

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis will pass. The A. B. C. beer, Neumayer's hotel. Weidner barbers at Babby's, Tel. 19.

CASE OF SUICIDE OR MURDER

Charles F. Jones, Janitor at Federal Building, Found Dead in Bed.

HE IS SHOT WITH A CHEAP REVOLVER

Negress Living with Him is Held Pending Investigation—The Two Had Quarrels and She May Have Killed Him.

Charles F. Jones, the colored janitor at the Federal building, either committed suicide by shooting himself through the head or was deliberately murdered last evening about 5:30 o'clock in his room at 707 West Broadway. According to a statement made by Bertha Alexander, a negress who occupied the room with Jones and who was living with him at the time of the tragedy, the man shot himself, while appearances and circumstances indicate that the wound was not self-inflicted. The negress has been taken into custody pending investigation.

The place where the tragedy occurred is the second story of a small frame building occupied as a second-hand goods store and forming one of a row of rookeries on the south side of Broadway, just east of Seventh street. Here, in an apartment consisting of two rooms, the entrance to which is reached by a rickety stairway on the outside of the building, Jones had for several months been living with the negress, Bertha Alexander. The lack of any motive to induce Jones to take his own life leads to the suspicion that the woman, in revenge for some fancied wrong, shot him while he was sleeping. The bullet entered the right side of the head an inch above and about the same distance behind the ear, coming out on the other side in about the same place.

FOUND LYING ON HIS BACK

Jones was lying on his back, with the bedclothes wrapped around him. He was dressed in his shirt, trousers, and shoes, and appeared to indicate that he had just laid down to take a short nap before going to his duties at the postoffice. The blood had oozed from the gaping wound in the head and formed in a clotted mass around his neck and shoulders.

THEY HAD QUARRELS

In answer to questions the woman said there had been no quarrel between her and Jones. When the police commenced to interrogate her she refused to answer any further questions. When taken to the city jail she refused to talk further and declined to answer any questions put to her.

LIBRARY BOARD MEETS

The regular meeting of the library board was held last evening at the board of trustees of the public library nothing except routine business was transacted.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of F. W. Squire, 104 Pearl street: Rosa Palmer and husband to Marion Palmer, etc. etc. and etc. etc. \$4,400.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Licenses were issued yesterday to the following persons: Name and Residence. Age.

A Great Tonic

Hersford's Acid Phosphate. Invigorates and strengthens the system, relieves nervousness and headache, and cures a good appetite.

FARM LOANS

Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska. Licensed Agent James W. Cassidy, 15 S. Main St., Council Bluffs.

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DOINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURT

JUDGE THORNELL DETAINED AT HOME BY SICKNESS

Judge Thornell was to have returned to the district court yesterday morning, but a telegram received from him contained the information that on returning to his home at Sidney last Saturday night, he was taken ill with scarlet fever. This illness practically put the business of the January term of district court in this district at a standstill. Judge Green has been compelled to return to his home in Audubon owing to the serious illness of his wife. Judge Macy is sick in bed and it is said will be unable to do duty at Avoca today. The opening of the term has been already postponed from February 6 on account of Judge Macy's illness and a further adjournment will probably be necessary.

THAT SIOUX CITY CADAVER

Body Identified at Baltimore, Where It Was First Shipped—For Whom Intended.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—The body of the unknown man which was shipped to Sioux City, Ia., on January 15, and which was turned to this city last Saturday, was identified today as that of Patrick Callahan. On December 29 a man was killed by a trolley car. The body was taken to the morgue to await identification. Not having been claimed on the 15th of January, it was turned over to the College of Physicians and Surgeons for anatomical purposes. William Devine, janitor at the college, boxed it up and shipped it to Sioux City, addressed to John Brown. He has been arrested on the charge of shipping a human body out of the state for purposes of dissection. After his arrest Devine said the cadaver was intended for Dr. Maxwell E. Silver, demonstrator of anatomy at the Sioux City Medical college.

Y. M. C. A. CONFERENCE

CEGAR RAPIDS, Ia., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The annual conference of the general secretary and physical directors of the Young Men's Christian association of Iowa will be held at Cedar Falls on March 1 and 2. In order to equalize the expenses it has been decided to pool them, making the expense of each equally money about equal. Program has been arranged and will be carried out. Among the addresses will be the following: "The Character of the Christian Worker," Prof. H. H. Swain, of the Iowa State Normal school, Cedar Falls. "How to Answer Answer to Prayer," S. D. Gordon, Cleveland, O. "Engagement and Permanence of Association Educational Work," J. R. Thompson, Keokuk.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A CHILD

CLARINDA, Ia., Feb. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Ray Van Dyke, 7 years old, a pupil of the Clarinda public school, died apparently well this afternoon. Shortly afterwards he was found crying on the street and was conveyed home, where he died within a few minutes. His death was from natural causes.

WOMAN CUTS OFF HER TONGUE

MONROE, Ia., Feb. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Miss Lizzie Shaffer, a young woman, 25 years old, attempted suicide here Sunday by cutting off a inch and a half of her tongue. Dependancy is the cause. She has not yet given up her determination to cut off the rest of her tongue. She is a daughter of D. W. Shaffer.

IOWA NEWS NOTES

The Presbyterians of Indiana are about to begin the erection of a new \$125,000 church building. Nearly 1,000 volumes were added to the public library during the year just past. The Odessa library contains 1,988 volumes, but its circulation for the last year was \$7.75. Kosciusko county has a balance on hand in its treasury of \$7,502.19, not counting school funds. The enrollment at the Soldiers' home at Marshalltown was present is 671 men and 4,019-bed women. Mason City has a musical prodigy in the shape of a blind 4-year-old child who plays over sixty pieces on the piano. Five companies of the new Fifty-first regiment, Iowa National Guards, have been mustered into the service of the state. Ten companies of the new Forty-ninth are also to be organized.

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DECISION OF INTEREST

District Court Judge Dewey has rendered a decision at Newton, an Iowa town of considerable interest to this county in view of the fact that the Board of Supervisors had let a contract to F. M. Cunningham of Indiana to ferret out property which is not bearing its proper proportion of taxes. Several suits had been instituted in Jasper county by the Iowa Tax investigating company to collect taxes which had not been assessed. The defendants demurred on the grounds that section 1574 of the code was not only unconstitutional but also not retroactive. She applied only to taxes which had been overlooked since the code went into effect. Judge Dewey held that the section was both constitutional and retroactive and under his ruling collections can be made for taxes withheld or for any reason not listed any time within five years from the demand by the treasurer. The decision being the first to determine the question is of the utmost importance, as it means probably the collection of a large sum in taxes in this county on property which has been either ineffectually or not assessed at all.

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