Bruce McCullech Makes Some Corrections in Report of His Address.

REASONS FOR FAVORING ANNEXATIO

Sewator Gibson Makes Statement Re garding One of His Bills-Baby is mothered to Death in Bed with Its Mother.

SOUTH OMAHA, March 2.-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee-Dear Sir: Your Lincoin correspondent, in his account of my wharks before the legislature on Friday the question of annexation, unintenattacked or ridiculed the present city ouncil of Omahs. I certainly did not do o, much less-could I make any slighting reference to the personal appearance since never saw the present council in session sized up fairly well as compared with

I wish to say further that I did not crit icise the standing or equipment of our city schools. I am not well enough posted on the matter to do so intelligently. Incidently I referred to the action of the school board in dismissing the schools in order that the teachers might go down to Lincoln to lobby against annexation and I still question the propriety as well as the tegality of that Members of the legislature that I talked with, however, generally placed a proper estimate on that move.

In all the discussions that I have been engaged in on this question of annexation. I have endeavored as far as possible to avoid personalities and incriminations. Reckiess attacks on our city officials will not bring about the consolidation of these two cities any sooner and it would also be well for the opponents of annexation to remember that the villification and abuse of reputable citizens and business men who favor annexation cannot help their cause any.

The question is a broad one, and should be looked at from all points of view. Many, perhaps most, of the evils that are complained of here are due to conditions that cannot be altered so long as we remain a separate municipality. In the large industries that have made this city famous as a packing center the demand for labor is more or less irregular and as a consequence we have a very large floating population. This makes it difficult, and at times

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lation. This makes it difficult, and at times qualified officials to office, and this explains many of the serious mistakes of our municipal career. Consolidation with Omaha might not remedy this entirely, but it undoubtedly would minimize the effect of this

The statement that annexation would bring about an increase in taxes and a reuction in real estate values I regard as puerile. In fact, I am of the opinion that the reverse would be the case. The two cities are, in effect, one at present, and no one who is not a real estate shark can tell where the big city leaves off and the smaller one begins. Annexation at this time would simply bring about what is sure to gome sooner or later. No matter when it comes, whether this year or ten years from now, it will have to come through legislative enactment. The interests and elements that now oppose annexation will always be able to prevent it by a popular

I firmly believe that consolidation with Omaha would mean better city governnt. better management of our schools, extensive and more permanent public infprovements, better equipped fire and Believing this, I have worked and talked for annexation, but I probably would not have written a line about it had I not felt called upon to correct the impression that might have been produced by your correspondent's account of what was said at Lincoln on Friday. BRUCE M'CULLOCH.

Senator Gibson Makes Denial. Senator Gibson reports that all the bills which he has introduced in the sonate have prospered so far and bid fair to become laws. In the following unequivocal terms he tells of the action of the senate and his own action on the brewery bill,

The article appearing in an Omaha paper under the South Omaha news, reflecting on the attitude of Senator L. C. Gibson in behalf of his S. F. 76, known as the brewery bill, is false in every particu-

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The records will not show that he voted
against his own bill. Neither was there
to kill the said bill. Neither was there
ever a debate in the senate where the
question of killing the bill was considered.
Neither was there ever a tle vote on
such a question in which Senator Groson
voted to kill the said bill. Neither is the
bill dead and entombed. The facts are
that the bill was transferred from general file to the judiciary committee, where
there are ten lawyers to cure pronounced
defects which existed therein, and those
opposing the bill moved to have it reported back in five days by them to the
senate. This was on Friday and an adjournment was to be taken to Tucsday
and a majority voted against such quick
action, as there would not be sufficient
time to rewrite and correct it.

The bill was reported back to the senato
Thursday in legal form and will receive
the support of the senator referred to
and will without doubt pass that body.

Statement by Dr. Bents.

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WARMING



If you want to drink real coffee, buy a sealed package of Arbuckles' ARIOSA and grind

it in your own Roasted coffee loses its strength and flavor if exposed to the air, and even its identity as coffee after grinding. Loose coffee sold out of a bag, bin or tin is usually dusty and soiled by handling.

Don't take it!

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA clearly understood by the South Offinha

I wish it to be thoroughly understood that I am absolutely unpledged, untrammied and unbound to any set of political promoters, or to say who plan how best to advance their own personal interest rather than the public good they may bestow. I am a candidate for clean city government. I promise and pledge myself to that which will make for the best interest of the school system, at the same time endeavoring to conserve the best interests of the taxpayers and patrons of the schools. I seek to avoid all personal antagonisms and enmity, giving to all concerned fair and equal consideration, extending special favor to none. Standing on this declaration I solicit the support of the veters of the city, and on this hasis will endeavor to carry out the trust they repose in me to the best of my ability.

Baby Accidentally Smothered. A sad ending to a little life was reported to the authorities yesterday. It was the death of the infant child of William Greenlee, Twenty-eighth and U street, by accident. The baby was only six days old and dropped asleep and while thus unconscious turned in such a way, so the physician be-

Frank Clark, I. A. Shepherd, Ella Still and Mrs. Bloomfield were fined small amounts on petty charges yesterday. The two latter had a lengthy trial. Their offense was disturbing the peace by fighting. The funeral of Peter Hansen will be held at the Methodist church today at 2 p. m. The Danish brotherhood No. 74 will have charge. The burial will be in Laurel Hill. Rev. Brockmyer will have charge of the service at the church.

TOUR OF TRAVELING TROWEL Ceremonies Planned Omaha Masons on Its Arrival

Here Thursday.

lourney around the world, will visit Omaha March 7. Elaborate ceremonies are in preparation.

The idea of the traveling trowel, symbolical of the admonition to spread the cement of brotherly love on every possible cocasion, came to C. Fred Crosby, Justice lodge No. 752, New York state, some two years ago. He proposed to his lodge the plan of sending out a silver trowel to travely among the Masonic lodges throughout the world, spreading fraternal teaching and bringing them together in closef bond of acquaintance. Justice lodge promptly took up the scheme, and after obtaining the sanction of the grand lodge of New York, a magnificent silver trowel was manufactured, bearing upon its face the symbolical figure of justice, together with the name of the lodge, the date and pirase. "Who Best Can Work and Best Agree." This trowel was sclemnly consecrated and dedicated on October 30, 1905, by the grand lodge of New York at one of the most notable Masonic gatherings ever convened in the United States. More than 1,000 Master Masons, including some of the most distinguished members of the craft, participated in this ceremony.

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The program in Omaha contemplates a reception during the entire forence at Masonic temple. At 2 p. m. will be the presentation of the traveling trowel to the grand lodge by Minnehaha lodge No. 5 of Sloux Falls, S. D. At 3 p. m. the visitors will be given a reception at the Ljninger art gallery. At 6:30 p. m. the master's degree will be conferred upon several candidates. During these coremonies for the living trowel. After this the presentation of the trowel to Capital lodge will be made, followed by entertainment and speeches. The journey of the traveling trowel thus far has been: Justice lodge No. 53, New York; Genesaee Falls lodge No. 53, New York; Genesaee Falls lodge No. 531; Washington lodge No. 14, Kane lodge No. 6, Hamilton, Ont.; Detroit lodge No. 33; Toledo (O.) lodge No. 14; Kane lodge No. 18, Elkhart, Ind.; Mystic Star lodge No. 18, Chicago: Crescent lodge No. 5, Sloux Falls, B. D.

Knights and Ladles of Security.

Magic City council has taken steps to reorganize the team and at the last meeting introduced four new members and received six propositions for membership.

The second "mysterious ten" is arranging for an entertainment of some kind to happen any old time.

Even the rain did not prevent a fair sized crowd from attending the regular fourth Wednesday social and entertainment of the Omaha councils. A very pleasant evening was passed.

Several new capdidates will be present for initiation at the next meeting.

After the initiation of four new members and approving the propositions of three-more members Tuesday evening Oak council proceeded to dispose of a lunch prepared by the women and to spend the evening in a social way. The usual big attendance was on hand.

This council will give a ball at the close Knights and Ladies of Security.

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of Lent.

Carnation council is making arrangements for an entertainment and refreshments at its meeting of March 12, at Danish hall on N street, near Twenty-fourth street. There is a bunch of candidates on the way, some of whom probably will be introduced at that time.

Dr. H. A. Warner of Topeka, national medical examiner, addressed the lodge in Council Bluffs Friday evening. A number of Omaha and South Omaha members were present.

Royal Achates.

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Omaha lodge No. 1 will meet Tuesday evening at Nineteenth and Farnam streets. There is to be a big initiation at this meeting, a class of sixteen. After the lodge season there will be a social hour consisting of amusements of various kinds.

Tuesday evening, March II, the committee on entertainment has decided to give a juvenile masquerade hall.

All members who have participated in Phoenix lodge degree staff are urged to be present next Thursday evening to exemplify the work.

Another mask ball will be given by Phoenix lodge Saturday, Invitations have been printed and are already being circulated. The committee in charge consists of Florence Mead, Jennie Passoth, C. J. Meyer, Dr. J. A Cummings and C. H. Krelle. As the dance takes place on the date of the vernal equinox the continues are expected to be "equinoxical."

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Praternal Union of America.

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MUCH BUILDING IN PROSPECT AT RILEY

Officers Who Are Ordered to Report for Examination for

Fort Riley.

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turned in such a way, so the physician believed, as to cover the baby's face. A quick smothering of the baby ensued and when she awoke at about 9 o'clock in the evening the child was dead. Dr. H. A. Koenig was called, but too late to be of any service. The baby was buried in Laurel Hill cemetery yesterday.

Magic City Gossip.

For sale at a bargain, 8-room house and lot at 710 North 26th St. R. A. Johnson.

St. Martin's Women's auxiliary will meet at Guild hall next Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m.

The Women's Christian Temperence union will meet with Mrs. A. E. Compton, 1004. North Twenty-third street, Tuesday afternoon.

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The Grafton case has aroused great interest throughout the garrison and from what can be learned the funds that are being raised are for carrying his case before the supreme court of the United States. Already the soldlers of the post have subscribed in the neighborhood of \$300 and it is expected that the amount furnished by Fort Riley alone will be close to \$500.

With more building authorized and with

Another about 120 members.

Recruit Crane, unassigned, attending the bakers' and cooks' school, tried to secure his discharge on Thursday night by the self-injury route. He laid on the stone abutment under the culvert on Forsyth bottom and placed the three middle fingers of his right hand on the rail as the 8 o'clock car from the post passed, and he is now shy that number of digits. Motorman Kerr saw the hand and pulled up as soon as he could. He, with others on the car, ran back to the culvert and traced the man by the blood stains as far as the hill. Crane went to the guardhouse and reported that a freight train had run over him. The way the mutilation occurred soon became known and, after being treated at the hospital, lie was confined in the main guardhouse.

The indoor athletic meet in the gym on

The indoor athletic meet in the gym on Wednesday evening attracted a record-breaking crowd, it being estimated that fully 1,500 people were in the house. The different events as they were pulled off created plenty of enthusiasm and the various contestants were encouraged to do their created plenty of enthusiasm and the various contestants were encouraged to do their utmost. The relay race undoubtedly created the most excitement, and when it was known that Troop A. Thirteenth cavalry, had won, the team's adherents turned themselves loose with a vengeance. The banner went to Troop C. Ninth cavalry, that organization having won more than three times as many points as any other. The following were the number of points scored by each competing organization: Troop G. Second cavalry, 1; Troop A. Ninth cavalry, 8; Troop B. Ninth cavalry, 10; Troop C. Ninth cavalry, 3; Troop D. Ninth cavalry, 5; Troop A. Chirteenth cavalry, 5; Troop A. Thirteenth cavalry, 2; Troop D. Thirteenth cavalry, 1; Second Battery, 6; Twentieth Battery, 2; Twentieth Battery, 5; Troop A. Thirteenth Cavalry, 1; Second Battery, 6; Twentieth Battery, 2; Twentieth Battery, 5; First Lieutenant J. G. Pillow Thirteenth

where he has been undergoing treatment for several weeks at the Army and Navy General hospital.

The field artillery hoard is considering a new device for officers and a new chevron for enlisted men of the field artillery, in order that they may be distinguished from their brothers of the coast artillery branch, when the separation takes place.

Cantain Short will go to France in September, where he will attend the famous riding school of the French Army at Saumer for a year. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Short.

Majors Hoyle and Adams received their commissions as lieutenant colonels last Wednesday morning. Both commissions appoint these officers to their new rank in the "Artillery Corps," so when the separation takes place it will be necessary to issue them new commissions according to the branch to which they are assigned. The promotions of Captains McMahon, Mott and Hinds are held up awaiting the examination of Captain Cree, who has just been ordered up for examination. The nomination of all officers senior to Captain Cree has been confirmed.

Dental Surgeon Millikin returned to Fort Leavenworth on Tuesday afternoon, his twenty days' extension having expired on that date, During his stay here his time was well occupied, there being many cases requiring his attention.

Miss Adams gave a dinner party on the lith instant in honor of Miss Boynton's birthday. The guests were the Misses Powell and Hoyle, Captain Tilirord and Lieutenants Barnard, Lininger and Gardner. The table decorations were in lavender.

der.

Mrs. Lewis entertained the young people on Friday evening at a Loto party.

On Thursday evening Mrs. Snow entertained with a luncheon.

Mesdames Cameron and Tilford gave a suchre party one afternoon last week for about forty guests. Prizes were won by the Mesdames Smith, Hinds, and Kochersperger.

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Mrs. James R. Stafford of Kansas City, Kas., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. E. G. Prioleau.

Forty-seven officers, including captains and first and second lieutenants of field artillery are ordered to report to the examining board at this post for examination for promotion.

NEWS FROM ARMY POSTS

No More White Leaders to Be Appointed for Pands in Co'ored Regiments.

Lion City's line-up was as follows: Dr. O'Donnell and Messrs. Loeb, Rogers, Early and Grant. The location of the new field keeps many from town from attending the games as it is unhandy to reach.

Fifty-seven recruits from Fort Slocum. N. Y., arrived on Wednesday and were distributed among the troops of the Second and Thirteenth cavalry.

Fort Creek.

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March 1.
Captain C. L. Bent and First Lieutenant
S. W. Anding, Thirtieth infantry, have been
detailed to inspect the organized militia of
the state of South Dakofa, and will commence the inspection duding the ensuing

with more building authorized and with the probability of a considerable amount of work to be started this summer for the enlarging of the artillery post to accommodate the regimental organization and with the possibility of brigade post work also being started at the same time, it looks as though Fort Riley would be a busy place before many weeks have clapsed. The latest construction authorized is an other quartermaster storehouse and the enlarging of the granary. Tentative plans are also being prepared for a new barracks for the bakers and cooks school posits the dear of locating the building opposits the locating the building opposits the dear of locating the building opposits the locating the locating the locating the locating the locating the loc

CHICKEN STEALING FELONY Panned.

If the Tri-City Poultry association succeeds in getting H. R. 371 through the state legislature poultry stealing in Nebraska will become a felony subject to imprisonment from one to three years. Representative Walsh introduced the bill nearly two weeks ago and since that time considersble influence has been brought to bear on the legislators in behalf of this bill.

The bill of itself is short as to phrase ology, but will be far-reaching in results First Lieutenant J. G. Pillow, Thirteenth cavalry, is back from Hot Springs, Ark., where he has been undergoing treatment for several weeks at the Army and Navy come addicted to the pastime, the authorities. if passed. It is well known to the police

Last week the Tri-City Poultry association adopted a set of resolutions setting forth the status of the case. One clause reads: "There is universal demand from the poultrymen of Nebraska for better protection from the poultry thieves who have been especially active in the eastern part of the state in the last two years. As the great cattle and horse industries are protected by special acts of the legislature of Nabraska, we feel that another great industry needs and should have better protection by making the penalty for poultry stealing greater than now in force in our state.

These resolutions were sent to the legis-lators. The bill is being backed by such men as ex-Chief Justice Norval and Rev. Luther P. Ludden.

SLICK SCHEME OF EXTORTION ame of Holdup Blocked by Detectives, Who Arrest the Clever

A clever scheme of extortion was disclosed Saturday when a warrant charging John Kokius, a Greek employment agent. with blackmall, was served by detectives from the police station and Koklus was locked up at the city fail. William Lemparopulso, until recently interpreter for the Union Pacific railroad, was named as the complainant.

The information supplied by the latter ndicates that with the sid of some person of prominence in the construction department of the railroad as an accomplication

Three lines!

What can you do with three lines?

Give the long one a twist like this--

Bring the two short ones together-like this--

Put all these together, like this--

And you have made dollars out of lines.

What is the easiest way to make dollars out of three lines?

If you have a business to sell, put a three line want ad. under our Business Chance Classification, like this:

FOR SALE—Money-making restaurant, cigars, tobacce, candles and fruit stock; a good chance. Box 188, Shenandoah, Is. (4)—M\$55 13z

Any old thing that is in your way, such as furniture, tools, clothing, fixtures, etc., turn it into dollars through a three line ad under, "Offered for Sale," like this:

Lower your house rent by renting a spare room through a three line ad, like this:

ELEGANTLY furnished south foom, ba

Exchange your land for city property or engage in a business to your liking with the aid of a three line ad under our "Barter and Exchange" column, like this:

WILL EXCHANGE—\$26 acres, cultivated, eastern Neb., good income property in Omaha. What have you' 7, \$20, Bee. (B)—150 Feb. 102

Competent help means dollars to you-The Bee is a market for that kind. A three line ad puts you in touch with the best, like the following:

There's money in poultry, and The Bee can find you buyers through the "Poultry and Eggs" classification. Try an ad like this:

BUFF Orgingtons, none better; eggs \$2.55 setting. Jacob Stuta, importer, breeder, \$60 McDeugall Ave., Detroit, https.

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To sell your horse, buggy or wagon, use an ad under "Horses and Vehicles," like this:

POR SALE - t-year-sid borse sity broke, single or double; also buggy. Inquire \$61 Capitol Ave. Colwell. (15) -- \$6399 18

A three line want ad

One time 10c

Three times

Seven times

Every drug store is a Bee want-ad branch office, or Phone Douglas 238, if you cannot call at

THE BEE OFFICE

17th and Farnam-"The want ad corner" Within sverybody's reach-reaches everybody.