

NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS

Rumors Afloat to the Effect that the Motor Company is Willing to Settle.

NOW FIGURING ON A PROBABLE OFFSET

Estimating the Cost of the Six-Inch Strip Occupied by the Halls—Hazelton Says He Will Push His Suit.

Certain appearances indicate just now that the motor company officials are contemplating paying the back taxes for paving intersections which have been the subject of so much controversy...

Just what their intentions are has not been told the city officials, but from a source considered to be reliable it is learned that as soon as the amount of this is ascertained, the whole of the taxes now claimed by the city will be paid...

With reference to the strip of six inches it should be stated that the city officials want the idea of the company's being able to collect anything back. As a matter of fact the paving could have been done more cheaply had the rolls not been used...

The hope is universally expressed that the report of the city engineer, which was filed Monday night, but that he would file his petition as soon as it could be drawn up, claiming the full amount as shown by the tax books.

AMONG THE STRIKERS

Frank Webster Draws a Knife on a Fellow Workman and Was Arrested Yesterday.

The scenes of Wednesday and Tuesday among the striking ice cutters were repeated yesterday with a little variation, and although nothing very desperate was done the situation was sufficiently exciting.

Sheriff Hagen spent the greater part of the day at the hospital yesterday afternoon. There was no very great demonstration. The strikers devoted their time to pelting the workers with mud and lumps of ice and calling their fellow workers to strike generally.

BENNINGSON BROS.

Muslin underwear, linens and white goods. During this great sale we offer bargains never to be duplicated.

500 pairs of ladies' muslin drawers, 5 tucks, good material, 50c a pair.

Special towel sale. 1,000 all linen stain damask towels, knotted fringe, fancy borders, size 18x24, will sell for 50c per yard, during this sale only 15c each.

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IOWA EDITOR EXONERATED

Bitter Newspaper Attack at Cedar Rapids Leads to Trouble.

DAVIS OF THE REPUBLICAN NOT INDICTED

Policeman Edward Maher Called to Account for Handling His Revolver with a Reckless Disregard of Consequences.

EDITORIAL, Feb. 7.—(Special to The Bee)—Frederick P. Davis, city editor of the Daily Republican, who waged such a bitter war against ex-Marshall A. R. West and the police force of this city and who was arrested on a charge of criminal libel, has been completely vindicated, the grand jury, after making a careful investigation of the charges, failing to return an indictment.

The fight was one of the hottest in the history of the city, and the end is not yet. It originated with the shooting of Charles Oudirk, a young telegraph operator from Chicago, by Policeman Edward Maher about two months ago.

He followed them to their room, where a worthy wrangle ensued, which was followed into the streets by the police headquarter and detaining three policemen to arrest the boys. Oudirk was placed in charge of Maher, and when near their room he was shot by the officer and for some time it was thought he would die.

The grand jury, while it failed to indict the newspaper for the article, returned a verdict against Maher for assault with intent to commit murder. His trial has been postponed until the March term of the district court.

IN THE LEGISLATURE

Plan for Simplifying Land Transfers Crystallized in the Bill.

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Two Wives Are Looking for Him.

WESTER CITY, Ia., Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram to The Bee).—L. A. Cushman is a much wanted man in Iowa. He married a most estimable lady at Cedar Rapids while he was in the city.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This evening the well-known spectacle and pantomime "Fautasma" comes to the Boyd for four nights and Saturday matinee.

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INJURED MAN IN A CRITICAL CONDITION

Eby Brings Suit Against Gamblers for Losses—One With Heister Sentenced and Another Arrested—Meeting of Charity Directors.

Widow of an Omaha Business Man Fastidiously Inspects Receipts Learning that CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Feb. 7.—(Special to The Bee).—A case of considerable interest is on trial in the superior court of this city.

The Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of New York and the Provident Life Assurance society of New York, in which she seeks to compel the company to pay \$50,000, which were paid by her husband in these companies.

Goodwin was an insurance man himself, and was formerly secretary of the old Cedar Rapids Insurance company of this city. After it went out of business Goodwin went west and was agent for an insurance company at Omaha.

After he had been there a time he took out policies in the companies above mentioned, \$5,000 in each. In his application in answer to the question as to whether he drank liquor, he wrote, "An occasional drink."

After the policies had been in force some time they were cancelled by the company. He was added to the liquor habit. Later he insured for the same amount in each company upon the representation that he was of temperate habits.

Shortly after this transaction Goodwin committed suicide while upon a big spree, so it is alleged. When the companies learned the circumstances under which he died they refused to pay the policies on the ground of fraud, claiming misrepresentation in securing them.

This suit in the superior court is to compel the insurance companies to pay the policies. It will not be decided for several days yet.

RYAN WAS SHOT. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram to The Bee).—George A. Lincoln, postmaster of this city, has returned from VanHorne, where he was called to help straighten out the affairs of the postoffice.

Postmaster Ryan of that place having committed suicide that day, Lincoln returned on an accounting by the postoffice inspector. Upon investigation it was found that the amount of deficit at the VanHorne postoffice was \$2,000, the proceeds of a check made to the government since October 3, 1893.

The cause for so long a delay in investigating the affairs of the office is due to the fact that there are no regular postoffice inspectors in the state of Iowa, and they cannot meet all demands promptly.

Postmaster Ryan's suicide was a sudden event. He had been in VanHorne for several days and was thought to be straight. He leaves a wife and eight children penniless.

DISSENSION BRICK AND TILE WORK. DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram to The Bee).—The state convention of the brick, tile and drainage association of Iowa began their meeting here on Monday morning.

About fifty members were in attendance and more coming. President J. B. McHose of Boone delivered the annual address this afternoon. The "Care and Adjustment of Claims" was the subject of the address.

Harris of Des Moines, after which J. M. Starbuck of Cherokee discussed "Drying Brick and Tile by Steam Pipes." The difference in price between the brick and tile made in the cost of burning was discussed by John Wild of Toledo. Prof. E. H. Longdale read the last paper, on "The Geological Formations of the State of Iowa."

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All the members of the school board met yesterday at the Exchange building and started out on a tour of all the schools in the city.

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SPEECHES AND OTHER PROCEEDINGS AT THE OPEN SESSION YESTERDAY

TOPEKA, Feb. 7.—Today's sessions of the National Farmers alliance were expected to be behind closed doors, but at a late hour it was decided to have the midday meeting an open one.

The political demands of the National Farmers alliance adopted today are the same as last year's. Two resolutions in addition were adopted, not as demands, but as subjects to be discussed by them.

TOPEKA, Feb. 7.—Council for the insurance companies in the famous Hillman case today claim to have unearthed the real facts in the strange disappearance of John M. Hillman.

Hiram Harding, the police officer, denies that the man he had the scuffle with at Bacon Saturday night got his club away from him.

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WEATHER FORECAST

The weather is expected to be clear and warm today.

DANGER JUST AHEAD

A prominent professor speaks about the threatening things abroad at this time of the year.

"It is surprising how many people are suffering today from so-called coughs, colds and influenza."

"It is not these things that are troubling people, but it is an advanced form of our old enemy, the grip. People feel out of sorts, sneeze, have pain in the muscles and bones, have no appetite, lose all interest in the world and wonder what is the matter. It is the grip nothing else."

"Now, all such symptoms need to have prompt treatment. The attack must be met and remedied at once, or it is certain to run into something serious."

"The sure way to avoid these troubles which are now so common, and that is to insure the most perfect protection by the use of good, pure, strong stimulant. Nothing of the ordinary kind, but something that will give you strength and vitality."

"The best of the protection is the only pure, strong stimulant upon the market."

"The use of this stimulant is to be carried a wonderful remedy to the first man and woman who are suffering with the first symptoms of grip, or else grip in its advanced stages."

"For all such people we offer a world of relief which has been proven for years of use to be the best and purest stimulant in the world."

Where Do You Buy Your Meats? If you want first-class meats, fresh every day, and if you want to buy them at the very lowest prices, try Pokorny's New Meat Market, 333 Broadway. Compare their prices with the prices you have been paying:

Table listing prices for various meats: Roast Beef, from 8c to 10c; Sliced Beef, from 10c to 12c; Corned Beef, from 4c to 6c; Pork Chops, from 10c to 12c; Bacon, from 12c to 14c.

FIGHT AGAINST AN A. P. A. PAPER. FORT WAYNE, Feb. 7.—In the circuit court this morning Judge O'Rourke overruled the demurrer to the complaint of the plaintiff in the case brought by St. Rev. Joseph Bodemacher, bishop of this Catholic diocese, against William P. Bidwell, the proprietor of the American Eagle, for criminal libel, and entered a judgment of \$500 for the defendant.

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