# NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA

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BUDWEISER BOTTLED BEER IS SERVED AT ALL FIRST-CLASS BARS AND CAFES. L. ROSENFELD CO., AGT.

St. Albans lodge, Knights of Pythias, will meet Monday night for the election of a chancellor commander and other business of importance.

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Night school opens at Western Iowa college Monday evening, September 16. Send for catalogue.

All Odd Fellows of the city are requested to meet at Odd Fellows temple at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon to attend the funeral of their late brother, C. J. Steckel.

The Ideal Hustlers will play the closing game of the season this afternoon, at the Sixteenth avenue park, with the Neola team. The game will be called at 2:30 o'clock.

L. F. Murphy has been called to Tacoma, Wash., to look after the estate of his brother-in-law, Dr. P. R. Crosswait, who was killed in a street railway accident September 4. Mrs. Crosswait is a sister of Mr. Murphy.

Alice, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Long, 614 Stutsman street, died yesterday morning, aged 8½ months. The funeral will be this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the residence and burial will be in Fairview cemetery.

R. C. Battey, formerly with the International Harvester company in this city and now with the same company at Minot, S. D., was here yesterday to attend the United Commercial Travelers' picnic at Lake Manawa. He returned to Minot last night.

An informal meeting of independent telephone men was held yesterday afternoon at the offices of the Council Bluffs Independent Telephone company. The extension of long-distance lines and the tolls were the principal subjects up for discussion.

Ivanhoe commandery, Knights Templar, will meet in special conclave Monday evening for work in the order of the temple. At the close of the initiatory exercises a banquet will be served, to which all sir knights, their wives and daughters are cordially invited.

### Traveling Men Have a Picnic.

The annual picnic of the United Commercial Travelers, held Saturday at Lake Manawa, was a most enjoyable affair. About 100 members, with their families, were in attendance and a good, old-fashioned outing was held. During the afternoon a program of sports and other events furnished entertainment for the crowd, and at 6 o'clock a banquet was served, at which John Helwig acted as master of ceremonies, toastmaster and chief factotum in general. Rev. James O'May slipped away from the Methodist conference long enough to ask a blessing at the banquet and partake of the excellent menu. Dr. Hancock entertained by reciting "The Traveling Man's Dream," and there were a number of short addresses appropriate to the festive occasion.

The prize winners in the several contests were:

Women's nail-driving contest, Miss Hathaway.

Women's walking contest, Miss Andrews.

Largest family on grounds, Mr. Gunnivan.

Oldest traveling man, F. E. English.

Youngest married couple, Mr. and Mrs. A. Norine.

Foot race, boys under 12 years, Will Cunningham.

Foot race, girls under 12 years, Gladys Shell.

Women's rifle contest, Mrs. A. C. Pile.

Fat men's race, George H. Lavidge.

Pop-drinking contest, Myers Hansen.

Women's bean-guessing contest, Mrs. Hathaway.

Men's free-for-all race, Michael Murray.

Women's ball-throwing contest, Mrs. Cunningham.

Girls' cracker-eating contest, Della Sorensen.

Boys' watermelon-eating contest, Gerald Gunnivan.

Women's wheelbarrow race, Mrs. Harry Smith.

### Matters in District Court.

A. V. Penn, recently appointed administrator of the estate of James Lankton, the man who died from injuries received in a street fight with John Sheffler, yesterday filed in the district court suit against Sheffler in which he asks $10,000 damages. In the petition it is alleged that Lankton came to his death as a result of a blow delivered by Sheffler on the night of August 11, 1907, and that the damage to the estate as a result is $10,000. It is set forth in the petition that Lankton was a strong and ablebodied man and "capable of great earning powers." At the time of his death he was employed in a local upholstering shop.

Judge Macy yesterday assigned four criminal cases for October 2. They are those against R. S. Earhart, indicted on three counts, forgery, embezzlement and uttering forged instrument; Leon Loser, charged with conspiracy in connection with the notorious fake foot races at Webb City, Mo.; L. C. Hanlon, indicted on charges in connection with the organization of a fraternal insurance association among the Eagles, and John Gondon, charged with criminal assault.

The grand jury adjourned yesterday morning until Monday, without making a report.

Agnes Morris, the Omaha young woman charged with attempting to pick pockets at Lake Manawa on June 16, last, was indicted by the present grand jury on the charge of assault with intent to commit a felony. She was arraigned, entered a plea of not guilty and furnished a bond in the sum of $500.

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## DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE

Methodists Select Men to Attend the General Meeting of the Church.

## NO ACTION ON FRATERNALS

Appeal for Aid by Simpson College Results in Raising of Eight Thousand Dollars—Next Year's Session at Clarinda.

The Methodist conference at the morning business session yesterday completed the election of the six delegates to the general conference at Baltimore next May and selected Clarinda as the place for holding next year's conference. These are the six delegates:

Rev. B. S. Miller, presiding elder, Charlton district; Rev. Fletcher Brown, Indianola; Rev. E. L. Holmes, presiding elder Des Moines district; Rev. A. H. Collins, Boone; Rev. E. A. McDale, Red Oak; Rev. C. L. Nye, Des Moines. Rev. W. G. Hohansheit, presiding elder of the Creston district, and Rev. A. E. Griffith, presiding elder of the Council Bluffs district, were elected "reserve" delegates.

### No Action on Fraternities.

The effort to have the conference take a stand against the fraternities at Simpson college failed. The committee to which the petitions had been referred failed to recommend action and consequently the conference decided to let the matter alone. President Charles Shelton of Simpson college was present at the morning session and was called upon for an address. He spoke of the success with which the institution was meeting, saying in part:

Simpson college has never been more prosperous than in the last year. We have registered 923 students during the year and intend to have more this year. The faculty is making every effort to enter actively into the student life and we think that much has been done in this direction. The work of the faculty is a comparatively small part in the growth and development of the students. There must be a co-operation between teacher and pupil, and especially is this necessary in a college of adults.

In accordance with this idea there has been organized at Simpson a student council, consisting of the president of the school as ex-officio member, one member of the faculty, one member of the other instructors, and members selected by the student body from the various classes. There are many phases of school government that are impossible for the faculty to handle. The student council is meeting the need of the hour and is going a long way toward making the school a success. We feel that we are in line for a greater success than we have heretofore achieved.

Vice President Fletcher Homan of the college, made another appeal for funds and the $4,000 subscribed at the college rally the previous night was increased to $8,100.

Perry and Clarinda were both in the field for next year's conference and when the vote gave the meeting to Clarinda an invitation to hold the 1909 conference was extended by Perry.

A resolution petitioning the general conference to retain the location of the General Board of Education in New York was adopted by a unanimous vote. The board, since its origin has located in New York, but recently there has been some effort to transfer it to Cincinnati.

### Missions the Topic.

Rev. J. B. Trimble of Kansas City gave a short talk in the interest of foreign missions. He spoke particularly of the effort being made to raise $500,000 for the missionary work in China.

The evening meeting was devoted to the Foreign Missionary society, addresses being made by Rev. Dr. H. K. Carroll of New York and Rev. Dr. Trimble of Kansas City.

The lay and ministerial delegates to the general conference will meet Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Broadway church to organize, appoint committees and outline the work.

This is the program for today:

9:00 A. M.—Conference love feast, led by Rev. J. H. Senseney, former pastor of Broadway church.

10:30 A. M.—Sermon, Rev. Bishop Daniel Ayres Goodsel, D. D., of Boston, Mass.

2:00 to 4:00 P. M.—Ordination of deaconesses and deacons and elders.

4:00 P. M.—Annual missionary sermon, Rev. C. M. Ward of Glenwood, Ia.

5:00 P. M.—Closing evangelistic service by Rev. Dr. Brushingham of Chicago. This will be a young people's service.

8:00 P. M.—Anniversary of the Home Missionary society, Rev. E. T. Hagerman, pastor First Methodist Episcopal church, Des Moines, presiding.

Address, Rev. Dr. Charles M. Boswell, D. D., Philadelphia. Topic, "Americanism."

### King Arrested for Bigamy.

C. R. King alias C. R. Raymond, charged with entering into a bigamous marriage in this city on June 6 of this year, was placed under arrest in Lincoln, Neb., yesterday at the request of the authorities of this city. Deputy Sheriff Woolman went to Lincoln to bring King here, but the latter refused to come without requisition papers.

C. R. King, whose right name is said to be Raynard, was married in this city on June 6 to Nora Slingerland. King gave his age as 59 and his residence as Lincoln, while the bride gave her age as 53 and her place of residence as Chicago. Rev. Henry DeLong performed the ceremony. The couple went to Lincoln to live, where, it is said, Mrs. King soon learned that her husband had another wife living in Pennsylvania, from whom, it is alleged, he had not been divorced. Mrs. King also learned that her husband's right name was Raynard and that several children by the first wife were living in Lincoln.

After consulting the authorities here, Mrs. King caused an information to be filed in the court of Justice Greene charging the man she had married with bigamy.

### Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were reported to The Bee September 14 by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company of Council Bluffs:

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| County treasurer to A. C. Keller, lots 4 and 9, block 23, in Galesburg add. to Council Bluffs, Ia., tax deed | $24 |
| County treasurer to A. C. Keller, lot 2, block 35, in Riddle's subdivision to Council Bluffs, Ia., tax deed | 2 |
| Two transfers; total | $16 |

### Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

| Name and Residence. | Age. |
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| Jacob Schaffer, Lincoln, Neb. | 18 |
| Catherine Erick, Lincoln, Neb. | 21 |
| C. E. Biel, Chicago | 40 |
| Hattie Mitchell, Detroit, Mich. | 40 |
| Thomas Truelsen, Omaha | 32 |
| Lenie Homeyer, Omaha | 26 |

### Drowned His Troubles.

H. J. Van Weiner, said to be employed as an expert in a plow factory at Canton, Ill., was before Judge Snyder in police court yesterday morning charged with being drunk the night before. It was an unusual story that the defendant had to tell to account for his appearance in court. He said that he had been called to Omaha by his wife, from whom he was separated, and had gone there hoping for a reconciliation. When he reached the door of the house where his wife was stopping, with his heart full of joy and hope for a reconciliation, he was met by an officer who served him with the notice of a suit for divorce. Realizing that he had been duped and utterly broken-hearted, so he said, he crossed the river to Council Bluffs and drowned his sorrows in the flowing bowl. The man's pitiable appearance and his vow that he would never place himself in such a position again touched the heart of the court and the usual fine was suspended.

### Liquor Tax Cases Paid.

ATLANTIC, Ia., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The mulct tax liquor cases that have been hanging fire since 1906 and which threatened to go into the supreme court, have been settled by a resolution of the Board of Supervisors paying the costs and allowing each of the ten saloon keepers a rebate of $100. Early in January, 1906, the court forced the saloons out of Atlantic just after they had paid their mulct tax for the first quarter. They demanded a rebate for the unused portion of the quarter, but the board refused the refund and the case went to court, resulting in a judgment for each of the saloon men of $119. The county attorney filed notice of appeal to the supreme court, but in the meantime a difficulty between the board and county attorney developed and they refused to allow him assistance in preparing the appeal. The compromise this week resulted.

At the same session just closed the board took action upon the George Pennell claim of $15 for Sunday work, voting to pay the same provided he finished the work and had no more Sunday work. Pennell was the expert accountant who was appointed by the court to make an investigation of the books of the board at a salary of $5 per day. He worked twenty-one days, including three Sundays and put in his bill for $115. The board cut it down to $100, refusing to pay for the three Sundays' work. Pennell at once threw up the job, and the investigation is still unfinished. He says he is too busy to again take it up.

The board also refused to allow a claim of $175 for Attorney J. B. Rockefellow for assisting the county attorney in his prosecution of Henry Holten, the member of the board who was expelled for misappropriation of funds. Mr. Rockefellow was hired by the county attorney, but the board says it was without warrant, and Mr. Goodspeed will probably have to pay the claim himself. Steps were also taken to cut down the bounty on gophers' claws from 10 cents to 5 cents and probably 2½ cents per pair, in an effort to make the law inoperative in Cass county. There have been 419 pairs of claws already presented, and others will probably be paid for at the rate of 10 cents per pair.

### Natural Gas Near Atlantic.

ATLANTIC, Ia., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—A flowing well emitting water and natural gas has been discovered on the farm of Mrs. M. E. Foster in Grant township. Early in May workmen commenced boring a well. They went down 125 feet, the last fourteen of which was through solid rock. Below this rock was a basin filled with water and gas. The water burst up through and around the sides of the eight-inch iron tubing that had been placed in the hole, and continued to flow for several days, getting beyond all control. Accompanying the discharge was a dull roaring sound and a shaking and trembling of the earth resembling an earthquake. Ever since its discovery this trembling of the earth has continued and the well still continues to emit volumes of gas that has been tested and found to be suitable for commercial uses. At times there is a dense cloud of heavy black smoke pouring from the opening and frequently the water and gas get beyond control and flood the surrounding country for a great distance. Mrs. Foster is endeavoring to devise means of harvesting this flow of natural gas and converting it into power to run the farm macinery, as the flow has continued now for nearly five months and seems to be inexhaustible.

### Webster City Newspaper Change.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—S. B. Richards, eidtor of the Duncombe News, and C. E. Hoffman, job foreman at the Freeman-Tribune office in this city, have purchased the Graphic-Herald in this city of H. P. Robie & Sons. The new firm will be Richards & Hoffmann. They will take possession Monday. The politics of the paper will remain democratic, it being the only democratic paper in Hamilton county. Robie, the retiring editor, expects soon to establish a morning democratic daily in Webster City. Robie claims to have outside backing and has given out the statement that his morning daily wil soon be a reality.

S. B. Richards, the new editor of the Graphic-Herald, is a young democrat of much promise and ability. His Duncombe paper was always independent, but leaned largely toward the democratis. Mr. Hoffman is a printer with years of experience and formerly ran the Willams Wasp. Richards & Hoffmann wil make a strong team and will make a great improvement in the Graphic-Herald as a newspaper.

### Dies from Horse's Kick.

TABOR, Ia., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Robert Kilpatrick, who was kicked in the face while rounding up his young horses, died at his farm, several miles northeast of Randolph, Friday.

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### Iowa News Notes.

WAVERLY—Indictments against a number of Bremer county physicians were returned by the grand jury yesterday on charges of conspiracy in violation of the state law against combines and trusts. The indictments are the result of the crusade against the practice of physicians having a uniform list of charges for calls and services.

ALBIA—Mrs. William Gravely, victim of a terrible beating and knife slashing at the hands of George Brooks, may die. Brooks broke into the woman's home and began beating her with a club. Without a stitch of clothes on her back, she ran into the streets, Brooks following. He slashed her repeatedly with a knife. The woman finally escaped by jumping through a window into a neighbor's house. His motive for the attack is not known.


CHANGE FOOD
And Lose That Uneasy Feeling

A man who has always been a "skinny chap," although hardly ever ill, tells of the way he put on flesh and reduced his irritability and nervous condition.

By chance he had a taste of Grape-Nuts food at the table of a friend and enjoyed the flavor so much that he began to have it every meal. He says:

"In a short time I found myself another person, the old feeling of discontent and uneasiness left me entirely, it became a pleasure to go about my work, whereas, before, for years, I had always had the feeling of beings a little weary, but now I seem to have a surplus energy for everything; my weight has increased 11 pounds in four weeks, and am still gaining.

"I have never been very sick and am satisfied if my present improvement in health continues, I shall not be.

"The change that this food has made in my life has been remarkable, and so satisfactory that I am glad of the opportunity to tell you." Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."


## PREMIUMS AT STATE FAIR

Live Stock by Far the Largest Item in the Premium List.

## TENANT BEATS BOSS ON CORN

Reports of Iowa Banks Show Increase of Seven and a Half Millions in Deposits Since the April Statement.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Secretary John Simpson of the State Department of Agriculture today made a final report showing that $35,501.79 was paid by the state fair in premiums. Of this $17,383 was paid in premiums on live stock and $8,225 on the speed program. The remainder was chiefly on agricultural products.

It was announced today for the first time that in the contests on corn A. C. Turner, who has been prominent in corn breeding, was defeated by his own tenant, O. Osborn of Maxwell, in the sweepstakes contest for the best ten ears of any variety. For the sweepstakes prize for the best single ear of any variety George Steen of West Liberty won first.

There were 195 exhibitors in corn this year, which is the largest number that ever competed, and of these sixty-four received premiums. The first county prize went to Polk, second to Dallas, third to Story, fourth to Mahaska and fifth to Warren.

### Iowa Has Much Money.

The regular statement issued from the office of the state auditor today shows that the banks of Iowa on August 22 contained $209,441,248.94, an increase of $7,487,864.62 since April 19, 1907. Last year the September report showed an increase of about $9,000,000 due depositors. Not in many years have the banks failed to show an increase. Of this increase reported August 22 of this year practically all is by the banks out over the state, the Des Moines banks not showing any increase.

### Presents Picture.

An old photograph, wonderfully well preserved, has been presented to the State Historical department by John Trine of Company K, Seventh Iowa regiment. The picture was taken on the battlefield at Corinth, Miss., and shows the battle view before battery Robinette, where a large number of rebel soldiers were killed.

### Have Owl Car Service.

Des Moines is to have an owl car service. An ordinance is being drawn by the city solicitor and will be presented to the council at its meeting Monday morning giving the street railway that privilege.

### White Returns to Iowa.

Virgil White, the prominent young attorney of this city who mysteriously disappeared and was later found only to be lost again, has returned to Iowa to manage the estate of his father, Fred White, one time democratic nominee for governor of Iowa. Virgil White graduated from law school in this city with high honors and began practicing here. Then he disappeared and all explanations of his disappearance have failed to explain. He was found working on a farm in western Iowa and then disappeared and was later located on a farm in Nebraska. Then he went to California. He has lately been married to Miss Emilyn Hicks, an acquaintance of boyhood. He will manage his father's farms near Webster, in southeastern Iowa.

### Claim Valuable Land.

Mrs. Matilda Corey started suit recently to quiet title to three lots owned by her. She made Mrs. A. Wilkinson, Mrs. Elizabeth Hunt and Joseph Ivers defendants. These three have answered her right to the three lots and also laying claim to ownership of 300 acres in the center of the business district of West Des Moines. They claim the 300 acres by inheritance from J. Q. Jones, once a judge of the district court here.

### Blydenburgh in Des Moines.

E. S. Blydenburgh, who was acquitted of the charge of murder at Eldora yesterday on a second trial after he had served some five years of a life sentence as a result of the first trial visited Des Moines tpday. He registered at the Elliott hotel and at once began making inquiries into the trial of H. B. Dickinson in the district court here on the charge of murdering Blydenburgh's daughter. Blydenburgh will devote his attention to the trial from this on. It will be held here next month.

### Staff to Go to Keokuk.

The governor and his entire staff will greet President Roosevelt at Keokuk. Adjutant General Thrift spent today in Keokuk arranging for the military features of the reception. A special car for the accommodation of the governor and his staff will be attached to the Rock Island train September 30. Roosevelt reaches Keokuk October 1 in the morning.

## MEN PREPARE FOR TOURNEY

Troops at Fort Riley Expect to Do Feats at St. Joseph—Kansas Guard to Go in Camp.

FORT RILEY, Kan., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—The two organizations which have been detailed to participate in the tournament at St. Joseph, Mo., are daily at work practicing up stunts for the occasion. Troop I, of the Seventh cavalry is devoting the greater part of the day to monkey drill in the riding hall, which has been turned over to it for its exclusive use during the period of preparation. Some great riding stunts are promised. Battery A of the Sixth field artillery is confining its work to drilling with silent commands and the progress the organization has made promises to create somewhat of a sensation in St. Joe. In addition to these organizations there will be a section (about fifteen men) from both Batteries B and D of the Sixth field artillery, which will go to the tournament to compete in the different section contests. The members will also enter the different individual events. About thirty men from the Seventh cavalry (two squads) will enter the contests that pertain to their branch of the service. The troops will leave for St. Joseph, Mo., on Saturday, the 21st inst.

The five foreign officers who attended the school of application last year have made application to take this year's course. As far as Major Galvez of the Guatemalan army and Lieutenant Nerd of the Mexican army are concerned there will be no difficulty. Lieutenants Certucha, Howell and Casillas, also of the Mexican army, have made application and these have been approved by General Godfrey, providing the officers in question live in town and pay their own living expenses. It seems that the War department has decided that but one officer from each of the Latin nations can attend the school owing to the limited number of quarters available. All in excess of this number must do so at their own expense. It is expected that the War department will approve the application of the additional Mexican officers.

By the end of the month the extension to the street car line will be in operation and one will be able to ride from town to the extreme eastern limit of the garrison. The extension has called for a vast deal of grading and thousands upon thousands of cubic feet of rock and dirt have been moved in cutting and filling.

The post is to have an adjutant general, which means that Fort Riley has been permanently made a command for a brigadier general. The first adjutant general will be Major Ernest Hinds of the adjutant general's department, who, with his family, will arrive here the latter part of next week from San Antonio, Tex., where he has been stationed, with headquarters of the Department of Texas.

The troops of the Kansas National Guard will arrive at the post for their annual encampment on the 19th of this month. Two special trains will convey the troops here, the first arriving at about the noon hour and the second about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The first few days of the encampment will be devoted to company battalion and regimental work, after which they will be engaged as a battalion. On the 25th the Kansas troops, under the command of Brigadier General Drew, Kansas National Guard will take part in the assault on the infantry redoubt, after the artillery have completed their fire. The infantry will be furnished ball ammunition and the attack will be made by advancing in rushes. As they fall to the ground to seek cover they will fire at silhouette targets which will be placed behind the redoubt, with head and shoulders showing. The targets are to represent a garrison which is presumed to be resisting the attack of the infantry. When within proper distance the assault will be delivered and the national guardsmen will go through the wire entanglements and over the redoubt in a most dashing manner. After their arrival within the works they will examine the targets to see the effect of their rifle fire. On the 26th they will be paid and on the morning of the 27th they will leave for home.

Lieutenant Colonel J. M. Banister, deputy surgeon general, has returned from Omaha, where he has been for some time on duty as acting surgeon general of the department. Before joining the garrison Colonel Banister availed himself of a ten days' leave of absence.

Fort Riley is to have a wireless telegraph station, in conjunction with Fort Omaha and Fort Sill. The money has already been appropriated and the necessary construction will be shortly inaugurated. It is the intention of the War department that these three posts shall work with each other in order that the signal corps may receive practical instruction in this class of work.

The construction of the veterinary laboratory has been commenced by the contractors, with the intention of completing the work before snow flies. The building is to be equipped with the latest modern appliances and the establishment will be used not only in connection with the veterinary hospital, but also in the instruction of officers who attend the school. Heretofore in suspected cases of glanders it has been necessary to refer to laboratories of colleges, usually Kansas City, but with the laboratory in operation this will be unnecessary.

An immense shed is being constructed along one of the quartermaster's railroad spurs for the storing of the winter supply of coal. During the last two winters at different times difficulty has been experienced in securing coal on account of its confiscation while enroute to the post. The quartermaster intends to eliminate all such possibility this season by having enough on hand to last through the winter. As soon as the shed is completed shipments will be received as fast as they are forwarded by the contractors.

The following are the officers who were ordered here from their several stations throughout the country to witness the artillery attack on the redoubt: Majors Judson, Hoffer, Sturgis, Berry and Rumbough and Captains Donnelly, Merry, Campbell and Merrill.

Mrs. George M. Lee and child have joined Lieutenant Lee, Seventh cavalry, from a visit with her parents, General George H. Burton, U. S. A., retired, and Mrs. Burton at Redlands, Cal.

Two companies of the Third battalion of engineers have commenced work on the bridge over the Kansas river, under the personal supervision of Major Rees of the engineer corps. This bridge was left in an uncompleted condition last winter, when the engineers were compelled to leave for Cuba to make a military map of that island. If nothing unusual prevents the bridge will be completed by the first of November. For the present a pontoon bridge is being used by the garrison and the public.

The greatly depleted ranks of the cavalry and the field artillery at this post received additions last week in the number of thirty-six recruits and four artillery recruits from Fort Slocum, N. Y. In view of the fact that the organizations are about 55 per cent short of their authorized strength, such an increase will hardly be noticeable. During the month of July there were fifty-six men discharged and twenty desertions. During the same period but one man re-enlisted. Owing to the shortage in men duty at stables became particularly hard and in some occasions it was necessary for men to groom from ten to fifteen animals. Owing to this condition of affairs it was found necessary to turn out to pasture nearly 500 animals, which are herded on the eastern part of the reservation by a permanent herd guard.

Brigadier General Drew and Adjutant General Hughes of the Kansas National Guard were visitors in the post on Friday afternoon making arrangements with General Godfrey for the coming of the National Guard for its annual encampment.

Major Peyton C. March, Sixth field artillery, lately relieved from a four years' tour of duty on the general staff, and who accompanied the Japanese army in Manchuria, arrived in the post the first of the week with his family and is now in command of the Second battalion of his regiment.

The Second battalion of the Sixth field artillery returned on Tuesday from Washington, Kan., where it participated in an old soldiers and sailors reunion. The return march was made enjoyable by excellent roads and almost perfect weather.

Athletes of the garrison have been invited to participate in the athletic meet which will be held in Kansas City on the 28th and 29th of this month for the benefit of the Public Play Grounds association of that city.

The attack on the infantry redoubt which commenced on Friday morning was completed, save the last day, yesterday afternoon, when the entire artillery regiment and four siege guns from Fort Leavenworth, opened up on the redoubt with the idea of demolishing it as far as possible. The firing on the first four days, was anything but spectacular, but four guns, two of the field artillery and two of siege artillery being enployed. On those days, but seventy-five rounds were fired each day. This was to the end that accurate data might be obtained for the future use of the ordinance and the engineer departments in whose interests the test is being held. After each shot, a signal corps detachment located within safe distance from the redoubt telephoned to the observing station and to the guns, where the shot fell. After each group of four shots, the place of impact was noted on a plan of the redoubt and accurate measurements were taken. After each group of twelve shots, the redoubt was repaired by the company of engineers stationed near the redoubt for that purpose. Photographs were also taken at different periods. The real object of the test is to ascertain the destrucive power of the shells and the resisting power of the redoubt. On each day the practice has been uniformly good, and about 75 per cent of the shells have fallen within the earthwork. Yesterday, the firing was very satisfactory as far as the heavy guns were concerned. The big shells from the siege guns tore up the redoubt, but the projectiles from the three-inch field guns made very little impression. About forty officers from the school at Fort Leavenworth were here to see the firing on the last day. They were quartered in Waters hall and their meals served them in the assembly hall of the post administration building under the supervision of the instructor in the cooking school, Mr. Latrobe Brummell. They left for Fort Leavenworth this morning.


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