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VACATION IS HERE

SCHOOLS CLOSE THIS WEEK
AND LARGE CLASS GRADUATES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Began With Baccalaureate Sermon Sunday Evening—Comment Exercises Tomorrow.

This week is a very important one at the city schools, being the closing week, the time of examinations, the beginning of the summer vacation, and to the graduates of the High School, the time of all times in their school life thus far, commencement week. The city schools, from all reports have had a profitable year. The graduating class of the High School is the largest in the history of the school, and of course, as usual, the brightest.

The first of the commencement week began with the baccalaureate sermon, and the accompanying exercises, at the opera house last Sunday evening. The stage was beautifully decorated with flowers and potted plants, and a chorus, under direction of Mr. Watkins, and accompanied by the Dodge City orchestra, furnished music for the occasion. The program was as follows:

Doxology.
Invocation, Rev. A. W. Cummings.
Anthem, "The King of Love, my Shepherd is."
Scripture, Rev. C. S. Spiers.
Hymn, "Work for the Night is Coming."
Prayer, Rev. A. M. Eells.
Hymn, "Nearer my God to Thee."
Announcements.
Anthem, "Gloria," from the Twelfth Mass.
Sermon, "Ships on the Sea," Rev. M. Lee Borey.
Hymn, "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me."
Benediction, Rev. B. T. Benated.
There are twenty-two members of the graduating class. The motto, "Nihil nisi bonum," the flower, the pink rose and the colors blue and white.

The following extracts are given from the baccalaureate sermon:
One of the purposes accomplished by Christ was giving to the world a picture of the ideal man. This was not meant to discourage mankind but rather to encourage and to lead men to higher and better things.

We should never be afraid to catch a vision of the ideal in life. History, both sacred and profane proves to us that the men of action, the men who have done the world's work have been men of vision. Jesus caught a vision of future glory and was willing to endure for its sake. "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses let us lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us and let us run with patience the race that is set before us looking unto Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame and hath set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

Columbus, Morse, Vail, Edlson, Franklin, Newton and Watts were men of vision. A very striking example of the man of vision is Lord Tennyson. He gives the story of the vision he caught in early life which as a gleam led him through all of life's changes and brought him at last to "The crossing of the bar." This story is told in his poem, "Merlin and the Gleam." He opens with:

"O young mariner, you from the haven Under the sea-cliff, you that are watching The gray magicians with eyes of wonder, I am Merlin, and I am dying, I am Merlin who follow the gleam."

He closes with:
"And so to the land's last limit I came— And can no longer, but die rejoicing, For thru the magic, of him the mighty Who taught me in childhood, there on the border Of boundless ocean, and all but in heaven Hovers the gleam."

"Not of the sunlight, not of the moonlight Not of the starlight! O young mariner, Down to the haven, call your companions Launch your vessel, and crowd your canvas And, ere it vanishes over the margin, After it, follow it, follow the gleam."

Tennyson calls "time" a great sea of ocean and life is a ship sailing on this sea of time. With this figure in mind we can quote the psalmist by saying: "There go the ships." Big ships, little ships; swift ships, slow ships; heavy ships; light ships; full ships, empty ships;

beautiful ships, bedraggled ships; drifting ships, sailing ships.

Do I mean ships of wood and iron? No I mean men and women and especially these young men and women who are now sailing out, as it were, from the harbor in o the great sea of time, and now as such I urge you to choose your port, your destiny. Think of a ship without a port! I am reminded of Edward Everett Hale's story of "The Man Without a Country."

Phillip Nolan was tried for treason. He was proven guilty. The Judge asked him if he had any reply to make and he said "I wish I might never hear of the U. S. again." After a few moments of consultation the Judge announced that his wish carried out should be the penalty for his crime. For over fifty years he sailed the seas, being transferred vessel to vessel without ever having the privilege of choosing a port or destiny. It is one of the saddest stories in print. Don't be a drifter; choose your life's work early and then prepare for it.

Emmerson said, "The crowning virtue of a man is to be born with a bias for some pursuit which finds him employment and happiness." Swift said, "No man ever made an ill figure who understood his own talents, or a good one who mistook them." Nature cuts every man out for something. In choosing, choose that for which nature intended you if possible.

But however important is the choice of the port, this is not all. There must be a choice of equipment. Columbus chose his destination but had trouble in securing his equipment for the voyage. For life's voyage you have spent a few years in gathering together material for equipment. Doubtless some of you feel that you have enough and you are ready to sail out of the harbor. I warn you against any such feeling of satisfaction. You need more book equipment. You need the college course and the university course and then, added to all this rigging, you will need a chart, a compass, an anchor and a pilot. The Word of God will serve you best as a chart; conscience, properly educated, will give you the directions; faith in God, in Christ, in self and in mankind will make a strong anchor for you, and Jesus Christ will pilot you over life's tempestuous seas.

The commencement exercises will be held at the opera house tomorrow, Friday, night. The following program will be given:

Music, Orchestra.
Invocation, Rev. A. M. Eells.
Music.
Salutatory, Jay Straney Andrews.
Music.
Valedictory, Nellie Belle Carter.
Presentation of Diplomas, S. V. Malory.
Benediction, R. v. A. W. Cummings.
Tickets for the commencement exercises are on sale at Young's.

TESTING IMPORTED TIES.

Santa Fe Road Laying Ninety Pound Steel and Making Test of Hard Wood Ties, on this Division.

Beginning the first of the month the Santa Fe will relay the road from Kinzley to Hutchinson, on the cutoff, with 99-pound steel. This steel will be laid on imported ties that will be a new experiment on the Santa Fe. The company has had a man all over the world looking up the tie question, and upon his recommendation has purchased 170,000 imported ties, of a very hard kind of wood. The wood is so hard that screw spikes will have to be used in fastening the ties to them. After the holes for the screws are bored the ties will be treated by a process which the company has adopted. They will be laid from Kinzley east on the cut-off, and will cover a distance of 57 miles. This stretch of road will be used for the test of these imported ties, and will be visited and inspected at different times by the officials of the system. The ties are guaranteed to last for 25 years. In placing the foreign ties, about 30,000 new ties, recently placed, will have to be taken up.

SPEARVILLE PICNIC

Annual A. O. U. W. Picnic at Spearville Will be Held June 9 and 10—General Celebration, Carnival and Trolley Making Event.

The annual A. O. U. W. picnic at Spearville for this year will be held on June 9 and 10. This meeting was a great success last year and it will be given on a larger scale this year. The Dodge City band and orchestra has been asked to consider a two days' engagement and different attractions are being arranged for. The "picnic" draws a large crowd to Spearville, and amounts to an old-settlers, new settlers reunion, trade carnival, and a general celebration of the town and surrounding country.

A HEAVY RAINFALL

NEARLY AN INCH AND A QUARTER OF RAINFALL HERE ON LAST WEDNESDAY.

FOLLOWING TWO OTHER RAINS

Rainfall During the Week Was 2.44 Inches—The Wheat Crop is Much Improved.

The rainy season, which was somewhat overdue, has made its appearance here. The rainfall measurement taken by the government weather station at Dodge City for the present month is 2.51 inches. During the past week there was 2.44 inches of rainfall. The heaviest shower at Dodge City came on Monday, when there was a fall of 1.21 inches. On Sunday there was a fall of .58, and on the preceding Thursday there was .60 of an inch.

From reports received here from over the county, up to the time that the rains began, there was about half the county where the wheat did not seem to be suffering for moisture, and was in good condition to be pushed rapidly by the recent rains. In a few places it was reported that the wheat was actually damaged, but with the moisture now, these fields may come out better than was expected. The probability is that there will be plenty of moisture from now on, while the wheat is filling, and, with the certainty now that there will be a good average crop of wheat in Ford county, most everybody is feeling good.

DIED IN INDIA.

Chaplain at Fort Dodge Receives Cablegram Announcing Death of Son.

Rev. J. W. Crouch, newly appointed chaplain at the Home, arrived there last week and next day received a cablegram telling of the serious illness of his son at Poona, India. A second message quickly followed with the announcement of his death.

The son, John T. Crouch, 26 years old, was born at Beulah, Kansas, and at Keokuk, Iowa received the degree of D. D. S. and was then made a member of the State Dental Faculty, in which profession he remained until he received the degree of M. D. He went to India under contract to do work in the line of his profession for the British government, but died a victim of smallpox, four months after sailing.

This is the second sad happening to this family, as another son was drowned at Mead in 1891, at the age of 16 years, who was then a high school student in Dodge City. The family now consists of a wife and two daughters, all at Ft. Dodge. They will receive the earnest sympathy of many friends at this end of the state, as Mr. Crouch has ministered in churches at Spearville, Meade, Ness City, Kinsley and Harper, coming now from Bell Platte.

INSPECTOR WAS HERE.

Will Take About Two Months for Dodge City to Secure Free Delivery System.

Inspector Lilly, was in Dodge City on Tuesday of this week, and went over the town. He blocked out the portion of town, for which he is ready to establish Free Delivery, as soon as certain crossings and short pieces of walk are put in. This territory extends from the mill north to Division street, eight blocks, and east and west from Paladora street to Avenue C, ten blocks.

If the required crossings and walks are put in promptly, we should be able to secure Free delivery by August 1st.

Cloth has to be seasoned just the same as lumber. Both must have the warp and



shrink taken out of them before they are fit to be built into anything. You know what a green beam will do to a floor—how it will pull it out of shape and draw it out of plumb—well, a piece of wool that isn't shrunk until there's no shrink in it, will begin to shrink when you begin to wear the suit, and then no matter how well it looks at the start, the collar will tug away, the lapel will shrivel and the breast will show furrows.

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DEATH OF JOHN MADDEN

Was a Resident of Dodge City for Twenty-five Years, and Served Sixteen Years as Street Commissioner.

John Madden, who has been a resident of Dodge City for the past twenty-five years, passed away at noon last Saturday, May 22. His death was sudden, but peaceful. He was well advanced in the seventies, and his death came as the close of the allotted time.

Funeral services were held on Monday morning at 10 o'clock from the Catholic church, conducted by the Reverend Father Mennis, who preached one of the most impressive funeral sermons upon this occasion that has ever been heard at this place.

Everyone in Dodge City had a kindly feeling for John Madden, and the business houses of the town were closed at the time of the funeral. The old settlers of this place have been meeting him daily for the past twenty-five years. For sixteen years or more he served as street commissioner of Dodge City. Up to a few years ago he remained the same type of physical strength that he had been when he came to the United States in 1870, and he probably never felt that he was becoming an old man until he was injured in an accident about two years ago. At the time of his death he was in the employ of the city, having charge of flushing the sewers, and when he was told by his doctor that he must quit work for awhile he did so reluctantly, telling the mayor as he started home that he wanted to do the work again, as soon as he was able.

John Madden was born in Belfast, County Antrim, Ireland. He was married in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1867, to Margaret Mooney, who survives him. From this union nine children were born, seven of them surviving him. He came to this

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country in 1870, locating first in Boston. He moved to Dodge City twenty-five years ago, and made this his home from that time to the time of his death.

The steeple of the M. S. church was struck by lightning during the storm Sunday morning. Fortunately the building did not take fire and nothing more serious than the loss of a few shingles developed.

Take Notice

Letter mail sent to persons getting mail on the rural route requires two cents for each ounce or fraction thereof.

Section 106 of Postal Regulations reads: On drop letters the rate of postage is two cents an ounce or fraction thereof, when addressed to a patron of Rural Route delivery.

J. A. ARMIST, Postmaster