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State Senator C. G. Saunders will deliver the Independence day oration at the celebration at Pontanelle, Ia.
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Three "John Does," one of them a negro, were lodged in the county jail last evening, charged with disorderly conduct at Lake Manawa.
Ivanhoe commandry, Knights Templar, will meet tonight for work in the order of the temple. Luncheon will be served at 6:30 p. m.
Wallace Benjamin and William C. Droge left last evening for a sixty days' trip to eastern points, including a visit to the Jamestown exposition.
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Grimes of Beatrice, Neb., parents of Mrs. Frank Faus of this city, will remove to Council Bluffs this week to make their home here.
Jacob Zentz and Miss Bessie Bundy, both of this city, were married yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride, 424 Stutsman street, Rev. Henry DeLong officiating.
John P. Jackson, father of E. R. Jackson, county superintendent of schools, and a pioneer resident of Pottawattamie county, is critically ill with pneumonia at his home in Avoca.
Gladys and Malcolm Humphreys, children of Sherman E. Humphreys, janitor of the county court house, left last evening for Laramie, Wyo., where they will spend the summer with their grandparents.
Mrs. F. F. Roland, formerly of this city, now of Burr Oak, is the guest of Mrs. Huffaker, 710 First avenue, having been called here by the serious illness of her sister, who is in St. Joseph's hospital, Omaha.
Clyde Arbuckle of 1515 Tenth avenue, fireman on the Rock Island, who recently lost his left arm and part of his right hand by falling under his engine at Walnut, Ia., is able to be out, having recovered from his severe injuries.
Andrew Peterson and Roy Shea, young fellows about 18 years of age, spent Saturday and Sunday in the county jail for assault and battery on John L. Price, in lieu of paying a fine of $5 and costs each imposed on them by Justice Greene.
Mrs. D. Macrae and daughter, Marian, left last evening for Chicago. The announcement that Mayor Macrae would accompany them, made in a local paper, was incorrect. The mayor will be on hand for the meeting of the city council tonight.
Miss Grace Smith, 129 Vine street, is suffering from a broken arm, the result of a peculiar accident. Miss Smith entered the woodshed at her home and the opening of the door caused a window weight which had been placed on a shelf to fall. The weight struck Miss Smith's left arm, breaking it at the wrist.
The members of Abe Lincoln post, Grand Army of the Republic, are considering a proposition to change their post headquarters from the Everett block to the Dodge Guards' armory. The climbing of two flights of stairs to their present headquarters is proving too much for the veterans with increasing age and infirmities.
Major Richmond, chief of the police, plans to start up the municipal rock pile again shortly now that the prisoners in the city jail may have something to exercise their muscles on and thereby earn the three meals a day with which the city provides them. The rock pile is also recognized as a good institution to keep tramps from infesting the city.
Joe Bennett was brought in from Hamburg, Ia., Saturday evening, on a charge of bootlegging filed against him by M. M. Parkinson, deputy United States internal revenue collector of this city. Commissioner N. A. Crawford bound Bennett over to the federal grand jury, fixing his bond at $200. By depositing $100 cash Bennett was released to enable him to secure the bond in the needed amount.

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Acceptance of Water Franchise.

It is likely that the Council Bluffs City Water Work company will file its acceptance of the ordinance granting it a new franchise today, in which event Mayor Macrae is expected to issue the official proclamation for a special election, at which the ordinance may be submitted to the voters for their rejection or acceptance. This election can be called by the mayor on instructions from the city council, which undoubtedly will be forthcoming. Should the council decline to authorize the calling of the election, the mayor can act upon the filing of a petition of twenty-five property owners in each ward in the city.

LECTURE ON TUBERCULOSIS

Rev. Dr. Kepford of Des Moines Tells of Disease and Remedy.

GREAT SCOURGE OF THE STATE

Points Out Its Dangers and Methods Which Should Be Adopted to Stamp it Out, Which Can Be Done.

Speaking under the auspices of the Iowa Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, which is carrying on a propaganda, Rev. Aretas Kepford of Des Moines delivered his one hundred and first lecture on this dreaded disease last evening at the First Presbyterian church. Mr. Kepford has been speaking on this subject under the auspices of the Iowa society for just one year and during this time, previous to coming to Council Bluffs, had delivered 100 lectures. He treats his subject in the light of a great social evil and in treating it discussed the social aspects, the pathology of the disease, the importance of an early diagnosis to check its action, the means by which the dreaded disease is transmitted and the open-air treatment which is said to be the only cure. Mr. Kepford showed that he has made a deep study of the subject and is apparently versed in every detail of it. He delivers his lecture in a manner that appeals to and is easily comprehended by the ordinary person. He makes it everything but the dry and obtuse medical lecture which the subject would indicate it to be.

As an introductory the speaker described the pathology of the disease. He made the statement that consumption is not hereditary, although children born of tuberculous parents inherit a tendency because of weakened constitutions. Neither is consumption contagious as smallpox, scarlet fever or diptheria. The speaker said he referred to this because of the tendency of people to be afraid to associate with or go into the room where a tuberculor person might be. Tuberculosis is an infectious disease and the infecting agent is the tubercale bacillus discovered by Prof. Robert Koch of Germany in 1882.

Progress of the Disease.

The common way by which this germ is taken into the lungs is by inhalation, the condition being susceptible the germ fastens itself in the integument of the lung, where it immediately matures, and builds a tubercule around the germ, shutting it in. So long as the lump or tubercule remains hard it does not multiply, but there are soon other germs which infest the mouth which are known as pus germs. They attack the diseased tissue, breaking it down into pus. Released from its nodule bed the bacillus multiplies itself into millions and the union between the bacilli and the pus germs causes a toxic poisoning of the nerve centers of the body producing a rise in temperature with lascitude, langour and tiredness on slight exertion. The distribution of nutrition is affected in such a way that the appetite is either lost all together or becomes very erratic with a consequent loss of weight. Loss of weight when a condition of temperature exists is one of the earliest symptoms usually diagnosed for tuberculosis by physicians. The slight cough is due to the effort of the lungs trying to eleminate the poison. An exaggerated paroxism of coughing sooner or later will expectorate the broken down tubercule and in the sputum will be found millions of the bacilli. These are the infecting agents.

The speaker then called attention to the importance of the early diagnosis, for consumption is, he contended, a curable disease if taken in time, but no hope of cure can be promised the advanced case. In the second place the importance of the early diagnosis, he said, would be seen in that tuberculosis is an infectious disease and the sputum expectorated by the consumptive must be destroyed either by burning or some antiseptic solution which will act as a germicide.

Preventing Its Spread.

Dealing with the prevention of the disease the speaker said no incipient tubercular patient should occupy the same living apartments, to say nothing of the same sleeping apartments with the non-tuberculous, and diagnosing the disease early will prevent the spread among the other members of the household.

Coming to the social aspects of the question the speaker said tuberculosis is a social disease and that it is one of the rewards of the community life. The habit of expectoration or spitting is believed to be responsible to a very great extent in spreading this dreadful scourge. Anti-spitting ordinances should be enforced.

The hand-shake, the speaker said, is another means by which the disease is transmitted. No person should shake hands with an advanced consumptive. This danger, however, does not exist in an incipient case.

The kiss, the speaker stated, is another dangerous source of transmission—in fact more responsible for the spreading of this disease than anything else. In this connection, Rev. Mr. Kepford stated, the case of a young woman who contracted the disease from a kiss, was married, her baby dying at the age of 5 months from tuberculosis of the bowels, while she herself followed it to the grave shortly after. The young woman's father kissed her on her death-bed, and today is a consumptive in an advanced stage.

The common drinking cup, the common communion cup, the speaker said, are both agents in the transmission of the disease. The disease is also spread from tuberculous meat and milk, and in this connection the speaker advocated that every city should have a rigid inspection of dairy cows by the tuberculin test.

Speaking on the open-air treatment Rev. Mr. Kepford said, the open-air treatment for tuberculosis is the only means by which this disease can be cured. This treatment can be carried out in one of three ways, in the shack, the tent, or the screen porch. He said that it is criminal to send these consumptives to communities in the west, who do not have sufficient means of support.

Regarding the disease in the state of Iowa the speaker said there are 2,000 deaths annually from tuberculosis and that every one dying infects three others, and that 90 per cent of those affected die between the ages of 15 and 45, which, he claimed, is an enormous economic loss to the state. This loss, he said, exceeds $4,350,000 per annum.

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PLEA FOR ORGANIZED CHARITY

Ohio Man Tells of Benefits of Such Associations.

Rev. C. N. Bond, D. D., of Oberlin, O., member of the Ohio committee for the extension of organized charities, who is the guest of his cousin, Mrs. P. J. Montgomery, spoke Sunday morning at the First Presbyterian church, taking as his subject, "The Principles of Modern Organized Charity as Illustrated and Enforced in the Bible." Incidentally, Dr. Bond told of his work among the colored people in Alabama. He is northern secretary of the Alabama Industrial Missionary association and editor of the Plantation Missionary, the official organ of the association. The purpose of the organization, he explained, is to teach the negro to live in lawful wedlock, to enable them to purchase farms upon easy terms and in every way to become lawabiding citizens and to live honest and responsibles lives. The association owns 6,000 acres of land in Alabama and employs a number of teachers and other officers. It is national and interdenominational in its scope, having representatives and supporters in various parts of the country and in various religious bodies.

Dr. Bond's address was mainly a plea for organized charity through the formation of societies of Associated Charities in each city. Such organizations, he contended, did not try to supplant existing organizations, but rather to join them together for mutual benefit and to prevent fraud. It prevents professional beggars from securing aid from different organizations and in this the Associated Charities performs a real service. It has the records of the different charitable societies and if some person is securing relief from more than one society, the fact it noted and an investigation results. Dr. Bond also spoke of the good done for the children by the Associated Charities. The object, he said, was to relieve suffering wherever possible, but also to prevent the demoralization of character that too frequently results from promiscuous charity.

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Mails to Be Weighed.

Commencing today and lasting for six months the clerical force at the postoffice, by reason of a recent order from the department, will have considerable extra work to perform. Every day during the next six months all mail leaving the office, of which there are four classes, will have to be weighed. Not only will all mail have to be weighed, but in the case of second-class matter, prepaid mail at pound rates, free matter and sample copies, etc., will have to be weighed separately. For one week, beginning today, a record will have to be kept of the amount of postage on all mail matter leaving the office.

Owing to this extra work an extra clerk has been allowed and Harry Ball today will be promoted from the substitute to the regular force.

The new order relative to placing ordinary postage stamps to a letter for special delivery goes into effect today. While 3 cents is required, as before, in addition to the regular postage for a special delivery letter, ordinary stamps to the amount can be used by merely writing across the face of the envelope "Special delivery."

The carriers on the two star routes out of this city change today. J. R. Macrae has had both contracts for the last four years, but is now succeeded by Chester H. Larrison, postmaster at Armour, on what is known as the Quick route and by John W. Williams on what is known as the Treynor route. On Larrison's route the places supplied are Quick, Taylor and Armour and on Williams' route, Treynor and Living Springs are the places supplied.

A Snap.

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Stevens Again Arrested.

Roy Stevens, the alleged assailant of little Christine Christensen, who secured his release from the county jail Saturday on a bond of $800, enjoyed but a short respite from behind the bars. When County Attorney Hess learned of Stevens' release he went before Judge Wheeler and secured an order increasing the bail bond to $2,000. Stevens upon his release had gone back to work in the composing room of the New Nonpareil company, where he was employed as a linotype machinist, and he was arrested there shortly before midnight by Detective Weir. Stevens was first taken to the city jail, but at his request was sent back to the county bastile.

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NEBRASKA FROM DAY TO DAY

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

The old-time girls of Loup county can now rest easy, and not run into the cellar and hide. L. Q. Balls was married in Aurora a couple of weeks ago.—Taylor Clarion.

Hurried the Folks—Train No. 4 actually arrived on time Wednesday morning and some of our citizens almost fell over themselves in reaching the depot. Messrs. Eddy, Monahon, Howard, George Springer, jr.; J. A. Sullivan and the Romine family were passengers to the county seat.—Valley Enterprise.

Sanitary Problem—Last season we failed to get A. H. Babcock to the river to take his annual bath, but this year we hope to be able to get him down and that we may succeed, we ask the aid of all who have his interests and ours at heart. We succeeded, however, in getting several to go down and we are sure we have their everlasting gratitude.—North Loup Loyalist.

More About Sanitation—The writer hereof kept bachelor's hall a few days last week, his better three-fourths being away attending a home missionary convention. She returned the first of this week and is fully convinced that there is need of home missionary work. About the first thing she did was to give a hurry-up order for a broom and scrubbing brush, and she spiced the order with the pungent sarcasm that she was not aware that there had been a water famine in Oakdale.—Oakdale Sentinel.

Congratulations—George Zimmerman, who has been a resident of Liberty precinct out in the extreme west part of the county for twenty years past, came to town Wednesday and solicited the judicial offices of L. A. Berry to change the name of Mrs. Celia Avery to Zimmerman. This is George's fourth matrimonial venture, but death or divorce has freed the others. The bride hails from Denver, is a widow and several years his junior. Here's hoping they both find happiness.—Alliance Times.

Burying the Hatchet—The editor of the Bancroft Blade doesn't approve of the "2-cent wit" with which the editor of the Walthill Times is "noted." Neither is the editor of the Walthill Times enthusiastically in favor of that old, conventional, stale, kiss-me-a-fond-farewell-and-let-me-die style of literature the editor of the Bancroft Blade perpetrates. In either case, however, what's the difference? We make our stuff win for us and the Blade man undoubtedly does as well with his, and, if both species of the literature de bum win for their manufacturers they are good, no matter how rotten they are.

NEW NATIONAL LABOR PARTY

Western Federation of Miners Takes Initiative in Its Foundation.

DENVER, Colo., July 1.—The Western Federation of Miners convention held its first Sunday session today. If a resolution which was introduced is adopted it will initiate the organization by the Western Federation of Miners of a new national labor union. The matter came up upon the report of the special committee to which was referred all pending motions relative to that portion of acting President C. E. Mahoney's message regarding the factional fight in the Industrial Workers of the World. The report of the committee suggests that all the contending factions of the Industrial Workers, the Brewers' union and such other organizations as deem themselves enough devoted to the serious and important cause of national labor cooperation shall meet in joint convention with delegates from the Western Federation of Miners in Chicago on October 1 of this year for the purpose of bringing all labor sympathizers together in harmonious assembly.

The discussion of this recommendation will contine tomorrow:

John M. O'Neill, editor of the Miners' Magazine, defended himself today against the charges which have been made against him.

AUTOMOBILE JUMPS OVER BANK

Drops Forty Feet Into Lake and Two of Its Occupants Are Injured.

ORTONVILLE, Minn., July 1.—While going at a high rate of speed this afternoon an automobile containing three persons suddenly swerved and went over a sheer embankment of forty feet into Big Stone lake. One of the passengers probably fatally injured.

Those in the automobile were Charles and Walter Bycholz, prominent merchants of Appleton and the 3-year-old son of Walter.

The heavy car did not turn over as it fell, but landed in twenty feet of water. Charles was struck by the steering wheel and received internal injuries, which may prove fatal. Walter was badly cut and bruised and is in a serious condition. The boy escaped unhurt.

A gasoline launch was near the scene of the accident and those aboard hastened to rescue the automobilists, who otherwise might have been drowned.

To Norfolk Without Changing Cars leave Chicago 10:05 a. m., reach Jamestown Exposition next evening over Pennsylvania Short Line via Columbus and N. & W. Ry. Daily through service after July 14. Write or call on Rowland, U. S. Bank Bldg., Omaha, Neb.

IOWA'S TAXABLE PROPERTY

Reports to Auditor at Des Moines Show Odd Conditions.

DAVENPORT HAS RICH PEOPLE

Polk County is Ahead in Amount of Merchandise Reported—Scott County Has Money and Credits.

(From a Staff Correspondent).

DES MOINES, Ia., July 1.—(Special.)—Reports to the state auditor from the county auditors as to the value of personal property of various kinds in the various counties of the state disclose some interesting situations. For instance, the moneys and credits reported by Scott county in 1906 were $6,927,050 and in 1907 were $7,043,220, while in Polk county in 1906 the moneys and credits reported were $4,931,870 and in 1907 only $3,922,582. Furthermore the corporation stock turned into the assessor in Scott county in 1906 was $8,854,200 and in 1907 $9,430,460, while in Polk county the stock turned in in 1906 was $2,922,686 and in 1907 $3,230,691. Des Moines seems to have enjoyed as much prosperity as Davenport and it might ordinarily seem that its moneys and credits ought to increase rather than diminish.

The figures seem to show there are more rich people in Davenport than any other county of the state. The reports thus far to the state auditor cover every county but seven. The county auditors of Appanoose, Black Hawk, Calhoun, Dubuque, Guthrie, Lucas and Pocahontas have not reported. On these reports the executive council acts as an equalizing board to equalize the assessment, but the council does practically nothing with the personal property in the line of moneys and credits and corporation stock.

For personal property other than live stock Davenport leads the race in Iowa on the total footings. Its personal property other than live stock is valued at $19,770,252 and Polk comes next with $14,453,276. The wealthiest counties of the state given in their order are:

Scott	$19,770,252
Polk	14,453,276
Linn	8,404,280
Woodbury	8,397,084
Des Moines	5,940,459
Clinton	5,743,289
Pottawattamie	5,496,142

Benton, Johnson and Lee have over four and a half millions and Cedar, Clayton, Jasper, Mahaska, Page and Wappello have over four millions and less than four and a half millions.

Polk leads in the amount of merchandise reported, showing $4,990,427, but Woodbury is a close second, with $4,763,208. Scott reports $3,467,196 and Linn $2,256,099. All others thus far reported show less than two millions.

Moneys and credits and corporation stock are usually taken as showing the wealth of a community. It must therefore be taken that Scott county is easily the richest county in the state that has thus far reported to the state auditor or else there are notorious tax dodgers in Polk county. Here are the figures in order for the counties that lead the state on those two lines of wealth so far as the reports show up to this time:

Moneys and Credits.

	1907.	1906.
Scott	$7,043,220	$6,927,050
Linn	4,274,901	4,138,282
Polk	3,922,582	4,931,870
Cedar	3,301,674	3,158,920
Benton	3,132,461	2,430,036
Washington	3,072,928	2,821,165
Clayton	3,023,564	2,993,646

Corporation Stock.

	1907.	1906.
Scott	$9,430,460	$8,434,200
Polk	3,230,691	2,922,686
Clinton	1,360,440	1,267,307
Des Moines	1,122,642	1,012,561
Linn	1,008,435	720,886

Of the seven counties not yet reported Dubuque and Black Hawk with the cities of Dubuque and Waterloo when they report should make a conspicuous showing, both in moneys and credits and in corporation stock. The final figures will be interesting for several reasons. But for the benefit of the members of the legislature who were interested in the attempt of Sioux City residents to get a commission to study the tax question there is in the reports to the state auditor abundant of argument for the commission. The Polk county report is one argument and the Woodbury county report is another. Woodbury county is in a long list of counties that report over one million and less than two million dollars of moneys and credits notwithstanding the fact that Sioux City is the third largest city in the state and one of the wealthiest. In corporation stock Woodbury is nearly as conspicuous for being low in the list.

Watching New Religion.

Whether the "power of tongues" religion that has attracted considerable attention in this city is worthy the attention is a debatable question with many who have followed the newspaper accounts of the mission's work. The religion is not new. It is reported to have come to Iowa from Ohio, though there is no authentic information on that score. It came to Des Moines with Mrs. Scott M. Ladd, wife of Judge Ladd of the Iowa supreme court, who moved here about four years ago. Mrs. Ladd is reported to have conducted a similar mission at their former home in Sheldon, O'Brien county.

The mission in this city was started in the southern part of the city on the bottoms in the section inhabited by the poor of the city. Whether it is really the "power of God" that moves the converts as is claimed or merely the stupifying atmosphere of the unventilated room in which the sect meets is for people to judge for themselves. The public has been led to believe that the courts will settle the question. This is perhaps not likely. Residents in the neighborhood of the mission have sworn out a warrant for Mrs. Ladd charging her with disturbing the peace of the community. When she returns to the city this will probably be served and the court will decide whether or not she disturbed the peace.

When the converts of this doctrine meet they gather about an organ which is placed in the middle of the room. There is little or no preaching. A song or two is sung and someone speaks warning the unsaved to repent and seek salvation and telling of the punishment to come if they do not heed. There is more singing. They kneel and pray. It is during this prayer that the alleged "manifestations of the spirit" come. The petitioners at the throne of grace are loud and emotional. Some cannot contain their feelings and they shout and shriek. They become nervous and tremble. The excitement works on all. Then someone falls to the floor unconscious and his or her limbs twitch and jerk. He is said to be "under the power" and it is while in this state that they have the "power of tongues." They jabber and no one is able to understand what they say. They are not able to understand themselves. They have been known to lie in this state for forty-eight hours. They always come out of it intensely weak and must be assisted from the place. People who have gone to the mission as curiosity seekers have noticed that the rooms are never ventilated even in warm weather.

None of the followers of Mrs. Ladd and the strange religion ever claim any other power than this "power of tongues." There is no claim to healing and no one has ever claimed to have been healed. There are no miracles. They simply get "under the spell." Those who have been under the "spell" once seem anxious to go again and always return to the mission.

The critics of the religion would not be so severe if the religion did not seem to have such bad effects on the physical condition of the persons who get this "power of tongues." They say too, that it is wrong to take children to the mission and allow them to imitate their elders in getting excited over the prayers and then, in a poorly ventilated room sink in a faint and remain there for hours without medical treatment.

Then again, they frankly confess that they would be much more ready to believe that God was having some influence in the matter of their unconscious or semi-conscious condition if this condition would come over them in a well ventilated room, and if the converts did not faint just following a somewhat prolonged state of high excitement of shouting and dancing and shrieking and moaning in connection with their prayers. In other words, it is too easy to explain the unconscious condition of the converts by the unventilated rooms and the excitement; too easy to explain it by natural every day matters to justify attributing it to the Almighty.

The further criticism against the religion is that at these meetings girls and women are allowed to fall in the faints and lay about on the floor in the aisles and on the platform while the public meeting is in progress, and that, too, at a public meeting attended by many men of not overly strict morals or refinement and who are not above passing comments that cannot be repeated here.

The ministers of Des Moines, however, and the church people generally, will have nothing to do with the matter. They are following the advice of a certain wise Jew in Christ's time, that if the religion be from God it cannot be hindered and if not from God it will come to naught.

Let Little Fellows Free.

A. M. Steidley has appealed from the Lee county district court to the supreme court the case in which he was convicted of stealing a bowl and crock of butter and three cans of fruit from the cellar of Christina Nelson of Melrose. The question put to the supreme court in the appeal is whether or not Steidley's attorneys did right in arguing to the jury that because big offenders frequently escape the law Steidley, a little offender, ought to be acquitted. The district court sustained the objection to that line of argument by his attorneys. The attorneys presisted in the argument and the court ordered it stricken out of the record. Steidley appealed.

Honor for securing the joint freight rates and the schedule decided upon by the railroad commission is being claimed by the Iowa State Manufacturers' association. In thousands of petitions presented to the railroad commission the members of the association asked for practically just what the commission ordered, viz., 80 per cent of the sum of the locals, through billing, a minimum shipment for 25 cents and the railroads to absorb the transfer charges. Evidence is not lacking that the association was chiefly instrumental in getting the bill passed by the legislature last winter. Just after the bill was passed the officers of the association got together and as the result of investigations, decided to ask for the 80 per cent schedule. The railroads sent a committee to the association and it was agreed that the railroads would consent to that schedule, but they later backed out. The association, however, held steadily to that till the end.

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