NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass.
"Mr. Riley," 5-cent cigar.
Why not smoke the Why cigar?
Leffert, 236 Bdy., tests eyes free.
Gas fixtures and globes at Bixby's.
Fine A. B. C. beer, Neumayer's hotel.
Dr. Stephenson, 101 Pearl St. Tel. 339.
Schmidt's photos, new and latest styles.
You get the best dinners at the Vienna.
Riley, best photographer, 402 Broadway.
Cab. photos $1.50 doz. Williams, 541 Bdy.
J. C. & W. Woodward, architects, 523 Bdy.
W. E. Lewis sells monuments, 301 B'way.
Lemp's beer, Soenke Boysen, sole agent.
Best beer, Budweiser. L. Rosenfeld, Agt.
Scientific optician at Woolman's, 409 B'way.

E. A. Morehouse has gone to Harlan, Ia., on a business trip.

The regular meeting of Palm grove No. 11 will be held this evening.

Get your work done at the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway. 'Phone 157.

W. C. Estep, undertaker, 28 Pearl street. Telephones: Office, 97; residence, 23.

W. F. Graff, undertaker and licensed embalmer, 101 South Main street. 'Phone 506.

Miss Jessica Morgan of Lincoln, Neb., is the guest of Miss Ella Wirt for a few days.

James Bone will leave today for Des Moines, where he will attend Drake university.

Glen E. Black left yesterday for College Springs, Ia., where he will enter Amity college.

Harmony chapter No. 25, Order of the Eastern Star, will give a high five social at Masonic hall Thursday evening.

Justice of the Peace Ferrier returned yesterday from Detroit, Mich., where he attended the national Pythian meeting.

C. M. Levey of Burlington, superintendent of Iowa lines of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy road, was in the city yesterday.

M. S. Welker will leave today for Tie Siding, Wyo., to bring back the remains of his son, who was recently killed there by being run over by a wagon.

The Woman's auxiliary of Grace Episcopal church will hold a special meeting this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. George Rudio on South First street.

All members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows are requested to meet with Park City lodge this evening. Dr. P. J. Montgomery will deliver an essay on "Death."

The regular meeting of Concordia lodge, Knights of Pythias, will be held this evening in Hughes' hall. There is business of importance and every member is requested to be present.

Dr. G. E. Smith of the Grand hotel held two celebrations yesterday, Labor day and the tenth anniversary of his wedding. He received nearly enough tinware from his friends to start another hotel with.

Ira S. Children, the young man brought back from Illinois to answer to a charge of forgery, will not be arraigned before Justice Ferrier, but his case will be laid before the grand jury, which convenes today.

The president of the Ladies' Aid society of the First Presbyterian church has called a special meeting for tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock, when all the women of the congregation are earnestly requested to be present.

The regular monthly meeting of the city council slated for last night was postponed until this evening. In addition to the usual grist of business the hearing of the charges against Street Commissioner Harden is booked for tonight.

Frank Hitchcock received word yesterday morning of the death of his mother, Mrs. G. E. Hitchcock, at Grand Rapids, Mich., from blood poisoning. Mrs. Hitchcock was formerly a resident of this city. The remains will be taken to Lowell, Mich., for burial.

H. A. Brown, 164 Graham avenue, went to call on his best girl Sunday night and left his bicycle hitched to the yard fence. By the time he was ready to say good-bye and go home the wheel was missing and the police so far have been unable to secure any trace of it or the thief.

Pawnee Bill's Wild West show will exhibit in Council Bluffs today, giving a performance this afternoon and this evening. The tents will be pitched at Broadway and Twentieth street. The show itself has so many good features that it is hard to particularize them. There is so much that is instructive and novel in the entertainment and so attractive that an afternoon or evening passed in the company of Pawnee Bill and his associates should prove alike agreeable to young and old.

Bertha Libbecke, the young woman with the chemical blond hair, was ordered discharged from St. Bernard's hospital yesterday by the commissioners for the insane. Bettie, as she is known by her acquaintances, was committed to the hospital a few months ago, after she had been arrested in Omaha for picking the pockets of a number of susceptible motor conductors. She is not insane, and as the State Board of Control refused to take any action in her case, the only course open to the local board of commissioners was to discharge her. The young woman was given to understand that if she persisted in any of her "idiosyncracies" she would not be treated as one of unsound mind, but would have to suffer the penalty of the law.

Commonwealth 10-cent cigar.

Davis sells paint.

Police Court Notes.

William Rice, J. W. Patrick and George Knolsome, the three young bloods from Neola who came to town to see the elephant Sunday and created a disturbance at a notorious Broadway resort, were given a lecture yesterday morning by Police Judge Alyesworth and advised to stay at home until they had cut their wisdom teeth.

William Lee, a traveling man, got mixed up in bad company Sunday night in a Broadway saloon and was induced to try his luck at shaking dice with a number of local tinhorn gamblers. He kicked up a row when he discovered the game was not on the square and the police put him in jail, while the boosters and tinhorn gamblers were not molested. In police court yesterday morning Judge Alyesworth, as soon as he learned the facts, promptly discharged him.

Howell's Anti-"Kawf" cures coughs, colds.

Gravel roofing. A. H. Read, 541 Broadway.

The novel spectacle of a piano on a street car, specially chartered to take it to Lake Manawa, there to be used by the celebrated George H. Wood, was seen last Saturday. It was a "Mar. Bouricius" piano, specially selected from the stock of the "Bouricius Music House," 335 Broadway; tel. 466, where the organ stands upon the building. Once before this enterprising house chartered a special car for such a purpose. It was December 24, 1892, in order to get a piano purchased by the then county clerk, T. S. Campbell, to his home in Neola, the regular freight train having already left.

Rough Rider School Shoes
Every Pair Warranted at
HAMILTON'S

FARM LOANS
Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska and Iowa. James N. Casady, jr., 15 Main St Council Bluffs.

MONEY TO LOAN On City Property
Savings Loan and Building Associat'n
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

DINNER PAILS ARE FULL NOW

Proud Boast of Men Who March in Labor Day Parade.

GREAT DEMONSTRATION BY THE WORKERS

Long Line of Trades Unionists March Through the City Streets and Then Picnic at the Union Driving Park.

A noticeable feature of the Labor day parade in Council Bluffs yesterday was the large number of men belonging to the Federal Labor union, who carried big lunch tins, which, as they marched through the streets, they held aloft to the crowds on the sidewalk with the remark, "They are full now." The men looked prosperous and they were anxious to bear testimony to the fact that the laboring man no longer has to go with an empty dinner bucket, as he did four years ago.

Everything was favorable for a general observance of the holiday and the people of Council Bluffs turned out en masse to celebrate. The Driving park, where the labor unions held forth, resembled an old-fashioned country fair. The crowd here was estimated at nearly 10,000 men, women and children, not to mention hundreds of vehicles of all kinds and countless baby cabs. Both grandstands, which are capable of accommodating 4,000 people, were crowded to their capacity, while thousands were scattered all over the park. There were family picnic parties by the hundreds, while all the old-time amusements such as are seen at any country fair were in evidence everywhere. The day was an ideal one for such a gathering and a cool breeze tempered the rays of the sun.

Street Parade Starts.

The day's exercises opened with the great street parade, which formed around the north and west sides of Bayliss park. Owing to the delay caused by the late arrival of some of the Omaha unions, it was half an hour late in starting, it being 11 o'clock before Phil Wareham, grand marshal of the day, gave the order to "forward march." The order of column was:

Marshal Wareham, aides and two mounted buglers.
Platoon of police under command of Captain Denny.
Council Bluffs musical union band.
City officials and speakers of the day in carriages.
Dobson's Military Band of Omaha.
Bricklayers' Protective union No. 1; 180 men who made a very pleasing appearance in white shirts and pants and straw hats.
Carpenters' and Joiners' union, 75 men, C. H. Knight, marshal.
Bricklayers', Plasterers and Mason Tenders' union, 215 men. These also wore white shirts and pants and straw hats and looked cool and neat.
National Bricklayers' Alliance, 40 men.
Iron Moulders' union, 190 men. These wore black shirts and caps and made a striking appearance in the line of parade.
Journeymen Bakers' and Confectioners' union, 60 men. The bakers were attired in white shirts and pants and wore gray Fedora hats, a very nobby looking uniform.
Switchmen's union of North America No. 6, Council Bluffs, and No. 54 of Omaha, eighty-five men.
Brickmakers' union No. 27, Omaha, 40 men.
Cigarmakers' union No. 177, Council Bluffs, thirty men.
Bluff City Typographical union and Nonpareil Chapel, Marshal Dave Nicoll, fifty men.
Gravelroofers' union, Omaha, marshal, J. F. Keisher, 60 men.
Sheet Metal Workers' unions of Omaha and Council Bluffs, Marshal Joseph Robinson, 45 men.
Painters' and Decorators' union of Council Bluffs and Omaha, 40 men.
Federal Labor union of Council Bluffs, Frank Norman, marshal, 175 men.
Chief John Templeton and Council Bluffs fire department.

The rear of the column was brought up with a few advertising wagons and a carriage, in which were seated several young fellows and on which was a banner displaying the sign, "Hoboes' Union."

On reaching the park 125 members of the Carpenters' union from Lincoln, who were late for the parade, joined the crowd.

The line of march was as published, except that the column was disbanded at Eighth street instead of Sixteenth street, as announced.

Address at the Park.

The exercises at Driving park commenced at 1 o'clock. Mayor Jennings, on behalf of the city, extended a cordial welcome to the visiting unions from Omaha and a general invitation to all to fittingly enjoy the holiday.

Following Mayor Jennings, Hon. Walter I. Smith of this city made a short address, in which he congratulated the laboring men on the position they have attained in society. He referred to the difference between the standing of labor today and formerly and gave a short historical sketch showing that it was not until recent years that labor had attained the position it now holds throughout the world. He said laws had been enacted against trusts and combinations, but no one had ever dared to suggest making a law against the combination of labor for its own interest. The diffusion of intelligence had brought about this uplifting of labor. The laboring man of today he said was of a far higher intelligence than formerly. He was better informed, better educated and far better equipped in every respect and this to a great extent had been brought about by the unions. He touched briefly on the present educational advantages for the laboring man's children and said the high school of today was the poor man's college.

Judge Edgar Howard of Papillion, Neb., followed Judge Smith, his address being particularly to the occasion. He told of his first visit to Council Bluffs as a "tramp" printer, but said he wanted it understood that when he used the word "tramp" he did not mean the professional tramp, an individual whom he thoroughly despised. He paid a high compliment to the labor unions and the work they have acomplished for their members. Organized labor, he said, was becoming better understood by the outside world. Until a few years ago organized labor was regarded by the outside world chiefly as a combination of workingmen to force their employers to give them higher wages or to concede other of their demands. Time has changed this and the public generally is becoming to realize that there is something more than this in the formation of labor unions.

City Solicitor Wadsworth also made a short address, which brought the exercises to a close. Following the speaking the program of sports was carried out.

Results of the Sports.

The first event on the program was a 100-yard foot race, which was won by J. Ashmore, with H. A. Sulhoff second. Later it was discovered that Ashmore is a professional runner and the prize was awarded to the second. J. F. Evans, who came in third, secured the second prize.

The second event, a half mile amateur bike race, was won by Victor Swedburg, with J. Steson second.

J. F. Evans carried off the fifty-yard dash and J. F. Gard came in second.

Twelve girls started for a fifty-yard race. Orfie Casey outran the bunch and won the prize, an umbrella.

The boys' fifty-yard race was carried off by Charles Watts out of a field of twelve starters.

John Gibson of Omaha won the standing broad jump and a box of cigars.

The principal event was the five-mile handicap bicycle race, which was won by J. Stetsman of Omaha, the prize being a lady's wheel, donated by the Trades and Labor assembly.

In addition to these races there were two ball games. The Omaha bricklayers walloped an aggregation of printers and cigarmakers by a score of 13 to 7. The Neola ball players in the afternoon wiped the Swifts of Omaha almost off the earth with a score of 25 to 4.

The police arrangements were excellent; the entire day and night forces, comprising sixteen men, were on duty at the park and a number of fights were stopped in their incipiency, with the result that up to midnight not a single arrest was made. Five specials patrolled the town during the day and night.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250.

Results of the Regatta.

Shiverick's Psyche won the sailing race yesterday at Lake Manawa and the silver cup offered by the Council Bluffs Rowing association. The Buttercup was second, with the Roxanna third. The second prize was a handsome Mettlach stein and the third an Eastman kodak. Considering the light wind the boats made excellent time and the race from start to finish was a pretty one. There were eight starters.

Supervisors' Meeting.

The Board of County Supervisors convened yesterday afternoon for the September session, but adjourned until this morning without transacting any business. At this meeting the board will fix the county tax levy for 1900 and in order to get the books ready the clerical force in the auditor's office had to work all day Sunday and yesterday.

WOMAN SUES HER FATHER

Mrs. Sullivan Claims Money is Coming to Her for Keeping House.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Patrick O'Connor, who lives in Dakota county, Nebraska, across the Missouri river from Sioux City, has been sued for $5,000 by his daughter, Mrs. John Sullivan, who claims that amount is due her for keeping house for her father for twenty years. The trouble between the father and daughter began when the daughter was married to John Sullivan, to whom O'Connor had objections. He refused to let them live on his farm and they are now living at Nacora, Neb. O'Connor is said to have a good deal of money. The daughter asks for remuneration for her services ever since she was 18 years of age.

Organize Telephone Company.

JEFFERSON, Ia., Sept. 3.—(Special.)—A large number of farmers residing in the northeastern portion of Guthrie county have organized a new independent telephone company to be known as the Farmers' Mutual Telephone company and will at once commence the erection of a line. At the outset it is the purpose of the company to connect the towns of Panora and Yale, taking in all the farmers along the line and as far on either side as possible. Later the system will, it is expected, be extended to take in other towns, ultimately placing in direct communication the leading farmers throughout the country. Two meetings of prominent and well-to-do farmers have been held, officers elected and a constitution and bylaws adopted. An assesment has also been levied for the purpose of prosecuting the work and it is proposed to have the line in operation within a few weeks. The plan adopted is for each farmer to furnish poles and wire for a certain distance, according to the size of his farm, and erect and equip the line for that distance, furnishing his own instrument. The understanding is that the instruments shall be of high grade so that if desirable they may be used in connection with other long distance lines. The officers chosen are: Curt Ferree, president; J. R. Mount, secretary; J. M. Batchelet, treasurer. It is thought that after the line is in good working condition that the receipts from outside tolls will be sufficient to practically pay the running expenses, so that the farmers will have the use of the system without expense.

Following Up Peyton's Confession.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 3.—(Special.)—Chief of Police James Nelon, who has returned from St. Louis, where Frank Peyton confessed to him that he helped kill John E. Robson in this city on the night of December 29, is industriously working upon the case, running down Peyton's story to see if it is true. The officers are looking for Jack Mason, the man whom Peyton implicates. Peyton said he hid a revolver under the Fourth street bridge over Perry creek the night of the murder, but the officers have been unable to unearth the gun in spite of a thorough search. Chief Nelon says this fact, however, does not weaken Peyton's story. The grand jury is in session now and County Attorney Hallam may ask it to indict Peyton on the charge of murder.

Sioux City Observes Holiday.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 3.—(Special.)—The members of the Sioux City labor unions today joined in the biggest Labor day celebration ever seen in this city. In the morning there was a great parade, in which the members of all the unions took part and which included other features. In the afternoon at Leeds the main celebration took place. Addresses were made by Rev. E. H. H. Holman of Stuart, Ia., and ex-Congressman George D. Perkins and ex-Mayor John H. Quick of Sioux City. The program at Leads included a number of races and other athletic events, which were witnessed by a large gathering of people.

Salinger Out for Dolliver's Place.

JEFFERSON, Ia., Sept. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—It is authoritatively announced that Supreme Court Reporter B. I. Salinger is a candidate for nomination for congress to succeed Dolliver. Salinger will contest the Carroll county delegation with Senator Garst. This makes ten candidates in the field.

Clarinda Keeps Fair Grounds.

CLARINDA, Ia., Sept. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Four hundred and eighty-three votes were cast today against the city of Clarinda selling the fair grounds and twenty-nine votes in favor of the proposition. Great interest was manifested to save the grounds for the use of the people.

Jury Exonerates Iowa Parricide.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Sept. 3.—While making a brutal assault upon his wife in a quarrel over a trivial matter, A. Woods, a farmer living near Martelle, was shot and instantly killed by his 18-year-old son, who was exonerated by the coroner's jury.

Big Leadville Mine Burning.

LEADVILLE, Colo., Sept. 3.—The R. A. M. mine is on fire. It is the deepest mine in this district, employing 150 men, all of whom will probably get out, as the mine has many connections. The probable loss will be about $40,000.

PARADE OF LABORING MEN

Big Celebration at Des Moines in Honor of the Day.

PROBABLE TELEPHONE COMBINE IN IOWA

Stated That Central Union Company Will Absorb the Stock of the Iowa People and Remove Headquarters from River City.

DES MOINES, Sept. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Labor day was more liberally celebrated in this city today than ever before. All kinds of laboring people were out in the parade or taking part in the celebration at the park. The big parade was of course the most conspicuous evidence of holiday. It was several miles long and representative to a marked degree of all branches of labor in the organized unions and of many branches not affiliated with the unions. From a small band of ten or a dozen in some unions to hundreds in another the men seemed all extremely glad to show their colors and marched with military tread behind bands. This afternoon 15,000 people attended the exercises at Greenwood park.

A big deal in telephone circles is reported from Davenport today. It is stated that the Central Union Telephone company has absorbed the stock of the Iowa Telephone company and that headquarters for the state of Iowa will be removed from the river city. The report could not be confirmed at the offices of the Iowa Telephone company in this city. The Central Union is one of the biggest of the Bell companies. It owns and controls all of the lines out of Chicago in Illinois and has complete control of the telephone business in Indiana. Forty-two per cent of the stock of the Iowa company has been held by the Central for some time. Years ago the Union owned and operated the Des Moines exchange. The Davenport report indicates that in the event the Central Union has absorbd the Iowa company the general offices of the latter will be removed from that city to a more central point in the state, likely to Des Moines. The Central Union is a much stronger organizations than the Iowa, being the parent company of two. The Iowa company has developed its property in Iowa until it covers nearly the entire state.

Auditing Fair Finance.

An official settlement of finances of the state department of agriculture, with reference to the surpluagge due to the last fair, will be made public September 14, when the auditing committee meets. This committee hopes to be able at that time to reach a conclusion through the medium of all bills payable, which they hope will be filed without exception before that time.

"I believe that the surplus will not exceed $18,000," said Secretary Van Houten. "It was a fine fair and our receipts exceeded $53,000, but our expenses were enormously heavy. Take the night entertainment, for instance; nothing like it was ever offered by former fair managements. It cost money. We feel very well satisfied with the situation. Not only the money we made, but the fact that we entertained the people as they should be is gratifying. We will be able to make a definite and official statement of finances by September 14."

"I expect to serve notice on Clerk of the Supreme Court Jones within a day or two," said Attorney General Milton Remley today, "so that the suit the executive council has requested me to bring may be brought in the Polk county district court immediately. I want him to waive objection to filing a petition any time this month. I believe he will do that. He has said that he wishes the matter adjudicated in some way as soon as possible and that is what we want to reach.

"It is probable that a settlement of the matter may be reached. I represent the people of the state in this matter and I simply propose to do my whole duty. If a settlement conserves the interests of the people and can be reached it will be made. The state only wants to be fair. A fair basis of settlement will be satisfactory to the whole state."

Situation in Tenth District.

The situation in the Tenth district is not as lively as it might be nor as it really ought to be in view of the proximity of the convention to nominate a candidate for congress to succeed Mr. Dolliver. It is now practically certain that Benjamin I. Salinger will be a candidate in Carroll county, contesting that county with Garst. Cady Chase of Hamilton county is a candidate and will contest that county with Kamrar.

The campaign in Missouri will be opened tomorrow at Sedalia. There will be the largest crowd that ever assembled at a political meeting in that state. Governor Shaw will make the principal address. The governor spent Monday at Chicago and went from there direct to Sedalia during the night.

Secretary of State Dobson has been invited by the national republican committee to make political speeches in the campaign in Ohio, Nebraska, Colorado and South Dakota, the states in which the principal fight will be made by the Bryanites. Dodson has accepted the invitation and is awaiting the dates to be made by the committee this week.

LEE'S TALE OF TIEN TSIN

Major of Ninth Infantry Describes Battle in Which Colonel Liscum Fell.

AUBURN, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Mrs. Louis B. Lawton of this city, wife of Lieutenant Lawton of the Ninth United States infantry, now doing service in China, received today a letter from Major J. M. Lee, who took temporary command of the Ninth upon the death of Colonel Liscum, in which he gives a graphic account of the battle of Tien Tsin and comments upon the gallantry of Lieutenant Lawton, who was wounded four times during the battle while executing orders.

Major Lee says that Lieutenant Lawton will be recommended for immediate honor and a brevet and describes the lieutenant as the "most heroic, gallant spirit that then went into battle." After referring to the loss sustained by the Ninth regiment, which the major places at 25 per cent in killed and wounded, he says:

Captain Noyes had been twice wounded, Captain Bookmiller had fallen, Major Regan had fallen severely wounded within a few feet of me, and soon after Colonel Liscum fell mortally wounded. This all occurred before or about 9 a. m. on the 13th. We had pushed forward to the limit and were separated from the enemy by a canal or moat fifty yards wide and from six to eight feet deep in water. The ground in our rear, where so many had fallen, was literally swept by bullets and shrapnel. To advance was impossible and with the dead and wounded around us and all of us in mud and water from our waists to arm pits we determined to hold the place and await reinforcements, ammunition and relief for our wounded. The situation became more and more desperate. About 10 a. m. I decided to send Lieutenant Lawton with an orderly back for help. It was a perilous undertaking, but I believed he would get through, and he did so, under a heavy fire and coolly represented our needs to General Dorward. Some reinforcements were sent, about 100, but they never reached our front line.

Lieutenant Lawton stood up under fire and urged them to move on. He then received a scalp wound. He then started alone to join me and report. We saw him coming and the word went along the line, "there comes Lieutenant Lawton," and every man opened on the enemy to protect him. I saw him stop to pick up something and thought he was hit, but he had dropped his note books and had coolly stopped to pick them up. On he came, and when nearly through he was hit in the arm and breast severely, but, thank God, not fatally. Captain Brewster and I went to him and he calmly and clearly reported the result of his perilous mission. There he and I, with the dead and wounded about us, remained under fire until night fall. He was again hit in the sole of the shoe.

A gallant, heroic little soldier named Nelson Price, private in Company F, Ninth infantry, attended him and protected him with a little bank of earth, which was hit many times. The superb heroism of this young soldier no doubt saved your husband's life and mine as well.

Two or three times orders had been sent to us to retire at night, but we never got them. Lieutenant Lawton, Lieutenant Frazier and I matured a plan to withdraw under cover of darkness and carry off all our wounded and the body of our colonel. This we accomplished, beginning to move at 8:30 p. m. though under some of the enemy's fire. One poor fellow lost his life, shot seven times. For nearly an hour we floundered along over dikes and into ditches filled with mud and water and assembled under a mud wall, where we found a part of the regiment under Colonel Coolridge.

The major's letter relating to the battle stops here and the remainder is devoted to words of comfort to Mrs. Lawton.

South Omaha News.

Yesterday's Labor day celebration was the most enthusiastic held in years, the parade being particularly fine. In the afternoon speeches were made at Syndicate park by a number of labor leaders and some invited guests. Asa Taylor, president of the Omaha Central Labor union, delivered the first address of the afternoon. He reviewed the work that is going on in the local labor unions and called attention to the fact that while the unions were making good headway, there was still room for improvement in the matter of instilling interest into the organizations and increasing the membership. He spoke of the prospects of the various orders and predicted a bright future for all South Omaha labor organizations.

Mr. Cornish of Omaha talked, as did also President Davis of the Trade and Labor assembly.

Praise without stint was given to the parade. Every organization turned out in first-class shape and received applause all along the route. During the afternoon and evening the streets of South Omaha were practically deserted, as nearly every one was at the park. The display of flags and bunting exceeded that of other years and the people generally seemed to take an interest in the celebration of the day cherished by all laboring men.

Take it all in all, the celebration was the most successful held here for years.

Continued Until Tonight.

On account of it being a legal holiday the Board of Education met last night and adjourned until this evening. At the session tonight it is expected that Superintendent Wolfe will present his assignment of teachers for approval. President Bulla signed up a large number of teachers' contracts last night and more will be prepared at the meeting this evening. Preparations are now being made for the opening of the schools and tonight the members of the board will be asked to sanction exercises to be given by the Bohemian societies in honor of the opening of the Jungmann school. The Bohemian clubs propose to purchase a piano for the school, but they want to have a celebration and a few speeches in addition. It is expected that the board will grant the request of the societies.

William Meyers Stabbed.

In a fight at Syndicate park last night William Meyers, son of Isaac Meyers, was stabbed in the back and severely beaten about the head. He was standing on the dancing platform when three men surrounded him and, apparently without provocation, assaulted him. While two of the men were pummeling his face the other slipped a knife into his back, inflicting a painful but not serious wound. Meyers was taken to the office of Dr. Berry, where his wounds were dressed and later on went to his home at Twenty-fifth and P streets. He says that he did not recognize his assailants.

Dawson County Populists Flunk.

Nines Winslow of Dawson county spent yesterday in the city, having business at the stock yards, and he said in connection with politics that the populists in Dawson county were beginning to see the error of their ways and would not swallow the ticket as it now stands. Mr. Winslow further said that, in his opinion, a large proportion of the disgruntled populists would vote for McKinley, as they see and realize that there is an abundance of prosperity under republican rule. A continuance of the existing conditions is what is wanted by Dawsonites.

Shriners Journey to Iowa.

A delegation of South Omaha Shriners left early this morning for Des Moines, where a new shrine will be instituted. The party was made up as follows: John F. Schultz, George H. Brewer, Fred M. Smith, C. C. Stanley, D. L. Holmes, W. P. Adkins, E. W. Chandler, Frank W. Slabaugh, Sam B. Christie, Dr. J. M. Glasgow and B. E. Wilcox.

Magic City Gossip.

Mrs. H. Lovely returned yesterday from an extended eastern trip.

Mrs. A. L. Williams has returned from Denver, where she visited friends for a week or two.

There was no quorum of the city council last night and an adjournment was taken until Thursday night.

Miss Nettie Harrington, general delivery clerk at the postoffice, returned yesterday from a two weeks' eastern trip.

Dennis Harrington, the contractor, is building a house for Captain Allie at Twenty-third and F streets, which will cost, when completed, about $1,500.

Mrs. J. B. Ashe, deputy city clerk, returned yesterday from a trip to Salt Lake City and other western points. She reports having had a very enjoyable time.

A new republican paper, known as the Daily Times, made its first appearance yesterday. It is a staunch republican organ and is edited by the Mayfield brothers.

Louis Sandwich is a new member of the fire department. He will, under instructions from Chief Etter, divide his time between the hose house in the First ward and the one in the Third ward.

City Treasurer Koutsky is again on his feet and will resume active charge of his office in a day or two. Mr. Koutsky has had a hard siege of typhoid fever and shows up in rather an emaciated condition.

A project is on foot to pave E street from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-sixth street. The residents desire that an asphalt pavement be laid and the necessary petition will be filed with the council at an early date.

OUTBREAK IN PHILIPPINES

Forty-Fourth Volunteer Infantry Reports Engaging Insurgents Near Carmen, Bohol Island.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—The War department today received the following dispatch from General MacArthur:

MANILA, Sept. 3.—Adjutant General, Washington: General Hughes reports outbreak in Bohol. First Lieutenant Lovack, Forty-fourth volunteer infantry, reports engaging them near Carmen, Bohol. Our loss in killed, one; wounded, six. Enemy's loss in killed, 120. Have not received further details. MACARTHUR.

Bohol is an island in the southern part of the archipelago, 365 miles from Manila. It lies north of the island of Mindanao and is not far from Cebu.

Columbus Pythians Good Lookers.

DETROIT, Sept. 3.—At the reception tonight it was announced that the first prize of the best appearance in the parade this afternoon, $50 in gold, went to Columbus, O. Toledo took second prize of $30 and Ann Arbor, Mich., third, $20.

REPORT ON THE BIG TREES

Lumbermen Are Cutting Down Results of Five Thousand Years of Growth.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—The Department of Agriculture has issued a report on investigations of the big trees of California that brings out some interesting and new conclusions. It shows that the dimensions of the big trees are unequaled; that their age make them the oldest living things. They are described by the report as "the grandest, largest, oldest and most majestically graceful of trees, and the scarcest of known tree species, with the extreme scientific value of being the best living representatives of a former geologic age."

The report says the bark of the big trees often is two feet thick and almost noncombustible. "The oldest specimens felled," it says, "are still sound at the heart, and fungus is unknown. The big trees, apparently, have not increased their range since the glacial epoch. They have only just managed to hold their own on the little strip of country where the climate is locally favorable."

Continuing, the report says: "The only grove now thoroughly safe from destruction is the Mariposa, and this is far from being the most interesting. Most of the other groves are either in process of, or in danger of being logged. The very finest of all, the Calaveras grove, with the biggest and tallest trees, the most uncontaminated surroundings and practically all the literary and scientific associations of the species connected with it, has been purchased recently by a lumberman, who came into full possession on April 1. The Sequoia and General Grant National parks, which are supposed to embrace and give security to a large part of the remaining big trees, are each eaten into by a sawmill and the private timber claims, amounting to a total of 1,173 acres.

The rest of the scanty patches of big trees in California, Toulare and Tuolumne counties are now disappearing—by the ax. In brief, the majority of big trees of California are owned by people who have every right and in many cases every intention to cut them into lumber.

The most recent investigations, according to the report, confirm the estimates that these giant trees probably live 5,000 years or more, though few of the larger trees are more than half as old. The average rate of growth is estimated at one inch of diameter for every twelve years. The report also corroborates the statements of one authority, who says that one tree, on which he counted 4,000 rings, was undoubtedly in its prime, "swaying in the Sierra winds when Christ walked the earth." The report states among other things as the result of the official investigation:

"The only place in the world where the big tree exists is in ten isolated groves on the west slope of the Sierra Nevada mountains. The species, however, represent a surviving prehistoric genus of trees once growing widely over the globe. The southern groves show some reproduction, through which there is hope of perpetuating these groves. In the northern groves the species hardly holds its own."

Transport Sails for Home.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—The War department received a cablegram this morning from General MacArthur at Manila announcing that the transport Port Stephens sailed Septmber 1 for Seattle. It has paymasters and army wagons aboard for our forces in China, and will put them ashore at Taku enroute for this country.

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