#### INTEREST FROM NEWS OF

## COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass. Victor hot water heaters at Bixby's. Moore's food kill's worms and fattens. Passepartouts, C. E. Alexander & Co. Budweiser beer. L. Rosenfeldt, agent. Judson, pasturage, 929 6th ave. Tel. 248. C. B. Jacquemin & Co., jewelers and op-

ticians, 27 South Main street. Get your work done at the popular Eagle aundry, 724 Broadway. 'Phone 157.

Sheriff Tubbs of Mills county was in the city yesterday on his way home to Glenwood om South Omaha. Mrs. M. V. Slead and her daughter, Miss

Hattie, have gone to Colorado Springs for the benefit of the latter's health. Steve Morrisey of Harlan, formerly clerk of the courts of Harlan county, was in the city yesterday calling on friends.

Miss Nellie Kennedy of Logan was in the city yesterday on her way to Pueblo, where she goes to spend the sum-

employes at Holst's livery barn on Scott street killed a terrier dog last even-ing that was supposed to be suffering from General E. F. Test returned last evening

from Laramie, Wyo., where he accompanied the party of geologists who are investigating the fossils of that state. Gus Hinrichs secured a building permit yesterday for the erection of a two-story brick building on his property at the cor-

of Broadway and Seventh street, to The hearing of arguments in the suit brought by J. J. Shea to restrain the city from refunding the general fund and water fund outstanding warrants was continued in district court yesterday by Judge Smith till

J. C. Bixby of this city has been awarded the contracts for the heating plants in the Jefferson school at Red Oak, Ia., the Died-erich block at Avoca, Ia., and the lighting system in T. B. Hord's new residence at

Central City, Neb. Earl, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hough of Hazel Dell, died yesterday morning from cholera infantum, aged 2 year and 6 months. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 1 o'clock from the family residence. Burial will be in the Boomer

Frank Snethen, arrested on an information filed by Mrs. Jack Snethen, charging him with being mentally deranged, was dis-charged yesterday on order of the insanity commissioners. This was the second attempt made by Snethen's relatives to get him

committed to the asylum. Rev. G. P. Fry, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church, announces as the sub-ject of his sermon for tomorrow evening, "Skepticism, Its Ruinous Effects." The dis-course will be the third of the series on the perils of city life now being delivered by Rev. Fry under the auspices of the Ep-worth league of the church.

The hearing of the first report of N. M Pusey, executor under the will of the late Sarah J. Ballard, was had yesterday before Judge Smith in the district court and the report was approved in all respects. The court allowed Pusey & McGee \$1,000 for at torneys' fees in connection with the man-agement of the estate. This item in the re-port had been objected to by the heirs of Mrs. Ballard.

The funeral of the late H. G. P. Oblinger was held yesterday afternoon from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. I. M. Treynor, and was attended by a large number of the friends of the deceased. The services of the Episcopal church were conducted by Rev. George Edward Walk, rector of St. Paul's church, assisted by Rev. T. J. Mackay of Omaha. Many beautiful floral offerings graced the casket. The pallbearers were: Messrs. Thomas Metcalf, H. W. Binder, C. Sherraden, W. F. Sapp, B. M. Sargent and W. C. Unthank.

The baby daughter of T. C. Carroll, 910 Avenue A, was seriously injured last even-The child was playing with some small companions on the sidewalk in front of her home when a horse and buggy belonging to H. P. Nelson, the Broadway blacksmith, came tearing down the street. The other children managed to get out of the way as the horse dashed on the sidewalk, but the baby was knocked down and trampled on The horse running into a tree was the only thing that saved the child from being stantly killed. The child's head and t badly bruised and it is feared that it is hurt internally.

N. V. Plumbing company. Tel. 250. Clothing clearing sale, Metcalf's.

Davis sells paint. Suit. \$6. Metcalf's.

Money for Company L The efforts of the Woman's Sanitary Re lief commission resulted in \$408 being subscribed to the hospital fund for the boys of Walters had performed a criminal operation Company L. This amount was telegraphed to New York last night to be capled direct failed of the result desired and that he then escape from the building just as the roof to Surgeon Macrae at Manila. In memory bad supplied her with medicine which she came tumbling down and escaped with but of the gallant young officer whose tragic alleged produced the premature and still a few bruises from the falling plaster. Defund raised yesterday was dedicated as the called to attend the woman Thursday morn- cause of the foundation giving way. John L. Moore Hospital fund. A special ing after the birth, testified as to the conmeeting of the commission has been called dition of the woman and that there were for this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the city building to determine whether a special cable shall be sent to Surgeon Macrae noti- for the purpose of concealing the birth of On the last occasion when \$500 was cabled corroborated his wife's testimony and stated to Manila for the hospital fund, the money that they had promised to pay Walters \$10 club and the meeting in consequence fell being the proceeds of the entertainment to produce the abortion. Of this sum he at the Dohany theater, it lay for had paid \$2. several weeks in the bank at Manila before reaching Surgeon Macrae.

Examine the \$6 suits. Metcalf's.

Welsbach burners at Bixby's. Tel. 193.

Suit, \$6. Metcalf's.

Bon-Ton Millinery Store removed to Bel linger block, 618 Broadway, opposite P. O. All wool suits, \$3.85. Metcalf's.

Real Estate Transfers. The following transfers were filed yester day in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street: W. H. Fensler and wife to Theophilus

F. G. Hoellworth, part of sections 1 and 12-77-45, w. d. Wallace T. Hanford and wife to G. A. Bloom, lot 11, Railroad add. to Car-son, w. d. .\$12,00 Bloom and wife to J. W. Hem-lot 11. Railroad add., Carson, Corne tus H. Smith and wife to Chi-

cago, Burliagton & Quincy Raliroad Co., lot 6 block 27, Everett's add. to Council Bluffs, w. d. heriff to M. C. Christensen, lot 8, block 3, Babbitt Place, Council Bluffs sh. d.

block 3. Babbitt Place, Council Bluffs, sh. d.

Same to Belkman Savings bank, lot 3 and sl. tot 2. in block 1. Oak Grove add., Council Bluffs, sh. d.

Lettleton Savings bank to Henry F. It hims, lot 25, block i, Sackett's add., Council Bluffs, w. d.

Thomas Meredith and wire to Pottawattamie County Fair association of Avoca, blocks 12, 15, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, Meredith's add. to Town of Avoca, w. d.

Eight transfers, aggregating ....

Examine the \$6 suits. Metcalf's. O. Younkerman & Co., grape baskets, bar

rels, and all fruit packages. All wool suits, \$3.85. Metcalf's. Wanted, carriers for Bee routes. Appl

LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES BOUGHT For Cash or Loaned On.

E. H. SHEAFE & CO.,

5 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa

Special Meeting of the City Council is Called for Tonight.

TO SETTLE BRIDGE QUESTION

TO DECIDE ON INDIAN CREEK BRIDGE

Mayor Jennings Wants the Controversy Between the City and the Union Pacific Railway Company Settled.

Mayor Jennings yesterday isoued a call for a special meeting of the city council to be held this evening for the purpose of avenues. the resolution was duly adopted by the coun-10. Four of the aldermen voted in favor Jennings, acting on the opinion of City Solicitor Wadsworth, ruled that it was lost, holding that such a resolution required the vote of the majority.

tends that the resolution was adopted, while erty. the mayor and certain members of the

The opposition of certain of the aldermen to granting the Union Pacific permission to for effecting the trade. build the bridge is due to the fact that the railroad has refused to pay the city taxes on the east side of the bridge over the Missouri for the years 1897 and 1898 on the grounds that, as the bridge does not reeive any benefit from the levy of such taxes, it ought to be classed with property within the corporate limits held solely for agricultural purposes and exempt from city taxes, but has refused the city and now owes \$3,071.25 for 1897 and \$3,675 for 1898. ment of these taxes by the city in the name of the country treasurer and is now pending in the federal court, having been transferred there from the district court on ap-

plication of the Union Pacific. The refusal to grant the raiload permission to build its bridge over Indian creek is based on the grounds that by so doing the city would waive its rights to Union avenue, which it is claimed the Union Pacific has forfeited by not adhering to the terms and provisions of the ordinance granting it the franchise. Those aldermen opposed to the esolution admit that they believe in holding the Union avenue matter as a club over the railway, returned to Chicago last evening. head of the railway to force it to pay the Before leaving he said there were no new detaxes on the bridge. If the railway would velopments in the Lane affair and that as consent to pay these taxes they say they far as he had been advised no settlement would have no objection to voting for the of the shortage had been made. He said resolution. It is generally conceded that a he expected the appointment of an agent new bridge over the creek at Union and to succeed Lane would be made in a few Fifth avenues is a necessity, as the present days. Mr. Robertson will return in time for structure is in a somewhat dangerous con-

All wool suits, \$3.85. Metcalf's.

WALTERS LANGUISHES IN JAIL. Placed There by the Authorities on

Charge of Malpraetice.

As a result of the investigation by Coroner Treynor into the circumstances surrounding the premature birth of a child at the home of George H. Tarrant, 1106 Avenue E. Walters was arrested on a charge of malpractice and was committed to the county

iail in default of \$1,000 bail.

evidences of malpractice. Tarrant, the husband of the woman, who

The jury, comprised of H. FitzWarren, T. J. E. as and Thomas Eaton, brought in a verdict to the effect that the baby was born rematurely and that said premature birth

was brought about by the criminal acts of J. F. Walters.

Immediately upon the finding of the jury Coroner Treynor issued a warrant for the arrest of Walters, who was taken into custody by Constable Baird of Justice Ferrier's court. Justice Ferrier placed Walter's bail at \$1,000, which he was unable t furnish and he was committed to the county

Walters, although styling himself "Doc tor," is not a registered practitioner. Three years ago he was arrested at the instance of the officers of the Council Bluffs Medical society for practicing as a physician without a state license. At the time Walters signed an agreement to discontinue pracicing until he had a legal right to do so The prosecution was then dropped, but the officers of the society claim that Walters has never secured the right to practice. Mrs. Trarant was reported in a critical condition yesterday and that there was a possibility of the charge against Walters eing changed to a more serious one.

After he had been in jail for several hours Justice Ferrier reduced Walters' ball to \$500. which he managed to furnish. Walters admitted giving Mrs. Tarrant medicine, but denied that he had ever performed any criminal operation on her.

Suit, \$6. Metcalf's.

Taylor Fined One Dollar. Judge Smith of the district court yesterday affirmed the ruling of Justice Ferrier in the case of Dulen Taylor, the proprietor of he Ogden house barber shop, charged with keeping his place of business open last Sunday. The appeal from the justice court was submitted on the law of the case alone, the plaintiff waiving a jury and argument. The ourt ordered that the defendant pay the fine f \$1 and costs as assessed by Justice Ferier, or else be committed to the county jail for one day. There was some talk yesterday of taking the case to the supreme ourt, but this has not yet been definitely decided. The members of the Barbers' Pro- his wife with an ax while she was asleep.

tective association, who are fighting to enforce the Sunday closing law, are jubilant | PURSUING UNFAIR METHODS over the decision of the district court, as they regard it as a justification of their

Crothing clearing sale, Metcalf's,

WOULD HAVE TRADE SET ASIDE

Swap of Hotel Property for Texas Land Unsatisfactory to Brown, H. E. Brown, who in the early part of last year purchased the Ogden hotel property in this city from the Danforth estate and later traded it for a large slice of Texas land, is now seeking the aid of the district court to have the trade set aside and regain possession of the hotel. The papers in the suit were filed yesterday, H. H. Rowland and his wife, Mattle O. Rowland, and B, W. Rowland being named as de-

In his petition the plaintiff, H. E. Brown, sets up that on July 12 of last year, being then the owner of the Ogden hotel, fixtures and appurtenances thereto, he entered into The commission is investigating the methods a contract with H. H. Rowland to trade it for twenty-nine sections of farming land trusts of the country. Mr. Dunshee claims a foot in diameter at the mouth. taking some action in the matter of the in Crockett county, Texas, which the latter resolution granting the Union Pacific Rail- claimed to own free of all incumbrances exoad company permission to erect a new cept the regular taxes for 1898. It developed bridge over Indian creek at Fifth and Union that the title to the Texas land was held The necessity of some definite in the name of B. W. Rowland, who claimed action in the matter lies in the fact that to be simply trustee for H. H. Rowland. the attorneys for the railroad claim that The latter secured a deed from B. W. Rowland and conveyed the land to Brown cil, while Mayor Jennings ruled that it had, who on August 20 last, in compliance with allowance of the inmates of the institutions been lost. The resolution was introduced the contract, executed and delivered to H. at the meeting of the council Monday, July H. Rowland a warranty deed for the hotel property. One of the terms of sale was state this year a total of \$60,000. This of its adoption and three against. Mayor that H. H. Rowland should assume a \$12,000 incumbrance on the hotel.

When Brown investigated the abstract of title to his Texas property he alleges that he discovered that in place of the land The attorneys for the Union Pacific, on being free from incumbrances, as claimed by the other hand, hold that the resolution only Rowland, it was plastered all over with required a majority vote for its adoption liens and mortgages and that the abstract, and, in pursuance of their opinion, filed a he alleges, was fraudulent and made with the written notice with the city clerk last purpose of defrauding him. A few days after Monday to the effect that in pursuance of the trade H. H. Rowland reconveyed the the terms and conditions contained in the Ogden hotel property to B. W. Rowland, resolution work had been commenced on which conveyance, the plaintiff alleges, was without consideration and for the purpose The situation now is that the railroad con- of defrauding him (Brown) out of his prop-

Brown asks the court to have the contract council hold that it was not. To have the set aside, also the conveyance of the hotel matter set right Mayor Jennings tonight property from H. H. Rowland and wife to in view of the controversy will hand down B. W. Rowland declared null and void, and his veto on the resolution, he believing further that he be given judgment against this to be the best way to settle the dis- H. H. Rowland for \$179.91 taxes, which he had paid on the Texas land and for \$250 commission which he paid to B. W. Rowland

Lowest prices, easy terms. The best and largest stock of planos at Swanson Music company, Masonic Temple.

Invitations to Democratic Banquet. Invitations to the banquet and formal out yesterday by the committee. The rank and file of the local democracy who have taxes. The railway has paid all the county not been permitted to enter the sacred Suit has been brought to enforce the pay- Brooks Reed's candidacy for the office of county treasurer point to the significant democrats to control the convention, which

> Scientific optician, Wollman, 409 Br'dway. No New Developments in Lane Case. officers. cancy caused by Mr. Lane's retirement, but no confirmation of the rumor could be se-

cured. Examine the \$6 suits. Metcalf's.

Cottage Collanses A frame cottage at 1106 South Eighth street, occupied by the families of W. H. early Thursday morning, "Doctor" J. F. Donaldson and William Holder collapsed Thursday evening and the occupants had a narrow escape from being engulfed in the The foundation caved in, causing The testimony of Mrs. Tarrant, who gave the walls to spread. The roof fell in with birth to the child, was to the effect that a crash, damaging the furniture and playing havoc with the crockery and pictures on on her a couple of months ago which had the walls. The occupants managed to end was cabled from Manila Thursday the birth of the child. Dr. Reller, who was fective underpinning is supposed to be the

Clothing clearing sale, Metcalf's.

Racing Results. The matinee race meet of the Roadster club, postponed from last week, was pulled fying him of the dispatch of the money, the child, threw the body into the vault, off yesterday afternoon. The attendance was discouraging to the members of the somewhat flat. The results were as follows, no time being announced: 

### QUOTATIONS FOR SATURDAY.

Whitelaw & Gardiner. 10c gents' black and tan half hose, 5c, 25c ladies' washable white belts, 10c. 45c ladies' lisle drop stitch hose, 25c. 25c toilet soap, 3 cakes in box, 10c. Se Scotch lawn, 10 yards 25c. \$1.00 white shirt waist, 59c. \$1.00 linen skirt, 69c. Tudia linen. \$1.25 imported Leghorn hats, 50c. 65c chenille covers, 39c.

\$1.25 and \$1.50 fadles' wrappers, 98c. \$1.00 summer corsets, to close 690 See our show windows for our new 25c neckties. New line just arrived, ladies' belts, belt buckles and shell combs.

Asks for Reduction of Assessments. Cole of the American Telephone company appeared before the state executive council August 8, will be patriotic day, and it is You always see people use the other kind to pay a month's bill, then due, but that she today, asking a reduction of the company's then that Governor Shaw and General of a receiver with the left hand, and put was greatly in need of the money and reassessment in Iowa. It now owns long- Weaver will speak; also the cinematograph it to the left ear. Then you have the right | quested the grocer to receipt the bill, saying distance lines from New York to Omaha, and will present moving pictures of famous war he said it will next year build from Davenport to St. Paul, from Des Moines to Minneapolis and from Council Bluffs' to Kansas tion; Friday, August 11, is the musical day, City, connecting with other important west- when will be rendered the famous cratorio ern cities. It also intends to extend the of "Queen Esther," under direction of Prof. main line from the Missouri river to the H. W. Jackson. The last day will be in Pacific coast.

Record Weather at Dubuque. DUBUQUE, Ia., July 21 .- This was the hottest day of the season. The temperature rose from 48 at 6 a. m. to 94 at 4 p. m. Business was almost at a standstill, outdoor work being suspended. There were several prostrations, but none were serious,

Hanged for Wife Murder

SAVANNAH, Ga., July 21.—Isaiah Scott, colored, was hanged here today for the murder of his wife on May 6. Scott killed

Complaint Against Conduct of the Standard Oil Company at Des Moines.

SAVING IN GENERAL SUPPORT FUND

Seek Pardon for Mark Hallinan, Who Being Sentenced to Prison for Six Years Never Served His Time.

DES MOINES, July 21.-(Special Telegram.)-Attorney F. S. Dunshee left tonight for Washington, where he will present he evidence which he has secured in Des Moines in regard to the conduct of the Standard Oil business in this city, before the industrial commission now in session. pursued in doing business by the large to have evidence to the effect that the Standard Oil company has been pursuing very unfair methods in the disposal of lighting and heating oils in Des Moines. The report of the Board of Control, completed this morning, shows the total balance

of the general support fund on hand June 30 to be \$115,562.91. The per capita annual was reduced \$2 at the time the Board of Control began work. This has saved the added to the \$115,562.91 on hand makes over \$175,000 to the credit of the state this year. The reports of the old system of management have no such figures to show. Judge Walter I. Hayes of Clinton is in Des Moines trying to secure a pardon for

Mark Hallinan, who was convicted of manslaughter in Clinton county in 1890 and sentenced to six years in the penitentiary, but has never been called on to serve his time. At the time of his trial the case atracted considerable attention throughout the state. During the spring campaign of 1890 there were two factions in the First ward, which became bitter enemies. Hallinan boys and one Laden were the leaders of one faction and the Rowman boys were the leaders of the other. One night the two factions came together in a saloon owned by a man by the name of McNealey. They met about midnight and a flerce fight

ensued, but order was finally restored. Later in the night the trouble broke out anew and it is alleged that James Hallinan shot and killed one of the Rowman boys and seriously wounded another. He escaped that night across the river and has never been seen since. Mark Hallinan was arrested on the charge of manslaughter, it being claimed that he was an accessory in Howatt for a term of six years. The case was appealed to the supreme court and pendportals of the club which it is alleged has released on bail. Hon, A. R. McCoy, debeen organized in the special interest of ceased, was county attorney at the time of the trial, but never took the matter up and nothing has been done in the case and fact that no invitations have been sent to Hallinan has been at liberty since. A short leading bourbons throughout the county, time ago the attention of the attorney genwhile only those who are known to be in eral was called to the matter and he asked sympathy with Reed's aspirations have re- for a hearing of the case by the supreme ceived them. The anti-Jeffersonian club- court. Hayes and Schuyler then proceeded ites insist that the banquet is a deep laid to get up a petition for Hallinan's pardon scheme on the part of the silk-stocking and succeeded in obtaining all the signatures of the county officials who were interested in the suit, as well as all the lead-

> the city and also of the present county announcement is made that The str the populists of Iowa intend to run the famous Prof. George D. Herron of Grinnell for governor on a straight socialistic platform. The party leaders are now endeavor-

ing to secure Herron's consent to run. Insane Woman's Relatives.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., July 21.-(Spe-Lane's preliminary hearing before Justice cial.)-The relatives of Miss Katherine You ought to have heard all he had to say Ferrier next Tuesday morning. It was re- Thomsen, the young woman who went in- to that girl.' Then she told her what it ported yesterday that L. H. Greer of Rock sane while on board a Chicago & Northwest-Island, Ill., had been slated to fill the va- ern passenger train and who got off in this city and crawled under the trucks of a ing?' asked the man when he came out of car, have not been heard from and Miss the telephone box. Thomsen is detained here. A telegram addressed to the sister, Miss Stine Thomsen, at Omaha, was returned with the statement that the woman was not known at that address. On the envelope of the letter found in the possession of Miss Thomsen, written by her sister in Omaha, was the street name like the work there. A telephone girl likes and number, but in tearing open the envelope, it is presumed that one of the four time and she doesn't know where the time figures was torn away. A letter has been dispatched to the sister at Omaha and the postal authorities will probably find her on firms that have switchboard operators now. the street named. The condition of the They have anywhere from a dozen or more young woman has not improved in the least and at times she is hard to control. Sheriff that when a man wants to talk to any one McPherson received a telegram from the in the building he doesn't have to go up chief of police at Evanston, Ill., which said or downstairs and a number of people can that Miss Thomsen is 28 years of age, that be talking outside at the same time over she has a sister, Mrs. J. Soe, living in Elk- the four trunk lines. horn, Ia., and that her parents reside near "The switchboard operator's work is easy that town. Elkhorn is a village in Shelby compared with that of a telephone girl at county near the Audubon county line, and the central office. Where the central office as Miss Thomsen's railroad ticket was to girl will have fifty wires to attend to, and are. She doesn't get any of the general Audubon, it is supposed that she was en- is rushing all day from one to the route to her home. No railroad reaches Elk- other, the switchboard operator will horn. A letter has been dispatched to that have only ten, or a part of the place with the request that her relatives be time she doesn't have anything to do. It looked up.

await definite instructions regarding her it is very satisfactory, for the switchboard seventy hours in the Gaylord coal mine at

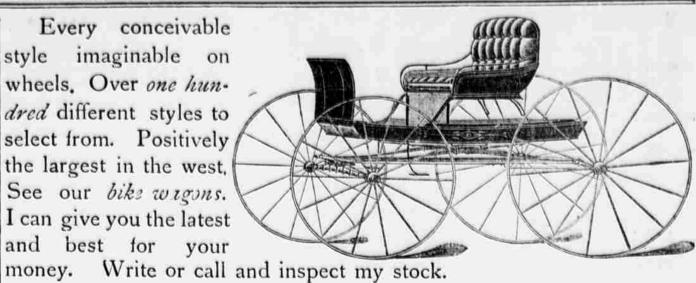
disposition. lows Epworth League Assembly. COLFAX, Ia., July 21.-(Special.)-The fourth annual session of the Iowa State Epworth League assembly and training school will be held here beginning August 3 and sends to the central office and they send miners might not get the poor fellow out continuing ten days. A splendid program has been prepared and the management expects the largest assemblage in the history to sent up to the central office and asked quietly, with less thought of himself than of the assembly. Among the attractions are addresses by Dr. J. F. Berry of Chicago, Hon, John P. St. John of Kansas, Rev. T. McK. Stuart of Des Moince, Rev. Robert class.' McIntyre of Chicago, Rev. G. W. L. Brown of Des Moines, Rev. W. H. Milburn of can judge about that ourselves,' said the few weeks ago, makes us realize that we Washington, chaplain of the United States firm, and she got the position. senate; General Weaver, Governor Shaw, Rev. Samuel P. Jones, Dr. A. E. Schell and ing, and telephoning doesn't affect the hear-Bishop McCabe.

A great amount of interest centers around have known some girls whom it made deaf. the visit of Chaplain Milburn, who is going Sometimes it makes your ear sore to wear to speak on "What a Blind Man Saw in it. They are training some girls now to England" and "Aaron Burr." For this year's programme there are sev

scenes; Thursday, August 10, is fraternal day, with Samuel Jones as the star attrac-Bishop C. C. McCabe.

Fight with Three Wildents. Sim Woodbridge has had a tough fight with wildcats in Deep Hollow, Broome county, says the New York Press. "I was going up the mountain on a squirrel hunt," said Sim. "with Snap and Tiger, and I had kilfed five or six. When Snap began to bark like all possessed and Tiger joined

Every conceivable style imaginable on wheels. Over one hundred different styles to select from. Positively the largest in the west, See our biks wigons. I can give you the latest and best for your



## HENRY H. VAN BRUNT,

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

about twenty feet long, with a hole nearly "I thought it strange the dogs wouldn't go in, so I tried to poke the coon, as I sup-posed it was, out of the hole, and I was jabbing away merrify when out flew three wildcats. Two of them sprang at me and I had nothing but an oak stick, my gun being up against a tree ten feet away.
"I was lucky enough to knock one of the as lucky enough to knock one of the cats over just as the other jumped for my face. I couldn't stop him, as he came down with both claws, and they felt like red-hot irons. Then the other cat and both dogs joined in the fight.

"I had neither knife nor pistol, and if it hadn't been for the dogs it would have been goodby Sim. But we got away with them, and then I fainted from loss of blood and might have died if a neighbor hadn't happened along. Bears? I'd sooner meet a half dozen than three wildcats."

SHE NEVER LISTENS.

The Girl Who Puts You on After You Ring the Telephone Bell.

"No," said the little lady at the telephone o a New York Times man, "it is absurd to think that a telephone girl listens to the conversations that are going on over the wires. At the central office each girl has fifty wires and you may imagine she is too busy to pay any attention to anything that is said except as she catches a word here and there. You have to keep going over the wires to listen and see if people are talking still, if they have the people they wish, or if they have finished. But when you are going constantly from one to the other of the fifty you may be sure that you do not get a very connected idea of what is going on. "Then you are not supposed to listen. There is always some one looking after the

girls at the central office and if they were found listening to the conversation they would be discharged-not the first time perthe crime. He was tried and convicted and haps, but after once or twice. Then, a teleopening of the Jeffersonian club were sent was sentenced to the penitentiary by Judge phone girl can't talk over the wires to any one on her lines except to answer questions. and she can't answer back if people get ing the decision of that body Hallinan was cranky. She can't tell anything that goes on over the wires, either, if she happens to catch any of it. There are a great many important things that are said one way and another. "I knew one girl, though, who used to get good tips for the races and she used to play hem, too. I don't know how she did it. I

shouldn't understand it. I used to tend that wire sometimes, but I never knew what they were talking about. The only time when a girl might have a chance to listen at all f she wanted to would be Saturday afternoon, when there is not much going on, ing business and professional interests in only a few girls at the office and the wires are quiet. I knew one girl who was a switchboard operator, who had a man talk over her lines with his girl. One day she go line for him and he was telephoning and Central called her up.

"'Did you hear what that man was saying?' she asked. "'No,' she said, 'I wasn't paying atten-

"'He called me up,' said Central, 'be cause he didn't get the connection right.

" 'Can Central hear me when I am talk-

"'Oh, no,' said the girl, 'Central can't hear.' But she did that time. "It is to get to be a switchboard operator that most telephone girls try, though if all the managers at the central office are pleasant and easy to get along with they her work anyway. She is kept busy all the goes to. She is sorry to stay at home.

"There are a great many large business rooms in the building to be connected, so

is pretty hard for her at first when she Miss Thomsen was taken to the hospital makes the change and it is all that she can at the county farm Wednesday evening to do to keep awake with so little to do. But operator has all the holidays; she never Plymouth, Pa., was his peacefully falling has to work on Sundays, she is re- asleep in his tomb as soon as he realized sponsible only to the firm she works for, that he was likely to be rescued. It would and the rules are not so strict. Most of the be difficult to imagine a more serene girls try to get switchboard positions. nervous system, relates Collier's Weekly. Usually the firm that wants an operator There were plenty of chances, too, that the someone. I know one girl who got a position for herself. The firm that she went haved just as a hero ought to behavethem if they would send down Miss Smith, of his distracted mother, who at the moment "She's no operator,' they said there; we will send you someone else who is first-

"We don't care about the operating. We

"No; wearing the receiver is not annoying, at least it never affected mine. wear the receiver on the right ear, so that they can use that ear in receiving. I don't eral special days, when unusually interest- believe I could hear except with my left DES MOINES, July 21.—General Solicitor ing programs have been prepared. The ear, I am so used to taking the messages a grocery store where she traded and said opening day is state rally day; Tuesday, on that side. That is most convenient, too, that her husband had given her the money hand free to write and the wire is not in she would pay the amount in three different the way.

> kind who never gets rattled or loses her head. It is a strain when you have fifty matter, and when appealed to three months wires to attend to, with people talking on later said she had paid the bill and had the nature of a love feast, with addresses by all of them at once, some of them com- the receipt. The husband was drawn into Rev. C. L. Nye. Rev. A. V. Kendrick and plaining that they don't get the people they the controversy and stood by his wife. The and putting on someone else.

be cranky. They are nervous and in a trying to defraud him. Broome hurry, and they don't see why they can't get the man they want to speak to first thing. They don't understand how things are. They don't realize that Central has forty-nine other wires and can't give them him I thought they had treed a coon. her undivided attention. Some girls will of Commerce of Boston, slipped away on when I came up to them I found the dogs sort of jolly a man along when he is had holed some animal in a hollow log cranky, and say, 'Number, please,' amiably Murtry thought he had him.

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