OMAHA PUPILS FOUND WEAK IN MATHEMATICS

H. W. Anderson Declares Grade Scholars Are Deficient in Multiplication and Slow in Addition.

H. W. Anderson, director of remitted his report on the Courtis test given the pupils of the grade schools Mexico. The several issues with Mexican connections were active and strong, especialin December. Results in Omaha by pretoleums. compare favorably with other cities in the United States where the test

The test showed that Omaha pupils are weakest in addition and strongest in multiplication. Every grade is below standard in speed, accuracy and efficiency in addition. With the exception of the fifth grade all are above standard in multiplication.

Efficiency is lacking in all of the grades in substraction. The upper grades are equal or excel in speed and accuracy other cities, but the lower grades fall below the average. No grade comes up to standard in efficiency in division, although various grades excel in speed and accuracy. Growth in Speed.

The growth in speed and accuracy in all operations is uniform. The lower grades are poorer when compared with other cities than the up-per grades. The latter usually equal or excel results elsewhere. The test shows that emphasis should be placed on accuracy and more attention de-voted to addition than any other op-

Another test will be given at the conclusion of the present semester to note the progress made in correcting the deficiencies shown in this test.

The teachers of the grades will be supplied with tabulated statements of the results shown by the test and a statement of the problems confronting the school in order that the standing may be improved during the balance of the year. Suggestions on the best method of correcting the de-ficiency of the various grades will be made and an especial effort to reach standard in all of the grades by the completion of the school year.

Marsh I for service in France.

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Weeping Water, Neb., Feb. 15.— (Special.)—The sale this week of the 160-acre Colbert farm near Wabash, to Henry Schleuter marks the transfer of this piesce of property from the hands of the Colbert family after 50 years of tenure by one or another member of this family. The place was homesteaded by Mr. and Mrs. James Colbert. Mrs. Colbert is still living and is a resident of Weeping Water. The price paid for the land in the present transfer was \$225 per acre.

Soldiers' Home Notes.

Grand Island, Nob., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—
William Lusk, who has charge of the baggage room of the main building, received
the news yesterday of the death of his son,
who was accidentally killed by a train at
Red Oak, Ia., yesterday. He left at once
for that place to attend the funeral.

William Jeffers, who was recently transferred from the Burkett home to the home
at Milford, Neb., was a caller at the west
hospital yesterday.

A new electric motor sewing machine has
recently been installed for the institutional
sewing. This machine was very much
needed, as it is no little task to make the
sheets, pillow cases, towels, etc., for the
home use.

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Mrs. Miller is again on duty this morning after her recent return from Omaha.

James Cumings has not been on the sick list this winter, and attributes his health fulness to buttermilk drinking, of which he averages a half gallon dally.

John Ward has been transferred from the properties of the west housited. valescent hospital to the west hospital treatement.

lliam Madden is reported as recovering m his recent illenss and expects to be n able to be about with the aid of utches. W. S. Bain, W. B. Trusdall and H. M. ense have returned from their recent fur-

Miss Mayme Downey is in receipt of a letter from her brother, John, stating that he has moved from Camp Laurel, Md., to Camp Bolivar, Va., near Alexandria. He says that they are working hard building roads in the swamps along the Potomac.

Caleb Irish took a furlough today for a 10 days' visit with relatives.

Peace Rumors Rife, Finding Expression in Broad Demand for Investment Stocks and Liberty Bonds.

rife in the financial district today, findfor investment stock and Liberty bonds. The latter rallied sharply on very large transactions, but British-French bonds im-

proved more moderately.

Goseip dealing with international affairs was so circumstantial as to fix an approximate date for the opening of peace negotiations. Well informed bankers did not share H. W. Anderson, director of re-in this optimism, attributing the market's search of the public schools, has sub-advance mainly to technical conditions.

> Rails owed much of their added strength to the restoration of the Union Pacific 16 per cent dividend, as well as better earnings, even minor roads making better De-cember returns. Gross gains in transporta-tions extended from 1 to 2½ points, Pacifics

nd coalers being foremost. United States Steel led the list through-out, its extreme rise of 2 points to 96½ being accompanied by a very large turnover.

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Shippings were featured by Atlantic, Gulf & Marine preferred at gains of 3 and 2½, respectively, but American International corporation reflected developments at Washington. Sales amounted to 675,000 shares.

Railroad bonds were better with the International list, but dealings in Liberty issues eclipsed all other offerings. The 24g rose from 97.50 to 98.14, first 4s from 96.22 to 96.60 and second 4s from 95.12 to 96.08. Total sales, par value, aggregated \$5,825,000. Old United States bonds were unchanged on call.

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ing stocks:	0.00	Titles	·	Close.
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Am. Beet Sugar	1,200			40%
American Can	7,400			
Am. Car & Found.				7414
Am. Locomotive		63%		
Am. Smelt. & Ref.	13,400	8436	83	
Am. Sugar Ref				106%
Am. Tel. & Tel		100%	105%	
Am. Z., L. & S	1,200	16	15	15
Anaconda Copper	8,900		62 14	63
Atchison	1,500			8414
Atl. G. & W. I.S.S.	17,780	119%	11714	
Baltimore & Ohio.	3,300	52%		
Butte & Sup. Cop.	1,700	1954	1844	1914
Cal. Petroleum	900	17%	1614	1634
Canadian Pacific	2,400	149%	146%	147
Central Leather	4,400	70%	69%	7014
Chesapeake & Ohio		6414	53 %	53%
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Chino Copper	W. + 3 1		E	43%
Colo, Fuel & Iron.	500	38%	37%	
Corn Prod. Ref	1,200		34 %	
Crucible Steel	13,200		60	
Cuba Cane Sugar.		32		
Distiller's Secs	2,300			
	3,700			
Erie	1,100		139 14	
General Electric		135 16		
General Motors	1,000		91%	
Gt. Northern pfd.				
Gt. No. Ore ctfs	2,400		41.34	94
Illinois Central		****	44%	
Inspiration Copper.	2,500		117	

Nebraska Pioneer Dies

At His Home at Dubois

Table Rock, Neb., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Captain Charles F. Moore died at his home in DuBois on Monday. He was 80 years old. He was one of the early pioneers of this county, having taken a homestead in the vicinity of Violet more than half a century ago. For a time he was deputy postmaster at Pawnee City under the late Judge J. L. Edwards. He was in the mercantile business for a time in Table Rock. He was the father of H. A. Moore of the Steinauer Star.

Robert Collier, manual training and mathemttics teacher in the Pawnee City high school, has been called to service for army Young Men's Christian association work. He has received orders to be ready to report Marsh 1 for service in France.

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New York Money.

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Emmert W. Black of Mission Creek precinct was one of the American soldier boys aboard the Tuscania. He was among the list of saved. He formerly attended school at Pawnee City.

James L. Fisher, who lived in this vicinity a great many years, died at his home in Wilsonville, Neb., at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. He came from Illinois to Pawnee county in 1875, and moved to Furnas county in

Bradstreet's Review of Trade. New York, Feb. 15.—Bradstreet's tomor-

New York, Feb. 15.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

"Mild weather over a wide area has released much dammed up traffic, reduced consumption of coal and likewise made for more cheerful feelings.

Consequently, the week's reports reflect a perceptible quickening of trade in the larger lines, enlarged buying for future delivery, some improvements in distribution by retail dealers, considerably better operations in industry and incidentally prices for some

livery, some improvements in distribution by retail dealers, considerably better operations in industry and incidentally prices for some essential foodstuffs seem easier, but the situation as to supplies of manufactured goods, especially textiles, fails to show particular improvement, and while huyers are willing enough to get down orders, even at advancing prices, producers seem averse to taking on bookings that may later prove too burdensome. It is to be recognized, however, that the government in competing with the ordinary merchant is more and more pre-empting machinery for its war needs, and evidences of divers lines heretofore engaged on peace-time products being diverted to war work, continue to crop out. Naturally, the priority demand by the government still further restricts supplies for civilian needs and also heightens fears of widespread shortages of goods. The very cold weather from which the country is now enjoying respite except in a very restricted area, enabled merchants to clear out stocks of winter goods, and although some reports tell of greatly reduced prices to clear retailers' shelves, these are the exceptions that run counter to the general tendncy which is to husband stocks rather than to make wide cuts in prices.

Weekly bank clearings, \$4,942,767,000. make wide cuts in prices.
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London Money. London, Feb. 15 .- Bar silver, 42% d per Money, 3¼ per cent.

Money, 3¼ per cent.

Discount rates—Short bills, 3% per cent;
three months, 3% per cent.

Duluth Oil.

Duluth. Feb. 15.—Linseed—\$2.66% \$ 3.78%; May, \$3.66%; July, \$3.63 asked; October, \$3.40 asked.

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tures, Silk and Linen and Silk Fibers. In scores of different effects-every shirt extremely well made and finished.

\$1.50 Shirts (big group) \$1.15

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