NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass.

Fine A. B. C. beer, Neumayer's hotel.

Welsbach burners at Bixby's. Tel. 193.

Budweiser beer. L. Rosenfeldt, agent.

Gravel roofing. A. H. Read, 541 B'way.

Dr. W. A. Gervais, osteopath, 304 Merriam block, Council Bluffs.

The place to have your framing done, Alexander's Art emporium.

Dr. S. D. Tobey of Avoca was in the city yesterday calling on friends.

Get your work done at the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway. 'Phone 157.

W. C. Estep, undertaker, 28 Pearl street. Telephones: Office, 97; residence, 23.

Sheridan coal makes a large flame and clear fire but no smoke, soot or clinkers. Fenton & Foley, sole agents.

J. T. Brown and T. Duggan, formerly of the Illinois Central offices in Dubuque, have been transferred to this city.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Quinn have been called to Matelle, Ia., by the news of the death of Mrs. Quinn's father.

W. S. Reed, manager of the Omaha, Council Bluffs & Suburban Railway company, left on a business trip to Chicago last evening.

The case against Chester Egbert, charged with carrying concealed weapons, was again continued in police court yesterday until Tuesday next.

The regular public meeting of the Theosophical society will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. W. H. VanBrunt, 715 Fourth street.

Price Gibson had his right hand badly crushed yesterday afternoon while moving a beer barrel from Schlitz's ice house. Two fingers had to be amputated.

Samuel Kensinger and Mrs. Lucinda A. Mapes were married in this city yesterday, Justice Ferrier performing the ceremony. They are from Grand Island, Neb.

The Board of County Supervisors will convene Monday. The only business that day will be approving the bonds of the newly elected county officials, when an adjournment will be taken to Tuesday.

The funeral of the late Mrs. S. Katzenstein will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from Lunkley's undertaking rooms. Rev. Perkins will conduct the services and interment will be in the Catholic cemetery.

The preliminary hearing of Henry Robinson, the colored porter at the Ogden hotel, charged with assaulting H. S. Boyle, a railroad contractor, was continued in police court yesterday until next Tuesday. He was removed from the city to the county jail.

The will of the late Mrs. Eliza F. Stephenson, wife of A. J. Stephenson, was filed for probate in the district court yesterday. The husband, A. J. Stephenson, and two daughters, Mary and Ella Ada, are named as trustees under the will of the estate, which is quite large.

John Garrigan, the railroad laborer arrested December 23 on the charge of attempting to pass a counterfeit dollar, is still in custody at the city jail. His case was referred by the police to the federal authorities, but so far they have takenf no action.

Henry F. Hansen, the young man who broke into and carried away nearly a wagonload of plunder from Albin Huster's residence, waived examination at his preliminary hearing in police court yesterday and Judge Aylesworth bound him over to the grand jury, fixing his bail at $500.

All members of St. Alban's lodge No. 17, Knights of Pythias, and all other knights in the city are cordially invited to be present tomorrow night, when the officers for the ensuing year will be installed. Following the installation ceremonies refreshments will be served and a general social time had.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kerber of Hardin township died at a late hour Friday night after an illness of a few hours from congestion of the lungs. The funeral will be held this morning at 11 o'clock from the family residence and interment will be in Hardin township cemetery.

That always popular comedy, Hoyt's "A Bunch of Keys" is the attraction tonight at the Dohany theater. This excellent play seldom fails to bring out a crowded house with the mere announcement of its coming. The company is composed of good talent and the entertainment will be well worth seeing.

The United States Life association, formerly the United States Masonic Benevolent association, commenced proceedings in the district court yesterday against John Lindt and others to foreclose a $3,000 mortgage on lot 2, block 8, Bayliss' Second addition, and the north half of lot 61, original plat.

The fire department was called out this morning by a small blaze at the residence of Rev. A. Overton on North Broadway near the city limits. An overheated stovepipe had set fire to the flooring between the parlor and the bedroom above. The blaze was extinguished after a few boards had been ripped up and some of the plaster torn off the walls. The damage was slight.

T. F. Galvin, until recently a cook in one of the grading camps on the Illinois Central railway, was found early yesterday morning by the police wandering about the streets in a demented condition. He was taken before the Board of Insanity Commissioners yesterday afternoon and was committed to St. Bernard's hospital temporarily for observation. Galvin's home is in New Bedford, Mass.

Hoyt's "A Trip to Chinatown" was the attraction at the Dohany theater last night and deserved a larger house than it had. Miss Mable Montgomery, as the dashing widow, is an actress of high merit. Last night was the first time that Harry Gilfoil had been seen here in the part of Welland Strong, but his old-time admirers were not slow to recognize him and his whistling specialty, as of old, received tumultuous applause. Tonight Hoyt's "A Bunch of Keys" will be offered.

About 200 poor children were made happy yesterday with a bountiful Christmas dinner at the Union mission and about thirty dinners were sent out to sick who were unable to attend. The Flour mission young women had charge of the decoration of the tables. The children after the dinner were treated to a large Christmas tree, from which presents for the little ones were distributed. Mesdames Miller, Carter, Hooker and Walters had charge of the dinner and arrangements.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250.

Davis sells paints.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street:

Charles Bowman and wife to Johannah Wolfe, lots 15 and 16, block 3, Howard's add, w d	$ 350
H. G. McGee and wife to Hans Hansen, lot 4, block 8, Howard add, w d.	65
Addie C. Johnson and husband to Hiram V. Sicad, lot 8, block 19, Galesburgh add, w d	55
Maggie M. Lemon and husband to H. V. Sicad, w 25 feet lot 3, block 10, Jefferis' subdiv, w d	300
Betsey C. Pettibone to M. E. and L. R. Halloway, lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, block 14, Mullin's subdiv, w d	1,000
Total, five transfers	$1,770

Peanut guessing contest worth looking into. Purity Candy Kitchen, 238 Broadway.

AJAX TABLETS—A very popular nerve and vitalizing tonic. DeHaven's drug store.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following persons:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Samuel Kensinger, Grand Island, Neb.	20
Lucinda A. Mapes, Grand Island, Neb.	29
Albert Sorey, Council Bluffs	28
Anna E. Stones, Panama, Ia.	25
W. C. Wilkins, Wheeler Grove, Ia.	21
Mabel G. Smith, Wheeler Grove, Ia.	21

Pear Brooches, Edholm's, Omaha.

Howell's Anti-"Kawf" cures coughs, colds.

Council Bluffs B. P. O. E.—Call at Edholm's jewelry store, 107 N. 16th st., Omaha, and see some handsome Elk Tooth Charms and Elk Head Lapel Buttons.

FARM LOANS
Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska and Iowa. James N. Casady, jr., 128 Main St., Council Bluffs.

FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES BOUGHT
For Cash or Loaned On.
E. H. SHEAFE & CO.,
8 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

BARBERS WANT STATE BOARD

Men Who Shave for a Living Want to Have Their Business Regulated.

OUTLINE OF A BILL ALREADY DRAFTED

Measure Will Be Presented to the Legislature at Its Meeting Next Month—Some of the Provisions of the Bill.

The barbers of Council Bluffs, following the example set by their brethren in Nebraska and other states, want a State Board to control their business so that none but a person having a certificate can pursue the avocation. To this end a bill has been drafted and will be presented to the legislature when it meets next month. This bill or modifications of it has been endorsed by almost all the barbers' unions throughout the state.

Section 1 of the proposed bill forbids any but holders of certificates to pursue the business of barber. Section 2 provides for the appointment by the governor of a Board of Examiners, which shall consist of three barbers and one physician. This board shall meet and hold examinations at least quarterly each year and shall have authority to make such by-laws as it deems advisable and shall prescribe the qualifications of a barber in the state of Iowa. The bill will not materially affect those barbers at present plying their trade except requiring them to pay $1 for a certificate, as section 4 provides that every barber now practicing in the state shall be allowed to continue doing business and upon payment of $1 to the secretary of the board receive a certificate. All others wishing to engage in the barber business will have to pass an examination, paying therefor a fee of $5.

Under section 6 provision is made whereby any person can serve as an apprentice under a qualified barber provided he does so for three years.

Section 9 gives the board power to revoke any certificate granted under the bill upon any of the following grounds: Conviction of a felony, habitual drunkenness, gross incompetency or contagious or infectious disease. This section further provides that any barber whose certificate is revoked may make a new application after the expiration of ninety days and have his certificate re-granted, upon showing that the disqualification has ceased.

Section 12 is one designed especially to protect the shaving public. It provides for a fine of not more than $50 or less than $20 on any person who shaves another person who has any kind of blood disease who does not, before he again uses his tools, towels or water, subject them to disinfection. Violation of this section is also punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than ten days or more than twenty-five days.

Section 14 makes it obligatory on the medical member of the board to examine every applicant for a barber's certificate and see that he is free from venereal or contagious disease.

Section 15 makes it obligatory on the board to see that every barber now practicing in the state is furnished a certificate and that no barber be allowed to practice without one.

Diamonds, Edholm, Jeweler, Omaha.

Closed All Day.

The Boston store will be closed all day New Year's in order to give the clerks an opportunity to spend the holiday.

WHITELAW & GARDINER.

SOCIETY IN COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Doings of the Swell Set During the Past Seven Days.

Quite the swellest affair of the week was the dancing party given Friday evening at Royal Arcanum hall by the Beat club. It was the last of a series of four dances given this season by the club and was the most brilliant. Among the handsome gowns noticed were: Mrs. Wallace Shepard, a black net over black silk, decollete. Mrs. W. L. Douglas was elegantly gowned in pearl gray cloth, black velvet trimmings on skirt and collar; bedice of gray cloth and cream applique over white satin. Miss Troutman, pink crepe de chine with accordion pleated trimmings; the bodice had a vest of pink with jacket effect in while applique; pearl trimmings. Miss Key wore a toilet of pale yellow brocade, decollete. Mrs. E. W. Hart, white brocaded silk with lace insertion trimming, decollete. Miss Schoentgen, white mousseline de soie over pink, decollete. Miss Bowman wore a striking toilet of red taffeta with accordion pleated flounces edged with pink; decollete. Miss L. Troutman was dainty in a pale blue organdy, decollete. Miss Zoe Hill was gowned in black liberty silk, decollete. Miss Loba of Chicago, a white organdy over pink, garniture of black velvet. Miss Bennett was charming in pink organdy. Miss Farnsworth wore pale blue satin with white chiffon and lace trimmings; decollete. Miss Sade Farnsworth, a handsome frock of pale blue silk with pink accordion pleating on skirt and bodice; black velvet ribbon belt with bows in front, the ends of which fell to the edge of the skirt. Mrs. W. A. Maurer, a gown of pearl gray cloth with lace trimmings. Miss Millie Graham, turquoise blue organdy with blue ribbons. Miss Wallace, skirt of black chiffon over black, with bodice of white and cerease applique and black chiffon; decollete. Miss Price of Chicago was in all black mousseline de soie over black; decollete. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames F. P. Wright, T. E. Casady, Carl Mayne, Snyder of Mount Pleasant, Ia., Tom Farnsworth, Dillon Ross, George A. Keeline, W. L. Douglas, W. E. Shepard, W. A. Maurer, W. F. Sapp, E. W. Hart; Misses Gleason, Bennett, Farnsworth, Schoentgen, Sade Farnsworth, Bowman, Martin, Baldwin, Ross, McDonald, Graham, Troutman, Key, Hill, Smith, Wallace, Price of Chicago, Barclay, L. Troutman; Messrs. G. L. Shepard, F. D. Emphie, H. Z. Hoss, Donald Beno, E. P. Schoentgen, E. L. Emphie, H. F. Gleason, G. H. Mayne, J. J. Hess, George Gerner, M. Roy Besley, F. R. Hoagland, Ray Bixby, E. Graham, Harry Tukey of Omaha, A. Keeline, Edgar Dyar, L. R. Crockwell, Thomas Cummings, E. Kirk Patterson, Charles Bradley.

Mrs. Wallace and the Misses Wallace of Bluff street are entertaining at a house party Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wallace and Mr. and Mrs. James Wyman of Des Moines, Mr. and Mrs. T. Austin of Omaha, Miss Lulie Loba of Evanston, Ill., and Miss McClelland of Omaha. Tuesday evening a clever little farce, "The Two Puddifoots," was given in the presence of about forty guests. One parlor was fitted up with a stage and scenery for the occasion.

One of the pleasant affairs of the week for the younger set was the dancing party given Wednesday night at Royal Arcanum hall by Mrs. Van Brunt and Mrs. Hanchett for their sons, Harry and George Van Brunt and Mac and Alfred Hanchett. They were assisted in receiving the guests by Miss Rosamond Patrick of Duluth. The hall presented a pretty picture in decorations of holly, evergreen and pink roses and carnations. Rose colored shades were employed for gas chandeliers and candelabra. One corner of the hall was fitted up as a dining room and presiding here were Mrs. Brinsmaid and Miss Dailey. On the table was a handsome point lace centerpiece over pink, on which rested a cut glass candelabra with pink candles, and at the corners of the table were silver candlesticks containing candles with rose colored poppy shades. The refreshments were also in pink and white. The reception room was draped in flags and decked with holly. Here sherbert was served by Mrs. E. H. Walters and Mrs. Southard. The dainty programs for dancing were tied with different shades of rose colored ribbon. An unusual number of pretty gowns were worn by the young girls. About 100 guests were entertained.

The german given Thursday evening by Mrs. Brinsmead for Miss Rosamond Patrick of Duluth and Mr. Mac Hanchett was a charming affair. The rooms were prettily decorated in holly, evergreen and crimson carnations. Mr. Hanchett and Miss Patrick led the german. There were four favor and three indirect figures. One of the prettiest figures being the handkerchief figure, in which the girls tossed up their handkerchiefs, which were caught by the boys. A figure causing much merriment was that in which the girls were seated in a circle, holding mirrors, the boys passing behind them, either to find their reflections pleasing or ignominiously rubbed from the glass. The favors in the last figure were dainty pen sketches of colonial beaux and belles, which made pretty souvenirs. Dr. Sarah Smith and Mrs. VanBrunt presided at the favor table. Mrs. Hanchett and Miss Bonham dispensed punch during the evening. Light refreshments were served and the quaint Virginia reel finished the evening. Music for dancing was furnished by a harpist from Omaha. The guests were: Misses Rosamond Patrick, Hope Hanchett of Omaha, Joe Hill, Maud Besley, Marion Benton, Georgie Bixby, Blanche Lewis, Bessie Beno, Georgina Bebbington, Childs, Fanny Davenport, Josie Bixby; Messrs. Mac Hanchett, Alfred Hanchett, Harry VanBrunt, George VanBrunt, Reed Hanchett of Omaha, Forrest Rutherford, Tom Lacey, Harry Cavin, Carl Chamberlain, Harry Joslin, Dwight O'Dell, Walter Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. VanBrunt, Mr. and Mrs. Merriam, Dr. and Mrs. Hanchett, Dr. Sarah Smith and Miss Edna Bonham.

Mr. B. F. Bledsoe of San Bernardino, Cal., and Miss Katharine Marvin Shepler were married Christmas evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shepler of Sixth avenue. Rev. T. J. Mackay of Omaha officiated and sixty guests or more witnessed the pretty ceremony. The bride was given away by her father. Miss Sadie Grass played Mendelssohn's wedding march for the entrance of the bridal party and during the ceremony rendered the intermezzo from "Cavalliera Rusticana." The bridal party was preceded by little Hazel Brown, gowned in white organdie, and carrying on a white cushion the wedding ring. The bride was charming in a white mousseline de soie over white silk, yoke of old point lace and cut entrain. She carried orange blossoms and wore the same flowers in her hair. In attendance was a matron of honor, Mrs. E. A. Hess, who was gowned in white organdie over lavender silk. She carried La France roses. Mr. Hess acted as best man. At the conclusion of the services a reception was held. Mrs. Shepley was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Edith F. Prouty and Miss Harriett Blood. The rooms were handsomely decorated. In the parlor white and green were used. The bridal party stood against a screen of white swiss and under a canopy of evergreens, from which hung curtains of smilax. Below was a white fur rug, over which were scattered in profusion white rose petals. The dining room was exceptionally pretty in white and gold. The centerpiece on the table was a tall vase filled with orange blossoms. Extending from the chandelier to the corners of the table were ropes of smilax and depending from it was a branch of oranges, sent from California, as were also all of the floral decorations. The refreshments were in white and yellow. Those who assisted in serving were: Miss Nellie Hepford, Miss Bessie Pryor, Miss Nettie Grass and Miss Chloe Bridenstein. Mr. and Mrs. Bledsoe left Thursday and will go by way of Denver and San Francisco to their future home in San Bernardino.

At high noon Christmas day occurred the wedding of Mr. W. Browne Cessna of Detroit, Mich., and Miss Ida Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Smith of Seventh street. Rev. J. W. Wilson performed the ceremony. Mendelssohn's wedding march for the entrance of the bridal party was played by Mrs. Brewington, and during the service was softly given "Hearts and Flowers." The bridal party entered in the following order: Judge and Mrs. Cessna, parents of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Smith, parents of the bride, and the bride on the arm of the groom. The bride wore her going-away gown of castor colored cloth and carried a prayerbook, the gift of the groom. After the ceremony an elaborate repast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Cessna left the same day for their future home in Detroit. The rooms were handsomely decorated in Christmas greens. The bay window in the second parlor where the bridal party stood was a bower of evergreens and holly. On the table in the dining room was a massive centerpiece of pink and yellow roses. From the chandelier extending to the corners of the table were wide streamers of white satin ribbon. Many beautiful gifts were received. The out-of-town guests were: Judge and Mrs. Cessna, Mr. Reon Cessna, Miss May Cessna and Miss Emma Durfey of Hastings, Neb., Dr. and Mrs. Shriver and Mr. James Record of Glenwood.

The wedding of Mr. Gleason Dudley of Sioux City and Miss Carrie Selby occurred Christmas evening at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. D. W. Selby, on Tenth avenue, Rev. Barnes officiating. Miss Effie Ellis rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march for the entrance of the bridal party. The bride was gowned in white mull over cora colored silk, cut entrain, her only ornament being a brooch of pearls, the gift of the groom. She carried bride roses. Little Adelaide Selby in a gown of white silk acted as ring bearer. She carried a bride rose in the center of which rested the wedding ring. After the ceremony an elaborate course luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Dudley left Friday for Sioux City, where they will be at home to their friends after January 1 at 1313 Jones street. The rooms were prettily decorated in pink roses, carnations and white hyacinths. The bridal party stood against a screen of palms and under a bell of holly and evergreen. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Selby of Creston, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Tipton of Stuart, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Donahoo of Maxwell, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Simpson of Lincoln, Neb., Miss Clara Robson of Sioux City, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Selby of Irvin, Ia., Miss Mildred Kissel and Miss Effie Ellis.

The members of the C. C. C. C. club entertained their boy friends Friday evening at the home of Miss Blanche Lewis. Games and music occupied the evening and a supper was served. Those present were Misses Bessie Beno, Marion Benton, Edna Keeline, Georgiana Bebbington, Josie Bixby, Georgia Bixby, Evelyn Thomas, Fanny Davenport, May Crane, Rosamond Patrick, Adah Seargent, Edith Sherraden, Janie Jamison, Messrs. Mac Hanchett, Alfred Hanchett, Harry Van Brunt, George Van Brunt, Hubert Hicks, Ned Wirt, Phil Reed, Forrest Rutherford, Tom Lacey, Carl Chamberlain, Harry Cavin, Egbert Aylesworth, George Crane, Claude Lewis, Dwight O'Dell, Roy DeVol, Robert Mitchell.

At the home of Miss Florence Leach, Thursday evening, the H. T. P. G. club gave a farewell feast to Miss Shirley Moore, who leaves shortly for Minneapolis, where she will attend school. The table was artistically decorated in pink carnations and softly lighted with pink-shaded candles in silver candelabra. The evening was spent at music and games. The guests were Misses Nellie Haworth, Laura Weaver, May Weaver, Jessie Moore, Pansy Morehouse, Lena Robinson, Hazel Moore and Shirley Moore.

The C. C. C. C.'s gave one of their jolly feasts Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Edna Keeline.

Miss Cherrie Wells entertained Saturday evening at German whist. Twelve tables were filled. The rooms were prettily decorated in Christmas greens. A dainty luncheon was served.

Mrs. Lucius Wells entertained at dinner Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Casady and son Barnard, Mrs. J. M. Casady, sr., Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton and Miss Ida Casady. Decorations in white hyacinths.

Mrs. Ned Shepard was pleasantly surprised by about twelve of her friends Tuesday evening, the occasion being her birthday. Cards were played during the evening and dainty refreshments served.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beno entertained at dinner Wednesday evening. Covers were laid for eight. Decorations in pink carnations.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Estep entertained very delightfully Friday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Werner Welch of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace of Des Moines.

Saturday evening Mrs. Hollenbeck enentertained for Mr. and Mrs. Wallace of Des Moines and Mr. and Mrs. Welch of Chicago.

The "U. and I." club was entertained Tuesday by Mrs. S. F. Kellar. Five tables were filled.

Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver entertained at cards Christmas evening, Mr. and Mrs. Hollenbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Beno, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Graves, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Estep, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace of Des Moines, Mr. and Mrs. Werner Weuch of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Sweeting of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Pulker of Janesville, Ill., and Mrs. Blanche Williams.

Mrs. Empkie entertained very pleasantly Friday afternoon the members of her Sunday school class. Games and music occupied the evening. Prizes were won by Donaldine Bell and Nina Meyers.

In honor of her guest, Miss Hillis, Miss Hazel Brown entertained a number of her friends Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Yancey and family were entertained at dinner Christmas by Mrs. E. Shubert.

Mrs. Sherraden, Mrs. Albert, Miss Sherraden and Miss Edith Sherraden were entertained by Mrs. Cook of Omaha at dinner Christmas Day.

Miss Troutman, Miss Baldwin, Miss Annette Wallace, Miss Loba and Miss Jessica Wallace will receive New Year's evening at the Wallace residence.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Yeager gathered around their hospitable board on Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bray, Miss Perrey, Miss Bessie Brown, Mr. L. T. Brown, Mr. Ira Brown and Mr. Homer Brown. The decorations were in pink carnations.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bray entertained very informally Christmas evening at their home on Fourth street.

Mrs. Shugart entertained at dinner Christmas Day. Covers were laid for sixteen. The dining room was handsomely decorated in holly and evergreen. In the center of the table was a basket of growing plants, surrounded with holly. The sideboard was banked with white and pink chrysanthemums. On each end of the table were candelabra with red candles and shades. In the parlor American Beauty roses and ferns were used.

The Euchre club will be entertained Wednesday by Mrs. A. W. Casady.

The O. M. S. Whist club was entertained Wednesday by Miss Taggart of Omaha.

The Progressive Whist club will meet Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Searles.

Mrs. John Green is visiting at Pella, Ia.

The Current Topics department of the Council Bluffs woman's club will meet Tuesday, January 2, at the club rooms. Mrs. F. M. Miller will be leader.

The postponed meeting of the City Improvement department of the Council Bluffs Woman's club will occur Wednesday, with Mrs. McCabe as leader.

There was a meeting of the board of directors of the Council Bluffs Woman's club Saturday afternoon.

There will be a general meeting of the Council Bluffs Woman's club Saturday afternoon in the club rooms. The subject for the day will be "Domestic Science." Dr. Sarah Smith will give a talk on "Sanitation."

The New Century club met Wednesday with Mrs. Denney. The next meeting will be Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. Stazely, 1017 Avenue C. Leader, Miss Mildred Kissel. Current events leader, Miss Wood.

Mrs. Frank T. True returned yesterday from Ashland, Neb., where she spent the Christmas holidays with friends.

Mrs. Zenia Lange returned yesterday from St. Joseph, Mo., where she has been making an extended visit with friends and relatives.

Mrs E. G. Keyes of Newcastle, Wyo., who has been visiting the family of her brother, G. H. Brown of Mynster street, returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Blum of St. Joseph, Mo., spent the Christmas holidays at the home of the latter's parents, Judge and Mrs. George Carson, on Lincoln avenue.

Rev. Henry DeLong has returned from a holiday visit with his daughter, Mrs. McElrath, at Randolph, Minn. During his stay there he officiated at the marriage of his granddaughter, Miss Pearl McElrath, to W. F. Smith of Randolph.

Prof. R. E. Wiatt and Miss Nellie Fletcher, both of this city, were married Wednesday at the home of Rev. and Mrs. T. McK. Stuart in Des Moines. Mr. Stuart officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Wiatt spent the week attending the meeting of the State Teachers' association in the Capital city.

Mrs. R. C. Francis left yesterday for Griswold, where she will spend New Year's day with her sister, Mrs. Hendricks.

Mrs. J. J. Shea entertained the Woman's Whist club Saturday afternoon. It will meet with Mrs. Albright next week.

Mrs. Harle entertained Christmas day at dinner Mrs. Huber, Mr. and Mrs. Nichols and Mrs. H. E. Scaley.

Miss Jearle Moore and Miss Grace Sigafoos have returned from Hamburg and are accompanied by Miss Fannie Rodda and Miss Grace Cooley, who will be the guests of Miss Sigafoos.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Clark have returned from Las Vegas, N. M., where they have been for several months.

Miss Sue Hoffman has returned from a visit at Carroll.

Ray Noyes, formerly of this city, now a resident of Missouri Valley, and Miss Tinnie Crowder, also of Missouri Valley, were married in Omaha last Wednesday.

On New Year's evening Mrs. Millard F. Rohrer gives a dancing party in the Royal Arcanum parlors in honor of her daughter and son, Caroline Test Rohrer and I. Beers Rohrer, and Cadete Rahm, Vierling, Brink, Hurt and Cole of Omaha, and Richards of Fremont, Neb., the boys all being students at Wentworth Military academy at Lexington, Mo.

Mrs. C. C. Lincoln of Wyoming, Ill., who was the guest of Mrs. Charles Matthai during the holiday week, left for her home last evening.

E. H. Lougee is expected home from the east today.

Miss Blanch Lewis of Sixth avenue has as her guest Miss Maud Childs of Atlantic, Ia.

Mrs. M. McDowell, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. T. Elwell, and family on Willow avenue, left for Clinton, Mo., Friday evening.

Miss Bessie Greer is visiting relatives at Perry, Ia.

Mrs. H. A. Quinn of Eighth street entertained last week her niece, Miss Maud Packard of Kansas City.

Miss May Caldwell is spending the holidays with relatives in Dubuque.

Mrs. Walter Stephan and Miss Lizzie Flinn leave today for Lenox, Ia., to spend New Year's with relatives and friends.

Miss Lillian Keys of Creston, Ia., is spending the holidays with her brother, T. Keys, on Fourth street.

Miss Marian Tyler is home from Brownell Hall, Omaha, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Tyler of Sixth avenue.

Mrs. H. S. Lynn and daughter, Clara, who were the guests of Mrs. Lynn's sister, Mrs. O. M. Brown, returned to their home in Kansas City Friday.

Fred Murphy and Miss Amy Dillon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dillon of Mynster street, surprised their friends by slipping quietly away to Logan Christmas eve, where they were married in the presence of a few friends by Mayor Wood of that place.

Mrs. E. C. Brown of Fourth street is entertaining Mrs. H. G. Rothlefsen and Mrs. T. C. Ford of Earling, Ia.

Miss Jessica Wallace of Bluff street has as her guest for the holiday season, Miss Julia B. Loba of Evanston, Ill.

Mrs. Charles Beno is entertaining her sister, Mrs. W. J. Wallace of Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. Gravatte are entertaining Mrs. Gravatte's brother, S. W. Jacoby, and wife of Burlington, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Millard of Glen avenue entertained last week their daughter, Mrs. W. M. Ashton, and children of Rutherford, N. J.

HARD WORK TO GET JOE SWARTZ.

Alleged Diamond Swindler Does Not Want to Face the Music.

It is doubtful if the local authorities will succeed in bringing back to this city Joe Swartz, the alleged diamond swindler who succeeded in buncoeing Sam Friedman and Sam Snyder, the two leading pawnbrokers of Council Bluffs. At least this is the opinion expressed by Captain Denny of the police, who returned from Kansas City yesterday, accompanied by Pawnbroker Snyder. While in Kansas City Denny had at first considerable difficulty in locating Swartz, but finally succeeded in having his capture effected as he was about to visit a son of his who is a diamond broker. Swartz at once was released on $1,000 bail, which was promptly supplied by a leading jeweler and a prominent attorney of that city.

Swartz will make a hard fight against being brought back here and has plenty of money and influential friends. His brother-in-law is the leading wholesale and retail jeweler of Kansas City and he told Denny that on a former occasion it cost him a cool $5,000 to get Swartz out of a similar scrape. Swartz's friends tried to settle the case by offering to pay back the money that the pawnbrokers had been buncoed out of, but Denny would not listen to any compromise. Requisition papers have been applied for and Swartz will have a hearing in Kansas City next Thursday.

Swartz is about 40 years of age and at one time was engaged in business in Kansas City as a diamond broker. His wife and family are at present said to be living in New York. The Kansas City police say that Swartz has been away from that city for the last three years and they believe that he must have been in hiding somewhere or else in jail. It is believed that Swartz is wanted in California for a deal somewhat similar to the one he perpetrated here. Swartz told Captain Denny confidentially that when he came to Council Bluffs he had no intention of fleecing the pawnbrokers, but was after Al Clark, the loan broker, whom he is said to have victimized on a former occasion about fifteen years ago. Clark, however, happened to be out of the city, as he is traveling abroad at present. Denny says Swartz is one of the smoothest individuals he ever came across.

Church Notes.

St. Paul's Episcopal church, Rev. George Edward Walk, rector. The Sunday after Christmas. Holy communion at 8 a. m.; morning prayer at 10:30 o'clock; subject of sermon, "The Flight of the Flying Years;" evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 o'clock. The midnight service will commence at 11:30 p. m. with the reading of the Litany, which will be followed on the stroke of the midnight hour by the celebration of holy communion. Special music will be rendered by the choir.

At Grace Episcopal church today the services will be as follows: Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock; evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 o'clock. On New Year's day there will be holy communion at 10:45 a. m.

Morning worship at the First Congregational church today will be at 10:30 o'clock, with sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Wilson on "Thoughts for the New Year." Sunday school will be held at noon. Boys' and girls' meeting at 3 p. m. Christian Endeavor society meeting at 6:30 p. m. At the evening service at 7:30 o'clock the pastor will deliver an address on "The Life and Influence of Dwight L. Moody." The choir and congregation will render a selection of Mr. Moody's favorite hymns at this service.

Rev. Alexander Litherland, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, will take as the subject of his sermon this morning "Barnabas a God Man." In the evening his discourse will be "New Year Meditations." The newly elected officers of the Sunday school will be installed at the morning service.

At the First Baptist church this morning the pastor, Rev. R. Venting, will preach on "The Unknown Grave." In the evening a regular evangelistic service will be held. Rev. Venting will preach in the evening at the Twenty-ninth Street mission.

The services at the Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Rev. E. W. Erickson, pastor, today will be as follows: Class meeting at 9:45 a. m.; morning worship and sermon at 10:30 o'clock; Sunday school at 11:45 a. m.; Epworth league meeting at 6:30 p. m.; prayer meeting and sermon at 7:30 o'clock. The midweek prayer meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

At the Epworth Methodist church today the services will be as follows: Sunday school at 2 p. m.; prayer meeting and sermon at 3 p. m.; Epworth league meeting at 7:30 p. m.

"The Past, Present and Future" will be the subject of Rev. S. M. Perkins' sermon this morning at the First Christian church. In the evening he will take as his subject "The Twenty-third Psalm."

At St. John's English Lutheran church today there will be communion service at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school at noon; special song service at 7 p. m., and regular preaching service at 7:30 p. m.

Rev. W. S. Barnes, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will preach this morning on "In Him Was Life." In the evening he will take as his subject "The World as God Would Have It." All services will be at the usual hours.

At Trinity Methodist church, Rev. W. H. Cable, pastor, there will be preaching this morning at 10:30 o'clock; Sunday school at noon; Epworth league meeting at 7:30 p. m., and preaching at 9 p. m. The midnight watch meeting will be from 10 to 12 p. m. There will be special gospel meetings each evening during the week except Saturday.

SMALLPOX STILL SPREADS

Eight New Cases and One Death in Worth County—Happenings at Des Moines.

DES MOINES, Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Eight new cases of smallpox have been reported to the State Board of Health by Dr. C. W. Sanders of Manley this morning. These cases are in Danville township, Worth county, and one death has resulted. Two cases were reported from Swea City, Kossuth county, the county east of Worth. The disease now exists in Worth, Kossuth, Monroe, Buchanan, Lyon and Buena Vista counties. The patients are about recovered in the last four counties. At the rate at which the disease has been spreading and considering that this is the best time of the year for it to work its ravages, it would not be surprising to the health authorities if the epidemic is not driven out of the state before summer.

R. R. Currier of Fort Madison has filed an injunction suit against Warden N. N. Jones of the penitentiary at Fort Madison and the members of the State Board of Control. He says that the penitentiary officers have destroyed a fence on his land, which adjoins the prison, and treatened him with personal violence when he attempted to reerect it.

Although behind steel bars, an unfinished jail sentence yet to serve and several years in the penitentiary at the expiration of the jail confinement hanging over him, Tom Clay, colored, well known in police circles of this city, outwitted the sheriff and was married to Yetta Page, a former inmate of the Mitchelville reform school, and one of the girls who took part in the recent riot at that institution. Yetta is a white girl and it was during her incarceration in the Polk county jail that the affair of the heart first had its inception. Tom at that time was a sort of trusty, and found employment in the kitchen.

The mercury went down to 5 degrees below zero last night, was near zero all day and tonight promises to go still lower. Severe weather is reported from all parts of the state.

FOUL ASSAULT AT SIOUX CITY.

John E. Robson Attacked and Nearly Killed by a Robber.

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—John E. Robson, one of the most prominent bridge contractors in this part of the country and one of the builders of the superstructure of the big combination bridge at Sioux City, was found assaulted in his own office in Sioux City at 11 o'clock last night and he may die from the injuries received.

The deed was committed by a burglar, who was surprised at his work by Mr. Robson, who had gone to his office to write a letter. With no suspicion of impending trouble Mr. Robson pushed in the door of his office and as he stepped into the dark room he received a terrific blow on the head which felled him to the floor. The burglar made his escape immediately, leaving his victim lying in a pool of blood.

Mr. Robson lay in the office helpless to do anything for himself until 6:30 o'clock this morning, when he was discovered by a watchman, who, noticing the door of the place was open, went in to investigate. Mr. Robson was barely conscious when he was found. There is a gash in the head about four inches long. There is a crack in the skull about two inches long and the injury extends into the brain. No clew to the identity of the assailant has yet been found. The robber secured $100 from the safe.

Jumps to His Death.

AMES, Ia., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—At about 12:30 p. m., when the Chicago special on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad was nearing this place, coming down grade at the speed of sixty miles an hour, a man leaped from the train and received such injuries that he died shortly afterward. He was dressed like a laboring man, was about 30 years old, weighed about 200 pounds and was about six feet tall. He was brought to town and attended by the company's surgeon, but lived only a short time. The side of his head was crushed and his right arm badly broken. Nothing was found about his person to indicate his identity. He evidently committed suicide.

Iowa Man Kills a Miner.

RIVERTON, Ia., Dec. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—From Butte, Mont., comes a report of the