davis, Company I, Twenty-fifth infantry, died of erysipelas in the post hospital on Wednesday morning. He was buried with military honors in the afternoon in the post cemetery.

Private Noyes of Company K, Twenty-fifth infantry, was tried before the general court on Friday afternoon.

Quartermaster Sergeant George K. Jones of Company I has been transferred at his own request as a private to Company A so that he could accompany them to Fort Washakie, Wyo.

The "Social Club," composed of a number of the noncommissioned officers and their wives, met at the home of Sergeant and Mrs. Barnes Thursday evening.

On Wednesday evening the Twenty-fifth Infantry orchestra rendered the usual weekly concert at Gordon hall.

On Friday evening the officers and ladies of the post enjoyed the regular hop at Gordon hall.

A telegram received from Washington, D. C., states that Fort Robinson will be made into a large post and that Fort Niobrara will be practically abandoned, but the present intention is to hold maneuvers on a large scale here each summer.

Fort Riley.

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