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The first indoor concert by the Binford band given last Friday evening was a success, far beyond expectations. The opera house was appropriately decorated with the national colors and a picture of Lincoln, in honor of that great statesman's natal day. The program began with a march, which was followed by an overture. The next number was a vocal duet by Miss Marie Norman and Miss Ruth Alfson, who sang "Merry Birds of Spring." They responded to an encore, singing "Doan' Yo' Lisen." Their voices blended beautifully, and these two numbers were very pleasing and heartily applauded. Two more numbers by the band followed, after which a chorus of mixed voices rendered a humorous song, "Cousin Jeddidah," and was well received. Part two of the program was interspersed with songs and band numbers, and remarks by O. G. Arneson, manager of the band. He dwelt on the progress of the band during the past few months, and concluded his remarks with words of appreciation for the support and encouragement accorded the band. Immediately after the concert the floor was cleared and dancing began, which continued until late in the morning. The total receipts were \$118.50. This amount was sufficient to pay all debts and a small sum remains in the treasury. The band boys are enthusiastic over the success of the concert and dance, and appreciate the kind feeling that was prevalent among the town and country people when approached for financial aid. The public spiritedness of these people goes a long way to insure for Binford a splendid musical organization and the best boosting proposition that any town can have.