

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Smoke "J. A. B." cigar. Finest work, Bluff City Laundry. Stocked Carpet Co., 205-207 Broadway. Moore's food kills worms and fatness. C. B. Jacquemin & Co., jewelers and opticians, 27 South Main street. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Potter of Grinnell arrived yesterday on a visit to the exposition.

PRICES ON BRICK PAVING.

City Engineer Etnyre Tabulates the Bid Sent in Thursday. WICKHAM THE LOWEST ON ALL PLANS. Top Course Will Decide the Cost and the Taxpayers Have the Choice of Which Particular Sort Will Be Put Down. A tabulation by City Engineer Etnyre of the bids for paving opened by the city council Wednesday night shows E. A. Wickham to be the lowest bidder on all classes of brick and the contract will undoubtedly be awarded to him at the regular meeting of the city fathers next Monday night.

HARD LUCK FOR DEMOCRATS.

State Central Committee Finds Itself in Great Straits. Even Ex-Governor Horace Boies Says He Will Not Get Out and Talk-Marchalltown Platform Causes the Defection. DES MOINES, Sept. 30.—(Special Telegram)—The democratic state central committee today postponed the opening of its campaign until October 11, when it will be opened simultaneously in each district if the speakers can be secured. The committee is in a pickle. The first work of the committee upon opening headquarters in Des Moines was to prepare and send out to all the well known leaders in the party nicely worded invitations to take an active part in the campaign. These letters were couched in language which fairly bristled with patriotic sentiment and glowed with hope.

NOTES FROM THE COURT.

Judge Woodcock yesterday afternoon and left for his home in Mount Pleasant. A motion for a new trial in the case of J. L. Fuller against Sue A. Hoyt was filed. Judge Macy adjourned district court yesterday afternoon until 1:30 o'clock Monday. In the case of the Sterling Manufacturing company against Frank A. Blaisy, on motion of the plaintiff Judge Macy issued an order directing Blaisy to produce in court the ledger and all checks issued against Officer & Pusey's bank from January 1, 1896, to January 31, 1897. The will of the late Prof. G. L. Wyckoff was filed for probate yesterday. It is the last will of the deceased, in the hands of James J. Parker of Olathe, Kan., as trustee of his estate for the benefit of his wife and children. The will is dated March 23, 1889, and at the time it was made Prof. Wyckoff owned considerable property, but his estate at the time of his death consisted of a policy of insurance for \$3,000 in the Royal Arcanum. James Mortenson commenced suit yesterday against N. N. Williams and the Crescent Coal and Mining company to have certain undivided interests partitioned. The Crescent Coal and Mining company had secured a judgment in the circuit court of \$1,433.42, which had become a lien on the property in question, which consists of certain real estate. Mortenson claims to own fifty-five one-hundredths and Williams the other forty-five one-hundredths and as they are unable to mutually agree on equitable division of it Mortenson asks the court to do so or else order it sold and the proceeds of the sale divided among them according to their interests, the judgment of the Crescent Coal company to be deducted from that belonging to Williams.

WHERE APPLES ARE RAISED.

Northern Iowa is Favorably Located for Fruit Growers. "No section of the country has produced better apples this year than has the territory contiguous to Sioux City, including northwestern Iowa, northeastern Nebraska and southwestern South Dakota," declared I. N. Stone before a train for Ponca, Neb., at which place he has a large apple orchard. Mr. Stone is quite enthusiastic over the possibilities of this section for apple growing. He says the soil and the climate are well adapted to the production of apples, and he thinks the prospects for the development of the industry are bright. In past years, it seems, some of the fruit growers of this vicinity became discouraged through the lack of success in growing apples and came to the conclusion that the conditions here are not suitable for apple growing. Mr. Stone declares now that there is not a section in the country which has produced as good an apple crop this year as has the Sioux City territory. There are 6,000 apple trees in Sherwood's orchard near Ponca, Neb., which is the apple field in which Mr. Stone is interested with Day Bros. of Ponca. About one-half of the trees bear fruit this year, the other half being yet too young. On trees from ten to twelve years old the yield was from three to six bushels per tree, which is an excellent yield. About fifteen varieties of apples are grown in this orchard, the most prominent varieties being as follows: Duchesse of Oldenburg, Wealthy, Ben Davis, Snow, Walbridge, Jonathan, Jeanette and Hans. All the apples which have been taken from the Sherwood orchard have been sold to a local commission house. This firm has received apples this year from Michigan, Missouri and other sections, but the buyer assured Mr. Stone that only one shipment of apples received this year could compare with the fruit which came from the Ponca farm. The apples of which the commission man spoke had come from Hurley, S. D., where some fruit has been grown this season. "Michigan and Missouri apples," said Mr. Stone, "seemingly are outshined this year by South Dakota, Nebraska and Iowa apples."

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