

Franklin Automobiles

Roads

"Which is the best road?" How often automobilists ask that question. "We had a fine trip except for the roads" is a remark you have heard many a tourist make—showing that automobilists experience discomfort and fatigue, that there is hard riding and difficulty of management, that their automobile is not suited to road conditions.

The Mistake

Go back to your experience with carriages and road wagons. You were very particular as to their riding quality—the kind of springs they had, their weight and the way they stood up. They had to be light, flexible and strong. They had to stand rough roads and at the same time ride easily. You have not applied these principles to your automobile. You have accepted it as something totally different—a machine the discomforts of which you were obliged to put up with. A mistake.



GUY L. SMITH,

310-312 South 19th St., OMAHA, NEBR.

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Have Root Print It.—Graham Esters—Edholm, Jeweler. Smoke House for Smokes, 316 S. 15th. Rudolph F. Swoboda, Public Accountant. Blumhart, photographer, 15th & Farnam. Print Legals in "The Benson Times." Equitable Life—Police, eight drafts at maturity. H. D. Newby, manager, Omaha. Dupont Improvement Club to Meet—The Dupont improvement club will meet at 8 o'clock tonight at Twenty-ninth and Central. Six Per Cent Paid on Savings Accounts—\$1.00 to \$5,000—by Nebraska Savings and Loan Association. Board of Trade building. Organized 1885. Keep Your Money and Valuables—In a safe deposit box in the American Safe Deposit Vault, in the Bee building; \$1 rents a box. F. C. Maier, president. Revival at Free Methodist—Revival services will be held every night this week at the Free Methodist church, 1377 South Eleventh street. J. H. Milburn, 203 First National bank building, is making real estate loans without delay and on terms very favorable to borrowers. Thomas H. Shurtz Asks Divorce—Thomas H. Shurtz has filed a petition for a divorce from Della H. Shurtz to whom he was married in 1904 at Nebraska City. A statutory ground is cited. Father-in-Law of Farmer Burns Dead—Mrs. Hoffman, 80 years old and father of Mrs. Martin Burns, died at his home at Irene, Ia., Thursday and was buried Sunday. He suffered from a paralytic stroke. Mr. Hoffman was father-in-law of Farmer Burns. Cocaine Fiend Draws Thirty—For stealing from his father and another man, R. A. Francker, a cocaine fiend and ex-convict, was sentenced to thirty days in jail by Judge Crawford Monday morning. He took a set of harness from his father's barn Thursday morning and hid it in another barn under some hay. Omaha Banks and Chicago in '71—W. B. Taylor of the Putnam company writes The Bee calling attention to a comparison between the bank figures of Chicago in 1871 and Omaha's of today. The largest bank in Chicago at that time had deposits of \$4,870,000, while Omaha at the present time has three or four banks with deposits amounting to three times that sum. Rev. D. C. John With Ministers—Rev. D. C. John read a paper on "The Limits of Divine Revelation" at the regular fortnightly meeting of the Methodist Ministers' union Monday afternoon. Mr. John also presided at the meeting, which was held at the Young Men's Christian association. Aside from his paper only routine matters came up. Had Brief Liberty—Running away from the city chain gang the day after the other given fifteen-day sentences in police court, and trying to steal some trousers at a clothing store soon afterward. William

AFTER SUFFERING ONE YEAR

Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Milwaukee, Wis.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has made me a well woman, and I would like to tell the whole world of it. I suffered from female troubles and fearful pains in my back. I had the best doctors and they all decided that I had a tumor in addition to my female troubles, and advised an operation. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound made me a well woman and I have no more backache. I hope I can help others by telling them what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me."—Mrs. EMMA LISK, 535 First St., Milwaukee, Wis.

The above is only one of the thousands of grateful letters which are constantly being received by the Pinkham Medicine Company of Lynn, Mass., which prove beyond a doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, actually does cure these obstinate diseases of women after all other means have failed, and that every such suffering woman owes it to herself to at least give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial before submitting to an operation, or giving up hope of recovery.

Mrs. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., writes all sick women to write her for advice. She has cured thousands of women's health and her advice is free.

NOTES ON OMAHA SOCIETY

Local Chapter Daughters of American Revolution Will Celebrate.

LUNCHEON PARTY AT EARLY HOUR

Major and Mrs. Slaughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Lottridge and Mrs. Gilmore Give Eight O'clock Coffee.

A social evening and colonial supper was given last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Potter, by the local chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. American flags and spring flowers decorated the rooms and in the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. Potter, Mrs. A. K. Gault, regent of the local chapter; Mrs. S. D. Barkalow, state vice regent, and Mrs. C. E. Johannes, ex-vice regent. An interesting and appropriate program was rendered. Two letters written in the colonial times were read. Mr. John R. Webster read a letter of a proposal of marriage written by one of his ancestors and Mrs. W. W. Griger read a letter written by a girl of the colonial times to a girl friend. Mr. B. Edward Zeis gave a vocal solo, accompanied by Mrs. A. K. Gault. One of the jolly affairs of the evening was an old-fashioned "speli down." Assisting will be Mrs. R. C. Hoyt, Mrs. Blake, Mrs. F. C. Tym, Mrs. A. P. Tukey, Mrs. J. R. Webster, Mrs. Tinsall, Mrs. John F. Trank, Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. William Heller. A "Virginia" supper was served and about 100 guests are expected to be present.

Eight O'clock Coffee.

One of the large affairs of the day was the eight o'clock coffee given by Major and Mrs. Bradner D. Slaughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Lottridge and Mrs. Annelia Gilmore at their home in Kountze place last evening. The rooms were decorated in the national colors and a celebration of Washington's birthday, and the floral decorations in the drawing room were American beauty roses. Assisting in receiving guests were General and Mrs. Charles Morton, General William Carter, and Colonel and Mrs. William P. Evans. In the library, Richmond roses were used and punch was served by Miss Catherine Powell, Miss Miriam Patterson and Miss Gladys Peters. Jonquil and narcissus formed the centerpiece for the table in the dining room, and Mrs. John L. Hines and Mrs. J. J. Hornbrook will pour coffee. About 200 cards were issued.

Luncheon Party.

A delightful affair of the day was the luncheon party given by Mrs. Victor B. Caldwell at her home. Spring flowers were used in the decorations and those present were Mrs. George Barker, Mrs. Joseph Barker, Mrs. Lacey, Mrs. George B. Lake, Mrs. C. E. Coulter, Mrs. E. W. Wacker, Mrs. Horace Everett, Mrs. McClockton, Mrs. J. N. H. Patrick, Mrs. John Horbach, Mrs. J. J. Dickey, Mrs. James McKenna, Mrs. Charles Offutt, Miss Hibbard, Mrs. Milton Barlow, Mrs. Clement Chase, Miss Landis, Mrs. Mosher Colpeter, Mrs. C. W. Childs, Mrs. G. W. Wattle, Mrs. A. J. Love, Mrs. E. W. Hamilton, Mrs. W. E. Martin, Mrs. S. S. Caldwell, Mrs. Frederick Lake, Mrs. Everett, Mrs. F. H. Davis and the hostess.

Buffet Luncheon.

Mrs. Frederick A. Nash was hostess at a buffet luncheon party today at her home at 12:30 o'clock. Different varieties of spring flowers were used through the rooms and the lights were shaded in pale green.

Annual Meeting and Dinner on Washington's Birthday.

The annual mid-winter reunion of the members of the Douglas County Association of Nebraska Pioneers was called to order in the ball room of the Home hotel at 1:30 o'clock Monday afternoon by A. N. Yost, chairman of the committee on arrangements.

Mr. Yost introduced Joseph Redman, president of the association, who acted as chairman of the day. After a short address of greeting, Mr. Redman introduced Mayor Dahlman, who welcomed the pioneers in behalf of the city. "Where I was at," said the mayor, "when I entered this hall and observed Joe Redman wearing a pug hat. Wasn't exactly certain whether it was an undertaker's or a bankers' convention."

Mr. Dahlman continued paying a tribute to the work accomplished by the early pioneers, giving them credit for making possible this great city, which he predicted would in time become one of the greatest cities of the continent. He wished he was able to give each of the pioneers a memorial medal attesting their worth and work in building the west, and hoped the time would come when they would be recognized by some such memorial.

A short recess was then taken, and at 2 o'clock the pioneers to the number of nearly 100 sat down to dinner in the large dining room. A number of visitors were present from Iowa and other parts of Nebraska.

Following the disposal of the feast, Major H. D. Slaughter as toastmaster called for responses to pioneer sentiments from many of the pioneers present. Among the speakers were Henry T. Clarke, A. N. Yost, Joseph Redman, W. I. Kierstead and others.

Dinner being disposed of, the pioneers again returned to the ball room, where Mr. Redman again presided, and the remainder of the afternoon was given over to a program of music and addresses.

The principal address was delivered by Harry C. Brome of Omaha. His talk was a recital of the work accomplished by the early pioneers in building the west and particularly the city of Omaha. He told of their hardships and of their excellence as citizens, from the old days of fifty years ago down to the present time.

Many regrets were expressed over the inability of Dr. George L. Miller to be present on account of illness and greetings were sent him.

The reunion throughout was one of the most largely attended yet held by the association, and was in all respects a pleasing success.

GENERAL KERR TO RETIRE

Probably Will Leave Army Service at His Own Request in April.

Brigadier General John B. Kerr, United States army, in command of the cavalry school at Fort Riley, Kan., probably will go on the retired list at his own request in April. General Kerr has not yet reached the retiring age, but has had nearly forty years of pretty strenuous military service, and has a yearning for the simpler life of a civilian. General Kerr participated in many of the important Indian campaigns of the west and southwest from the early '70s down to the opening of the Spanish-American and Philippine wars, and also participated in these latter wars, where he won his star as a brigadier.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 20, 1909.

TO POLICYHOLDERS:

The following synopsis of the Annual Statement, as of December 31st, 1908, is submitted for your information:

	1908	1907
TOTAL ASSETS		
Stocks at Market Quotations of December 31, Bonds at amortized values.	\$472,339,508.83	\$453,928,775.06
TOTAL LIABILITIES		
Consisting of Insurance Fund \$384,152,880 and \$6,919,161.93 of miscellaneous liabilities.	391,072,041.93	379,372,284.59
The insurance fund (with future premiums and interest) will pay all outstanding policies as they mature.		
TOTAL SURPLUS	81,267,466.90	74,556,490.47
With an increasing number of maturities of Deferred Dividend Policies this sum will gradually decrease.		
NEW INSURANCE PAID FOR	91,262,101.00	73,279,540.00
This is an increase for the year of nearly 25 per cent. as compared with 1907.		
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID TO POLICYHOLDERS	47,861,542.69	45,305,831.30
DEATH BENEFITS	20,324,002.65	18,992,079.87
97 per cent. of all Death Claims in America were paid within one day after proof of death was received.		
ENDOWMENTS	4,830,170.10	4,704,119.32
ANNUITIES, SURRENDER VALUES AND OTHER BENEFITS	14,696,354.16	14,100,855.97
DIVIDENDS TO POLICYHOLDERS	8,011,015.78	7,508,776.14
1909 Dividends to Policyholders will approximate \$10,000,000.		
TOTAL LOANS TO POLICYHOLDERS	57,053,555.28	49,615,393.06
DIVIDENDS TO STOCKHOLDERS	7,000.00	7,000.00
This is the maximum annual dividend that stockholders can receive under the Society's Charter.		
EARNINGS OF THE SOCIETY FROM INTEREST AND RENTS	20,636,405.61	19,485,110.01
OUTSTANDING LOANS ON REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES	97,570,767.22	95,008,970.00
Invested at an average rate of 4.70 per cent. as against 4.53 per cent. in 1907.		
TOTAL EXPENSES, including Commissions and Taxes	9,758,447.46	9,846,858.69

The average gross rate of interest realized during 1908 amounted to 4.45 per cent., as against 4.39 per cent. in 1907, 4.26 per cent. in 1906, 4.03 per cent. in 1905 and 3.90 per cent. in 1904.

H. D. NEELY, Manager,
Merchants Nat'l Bank Bldg., 18th and Farnam Sts.
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

W. B. Taylor
PRESIDENT

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were the beautiful sextet from "Lucia di Lammermoor," "La Paloma" and a patriotic melody that carried the audience fairly by storm. The program closed with a Filipino air, followed by "The Star Spangled Banner," with both the band and the audience standing.

The little brown musicians made a friend of everyone in the audience last night, and probably there was not a single person in the Auditorium who did not go away with a wish that the Filipinos might find it possible to play a return engagement here.

But for George C. Selmer, an Omaha man who for eight years has published the Omaha Times, it is probable that the band would not be making the present tour. Mr. Selmer advanced the \$40,000 necessary expense money, trusting in the band making enough enroute to repay him.

Mr. Selmer is with the band, Colonel Mark L. Hersey, in command of the constabulary party, and Major S. D. Gurney, chief surgeon, and his wife, also with the band, are well known to a number of officers at Fort Crook and Omaha.

The following telegram was received from Washington by the band upon its arrival in Omaha:

"On inauguration day, band will be band-of-honor for the veterans that will escort the president to the capitol, where the veterans will disperse, and the band will then be the band that will head the cadets' division, as band of high school cadets, of which Captain Loving is graduate."

"GENERAL EDWARDS,"
"Chief of Bureau of Insular Affairs."

GAMBLERS ARE ROUSED OUT

They and Disorderly House Detainers Are Roused by the Police.

Seven keepers of gambling or disorderly houses and twenty inmates of those places were arrested by squads of policemen Saturday night and Sunday. Most of the arrests were made at cigar stores where alleged poker games were going on in rear

rooms. All the men arrested were released on cash or bail bonds till Monday morning, when they will probably be arraigned in police court, when all the cases were dismissed by Judge Crawford because of insufficient evidence. It is understood that the large number of arrests were due to a general cleaning up of places where gambling was suspected by the police.

BALTHASER WINS THE RACE

Finishes Run from Florence to Y. M. C. A. in Forty-Three Minutes.

J. Fred Balthaser, first, 43 minutes. Joseph Wirt, second, 44:23. F. M. Amerman, third, 45:30. Ralph Mason, fourth, 47:00. Elmer Sunberg, fourth, 47:00. T. E. Doudie, fifth, 51:00. A. M. Anner, sixth, 52:00. William Parker, seventh, 55:00.

J. Fred Balthaser finished the distance run, from Florence to Omaha Young Men's Christian Association building, so strong in first place Monday morning that he wrenched the swinging door from its hinges as he entered the building, one minute behind his record made on New Year's day. The three leaders were even at Cuming street, when they began to spread out and finished in the order named above.

The races started from the end of the Florence line at 11:20 and the first man finished at 12:38, the distance being a little short of seven miles. The run was in the nature of an endurance contest, for besides being a distance run, it was also a bad footing run and was made in a pouring rain, which made the footing slippery. They followed the car line to Miller park, when they cut through the park and came down Twentieth street to Cuming.

The eight racers enjoyed a shower and a plunge at the Young Men's Christian Association building at the finish and were none the worse for their trip.

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Send this advertisement, together with name of paper in which it appears, to address and four cents to cover postage. We will send you a copy of our Handy Atlas of the World.

SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Pearl St., N. Y.

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The others Use—

WASHBURN-CROSBY'S GOLD MEDAL FLOUR

THE VERY HIGHEST QUALITY

Thieves Land on Ninety-Six Pints of Maple Syrup from Farrell's.

Thieves with an inclination toward sweet things stole ninety-six pint cans of maple syrup from the warehouse of Farrell & Co. Friday night. Mike Hedricks and Arthur Hall have been arrested on suspicion by Officer Murphy and Detectives Ferris and Dunn, and are being held by the police. Hedricks as a suspicious character and Hill on the charge of burglary. About sixty cans of the syrup have been recovered from places where it had been sold or hidden by the two men suspected of the theft. Hall says he lives at 712 Douglas street and Hedricks gives Kansas City as his home.