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'Prexy' Leads College Assembly



President Brandenburg is seen above in a characteristic pose on the rostrum in College auditorium as he conducts the weekly or special assembly periods, flanked by members of the faculty. Shown in the picture, from left to right, are Dr. O. P. Dellinger, Prof. Harry H. Hall, Dr. J. Ralph Wells, Deau G. W. Trout and Prof. H. C. Heckert.

Wanted Practical Man as President

In a letter to Miss Irma Gene Nevins, chairman of the publicity committee for President W. A. Brandenburg's celebration, State Senator Ed T. Hackney of Wellington, has written briefly on the "why" Dr. Brandenburg was selected as head of the College. The senator's letter to Miss Nevins stated:

"I am delighted to hear that you are to have a silver anniversary for President Brandenburg, and I hope to be present. He has done a splendid work and I am more than delighted with it.

"You ask me how we came to select him. We wanted a practical school man, young and with as wide an experience and outlook as possible, to head that manual training and domestic arts and sciences that were to be emphasized there. We also realized that school would train many teachers for that industrial section and we wanted a man who was thoroughly democratic in his contact with people and who would set an example for the teachers to go out into those mining communities. We also wanted a man who would be able to lead that great southeastern bunch of school men who were then outstanding in the state.

"With these qualifications in mind we all went to the National Educa-

tion Association meeting at Salt Lake and studied the men, many of them, and unanimously agreed upon President Brandenburg."

HONOR TO DR. BRANDENBURG.

Citizens of Southeastern Kansas this week are honoring Dr. W. A. Brandenburg, who is rounding out 27 years of service as president of the State Teachers College at Pittsburg. A quarter of a century is a long time for one man to remain at the head of a school, particularly a state institution that at time may be subject to political or civic pressure.

That the people of Pittsburg and vicinity are spending most of the week in celebration of Dr. Brandenburg's anniversary attests to the high regard in which he is held. He not only has made his Teachers College outstanding in the educational realm, but has won the love and esteem of all educators in Kansas and sister states.

The climax of the celebration comes Friday night when Governor Huxman and former Governors Clyde M. Reed, Ben S. Paulen and Jonathan M. Davis will be guests. The heads of the other state schools also will attend and help honor their colleague. It is a fine thing Pittsburg is doing for the distinguished citizen who has served faithfully and well, and has many more years ahead of him as president of a great school.—From The Topeka Capital.