

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells bluffs. Time A. H. Co. over, Neumann's hotel, Welsham barn at Bishop's, Tel. 153.

W. C. Estep, undertaker, 28 Pearl street, Telephone office, 27 Pearl street.

J. N. Mowery of Burlington is the guest of the uncle, J. F. Weaver, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Martin have gone to Iowa City, Kan., on a visit to relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. O'Connor of Bluff arrived on Saturday morning, Dec. 28.

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SMOOTH SWINDLER'S WORK

Joseph Swartz Raises 'the Needle' on a Lot of Painted Diamonds.

WORKS PAWBROKERS FOR HARD CASH

Samuel Friedman and Samuel Snyder Are Poorer by Five Hundred Dollars as a Result of Swartz's Schemes.

Samuel Friedman and Samuel Snyder, two Broadway pawnbrokers, are mourning the loss of several hundred dollars of their hard-earned cash and the fact that they have on hand an overstock of bogus or painted diamonds.

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IOWA TEACHERS IN SESSION

Twelve Hundred Pedagogues Present at the Second Day's Meeting.

INTEREST MANIFESTED ON ALL SIDES

Four Normal Schools and Compulsory Education Recommended by the Committee on Legislation—General Iowa News.

DES MOINES, Dec. 28.—At the second day's session of the Iowa State Teachers' association 1,200 names were enrolled.

The committee on legislation reported, recommending the establishment of four normal schools in the state, and more if necessary.

The committee favors compulsory education and larger appropriations for the educational institutions.

The committee also advocated the discussion of the better educational conditions in Iowa by President McLean of Iowa City, Judge Deemer of Red Oak and Prof. A. F. Stuart of Ottumwa.

Murat Halsted spoke at the auditorium this evening on "Dewey, Manilla and the Philippines."

TO REORGANIZE HARPER BROS

Committee of Five Appointed at Instance of Creditors to Prepare and Submit a Plan.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—At the instance of creditors whose claims aggregate nearly half a million dollars, a committee of five, of which Alexander E. Orr is chairman, has undertaken to prepare and submit to creditors a plan of reorganization.

Preliminary to this task the committee has prepared a statement of facts in which it is set out that the total liabilities of Harper & Bros. on December 14, 1899, were \$3,983,000.

In 1896 the corporation mortgaged its property to secure \$3,000,000 of 5 per cent 100-year gold bonds.

The remainder of the issued bonds, \$555,000, are outstanding and controlled by the committee.

The committee, therefore, recommends to the creditors that the business be continued under strong single-handed control.

The committee has assurance from the holders of practically all the bonds that with the concurrence of the unsecured creditors continuation may be had upon a sound financial basis.

The plan for the final readjustment of the corporation's affairs is now in preparation and will be duly submitted to the creditors.

TRAVELING MEN IN SESSION

W. F. Mitchell of Iowa and E. E. Bruce of Nebraska Were Elected Vice Presidents.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—The annual meeting of the Northwestern Traveling Men's association was held at the Tremont house.

President Willis Young. Among the vice presidents were: W. F. Mitchell, Iowa; W. L. Day, Missouri; S. Van Heusen, Kansas; O. B. Myers, Colorado; E. E. Bruce, Nebraska; J. C. Sheidon, South Dakota; W. H. Clelland, Wyoming; secretary and treasurer, D. K. Clark; board of directors, E. A. Scovel, George W. Balley, George M. Penney, William H. White, E. C. Towler.

Complimentary "smoker" and entertainment was given by the association to-night at the Tremont house.

Miss Young delivered the address of welcome and was followed by Samuel Pike and several other members with short speeches.

Hit Back at Glucose Trust. Wholesale Grocers Are Protesting Against Abolishment of Cash Discount and Guarantee.

MINERS TO ASK HIGHER WAGES

Delegates from District Organizations in Secret Session at Indianapolis.

DEMAND PROBABLY BE MADE VERY SOON

Daughtery of Shamokin, Pa., a Candidate for President of United Mine Workers Against Pierce Also Has Opposition.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 28.—Delegates from all the district organizations of the United Mine Workers are still here in secret session and it is now believed the meeting is for the purpose of making a general demand for increased wages to be backed up by the entire organization.

It is now well up in labor circles yesterday that the meeting had no doubt been called for the purpose of arranging for a demand for higher wages, which will be made after January 1.

There is an interview yesterday afternoon Mr. Mitchell would neither confirm nor deny this report and answered that he had not yet decided whether to accept or decline the nomination.

On the national convention of the United Mine Workers of America, which meets here January 15, there will be a candidate against John Mitchell for president, Altes Daughtery of Shamokin, Pa., is the man.

There are several candidates in the field for vice president, among them John P. Reese of Alpha, Pa., who was imprisoned at Fort Scott, Kan., recently for contempt of court.

Secretary Pierce will find the opposition in the person of W. J. Short of Knightsville, Ind. There are several candidates for membership in the executive board and for the auditorship and other offices.

Under the rules of the order all candidates must be known and their names sent two weeks in advance to every local office, which includes the district to meet here January 3 to select seven delegates to the national convention at Indianapolis.

There will be a demand for a most substantial increase in the price of mining.

An effort has been made to ascertain the feeling of the 300 miners in this field as to the amount of increase to be demanded, and the figures run from 15 to 24 cents a ton, which would add over 25 per cent to the prices now paid in this field.

The operators in this district are unwilling to do this and they assert that they are willing to pay any reasonable amount, providing that they are assured that a proportionate increase will be made in all competing districts.

BOUTELLE'S MIND AFFECTED

Refusal of Private Sanitarium to Take Him Indicates Condition is Serious.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A special to the World from Boston says: Congressman Boutelle is now in the McLean Hospital for Insane at Waverly, seven miles out of Boston.

On Monday night it was the intention of the attending physicians to place him in the Channing sanitarium at Brooklyn, a private institution. He was refused admittance there, the inference being that his case was a more desperate one than the managers could handle.

It is reported that the congressman is suffering from paresis.

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While the officials of the McLean hospital are extremely reticent in giving details of the condition of Representative Boutelle, it was said tonight that Mr. Boutelle had passed a very comfortable day and that he was not considered in any immediate danger.

A relative of Mr. Boutelle is quoted as saying that the latter's trouble is congestion of the brain, the result of continued strain and overwork in connection with his official duties.

It was decided to place him in an institution where he could receive the best possible treatment, and McLean hospital was selected.

NOT A DOLLAR FOR CREDITORS

All Securities Possessing Value Paid Up as Collateral for Loans.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—The committee appointed by creditors to investigate the accounts of Stahl & Straub, brokers, who failed November 29, report that not a dollar's worth of available resources were found.

The total liabilities amount to \$1,221,595 and the total assets \$327,478, leaving a deficiency of \$894,117.

There is a surplus of \$77,812, which will be wiped out in paying the accounts due to banks.

There is \$387,364 due to depositors and customers. There is \$66,621 left to pay this amount, which makes the losses to be sustained by individual customers and depositors with the firm of Stahl & Straub amount to \$320,739, according to the firm's books.

John M. Straub, the junior member of the firm, is under bonds on the charge of embezzlement. His partner, Mr. Stahl, is missing, and a warrant has been issued for his arrest.

In an interview Mr. Stahl said that he was not in a position to pay anything beyond any amount of money which he could get out of Mr. Straub. He said that he was not in a position to pay anything beyond any amount of money which he could get out of Mr. Straub.

The beaver creditor is Frank M. Crawford, the receiver, in the sum of \$68,000.

FORGIVE WOULD-BE SLAYER

Missouri Man Shot by His Brother Shakes Hands with Him at the Trial.

MARYVILLE, Mo., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Jesse Lindsay, who shot his brother, Tom, at the home of his brother-in-law, Joe Yeager, a few miles southwest of Maryville, Nov. 22, had his preliminary hearing here yesterday afternoon, and was held for investigation by the grand jury.

The charge against him is assault with intent to kill. Tom Lindsay is still very weak, and has about thirty buckshot in his body, the physicians say.

WORLD SKATING RECORDS BROKEN

Novel Battle of Bathgate, N. D., Lowers Records at Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—The fastest time ever done on the world for half a mile and a quarter mile, a straight-away course, was accomplished today on Lake Minnetonka, near this city.

Novel Battle of Bathgate, N. D., lowered the quarter-mile record, made by John S. Johnston, 2:15.4 seconds, made by John S. Johnston, 2:15.4 seconds.

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LOUISVILLE MAY JOIN ASSOCIATION

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 28.—A movement is on foot which may bring about a change in the operating of the Louisville base ball club within a day or two and may land the team in the American association.

J. F. Whitfield, a local business man, has asked for and been given the terms on which the present owners will dispose of the club to the Louisville association, having received communications from Von der Ahe and Al Spink of St. Louis, expressing a desire to purchase the club.

QUEENAN GIVES DECISION

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 28.—Judge Queenan of Milwaukee and Jack Hudson of Chicago met in a six-hour long conference before the Judge today to decide on the decision at the end of the boat being given to Queenan.

The fishing was held throughout.

YALE WINS AT BASKET BALL

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 28.—Yale easily defeated Western University of Pennsylvania at basket ball this evening in a hall tonight.

GOLD SHIPMENTS TO EUROPE

Estimates Three Next Saturday's Shipments at Three Million Dollars—To Ship Tons Only.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Wall street estimates of next Saturday's gold shipments place the amount at \$5,000,000.

The discrepancy between Wall street estimates of gold shipments for last Saturday's steamer and the custom house reports of actual shipments was cleared up today when the papers covering the Goldman, Sachs & Co. shipment of \$1,500,000 were filed.

Under the regulations a steamer has four days after clearance in which to file a complete manifest, so that the papers covering any gold transaction need not be sent in until two or three days after the date of sailing.

TRANSPORT TRUCK IN PORT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The transport trucker arrived at San Francisco yesterday afternoon from Manila and eight and one-half days from Nagasaki.

It brought a number of disheveled soldiers as passengers.

THE PRINCE OF GOOD TONICS

A Non-intoxicating Malt Extract that is especially Recommended for Weak Nerves, Indigestion and Insomnia.

BLAZUP MALT-VIVINE BUILDS UP A DEPLETED SYSTEM. HAVE YOU EVER TRIED IT? ALL DRUGGISTS Prepared by VAL BLAZUP BREWING CO., MILWAUKEE, U.S.A. Omaha Branch 1412 Douglas St., Tel. 1081.

KODOL Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat. Artificially digests the food and aids Nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency.

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