

## CREIGHTON MEN GET DIPLOMAS

Three Professional Departments Unite in Holding Their Commencement Exercises Last Night.

### EIGHTY-SEVEN ARE GRADUATED

Largest Classes in the History of the University.

### FORTY-FOUR NEW DOCTORS

Each Class Gives a Banquet After the Formal Exercises.

### LAWYERS ADMITTED TO BAR

Judge Barnes of the Supreme Court Is Present to Administer the Oath to Law Graduates, Making Examinations Unnecessary.

Twenty-four lawyers, nineteen dentists and forty-four doctors were given their diplomas at Brandeis theater last evening, showing they had completed the course of studies in the law, dental and medical departments respectively of Creighton university and were qualified to go forth in their professions.

Creighton in several ways was the commencement exercises which were the first of the three professional departments held at the same time. For the first time the students all appeared in caps and gowns and as the eighty-seven graduates received their diplomas from President Eugene A. Maguire of Creighton university, they made an impressive sight and demonstrated the wonderful growth of Creighton university.

Brandeis' new theater was beautifully decorated with palms and potted plants and the boxes were filled with members of the faculty of the different departments of Creighton university and with other leading educators of Omaha.

Those receiving their diplomas from the department of law are today fully qualified to practice before the supreme court of Nebraska, as Judge J. B. Barnes of the supreme court of Nebraska "swore in" the twenty-four lawyers, so they are admitted to the bar without the formality of further examinations.

### Hippie Tells of University.

Dr. A. Hugh Hippie, dean of the dental department, presided over the program of the evening and in his introductory remarks said:

"For the first time in the history of Creighton university the commencement exercises of the professional departments are being held at the same time, while this fact in itself may have no particular significance, it serves to call attention to the marvelous growth of the institution.

"Universities, like men, must pass through the periods of infancy and childhood. Creighton university was born thirty-two years ago and during its infancy was known as Creighton college and did the work of a preparatory school. But the men who founded the institution laid its foundations broad and deep. The men who built upon those foundations labored hard and planned wisely, and as a result the little preparatory school has developed into a real university. Schools of medicine, of law, of dentistry and of pharmacy have been added to the central one devoted to the teaching of the arts and sciences, and the presence tonight of these large graduating classes would seem to indicate that Creighton university has passed the stages of both infancy and childhood and is entering upon a vigorous manhood.

Even those of us who are connected with the university in an humble capacity are proud of its history and achievements and are looking forward to a glorious future."

"But institutions are judged not so much by what they are trying to do as by what they actually accomplish. The world does not care so much about the number of students attending a certain school or the scope of its curriculum, but it wants to know all about the kind of men it is turning out. Judged by this standard Creighton university has reason to be proud of its record.

"All through this western country may be found graduates of this institution whose professional attainments reflect credit upon the training they received here. Some of them have already achieved fame and others are becoming famous. I have no doubt that among those who will receive their diplomas tonight are many who will occupy prominent places in the professional world during the years to come, and I am sure you will all join with me in wishing every success to the members of the classes of 1910."

### Honesty is Best.

"Honesty" was the keynote of the principal address of the evening, delivered by Judge Martin J. Wade, who served on the bench of Iowa for ten years and was then elected to congress. After naming specific problems which confront the country, Judge Wade said:

"It is not my purpose tonight to discuss any of these problems, but rather something that lies back of all the problems—back of every problem, political, industrial and social—back of all the tumult of the hour—back of the struggles and the speeches of the insurgents and the regulars—back of the defiant standpatters and the enthusiastic progressives—behind the orator who pleads for spoils and the orator who speaks for glory, and the flag, is arising the voice of the people crying out in a loud voice for honest men. Not for men who admit they are honest, but for men who believe that honesty is the best policy, because it is the right policy; not for men who are intellectually honest, but men who are morally honest."

The people have trusted their servants and too often they have been basely betrayed.

"Turn your eyes to the state of New York, in which but a few short years ago the insurance frauds which were unearthing started the business world with the astuteness and the extent of the plunder disclosed; turn to the state of Pennsylvania—go down to Pittsburgh, the capital of that great state—walk up the marble steps of its magnificient state house and as you enter its massive doors, bow your head in shame, as you realize that millions of dollars of the money of the people appropriated for this splendid public improvement was divided among thieves; go to Pittsburgh, in the same state, where grand jury and courts are unearthing and con-

## Colonel Swope Killed by Poison, Declares Expert

Dr. Hektoen Testifies Death of Millionaire Due to Drug Having Effect Similar to Cyanide.

KANSAS CITY, April 30.—Answering hypothetical questions relating to the death of Colonel and Christiana Swope, Dr. Ludwig Hektoen, the Chicago pathologist, said in the criminal court today that in his opinion both men died from the effects of some convulsive and paralytic poison. Cyanide of potassium, testified the scientist, was such a drug.

Nothing about the vital organs of either of the Swopes, upon each of whom Dr. Hektoen performed autopsies, suggested death had resulted from natural causes, said the expert. He was positive, he testified, that Colonel Swope did not die from cyanide nor Christiana Swope from meningitis.

Dr. Hektoen made no chemical analysis in the course of his investigations and hence gave no direct testimony relating to the alleged finding of poison in the bodies. Shortly before noon Mr. Walsh began a cross-examination of the witness. His earliest efforts were directed toward an attempt to show Dr. Hektoen was a professional expert witness and worked in conjunction with the coroner's office in Chicago. The witness denied such was the case.

An afternoon session of court was ordered to permit Dr. Hektoen to finish his testimony.

## Man and Woman Accused of Murder by Use of Poison

Inquiry Into Mysterious Death of Bride at Arkansas City Results in Two Arrests.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., April 30.—Louis W. Potterton and Mrs. A. Allen, his foster mother, were arrested here early today upon a coroner's warrant that charged them jointly with having caused the death by poison of Mrs. Frances Kimmel-Potterton, wife of G. W. Potterton, a bride of a few months, who died suddenly in January last.

The arrests were the culmination of an investigation into Mrs. Potterton's death, begun by the county attorney and C. S. Beckman, his assistant, that extended over a period of three months.

Mrs. Potterton died after a brief illness.

After the county prosecutor's office had worked on the case, the coroner took it up and late last night a warrant was issued for the arrest of Louis W. Potterton and Mrs. Allen. The warrant charges that Mrs. Potterton came to her death "from poison, namely arsenic, administered by the said Mr. Potterton and Mrs. Allen."

Potterton this morning was released upon furnishing a \$10,000 bond to appear for his trial on May 11.

Mrs. Potterton left real estate valued at \$20,000, and a life policy for \$5,000. The insurance policy, which was made payable to her estate, has not been paid.

## Bills Against Five Packers

Big Corporations and Number of Individuals Are Indicted at Savannah, Ga.

SAVANNAH, April 30.—The federal grand jury today returned indictments against the Cudahy Packing company, Schwarzwald & Sulzberger, Swift and company, the Armour Packing company and Nelson Morris and company, as corporations and against the following individuals:

Emmett B. Adams, legal agent at Savannah for Swift and company; William D. Cooper, agent for Armour Packing company, and Fred M. Hull, Jr., agent for Nelson Morris and company.

## TRAVELERS ENTERTAIN THE COMMERCIAL CLUB

Business Men of Holdrege Are the Guest of Wholesalers at Elkhorn Function.

HOLDREGE, Neb., April 30.—Special Telegram.—About 100 traveling men, members of the local lodge of the United Commercial Travelers, and visiting brothers, entertained the Commercial club members and their wives last night at the opera house. Practically every prominent wholesale firm doing business in western Nebraska was represented. An excellent program, consisting of pertinent talks on the relationship of wholesalers and retailers, was given. Music was furnished by a male quartet and the newly organized Commercial Club band. An elaborate banquet was served, the table delicacies being furnished by the wholesale grocery and candy firms of Omaha and Lincoln. C. E. Harman, E. A. Plummer, Gus Abrahamson and Cliff Hopkins were the committee on arrangements.

## BIG SENSATION STIRS CHICAGO

Charges of Wholesale Bribery Made in Connection with Election of Senator William Lorimer.

### LEGISLATURE MEMBERS SPOTTED

Accused of Receiving Money for Voting for Official.

### GOVERNOR DEENEEN IS ON WATCH

United States Attorney Wayman Gives Out Statement.

### WPARTIES SUMMONED TO APPEAR

Browne Accused of Having Paid Money for a Vote, but Denies the Statement.

### CHICAGO, April 30.—(Special Telegram.)

Political foundations were shaken today in a big bribery scandal, following sensational charges printed in the Chicago Tribune that \$1,000 each was paid certain members of the legislature in electing William Lorimer United States senator and that there was in existence an additional slush fund.

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The disclosures came on the eve of the opening of Senator Lorimer's two financial institutions, the LaSalle Street National bank and the LaSalle Street Trust company. Lorimer was reported to be in the woods of Wisconsin today on an automobile trip when the big sensation broke loose. Senator Lorimer rushed back from his country home at McHenry this afternoon. Over the long distance telephone it was stated that he had left there at 1 p.m. in reply to the confession of White the senator.

"This attack is a surprise to me. I do not understand why such a thing should be printed. I am sure that nobody gave any money to anyone in the legislature on my behalf, to White or any one else."

Lee O'Neill Browne, minority leader of the house, is accused of having paid \$1,000 for his (White's) vote for Lorimer.

Browne at the Briggs house today denied the charges. The \$900, White alleges was paid him in St. Louis by Robert E. Wilson, also a member of the legislature.

Charges and counter charges of "dirty politics" rent the air today following the publication of White's confession. Friends of Lorimer were not ready to be quoted.

Some of them were ready to say that friends of Governor Deeneen were responsible for the sensation.

### Break of the Deadlock.

According to White he was first appointed by Browne on May 24, 1909, while the voting was going on for a United States senator. A deadlock had existed for some time. Browne asked White if he would vote for Lorimer and White said he could and would. On May 25, they met again and Browne said he would pay \$1,000 and a share of the "jackpot," for White's vote for Lorimer, according to the statement.

The next day Lorimer was elected on joint ballot and demanded voting for Lorimer and White among this number.

White paid him \$100 the next week at Springfield. Later, in Chicago, White alleges, Browne paid him \$50 and then \$850. At the time he received the last sum White says that Browne had \$60,000 in a belt on July 15. White says he met Wilson in the Southern hotel in St. Louis in response to a telegram and received \$800 as his share of the "jackpot."

White says he met other representatives in Wilson's room just before he received his money.

According to White, there was general dissatisfaction among the members of the legislature he met in St. Louis, because they did not get more out of the "jackpot," but that was explained by the fact that \$33,000 was lost to the "jackpot," because of the failure of certain legislation to go through.

### Lorimer Out of Reach.

Efforts made early to reach Senator Lorimer and Representative Wilson were unsuccessful.

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## "Big Bill Almy" is Sadly Called in Untimely Death

People living in the neighborhood of Twenty-fourth and Fort streets will be grieved to learn that "Big Bill Almy" has crossed the River Styx. Bill was just a rooster, the property of W. S. Corcoran, Colonel Glassford's civilian secretary. Big Bill was about the biggest rooster on the north side, and was a sort of neighborhood feature. But he's dead now. Big Bill shared the honors of the barnyard with another rooster, a Rhode Island Red. It seems that the former seemed to think that the latter had no particular excuse for being on earth, and never lost a chance to persecute him. The Rhode Island Red was (or is) a husky young fellow of one year, whilst Big Bill was well advanced in years. Owing to the great disparity in size the Rhode Island Red put up with the persecution on the theory that a live rooster is better than a dead hero, but

## Gone and Coming



Events in Omaha as Seen by The Bee's Artist.

### MR. VERTREES ALLEGES PLOT

Ballinger's Attorney Says Conspiracy Now Extends to Wickersham.

### REQUEST OF BRANDEIS REFUSED

Consideration of Demand for More Papers Delays Mr. Ballinger's Testimony Until After-Brown Session.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—While Secretary Ballinger waited impatiently to resume the stand and complete his testimony, the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation committee consumed more than two hours at the beginning of today's session in wrangling again over the question whether Attorney General Wickersham should be recalled.

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You will find an interesting batch of all sorts of things.

Everything from a lost stick pin to a thousand acres of land.

Homes for all.

Jobs for all.

Places to borrow.