

COUNCIL BLUFFS DEPARTMENT

MINOR MENTION.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Baird, a son, Clark & Wetzel, 1. O. O. F. hall, at parents.

Justice Cook is confined to his home by illness, and will not be in court today.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fair, a daughter.

The Knights and Ladies of Security will meet this evening.

The South First Street Social club met last evening at the residence of Mrs. E. A. Phipps.

The annual meeting of the Veteran Firemen's association takes place tomorrow evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sherman are expected to return this week from their visit to Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stoltenberg of Charter Oak, Ia., are in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Richter.

Women's Relief corps, No. 180, will meet in regular session on Friday afternoon.

All of the members are requested to be present.

Catholics assembly, No. 1, in St. Paul's church, will meet on Friday evening.

The annual meeting of the Veteran Firemen's association takes place tomorrow evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Weber entertained a party of friends at their home on Benton street Monday evening.

The Ladies of the Union Veteran Legion auxiliary, No. 17, are requested to meet at their hall Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Ladies Aid society of St. John's English Lutheran church will meet on Thursday afternoon at 2 p. m. at the residence of Mrs. H. J. Meyer.

As he lay unconscious his friends could scarcely discern the difference in the whiteness of the freshly fallen snow and his immaculate shirt.

Mrs. Jane M. Carney died at her residence, 720 Seventh avenue.

Death resulted from old age. She had lived in this city many years.

Her body will be taken to Grinnell, Ia., for interment.

All members of Augusta grove, No. 1, Woodmen of the World, are requested to be present Friday evening.

Refreshments. No one admitted except members of the grove.

Emilio Goodrich, the charming and vivacious actor, will be at the Bohemian theater Friday, January 15.

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IMPLEMENT DEALERS MEET

Sixth Annual Convention Now in Session in Council Bluffs.

IOWA AND NEBRASKA REPRESENTED

Address of Welcome by Ex-Mayor Rohrer, President of the Merchants and Manufacturers Association—Program for Today.

The sixth annual convention of the Iowa and Nebraska Retail Implement Dealers' association met at the Grand hotel yesterday afternoon with a good attendance.

The meeting will last over tomorrow. All the local houses and those in Omaha are represented and assisted in welcoming the retail dealers.

Among the arrivals yesterday were August Laboly, Hartington, Neb.; Messrs. Grant and Gies, Walnut, Ia.; F. P. Gilbert, Cochrane, Neb.; C. O. Shumway, Lyons, Neb.; H. P. Shumway, Wakefield, Neb.; Messrs. Carey and Remson, Wakefield, Neb.; L. Waechter, Herman, Neb.; B. S. Harrington, Oakland, Neb.; J. W. Waechter, Pender, Neb.; A. R. Brown, Hawarden, Ia.; W. H. Martin, Potosi, Ia.; T. R. Wittaker, Leeton, Neb.; O. L. Tanton, Iowa Falls, Ia.; Mack Burt, Leola, Ia.; S. Hancock, Scribner, Neb.; J. J. Murphy, Rogers, Neb.; Peter Peterson, Red Cloud, Neb.; H. M. Brown, Abilene, Neb.; and I. A. McDowell and A. E. Campbell, Stella, Neb.

The convention was called to order by H. P. Shumway, president of the association, who introduced ex-Mayor M. F. Rohrer, president of the Merchants and Manufacturers' association who gave the visitors an enthusiastic welcome. He spoke as follows:

"Members of the Retail Implement Dealers' association of Iowa and Nebraska, as president of the Merchants and Manufacturers' association of Council Bluffs and in behalf of the members of the association, I desire to extend to each of you a most cordial welcome. We are naturally proud of our city and our excellent railroad facilities, which are not surpassed by any other city in the middle west, and for us being in a city where the great lines of the great railroads diverge in every direction, which enables our jobbers and manufacturers to receive and dispatch their goods by fast and reliable means, is a most important factor in the minimum cost of transportation. Such being the case, it is not surprising that Council Bluffs has been selected as the western headquarters for so many of the great implement manufacturing establishments of the country.

"The total output of agricultural implements from the plant for the year 1896 has not been as large as in the past years on account of the financial stringency, but we hope that the panic of the last few years is at an end and that we are in a city that it is our duty to keep reminding the farmers of the adjoining states that they have only one acre year in which to sow their seed before the winter sets in. The winter of 1896 threw open its gates for six months, during which time thousands of visitors from all parts of the world will be with us and must be fed by the products of 1897.

"I trust that your meeting will prove to be profitable to your association, and allow me to assure you that the citizens feel highly honored by your presence and thank you for having selected our city as the place of holding your convention."

Mr. Rohrer then pointed out the places of interest in the city which the visitors could see in during their stay and closed by again bidding them welcome to the city.

The local ticket office of the Union Pacific, Northwest and Great Northern, and the citizens of Council Bluffs, through Mr. Rohrer, for the hearty welcome extended to them.

He said the retail dealers were looking for a new and better market for their goods and with the prospect of a good crop thought the hard times would soon be a thing of the past.

The general session of the general arrangements for the convention the delegates adjourned until this morning, when the annual address of the president, T. B. Wittaker, of the Union Pacific, will be given.

The morning meeting will be an executive session. This afternoon the following program will be carried out:

Address—"Commercial Law," E. M. Hartlett, Omaha, president Commercial Law Association.

Address—"Practical Application of Credit Principles," W. H. Preston of Kansas, and "Building up a Credit," J. E. McLaughlin of Nebraska, National Association of Credit Men.

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GRAIN GOING TO THE GULF

Possibility of a Revolution in the Shipments of Cereals from the West.

CHICAGO DEALERS BECOMING ALARMED

Nebraska Bonds Enter Into Traffic Arrangements with the Lines Centering at Galveston—Decrease in Eastern Shipments.

P. G. Leland, assistant general freight agent of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway system, was in Omaha Tuesday.

The subject of his conferences with the railroad men here was to take up some slack in the traffic arrangements between here and Galveston, and other gulf ports.

The afternoon of the next morning will be spent in the form of closer relations between the Nebraska and Iowa railroads and the "Katy" for the shipment of grain to the ports of the Gulf of Mexico instead of to those on the Atlantic seaboard.

That was the opinion of freight men in Omaha yesterday.

The Burlington has already entered into a through traffic agreement with the "Katy" for the shipment of grain to Galveston, turning over to the southern road at Hannibal, Mo. The Elkhorn road has announced that in the future it will carry all grain destined for the southern ports directly to Superior, this state, and that there it will be promptly forwarded to the gulf ports.

Mr. Drew found more difficulty in making through traffic arrangements with the Iowa lines, which are carrying to Chicago, and to Washburn or any other railroad would prefer to get a long eastern haul on grain from Missouri river points rather than take it from Iowa points to Chicago.

It is thought that the short haul these roads get but from 5 to 8 cents out of it, while they get more than double that amount in freight charges by carrying it to Chicago.

It is thought, however, that before long these roads will be forced to make arrangements with the southern roads.

The grain shipments east of Chicago last week again showed a noticeable decrease from the shipments of the week before, and a desire to get the grain to the coast by the eastern lines to come down in their tariffs if they want to save the grain business for the eastern ports.

At the same time the total shipments of flour, grain and provisions from Chicago through to Atlantic coast ports, 9,113 tons, against 8,227 tons last week. It has been reported that during the past few weeks that the railroad yards at Galveston were full of heated grain not only in the month of December, but in the week had it that there were 2,000 cars of heated and spoiled corn on the tracks.

It is reported that the Santa Fe has taken the matter into its own hands and has declared there is no truth in the reports. He announces that his investigation has shown that the Santa Fe has taken the matter into its own hands and has declared there is no truth in the reports.

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DEMAND PROTECTION FOR FARMERS

State Agricultural Society Ends Its Sessions with a Warm Debate.

DEB MOINES, Jan. 13.—(Special Telegram.)

The annual meeting of the Iowa Agricultural Society closed today with a banquet. The election of officers was a vindication for the old management. The new officers are: President, W. W. Field, Oelrich; vice president, John Cowan, South Anamosa; secretary, J. E. McLaughlin, Des Moines; treasurer, G. D. Elyson, Des Moines; and J. P. Manning, Fairfield; George M. Franklin, Atlantic; A. L. Plummer, Ivy; C. E. Cameron, Alta; and W. C. Sheehan, Oelrich.

LOPER LOST HIS HURT

Louis Loper received a severe injury yesterday in the Northwest railway yards while engaged in coupling cars. The injury confined him to his bed for several days, and his friends fear it may prove serious. Loper's brother lost a hand while engaged in coupling in the yards three years ago.

CAUGHT THE MISSING MOON

Alonso Moon was picked up by the police yesterday evening and locked up in the city jail upon a charge of drunkenness. He was taken to the city jail on Monday night. He was released on Monday morning.

FINE LIVERY FOR PARTIES AND DANCES

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WEDDING AT THE HOTEL

A wedding was celebrated at the Hotel Elkhorn yesterday afternoon. The bride was Miss Mary Johnson, and the groom was Mr. John Smith. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. H. Brown.

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