



PATRIOTISM ON HIGH

Omaha Pays Homage to Washington on His Natal Day.

PIONEERS AND CLUBMEN CELEBRATE

President Schurman Directs Thought to Things Vital to Republic.

POINTS OUT DANGERS OF MANY POLICIES

J. Hamilton Lewis and G. A. Dickson Also Speak at Banquet.

JOHN N. BALDWIN ACTS AS TOASTMASTER

Omaha Club Has Distinguished Party at Its Annual Banquet and the Evening is Made Memorable.

The Washington birthday annual dinner given last evening at the Omaha club was the most successful function of the kind here in this club. The attendance was large—166 sitting at the tables—and the speakers were eloquent and distinguished. The dinner sat down at 7 o'clock and arose at 11. John N. Baldwin, general solicitor for the Union Pacific, who toastmastered, and President Jacob Gould Schurman of Cornell university, J. Hamilton Lewis, corporation attorney of Chicago, and Charles A. Dickson of Sioux City were the speakers of the evening. General Schurman's address was the most brilliant public appearance since his recent illness, was called on for a few remarks. The keynote of the occasion, as voiced by the speakers, was the wonderful progress of the nation since the time of Washington and the present day problems with which this country is wrestling. Mr. Lewis was accorded a generous reception and Mr. Dickson, a young attorney, acquitted himself with credit and was duly appreciated.

Schurman's Address Masterful. The address of President Schurman proved to be so out of the ordinary that it elicited the most eager attention and was frequently interrupted by expressions of words of approval. This was especially true when he gave vigorous utterance to his personal views on current questions of business and politics. The most impressive feature of his speech, however, was the kaleidoscopic panorama it produced upon the minds of listeners plastered up against the speaker's table. When President Schurman pointed to the railway rate regulation legislation of the last congress as showing the way the people would protect themselves against corporate oppression, Toastmaster John N. Baldwin compressed his lips to a sardonic smile in recollection of his protests to congress on behalf of the Union Pacific against that very law and his public assertion that there was no depeasant sentiment in the west for any legislative restriction of railroad authority. When Dr. Schurman pronounced public ownership as a panacea for present evils of public utilities, Vice President Wattle of the street railway company and President Tost of the telephone company were unable to keep their seats in their vigorous agreement with the speaker.

When the speaker referred disparagingly to "the yellow journal reformer" his pointing finger happened to aim directly at Editor Hitchcock of the World-Herald, who immediately became the butt of good-natured jests. When declared against taxing swollen fortunes out of existence, the bankers' brigade, consisting of President Barlow and Vice President Victor B. Colwell of the United States National, President Luther Drake of the Merchants' National, President Henry W. Gates of the Nebraska National and Cashier Luther Kounice of the First National, had their brief sayings. When he arraigned the immorality exposed by the insurance investigations, expressive glances centered on the local agents of the big New York companies. H. D. Neider of the Equitable, Frank Campbell of the New York Life and Heming of the Mutual, who all sat within an arm's reach.

President Schurman quoted by name in the course of his remarks, Hughes, Folk, Bryan and Roosevelt, but it was significant that President Roosevelt alone elicited a substantial response of applause. Timely allusions to General Manderson and to the magnificent gifts to education by the late John A. Creighton struck a popular chord and at the conclusion a group of Congressmen tried to make the president feel more at home by giving the Cornell variety yell.

Baldwin Paves the Way. Toastmaster Baldwin prepared the way for the post-prandial exercises with his usual grace. He paid a tender tribute to General Manderson, who entered the room a few minutes before, referring to the general as a man of the world with a sense of humor, earnestness and the ability to get on with things.

Through all the track of years he work the white snow of blameless life-like and softly speak the name of Washington. Mr. Baldwin then introduced President Schurman of Cornell university, who spoke in a clear and forceful manner. The announcement of Dr. Schurman's name brought forth the Cornell yell from a number of alumni present. "Cornell, I yell, yell, Cornell!" "Schurman, Schurman, Schurman!" Then Casper E. Yost rose for a toast to Cornell.

Address of Dr. Schurman. Dr. Schurman said that although nowhere else in the world have all classes of people enjoyed such a high degree of physical well-being as in America, yet this civilization of ours has in recent times been the object of criticism and attack. Some of this criticism, though not all, has been based. Of the wage-earner's complaint that the man of small or no means has under present business conditions no chance other than to take a position for wages, the speaker said he thought the discreditable was, perhaps, exaggerated and that the evil of eliminating the small independent operator had been more than equalled by the cheapening of the necessities and comforts of life. He also pointed to the security of the employees of the great produce as compared with the condition of the small business man of the past, who was often the victim of bankruptcy.

Centralization of Capital. Referring to the tendency of the present time to the concentration of capital and

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Saturday, February 23, 1907.

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CHURCH AND STORES WRECKED

Dynamic Used in Indiana Town Following Raid on "Blind Tiger."

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 22.—Following the raid on an alleged "blind tiger" liquor shop at Sandford by a sheriff's posse yesterday, two stores and the Methodist church at Sandford were dynamited early today.

The church building was blown up shortly before midnight, the explosion rousing all the people of the village.

A few hours later the general stores of G. W. Reese and Schickel & Johnson were dynamited. The structures were wrecked and the stocks of goods practically ruined. The Reese store was a two-story building, the upper floor being occupied by the Masonic lodge.

Sandford citizens allege that the dynamiting was perpetrated out of revenge for the raid yesterday on the liquor store owned by Henry McDonald.

Sheriff Horsely went to the home of McDonald and found him in bed with his clothing on. A witness has been found who claims he saw McDonald running from the store buildings a few minutes before the explosions. McDonald was formerly a miner.

ELVEN TAKEN FROM WRECK

Six Survivors Rescued from Steamer Berlin Many Hours' Heroic Work.

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BURKETT FAVORS LEASING

Argues Necessity for Some Provision for Use of Grazing Lands.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The name of the founder of The Omaha Bee, Edward Rosewater, was mentioned in the United States senate in conjunction with the leasing of lands in the semi-arid portion of the west for grazing purposes. Senator Burkett, in support of his leasing of the number of letters from various portions of the grazing belt, Nebraska and contiguous states, all commending his position on the grazing proposition. These letters were from editors and some were in the form of petitions, numbering 23,000 in all. The Bee of January 8, 1906, containing an account of a meeting of the Commercial club of Omaha and recited a set of resolutions adopted at that meeting and forwarded to congress. It was the sense of that meeting that the lands in question should be leased to cattle men as grazing land. Among the many prominent men of the Commercial club who attended this meeting was Editor Rosewater, who did not entirely favor the leasing of the public domain, but thought it preferable to secure this evidence. The name of Mr. Rosewater was mentioned, many of the older senators who knew personally the late editor of The Bee, showed more than usual interest in the remarks of Mr. Burkett on the subject.

Leasing, Preferable to Sale. Mr. Burkett said he was committed to the leasing proposition and thought this was the most simple solution of the many vexed problems which have arisen with regard to the grazing lands of semi-arid west. He contended that if the land was sold outright and the title should pass from the government, but little could be secured from such sales, while if the leasing proposition were adopted the government would not only retain title to the lands, but there would be a continual source of revenue from the property. He argued that there is undoubtedly a strong demand on every acre of some kind of legislation whereby the cattle men might secure the privilege of grazing their flocks of sheep or herds of cattle without violating any federal or other statute. He would not think of any other method that would be more generally satisfactory than the leasing plan. Mr. Burkett, in speaking of the leasing proposition, he amended to be stricken out on a point of order—senators from many western states who have opposed the proposition at this session would be back here instructed by their constituents to get behind some kind of legislation to settle the grazing of herds on the public domain. In conclusion, Mr. Burkett said he had no financial interest in the proposition, neither he nor any member of his family owning a piece of land contiguous to the grazing country, and that he did not own a hoof except a Shetland pony, and my babies claim to own him.

Previous to his speech on his grazing bill Senator Burkett, in his best style and in a rapid and effective manner, read the farewell address of George Washington, the reading taking exactly fifty minutes. Upon its conclusion Senator Burkett was warmly congratulated for his luminous presentation of one of the greatest historic documents of the world.

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BAILEY DEFENDS HIMSELF

Texan Senator Says He Worked for Constituents at Washington Without Fee.

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 22.—Senator Bailey was on the stand before the legislative investigating committee all this morning under a cross-examination. The principal statements brought out as criticisms by Senator Bailey that while his critics had repeatedly tried to show that he only performed public service for private gain, that the facts showed that they were presenting falsehoods to further their ends; that while they had placed many men on the witness stand to prove that he had borrowed money from them; that they had selected only his special friends as witnesses and had been very careful not to summon as witnesses hundreds of men in Texas for whom he had done great service; that the witness stand to prove that he had borrowed money from them; that they had selected only his special friends as witnesses and had been very careful not to summon as witnesses hundreds of men in Texas for whom he had done great service; that the witness stand to prove that he had borrowed money from them; that they had selected only his special friends as witnesses and had been very careful not to summon as witnesses hundreds of men in Texas for whom he had done great service.

Senator Bailey made his closing speech in which he said the investigation was the result of a political conspiracy, for which he charged William Randolph Hearst, the publisher of the Hearst newspaper, to be responsible. Mr. Bailey characterized the charges brought by Representative Cooke as calumny. He went as he told of the alleged persecutions by his political enemies. He claimed that President Sam Houston had been persecuted and that Stephen F. Austin had been persecuted in retirement by the persecutions of political enemies in Texas. There was a contest of the question as to whether the subcommittee should go to St. Louis and other points to search for H. Clay Pierce and the house committee decided to abandon any attempt to secure this evidence. The present indications are that the investigation will be transferred to the floor of the legislature.

JEALOUSY CAUSE OF MURDER

Mrs. Michael McDonald in Lucid Killing Guilty.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—While raving in her cell at the police station, Mrs. Michael McDonald, who shot and killed Webster S. Guerin, an artist, yesterday, told the police enough to lead them to conclude it was jealousy and not blackmail that led her to kill the man. Mrs. McDonald was driven desperate by a report that Guerin was engaged to marry a west side society girl, the police think, led the woman to shoot Guerin. It is his brother, however, who is to be married. Physicians said tonight that Mrs. McDonald's insanity is permanent and that in a few days she will probably recover.

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BIG BILL TO REPAIR THE CAPITOL. Reciprocal Demurrage Bill and Also a Maximum Rate Measure Introduced, Latter Applying Only to Grain.