

## CREIGHTON 28TH COMMENCEMENT BEGINS TODAY

Graduating Class of 80 to Hear Justice Smyth of District of Columbia Court.

With a graduating class but two-thirds as large as that of last year because of the great number of students in the army and navy, Creighton university will hold its 28th annual commencement exercises Saturday morning in the university gymnasium. The student body of the university has also decreased by one-third; only 800 students were enrolled this year as compared with an attendance last year of about 1,250.

Constantine J. Smyth, chief justice of the District of Columbia court of appeals and Creighton alumnus, will deliver the principal address of the morning's exercises. Justice Smyth is a former resident of Omaha and was at one time a law partner of Mayor Smith.

**Graduating Class of Eighty.**  
The graduating class this year numbers 80 members and is the smallest in years. War conditions and the large number of students of the university in the national service are responsible for the small number of graduates. Of the 800 stars on the service flag of the institution, over 350 represent students who left college to join the colors.

The academic procession will form Saturday morning at 10 o'clock on California street, near Twenty-fifth street, in charge of Frank McCaffery, marshal of the day. The procession will march to the gymnasium, where the program will begin at 10:30 o'clock.

Rev. Francis X. McMenamy, president of the university, will deliver the introductory address. After a musical number Justice Smyth will deliver his address. Archbishop Harty will speak briefly and Chief Justice Andrew Morrissey will administer the oath to the graduates of the law school.

**Presentation of Class.**  
The presentation of graduates to the president for the awarding of degrees will be made by the deans of the different departments as follows: College of liberal arts, Dean Robert M. Kelley; college of medicine, Dean J. R. Clemmons; college of law, Dean Paul L. Martin; college of dentistry, Dean A. Hugh Hipple; college of pharmacy, Dean Howard C. Newton.

The university orchestra and several vocal numbers will furnish the music during the exercises. Immediately after the close of the graduation exercises a luncheon will be held at Hotel Fontenelle in honor of Justice Smyth, Chief Justice Morrissey, the members of the supreme bench of the state, Archbishop Harty and the deans of the several departments of the university.

This year's graduating class has followed the example of the two preceding graduating classes and has presented \$25,000 in insurance policies to the university.

**Closing for Undergraduates.**  
The collegiate year for the undergraduate students will not close until next Tuesday morning. At 9 o'clock the students of the arts college and of the high school will meet for a solemn high mass at St. John's church. At 10 o'clock the final assembly of the college and high school students will be held. At the same time the graduating exercises of the high school will also be held, as well as the awarding of prizes and the awarding of commissions in the Creighton student battalion.

Because almost 450 alumni of the university are now in the national service, no alumni luncheon will be held this week, as has been the custom in former years.

### Torrential Rains Fall in Nebraska; Trains Are Late

Torrential rains fell over Nebraska Thursday afternoon and night, according to reports to Omaha railroads. Some washouts are reported and trains are late on account of soft tracks across all the low places.

On the Burlington there was a washout on the branch line north of Aurora, delaying traffic several hours. The Northwestern reports one bridge gone from a creek near Verdegis, and another near Plainview considerably weakened. In the yards at Creighton the water is two feet deep.

Along the Union Pacific, between Lexington and Gothenburg, two to four inches of rain fell. It was accompanied by a high wind that damaged several small buildings and barns.

The Burlington reported 3 1/2 inches of rain at Sargent and Loup City, 2 1/2 inches at Ericson and Ravenna and 2 inches at Hastings, Kearney and Arapahoe, McCook and Benkelman. All through the western part of the states this morning rain was still falling.

### Salt Lake City Street Car Men Threaten Strike

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 31.—Street car operators will hold a mass meeting this morning to vote on a resolution framed by the employees' executive committee which calls for a strike if the traction company tries to put into operation Saturday morning the one-man system.

Recently the traction company was granted permission by the public utilities commission to test a plan to operate street cars outside the congested districts with only one man.

### Ohio Congressman Hurt in Washington Car Accident

Washington, May 31.—Representative Isaac R. Sherwood of Ohio received slight injuries last night when he was struck by a trolley car as he was crossing a street. He was taken to a hospital but later removed to his home. While the injuries were regarded by physicians as "not serious" it was said the shock was quite severe on account of Representative Sherwood's advanced age, he being 83 years old.

## Three High School of Commerce Cadets Will Be Awarded Military Diplomas



Meyer Kasper  
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Edgar Brommer  
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Harry Mittleman  
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Several hundred cadets of the high school of Commerce drilled and went through military skirmishes Friday afternoon in a rain that drenched them to the skin.

The occasion was the annual field meet at Elmwood park and the soldier boys insisted that nothing so trivial as "a mere spring rain" should interfere with their exhibition of military tactics. Never before in the history of the school have the cadets had such intensive practice as they have had this year under the direction of W. D. Scriver, commandant of cadets.

The lads, some of them scarce than their guns, went through diffi-

cult drills with dispatch that would do credit to real soldiers. Company B won first place. David Greenberg is the captain. Company C, in charge of Captain Meyer Kasper won second honors. Leslie Smith and Meyer Kasper were winners in a military spell-down.

The first military diplomas awarded to cadets of the high school of Commerce exercises at the Auditorium Friday. Those receiving them were: Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Harry Mittleman, Captain and Adjutant Edgar Brommer and Captain Meyer Kasper. Promotions and new officers for next year were announced

at the field day meet. A base ball game between the classes was won by the seniors.

Other features of the day were tennis, volley ball and a golf game between the men on the faculty and the boys. At noon the pupils and their teachers had a picnic dinner in the pavilion.

### Parade at West Point.

West Point, Neb., May 31.—(Special.)—The exercises of Memorial day were observed by a large procession, composed of the local post of the Grand Army of the Republic, home guards, Sons of Veterans, school children and a large concourse of citizens.

## NAVY CAPTAIN URGES CITIZENS TO WAR ACTIVITY

Each Person Must Do His Share in War Endeavor, Says Stayton in Talk at University Club.

"Democracy means that every citizen must do his share, and one thing that every citizen can do is to use all of his influence in seeing that our navy is maintained at its present state of efficiency and that adequate means continue to be provided for the transporting and protection of troops," said Captain W. H. Stayton, retired officer of the United States navy, at the noonday luncheon Friday of the University club.

Captain Stayton has been for 31 years an officer of the United States navy. At present he has three sons in the service, the youngest but 16 years of age.

Captain Stayton made it clear that he was representing only the Navy league of the United States, and not the shipping board or the Navy department of the government.

Yet, despite his unofficial capacity, his work is being strongly commended by the government shipping board, he said.

### Aid Sought for Navy.

The captain discussed the difficulties in the way of maintaining a fleet overseas, of supplying it with coal, of transporting troops across the ocean and of adequately supplying with coal the ships of the navy. He also pointed out the great terminal and docking facilities which are demanded for the most expeditious transporting of troops and supplies to France.

Arthur C. Smith, president of the Nebraska section of the Navy League of the United States, presided.

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