

Northwestern Military Academy.

The band and the crack company went in to Chicago, Tuesday, to take part in the Decoration Day parade. The natty uniforms of the band, the spirited playing and the snappy accurate drill of the crack company, elicited much applause and was in marked contrast to the other cadet organizations of line. Capt. Lomax, of the crack company, and acting drum Major Wissing of the band, are to be congratulated on their fine work.

Major Davidson did an act not down on the bills in the Decoration day parade. At the corner of State and Washington streets, while the major was bidding good bye to his staff, his horse, which was a vicious brute, slipped and fell flat. The major landed on his feet, finished his directions, returned the salute of his staff officers and calmly mounted and rode off amid the applause of the spectators.

The N. M. A. band is under obligations to Mr. Schauffler for his assistance, Decoration day.

It is a matter of regret that the hard runs of last week together with the press of commencement and final examination work, made it inadvisable for the bicycle corps to take part in the parade. It is surprising how well Highland Park, the cadets, and the cycle corps are known in the city. All along the line of march, "Here come the Highland Park fellows." "The Highland Park cadets." "These are the fellows that ride the wheels," "Where are your wheels, boys," "Hurrah for the Highland Park cadets' could be heard followed by cheers and clapping of hands.

The Bangor, Me., papers announce that Prof. Fred C. Ball, formerly the head of the N. M. A., commercial department, has resigned his position in the East Maine Conference Seminary, to become the principal of the commercial department of the Bangor High school.

Harry Bachtenkircher, who some years ago attended the primary department of the Highland Park public schools, and will no doubt be remembered by many of our Highland Park young people, who were very young people at that time, will grad-

uate from the Lafayette, Ind., High school, June 8. We desire to congratulate Harry upon his progress and we hope that now that he has finished the high school, he can make it convenient to come back to the N. M. A., and be a cadet where he was once a little boy. Prof. Bachtenkircher, his father, who was at one time the principal of the N. M. A., commercial department, is now the superintendent of penmanship in the city schools of Lafayette.

Some of our musicians are in receipt of some very fine music published by the Hubbard Music Company of Bangor, Me. The music comes as a present from Capt. Geo. Hubbard who was our athletic instructor during 92-3.

The scientific department has received a pamphlet on the giant magnet from the author, Dr. Hamilton Stillson, of Seattle, Washington, who spent some two weeks at the Academy two years ago, as a guest of Capt. Reddick.

Col. and Mrs. Blyer of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Laurence, Miss Robinson and Miss Florence Robinson of Evanston and Mr. J. A. Scott of Los Angeles, make up a partial list of N. M. A. visitors of last week.

The week of camp life was enjoyed by every member of the school. The boys drilled, mounted guard, paraded and tore down tents, fished, hunted, cooked, ate—oh! how they did eat!—and had a good time generally. Not a thing occurred to mar the pleasure of the outing unless indeed the rain of last Saturday morning which caught the corps after we had broken camp and started for home and about a mile from the depot. But the wetting did no one any harm, indeed most of the boys enjoyed getting wet. After the return home Saturday afternoon the boys made a quick change in order to be ready to do escort duty the following morning, when, as if they had not had water enough before, they received another drenching. But a drenching does not affect the N. M. A. boys much, for they came up serenely Monday night for parade, as though they had never seen a rain in all their lives.

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