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PROGRAM TO BE IN MORNING

Addresses About the Famous Men of History, Patriotic Songs and Sifting Readings Are Promised.

A Washington and Lincoln anniversary program of patriotic service will be given at the Lowe Avenue Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic and children are especially urged to come. The order of service follows:

Organ Prelude
Patriotic Song—The Star Spangled Banner
Invocation and Lord's Prayer
Doxology
Hymn—The People Praise a Christian Endeavor
Catechism at 4 p. m.
Prayer: Wednesday, 5 p. m., devotional meeting with H. B. L. m. Christian Endeavor devotional meeting.
Methodist.
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A musical concert will be given next Thursday night at the First Presbyterian church, Dodge and Eleventh streets. It will be for the benefit of the Westminster Guild society.

Seward Street Methodist Episcopal Sabbath school has arranged to give on Sunday morning, February 19, at 10:30 a. m., a very interesting and enjoyable program. It will be a "Lenten Service." Entertained by interesting events and illustrations from the life of Lincoln, together with some of his unique and characteristic utterances will be a part of this service. One special feature will be the reading of a personal letter from President Taft to the school. This letter was written on the day that the school was opened. It will be read by the pastor. Special music will be rendered. Veterans of the Civil war and their families are especially invited and cordially invited to be present.

The harp evangelist, George H. Thompson, begins on Sunday the second week of evangelistic service at the Calvary Baptist church, Twenty-fifth and Hamilton streets. The meetings the last week have been well attended with a growing interest. It is hoped that this week's service will be much greater in power and interest. Mr. Thompson's fine playing is a very attractive feature, as well as his gospel preaching. There will be three services at this church on Sunday, the afternoon meeting at 2:30 p. m. being held especially for young people. Seats in the body of the house will be reserved for them, but everybody is invited to attend.

Music at the Dundee Presbyterian church, Sunday, February 19:
Voluntary—Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty.
Response—The Lord's Prayer.
Anthem—Christianity, the Morn' Breaks Sweetly O'er the Sea—Shelley.
Soprano Solo—My Redeemer and My Lord—Mrs. William Edward Johnson.
Choir—Who Will Follow Me?
Anthem—Sweet Savior, Bless Us Ere We Go—Mrs. Johnson.
Choir—We Go—Mrs. Johnson.

Grandview Baptist Sunday School, Fourth and Cedar, A. B. Elrod, Superintendent. Meets at 3:30.
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There will be a meeting of all the former members of the Omaha New Thought society on Sunday, February 19, at the Vitaphone sanatorium, Twenty-fourth and Harney streets, at 3 p. m. Plans for work will be outlined. The meeting will be addressed by Dr. T. Z. Maganoff and Dr. W. A. Black upon the subject, "Affirmations, Their Importance in Daily Life." All interested in the new thought movement are invited to attend.

A Guarantee of Business Prosperity—The Best Advertising Column.

In the Stage World

Attractions in Omaha. "Katy" from the Emerald Isle" at the Grand. "Cleopatra" at the Boyd. "The Conqueror" at the Krug. Vaudeville at the Orpheum. Burlesque at the American.

Omaha is to be treated to the first Saturday matinee "opening" it has had in many years, when Barney Gilmore makes his debut at the Grand. The afternoon in "Katy from the Emerald Isle," a comedy from the hands of Joseph L. Brandt. Mr. Gilmore is scheduled to sing several songs during the progress of the comedy. The engagement lasts till after next Tuesday evening, with another matinee on Sunday. It is a "popular" price.

This afternoon "The Rolling Girls" will roll off for the last time at the Gayety and tonight "Farmer" Burns, tutor of Frank Gitch and one of the best known of American writers, will take on Oscar Wasmers for the best two out of three falls. This is the "Farmer's" fifteenth anniversary and he announces it as his farewell to the wrestling game. There will be two or three fast preliminaries, aside from an exhibition by Prof. Simmer, known as the world's strongest man. Tomorrow afternoon the "Serenaders," with Hilda, the violinist, open a week's engagement.

Matinee at 2:15 and evening performance beginning promptly at 8:15 will be the conclusion of this week's interesting bill at the Orpheum. Several acts on the program appeal to the children as well as the grown-ups. One of these acts is the Japanese troupe of five people, one being the Jap comedian, K. Mankichi. Another act is the living statues presented by D. J. Andros, and Mervin Dick, the dog that draws, writes and calculates.

Henry Miller, now appearing at the Bijou theater in New York, told a good story on himself last week at a supper given to him by Chauncey Olcott. Mr. Miller, as every stage manager in the country knows, demands absolute silence on the stage during a performance of any of his plays. Consequently, he was exceedingly annoyed during a recent spell of blizzard weather in New York by the clanking of steam pipes in the Bijou theater, caused by crowding on more steam heat than is usually required in New York playhouses. Mr. Miller hurried himself to the stage during a performance of his new play, "The Havoc," and he was exceedingly annoyed during a recent spell of blizzard weather in New York by the clanking of steam pipes in the Bijou theater, caused by crowding on more steam heat than is usually required in New York playhouses. 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