

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Moore's food kills worms and fattens. Budweiser beer. Rosenfeld agent. Victor hot water heaters at Bixby's. Judson, painter, 925 6th ave. Tel. 248. Perry pictures for sale. C. E. Alexander & Co., 45 South Main street. C. B. Jacquemin & Co., jewelers and opticians, 27 South Main street. Mrs. Frank Peterson reported to be seriously ill with appendicitis. Calantha Assembly, No. 1, Pythian Sisterhood, will meet this afternoon in Concordia hall. F. E. Yost of this city has been promoted to state inspector for Nebraska for the Nebraska Telephone company. John Traver, county attorney of Harrison county, was in the city yesterday on business connected with the district court. Miss Lulu Van Brunt, cashier of Hamilton's shoe store, has gone to Langford and Aberdeen, S. D., to spend her vacation. H. V. Luster, traveling passenger agent of the Denver & Rio Grande railway, with headquarters at Kansas City, was in the city yesterday. The Union Transfer company reported to the police yesterday that two trunks containing money had been stolen during the preceding night from their place on South Main street. Elizabeth, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. H. Thomas, died Monday night. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon and burial was in the Lewis township cemetery. The cow supposed to have been stolen from James O'Brien of 1622 South Tenth street early Monday morning, was found yesterday quietly grazing in a field near the old stockyards. The Misses Marie Bryant and Alice Bonham left last evening for their vacation and will visit different points of interest in Colorado. They will be gone for a week or more during part of their stay in that state. The funeral of the late James Clinch, an old-time resident of this city, was held yesterday morning from the residence of the Rev. Father Smythe officiating. The pallbearers were Thomas Galvin, S. Holm, J. McKendry, J. Mulqueen and M. J. Keller. H. J. Pullen, a former resident of this city, is reported to have discovered a rich gold mine in Ashland, N. C. Two years ago Pullen discovered a rich mine in Colorado, but lost it. He is now trying to find it again. Clarence Fields, alias "Ginger," a colored lad who has been a well-known character around Council Bluffs for several years, was fined \$20 and costs yesterday by Acting Police Judge Vlen on a charge of vagrancy. The fine was suspended on condition Fields leave the city. Herman Lubbe, in charge of the barn at Neumayer's hotel, hung up his vest, containing his gold watch and chain, in the office of the barn yesterday morning. When he went to look at the time a little later he found his vest, but the timepiece and chain were missing. He notified the police. Pleasant township filed notice of appeal yesterday from the decision of the county assessors raising the assessment of the township. The county board raised the assessment of \$7.90 an acre as returned by the township assessor to \$10, an increase of 22 per cent. Assistant County Attorney Kimball was yesterday appointed guardian by Judge Smith of the district court of the estate of the old man committed Monday to the county jail under the state vagrancy law. It is understood that Martin is possessed of some property. A young man, well dressed and apparently respectable, hired a saddle horse Monday afternoon from George Armstrong, the proprietor of the St. Joe House barn. His failure to return the horse and saddle yesterday morning has led Armstrong to believe that his horse and saddle have been stolen. He has placed the matter in the hands of the authorities. J. M. Fisher, an old soldier, who has been in the city for the last three days, was picked up by Detective Weir last night with a set of single harness and several carpenter's tools, which had been stolen from a building and charged with larceny from a building in the night-time. Ernest Goodman, charged with complicity in the theft of a quantity of copper wire, the property of the Council Bluffs Gas and Electric company, had his preliminary hearing before Justice Ferrier yesterday morning. The case against Goodman was dismissed. The hearing in the bankruptcy proceedings of Grant & Glou of Council Bluffs, was held by Judge Woolson in Des Moines next Friday. The attorney representing Woolson asking for a continuance of the hearing. The case goes to Judge Woolson on appeal from Referee Mayne. N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 250.

DEMOCRACY IS TORN ASUNDER

Four Dissenting Factions Among Those of the Bourbon Persuasion.

EACH ONE IS AFTER THE OTHER'S SCALP

Unless Some Sort of Truce is Patched Up Party Success Will Be Endangered at the Polls.

Local democrats are beginning to discuss the coming campaign and the possible party candidates for the several county offices to be voted on this fall. Local democracy at present is not a unit by any means. In fact, there are several factions in the rank and file. Ever since the inauguration of Mayor Jennings' administration there have been a number of soreheads among the lesser fry, consisting chiefly of those who failed to secure recognition at the political counter. This feeling of hostility was intensified when the appointments were made to the police force and a number of disgruntled and disappointed would-be peace officers were added to the list of malcontents. Recently the organization of the Jeffersonian club has not tended to smooth over matters in the party, but is responsible for the formation of another faction known as the Jefferson club gang. There is a belief among a large number of the rank and file of the local democracy that the club was organized for the special benefit of a few, chief among the few being Brooks Reed, who, besides holding the position of city treasurer, is also chairman of the democratic county central committee. Reed's opponents in his party claim that he wants to be czar and run the county machinery to suit himself and his particular friends. Reed, it is said, has aspirations to be county treasurer, and to this end is said to be working the Jefferson club racket for all it is worth. The big banquet announced for the night before the county convention is claimed to be simply a scheme on his part and his adherents to capture the convention body and soul.

Four Distinct Factions.

At present there are practically four distinct factions in the local democratic party, the anti-administration, the administration, the Jefferson club, and the clubless. Each faction, it is said, intends to have a ticket in the field this fall, and the democratic county convention promises to be a warm number, unless the trouble at present existing is smoothed over and the white-winged dove of peace induced to hover once more over the warring politicians.

Some of the Candidates.

The nomination for sheriff will also, it is promised, be a bone of contention among the several factions. Chief of Police Bixby said he has set his eye upon the office and feels confident that if he can secure the nomination of his party his personal popularity would insure his election over the republican nominee, no matter who the latter might be. The anti-administration faction, it is said, will center their forces on John Hazen of Avoca, who is no stranger to the sheriff's office. Hazen is also said to be a candidate for state representative, his name being coupled with that of William H. Ware of this city for the other nomination. For state senator the names of Dr. S. B. Tobes of Oakland and Dr. J. W. Hempstead of Carson are most prominently mentioned. For county superintendent of schools it is conceded by all the factions that Prof. Sawyer is entitled to a renomination, and over this particular office he does not promise to be any contention. Dr. Waterman, it is said, will be given the nomination for coroner as a balm to his feelings, he having been defeated by the republican nominee, Dr. V. L. Treynor, last year.

Case Against Barber Bernardi.

Set for Hearing This Afternoon Before Justice Osborne.

The case against Fritz Bernardi, proprietor of the Grand hotel barber shop, charged with keeping open for business Sunday week, is set for hearing this afternoon before Justice Osborne of Hazel Dell township. According to present arrangements the trial will be had in Weston and Bernardi will demand that it be had before a jury. A number of influential business and professional men will accompany Bernardi and attend the hearing. The threat of the Barbers' Protective association that information would be filed yesterday against the proprietors of the shops who kept open last Sunday was not made good. No informations were filed and it is understood the association is awaiting the result of the case against Bernardi before taking any further steps. The statement published in some of the papers that the Central Labor union was backing the Barbers' Protective association in its fight to enforce the observance of the Sunday closing law is denied by the officers of the union. They also repudiate the published report that the union was financially backing the fight. The only connection the union has with the barbers is that at the last meeting a committee from the Barbers' association waited on the union and asked if the association was entitled to representation in the union. The committee was informed that it had. The union, however, is willing to aid the barbers in an effort to secure shorter hours.

Welsch burners at Bixby's. Tel. 192.

Oleomargarine Seized.

C. E. Luther, in charge of a boarding car on the Northwestern road, where the work of double tracking is being carried on, was arrested yesterday afternoon on the charge of having for use oleomargarine colored to imitate butter. The information was filed in Justice Ferrier's court by Deputy Dairy Commissioner W. A. Groneweg. Three fifty-pound tubs were seized by the constable. Luther put up a cash bond of \$25 for his appearance in court this morning.

Scientific optician, Wollman, 309 Brd'way.

Lane Case Again Postponed.

The preliminary examination of John M. Lane on the charge of embezzlement preferred by the Milwaukee Railway company was again continued in Justice Ferrier's court yesterday morning. This time the hearing was continued for two weeks for

CONDITION OF IOWA CROPS

Reports from Correspondents Summarized for General Reading.

PERCENTAGE IS BELOW THE AVERAGE

Withdrawal of Candidate for Supreme Judge on United Christian Party Ticket is Now Announced.

DES MOINES, July 11.—(Special.)—Reports received so far in July have enabled the service to prepare a partial list of averages as to the condition of the crops of the state. The percentage is somewhat below the average for this time of year, and the crops show a poor condition. The summary for the week as made out by the Iowa weather and crop service is as follows: The average temperature last week was reduced somewhat below normal by cool nights and showery weather. In the larger part of the state the amount of rainfall was seasonable and beneficial to crops, but there was some local excess in portions of the central and southern sections. Wind storms with heavy rains on the nights of the 5th and 6th caused some damage to corn and rank fields of oats and other small grain in the central and northern sections. On the whole crops are doing fairly well. A large portion of the early planted corn has been cut by the good progress has been made in cultivating late planted corn fields. Barley is ripening and much of it is ready for harvest. Oats are considerably lodged, but are still filling well and promising a fair yield. Spring wheat is doing well with no signs of material damage by rust or lodging. Rye is mostly in the shock, all of it in progress with less than a normal yield. Reports from county and township correspondents for July have been summarized, and the following averages of condition: Wheat, 93.5; corn, 83; oats, 96; rye, 80; barley, 97; flax, 94; millet, 97; sorghum, 87; hay, 82; potatoes, 100; sweet potatoes, 96; fruit, 89; plum, 85; grapes, 45.

Fire Destroys Old Landmark.

Building at 230 Broadway Falls Prey to the Flames.

The building at 230 Broadway, occupied by James Jacoby, the expressman, as a barn, was totally destroyed by fire last night shortly after 8 o'clock. In addition to a quantity of hay and feed, four wagons and several sets of harness, which were consumed, six horses and one mule perished in the flames. The building is owned by Dwight Plattner, who, owing to the fact that it had been vacant for some time, carried no insurance. Jacoby carried \$500 insurance on his wagons and horses. The building was a well-known landmark in the city. The fire started in the rear of the building, which was a quantity of loose hay was stored. The flames spread rapidly and by the time the department arrived on the scene the building was a smoking mass of smoldering ruins. The doors, both front and back, were locked, Jacoby having gone home to his supper, and the firemen had considerable difficulty in obtaining an entrance, being obliged to batter the doors down. One wagon and a small amount of baled hay was all that the firemen were able to get out of the building.

Second floor of Undertaker Lunkley's building on the east was damaged to a considerable extent by fire and water and William Smith's confectionery store on the second floor was damaged somewhat by water.

Mr. Lunkley was unable to get out of the building. The fire attracted an immense crowd and Broadway was filled for a couple of blocks with people. Street car traffic was delayed for nearly an hour owing to the hose being laid across the tracks. A section of hose on Bryant street, with which the firemen were fighting, was cut by the rear of the burning building, burst and a crowd of women in the immediate vicinity were treated to an involuntary shower bath. The excellent work of the fire department prevented what might have been a serious conflagration.

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PROMISE OF EXCELLENT CROPS.

Outlook is Now Good for a Fine Yield All Around.

Colonel W. J. Hazen of the Burlington, who returned yesterday from a short trip down the road, says crops everywhere look splendid and that the farmers are correspondingly happy. The prospects for corn are excellent, except that in some very low places, which have received the wash from the higher ground, the crop is not so good. Best of condition, but such acreage is small. Spring wheat, he says, is looking grand, the stand good and it is heading nicely. The prospects for a big crop of oats were never better and if not beaten down by heavy rain or wind, the yield promises to be the largest in the history of this section of the state. Although the acreage of winter wheat is small, what there is of it is in first-class condition and much of it is being cut now. Many farmers, he says, are repeating that they ploughed up their winter wheat, as it has turned out very well. There is an immense growth of hay everywhere and the timothy is now being cut. Potatoes show a great growth and promise an immense yield. There is plenty of moisture to carry them along some time yet without any rain.

Cattle in this section, Colonel Davenport says, are getting a little fat, but stock is practically all gone. Hogs are unusually plentiful and in most localities free from disease. The prospects all round, according to Colonel Davenport, are most encouraging for the farmers of this section of the country.

Davis sells the best hammocks.

Benjamin Divorce Case.

The Benjamin divorce case will have to be tried in the district court here. Word was received from Des Moines yesterday, where the case had been taken on a change of venue, that Judge Prouty had refused to hear it on the grounds that the cause of transfer was not shown to be in the hands of the association. "The Bench and its Relation to the Bar," G. H. Carr, Des Moines; "The Dutch Lawyer," Fred Heinz, Davenport; "The County Lawyer," G. C. Scott, Le Mars; "The Last Gusher," D. C. Chase, Webster; "The Law and the Land," W. W. Muller, Waterloo; "The Uncle Sam's Plopping Machine," Cato Sells, Vinton; "The Irish Lawyer in the Fight for Liberty," P. E. C. Lally, Denison; "The Public Kodak, Third and Last Call," S. Gilliland, Glenwood; "The Local Bar," W. H. Barnhart, Sioux City.

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