Open every evening this week **KELLEY, STIGER & CO.** *Oven every evening this week*

Christmas Week Attractions

Silk Department

Satin Duchesse Skirt Pattern, $7.00. This is a fine all silk Satin Duchess black.

Silk Dress Pattern, $11.90. These are fine black dress silks, reliable as to wear—any weave.

Pretty Glace Silk Petticoat pattern, $6.00. All the prettiest combination of changeable effects to select from.

Silk Waist Pattern, $3.40. All this season's styles; we have better; but these are good.

Evening Silks for Waists or Dresses, $1.00. We will sell during the holiday week excellent silk in the correct shades—any would make a pretty waist or dress for evening wear.

Black Dress Silks—every weave now in vogue of warranted dress silks are to be found in our silk department at popular prices.

Black Dress Goods Department

French Twill, 50 inches wide, 65c. This is an imported cloth. 85c quality; $3.90 for a suit.

Satinette Jacquards, 50c. All wool up to date dress goods; $3.50 for a pattern.

Cashmere Superfine, all wool, 35c. Reliable color, worth 50 cents; $2.80 for a pattern.

Henrietta, 46-inch, Imported, 75c. 90c quality; $5.25 for a pattern.

High Grade Novelty Satin Jacquards, 75c. Never sold less than $1.00; $5.25 for a suit.

AT $1.00. AT $1.00. AT $1.00.

We have placed at this price a great variety of dependable dress goods, being extra wide only a few yards will make a dress, thus at small cost—Hindo Cloth, Diagonal, Cheviot, Henrietta, Serge, etc.

Colored Dress Goods

All wool suitings, 25c, mixtures and checks, 40c quality, $2.00 for a pattern.

Cashmere, any color, all wool, 35c. This grade usually sells at 45c.

French Twill, 46 inches wide, 50c. This is 75c grade, any color, $3.00 for a pattern.

Novelty Suitings, 40c, 50c, 85c. This line is special for the holiday week. You should see them. Select your gifts from this assortment now.

PLAIDS, PLAIDS, PLAIDS.

For Children's wear, waists, skirts and dresses.

Our $1.35 50-inch Scotch Plaids are $1.00.

The pretty $1.25, $1.35 Velour and silk plaids, now $1.00.

Plaids for waists, silk, fancy armures, 85c and $1.00.

Children's plaids, basket weave, with silk, 50c.

A CHRISTMAS DAY SURPRISE FOR A LADY.

A cloth pattern for tailor made suit. Melton cloth $1.25; broadcloth, $1.25; Repp suiting, $1.25. These are adapted for tailor suits, $7.50 for pattern.

Corduroy for waists and dresses, $1.

Gloves for Christmas

$1.00, $1.00, $1.00, $1.00.

Just received, 50 dozen of the Grant fine and real kid two-clasp glove, embroidered backs, black, white, green, reds, tans and browns. This Glove sells regularly at $1.35; our price, $1.00.

FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK ONLY.

Our new Mocha street glove, silk lined, at $1.50, is the latest out.

We are selling the Dents, a good heavy street glove.

Monarch, with jewel stitching, is a gem in carmen, French blue, violets, grays, green, tans, etc.

Perrin's fine fancy glove, with all its attractive features, new shades in reds, browns, greens, beaver and black.

Trefousse, glace and suede gloves.

Silk mittens, $1.00 and $1.50.

For Children, kid mitten, fleece lined, fur trimmed, at 50c.

Dent's Gloves, for children, a very stylish and reliable street glove.

Umbrella Department

Hundreds of the choicest imported handles—Dresden from Vienna, silver deposits on pearl, English pimento, on the princess of Wales style, very stylish and new—in black and colored silks.

Ladies' black silk twill umbrella—26-inch, steel rod and frame, sterling silver trimmed, natural wood handles—only $1.00.

Black silk Vernona serge—26-inch, close roll steel rod and frame, silk case and tassel, very pretty handles—$1.25, $1.65, $2.00, $2.25, $3.00 and $3.50.

The imported handles, best material and finish, black and colored Taffeta and heavy serge, very handsome handles—$4.00, $4.50, $5.00, and up to $12.00.

Novelty Art Goods

Just Opened for the Holiday Season

Rich embroidered goods and fancy needle work, leather goods, silver novelties, fancy aprons, etc.

Rich Oriental figured Art Satins and Velours for pillows and draperies.

Novelty Tapestry, Russian Cloth, Gold Embroidery, Linen and Denim Table Covers.

Hand made Renaissance Battenburg Lace Doylies, Table Covers, Dresser and Sideboard Scarfs, Guipure and Irish point embroidered.

Pillow Shams and Scarfs to match.

Handkerchief Cases, Address Pads, Needle, Hat, Pin and Watch Cases, Pen Wipers and Skein Silk Holders, made of art linen with dainty hand embroidery, at 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 up to $2.50 each.

Silk satin and linen hand painted embroidered and lace trimmed Pin Cushions, 18c, 35c, 50c, 75c, $1.00 up to $2.00.

Taffeta Silk Combination Kensington Bag and Needle Cases.

Novelty Crochet Needle Holders, 25c.

Sterling silver mounted Emorys, 35c (tomato and strawberry shapes).

Sterling Silver Scissors, $1.25 each.

Sterling Silver Shoe Button Hook, Horn and File Sets, $2.40 each.

Sterling Silver Handle Darners, 65c each.

Novelties in hand embroidered and leather mounted Picture Frames and Mirrors.

Fancy willow and straw lined and trimmed Work, Scrap and Fancy Baskets.

Fancy trimmed Swiss Aprons, 35c, 50c, 75c, $1.00 up to $1.50. Hemstitched, tucked, embroidered and lace trimmed.

Colgate & Co.'s Perfumes: Triple Extracts, all odors, 1 oz. bottle, 50c each.

Young People's Perfumes, 4 bottles in box, for 25c.

Colgate's Toilet Waters, 45c and 80c a bottle.

Fancy Silk Elastic Garters, enameled buckles, $1.15 and $1.25 a pair.

Fine Wood Solid Back Hair Brushes, 40c, 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.25.

Christmas Linens

In our Linen Aisle and on Linen Counter will be seen a shower of rich remembrances gathered from the best markets of Ireland, Scotland and Germany. This week's whirlwind of unprecedented value giving, will stamp this as the greatest of all. Yule-tide Linen Sales. Here's a host of helpful hints:

64-in. extra heavy bleached table linen; designs to suit every eye, and worth 75c yd.; holiday price, 50c.

Napkins to match, holiday price, $1.45 dozen.

Very handsome white and colored linen table covers, 2 yrds., 2½ and 3 yrds. long; quantity limited; holiday price, $1.75, $2.25 and $2.75 each.

200 dozen extra large and heavy dew bleach huck towels, open work on ends and worth 50c; holiday price, 35c each—$4.00 dozen.

200 dozen fine knotted fringe satin damask and hemstitched bird's eye towels; regular 75c grade—holiday price, 50c each.

100 dozen superfine double satin damask towels, size 22x50; double row of deep fancy open work on ends and worth from $1.00 to $1.50—holiday price, 75c and $1.00 each.

Big lot of satin damask tray cloth, imported from the Fatherland; open work all around, and worth 39c, 50c and 75c—holiday price, 25c, 45c and 50c each.

Hemstitched Linen Bureau Scarfs, from $1.00 to $5.00; plain linen or damask lunch cloths, from 80c to $4.00; 18 and 20-in. Bureau Scarf Linen, open work on edge; worth, 35c—Holiday price, 25c yard.

One case extra large size honey-comb fringed bedspreads, bought to sell for $2.25—Holiday price, $1.45 each.

One case French Marseilles bedspread, designs handsomely executed, reduced from $3.00—Holiday price, $2.75 each.

All the Wm. Liddell's hand loom Irish table cloths and Napkins to match, all grades in Holiday Sale, 20 per cent discount.

Mail Orders given prompt attention.

Holiday Handkerchiefs

The grandest collection we ever had at the lowest prices that handkerchiefs ever reached.

150 dozen ladies' white H. S. lace corners, and neatly printed H. S. Cambric Handkerchiefs; special 5c each, regular 6¼c and 8½c qualities.

100 dozen ladies' H. S. Pure Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs, ¼ and ⅜ inch hems, only 10c each; regular, 12½c quality.

100 dozen ladies' White H. S. Sheer Linen Handkerchiefs, ¼ and ½ inch hems, special 15c each; worth 22½c.

5 special numbers ladies' white scolloped and H. S. Embroidered Sheer Linen and Batiste Handkerchiefs, neat and new designs, at 8½c, 12½c, 15c, 20c, 25c.

Ladies' hand embroidered Initial H. S. Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, neat, small script initials; special, 15c and 25c each.

Ladies' fine Sheer Linen H. S. and Scolloped Hand-Embroidered Handkerchiefs, very latest designs, including crests, clover leaves, Fleur de Lis, sprigs, etc., etc., at 50c, 60c, 75c, 85c, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50 each.

3 very special bargains in Lace and Footing Bordered Sheer Linen Handkerchiefs, at 30c, 50c and 75c each.

Hand-made fine Valenciennes Lace Bordered Sheer Linen Handkerchiefs; these dainty handkerchiefs are made in the city by women that are experts with the needle, and are made of our own materials, 85c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.65, $2.00, up to $3.75 each.

Real Duchess Lace Handkerchiefs the best values ever offered in this city; a handkerchief that a lady will prize for a lifetime, only $2.00, $2.25, $2.75, $3.00, $4.00 and up to $10.50 each.

Children's Handkerchiefs in pretty boxes, only 25c a box.

Fans and Pocketbooks

Paris and Vienna hand-painted and spangled fine silk and gauze fans at 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, up to $8.00 each.

Artistic enameled and jeweled belts, at $2.00, $2.75, $3.00, $3.50 each.

Real ostrich feather boas and collarettes, at $2.25, $3.00, $3.75, $7.50, $10.50, up to $20.00 each.

Ladies' Combination Pocketbook; the finest collection we ever had, including seal, lizard, alligator, serpent, monkey, giraffe, morrocco, etc., etc., plain; also in silver and gold mountings, at 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, up to $5.00 each.

Novelties in coin pocketbooks, 25c, 35c and 50c each.

Ladies' Boston shopping bags, in all leather, and cloth and leather, at $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, up to $5.00 each.

Ladies' Chatelaine Bags, latest styles, at 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25, up to $2.75 each.

Boys, all silk Windsor ties, new bright plaids, stripes, checks, etc., 6 inches wide by 37 inches long, only 25c each.

We have made a tremendous cut in prices in our cloak department for this Christmas week. This will include every garment for both ladies, misses and children.

Farnam and 15th **KELLEY, STIGER & CO.** **Farnam and 15th**

ITS MONEY IS ALMOST GONE

Less Than Two Thousand Dollars Left of Ten Thousand.

INQUISITION IS NEARLY READY TO QUIT

Over Eight Thousand Spent to Discover Shortages of Less Than Six, Some of Which is in Dispute.

LINCOLN, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The legislative investigating committee is preparing to file reports on the condition of the books of the state institutions at Hastings, Nebraska City and the penitentiary, after which a vacation will be taken until after the holidays. If no more money is drawn from the appropriation before this vacation there will remain yet to be drawn just $1,841.86 of the $10,000 provided by the legislature, the committee having up to date used $8,158.14 to pay the salaries of the members and their lucky friends who have been employed as experts.

The money paid out to the investigators has been divided up as follows: Otto Mutz, Keya Paha county, $946.22; C. W. Beal, Custer, $940; O. S. Moran, Platte, $897.50; D. S. Zimmerman, York, $350; C. F. Wheeler, Furnas, $306; W. N. Silver, Saunders, $1,318.10; Fred Jewell, Platte, $907.50; R. M. Taylor, Douglas, $772.50; Otto Heibig, Chicago, $1,101.70; J. N. Wise, Cass, $259.50; Fred Archard, York, $48; Mrs. Myra Olmstead, Lancaster, $155.50; Ed P. Smith, Douglas, $74.62; George F. Corcoran, York, $12; Jacob North & Co., $25; J. L. Johnson, Otoe, $20; W. A. Bradbury, $25. It is believed that before the holiday vacation is entered upon there will be several hundred dollars more drawn, as the investigators cannot be expected to quit work without making vouchers for themselves in considerable amounts—a tangible sort of Christmas present.

The shortages discovered by the committee amount to a total of about $5,400. This does not include the deficiencies in the offices of the auditor and state treasurer, which were discovered long before the investigating committee was appointed. The work in those two offices has developed nothing not already known. Neither is the shortage said to have been found by Secretary Silver in the accounts of the Kearney Industrial school included in the figures mentioned above, as nothing is yet known about the report on that institution. The members of the committee have been unable to tell the beginning from the ending of the report filed with them by Mr. Silver, and the expert has offered no explanation, except that part of the document has been lost. On the other hand, the ex-superintendent of the Kearney school says there is no shortage, and that when he makes a recompilation of the accounts that are in a cash book that has been lost he will show that he does not owe the state a cent. So it is Silver's word against Mallalieu's, with lost records on both sides and an array of figures that nobody understands. The committee has declined to place Silver's report on file and is awaiting explanations or further developments.

ONE SHORTAGE SETTLED.

The first work completed by the committee was the examination of the books at the Institute for the Feeble Minded at Beatrice. This showed that there was a shortage of $3,400. Dr. Armstrong, the old superintendent, was shown this report as soon as it was ready, and was given every opportunity to examine the books and explain any discrepancies. He looked into the matter, declared that he was satisfied that the report was all right, and immediately paid down $1,000 to apply on the amount he owed the state. He has since paid the balance, and the account of these payments will be included in the report when it is finally filed with the governor. There is no claim on the part of the committee that Dr. Armstrong had intentionally taken a cent that did not belong to him, the shortage being the result of clerical errors made in the books during the eleven years that Dr. Armstrong was superintendent. The amount due, when established, was paid over the same as would have been the case had the books been examined by any competent private expert.

At the hospital at Norfolk, according to the report filed, there is a shortage of $181.91, the result of clerical errors in the bookkeeping. This amount has not yet been paid in.

SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AT MILFORD.

At the Milford Girls' Home the only discovery was that a certain voucher of $119 had been paid twice. The former superintendent of the institution says the duplicate of this voucher was a forgery, and an effort is being made to trace the matter down. For the examination of the books of the Milford home Mrs. Myra Olmstead, a sister of Senator Graham of Frontier county, drew $155.50. Mrs. Olmstead in her report complimented the old officials for their management of the home.

The report on the conditions of the accounts of the Institute of the Deaf and Dumb at Omaha was compiled by Secretary Silver, and is in almost as indefinite shape as his report on the Kearney school, except that it contains a political harangue not duplicated in the part of the Kearney report that has been left with the committee. The examiner says that he found an apparent shortage of $2,025.07 in the accounts of Prof. Gillespie at the Omaha institution, but it is a matter of record that in this examination no such courtesy was shown Prof. Gillespie as has been shown the ex-superintendent of the Beatrice institution, and that he was neither furnished a copy of the report nor given the opportunity to make a private examination of the records. Prof. Gillespie admits that during the many years he was in charge of the institution errors may have crept into the books, but he maintains that the committee has treated him unfairly, and has made a report that is open to the most severe criticism.

The examination of the books of the land commissioner showed that Humphrey at the close of his four years' incumbency owed the state a balance of $27.50, while the shortage of Russell was found to be 80 cents. The latter account has been settled in full. The report of the expert who examined the books in this office is carefully and neatly prepared, and besides the shortages noted above, it charged that over a hundred dollars in fees had been collected for making copies of official plats during Russell's term in office, and that this money should be turned over to the state. It was shown, however, that this money was collected by Mr. Staegel, the draughtsman, as one of his personal perquisites and had never been turned over to Mr. Russell. As Mr. Staegel is still retained in the office by Commissioner Wolfe it is evident that he has either made the amount good or that his action in appropriating the money to his own use is not strongly condemned by the state house party.

Expert Heibig devoted all this time to the examination of the treasurer's books, and besides getting extra pay for his testimony in the Bartley trial, he drew $1,101.70 from the investigating fund. Mr. Heibig made no new discoveries during his examination, and the only result from his experting is that the books in the office are much disfigured with check marks and the promiscuous imprints of a large rubber stamp which Heibig used to advertise his business, and that the committee now has a lawsuit on its hands because the Chicago expert claims $3,000 more salary than his contract called for. The committee has come to the decision that Mr. Heibig's testimony will not be used in future trials of the Bartley cases, as the work of Expert Taylor in the auditor's office is a duplicate of that performed by Heibig in the treasurer's office and Mr. Taylor will be able to furnish all the expert testimony that is necessary. So the $1,101.70 paid Heibig is now acknowledged to have been thrown away.

So far as can be ascertained at this time the only practical results of the investigation up to this time are the recovery of the $3,400 from Dr. Armstrong and the 80 cents from ex-Commissioner Russell. Neither of these gentlemen had been aware that shortages existed in their offices and the payments were willingly made after the amounts due had been ascertained. In exchange for this the state has paid out $8,158.14 to the investigators and the balance of $1,841.86 is in a fair way to be absorbed before the 1st of March.

MOORES MOVES FOR A JURY.

The following motion was filed in the supreme court this afternoon in the case of Broatch against Moores:

Now comes the defendant and moves the court for a jury to try the issues in the above entitled cause for the following reasons:

1. The information alleges and charges facts against the defendant which are denied in the answer which will involve the taking of testimony which should be heard and determined by a jury.

2. The answer not only denies certain of the allegations of the information, but also sets up and alleges facts as matter of defense which will involve the taking of testimony of witnesses and other evidence which should be heard and determined by a jury.

3. The issues in this case are largely issues of fact, the determination of which comes within the legitimate province of the jury, and by reason of the issues of fact which are involved in this cause the defendant is entitled under the laws and constitution of the state of Nebraska to a trial by jury.

Wherefore, the respondent respectfully demands a jury for the trial of the issues herein.

The Arlington Creamery association, with a capital stock of $25,000, filed articles of incorporation today, the signers being: O. N. Unthank, Fred Menking, A. G. Ludwig, R. C. Marshall, Charles Johnson, George Hindmassh, B. C. Marshall, S. D. Normanaker.

The following notaries were commissioned today: L. Newell, Minden; C. W. Priessley, Oakdale; James H. Fair, Hardy; S. C. Sample, Butte; W. T. S. Neligh, West Point.

The examinations of teachers for state certificates will be held at the office of the state superintendent December 28 and 29.

Governor Holcomb and Auditor Cornell were served today with notice of the alternative writ in the mandamus suit brought by Expert Heibig to compel the state officials to issue him a voucher for the extra compensation claimed by him to be due. The date set for the hearing is February 3.

State Superintendent Jackson has just received a letter from State Superintendent Stryker of Kansas which expresses approval of the plan to hold an educational congress at Omaha next year and promises the co-operation of Kansas teachers.

LINCOLN LOCAL NOTES.

Mayor Graham today issued the following call for a public meeting to be held next Tuesday evening:

To the Citizens of Lincoln: In order to secure some united action by the citizens of this city in assisting to secure the passage of the bill recently introduced by Senator Allen in the senate of the United States providing for the erection of a public building in Lincoln, I hereby call a meeting of all citizens to be held in the council chamber Tuesday evening, December 21, to determine upon a course of action. I particularly desire that the business interests of the city take this matter up and come to the meeting prepared for vigorous action. The matter is of great importance to our city and there should be no hesitancy on the part of our citizens in giving Senator Allen every encouragement in their power.

FRANK A. GRAHAM, Mayor.

The people of Lincoln are manifesting considerable interest in Senator Allen's building project, and it is expected that the meeting will be largely attended.

The first of a series of preliminary debates which are being held at the University of Nebraska for the purpose of selecting competent speakers to represent Nebraska in debate with Kansas, Missouri and Colorado, took place last night. The question, "Resolved, That Andrew Jackson was justified in his attitude toward the United States banks," was debated by six young men, all good speakers. No decision will be given out until all divisions have held their debates, the concluding ones being set for next Monday evening.

Frank T. Riley, who has edited the Nebraskan, the State University paper for the last three or four years, has gone to Plattsmouth, where he will have charge of the Evening News.

Omaha people at the hotels: At the Lindell—M. P. Server, F. L. Lewis, W. H. Johnson, S. Harris, E. M. Bartlett, Adam Noll, C. P. Bogan, Ed Henry. At the Lincoln—B. E. Inglehardt, Adam Noll, Charles G. Scott, G. W. Horn, jr.

MERCURY SLIDES DOWN THE TUBE.

Cold Blast Makes Icy Atmosphere in Nebraska.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—This morning was the coldest of the season, the mercury at 7 o'clock standing at 20 below zero. At 11 a. m. it had just reached zero and at 2 p. m. 4 above. The cold weather has put the ice in good condition and work of filling the ice houses will commence next week.

ASHLAND, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The thermometer here this morning registered the maximum for low temperature of any time during the last five years, recording 28 degrees below zero. A layer of snow about six inches thick covers the ground and sleighing was never better. The cold snap set in Wednesday noon of this week and the mercury has been near zero since.

SYRACUSE, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Thursday afternoon a genuine norther hit Syracuse. The mercury fell 40 degrees in a few hours. This morning the column is from 12 to 15 degrees below zero.

GENEVA, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The mercury dropped to 20 degrees below last night. It was very still, with every branch and twig covered with frost this morning. The five inches of level snow is a delight to the farmers and good for the wheat fields.

HARVARD, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—A light snow fell, to the depth of ten inches, Thursday night, between the hours of 6 and 11 o'clock.

GENEVA, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Snow commenced falling Thursday evening at about 5 o'clock and continued all night, without wind, the mercury falling gradually until yesterday morning it reached 12 degrees below.

RED CLOUD, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—A cold wave arrived here Wednesday and continues, with the mercury still falling. Thursday night snow fell to a depth of three inches, making the heaviest fall this season. At daybreak the thermometer registered 14 degrees below zero.

TRENTON, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Four inches of snow fell here. The thermometer registered 20 degrees below zero yesterday, the coldest of the winter.

CEDAR CREEK, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—It was 22 degrees below zero here last night.

CRAB ORCHARD, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The heaviest snow that has fallen here for years is on the ground. It is fully six inches deep on the level and is forming an excellent cover for winter wheat. The mercury stood 9 degrees below zero this morning.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—This morning was the coldest of the season, 14 degrees below zero. Sleighing on the streets is fine and is being taken advantage of by the young people. Probably one-half of the corn in this county is not yet husked and will no doubt remain in the fields until spring. The farmer who has hay to sell has struck a gold mine.

Tecumseh Notes.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The Johnson County Agricultural and Mechanical association elected new officers as follows: Theodore Smith, president; Moses Roberts, vice president; A. W. Buffum, secretary; A. O. Shaw, treasurer; A. C. Sullivan, William Ernst and G. D. Bennett, directors. The county fair will be held the last week in September next year.

The Johnson County Farmers' Fire and Insurance company has made its annual report. Forty-one members have been gained during the last year and the total membership is now 182. The insurance in force is $251,408; losses paid during the year, $297.75; expenses, $123.88; total cost for running company last year, $421.63. But one assessment has been made on its members in three years, and that was but one-tenth of 1 per cent of the amount of insurance. It is a growing institution.

Two Burglaries at Red Cloud.

RED CLOUD, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Thursday night the meat shop of C. E. Reynolds was entered and about twenty-five pounds of meat was taken. This occurred at about 10:30 p. m. and soon after the parties who did the work were seen in a saloon, having left the meat outside. Upon being questioned by the night watch they said the meat had been purchased at another market. Inquiry at that market showed that the latter statement was false. Upon being accused the men confessed and settled the affair by paying for the meat.

The drug store of C. L. Cotting was also entered, but nothing is known to have been taken.

Iowa Bootlegger Gathered In.

ASHLAND, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—United States Deputy Marshal A. G. Keim of Beatrice, accompanied by Constable Elmer E. Corwin of Ashland, went to Memphis, a small town seven miles northwest of here, last evening, where they placed George Dessauer under arrest for conducting a hole-in-the-wall. Dessauer is wanted at Griswold, Ia., on this charge. When arrested he was plying the same trade at Memphis, where Armour's big ice house is being constructed. He will be turned over to the Iowa authorities to answer to the charge of bootlegging before the United States district court in session at Des Moines.

Two Freight Trains Collide.

TRENTON, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—A rear end collision occurred at an early hour yesterday morning a few miles east of here between the two sections of No. 89, freight. It appears that the engine of the first section had become disabled in some way and had stopped for repairs, when the second section came crashing into it in the rear. The caboose and a couple of flat cars were thrown from the track, and the caboose was entirely consumed by fire. No one was hurt, but all trains were delayed about five hours before workmen could clear the track. The morning freight did not arrive here until 12 o'clock.

Gets Thirty Days.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The police last evening arrested a man giving his name as Berry Whalen as a suspicious character. When searched three checks on the American State bank of Yankton, S. D., were found on his person for $11, $8 and $5.60, respectively, payable to Perry Whalen and dated December 1, November 22 and December 8, and signed by different parties. He was arraigned this morning on a charge of vagrancy, to which he seemed very anxious to plead guilty, and was given thirty days in the county jail. City Marshal Stiles notified the Yankton bank of his arrest.

New Theater Opened.

NEBRASKA CITY, Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Overland theater, just completed at a cost of nearly $25,000, by ex-Secretary Morton, was formally thrown open to the public this evening by a performance of Frohman's "Secret Service." The house was designed by Sidney Lovell of Chicago and was built by Hamilton Brothers of Omaha. It is thoroughly modern in all its appointments and equal to any playhouse in the state. Upon the drop curtain is portrayed a scene familiar to the pioneers of the western prairies, viz: A band of Cheyenne Indians in the act of attacking the "Overland stage" in the valley of the Little Blue, about 100 miles from Nebraska City, in 1864. The seating capacity of the house was taxed to its utmost. Resolutions complimenting Mr. Morton were passed by the audience, to which he responded briefly. His sons, Joy, Paul and Mark of Chicago, with their families, were in attendance.

West Point Happenings.

WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Sheriff Phillips returned Thursday from Lincoln, to which place he took William Ream to serve a six-year term in the penitentiary.

A suit for divorce was filed last Monday by Mrs. Anna Shada against her husband, Anton Shada.

The 8-year-old daughter of Gottlieb Furchert, who lives seven miles north of West Point, who was so severely burned about two weeks ago that portions of the flesh dropped from her breast and neck, continued to live until yesterday morning when death came to her relief.

Williams Case Postponed.

YORK, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The preliminary hearing in the case of the State of Nebraska against Wilburn L. Williams, the alleged seducer of Mildred Carnahan, was to be held in the county court today, but at the request of the attorneys it was postponed until December 27. An effort is being made to settle the affair out of court. The girl is anxious to marry Williams, but her parents are emphatic in their refusal and are desirous of an energetic prosecution.

Court at Ponca.

PONCA, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The case of Nebraska against Frank Powell was made $65 and costs. Walter Groves was given eighteen months in state's prison for housebreaking. In the Strugh against Harrisons injunction case, wherein the defendants have taken "squatters' claims" on accretion land belonging to Strugh, the judge dismissed the case without prejudice, the plaintiff paying costs. Court adjourned Friday evening.

Accidental Shooting.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Lodell Stafford, a lad of 15 years, met with a serious if not fatal accident today while hunting rabbits. He fired one barrel of his gun at the rabbit, wounding it, and ran to pick it up when it jumped away from him. He struck at it with the but of his gun, discharging the other barrel and sending the load through the palm of his hand and his groin.

Goes to the Jury.

LEXINGTON, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The case of Thomas Maudlin, on trial for killing Sylvester Wyman, went to the jury today. The evidence introduced was of such a nature as to establish the fact that Wyman had made repeated threats to "kill Maudlin on sight," and tending to establish the best reputation for Maudlin.

Off for California.

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—About twenty families from Hastings will start next Tuesday for California, where they all go with the intention of residing. Among those going are: August Berg and family, Joe Story and family, Mrs. L. A. George and mother, W. S. Bowen and family and F. J. Gibout and family.

Modern Woodmen Banquet.

HARVARD, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—H. M. Boydston, deputy head consul of the Modern Woodmen of America, gave an address Thursday evening in the interest of the order. The camp held a banquet and Mr. Boydston talked to the invited guests on the benefits derived from the order.

Has a Bad Fall.

LEXINGTON, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Jay Hull, a bartender, slipped and fell on an icy spot at night, breaking his leg. He crawled to the nearest residence, freezing his hands badly in doing so.

Taking Depositions in Arson Case.

BLAIR, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Clark O'Hanlon, county attorney of this county, and Judge Duffie of Omaha were in Sac City, Ia., this week taking depositions in the arson case of the State against George Knight and Mrs. E. L. Barker of Arlington, accused of setting the fire which nearly wiped out the business part of that town. The defendants formerly resided in Sac City.

Home Minstrels at Falls City.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Great preparations are being made for the minstrel show to be given Christmas night. The talent is composed of young men from this city and is under the guidance of Will Haskell of Atchison. The proceeds are for the United Charities of this city.

Struck by a Train.

CRAB ORCHARD, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Winfred Vernon, a boy of 18, was struck by the westbound B. & M. passenger train on a bad crossing three miles east of this place today and narrowly escaped instant death. His teeth were knocked out, his head was bruised and he was hurt internally.

Burglars at Work.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—This evening while J. H. Berryman was temporarily absent from his store for a few minutes parties entered the store and tapped the cash drawer, securing some $40.

FORECAST OF TODAY'S WEATHER.

Partly Cloudy, Warmer and East to Southeast Winds.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Forecast for Sunday:

For Nebraska and Iowa—Partly cloudy weather; warmer; east to southeast winds.

For Missouri—Threatening weather, with light snow in southern portion; slowly rising temperature; easterly winds.

For Kansas—Threatening weather; warmer; southeasterly winds.

For South Dakota—Fair; warmer; southeasterly winds.

For Wyoming—Threatening weather; warmer; easterly winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Dec. 18.—Omaha record of rainfall and temperature compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1897.	1896.	1895.	1894.
Maximum temperature	9	28	39	51
Minimum temperature	—12	20	29	33
Average temperature	—2	24	34	42
Rainfall	.00	T	.00	.00

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1897:

Normal for the day	27
Deficiency for the day	29
Accumulated excess since March 1	208
Normal rainfall for the day	.03 inch
Deficiency for the day	.03 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	19.47 inches
Deficiency since March 1	10.35 inches
Excess for cor. period, 1896	5.06 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1895	10.58 inches

L. A. WELSH,
Local Forecast Official.

T indicates trace of precipitation.

The widow appeals to the sympathy of even the most callous-hearted. Here is a woman still in the springtime of life, deprived of the stay and support upon which she had every right to depend, and her future overshadowed by the loss of the one man in all the world upon whom she had centered her love and affection. A man has no right to sacrifice his life in the mad race for money, by neglecting his bodily health. A man owes it to himself and to his wife and children to live a long and helpful life. If a man would live he must keep health.

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