

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Leffert's glasses fit. Stockert sells carpets. A store for men—"Ben's."

Diamond betrothal rings at Leffert's, 60 Broadway. 14-K and 18-K wedding rings at Leffert's, 60 Broadway.

Graduation gifts. C. E. Alexander & Co., 53 Broadway. The regular monthly session of the Board of Education is slated for tomorrow evening.

Furnished room for rent, heat, gas, bath, south front. Address, X care Bee Council Bluffs.

Thomas Bowman left last evening on a business trip to Chicago and other Illinois points.

President Storms of Ames college while in the city was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Montgomery of Fourth street.

Mrs. F. Conover, 111 East Pierce street, has as her guest her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. N. Conover, of Melrose, Mont.

W. M. Beaudry, 118 South Eighth street, has reported to the police the theft of a bicycle which had been left standing against the side of the house.

Will Brock, Carl Miller, Smith Frum, John Porter, Thomas Burke and Winfield Mayne will leave this week for Ames to resume their studies in the State Agricultural college.

The reception to have been given Tuesday evening to Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Stewart has been postponed to Monday of next week on account of Mr. Stewart being ill with the grip.

The fire department was called yesterday afternoon to Oakland avenue and Avenue G to quench a traffic grass fire.

Children playing with matches set fire to the dry grass on the vacant corner of the 19th and G streets.

T. E. Richards and Miss Marie Miller, both of Glenwood, Ia., were married in this city Saturday evening by Justice O'Brien at the residence of J. W. Fennell, 501 Avenue C. Mr. and Mrs. Richards will make their home in Glenwood.

George L. Smith, Fred Geise and H. A. Larson have been appointed a committee by the schoolmen to go before the city council and ask for the passage of an ordinance prohibiting any minor, dispensarian or graduate from a Keweenaw cure institution from asking for or accepting a drink in a saloon.

The remains of Mrs. Madge Hubitz, wife of J. J. Hubitz, 19 East Washington avenue, who died Friday morning, will be taken Tuesday evening to Rock Island, Ill., for burial, accompanied by the two sisters of the deceased, the Misses Belle and Jennie McLachlan, and Mrs. C. W. Coe, who arrived in the city yesterday. Mrs. Hubitz was a prominent member of the First Church of Christ (Scientist) and services will be held Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Porterfield before the remains are taken to the depot.

Missionary Conference.

The Federation of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions of the Christian churches of Council Bluffs, Omaha and South Omaha will hold an all day's session Tuesday in the Christian church of this city. An interesting feature of the program, which will begin at 10 o'clock, promises to be the address of Mrs. Jennie Burns of Omaha on her travels in Palestine, where she spent the greater part of last year. The music will be in charge of Mrs. R. O. Williams, Mrs. W. H. Ferguson and Mrs. C. Whitman.

The program for the day follows: 10 a. m.—Devotional exercises—Mrs. W. B. Clemmer.

10:30 a. m.—"Travels in Palestine." Mrs. Jennie Burns of Omaha.

11:15 a. m.—"Woman's Responsibility in the Home and Church." North Side church, Omaha. Discussion.

1:30 p. m.—Devotional exercises.

2:30 p. m.—"Importance of Studying Texts." Mrs. Leander Lase of South Omaha.

3:30 p. m.—"Benefits Derived from Christian Woman's Board of Mission Auxiliaries and Federation." Mrs. Anna H. Thompson of Council Bluffs.

5 p. m.—Business period.

Olsen Bros., plumbers, 700 B'way. Tel. A-62.

Arrest Dr. Walter.

Dr. J. F. Walter of 203 East Broadway was taken into custody yesterday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff Greeneweg, the grand jury having returned an indictment against him. He is charged with having performed a criminal operation on a young girl named Eleanor Larson. Walters gave bond in the sum of \$1,000, with James McRobert and wife as sureties.

LEWIS CUTLER

MORTICIAN. 23 Paul St., Council Bluffs. Phone 77.

Not the Dodge Swindler.

The man arrested in Chicago on suspicion of being John J. Foy, wanted here for swindling N. P. Dodge out of \$450, proved

to be some one else. H. G. McGee, who went to Chicago Saturday night to identify the suspect, telegraphed Sheriff Canning yesterday afternoon as follows: "Not our man."

Eugene V. Debs.

The noted lecturer and orator, a profound student of economic questions. A genius, respected and admired even by those who differ with him on social problems. Subject: "Industrial Evolution." First Christian church tomorrow night.

Effort to Strike Out Forfeit.

When the Tabor line franchise ordinance comes up for its third reading this evening at the adjourned meeting of the city council it is said an effort will be made to have the clause requiring the company to deposit a forfeit of \$5,000 stricken out. There will, however, be considerable opposition to this, as several of the aldermen are of the opinion that if the company seeking the franchise really intends business it will work no hardship on it to be required to deposit such a sum as a guaranty of its good faith.

Since the ordinance was last before the city council, it has been learned that in the city of Oklawaha a company which was seeking a similar franchise to that asked for by the Tabor company here was compelled to deposit a \$10,000 forfeit as guaranty of good faith before the city council would consider the proposition.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Te. 250; night, F 627.

No General Reduction.

The fact that twenty-one men employed in the Burlington roundhouse and repair shops Saturday were let out gave rise to the report that the company intended reducing its force in this city. That any such move was contemplated by the company was denied by Assistant General Freight and Passenger Agent Davenport yesterday. He said: "The men were let go because there was no work for them. Much of the repair work is being done at other points on the system and here we receive but few cars which need attention. The men were employed on piecework and their services were liable to be dispensed with at any time that there was a lack of work. The same is likely to happen at any time and at any division point of the system."

Plumbing and heating. Bixby & Son.

Like Rev. Starr.

Rev. H. R. Starr of Monroe City, Mo., was greeted with a large congregation yesterday morning in St. Paul's Episcopal church, to which he had been extended a call by the vestry. Rev. Mr. Starr, who is a man about 30 years old, created a most favorable impression by his preaching and manner, and the congregation is anxious that he should become its rector.

After the services Rev. Mr. Starr met with the vestry, which renewed its invitation for him to assume the rectorship of St. Paul's parish and church. He stated that he was much pleased with the greeting extended him, but that before deciding to accept the call he would have to consult his wife. He promised to acquaint the vestry of his decision at the earliest date possible.

Ogden Hotel—Rooms with or without board; steam heat; free bath; public parlors.

Arrange for General Sale Day.

MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—The committee of business men appointed by the commercial club to arrange for a farmers' sale and exchange day here decided on Wednesday, January 20, as the time. Over \$3,000 in property, consisting of horses, cattle, hogs and farm machinery has already been listed with the committee for the initial sale and this amount will be nearly doubled by the day of sale. The farmers express themselves as being greatly pleased with the proposition for a monthly sale day, and if the first is the success which now seems assured it will be made a permanent feature.

Rebekah Lodge Installs.

MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Lillian lodge No. 23, Daughters of Rebekah, installed officers last night for the ensuing year as follows: Mrs. Alice Fisher, noble grand; Mrs. Blanche Moore, vice grand; Mrs. Florence Walker, recording secretary; Mrs. Helen Heath, financial secretary; Mrs. Helen Fisher, treasurer. Lillian lodge will institute a new Rebekah lodge at Magnolia Saturday evening, January 23.

Question of Assessing.

An interesting question is raised by the candidacy of two men for city assessor. The present assessor has increased assessments in the city materially, not only because there has been a great increase in valuation, but because under the Iowa law it is required that valuations be placed on property for taxation purposes at least one-fourth of the actual selling value. But another candidate has come into the city and openly advertises and has advertised at times that he desired to be assessor so that he may reduce the assessment. He appeals to all who believe that they are paying too much taxes to vote for him for assessor on this promise. He does not claim that the assessments are up to the legal requirements, but bases his demand for lower assessments solely on the ground that too much tax is paid. The outcome on this fight is being watched with a great deal of interest.

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Urging Building Laws.

The Fire Insurance Survey Bureau of Des Moines has had a special expert in the city for some time, making a second survey of the city in regard to fire protection and his report will go to the city council through the Commercial exchange with favorable recommendations. He makes special reference to the need of building laws in Des Moines and of some proposed changes in the fire protection service. He declares that the building ordinances of the city are of no value whatever in securing safe construction of buildings. He would have additional hydrants for the city and more firemen and he would also forbid the use of fire stations for any purpose other than for firemen, especially for voting booths. It is believed that out of this will come a movement for improving the building laws of the city.

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CITY CAMPAIGN IS BITTER

All Efforts at Compromise Have Failed Up to the Present Time.

CHANCE FOR DOUBLE PRIMARY ELECTION

Arrangements to This End Have Been Made—Congressional Fight Enters Largely into Municipal Campaign.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—The outlook for the city primary election to nominate a republican candidate for mayor of Des Moines on Monday is bad. From latest indications and judging by the antics and gyrations of the opposing candidates and their managers there will be two primary elections, or rather a division with two sets of polling places open for the reception of tickets. Efforts to patch up peace and prevent this have been made even today and will be made tomorrow before the polls open, but such efforts have been in progress for two weeks and sometimes with appearance of success, and so it will not be known until the day is well advanced and much of the voting done whether or not there will be a divided primary election. The fight became so bitter and both sides so determined on winning at all hazards that two full sets of election officers were selected and hired and booths provided by two separate committees, each one claiming to have full authority to act. This state of affairs but slightly indicates the determination of the politicians and the character of the warfare which has been waged since the first of the year when the date of the primary was first fixed. It has been the bitterest and in some respects the most reprehensible campaign in the history of the city. All will be glad when it is done, if the result is such that it will be acquiesced in by the party leaders.

The fight has come squarely between ex-Mayor John MacVicar and ex-Sheriff George Matern. At the outset two others were in the race, Mayor Brenton and Police Judge Silvia. The latter withdrew before the date for the primary was fixed. After the campaign was well in progress Brenton was forced out of the track and Matern substituted, chiefly because of a desire that if the administration is successful it should be made use of for the influence on congressional matters. MacVicar was a Congress man and Brenton was noncommittal. Matern was brought out by the friends of Captain Hull. In this condition the congressional preliminary was fought over in some circles and it is known that to some extent the result in the primary will indicate the feeling on congressional matters.

Corporations Are In It.

But aside from this there is the element of corporation influence plainly indicated in the campaign. When MacVicar was mayor he was especially severe on public service corporations and by reason of his work the people of Des Moines have paid less for gas and water and light and other things for several years. It was MacVicar who caused to be levied a special tax for the construction of a city waterworks system under which about \$75,000 has been raised, and this is held as the nucleus of a fund with which to construct a waterworks plant before the expiration of the charter of the private corporation furnishing water. After MacVicar was defeated the levy was dropped. It is expected that the measure will be revived. But the water company has made desperate efforts to get control of the fund and to dissipate it before it can be used. In like manner the other corporations of the city are offered at MacVicar and the fight has largely turned in the direction of control of city affairs by the local corporations.

The attitude of the sporting and gambling element has been hard to define, but generally they have been divided on the candidacy of the two men. The campaign has been full of personal references and disreputable matters.

May Avoid Conflict.

About midnight last night an agreement was finally entered into which, if it is not overturned before the polls open on Monday, will insure but one primary election. It was made possible by ex-Mayor John MacVicar conceding practically the control of the primary to his opponents.

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Diamond ring, fine white diamond of excellent quality, mounted in solid 14-K Tiffany setting. Push box. Value, \$50.00.

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Sterling silver toilet set, in beautiful massive design. Fine beveled glass mirror, imported bristle brush, genuine tortoise shell comb, all heavily mounted in one of Leffert's beautiful massive sterling silver in the popular gray finish. In silk lined cases. Value, \$35.00.

These prizes were purchased at the well-known establishment of Herman M. Leffert, which is an unquestionable guarantee of their quality. They are now on exhibition at Leffert's and will remain there throughout the contest.

ASK FOR VOTES AT DE LONG'S.

During this contest votes will be given on all purchases at De Long's, including printing, stationery, school supplies, perfumes, toilet articles, subscriptions to magazines, rubber stamps, office supplies and all other sales of any kind whatever. A vote with every cent's worth.

Get your candidate started at once and other friends will vote for her also. Printed bulletins will be issued daily and the ballot will also appear in the Sunday newspapers. The contest begins today. Now's your chance to vote for the Bachelor Girl.

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