

BOYS OUTNUMBER THE GIRLS

More of Them of School Age Than Latter in City of Des Moines.

SAME RATIO DOWN THE LINE

Proportion is Similar in Figures for School Children Who Are Under Compulsory School Attendance Age.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Ia., July 31.—(Special Telegram.)—Boys outnumber girls of school age by 16, according to the annual school census. The total number of boys and girls in Des Moines, between the ages of 5 and 14 years, is 21,500. The number of boys is 12,562 and the number of girls is given as 8,938. The boys also lead in the number of school children who are under compulsory school attendance age or between 7 and 14 years.

Flowers and Company Fail. NEW YORK, July 31.—Flowers & Co., members of the New York Stock exchange, assigned today. The firm is one of the oldest doing business on the exchange.

The firm assigned for the benefit of its creditors to Charles A. Werner of this city. No statement of assets and liabilities were made.

Iowa News Notes.

STORM LAKES—The contract for True-dale's fine new school building was let on Monday to Park Bros. and L. S. Disgoch of this city, the contract price approximating \$1,000. It will include rooms for domestic science, manual training and a gymnasium and also have a large assembly room.

DENISON—The Denison School Board is arranging for the opening up with the new school year of a gymnasium to be used by the pupils. The large Germania opera house will be equipped with \$1,000 worth of apparatus, horizontal bars, tennis basket ball equipments, steel ladders. The money for the apparatus is given by Mr. C. L. Voss of the bank of Denison, the school board furnishing the building.

DENISON—The large gang of men which is relieving the double track on the Northwestern road with heavy steel rails has moved its headquarters from this city to Arion. The men are largely Greeks, many of whom were at home to fight for Greece in the war and they are now much concerned over the likelihood of being called back to take part in the present European war.

IDA GROVE—Fred Pitcher, the well-known pitcher of the Ida Grove base ball team, saved the life of a 7-year-old girl named Carter, whose parents live at Odebolt. Pitcher and some friends were camping at Lakeview when he saw the child fall off the pier into five feet of water. Pitcher ran and leaped in and caught the child after she had gone down once.

IDA GROVE—This week's sales of Ida Grove farms includes the following: Class Pick to Otto Brisse, 399 acres five miles north of Ida Grove for \$25 an acre, or \$9,985. J. M. Kennedy and M. E. Kennedy to William Henking, 208 acres in Logan township, for \$10 per acre; J. M. Kennedy 200 acres in Logan township, to Emel Abbe for \$10 an acre.

Europe's Least and Most Experienced War Chiefs Face to Face



CROWN PRINCE ALEXANDER OF SERBIA, GENERAL VON MOLTKE without war. Chancellor Von-Bethmann-Hollweg is understood however to have urged the emperor to grasp this opportunity. Finally settle the differences between the triple alliance and the triple entente, which, if not settled now, will only have to go over until some future day when Germany may not be so well prepared for war as at present.

FINANCIAL CONDITION SOUND

New York Bankers See No Reason for Alarm.

CLEARING HOUSE MEN MEET

Secretary McAdoo Issues Statement Saying Treasury Will Help as Far as It Can in Present Emergency.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Members of the board of governors of the Stock exchange said that the board would probably ask the banks not to call any loans due today or at any time while the Stock exchange remained closed. The banks, it was believed would agree to such an arrangement.

The board of governors is in favor of restricting all outside or private purchases or sales of securities by any of the members. The conference of bankers was resumed at Morgan & Co.'s offices in the early afternoon with some additional participants, including Paul M. Warburg of Kuhn, Loeb & Co.

Several of the bankers expressed belief that the tension would show some relaxation over night. Another subject which was given second consideration was the matter of gold exports. It was the opinion that the lack of American vessels, and the increasingly prohibitive rates of insurance would soon bring that outflow to an end.

It was learned that some of the Canadian banks were calling loans and had withdrawn some of their reserves from banks in this city. The amounts withdrawn by the Canadian banks was said to be relatively small.

American Situation Sound.

A reassuring statement by the bankers of New York, through their representatives and the clearing house committee, was issued later. After the meeting of the clearing house committee an announcement was made as follows:

"There was a meeting of the clearing house committee this morning in view of the closing of the New York Stock exchange and its bearing on the general situation. It was the opinion of the committee that the business and financial condition of New York and the entire country was sound, but that the situation in Europe justified extreme prudence and self control on the part of the United States; that the closing of the Stock exchange was a precaution by reason of the disposition of all Europe to make it the market for whatever it wished to sell, and that in this country there was no occasion for any serious interruption of the regular course of business, either financial or mercantile."

The chairman of the committee of the clearing house announced that all checks for differences due the clearing house had been certified and members were invited to call for drafts at the usual hour. WASHINGTON, July 31.—Secretary Mc-

Big Sale of Ultra Stylish Parasols Saturday, Aug. 1



When it comes to real class, Benson & Thorne Parasols have had it all their own way. It's clean-up time now and sharp reductions will be relied upon to hurry the remainder out at the very time when the Summer Sun shines hottest.

All Women's Parasols in Two Lots

The 95c Lot INCLUDES ALL THAT SOLD FOR \$1.75 to \$2.50. The \$1.95 Lot INCLUDES ALL THAT SOLD FOR \$3.00 to \$6.00.

All Children's Parasols in 2 Lots

The 35c Lot INCLUDES ALL THAT SOLD UP TO 75c. The 85c Lot INCLUDES ALL THAT SOLD UP TO \$1.75.

OMAHA'S FASTEST GROWING STORE BENSON & THORNE @ 1516-18-20 FARNAM STREET.

FAILURE OF AUTO LIGHTS CAUSES TWO RUNAWAYS

IDA GROVE, Ia., July 31.—(Special.)—The failure of an auto driver's electric lights to burn and his reliance upon his oil lamps, are the alleged causes for a collision of an automobile and a buggy on the road between Ida Grove and Arthur last night. The car containing Joseph Miller and three women ran into the rear of a buggy containing Charles Brown and Miss Ida Higgins of Ida Grove. Both the occupants of the buggy were thrown out and received severe cuts and bruises. Their team ran away and collided with a buggy driven by Ross Hicks, a mile farther down the road. Hicks' team was knocked prone upon the ground and badly hurt. The most desirable furnished rooms are advertised in The Bee. Get a nice cool room for the summer.

ON THE HOME STRETCH!

When we get into the month of August we are reminded that the harvest will soon be past, and soon another milestone will be added to the years. As we write there rings the jungle in our ears of boyhood days. "The Spring, she is a young maid that does not know her mind; The Summer is an old friend, but most of a rakish kind; The Winter is a tyrant devouring all he can; But the Autumn brings the harvest, which gladdens the heart of man"

Summer Sales Start on the Home Stretch Then on Saturday, August 1st

And note, please, this will be a somewhat rakish sale for high and low from every corner out comes the summery fabrics—and out they'll go—if prices count.

First---We'll Talk Shoes. The crowds at our Sale of Shoes a week ago might indicate that THE DEMAND HAS BEEN SUPPLIED—but ever and always there is a place for something new—THREE DIFFERENT SHOE DEALERS in the big eastern cities ordered some beautiful fine shoes—silk brocaded tops, fine kids, black and white, exquisitely beautiful and late in style. Manufacturer, as it happened, was rushed on the finer goods, did not deliver on time, and as trade was dull with the retailers, they refused to accept. The names are sewn in the shoes; you'll recognize them as well known—\$5.00, \$6.00, yes \$7.00 were to be the prices—\$3.33 on Saturday. Wonderfully nobby—indeed classy. You will surely want a pair if you see them. If you would avoid certain temptation, don't look.

At the Linen Section Monday, wanted items which you rarely get enough of: All linen Breakfast cloth, \$1 Saturday instead of \$1.75. White and colored Breakfast Cloth, \$1.98 Saturday; were \$2.50, \$2.75, \$4. Damask Napkins, \$2.29 instead of \$2.50 and \$4.00. Bath Towels, 10c instead of 15c; 1 doz. to a customer. German Damask for 29c, instead of 45c. Guest Toweling, formerly \$5 to \$1.00, Saturday, 68c yard. White Goods going rapidly Monday, 12 1/2c for crepes were 19c and 25c. One lot of dimities worth up to 35c, at 15c a yard. \$3.29 for Hammocks that were \$5.00. These in the basement. \$3.98 for Hammocks that were \$6 and \$6.50, in the basement. 10c for choice of White Goods worth 25c. 18c for Wash Goods worth 25c. Hotel Sheets—\$1.99 inches 69c each. Waste Baskets that were 65c and 75c, at 49c each.

Mrs. Jones is Away. With an assistant she is doing the markets. We are going to give her a SURPRISE PARTY. We hope Saturday to practically clean out all fine READY-TO-WEAR GARMENTS—Room! Room!! is the cry here too—and you are going to help us make it. 17 Fine Dresses—Sold from \$37.50 to \$65.00, at \$19.95. Fancy lace, chiffon and Georgette crepe waists. Just 1/2 the old prices. 75 SUITS—Wool and silk—should go Saturday at \$9.98; some sold as high as \$20.00. 19 Linen Suits—For a go away almost a give away. Some sold at \$18.00. Saturday \$2.50 each. WASH DRESSES IN FIVE LOTS. ONE—\$5.00 kind at \$1.98. TWO—\$6.00 to \$8.00 for \$3.50. THREE—\$5.00—were up to \$15.00. FOUR—\$7.50—formerly to \$20. FIVE—\$10—formerly up to, \$35. 14 Silk Coats tells the story. Black, blue, Heliotrope. \$25 up to \$35 they were—Saturday they are \$9.98 each. 22 Wool Coats; Sold up to \$15.00—\$5.00 will get one Saturday.

We Rounded Up Our Corset Stock and this is what we found—250 pairs, standard makes, Irene, Camille, Redfern, Warner's Rust Proof, Kabo and Modart. Saturday let us make this a closed incident. Corsets which were \$2.50 will go at 99c. Corsets which were \$6.00 will go at \$1.38. Corsets which were \$15.00 will go at \$2.95. Undermuslins; 12 dozen Princess slips, 49c each; sold up to \$1.50. Fancy Camisole, lace and crepe, 88c; sold up to \$1.50. Fancy Camisoles again, were sold up to \$3.50 at \$1.29 Saturday. At the Children's Sec. Saturday it will be a real Merry-go-Round for mother, hunting up the bargains, and she won't have to hunt much, for we are going to make it easy to shop Saturday in this section. Closing out trimmed and lingerie hats \$1.00, were \$2 to \$5. Closing out Ratine and straw hats 25c and 50c were up to \$1.50. Norfolk and Balkan Blouses, 6 to 14 years, worth up to \$1, at 29c. Middies, 6 to 20 years, 89c, worth up to \$1.50. Middies, 6 to 10 years, 89c, worth up to \$1.50. Wash Dresses, colored and fancy, 4 lots—Number one, 2 to 14 years, 29c, worth up to \$1.00. Number two, 2 to 17 years, 98c, worth up to \$3.00. Number three, 2 to 17 years, \$1.49, worth up to \$3.00. Number four, 6 to 17 years, \$3.98, worth up to \$6.50. 9 Till 9 Saturday—The Professor says: "A little cooler." And how refreshing after that chestnut, "No important change." Be with us at the start. You will want to stay till the finish.

We cleaned out a jobber's stock of B. V. D. Shirts and Drawers: Usual prices \$1.00 and \$1.50. Popular and staple as Uncle Sam's Breakfast Food, Saturday 59c each. You will want 6 of each.

MEN! Our Last Sale Was a Corker. Crowds so great that we had to spread out the entire length of the store and then every other aisle was filled with the overflow. Funny thing, too about the ad—it read JUNE instead of July. Now what peculiar mental quirk caused yours truly to write June, I suppose I'll never know. Must have been thinking of Bellamy looking backward I opine. Proofreader never caught—adman overlooked it—typesetter missed it—and if the Devil saw it (printers we mean, of course), he never let on—but it worked fine. The readers knew it was meant for July—alright, alright! In all soberness Thomas Hepburn & Co.