#### IOWA. NEWS OF INTEREST FROM

# COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs Stockert sells carpets and rugs Metz beer at Neumayer's hotel Drs. Green, office 313 Sapp block. Welsbach burners. Bixby & Son. Wollman, scientific optician, 19 Broadway. Dr. Stephenson, Baldwin block. Elevator, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hewitt are home from Franklin Grove, III.

Missouri oak body wood, \$6.50 cord. Wm. Welch, 22 N. Main st. Tel, 128. A. C. Rapaije of Rochester, N. Y., is guest of his nephew, Eugene Rapaije. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McMillan of Onawa are guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Rockwell. Mrs. Edward Eves of Marengo, Ia., is isting her mother, Mrs. Hobinson of Sixth

Pictures, vases and statusry for Christ-mus shoppers. C. E. Alexander & Co., 353 Broadway.

To keep your hubby home nights get him portable billiard and pool table at Peter n & Schoening's.

Miss Frances M. McPherson, 1113 Fourth
avenue, who has been seriously ill, was reported to be somewhat improved yesterday.
Miss Stagg of 107 North Eighth street,
accompanied by her mother, will leave
today for Hiland, Cal., for the benefit of
her health.

The finest gifts you can make is in fur-niture. See the extensive line carried by Petersen & Schoening, Merriam block. They can please you. A 4-year-old child in the family of Mar-tin Hinkel, 901 North Eighth street, was re-ported to the Board of Health last evening as suffering from smallpox.

Miss Sylva Messmore, teacher in the schools of Sac City, ia., is home for the helidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Messmore of Fourth street. J. B. Swafford, in advance of "A Thoroughbred Tramp," was in the city yesterday arranging for the appearance of his company at the Dohany theater Thursday. An information was filed in police court yesterday against J. L. Riche, who threat-ened to shoot his wife and children, and he was placed under \$150 bonds to keep the peace and not interfere with his wife. The appraisers under the collateral in-heritance tax law yestenday set January 8 for appraising the property of the Eliza-beth Crawford estate. S. G. Underwood, J. P. Hess and William Arnd are the ap-

praisers.

Isaac T. Van Ness, physician at Neola, Ia. filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States court yesterday. His liabilities aggregate \$2,727.98, while his schedule shows assets valued at \$100, all of which are claimed as exempt.

Leonard Everett left last evening for Des Moines, where he will be married Tuesday evening to Miss Louise Elbert of that city, Mr. Everett and his bride propose to pass their honeymoon in the south and will not return here until February.

James and Charles Sutherland, 16 and 12

James and Charles Sutherland, 16 and 13 years old, respectively, were lodged in the city jail on complaint of their sick mother, a widow. The boys refused to do the chores around the house and when ordered to work started to smash the furniture. A set of harness stolen from the barn of Rudolph Toller, grocer at Tenth avenue and Main street, last evening was recovered within a short time by Officer Claar at Cherniss second-hand store. A description of the thief is in the hands of the police. A small frame house, the property of T. Wehrhan at Fourteenth street and Twenty-second avenue, was destroyed by fire Wednesday night. No alarm was sent in and the firemen only learned of the blaze the next day. The loss was covered by insurance.

John King, who stole a mackintosh from In front of Metcalf & Metcalf's store Thurs day evening with the hopes of spendin, the winter in jall, was sent to the county bastile vesterday by Judge Aylesworth for The trial of the suit of John Lindt against the Schlitz Brewing company in the superior court was continued yesterday until Monday. The Jury which had been impaneled was discharged and a new one will be drawn. Lindt secured to the second se paneled was discharged and a new one will be drawn. Lindt secured judgment against the brewing company for \$515 for commis-sion and attorney fees in connection with the sale of property. It was taken to the supreme court and sent back for retrial. Supreme court and sent back for retrial.

The attraction at the Dohany Sunday and Monday will be Al W. Martin's grand spectacular revival of "Uncle Tom's Cau.n."

The attraction is classed as one of the biggest scenic productions of its kind the American stage has ever seen it being necessary to utilize three special cars to transport the scenery and equipment. The company carries thirty head of ponies, horses, burrows, donkeys, oxen, tallyho coach, traps, log cabin, float, oxcarts and numerous novelties, and gives the most elaborate and largest street parade ever at-

elaborate and largest street parade ever at tempted by a traveling theatrical company N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250.

## U. R. K. P. dance tonight. Hughes' hall.

Great Western's Station. It is said that the local passenger depot be at the southwest corner of Main street and Ninth avenue upon the property at present occupied by the Bluff City Lumber company. Two switch tracks to the implement houses on Main street will have to be of the depot facing on Main street. The freight depot, it is stated, will be two plocks west of the passenger station on Ninth avenue.

New Trial of Doyle-Burns Suit. The motion on behalf of the defendant for a new trial in the Doyle-Burns suit will have to be filed today if filed at all. Hon. C. S. Thomas, counsel for James F. Burns. arrived in this city yesterday and it is unarrange with Doyle's counsel for a date on ing. which the motion shall be argued.

#### U. R. K. P. dance tonight, Hughes' hall, Rent Estate Transfers.

These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street: D. H. Ceol and wife to M. W. Zornes, lot 8, block 13, town of Avoca, w. d. 1 Rachel A. Smith and husband to Mark R. and Harley R. Smith, nwis set, and 1912 acres in swis neis 9-75-43, w. d.

Parst National-bank of Council Bluffs to Sam Livingstone, 11274 acres part of government lots 1 and 2, in 22-75-

O. Kempster, sr. and wife to J. W. Baldwin, 11 acres in net, set, 24-75-44, w. d. i. W. Binder and wife to James Sightum, lot 4 Auditor's subdiv set, net, 21-75-43, w. d.

Total five transfers

DOHANY THEATER

TWO NIGHTS, COMMENCING-Sunday Matinee, Dec. 29 Special Engagement Al W. Martin's

**Uncle Tom's** 

LEWIS CUTLER Funeral Director as PEARL STREET. 'Phono 97.

FARM LOANS 5.25

# YOUNG MAN OF MANY NAMES

Operates Game in One Hotel While Sought in Another.

IS CASHING OF CHECKS METHOD

Scheme is Familiar One, but Frequent Repetition Fatts to Make lows Hotel Keepers Immune.

H. F. Price, alias J. H. Richards, alias J. H. Harris, alias F. E. Harris, alias H. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nebee of Atlantic.
La. are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander
Tipton of Glen avenue.

Miss Lewis of St. Joseph, Mo., and Rush
Murray of Wyoming are guests of their
aunt. Mrs. J. A. Wiett of Fourth street.

Miss Lewis Mrs. J. A. Wiett of Fourth street.

Mrs. J. A. Wiett of Fourth street. M. Wilson, allas F. E. Dean, a young man person of more than ordinary versatility and daring. While the authorities, acting on advice received by them, were watching for his arrival at the Grand hotel for three days, the young man with the many aliases slipped into town, stopped at two other hotels, at one succeeded in getting a check for \$25 cashed, and then skipped out again without attracting attention or exciting suspicion.

H. E. Price, or whatever his right name may be, represents himself as in the employ of the Elliott & Hatch Book Typewriter company of Chicago, and reports from various towns in Iowa are to the effect that he has managed to fleece a number of hotel keepers by passing worthless checks purporting to be signed by the Chicago company. In every instance the checks have Hatch company, along with the information that Price is not in the company's employ. Price, it is said, has not confined his operations to Iowa, but has worked the same game in other states. He is described as the city. about 26 years of age, well dressed and a young woman, whom he claims is his wife.

#### New Alias in Each Town.

Papers published in the interests of hotel keepers have exploited him, but by simply changing his alias he seems to succeed in evading arrest and to continue to reap a harvest with worthless checks.

A letter and a telegram received at the Grand hotel aroused the suspicions of Chief Clerk Annis that Price Intended to make the hotel a visit and attempted to work off one of his bad checks. The letter, bearing a special delivery stamp, was addressed to H. M. lias of Price. He notified the police and erty needed by the city.

a check for \$35, made out to H. M. Wilson writer company. It was supposed that Price. hotel, at once present the check for payment, and Detective Weir was to be in waiting to arrest him.

## Remembers Previous Arrival.

Chief Clerk Annis is blessed with a good memory, and on turning back the pages of the register he found that on Sunday, November 24, a young man and a young woman registered as J. H. Harris and wife from Chicago. J. H. Harris is one of the aliases that Price is said to have used. Mr. Annis remembered that the couple left next day for Sioux. City, where a man named F. E. Harris was reported to have passed a check forged on the Book Typewriter company. From Stoux City this Harris was traced to Creston, Ia., where he succeeded in cashing two \$35 checks, which also proved of the Chicago-Great Western railroad will to be forgeries. From there trace of the couple was lost. At the hotel in Creston Price, alias Harris, registered as H. M. Wilson and wife, the name contained in the address of the letter and telegram received here. These facts left no doubt in the minds shifted westward to admit of the erection of Mr. Annis and Detective Weir that the fellow was planning to visit the Grand hotel again and attempt to work off another of his checks.

A telegram sent to the Metropole hotel in St. Joseph, from which place the telework off a check, but had been turned down. Harris and his wife left St. Joseph Tuesday night and, it is supposed, derstood will make the nesessary filing and reached Council Bluffs Wednesday morn-They did not, however, go to the Grand hotel, where the detective was watchthe Neumayer hotel on Broadway, where they registered as F. E. Harris and wife, There Harris succeeded in cashing a check purporting to be signed by the Elliot & Hatch company for \$25. The check was deposited in the bank Thursday and has not been returned. Thursday morning Harris and wife went to the Kiel hotel on Main street, where they registered as F. E. Dean and wife, but here it is supposed the young man's nerve fatled him, as he did not attempt to cash any more checks. During the day he spent \$1.50 for fifteen telephone calls to Omaha trying to logate a man named Phillips, whom he appeared anxious to find. They left the hotel late Thursday night, saying they were going to Grand Island. The fact that Harris had been at the Neumayer and Kiel hotels was not learned by the authorities until after

the couple had left the city. The telegram from St. Joseph received at the Grand hotel was signed by F. E. Harris and said: "Will meet you Friday."

Other Hotels on Guard. Thursday when Wilson, alias Harris, failed to show up at the Grand hotel Clerk Annis telephoned to the other hotels putting them on their guard and giving the list of althees the man Price went by. At the Kie the clerk answering the 'phone repeated over to Mr. Annis the list of aliases, and it is thought probable that Dean, alias Price, verheard the conversation and at once decided to leave town as soon as he could and not attempt to work the Grand hotel. Mr. Annis is of the epinion that but for this stand made by a local justice of the peace Wilson would have turned up yesterday and a few citizens. Bederick had quarreled followed. He was much disappointed at in the neck. Bederick tried to run away, losing the man. Detective Weir was much but was followed by a crowd, into which he

# SUES FOR ACCIDENT POLICY MEET OF IOWA EDUCATORS

Watson Empson Demands Indemnt from North American Insurance Company.

Watson Empson brought suit in Council Bluffs yesterday against the North American Accident Insurance company to recover \$100 for nineteen weeks' indemnity while suffering from injuries, the result of an accident. Empson took out a policy May 28, 1900, by the terms of which he was to receive \$10 a week if incapacitated from work as the result of an accident. August is he met with an accident, which, it is claimed, kept him from his work as a bartender for nineteen weeks.

Dr. T. B. Lacey filed his suit against Wickham & Co. to recover \$492 medical fees for attending C. P. Reed, an employe of the defendant company. Reed suffered the fracture of his right thigh and left kneccap last February. Of the sum sought to be recovered \$80 is for the services of consulting physicians whom the plaintiff called in on the case.

W. J. Hanna filed a petition asking the district court for a writ of mandamus to compel J. H. Turner, secretary of the school stownship of Washington, Pottawattamie county, to issue a warrant authorizing the payment out of the general fund \$200. Hanna sets up that in August last at a meeting of the township school trustees the defendant was instructed to issue the warrant, but that he has failed to do so.

Ernest F. Wagner has brought suit colored Jersey calf" or \$100, which he claims is their value. He also asks for \$25 on a judgment secured by J. Beno & Co. against Mrs. E. F. Wagner. The plaintiff declares he is the sole owner of the cow and calf.

W. H. Shaffer begun suit aginst J. M. been returned repudiated by the Elliott & Oursier to recover \$120 damages for the alleged failure on the part of Oursler to against the study of words; but as in the house and set it up in another part of in the wilderness.

A. B. Cadwalider filed original notice of plausible talker. He is accompanied by a suit against Pottawattamie county to recover \$300 which he alleges is due him for caring for, nursing and finding home for an indigent smallpox patient. This claim was rejected at the last session of the Board of County Supervisors.

Today is the last day for filing suits for the January term of district court.

#### Davis sells paint.

Opening of Alley is Checked The opening of an alley north of Broadreceived an unexpected check and the con-Wilson, Grand hotel, Council Bluffs. Post- demnation proceedings instituted by the the schools. It is not uncommon to find in from the Fifth and add them to the Sixth; marks showed that it had been mailed from city will have to be gone all-over again. the schools persons who can glibly recite take Boone from the Tenth and add it to the local postoffice Wednesday morning. Service of the condemnation suit against E. The envelope bore in the corner the printed B. Evans of California, owner of the prop- to solve a single problem depending upon and Hamilton from the Tenth and add them name and address of the Elliott & Hatch erty on Scott street, a portion of which the Book Typewriter company. Mr. Annis, who city needed for the alley, was had on Day been aptly termed arrested development." and add it to the Third; take Winnebago receipted for the letter, remembered seeing & Hess, Evans' agents here. This at the President Stuart criticised the present in a hotel paper the account of Price's work—time was deemed sufficient. A sheriff's jury school system in many other respects, take Sac and Ide from the Eleventh and ing hotels with bad checks, and came to was impaneled and it fixed \$500 as the comthe conclusion that Wilson was another pensation to Evans for the strip of his prop-

setective Weir was detailed on the case. Now word comes from Mr. Evans that he collowing the letter came a telegram from declines to accept the service on his agents, dent Stuart, "greater stress will be laid leaves each of the sitting congressmen in addressed to H. M. Wison. Buth and as such service is not sufficient if obfireen days. The court ordered that King the letter and the telegram are still un- jected to by the owner of the property incalled for. By holding the letter in front volved, the city will have to begin the con- sake. Sense training should be particu- lean plurality. About the only objection of an electric light it was found to contain demnation proceedings afresh. Service this larly emphasized in the lower grades. The to this plan is as to the shape of the time will be had on Mr. Evans by publica- importance of such training as a foundation Third and Fifth districts, but all the and apparently signed by the book type- tion, he being a non-resident. It is said for all subsequent development cannot be change in form as to the Third is by dropthat Mr. Evans' reasons for refusing to ac- overestimated. For it is from the senses ping Hardin from the south side and addalias Wilson, would, on arriving at the cept the service on his agents is that he is that all knowledge, directly or indirectly, ing Hancock on the north side, and all the not satisfied with the amount awarded him by the sheriff's jury.

Davis sells glass

Arrestator Breaking Quarantine. William Chesney, colored, who was quarantined at 931 Avenue D for smallpox, is behind the bars at the city jail charged with violating the quarantine regulations. He was arrested on an information filed by Chief of Police Albro. It is charged that December 17, while under quarantine, Chesney who is familiarly known as "Snow ball," left his home and went up town as far as Pearl street and Broadway. Before being taken to the city jail Chesney was thoroughly disinfected by Dr. Reller and provided with new clothes, even to shoes and hat. The offense of violating quarantine is classed as a misdemeanor, and if Chesney is found guilty he may be subject to a year's imprisonment in the county jail. The authorities are determined to arrest every person breaking quarantine.

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

Two Sue for Divorce. Mrs. Minnie May Appel brought suft in the district court yesterday for divorce from, George J. Appel, whom she married May gram was dated, elicited the information 27, 1897, in Glenwood, In. She alleges that that "Harris" had stopped Tuesday at the her husband's drinking habits and his cruel St. Charles hotel there and had tried to and inhuman treatment of her forced her to leave him on June 15, 1899, and refuse to live with him any longer. She asks for the custody of their minor son, Raymond, and \$20 a month alimony.

.Mrs. Anna Murphy, who was married to W. A. Murphy at Sidney, Fremont county, ing and waiting for them, but they went to Ia., January 10, 1882, also filed suit for divorce yesterday. She charges her husband with cruel and inhuman treatment.

U. R. K. P. dance tonight, Hughes' hall.

BEAVER GETS FOUR YEARS Plends Guifty to Charge of Manslaughter and is Sentenced to Penitentiary.

LE MARS, Ia., Dec. 27.-(Special.)-Will Beaver pleaded guilty to the charge of manslaughter in the district court today and was sentenced to four years in the peniten tlary at Anamosa and fined \$1 and costs of the action. Beaver was implicated in the killing of John Jensen, who was shot on the Steffin farm by Henry Steffin last April during a quarrel. Steffin, who fired the fatal shot, is serving an eight-year sentence for the crime. Beaver started the shooting, discharging the contents of a gun at Jensen, but missing him. Beaver's father and uncle are wealthy land owners in this county.

#### BEDERICK SHOOTS THREE MEN Pursued by Enraged Citizens and Narrowly Escapes Lynchias

When Captured. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.-Steve Bederick shot three men in the streets of Passaic, N. J., and when captured he would have been lynched had it not been for the firm at the hotel and his arrest would have with John Stondt and in a rage shot him hagrined to find that while he was wait- fired, one ball striking Anton Stull in the ing for three days at the Grand hotel for the thigh and then wounding a man named fellow he had managed to slip into town. Lavalle in the arm. After all the chambers work his graft, and then slip out again and in Bederick's revolver had been emptied no one was the wiser except Landlord Neu- his pursuers closed in on him and overmayer, who will have a memento of the powered him. Before he could be rescued fellow's visit in the shape of a check for from his captors he was terribly beaten.

Stondt's wound is dangerous.

Annual Convention of Teachers Opens with Address by the President.

SCHOOL METHODS ARE CRITICISED

President Stuart Speaks of Twentieth Century School-More Training for Teachers Needed - Agreement as to Examining Board.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Dec. 27 .- (Special.) -The forty-seventh annual convention of the and the county superintendent shall be emteachers of lowa began here today. The powered to issue, indorse or renew temporeducational council met in the forenoon and ary certificates, valid until the next meetin the afternoon various departments or ing of the board." sectional meetings were held.

The association program proper commenced in the evening with the annual address of the president, Prof. A. W. Stuart of Ottumwa, who spoke to a large audience in the Auditorium and delivered a thoughtful and in some respects radical address on to all teachers who had taught successfully adulterants. It also provides for a board of President McKinley, from which he led gradually into a presentation of the educational advance of the age. The cultured refinement of an age like this, he said, creates against Lee Alberti, constable in Justice tendency of the human race is away from Bryant's court, to recover possession of the natural to the artificial. The office of one dark colored Jersey cow and one light the reformer is to start the child at the point where the race began and to place S. H. Sheakley of Des Moines, chairman, was him in an environment suited to develop damages for the nileged wrongful seizure his powers and faculties in accordance with of the animals. They were levied upon such a plan. There was a striking reform under an execution issued by Justice Bryant | at the beginning of the sixteenth century, when scholasticism was uppermost and a century later Comenius appeared and effected great reforms. Comenius and Pesalozzi and Froebel, and Mann and Colonel Parker have raised their voices like the voice of one crying in the wilderness carry out an oral contract by which the time of the prophet, the voice has vanplaintff was to move a one-story frame | ished in the wilderness. We are still today |

#### School System Criticised.

"The great evil in the schools today," continued President Stuart, "as was the quiring the pupils to commit to memory sional districts outlined by J. F. Glover of the words of the book. Many teachers who Sibley leaves without change the Ninth disdo not require this, nevertheless permit it, trict, the one in which Pottawattamie which is none the less harmful. Another county is situated. The population of the still more common practice, and one which Tenth and Eleventh districts is 501,275 is closely related to this, is that of requir- Glover's plan reduces this to 427,084. He ing pupils to commit to memory definitions changes only eleven counties. He reapporand rules before the facts upon which they tions diagonally from the southeast to the depend are comprehended. Such a practice northwest. The plan is as follows: is far less common now than it was a genway between Scott and Sixth streets has eration ago, yet that it is still common is district and add them to the First: take well known to those who are familiar with Madison from the Seventh and Marshall such rules. This tends to produce what has to the Fifth; take Hancock from the Tenth pointing out the faults of education and the add them to the Tenth. Leave the Second. danger of pursuing the methods which have Eighth and Ninth districts as they are.

springs. Sense precepts are the elements of soul-life."

He predicted that in the school system than at present. Every city school will have a kindergarten and every country school the kindergarten spirit. The law should either be changed to admit children earlier or the kindergarten be modified to meet the needs of children of school age. Manual training will be a prominent feature in the school of the future.

## Better Teachers.

There is a demand for teachers of broade culture and the outlook for better teachers is good. It is no longer thought that anybody can teach a primary school. A helpful sign of the times is that the teachers themselves are anxious to find opportunities for improvement.

"lowa," said the president, "which has moved too slowly in educational matters, will. I am confident, soon come to the front in the education of her teachers. It is to be hoped that the next general assembly will make provision for three additional normal schools. We have one in the northeastern part of the state of which we are justly proud If each of the other three quarters of the state can be equally well equipped, Iowa will have made ample provision for the education of her teachers."

## School Centralization.

President Stuart came out strongly in favor of school consolidation. The law of Iowa originally contemplated that the township should be the school unit, but unfortunately that did not remain long as the law. The ideal system of rural school organization should provide that each civil and largely preserve present general outtownship be a school district. The schools lines and leave each congressman in his should be graded and managed similar to own district, the members may pay some those of towns and cities. This would attention to the Glover plan. necessitate transporting pupils at publi expenses, but the system has been tried in many places with marked success and improvement in the schools. He also declared his belief that the time is not far distant when all the schools of Iowa will be provided with free text books. Another step in the right direction was that of placing music in all the schools.

School of the Future.

"With free textbooks," he concluded 'township organization, three additional normal schools, with manual training in the schools, with the kindergarten in every city school and the spirit of the kindergarten in every rural school, with even more enthusiastic and better qualified teachers than at present, the problem of compulsory education becomes easy of solution and the future of Iowa schools, upon which the welfare of the state so largely depends, is hopefully secure."

## New Boards of Examiners

The deliberations of the educational council of the State Teachers' association were practically a recurrence of the strife of last board to act with the county superintendents in making the examinations were ready for the opposition and had won sufficient Clarinda, and stony indifference or biting graft the day before he came here. sarcasm on the part of those urging the

change. Mr. Deator declared that the effort to ap-

been begun and death was the outcome. Following this he made a pica that none of the powers of the county superintendent be taken away; that in any event the people of the state and particularly of Page county would not stand it. He desired that the standard of the office be raised rather than lowered so that the best people of the state

would become candidates for the office. He

not being done outright the bleeding had

advocated increase of salaries as the best method of raising the standard of the office The following is the section of the report on examinations which was passed relating to an examining board:

"There shall be a county board of ex aminers composed of three members, of which the county superintendent shall be chairman by virtue of his office, and he shall appoint two members to be confirmed

by the Board of Supervisors. "The members of said board shall re ceive compensation at the rate of \$4 per day for the time actually engaged from the general county fund.

"This board shall be authorized to hold such examinations once every three months,

#### Life Certificates.

One important change that was made in the report refers to the insurance of life food commissioner who will have charge certificates. In the original report it was of the subject, and will make rules and proposed to issue certificates for ten years regulations for enforcing the laws against the educational situation in lows. He for a term of five years, and thus recognize of chemists to make analyses of foods subopened with a brief mention of the death teaching as a profession. This was unani- mitted. The committee report said: mously carried after it had been argued by the council and all of the numerous objections explained away. State Superintendent Barrett, chairman of the meeting, suga necessity for educational reforms. The gested that a committee be appointed at states in the enactment of pure food laws. once to draft a bill to the legislature embracing the points of the report adopted. The legislative committee of the council. named to draft the bill.

A report of the legislative committee was to make a selection for next year's dis- that its citizens may be protected." cussion. The subjects were as follows First, "Relation of Colleges to High Schools;; second, "Classification and Promotion of English;" third, "Teaching of English." The last subject was selected.

#### REDISTRICTING PLAN Sibley Idea for Change of Congressional Sections Leaves Ninth Intact.

SIBLEY, Ia., Dec. 27 .- (Special.) -- The case 300 years ago, is the practice of re- plan of redistricting Jowa as to congres-

Take Davis and Keokuk from the Sixth the rules of arithmetic without being able the Seventh; take Hardin from the Third

been in use for the last century.

"In the school of the future," said Presite state substantially as they now are: upon mental development and less upon his old district and each reorganized disthe acquisition of knowledge for knowledge's trict has, as now, a substantial repubchange made in the Fifth is by dropping Marshall, which joins Grundy on the south and adding west of Grundy the counties of of the future the kindergarten will de- Hardin and Hamilton. The following table servedly have a still more prominent place will show the population of the districts as

at present and as propose		Licia
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	Present.	"pose
First	164,755	205.
Second	191,608	191.
Third	219,691	210.
Fourth		200
Fifth		202
Sixth		188.
Seventh		195.
Eighth		200
Ninth		202
Tenth	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	215.
Eleventh		211
marketti	OA WALLDAN	****

Totals 2.231.853 2.231.853 That which especially emphasises the need -regiment two years ago. of redistricting at present is the great excess of population in the Tenth and Elev enth districts, the northwestern Iowa disricts. The average for a district is 202 805 The Ninth district, the Council Bluffs and Pottawattamie district, is only a few hundred from the average. The Eighth district in southern Iowa is only a couple of thousand from the average, the Second district in eastern Iowa, is not so near the average but the fighting republicans in that district changed the district from democratic to republican and they wish the district to remain without division.

The other plans, while bringing the district little nearer the average as a rule, practically breaks up the entire present system and transfers perhaps half the counties of the state over in to other numerical districts.

If the chief point with the legislature t to distribute the population into eleven districts, which shall be reasonably equal

#### CATCHES MANY MERCHANTS Stranger Poses as Employe of Prominent Farmer and Passes

Forged Checks. ATLANTIC, Ia., Dec. 27 .- (Special Tele

gram.)-Six of the prominent business men of Atlantic were caught by the graft of traveling forger for \$10 each the day efore Christmas. The grafter is a smooth shaven, palefaced man, 25 years of age, wearing a black fedora hat, a light neckscart, a heavy dark ulster. He is about six feet in height and has a delicate hand. His graft is to pass as an employe of some well known farmer or stockman and to buy small amount of goods, then present a check signed by his supposed employer in payment and take the change in cash. In this city he called himself J. E. Brown and forged the name of June Childs, a member of the County Board of Supervisors, and a Cass county stockman and farmer. So smooth was his game that Levi Downs, J year, in so far as the discussions related H. Marsball, Anderson & McConvill, Van to the question of teachers' examinations. McCurdy and A. P. Hendrickson, all ex-At the same time the committee favoring perienced business men, fell into the trap the adoption of the report establishing a and donated \$10 each to the stranger's fund. Brown learned all he cared to know of Childs from R. S. McGeehon, another of the local merchants, and then made good converts to dominate the meeting and the his work, leaving that same evening for report was adopted with few changes. This parts unknown, although he is supposed was not accomplished, however, without hot to be working west, as reports from Adair words from Superintendent H. E. Deator of show he worked that town on the same

Falls from Wagon and Breaks Neck HOPKINTON, Ia., Dec. 27 .- (Special Tele point county boards to examine teachers gram.)-Samuel Sleeph, a teamster, met was a direct move to kill the county super- instant death by falling from a loaded intendent. He stated that though this was | wagon and breaking his neck.

# ENFORCE PURE FOOD LAW

Aim Festered by the Iowa Academy e Boiences.

GAME WARDEN'S PLACE IN POLITICS

Intention is to Remove the Office from Such Entanglements - John Lindt Candidate for Commander.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Dec. 27 .- (Special.)-The lowa Academy of Sciences this morning took the initiative in a general movement to have created for the state of Iowa food commissioner to enforce a pure food law and make war perpetually on all adulterations in foods and all substitutes and mixtures. The academy last year appointed a committee to work along this line. The committee reported recommending the passage of a bill which was before the legislature two years ago, but which did not receive the consideration to which it was entitled. This bill provides for a pure

"The attention of the legislature should be called to the necessity and value of the pure food laws of the state. Iowa as a state should not be surpassed by other The state should not remain an open field for imposing adulterated products upon our citizens to the detriment of both health and pocketbooks. Neighboring states are in advance of lows on this subject, and the time is ripe for our state to take the postmade, suggesting three subjects from which tion which rightly belongs to it in order

The academy authorized the legislative committee to present this to the legislature and urge the adoption of the bill.

Game Warden in Politics. The academy also appointed a committee to make a report on what should be done to take the position of fish commissioner and game warden out of politics. Resolutions were passed to that effect, and attention called to the fact that recently one who had become an expert had been supplanted by one whose appointment was due alone to political influences and who was not known to have any special qualifications for the place.

The following officers of the association were elected: President, H. E. Summers, Iowa college; vice presidents, J. L. Tilton and S. W. Beyer; secretary, A. G. Leonard; treasurer, B. Shimek.

The academy refused to approve a resolution presented indorsing a movement for a national bureau to carry on investigations in psychology. Candidate for Commander.

Assistant Adjutant General Newman today received circulars from the officers of Abe Lincoln post, Grand Army of the Republic of Council Bluffs, announcing the Over the Union Pacific candidacy of John Lindt for department commander. He is first in the field for the position. George Metzgar of Davenport is the present commander of the department New Corporations.

The articles of incorporation of the Brothhood of American Yeomen of this city, or ganized by J. E. Paul and others, were filed with the secretary of state today. The articles of incorporation of the Pat-

e-Sutherland company of Des Moines, capital \$25,000, were also filed with the sec-

retary of state. Governor Shaw is Busy Governor Shaw this morning found that his mail was becoming so heavy and his

business so great that he had to employ an additional stenographer in his office to care for it. He has received hundreds of letters and telegrams of congratulation on his appointment to a cabinet place. He expects the letter from President Roosevelt which will have the formal tender to him of the position some time tomorrow.

Chaplain Arrives in Manila. News was received here today by cable from Chaplain Williams, formerly of the Fifty-second lowa regiment of volunteers, that he and his wife and baby had arrived safely in Manila. He goes to the Philippines to be gone seven years and engage in missionary work for the Christian church. He left San Francisco four weeks ago. He was in the Philippines with his

Hardware House Sold Out. WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Dec. 27 - (Special Telegram.) - The F. L. Anderson hardware stock of this city, which went into bankruptcy this month, was sold this afternoon at auction to D. C. Chase, also of this city for \$900. The stock invoiced at \$2,500. Few bidders were present. The liabilities of the firm are \$19,000. The Simmons Hardware company of St. Louis is a heavy cred-

Waterloo Clothing Store Closes. WATERLOO, Ia., Dec. 27 .- (Special Telegram.)-The Union Clothing company failed today, with liabilities of \$22,000 and assets of \$12,000. Grabschild of Webster City is the owner. This closes his store at Web-

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