

## Council Bluffs

## TAFT GIVES CREDIT TO SMITH

Writes Letter Referring to Able Work for Shiloh Monuments.

## SENATOR CUMMINS ALSO WRITES

Correspondence Confirms Statements Made by General Dodge to Comrades in Famous Iowa Regiment.

Some time since General Grenville M. Dodge of this city, Iowa's illustrious soldier and the distinguished survivor of the Civil War period, sent out a letter to his comrades in the Ninth congressional district in which he stated, among other things, that Congressman Walter L. Smith wrote the inscriptions of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Iowa regiments at Shiloh. Certain papers in the Ninth district are favorable to the candidacy of Attorney General H. W. Byers and hostile to the renomination of Judge Smith have seen fit to dispute the word of General Dodge.

In a recent letter, President Taft confirmed what General Dodge had told his old comrades in the Ninth district. In his letter to General Dodge, President Taft wrote as follows on this particular subject:

"I note your request to me to confirm the statements that you make in respect to Judge Smith's connection with the inscriptions on the Shiloh monuments and Judge Smith's efforts in behalf of the placing of General Grant's statue. I know Judge Smith well, and know a great many more reasons for wishing him to come back to congress than those you state, for I regard him as one of the ablest and one of the best men in congress, and one of the strongest lawyers and debaters on the floor. But as you invoke my personal testimony in respect to certain facts in your letter, I do not hesitate to say that Judge Smith's connection with the securing of the inscriptions which are now on the Shiloh monuments was direct and close. Many Iowa persons took part in the discussion, and many long arguments were made, and the matter acquired such importance that I delayed deciding the question after the arguments were made, as I recollect it, for several months; and at the end of that time Senators Allison and Dolliver, and Secretary Shaw and Judge Smith came to me with an inscription drawn by Judge Smith, which was offered and which I adopted as a solution of the difficult position presented."

**Old Letter from Cummins.**

Judge Smith yesterday made public the following letter received by him over four years ago from Senator A. B. Cummins, who was then governor of the state of Iowa, which is a direct contradiction to the friends and supporters of Attorney General H. Webb Byers:

Executive Office, Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 21, 1906.—My Dear Judge: I have yours of seventeen instant. I regret as much as you possibly can the premature publication respecting the controversy over the inscriptions. You, of course, know that I was not in any wise responsible for it. Somebody sent it out from Washington, and the first I knew of it was dispatch in the newspapers.

"There shall be no publication at this end of the line of your very gratifying information, until it is beyond recall through the order of the secretary. I congratulate you most heartily upon the progress you are making, and I am just as grateful to you and your friends as though I had been a member of these regiments, for I have become deeply interested in the outcome of the struggle.

"As you know, I cannot speak authoritatively for the Iowa commission of the representatives of these two regiments, but I feel sure that insofar as the point over which I have had the controversy, namely, the time of the engagement—the proposed inscriptions, a copy of which you enclose, will be satisfactory. There is so little difference between these that I proposed and the ones you send me, in this regard, that they ought to be accepted, and I have no doubt they will be.

"The members of the Fifteenth Iowa will feel badly about the change in leases, but it is not likely that they will insist on any further contest. I am not familiar with the merits of this part of my argument. I only know that they will always believe that the government has not given them credit for all that they suffered in that engagement. I will do my best to make these inscriptions the end of the matter, if they are finally approved by the secretary of war. Kindly advise me as soon as the order is entered, and oblige.

"Yours very truly,

"ALBERT B. CUMMINS."

Hon. Walter L. Smith, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

## NINETY-SEVEN AWARDED GRADE SCHOOL DIPLOMAS

Pupils in Rural Districts Given Certificates of Admission to High Schools.

Ninety-seven pupils of the rural schools in Pottawattamie county passed the recent examination from the eighth grade entitling them to admission in any high school in the county. Diplomas for these successful pupils are now being prepared by County Superintendent Charlotte Dryden. Graduation exercises will be held in all rural schools before June 1.

Following is the list of the students who graduated from the eighth grade:

Bell—Glee Tipton, Roy Darrington.

Carson—Minnie Hartz, Imo Henry.

Center—Dee Tipton, Jessie Brock.

Creighton—Josie Brownell, Jessie Coyle, Ruthie Pusey, Harley McMullen, May Adams, Mary Adams, Mabel Dorsett, Grace Miller, Garner-Carl Carlson, Rudolph Carlson, George Carlson, Harry Hansen, Clara Downs, Elsie Roach, Judith Peterson, Shirley Ranney, Russell Mahood, Roy Garner, Hardin—Grace Brantman, Bruce Chamberlain, Lee Hartman, Koda Koda, Mike Kerber, Ruth Kerber, Ray Kerber, Wallace Melton, Willie Melton, Fred Mannen, Oscar Mannen, Ruth Sharp, Carrie Thomas, Walter Underwood, Harry Underswood, Hazel Theodore, William Boscom Price, Margaret Mickey, Ross Messersmith, Mildred Morris, Esther Morris, Marion Sturtevant, Sophie Habensens, Louis Mike Altopino, Vittoria Henry Peterson, Ethel Hamilton—Cecil Grove.

James—Lena Rookes, Orville Young.

Central—Eugene Harker, Marie Lorenz, William Lorenz, Alfred Hoff.

Layton—Meta Fredericksen, Roberta Robinson, Fred Basmussen, Meta Bell, Mary Basmussen.

McKibbie—Varian Millard, Marie Pettit, Harry Tammehill, Laura Basch, Martha Frohardt, Edna Frohardt, Anna Compas, Anna L. block 6, Evans' 2d Bridge add. w. d. 196.

McKee—Lubert Hardenbergh, Macedonia—Lorene Lintner.

Neola—Anna Felton, Marie Porter.

North—Edwary Killon, Val Ross, Fred Pleasant—Violet Holdorf.

Flock—Eugene Harker, Cecilia Jensen, Merryl King, Eunice White.

Silver Creek—Emma Perkins, Harry Weisenthal.

Valley—Howard Meier, Edward O'Neill, Ralph Patterson, Fred Taylor, Cora Washington—Gladys Gifford, Veva Lawrance.

Wright—Ethel Stevenson, Boulan Giltner, Herbert Wright.

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Specials for Saturday: New potatoes, per peck, 25 cents; rhubarb, three for 10 cents; radishes, per bunch, 1 cent; asparagus, per bunch, 1 cent; carrots, 10 cents per pound; 50-cent carpet broom, 24 cents; \$1.50 guaranteed flour, \$1.45; 25-cent can California grapes, two cans, 25 cents; oranges, 25 cents; salmon, 25 cents; salmon, three cans; corn flakes package, 75 cents. In our meat department: Home-made bologna, three pounds, 25 cents; ham, 25 cents; bacon, 25 cents; pickled corn beef, 25 cents; veal, round, up from 8 cents; choice corned beef, pound, up from 10 cents; ham, 25 cents; bacon, 25 cents; eggs, 25 cents; grass catchers, 49 cents; lawn sweepers, 25 cents; electric ovens, up from \$1.25, etc., etc. J. Zoller Mercantile company, 100-102-104-106 Broadway. Phones 325.

**Weeding Out May Come to Teachers**

Plan on Foot to Have Them Submit to Physical Examination.

The question whether the teachers of the public schools of Council Bluffs shall be required to undergo a physical examination is now under consideration by the Board of Education of this city. A special meeting of the board was held yesterday morning, at which this matter formed the subject of a prolonged discussion. Representatives of the newspapers were not invited to the meeting and no information as to the opinions expressed by the different members on the question was given out.

Although not so officially stated, it is understood that the proposed physical examination is a preliminary step to "weeding out" some of the members of the board in favor of a special committee composed of Directors, Shoosack, Reed and Hendricks, who were directed to make a thorough investigation of the proposition and report to the board at its next meeting.

Director G. A. Shoosack, chairman of the committee on teachers, is said to have brought the matter before the board, with the recommendation that all teachers before being employed be subjected to such an examination.

The board attended to some minor matters and formally accepted the new school building at Oak street and Broadway from the contractors, Wickham Bros.

**AUTO STRIKES BLUFFS MAN**

Paul J. Kleinlein Run Down and Seriously Injured by Touring Car.

While crossing Broadway at thirty-fifth street last night about 10 o'clock Paul J. Kleinlein of Council Bluffs was run down and seriously injured by a large touring car, the occupants of which are unknown to police officials. The injured man was picked up unconscious and taken to his home, 230 Avenue L, in the city ambulance. Three ribs were broken, his head badly battered and he may be suffering internal injuries. After running down the man the driver of the car put on full speed and continued on his way.

At here, of course, we are all "cussing" the government because we have been compelled to see Twin Falls pass us, when we STARTED THIS IRRIGATION GAME, but now the Government is almost through. There are only two more pumps to put in and OUR PROJECT IS COMPLETE; FINISHED, and our crops are in; water is ALREADY running in the canals and we have Twin Falls' system "fixed for fair." It has taken longer, but we KNOW we have got the best.

The State of Idaho and Cassia county have

been "cute" enough to hold out 13,000 acres of

land to us.

**WORLD'S Y. W. C. A. IS IN SESSION AT BERLIN**

Mrs. A. M. Reynolds Presides and Miss Florence Simms Reads Reports.

BERLIN, May 21.—The World's Young Woman's Christian Association, which is holding its fourth conference here, had for its general subject of discussion today: "The Place of the Young Women's Christian Association in the Social and Industrial Awakening." Miss A. M. Reynolds, a delegate from the United States, presided during the discussion.

As far as is known at this time neither of the three judges will have any opposition in securing renomination.

**GYPSY BANDS LOOT FARMS AS THEY TRAVEL WESTWARD**

Recover from Fear of End of World and Steal to Fill Their Larders.

FORT DODGE, Ia., May 21.—(Special Telegram)—Gypsy bands camped here over stay, fearing the end of the world, and broke camp Thursday, starting west. Last night, near Moorland, they stopped at Benjamin Franklin's farm where their bride was alone, and while she stood helping among so many they stole eggs, potatoes, chickens and other eatables. The women plucked flowers from the garden to adorn their hair. Moving on they stopped a farmer with a load of corn and took all they could carry. Mrs. Blunk meantime telephoned to the sheriff, warning the farmer.

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