NEWS OF INTEREST FRO

COUNCIL BLUFFS

Office 15 Scott Street. Both 'Phones 43.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis, drugs.

Stockert sells carpets.

Ed Rogers, Tony Faust beer.

Buy a diamond for her at Leffert's.

Lewis Cutler, funeral director. 'Phone 97.

Woodring Undertaking company. Tel. 339.

Pictures and frames, Borwick, 211 S. Main.

PIANOS AT BOURICIOUS. 335 BROADWAY.

Solid gold emblems and charms for all fraternaties. Leffert's.

See Santa Claus every evening at Petersen & Schoening Co.

Excelsior Masonic lodge will meet tonight for work in the second degree.

Get your Xmas candies at Purity Candy Kitchen, 546 Broadway.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Nortover will be held this morning at 9 o'clock from St. Peter's Catholic church and burial will be in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Sewing machines, guaranteed, $15.00 and up. Peterson & Schoening Co.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to John Mead, aged 21, of Peru, Neb., and Emma Hall, aged 22, of Nebraska City. They were married by Justice S. A. Greene.

Leather and water color novelties. Alexander's Art Store, 333 Broadway.

Helen, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Barghausen, 229 Harrison street, who has been critically ill with typhoid pneumonia, is reported to be convalescing.

MUSIC ROLLS AT BOURCIOUS. 335 BROADWAY.

Mrs. Charles A. Atkins has received word of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. William C. McPherson of Oklahoma City. Mrs. McPherson was formerly Miss Ellen Luster, a niece of Mrs. Atkins.

Fine solid gold watches at reasonable prices at Leffert's. Think of a more acceptable gift if you can.

Word has been received here of the death of L. J. Miller, formerly of Council Bluffs, at Kansas City. Death was due to heart failure and the body will be taken to Camp Point, Ill., for burial.

SPECIAL TOY SALES EVERY DAY. PETERSEN & SCHOENING CO.

Major G. H. Richmond, who was appointed receiver for the Dresher tailoring establishment on Broadway, has closed the place pending a settlement of the claims against the firm. A settlement is looked for today.

Posts, Poles and Piling—Long heavy timbers and bridge supplies. At the wholesale yard of C. Hafer Lumber Co., Council Bluffs.

The funeral of Levi Parsons, who died Thursday morning of heart failure while at Wilcox's greenhouses, was held yesterday afternoon from the family residence, 1140 East Pierce street. Burial was in Fairview cemetery.

Overstocked on diamonds. Fine diamond engagement rings, $12.50 and up. Must sacrifice and turn into cash. Snyder, 338 Broadway.

The laying of concrete, forming the foundation for the new bridge over Indian creek at Frank street, it is expected will be completed Monday. Four salamanders are kept hot underneath each arch for the purpose of preventing the concrete from freezing.

BUY YOUR HOLIDAY WINES AND LIQUORS, PUREST, OLDEST AND BEST, FROM L. ROSENFELD CO., 519 SOUTH MAIN.

Report was made to the police last evening that a short change artist had tried to work the old trick at the Spetman Bros. store on South Main street with a $20 bill. The clerk tumbled in time to save being swindled. The police were unable to locate the fellow with the $20 bill.

Flexible Flyers, the sled that steers fast, safe and strong. See the complete line of these famous sleds at P. C. DeVol Hardware Co.

Joseph Grosse, driver for A. Gilinsky, who Thursday broke one of his kneecaps, which had been previously fractured and put together with wire, underwent an operation at the Edmundson hospital yesterday. The second injury, it is said, will likely permanently cripple him.

Is "he" an Elk? Get him a solid gold Elk charm at Leffert's.

No word has been received yet from the relatives of R. M. Baldwin, who was asphyxiated at the Ogden hotel Wednesday. A telegram was sent to Mrs. Breon at the Hotel Carlton, Denver, as requested in the note found among the papers of the dead man, but no reply has been received as yet.

In your hustle and bustle for Xmas presents do not forget your family washing. Rough dry, 6c pound. We will deliver everything sent in by Saturday 9 o'clock Closed all day Wednesday, the 25th. Phon 314. Bluff City Laundry.

W. H. Barghausen, former manager of the Neumayers, is leading a move for the establishment of another and larger base ball park for Council Bluffs. The Sixteenth avenue park is conceded to be too small. Those heading the movement are planning for a park somewhere in the vicinity of Manawa.

The latest style oval and square frames. A large selection of up-to-date pictures by leading artists. We have made special selections for our Xmas customers. Do not let the price worry you. Come in and see what we have. Framing pictures is a specialty with us. H. Borwick, 211 South Main street.

County Superintendent E. R. Jackson went to Griswold yesterday morning, where last evening he directed a meeting of school directors and teachers in the Center school of Waveland township. J. O. Huntley, superintendent of the schools of Griswold, was on the program for an address. Today Superintendent Jackson will attend the second monthly meeting of the Schoolmasters' club at Avoca.

IT IS NOT OUR FAULT if you do not buy of us and save money, if you do not make us a call before you buy your Xmas presents, and see our large stock of jewelry, watches, fobs, pins, lockets, bracelets, clocks, etc. You do not know what we have. We make lower prices than other jewelry stores. O. Mauthe, 228 W. Broadway.

Only five applicants for provisional certificates took the examination conducted Thursday and Friday at the office of County Superintendent Jackson. In order to teach after the expiration of the certificate, the holders must take the regular examination, the first of which will be held the latter part of January. It was expected that a considerably larger number would have taken this examination. Indications now are, it was stated at the superintendent's office, that at least fifteen of the rural schools in Pottawattamie county will be without teachers for the winter term.

Useful Christmas Gifts Here in Great Variety.

Men's felt slippers, 60c.

Men's velvet slippers, leather quarter, 75c.

Men's fine kid Everetts, $1.00.

Men's fine kid Everetts, $1.50.

Men's fine tan Everetts, $1.50.

Ladies felt slippers, 50c.

Ladies' felt slippers, $1.00.

Ladies' felt fur trimmed slippers, $1.25.

Ladies' felt fur trimmed slippers, $1.50.

Ladies' all-wool jersey leggins, 75c.

Misses' all-wool jersey leggins, 65c.

Children's all-wool jersey leggins, 50c.

Al kinds of fine shoes for men, women and children at bottom prices.

Open every night until Christmas.

DUNCAN SHOE CO., 23 Main St.

A Few Suggestions for Xmas Presents.

Ladies' writing desks, center tables, dressing tables, combination book cases, chiffoniers, china closets, etc. We have a special line of children's go-carts and doll buggies for Xmas, 25c and up. D. W. Keller, 103 S. Main.

Fine cream caramels 30c lb., nut fudges 20c lb. Purity Candy Kitchen, 546 B'way.

BOND PURCHASERS DELAY

Failure to Send the Cash Puts County in the Hole on Ditch Payment.

HARRISON COUNTY MAY HELP OUT

Company Requested to Forward Cash or Return Bonds, in Which Event They Will Be Turned Over to Contractors

At the joint meeting yesterday of the supervisors of Harrison and Pottawattamie counties, it developed that the failure of the Security Savings Bank and Trust company of Toledo, O., to remit the cash for the drainage district bonds which it purchased, had so embarrased Pottawattamie county that it had been unable to take up the warrants issued for its share of the construction of the joint drainage ditches now nearing completion. The failure of the Toledo concern to send the cash, it was stated was due to the recent financial flurry throughout the country. The warrants outstanding against Pottawattamie county amount to $36,000 while the proceeds of the bonds will be but $25,000.

It was suggested that Harrison county, which has a surplus in its ditch fund, transfer $15,000 to Pottawattamie county and this will be done provided such a transaction can be effected legally. At the same time County Auditor Cheyne was instructed to call upon the Toledo company to furnish the cash at once or return the bonds. The contractors are obliged under their contracts to accept these bonds in lieu of cash. The joint board decided to extend the Allen creek ditch into Allen creek a distance of about three quarters of a mile.

The formal resolution classifying and assessing the land to be benefited by the Fensler ditch was adopted by the Pottawattamie county supervisors yesterday morning.

The board also held an executive session for the further consideration of the jury lists for 1908. Including talesmen 1,800 will be selected for jury service. Each supervisor selects the names from his district, subject to the approval of the board.

First class goods for particular people at Leffert's. Go to the store which has the best and the greatest assortment.

Those Christmas buyers who want the best are finding their way to Leffert's. This store has this year fully maintained its reputation for high grade goods.

THE LEFFERT STOCK of solid gold, finely jeweled watches is larger than ever before, with prices reasonable. A gift that will last a lifetime.

MISCREANT SCARES YOUNG WOMEN

Several Accosted on Street and St. Mary's Home is Visited.

The police are searching for an unidentified man who attacked four girls Thursday night and who is also believed to be the same person who offered gross insults to the inmates of St. Mary's Home for Young Women on Harmony street.

The first complaint came to the police from A. Boone of 1285 Canning street, who reported that a man had accosted his 15-year-old daughter on East Broadway, near Frank street, as she was returning home shortly after 6 o'clock. The fellow stepped from behind a tree and, seizing the young girl by the arm, made improper proposals. The fellow then, it is said, attempted an assault, but Miss Boone screamed and, succeeding in freeing herself from the man's hold, made her escape by running.

A short while after a man answering the description of Miss Boone's assailant attacked the 12-year-old daughter of Mrs. F. W. Whitney, 114 East Broadway, as she was passing along the street within a block of where Miss Boone had been attacked. She also succeeded in escaping by running.

Miss Maude Shepard, living at 248 Harmony street, and Miss Jennie Thrush of 205 Logan, while walking home together shortly after 6 o'clock were attacked as they were passing along Baughn street, close to their homes. The fellow stepped from behind a tree and grabbed Miss Thrush, who, however, made her escape from the fellow's clutches, but not before her skirt and jacket were badly torn in the struggle.

Later in the evening a fellow answering the description of the assailant of the young women appeared on the lawn in front of one of the windows of St. Mary's Home for Young Women. Here he not only used most insulting language to the inmates, but his actions were of the grossest character.

The assailant of the four girls and the fellow who appeared at St. Mary's Home was described as being of medium height, clean shaved and wearing a shabby, long overcoat of dark material and a cloth cap.

The police were not notified until some time after the attacks, when an officer was at once sent to search that neighborhood. No trace, however, was found of the miscreant.

Twenty Per Cent Discount at Leffert's.

Until Christmas Leffert will allow a discount of 20 per cent off regular prices on these lines: All brass goods; all hand painted china; all leather goods; all brooches, except diamond and sapphire; all silver plated hollowware; all sterling silver novelties; all silver plated toilet sets; all jewel boxes; all umbrellas; all electric portable lamps; all statuettes; all fountain pens, except Waterman's; genuine United States coin and ribbon fobs. Get your Christmas gifts at bargain prices. Large assortments to select from in all these lines.

Mid-winter term Western Iowa college opens Monday, December 30. Send for catalogue. Phone for information.

Ladies' desks for Xmas, $5.00 and up. Petersen & Schoening Co.

Prank Injures Woman.

Would-be jokers nearly caused serious injury to Mrs. W. H. Ellam of 1502 South Seventh street Thursday night. They stretched a wire tightly across the sidewalk at Fifteenth avenue and Seventh, which tripped Mrs. Ellam as she was on her way home. She was thrown heavily to the ground and was badly bruised and shaken. The wire was stretched tightly across the walk a few inches above the ground and could not be seen in the darkness.

The matter was reported to the police yesterday morning, and after investigation they learned, it is said, the names of three young men of that neighborhood who are alleged to have been concerned in the affair.

This is not the first time, the police say, complaint has been made of pranks perpetrated on the residents of that neighborhood by the same crowd of young fellows. Chief Richmond announced yesterday his determination to put an end to it and if necessary will arrest the perpetrators and make an example of them.

Rubbers.

We have them, all kinds, and the lowest price on everything.

Misses' storm rubbers (Old Colony), 40c.

Ladies' storm rubbers (Old Colony), 50c.

Men's storm rubbers (Old Colony), 65c.

Men's storm rubbers, rolled edge, (Old Colony), 75c.

Men's arctics, $1.00.

No high rent prices on these goods. Open every night until Christmas.

DUNCAN SHOE CO., 23 Main St.

VIOLINS AT BOURCIOUS. 335 BROADWAY.

The Brownie Spring Ice Skates, the most popular skate. The spring acts on the same principle as the spring board to the jumper. Sends you along fast and easy. No jar. No lame ankles. We have the exclusive sale on these celebrated skates for boys and girls. Prices $1.50, $2.00, $2.50. P. C. DeVol Hardware Co.

SHEET MUSIC AT BOURCIOUS. 335 BROADWAY.

All kinds of nut candy 15c lb. Purity Candy Kitchen, 546 B'way.

Matters in District Court.

Ovide Vien, as administrator of the estate of Edward Hathman, deceased, filed suit in the district court yesterday against the Wabash railroad and James Mathews, foreman at the company's roundhouse in this city. He asks $20,000 for the death of Hathman, who was employed as furnace fireman at the roundhouse. Hathman was killed April 27 of this year by being thrown from a locomotive which he had assisted in coaling and was crushed under its wheels. It is alleged that Hathman was taken from his regular work and ordered by Mathews to assist in coaling the locomotive, something which was outside his regular duties and to which he was unaccustomed.

The Maloney Cigar company of this city has brought suit against the C. Hafer Lumber company of Council Bluffs, E. R. Wilson, manager of the Northwestern Coal company of Omaha and E. H. Compton to recover $378.40, the amount of a check given by the Hafer company to Wilson, who assigned it to Compton, the latter subsequently assigning it to the Maloney Cigar company. When the check was presented payment was refused. The sum of $121.60 is also asked as damages.

Mrs. Lillian M. Mater began suit for divorce from Frederick C. Mater, a conductor of the Chicago Great Western railway, to whom she was married December 27, 1898, in Fort Dodge, Ia. She alleges cruel and inhuman treatment on the part of her husband to such an extent that she was forced to leave him October 13, 1906. She asks the custody of two of their children, who have been living with her since the separation.

H. W. Binder & Co. have brought suit against E. J. Gilbert and wife to foreclose two mortgages on the residence property of the defendants on Willow avenue, aggregating $2,500 and interest.

The jury in the suit of Mrs. Agatha Roth against the Modern Woodmen of America to recover on a $1,000 policy of insurance held by her deceased husband in the order, failing to agree was discharged by Judge Green.

The suit of Joseph McKeown against the Northwestern railroad to recover damages for alleged failure to deliver part of a mechanical hay fork was dismissed by the plaintiff without prejudice after the conclusion of his evidence.

Trial of the suit of A. M. Gustafson against L. H. Smith and the L. H. Smith Nursery company for $300 for salary alleged to be due him and J. F. Murphy was begun yesterday afternoon. This will be the last jury trial for this term.

Water Works Extension Completed.

The waterworks company has completed the extensions to Twenty-eighth street and Second avenue, ordered by the city council for the better protection of Keys Bros.' carriage factory. It has also put in the pipes for the sprinkler system which, it is understood, Keys Bros. will install in the spring. The waterworks company's agreement with the city provided that the extension should be completed by January 1.

The company has also completed the extension on Avenue B, between Eighth and Ninth streets, which was ordered at the request of Councilman Olson.

Mob Ducks Albia Man.

CRESTON, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—H. C. Wilson, an Albia man, was taken from his home Thursday night in his nightclothes by twenty-five masked Albia men and marched to a pond, where he was ducked, because he refused to have his wife released from the insane asylum, claiming that he kept her incarcerated to get her out of the way. At the edge of the pond he was asked if he would do all in his power to secure her release and he said no. After one icy plunge, however, he changed his mind and said he would, and he was then taken back home and the mob disbanded. It is claimed by Albia citizens that although Mrs. Wilson has been twice in Mt. Pleasant asylum she now shows no signs of insanity. The authorities at Albia have heard no complaint from Wilson in regard to the midnight call. Neither has any official investigation been taken as yet.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were reported to The Bee December 20 by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company:

E. Jenkins and wife to Benjamin Marks, n½ nw¼ of 31-74-43, w d	$3,000
A. L. Kaege and wife to Mary Connor, lot 8, block 16, Bayliss & Palmer's add to Council Bluffs, Ia	1
Two transfers, aggregating	$3,001

Special Sale

on uncalled for upholstered furniture; will sell for enough to pay cost of upholstering. Upholstering, repairing of all kinds, mattress and feather renovating. Morgan Upholstering Co., 331 Broadway. Bell 'phone 393, Ind. 379 Red.

A beautiful china closet will make an appreciative and lasting Xmas present. Call and see our line. Petersen & Schoening Co.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS. BORWICK, 211 SOUTH MAIN.

Christmas Framing.

Do not delay. Place your orders at once for frames. We are justly proud of our large showing of handsome mouldings and beautiful oval frames. They are just what you want for your pictures. C. E. Alexander, 333 Broadway.

Better not miss seeing the pretty decorations at Hunte

A. A. CLARK & CO.
LOAN MONEY ON HORSES, CATTLE and HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
And any Chattel Security at one-half the usual rates.
Twenty Years of successful business.
Corner Main and Broadway, Over American Express.
No connection with the firm calling themselves The Clark Mortgage Co.
Both 'Phones [illegible]. JNO. P. [illegible], Mgr.

M IOWA

KULP CASE IS CONCLUDED

Papers Are Sent to Governor, but Findings Are Not Made Public.

BOOMERS WORK INDUSTRIOUSLY

Bring Large Number of Workmen to Des Moines Only to Find Nothing to Do---Railroads Must Give Better Service.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—A verdict was reached today by the military court that has been trying Captain Kulp of Davenport for disobedience of orders. The verdict, with the transcript of the evidence, was sealed and delivered to Colonel Lincoln, president of the court, to be delivered by him personally to Governor Cummins. Governor Cummins left last night for Brooklyn, N. Y., where he goes to deliver an address before the New England society of that city and will not return before the middle of next week. The verdict will not be known till the Governor has reviewed the evidence and findings of the court and either approved or disapproved them.

The court has been in session for nearly two weeks, all but the last three days being spent in taking testimony. Kulp is captain of the Davenport company of the Iowa National Guard and was placed on trial for failure to carry out an order of the governor to stop the recent Davenport prize fight.

According to military usages and customs the governor, as the reviewing authority of the court, has wide authority. He can approve the finding of the court completely or he can approve a verdict of guilty and order no punishment. He even has authority to recall the court and order it to reconsider the evidence if he is convinced that it has overlooked important evidence or if he believes the verdict is not warranted by the evidence.

Club Remembers Widow

Secretary MacKinnon of the Grant club of this city, for the club, today sent a telegram of congratulations to Mrs. Samuel J. Kirkwood, widow of Iowa's war governor. The telegram was in commemoration of this, the birthday of Governor Kirkwood. Mrs. Kirkwood resides at Iowa City.

Committee Overdid It.

Mrs. Baird, secretary of the Iowa Humane society, claims that the Greater Des Moines committee has overdone the work of advertising for laborers. The committee recently entered upon a campaign of advertising through the country newspapers for workmen, claiming that workmen are scarce in Des Moines and wages good. Mrs. Baird claims that every day some of these workmen, unable to get employment, are appealing to her for assistance to keep their families from starving.

Episcopalians Are Coming.

High officials from most of the western states in the Episcopal church will be in Des Moines the middle of next month. The occasion is the annual convention of the missionary department of the Sixth district of the church. This comprises the states of Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming and Montana.

Roads Must Give Service.

State Railroad Commissioner N. S. Ketchum has notified the Rock Island railroad and the Minneapolis & St. Louis that they must at once change the system of things between this city and Gowrie on the Minneapolis & St. Louis and between Gowrie and Sibley on the Rock Island. The two roads have an agreement wherein the Rock Island uses the Minneapolis & St. Louis tracks to Gowrie and the Minneapolis & St. Louis uses the Rock Island tracks to Sibley. But neither road will allow the other to do a local business on the other's line. The result is that patrons on these lines are cut out of through transportation, that persons living between Gowrie and Sibley cannot buy tickets to points between Gowrie and Des Moines and those between Gowrie and Des Moines cannot buy tickets to points between Gowrie and Sibley without changing cars.

Another Murder Trial.

The trial of E. J. Howard for the murder of Mrs. Martha Picray began in the district court today. Howard is a young boy, a trooper with the Second United States cavalry, stationed here. He shot at Mrs. Picray's sister, with whom he was in love, and who had jilted him, and accidentally shot Mrs. Picray and killed her.

Photographer Has Money.

G. W. Lawson, a photographer, is badly wanted in Des Moines by 400 irate customers. He came to Des Moines but a short time ago and sent out an army of canvassers who sold coupons for 50 cents which gave the purchaser a chance to get photographs cheap. On going to the gallery the sittings were made and the customers were then required to deposit $2.50 for the photographs. It is claimed that at least 400 people, if not more, took advantage of the cheap offer. None of them secured their photographs and today Lawson is gone and his studio is locked.

Hopkins is Announced.

Senator Frank M. Hopkins of Guthrie county today made the announcement of his candidacy for the position of state auditor through the Guthrian, published at Guthrie Center. Senator Hopkins is now serving as state senator. He was formerly clerk of the district court of Guthrie county and has been for many years interested in banks at Guthrie Center and other cities in that locality of the state.

Old Supervisors Meet.

George Cosson, assistant attorney general, has rendered an opinion to Supervisor Cook of Crawford county that the old board of supervisors will hold the meeting on January 2. Mr. Cosson holds that the new board of supervisors does not go into office till January 6. The law requires the board to hold its annual meeting the second secular day of January, which will be January 2, hence the old board must hold that meeting.

New Bank for State Center.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—A new bank for State Center, the First Savings bank, with a capital stock of $15,000, has been organized and its articles of incorporation were filed today. The bank will open for business at once. The officers are: J. W. Dobbin, president; J. L. McMahon, vice president; F. L. Dobbin, cashier, and W. J. Whitehill, assistant cashier. All of the officers are of State Center. The president, vice president and cashier and W. M. Palmer of Des Moines and M. J. Rohwedder of State Center are the directors and principal owners.

Masonic Temple Dedication.

BOONE, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Invitations were issued today for the dedication of the Frank Champlin Memorial Masonic temple, Friday, December 27, at which time Hon. A. B. Cummins, governor of Iowa, will deliver the principal address. Governor Cummins sent his acceptance some time ago and the address is assured. The temple is practically completed, and is one of the most beautiful of its kind in the state. The late Frank Champlin, president of the City bank, made provisions in his will for the erection of this temple and it was named in his memory. It stands at Story and Sixth streets and is modern throughout and adds wonderfully to that part of the city. The work is to be done under the auspices of the grand lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, followed by a banquet and toast program. Many noted speakers from all over the state will be in attendance and will respond to toasts at the banquet.

The P. C. DeVol Hardware Co. have made a special effort to obtain a line of high grade, useful Christmas merchandise and invite the people of Council Bluffs and vicinity to call and see what an elegant array of Christmas merchandise it is possible to stock in a hardware store. See their line first, it will be worth your while.

PETERSEN & SCHOENING CO. HAVE THE OMAHA STORES SKINNED TO DEATH ON LOW PRICES FOR TOYS.

Leather Goods for Xmas.

If you want something small, nice and inexpensive, take a look at our fine line of Address Books, Travelers' Photo Cases, Shopping Lists, Visiting Lists, Automobile Records, Shaving Pads, Bags, etc.

ALEXANDER'S ART STORE,
333 Broadway.

Mixed Candy 10c lb. Purity Candy Kitchen, 546 B'way.

Fine box candy, chocolates and bonbons, from 25c up. Purity Candy Kitchen, 546 Broadway.

Boys' tool chests, sleds, coasters, knives, skates and hundreds of useful presents for boys at P. C. DeVol Hardware Co.

Upholstering.

Davenport Men Not Pleased.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Davenport and its attitude toward the rest of the state of Iowa figured in interesting addresses at the annual banquet of city officials here last evening. Mayor Becker, as toastmaster, took a shot at the Des Moines plan of government, referring to city commissions as based on "Ladies' Home Journal Theories." City Attorney George W. Scott came to the defense of Davenport. If the people of the state knew us as well as we know each other," said Mr. Scott, "no more shafts of criticism would be hurled at Davenport, nor would our social customs or entertainment programs be interfered with."

Mr. Scott went on to say that from the time the Mayflower landed until now, no American community had found that it could get a government better that the people were themselves. The best city government, he said, is that founded on the best sentiment of the people.

Attend the big piano sale now going on at A. Hospe Co.'s. More than double the number of standard made pianos on our floor than in any other house in this city. 29 Pearl, 28 South Main street.

Mechanical toys from 10c up. Petersen & Sshoening Co.

Hunter's store and windows have been dressed with their best. They look excellent. Better not miss seeing them.

George W. Klein, 19 South Main street. 'Phones: Ind. 710 Black; Bell, 648.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250. Night, L 698.

Holiday for Normal Students.

CEDAR FALLS, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The Iowa State Normal school closed today for a two weeks' holiday recess. Classes will reopen on January 7, to continue the work of the winter term. Prof. S. K. Tomkins of Carleton college, Northfield, Minn., has been elected to succeed Dr. Thomas W. Todd in the oratorical department of the school and will at that time begin his duties here. A larger number of students is expected to enroll at the reopening of the school and already about 1,200 have entered for the winter term.

Schmidt's Xmas Photos.

All photos taken before December 23 will positively be finished before Xmas.

Mixed candies, 10c lb. Purity Candy Kitchen, 546 Broadway.

Framed Pictures.

From 25c up—something for everyone. A gift that lasts. Try them. Alexander's.

Big Damage Suit at Creston.

CRESTON, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—A $5,000 damage suit was commenced Friday in the district court by William Powell against the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway company. Powell was shot in the hand by Standbridge, the company detective, recently. The plaintiff claims the detective was trying to arrest him without legal authority and inflicted the wound on him as a result.

Candy comes 1c up. Purity Candy Kitchen, 546 B'way.

Wanted, place for young man to work for room and board. Western Iowa college.

Candy beads for Xmas tree decorations, 3 yds. 5c. Purity Candy Kitchen, 546 B'way.

Magic lanterns from 50c up. Petersen & Schoening Co.

Iowa News Notes.

CEDAR FALLS—Mrs. Mary Schultz, a pioneer resident of this city, died this morning, aged 81 years. Her husband died two years ago.

CRESTON—Today is pay day here for the Burlington employes and again this month they are to receive cash for their checks through the accommodation of the local banks.

CRESTON—Newell Blanchard, one of the oldest citizens, was stricken with paralysis yesterday while uptown. Medical attention was given at once and he was taken home, but on account of his advanced age his condition is considered serious.

CRESTON—Rev. James O'May, pastor of the Methodist church, yesterday united two couples in marriage at the parsonage—Miss Bessie Van Houten and Charles Mellie, both of Lenox, and Miss Mabel Davis of Prescott and Clarence F. Higgins of Sedalia, Mo.

MARSHALLTOWN—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hartwig, old settlers of State Center, will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding at their home on December 24. A reception will be held at the home, to which 200 of their neighbors and friends have been invited.

MARSHALLTOWN—John Englert, for the last ten years one of the leading retail fuel dealers of the city, died this afternoon of uremic poisoning and shock resulting from injuries received by falling a week ago. While returning home Englert fell, breaking his leg and dislocating his ankle. Uremic poisoning developed soon after. The funeral is to be held from the residence Sunday afternoon.

CRESTON—The committee appointed by the local Independent Order of Odd Fellows to confer with the grand master of the grand lodge at Des Moines in regard to the consolidation of the two lodges at this place returned yesterday with a favorable report from that official and the matter will be referred to the grand lodge members, who, it is expected, will reach an early decision in the matter.

BOONE—Samuel Clifraham, a prominent resident of Oakland, Cal., en route to Ohio, was taken from the Northwestern train here yesterday, suffering intensely from rheumatism. He left home a few days ago for the east, but the jarring of the train brought on an attack of rheumatism, from which she has suffered for some time, and as the train neared Boone his condition grew worse and he had to be taken to a hotel here. He did not improve and has been taken to the hospital here, suffering severely.

STUART—Last night at the Methodist church at this place occurred the wedding of Miss Grace Beattie of Stuart and Mr. Albert Boatright of Chicago. Miss Beattie is a grand-daughter of Captain Stuart, the founder of the town, and Mr. Boatright is head clerk in the freight department of the Rock Island in Chicago. The wedding is the affair of the winter here, there being

600 invited guests at the church, including many from out of town, Chicago, Des Moines and Audubon. Both parties were raised in Stuart and enjoy a wide acquaintance and popularity.

CRESTON—The preliminary debate of the high school given last night, preparatory to the contest with Afton January 10, resulted in a unanimous vote for the affirmative side. Six contestants took part and of that number four were chosen to meet the Afton team. They were Chester Spies, Harry Keissling, Ruth Griffin and Lora Keissling. The question debated was: "Resolved, That the Limited Disarmament of the Leading Powers Would Promote the Civilization of the World." The judges who made the ratings were Rev. Gaston, Hon. J. B. Harsh and Father John Noonan.

CRESTON—August Witt and Olive Pace were arrested at Malvern by Sheriff Linville on information filed by Sheriff Kenworthy of Greenfield and the husband of Olive Pace, charging them with adultery. Pace claims the woman is his wife and has never been divorced from him. The woman claims she was divorced from Pace at Knoxville, Ia., about two years ago, and exhibits a marriage license issued at Princeton, Mo., to wed August Witt. The couple arrived in Malvern last June from Clark, S. D., and have lived there since. The man is about 30 years of age and the woman 26. Their preliminary hearing will be held at Malvern today. They are now in jail at Glenwood under $500 bonds each.

NEBRASKA FROM DAY TO DAY

Quaint and Curious Features of Life in a Rapidly Growing State.

He Had the Habit—It's sort of funny what habit will do. There is a business man not a thousand miles from Columbus who has so gotten into the habit of saying "Throw off a little" that he does it unconsciously. This gentleman is a dealer in coal and the other day a farmer drove on his scales for the purpose of weighing his wagon before getting a load of that very necessary fuel. It was the tare weight he wanted. He had not gotten his coal yet, but still the dealer sprung his habitual words, "Throw off a little." The farmer replied, "You durn fool, there is nothing on to throw off." When the coal man woke up the farmer had gone to his rival across the street for his coal.—Columbus Tribune.

Dave Shields returned from Omaha last Saturday feeling as mad as a housewife when the cat falls into the dough on bake day. While in Omaha he started to alight from a street car, being under the impression that it had stopped, and the next thing he knew he was rolling along the pavement, where he acquired several bruises on various parts of his body, including several discolorations on his face and two or three of his ribs were cracked. Dave managed to reach home after several minor adventures, and it will be a long while before he ventures down to the big city again. There is no use talking, "them street cars is dangerous, and the consarned things are always playing some trick on us fellows when we go down to the city to spend our money and take in the sights. Hereafter we will all walk."—Central City Republican.

The Eagles' Piano—The Eagles have had a new sort of a "piano" placed in their hall. It is a little longer than the ordinary piano, but has a lid that lifts much like the ordinary piano. When the lid is lifted, however, it presents a very different appearance. Instead of white and black keys it is all of a brassy color, with drawers and faucets and cute little troughs, to catch the notes we suppose, as they come trickling down. Its' a "peach," some of the boys say, so evidently it has more than one name. There is some question as to whether or not it will require a license to play this sort of a piano, but if no one "peaches" there will probably be no kick made at all. Mr. Gillett need not expect the job of tuning this "piano," for it requires a different sort of treatment to put it in tune than he learned at the blind school. In fact this is such a precious instrument that we would advise Mayor Haller to have his most trusted officer to see that no harm comes to it or to any who play upon it.—Blair Pilot.

Charles Was Distraught—Charley Perry, last Sunday morning after breakfast, dressed up in his best Sunday clothes and put on a fine new stiff hat which he had just purchased and started out, not telling Mrs. Perry where he was going. Mr. Perry is a good moral gentleman, but not of the most religious type, and Mrs. Perry supposed that he was just going up town to the restaurant to get a cigar for his morning smoke. But on this occasion he had not gone far until he fell in company with some young men who were on their way to the Methodist Sunday school, and Mr. Perry accompanied them. On his return home he wore an old slouch hat in place of the fine new one which he had worn on his departure, and on being questioned about the affair by Mrs. Perry he "fessed up" that he had been to Sunday school, but stated that some bad boy had stolen his hat and left this one in its place. This, however, sounds a little fishy, as bad boys who steal do not go to Sunday school as a rule. A more plausible story told by those who claim to know is to the effect that he became so interested in the class, especially some of the young ladies in the class, that he imagined he was a young man again and on going out of the church he forgot all about his newly purchased hat and picked up the old slouch hat, thinking it was the one which he had been used to wearing.—David City Banner.

COLLEGE GLEE CLUB PLEASES

Iowa Students Greeted by an Enthusiastic Audience at St. Mary's Avenue Church.

The Iowa College Glee club sang to a large audience at the St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church Friday night and was well received. The club is making a two weeks' holiday tour of eastern Nebraska and western Iowa and everywhere is making a decided hit. Two soloists are carried, Richard J. Davis, baritone, and David E. Peck, violinist. Mr. Peck is a veteran member of the club and a versatile musician. Mr. Davis is instructor in singing in the college and in his four selections last night showed clearly that he has a good voice and knows how to use it. Many encores were required and to these the glee club sang many catchy songs, which were a decided hit. The program:

PART I.

"A Tragic Story" .... Metcalf
Glee Club.
"The Monk of the Mountain" .... Bullard
Glee Club.
(a) "My Laddie" .... Thayer
(b) "Less Than the Dust"—Indian Love Lyrics .... Finden
(c) "The Pretty Creature" .... Wilson
(d) Italian Boatman's Song .... Mattei
Mr. Davis.
Summer Lullaby .... Gibson
Glee Club.

PART II.

Songs from the Southland: "My Lady Chloe," "Carry Me Back to Old Virginy," "Susanah," "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground," "My Old Banjo."

PART III.

(a) "Album Leaf" .... Bohm
(b) "Obertass" .... Wieniwaski
Mr. Peck.
"The Shoogy Shoo" ...... Ambrose-Thayer
Glee Club.
Medley — Arranged ....
Glee Club.
"Simple Aveu" .... Thome
Mrs. Douglas, Mr. Peck, Mr. Pierce.
Alumni Song .... Otis
Glee Club.

Nebraska Woman Gets Divorce.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Mary Barnes of Harvard, Neb., today was granted a divorce on a cross bill from T. S. Barnes, president of the Fraternal Bankers of America.

CONDITION OF OMAHA TRADE

Temporary Lull Characterizes Wholesaling Circles.

GOOD NEWS TO DRY GOODS MEN

Manufacturers Announce that Prices on Ginghams Will Not Be Changed, as Spring Sales Are in Excess of Orders Placed Early.

Even the Christmas demand for goods of especially seasonable character has fallen off the last week until there was some complaint in the wholesaling district during the week, but the quiet is taken to be only temporary. Many salesmen are coming in for the holidays and not many orders will be received during the next week or two.

Jobbers have received fair mail orders for spot goods on which prompt shipments are wanted. Some dealers have arrived from various parts of the state to secure goods to fill out in complete lines. All country dealers [illegible] holiday trade as turning out much better than was expected, which has brought them back to the market again.

What is considered the most important announcement of the year to the dry goods dealers, was received during the week, and was immediately sent by circular letters to dealers over the trade territory of Omaha wholesalers:

"Amory, Brown & Co. of New York announced Wednesday that the entire output of ginghams named by them is under the control of orders for the spring season of 1908, and the jobbing prices for these restricted fabrics announced under date of August 31 will positively remain unchanged for the spring season of 1908."

Coupled with this announcement came another from Chicago and St. Louis jobbers to the effect that their spring sales on these fabrics were in excess of orders placed early in the season and retailers have not cancelled the orders given by them.

A member of the firm of M. E. Smith & Co. said when this announcement was received: "It means business is good and spring orders not decreasing nor being cancelled, when such a house sends out so important an announcement."

New Line of Ginghams

A new line of ginghams has been brought out by an eastern house, which will be offered by the distributers of Omaha. The price of the A. F. C. line has been fixed at 11½ cents, while the new line is offered at 9½ cents. In coloring and finish the new line is the equal in every way to the old line, but the yarns are a trifle coarser. The bleaching of the white yarns is up to the highest standard ever reached by the manufacturers of this country, and in contrast to many of the delicate new colors they stand out better than many of the so-called mercerized white yarns. A new blue has also been developed and will appear in the lines for the new season.

Retailers making ready for the January "white goods" sales are inquiring for assortments. Usually the goods are brought and some of them marked as early as Christmas, others depend on buying them later. Just after the new year opens the white goods will be placed on sale. It would be a dull month but for the price concessions offered by the retailers, which keeps them busy while the wholesalers are taking inventories.

Values will be kept up this year and no goods will be given away, the wholesalers having advised that there is nothing to be gained by attracting hoards of buyers and loading them up on muslins and linen at a small profit. The goods will be good value at about 10 per cent in the stores conducted by good business men.

Drugs and Chemicals Quiet.

Inactivity is the general feature of the drug and chemical market. An advance in the price of vanilla was announced in the east, but the slight fluctuations seldom reach the western trade. Opium remains dull and easy with quotations nominal. Quinine is without quotable change and quiet. Gamboge prices have been reduced 5 cents per pound. Some of the changes of the week are interesting to the dealers.

Vanilla is decidedly stronger, and manufacturers' prices have been advanced to 35@36c per ounce, according to quantity.

Harlem oil is lower, owing to keen competition among dealers, and spot quotations have been reduced to $2.40@2.45, as to quantity and seller.

Gamboge is offered more freely and the market is easier in tone, with quotations reduced 5c per pound, the revised figures being 77½@80c for prime pipe and 75@77½c for broken.

German quince seed continues strong under the influences noted in previous reports, and the general quotations have been marked up to 50c, with only small lots obtainable.

Nitrate of soda is quiet, but the tone of the market is steadier, owing to reports that about 25 per cent of the factories in Chile are closed on account of strikes, and that the quantity on the way to the United States is considerably less than usual.

Grocers are doing a nominal business, but not what has been expected for the fancy lines. The dealers seem to have complete stocks and only here and there does one appear who needs the assistance of the wholesaler to send goods for a general stock up. No one expresses a desire to either buy or sell anything in large quantities until after the first of the year. Some of the jobbers say that the retailers will carry over the smallest stock in years, and business ought to be good after the first of January. This explains why staple goods are quiet.

Thanksgiving Stock Selling.

But on goods especially seasonable there was expected considerable trade this week. That it had not appeared up to yesterday, was not pleasant. Probably it is due to the fact that Thanksgiving goods were liberally taken, especially nuts, raisins, etc., and as they were late in arriving, it is likely that retailers had enough left over from Thanksgiving to supply their needs against Christmas. It is not too late yet, though as a rule the time is ripe for out-of-town trade to be placing its orders for shipment and thus far it has not been felt. It may be that the local trade will come forward during the balance of the week.

With standard grade oats hard to secure because of the light weight of the crop in Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota, the situation looked gloomy last week for rolled oats, but during the week has improved some. Mills are filling orders in better shape and the old Yankee oats were quoted at 40 cents less per barrel. A spread of 30 cents is being made between barrels and bags owing to the relative high cost of barrels. Cornmeal is strong, buckwheat flour has been a good seller and the prices are steady.

Tomatoes and corn, the two big features in the canned vegetable line, are firm, with a fair demand.

The declines during the week were: Pork, $1 per barrel; apples, 50 cents per barrel; lemons 25 cents per box; lard, pure, ¾ of a cent per pound; cranberries, 50 cents per barrel; currants, ½ cent per pound; cheese, 1 cent per pound; oranges, 25 cents per box. The advances were only in the produce market, being on beets, carrots, tomatoes, beans and creamery butter.

Never has a better supply of Christmas poultry been offered on the Omaha market, and prices will be reasonable during the coming week.

STOLEN JEWELRY RECOVERED

Sale of $3,000 Necklace for Twenty-Five Cents Leads to Arrest of Express Employe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—William White, a 17-year-old boy, is the confessed thief, according to the police, of the $32,000 package of jewelry stolen from the United States Express company. He was arrested in Jersey City today after trying to dispose of the entire collection for three dollars. The sale of a $3,000 necklace for 25 cents led to his capture. The prisoner was a helper on one of the express company's wagons in Jersey City. His wagon carried the valuable package which he put into his pocket as the wagon was being unloaded.

Banquet to Boomer.

PLATTE CENTER, Neb., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—As advertised, the big blowout in honor of John W. Mylet, the hustling real estate man of this town, was pulled off here last night, and speakers of note from Columbus, Humphrey and other towns were present and participated in the event. Mr. Mylet now has made a sure go of his suburban annex to this town and the people are joyful. However, from the lips of certain speakers last night it came to light for the first time since the booming by Mr. Mylet of his ventures in this city that the Burlington railroad is evidently behind him—in order to head off what was formerly known here as the Midland Central, but what is understood to be the Great Western railroad—that has already surveyed a line from O'Neill to Omaha.