ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Annual Convocation of the Grand Lodge of the Order in Session.

ENCOURAGING REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Condition of the Order in Nebraska Shown to Be Most Prosperous, Socially and Financially—List of the Delegates in Attendance.

LINCOLN, June 5.—(Special.)—The formal session of the annual grand lodge of the Order of the Eastern Star began this morning at Masonic temple. Dr. Sophronia Lane of this city delivered the address of welcome. The forenoon was devoted to listening to annual addresses and reports of grand officers. A wonderfully increased progress is shown by the reports in the condition of the order, and the finances are in a most satisfactory shape. Among those in attendance are the following: Mrs. Anna E. Musselman, grand matron, David City; Etta Stell, Valentine; Mrs. O. E. Green, Genoa; Mrs. J. D. Stires, Columbus; Mrs. F. E. Parkinson, Madison; John P. Healy and wife, Hastings; H. W. Scott and wife and H. Y. Stearns and wife, Holdrege; Mrs. D. G. Fiske, Beatrice; William G. Boston and wife, Marie Boston, Bessie Evans, Mrs. A. E. King, Mrs. A. M. Darling, Mrs. Sarah Miller, David City; Mrs. A. Whitmarsh, Omaha; Mrs. C. L. Talbot and Mrs. A. V. Miller, South Omaha; Mrs. B. H. Bailey and Mrs. S. Yost, Brock; Mrs. J. A. Leiter, Mrs. C. Perky, Mrs. H. St. Martin, Mrs. P. Longfellow and Mrs. M. Ellsworth, Wahoo; Mrs. T. L. Mathews, Fremont; Mrs. George C. Parker, Chadron; Mrs. G. H. Jewett and Mrs. W. D. Badger, Arlington; Rev. A. G. Pinkham and wife and Mrs. Ingle, Grand Island; Mrs. Hardy and Mrs. Davis, Gibbon; Mrs. A. W. Crites, grand chaplain, Chadron; Miss Caroline Green, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Lee Love, Scotia; Mrs. D. J. Colling, York; Mrs. Mattie A. Wruck, York; Mrs. W. J. Orthwaite, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. E. S. Larsh, Nebraska City; Mrs. C. E. Adams and Mrs. George Felt, Superior; Mrs. A. G. Willis and Mrs. Martha L. Brewer, Red Cloud; Mrs. Maud H. Bronson, McCook; Mrs. Lulu McCracken, Juniata; Mrs. H. J. Allen, Kearney; Mrs. Jane F. Densmore and Mrs. Rose Galbraith, Hebron; Mrs. F. D. Haldeman, Ord; Mrs. S. W. Wadsworth, Beatrice; Mrs. Kate E. Hawkins and Miss Mae Ryan, Beatrice; Mrs. Ada H. Miller, Diller; Mrs. H. R. Bradford and Mrs. Virginia Allen, Virginia; Mrs. Eliza Filley and Miss Daisy Filley, Filley; Miss Craig, Blue Springs; Mrs. A. G. Linsley, Table Rock; Mrs. Lundvall, Mrs. Wilder and Mrs. Whittemore, Neligh; Mrs. Foster, Plainview; Mrs. Roy Neal, Peru; Mrs. M. E. D. Nichols, Pawnee City; Mrs. F. L. Temple and Mrs. B. F. Krier, Lexington; Mrs. A. S. Baldwin, Mrs. J. G. Anderson, Mrs Charles G. Hall, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. N. A. Dick, Mrs. D. A. Baker, Irene Hartman and Mrs. C. E. Norton, North Platte; Mrs. S. H. Overton and Mrs. J. B. Barner, Norfolk; Gertrude Calder, Hardy; Thissa Price and Nancy J. Robertson, Diller; Mrs. G. E. McKeeby, Red Cloud; Ada C. Morrison, Fairbury; Mrs. D. L. Sylvester, Mrs. A. G. Crapenhoft, Miss Kate Thomas, Mrs. A. Drummond and Mrs. K. E. McCarty, Superior; Mrs. E. Anderson, Omaha; Mrs. F. M. McGiverin and Mrs. Ida H. McKinney, Fremont; Maud Nichols, University Place; Mrs. Meagher, Columbus; Mrs. J. H. Royce and Mrs. Otis Lambertson, Fremont.

The following officers were elected at the afternoon session: G. W. M., Mrs. Whitmarch, Omaha; G. P., Rev. A. J. Pinkham, Grand Island; G. A. M., Miss Minnie A. Crites, Chadron; G. A. P., Mr. Boston, David City; G. S., H. A. Guild, Lincoln; G. T., Edward Davis; grand conductress, S. M. Ginty, G. A. conductress, Jessie Goodall, Wilber.

DORGAN'S GOODS HELD BY MILLER.

There are no new developments in the Dorgan injunction case, but there are a number of opinions among the legal fraternity to the effect that the Illinois banks to whom Mosher owes money are too previous in their applications for a receiver for money which may be paid to Bill Dorgan, but which is yet an unknown amount. It is said to be an attempt to garnishee the state by some circuitous process which will not stand the test of law. Ex-Warden Beemer is, however, quoted as saying that nothing could stop the appraisement from being completed, and that then Dorgan must get out, no matter if a receiver did come into possession of the money. But one thing is certain, and that is that Sheriff Miller of Lancaster county is still temporary receiver of Dorgan's property at the penitentiary, and quite likely to remain so until the 10th inst.

One of the peculiar rulings of the criminal court at Omaha is likely to set at liberty Alexander Buckner, an alleged bigamist. Buckner, who is a colored waiter, is charged by C. C. Clemmons, also colored, with having married the latter's step daughter, Miss Emma Harrison, when he already had a wife living in Omaha. His examination was held this morning before Justice Spencer. Witnesses for the state proved conclusively the facts above stated and that Buckner really had two living wives. Attorneys Reese and Comstock, for the defense, entered a plea in abatement, claiming that defendant had been tried recently on the same charge in Omaha, had been acquitted, and could not twice be put in jeopardy for the same offense. Buckner was arraigned on a complaint almost identical with this one in the Douglas county criminal court. A jury was called and trial proceeded until it was developed that the second marriage, the one which constituted the offense, was performed in Lancaster county. Instead of dismissing the case, Judge Scott, after a conference with the county attorney, and for the purpose of permitting the case to be tried in Lancaster county, ordered the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty. This was done. In the possession of the defendant today were certified copies of the complaint and the verdict. Defense holds this was a trial and that Buckner cannot be tried again, and to the court the point appeared to be well taken, but he allowed the case to go over until tomorrow, when arguments by the state will be heard.

The case of Alva Chambers, convicted for criminal assault in Douglas county on May 15, 1894, has been appealed from the district court of that county to the supreme court.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

Tomorrow evening the graduating exercises of the Lincoln High school will be held at a local theater at 8:15. Following are the names of the graduates: Alice May Whitmore, Clara Leese, Prentice Carl Reeder, Rosa Charlotte Kohn, Frank Russell Miller, Edna Dermat Charles, Albert Watkins, Jr., Emily Weeks, Henry Robinson Tucker, Lewis Stoddard Ryan, Elia Delila Oberlies, Josephine Hoyt, Margaret Edith Henry, Estelle Marie King, Ethelyn Hooper, Alden Edson Henry, Maud Muller Hawley, Mattie Lydia Goodell, Nettie Clemons, Flora May Burns, Julia Frances Burleigh, Gertrude Elvira Brown, Blanche Edith Brown, Anna Helen Bethune, Annette Lois Abbott, Rena Lenora Smith, Minnie Frances Smith, Ethel May Lawton, Elizabeth Lane, Dorothea Wilson, Fred Cook.

The graduating exercises of the eighth grade were held this afternoon in the senate chamber at the state capitol.

Secretary Edgerton of the independent state central committee says that Dawes county has elected eight delegates to the state convention in Lincoln this month, all of whom are pledged to Judge Maxwell for candidate for supreme judge. Mr. Edgerton says that there is not the least doubt but that Judge Maxwell will be the nominee.

Howard Holcomb, brother of Governor Holcomb, who has been visiting a few days in Lincoln, returned today to his home in Oakland City, Ind.

Lew Taylor, one of the five men arrested for passing counterfeit money, wrote to United States Commissioner Billingsley and demanded an immediate hearing. He got it today, all he wanted, and is now bound over to the United States district court in the sum of $600. Evidence was strong against him, besides which Frazier, another of the quintet, has turned state's evidence and given up the facts.

GUESTS OF THE BURLINGTON.

Captain Ackland, eastern capitalist and well known in the northwest, F. Roony and two other gentlemen were in the city today, accompanied by D. E. Thompson, General Manager Holdrege, Mr. Loomis and Thomas Cochrane. The party made a tour of inspection under charge of Mayor Graham and Councilmen Parker and Lawler. It is stated that the party is enroute to the northwest, ostensibly on a hunting trip, but really to overlook a proposed extension of the Burlington from Sheridan, Wyo., some 200 miles into Yellowstone park.

C. W. Cockrell, the grain man whose failure was announced last week, has been arrested on the charge of embezzlement, preferred by Thomas Bailey of Pleasant Dale. Bailey claims that Cockrell has fraudulently converted $387.50 of the former's money to his own use. Cockrell has given bail for his appearance Friday and says that the transaction was one of everyday occurrence, and is simply one of the debts he owes but is unable to pay for reasons stated when he failed. Cockrell has had a meeting with his creditors and it is likely he will resume next week.

NEBRASKA'S MILITIA EFFICIENT

Annual Report of the Inspector of the State National Guard.

LINCOLN, June 5.—(Special.)—Major Fechet, inspector of the Nebraska National Guards, has made his report to the inspector general of the United States army, under date of June 3, of the movements of the battalion of cadets of the University of Nebraska on May 25, the occasion of their annual competitive drill. Major Fechet says that all four of the companies showed a degree of proficiency equalled by but few military organizations.

Adjutant General Barry has of late received a number of applications for arms and equipments for private companies. In order to set at rest the idea that the state will interest itself in such organizations the following letter is made public:

LINCOLN, June 5.—T. F. Knapp, Esq., Hastings, Neb.: Sir—Yours of June 4, requesting to know if the state would furnish arms and equipments for a private company, has been received and duly considered. You are respectfully informed that it is not considered good policy by the National Guard to encourage the formation of private or independent companies for the reason that besides using a part of the arms and equipments by the United States for their use they absorb good material that otherwise might find their way into the ranks of the National Guard.

Regretting that I could not give you a more favorable answer, I am yours truly,

PATRICK H. BARRY,
Adjutant General.

The resignation of Lieutenant J. W. Broatch of the Omaha Guards has been formally accepted by Adjutant General Barry, and the commanding officer ordered to call a special election to fill the vacancy.

ALLEGED LYNCHERS ARE READY

Closing Chapter of the Barrett Scott Case Opens Today.

BUTTE, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Mullihan, Elliott, Ray, Pinkerman, Harris, Oberle and Stanton, the men accused of lynching Barrett Scott, arrived in town this evening. Their deportment is very orderly. The men were in town for more than an hour before the people knew of their arrival. Mullihan and Elliott were interviewed by The Bee correspondent and did not seem to be at all uneasy over the outcome of the trial. The men will be arraigned tomorrow and the trial day set. County Attorney Wills does not believe the case will be reached before June 11.

BLUE RIVER OUT OF ITS BANKS

Bottoms for Miles Flooded by Several Feet of Water.

HEBRON, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Not before in seven years has the Little Blue river gone over its banks. It has now deluged the whole of the Blue bottom from two to five feet. The gardeners had just completed planting twenty acres of celery and other garden truck, which is all swept away; damage $2,000. Welherald's Bro.'s mill is flooded and some fears are had for the foundation. All traffic west of Hebron has been cut off all day, as none of the river bridges could be crossed.

Three Nebraska Weddings.

HASTINGS, June 5.—(Special.)—At St. Mark's Episcopal church this afternoon at 4 o'clock Mr. John Hartigan of Fairbury and Miss Nellie Gertrude Brown of this city were married, Rev. H. B. Burgess of Plattsmouth officiating. The church was most elegantly decorated with potted plants and vines and was crowded to its utmost capacity. After the ceremony a fine reception was given at the home of the bride's parents on West Second street. Mr. Hartigan is an attorney of Fairbury and formerly lived in Hastings. Miss Brown is the oldest daughter of H. S. Brown and has been one of Hastings' leading society young ladies for some time. They left on the 8:30 train this evening for Fairbury, where they will reside.

BROWNVILLE, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Celia H. Furnas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Furnas, and Ed E. Lowman of McCook, Neb., were married here this morning at the home of the bride by Rev. H. O. Scott of Hastings.

INDIANOLA, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—William Shumaker, son of J. C. Shumaker, was married today in Auburn to Miss Lilile Seymour. The young couple are expected home tonight.

Four Inches of Rain at Grant.

GRANT, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—During the past week this county has had from three and one-half to four inches of rain, which has put new life into everything. The prospects are now good for at least a half crop of wheat and a fair crop of corn. Perkins county soil will produce equal to any in the state, with the same amount of moisture. The ground is now in a better condition than it has been for three years.

Somebody Broke Faith.

HEBRON, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Some few weeks ago the license and prohibition elements effected a compromise whereby the contest proceedings against the prohibitionist mayor would be dropped and the license people seat Councilman John J. Holcomb and the council grant a saloon license. Last night the petition of August Seidler for license was rejected. The contest will now be fought to a finish.

Senator Watson's Correction.

LINCOLN, June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—State Senator Watson of Otoe county says the reports concerning his appointment as solicitor for the Missouri Pacific road are slightly erroneous. Hon. B. P. Wagginer of Atchison is the general solicitor for the road for the states of Kansas and Nebraska. Senator Watson has been appointed assistant solicitor for Nebraska only.

Hold Cattle Thieves.

CREIGHTON, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Thursday night parties attempted to steal forty-five head of cattle belonging to W. H. Butterfield. They were corralled at a farm twelve miles west of here, and were taken out and driven seven miles in the face of a rain storm, when daylight overtook them, and the thieves made their escape.

Hastings Business Man Missing.

HASTINGS, June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Charles E. Apgara, a prominent business man, who has been in the money loaning and insurance business in this city for some time, went to Buffalo county Saturday and was to return Monday. He has failed to return and so far has not notified his family or friends of his whereabouts.

Escaped Almost Uninjured.

SHELBY, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—As Hubert Thelen, a farmer living southwest of town, was entering his buggy last evening his horse became frightened and overturned the rig. Thelen was dragged some distance beneath the vehicle, but he held the lines and stopped the horse. He was not injured beyond a few bruises.

Peru Normal Institute.

PERU, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Prof. A. Norton was re-elected unanimously and other members of the faculty, except G. W. Ellis, were re-elected. The action of the board is satisfactory to a large majority of students and alumni. A. W. Clarke of the Fremont normal was selected to fill the vacancy.

Boy Drowned Near McCook.

M'COOK, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Frank Schmoldt, aged 12 years, was drowned yesterday afternoon about ten miles southeast of this city in a pond formed by the late heavy rains.

BELLEVUE COMMENCEMENTS

Close of the School Year the Occasion for Interesting Exercises.

FOUR YOUNG LADIES GIVEN DIPLOMAS

Rev. J. B. Jenkins of Sioux City Delivers the Annual Address—Close of the Work Celebrated by a Banquet.

BELLEVUE, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—Clear skies and bright sunshine ushered in commencement morning at Bellevue. The early trains from west and east brought their contingent of visitors to swell the number of those who were wending their way here to witness the culmination of years of study and endeavor. The chapel had been tastefully decorated with ferns and flowers, the class colors, lavender and white, holding a prominent place.

The program opened with a chorus, "By Babylon's Waves," rendered by the college choir, after which Dr. McCormick of the Presbyterian church of Omaha led in prayer. The piano duet, "Beethoven's Turkish March," by the Misses Palmer and Fraser, elicited much applause.

Miss Connor was the first of the graduating class to speak. She had chosen for her subject "Anchored," and handled it gracefully. Miss Lottie Hamilton discussed "Thoreau's Experiment at Walden." A piano duet, "Polonaise," Jadassohn, rendered by Misses Palmer and Alexander, followed.

Miss Morris had chosen Goethe's dying words, "Open the Shutters and Let in More Light," as the theme for her essay. It was a skillfully arranged mosaic of the thoughts of some of the best writers of all ages, and in conclusion she said that just in the proportion that people and nations opened "their shutters" to the light they had advanced in the higher civilization. Mr. Lowrie sang the bass solo, "The Prisoner of Chillon," by Gordon, after which President Kerr wished the four graduates, Misses Alexander, Connor, Morris and Hamilton, Godspeed and presented them with their diplomas.

REV. J. B. JENKINS' ADDRESS.

Immediately following the graduating exercises was the annual address delivered by Rev. H. B. Jenkins, D.D., of Sioux City on the subject, "A College Diploma." The speaker began by explaining the origin of the words, especially emphasizing that the original diploma was used long before there were institutions of learning; that the Latin phraseology originated at a time when it was the only written language, and the modern sheepskin is a survival of this ancient custom, not an affectation.

Commenting on the reference in the parchment to the rights and insignia to which the holder of the same was entitled, the speaker pointed out that not only was it a safeguard and passport throughout the then civilized world, but granted its possessor peculiar legal rights. Especial attention was called to the fact that not only were the old universities seats of learning, but in them were laid the foundations of much of the civil and religious liberty now enjoyed.

Dr. Kerr announced that at the last meeting of the trustees the honorary title of D.D. was conferred upon W. J. Bollman, professor at Fairfield, Ia., and bachelor of divinity, in course, upon Rev. W. F. Allen, Denver, Colo.

The W. of O. quartet then sang "Farewell, College Home," the benediction was pronounced and the class of '95 had entered the ranks of the alumni.

Among the former students present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Patterson, Mrs. H. F. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Lyman, '93, Misses Van Tuyl, Davies, '92, and Connor. So few old students were present that no reunion was held.

All the present instructors have been invited to remain another year.

Just after the exercises President Kerr received a check for $200, reducing the indebtedness to about $550.

The guests then proceeded to Elwina hall to partake of the repast prepared by the Ladies' Aid society, half of the proceeds of which go to the college, and the afternoon was spent in greeting old friends and making new ones.

TRUSTEES HOLD A MEETING.

The trustees of Bellevue college held their meeting Tuesday afternoon with a full attendance, Dr. Baird of Plattsmouth presiding. Much routine business was taken up and settled. Dr. McCormick of Omaha was elected president of the board for the ensuing year. The financial outlook for the college is encouraging, although owing to the "hard times" about $800 is needed to pay all outstanding accounts.

There was an animated discussion concerning the maintenance of two synodical colleges in the state, and the general opinion seemed to be that as Bellevue college was the first in the field it should receive the support of the synod. The authorities feel much encouraged in their work and the scholarship for the year compares favorably with that of former years.

Altogether the trustees evinced more interest in the school than they have hitherto shown.

FACE TO FACE WITH THE WORLD

Young Nebraskans Who Have Just Stepped Out of School.

EXETER, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—The annual graduating exercises of the Exeter High school were held in this city at the opera house Tuesday evening, with an excellent program. The music furnished was under the direction of Prof. Worley of York, with a chorus of over fifty voices from this place, and very flattering compliments were passed on the professor and his class. The graduates in the class of '95 were five girls, Rosa A. O'Neil, Ivy A. Wallace, Alice H. Ziska, Ethel M. Masters and Alta S. Powell. In a very appropriate little speech Rev. W. T. Cline presented the graduates with their diplomas. Prof. McKinnon made some very complimentary remarks on the standing of this class, and presented them certificates of admission to the State university and the four-year scholarship, offered by Hastings college to the graduate receiving highest honors in the '95 class, was presented to Miss Ivy A. Wallace, she having just the fraction of a per cent the best record. The large hall was packed full and the order was good, with the exception of two or three visitors, girls from Fairmont, who seemed to forget that they were ladies and had to be reminded of that fact by the ushers.

AURORA, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—The graduating exercises of the Aurora High school took place at the opera house last evening. The place will seat nearly 600, and it was crowded to the doors, standing room and all, and a hundred or more persons were shut out. There were fifteen graduates, as follows: C. R. Croft, C. J. Peterson, Elbna Van Berg, O. N. Anderson, Marion Lamont, Laura Whitmore, Francis Chambehs, Anella P. Read, Clara Shamberger, Arthur Brown, Pearl Alix Field, Harry Graybill. Hon. A. N. Thomas presented the diplomas.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—The grandest affair of the kind ever given in Plattsmouth was a party and reception last night by W. W. Coates at the Hotel Riley to the graduating class of '95.

The program for the evening was dancing, games and refreshments. Fully fifty couples took part in the grand march, which, with the visitors, filled the parlors, office and dining rooms. The class consisted of William H. Baird, Luke Wiles, Minna White, Laura Gantt, Maud Rennie, Mattie Carmack, Rose Hyers, Anna Sullivan, Matilda Vallery and Blanch Kennedy.

Harris Creek Rapidly Raising.

NORTH LOUP, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—A so-called cloud-burst in the bluffs southwest of Ord caused a tremendous rise of water in the Harris creek canyon, which culminated in a washout in the North Loup Irrigation and Improvement company's ditch one mile below Ord. A force of men and teams is now at work repairing the damage and the works will be in order again, ready for any possible dry spell, within a few days.

Notwithstanding the great rainfall of the past week, the reputation of the Loup country for perpetual sunshine was in no degree impaired, since the sun shone at some time during the day every day of the rainfall, and on several of them was in sight the greater portion of the day. A careful record kept here for the past seven years shows that there is an annual average of less than ten sunless days during the entire year.

The great tendency toward improvement in agricultural methods in this vicinity is evidenced by the large number of farmers who have put in fields of alfalfa this year. Though this crop always gives unquestionably big returns under irrigation, it also has the reputation of enduring drouth better than any other forage crop, and whatever may be the character of the remainder of the season as to moisture, it has now made an excellent start and the present conditions are so very favorable that it cannot fail to improve for months to come, since the subsoil is wet to a depth of several feet. The result will be that barns that were almost empty last fall will be filled this winter with rich and nutritious forage.

SHE HAS HAD A ROUGH TIME

Georgie Rheinhart Undertakes to End a Miserable Life by Morphine.

Several days ago it was reported to the police that a woman named Georgie Rheinhart, who had left Edgemont, S. D., with the intention of coming to the city for medical attendance at the Methodist hospital, had not arrived. She was due here on May 30. As she did not arrive on the day a telegram was sent to Edgemont by the superintendent of the hospital. He received a reply to the effect that the woman had left and should be in the city. The police were unable to find any trace of her.

Last night, shortly before midnight, a woman walked up to Officer Thomas at Tenth and Howard streets and stated that she had taken a dose of morphine with suicidal intent. She was sent to the station, and, after some conversation with her, it was discovered that she was the missing Georgie Rheinhart. She said that she had taken a large quantity of the drug, two doses to make doubly sure. Dr. Towne was summoned, and, after treating her, he stated that he trought she would recover, but was not certain.

The woman, according to her story, has had quite a checkered career. She formerly was a married woman in this city, but her husband was killed. Then she left the city, going to Kansas City, and then to Edgemont. From there she came to Omaha to have an operation performed. The Methodist hospital agreed to receive her. When she arrived in the city she said that a stranger had enticed her into a disreputable resort and there she had remained a week, the exact time that she has been reported as missing. Last night she became tired of life and bought the drug to put an end to herself.

Jailed for Stealing a Boat.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—John Jones, who skipped out in a stolen boat the other night in company with his 15-year-old sister-in-law, was given thirty days in jail for the larceny of the boat. While he is serving out his term the authorities will take the time to strengthen their case against the man on the charge of criminal assault. The girl is willing to appear as a witness for the state. Charles Yelke and the Bryant girl, who also figured in the elopement, have not been heard from since their disembarkment at Broadville. Yelke, it is feared, has learned that trouble is in store for him should he return to this city and has deserted the girl, who is weak minded and totally unable to make her way home. Sheriff Eikenbary has taken the case in hand, and besides restoring the girl to her parents will endeavor to bring Yelke back for punishment.

John F. Barry, a wealthy farmer living in the Iowa bottoms opposite the city, fell from his wagon yesterday and the rear wheel of the vehicle passed entirely over his neck. He is reported as being in a precarious condition.

Funerals of Wreck Victims.

M'COOK, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—The funeral of Engineer Frank W. Jeffries, who was killed in the wreck Sunday night, took place yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the Odd Fellows from the Methodist church. Business was suspended. The procession was an imposing display of popular sympathy. This morning from St. Patrick's church the burial of Roadmaster B. V. Haley occurred. The funeral was in charge of the Workmen lodges of McCook and Holdrege. An immense concourse of people followed his remains to the tomb, attesting the popular esteem in which the deceased was held. In the afternoon the last sad rites were performed over the body of Fireman C. C. M. Rowell, the funeral occurring at the home of deceased. The Ancient Order of United Workmen and A. P. A. lodges attended in a body and had charge of the obsequies, which were attended by the community almost enmasse. Business was suspended during both funerals. The Brigade band played dirges for all three funerals.

Beatrice Finances in Good Shape.

BEATRICE, June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—At a meeting of the city council this evening ex-Treasurer Grable made his report and settlement with the city. The report showed the amount due on city funds to be $23,160, and on school funds $2,068. Grable turned over in cash $20,628 and a check on the Chemical National bank of New York for $4,600. Grable was elected mayor at the recent election, and this settlement in full with the city is a complete refutation of the insinuations made at that time that he was a defaulter. The water commissioner matter, over which there has been so much discussion, was settled by the reappointment of the present incumbent, George Hawkins. At the close of the session the mayor banqueted the city officials and members of the press.

Mind Wrecked by Privation.

BUTTE, Neb., June 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Sheriff Standiford returned from Lynch this morning with Desia Davlinka, a woman who became insane a short time ago. She was examined by the commissioners and from the evidence produced it developed that the woman had lost her reason as a result of privation endured during the past winter from insufficient nourishment to sustain herself and children. The woman had to be sent back to Lynch under guard to await an opening to send her to an asylum.

Carrie Conlon secured a divorce from her husband, Michael Conlon, in district court today.

Damaged Irrigation Ditches.

HAYES CENTER, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—Floods of water continue to spread over Hayes county. Since the morning of Decoration day, 6.13 inches of rain has fallen, as shown by the government gauge. It has been general. Bridges are washed out and embankments melted away. No man can remember when so much rain has fallen during the same length of time. Farmers say they will yet have a crop. Irrigation ditches on the hill sides have suffered greatly, many miles being destroyed.

Literary Society Banquet.

LINCOLN, June 5.—(Special.)—The oldest and most popular literary society of the University of Nebraska gave a banquet last evening. It was about 10 o'clock when the toastmaster, Edward Brown, and Miss Eugene Getner, both of the class of '92, led the way into the Palladion hall. Prof. Lawrence Fossler, Miss Maretta Gray, Miss Mary Edwards, C. R. Weldin, C. M. Skiles, G. E. Fisher, Miss Flora Bullock and Mr. Brown were the speakers.

Cut Worms in Corn.

NORTH LOUP, Neb., June 5.—(Special.)—A considerable number of farmers in this vicinity are reporting that portions of their corn fields are being seriously ravaged by cut worms, in some cases almost the entire crop being taken over limited areas. It is thought, however, that this has been largely owing to the prevalence of the past dry weather, and that since the rainy season has set in the difficulty will speedily terminate.

Trouble in Ramcat Alley.

Billy Grimes, a negro, was seriously cut at an early hour this morning in a drunken row with his mistress, a white woman named May Allison. The pair have long been the terrors of Ramcat alley and frequently figure in the police court. Grimes was slashed in the face with a knife and his upper lip laid open and his nose split the entire length. The woman skipped and has not yet been apprehended.

HAS HIS PRISONER SAFE

Iowa Sheriff on His Way Home After a Successful Chase.

Late yesterday afternoon Sheriff J. B. Lewis of Spencer, Ia., arrived in the city with William Sherrill, who is wanted in Spencer for attempting a criminal assault upon a 17-year-old girl of that place.

The sheriff has had quite a chase after Sherrill since he started on his trail, having located him a number of times without being able to get his hands on him. The crime for which the prisoner is wanted was committed last December. He was arrested and brought to trial. He was convicted and placed in confinement in the lockup in Spencer until sentence was pronounced upon him.

The jail is an old wooden building, containing one steel cell, in which Sherrill was placed. He managed, however, to strike the soft side of his jailer and was permitted to take his meals in the corridor of the jail. The jailer reached the conclusion that he was a model young man and would not try to escape if the jail door was held wide open for him to walk out. He was given more and more freedom, and finally one day at dinner time the jailer went out, leaving Sherrill in the corridor. Sherrill was perfectly able to see a good thing when it was placed under his nose and he didn't spend much time in grabbing hold of it. When the jailer returned twenty minutes later he found a big hole in the side of the building, but he did not find Sherrill, and arrived finally at the startling conclusion that Sherrill had escaped. This happened on February 21.

Sheriff Lewis then started out to look for the escaped prisoner and started out to look hard. On April 2 he located him in Colorado Springs, where he had been arrested. He had been sentenced to the chain gang, and one day he discovered another good thing and departed without bidding adieu to his jailors. Sheriff Lewis lost track of him for two or three weeks and then discovered that he was in Manitou. Before he could be apprehended, however, he again disappeared. Finally, a little over a week ago, Lewis located him in Leadville and had him placed under arrest by the authorities.

The people in Spencer are considerably worked up over the case, and consequently Sheriff Lewis is not taking any chances with his prisoner. He is loaded with several pounds of iron that might impede him if he tried to get away, experienced as he is.

WERE UNDOUBTEDLY EXPERTS

Men Who Did the Job at the Anheuser-Busch Office Were Smooth.

Everything seems to point to the fact that the cracksmen who opened the safe in the office of the Anheuser-Busch Brewing company at Thirteenth and Jones streets on Monday night were experts in their business. The coolness and the nicety with which they did the job is sufficient to indicate that alone. But another fact has since turned up which further shows their boldness and coolness and seems to point to the conclusion that these qualities were the result of experience.

On Monday afternoon, the same day on which the burglary was committed, two men were seated in a saloon on Seventh and Leavenworth streets drinking beer at one of the tables. They were strangers, and this, together with their appearance, aroused the suspicions of a habitue of the place and he informed Officer Jorgenson that there was something wrong with them. It cannot be said whether the informant knew anything more of the two men than he told at the time or not. At any rate the officer watched the two men as much as he could in the afternoon, and when he was relieved by the night man he "tipped them off" to him. Some time during the latter part of the day the two men went to a blacksmith shop that was on a neighboring corner, without the officer's knowledge, and asked the proprietor for permission to use his grindstone. He granted it and the two men took a number of drills from a box which they had with them and sharpened them. After they were through they left and returned to the saloon.

Sometime during the night the blacksmith shop was entered and a number of tools were stolen, a sledge hammer, several chisels and a pair of blacksmith's nippers. The stolen articles were later found on the floor of the office in which the safe was cracked. There seems to be no doubt from this that the two men, who were in the saloon and were "tipped off" to the officer and the two cracksmen were the same persons, and that they also burglarized the blacksmith shop for tools before they went at the job. In their journeyings the cracksmen evidently carry nothing with them but their drills, for while the stolen tools were left behind no drills were found. That they had drills was shown by the hole that was left in the safe that had been made by such an instrument.

SCHOFIELD WILL COME TODAY

Lieutenant General of the Army and Party to Inspect Fort Crook.

Late yesterday afternoon arrangements were made by Major Crowder, U. S. A., with the Missouri Pacific, to run a special train from the Webster street station for the convenience of Lieutenant General J. M. Schofield and party, who will arrive via the Burlington from Kansas City at 6 o'clock this morning, in order that the commander of the army of the United States may have an opportunity to inspect the new Fort Crook and continue on his journey eastward in the afternoon. From telegrams received at army headquarters it is thought the general and his party will be conveyed special from Kansas City to Leavenworth, where he will be entertained. At St. Joe the people are also desirous of entertaining the head of the army of the republic and if the general expresses a willingness to stop it may necessitate a special run from St. Joseph. However, it is thought the change in itinerary will have no effect upon his circle of Omaha, via the Belt Line, Superintendent Rathburn and Assistant General Passenger Agent Phillippi having ordered a special crew and engine to be in readiness to take General Schofield and his party and the ranking officers of the Department of the Platte on an inspection of the new fort, leaving the Webster street station at 9:30 a. m. The return will be about 2 o'clock.

Bohan's Hearing Comes Today.

The preliminary hearing of 16-year-old Larry Bohan, who is held for the murder of Harry Parker, the colored boy, was postponed yesterday until this afternoon. The county attorney, who will have charge of the case, was not familiar with it, and he was given time to look it up.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A regular meeting of the Board of Health was held yesterday afternoon. Reports of inspectors for May were heard and bills allowed.

Today the Omaha Flower mission will begin active operations for the season. Parties who have flowers to donate are expected to leave the same at the south door of the Hoagland residence at Sixteenth and Howard streets.

Mayor Bemis has received from S. Sherin, secretary of the Pan-American Congress of Religion and Education, a request to ask the city council to name delegates to the session of the congress to be held at Toronto July 18 to 25. All charitable institutions and hospitals are also urged to send representatives.

At the joint committee meeting of the Young Women's Christian association and Women's Christian Temperance union, held Wednesday morning, a resolution was unanimously passed expressing thanks for and appreciation of the excellent religious and rescue work done by Miss Laura Cayford at the branch noonday rest, 613 South Twelfth street.

A half dozen complaints were received at the police station yesterday from residents in the vicinity of Thirty-fourth and Martha streets, who claimed that a crazy man was making himself obnoxious in that locality. It was found that the cause of the trouble was one of the insane patients from the county poor farm who had escaped from his confinement, and an officer was sent out to get him.

The Young Men's Institute gave an enjoyable social and hop last evening upon the lawn of Count Creighton, at Eighteenth and Chicago streets. It was well lighted by means of five engine reflectors, besides a long string of Chinese lanterns. In the center of the lawn a large platform was laid for dancing and the pastime was continued to a late hour, music being furnished by Dimick's band. Refreshments were served. The latter part of the evening was rendered doubly pleasant on account of the brilliant moonlight. Several hundred young people participated.

FIXING THE CRIME ON BUCK

Police Confident that the Dead Senator Was Miss Harrington's Murderer.

CLAIM OF AN ALIBI NOT SUSTAINED

Relations of the Dead Man and the Murdered Woman More Intimate Than Heretofore Supposed—Remark Made to a Policeman.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 5.—The Evening Post states that the entire detective force of this city is convinced that ex-Senator Buck struck the blows which killed Miss Nellie Harrington in her flat last Saturday. Buck died yesterday from the effects of injuries sustained by being thrown from a cart while being driven by a policeman to the office of the chief of police. The local chief of detectives said this morning: "I don't want to talk about this murder, because I hate to fight dead men." The conclusions of the police are said to be based on the contents of fifteen private letters found in Miss Harrington's room, which are said to indicate between the murdered woman and Buck even greater intimacy than appeared on the surface. On the back of Buck's photograph Miss Harrington had left a written request that it be destroyed at her death.

The alibi of Buck, as stated by his family, is not borne out by police investigation. Detectives state that instead of remaining in his Oakland residence from the time of the arrival of the Marysville train at 11:30 until 1:30 Buck actually left home after noon. An Oakland resident came across the ferry with Buck, and Chamberlain's bookkeeper states that his employer arrived at his office before 1 o'clock. This, the police say, would give Buck time to proceed to the Ellis street residence of Miss Harrington, commit the crime and get away before the alarm of fire was rung in from the flat.

In trying to fasten the crime on Buck the detectives are piling up evidence. They say the dead senator's actions after the tragedy were suspicious. When he returned to Oakland on the ferry many of his acquaintances discussed the murder, but Buck kept silent, and although he heard the accounts of the crime he said nothing to his family of the murder, although they all knew Miss Harrington well. It has been proved that Buck was in the habit of making midday calls on Miss Harrington, and the murderer must have been on intimate terms to secure admission to her room and to make his exit unnoticed. Buck's remark to the policeman who went to his home on Saturday, "I know what the police want me for," is also considered by the detectives to corroborate their theory. The most unfortunate feature of the police theory is that the accused is dead and no testimony can be offered in reply to police suspicions.

WESTERN PENSIONS.

Veterans of the Rebellion Remembered by the General Government.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—(Special.)—Pensions granted, issue of May 18, were:

Nebraska: Original—James D. McCann, Falls City, Richardson; Francis H. De Castro, Sidney, Cheyenne. Increase—William E. Weckerly, Kearney, Buffalo. Reissue—August Oberle, Lonie, Holt; Hiram Spencer, Falls City, Richardson; John J. D. Seick, Huntley, Harlan; Jacob Gutzan, Riverton, Franklin. Original widows, etc.—Dimrous L. Main, Lincoln, Lancaster; Jane Hills, Alliance, Box Butte; Margaret E. Daly, Johnstown, Brown; Mary Rockafield, Omaha, Douglas.

Iowa: Increase—Ransom Reed, Cumberland, Cass; Christian Lock, Keokuk, Lee. Reissue—William M.