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. 191.

Budweiser beer. L. Rosenfeldt, agent.

Mrs. O. H. Running is visiting in Atchison, Kan.

Missouri wood on track, in carload lots. Telephone, 3251.

N. J. Swanson and son are spending a few days in Chicago.

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

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

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

W. C. Estep, undertaker, 28 Pearl street. Telephones: Office, 97; residence, 33.

Mrs. James L. Wesby of South First street is entertaining Mrs. Frederick Hansen of Parsla, Ia.

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

H. M. Metz, commercial agent of the Illinois Central at this point, spent Sunday with his family in Freeport, Ill.

L. S. Bullard, Miss Kitty Bullard and Miss Polly Erb left yesterday for Fort Worth, Tex., to be gone for about two weeks.

Mrs. J. D. Maule of Fairmount, Neb., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Shapland, corner of Seventh avenue and Thirteenth street.

A marriage license was issued late Saturday evening to I. L. Mudge of Omaha, aged 24 years, and Alice Hancock of this city, aged 20 years.

State Senator A. S. Hazelton returned from Des Moines Saturday evening to spend Sunday with his family. He will return tomorrow morning.

Excelsior Masonic lodge, No. 259, will meet in special session this evening for work in the third degree. Following the meeting a banquet will be served.

Captain George J. Crane, who has been laid up at his home on Park avenue for two weeks as a result of stepping on a banana peel, is able to be out again, although still somewhat lame from the fall.

Twenty-one members of Hazel camp, Modern Woodmen of America, went to Underwood Saturday night to assist the lodge there in initiating a number of new members. After the meeting the Council Bluffs Woodmen were the guests of the Underwood lodge at an elaborate supper. The return home was made yesterday morning.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education is slated for this evening. It is said a majority of the members have come to an agreement to rescind the former action of the board in selecting the Ballard property as a site for the new High school building. It is believed there will be enough votes to select the site at Fifth avenue and Seventh street.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250.

Mrs. Geddes Laid to Rest.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Rena M. Geddes, wife of William M. Geddes, government distributing agent for the Pan-american exposition at Buffalo, held yesterday afternoon from the residence of her sister, Mrs. T. E. Cavin, on Park avenue, was attended by a large gathering of relatives and friends of the bereaved family. The handsome casket, as it rested in the parlor, was completely covered by the many beautiful floral offerings from friends and relatives. The services were conducted by Rev. George Edward Walk, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, who spoke in feeling terms of the deceased. The music was rendered by a quartet consisting of Mesdames Mullis and Welsh and Messrs. Treynor and Simms, while Miss Gleason acted as accompanist. Interment was in Fairview cemetery, the remains being followed to the grave by a long cortege. Among the relatives from out of town who were in attendance at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Num of Marne, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. E. Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Glover, G. H. Geddes and John Geddes of Grand Island, Neb. The following out of town friends were present: Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Fish and Miss Haywood of Lincoln, Neb., and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Horth of Grand Island, Neb. Mrs. Geddes was the youngest daughter of H. H. Field of this city and sister of Mrs. T. E. Cavin of this city and Mrs. H. H. Glover of Grand Island. Besides her husband she leaves a son and daughter to mourn her loss.

County Treasurers to Meet.

County Treasurer William Arnd, as president of the State Association of County Treasurers, has issued a call for the annual meeting of the association, to be held at Des Moines, Wednesday and Thursday, January 24 and 25. In the call the following announcements are made:

"All treasurers and ex-treasurers are requested to attend. No fixed program has been arranged, as experience has proved that the assignment of subjects to certain members to be discussed has not been satisfactory. Consideration of the various questions that present themselves will constitute an interesting program.

"The legislature will be in session at the time of the meeting. We desire to urge upon every county treasurer to attend this meeting and especially those who have just gone into office. Those who have not been attending we are sure will be well repaid should they come.

"All treasurers are requested to notify the ex-treasurers of their respective counties of the meeting and request their attendance."

Mrs. A. R. Prentice Dead.

Mrs. A. R. Prentice, a pioneer settler of Pottawattamie county, died yesterday morning at her home in Crescent, aged 68 years. She was born August 20, 1832, in Dunfermline, Fifeshire, Scotland, and was married to Alexander R. Prentice March 1, 1852. In 1857 the family left Glasgow for America, coming direct to Crescent, where they have lived ever since. She leaves a large family, all of whom were with her at the last. The children are Mrs. Margaret Barritt, Adam Prentice and Robert Prentice of Crescent, Mrs. A. L. Alstrand of Missouri Valley, Mrs. Agnes Caldwell and Mrs. C. W. Atwood of this city. The funeral will be held Tuesday morning from the Methodist church at Crescent, of which she was always a prominent member, and interment will be in the Hazel Dell cemetery. The services will be conducted by Rev. M. M. Cable of Defiance, Ia.

Vags May Work on the Streets.

Acting Police Judge Paul Aylesworth, in pursuance of his determination to force the vags brought before him to work on the streets, has notified the street supervisor and city marshal that there are several prisoners at the jail ready to be given a spade or a shovel and taken out to scrape the mud from the street crossings. Alderman Casper, chairman of the city council committee on streets and alleys, is not favorable to the plan of working city prisoners on the streets and it is possible that Judge Aylesworth may find some trouble in having his orders carried out.

Does Bouricius' Music House handle high grade pianos and organs? Why doesn't Bouricius' Music House advertise the makes they handle? Is there any reason for some dealers to continually advertise the name of factories instead of themselves? Have not many of the most successful and responsible firms advertised themselves instead of the manufacturers? 335 Broadway, where the organ stands upon the building.

FARM LOANS

Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska and Iowa. James N. Casady, jr., 126 Main St., Council Bluffs.

BAD FIRE IN A WAREHOUSE

Building of the Union Transfer Company Suffers from the Flames.

IMPLEMENTS AND VEHICLES SCORCHED

Water Does Considerable Damage and the Stock Will Need a Thorough Overhauling—Estimate of Losses.

Fire which started about midnight Saturday in the building on South Main and Thirteenth streets, occupied by the Union Transfer company, which handles the goods of a number of agricultural implement firms in transit, did considerable damage. The actual loss, however, cannot be accurately estimated until the goods are gone over and an inventory made. While a small portion of the stock was consumed the damage will be from smoke and water.

The fire is supposed to have started from a gas jet left burning in the shipping clerk's office at the rear of the building. This jet is only about two feet from the ceiling and a big hole burned just above it shows undoubtedly the origin of the fire, which, but for the prompt work of the department, might have proved much more serious than it did.

When the department arrived on the scene the building was full of smoke and the firemen had considerable difficulty at first in locating the blaze. Three strong streams of water were thrown into the building and in a comparatively short time the fire was under control, although the smoke continued to fill the building for some time longer.

Dan Carrig, the owner of the building, estimated his loss at about $2,000, fully covered by insurance and a further examination of the building yesterday morning confirmed his estimate. With the exception of the Hoosier Drill company, the stocks of the different agricultural implement firms, handled by the Union Transfer company, are all fully insured. The Hoosier Drill company carried no insurance on its stock.

How the Fire Did Its Work.

Examination of the building yesterday by Fire Chief Bates showed that the flames, after eating through the ceiling above the gas jet, ate their way over the heavy timbers, supporting the floor above, until they reached a big pile of binder canvasses, belonging to Aultman, Miller & Company. From here the flames evidently spread to the wooden portions of the machinery of the Hoosier Drill company, as their charred appearance showed yesterday.

Profiting by the experience they had had with the fire when the Deere, Wells company's warehouse was burned down, the firemen worked like trojans and it is due to their work that considerable more damage was not done.

The firms whose stocks were in the building are: Hoosier Drill company, Aultman, Miller & Co., Grand Detour Plow company, Banner Buggy company, Columbus Manufacturing company and the Minneapolis Thresher company. The smoke made its way through the walls and did some damage to the stock of the Peru Plow and Implement company in the adjpoining building.

A rough estimate made yesterday places the value of the different stocks in the building at $300,000 and the estimates on the damage vary all the way from $20,000 to $75,000. Much of the damage is merely superficial, caused by the smoke and water. Some of the agricultural implements are burned about the wooden parts, but the loss in this respect will not exceed a few thousand dollars, even if it reaches to that figure. The principal loss arises from the fact that the larger portion of the stocks of buggies and implements will all have to be repainted or revarnished and much of the stock sent back to the factories to be gone over again and put in salable condition.

Forsyth's Estimate.

Henry I. Forsyth, manager of the Union Transfer company, said yesterday that it was almost impossible to form any estimate of the damage to the stocks on hand until they had been carefully gone over. The actual loss by fire, he said, was comparatively small, but where the real loss would come in would be in refixing the buggies and implements, the paint on which had been blistered by the heat and blackened and otherwise damaged by the smoke and water. Much of the stock, as far as he had been able to see, would have to be reshipped to the factories to be placed in a salable condition. Mr. Forsyth said he estimated that the stock on hand would invoice in the neighborhood of $300,000 and that the damage all told might run up close to $50,000, although he was not prepared to give this as definite until a thorough overhauling of the stock was made, when perhaps it might be considerably under that figure. Manager Forsyth took occasion to pay the firemen a high compliment for the excellent work performed in getting the fire under control as speedily as they did.

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

IOWA-NEBRASKA COCK FIGHT.

Half a Hundred Sports Hold a Main in North Omaha.

Some fifty or more sports journeyed from Council Bluffs Saturday night across the river to witness the interstate cocking main between Iowa and Nebraska, which was to be pulled off at Ketchmark's hall, on North Thirtieth street, near old Fort Omaha, provided the authorities did not interfere. There was no interference and the main was duly pulled off according to schedule, and it was time for early prayer service before the two last chickens were pitted and the dead game sports from the Hawkeye state, South Omaha and the city across the river began to wend their way to their respective homes. The Hawkeyes were not feeling over jubilant, as their birds had gone down in defeat in battle royal and the sports from Omaha and South Omaha were jingling in their pockets the cash of the men from the Iowa side of the Missouri.

The main was for $100 cash and the gate receipts. The price of admission to the hall above the saloon, in which the cockpit had been arranged, was 50 cents, and when the hour of midnight tolled there were in the neighborhood of 200 sports gathered there. Politics make strange bedfellows and the same can be aptly applied to cockfighting, for in that gathering were to be seen all classes of men. There were lawyers, bank clerks, who tilted their hats back and tried to appear as if they had been dead game sports all their lives, hack drivers and crapshooters, while the packing houses in South Omaha were represented by a good sized contingent. The delegation from Iowa was likewise a mixed lot. Fred Lamb, the veteran "pitter," was in evidence, as he has been at all such affairs ever since he was able to handle a chicken. "Jack," the veteran breeder of blooded fighters, was there, and old man Parsons of Audubon, the coolest head among the lot, who never knew what it was to cry enough until his bird gave up the ghost. Parsons handled the birds for the Hawkeye side of the contest, while Charlie Lind, "the terrible Swede" of South Omaha, pitted the birds for the Nebraskans.

Nine fights were to have constituted the main, but the birds failed to weigh in and the number was reduced to five, the lowest weight being 4.12, and the topnotchers 5.15 and 6.08.

For the first fight Iowa put into the pit a white muff weighing 4.12, while Omaha was represented by a Mississippi Athlete, a trim looking red chicken, which weighed one ounce less than the Iowa rooster. One pitting was sufficient to decide the battle in favor of the Omaha champion, as the Iowa chicken was killed during the first shuffle.

The second fight lasted a full hour, the birds being pitted no less than seventy-eight times. On the seventy-eighth pitting the Iowa chicken, being breasted, failed to respond, put his beak into the sand and was duly counted out. Iowa in this fight pitted a Grist Champion, weighing 5.6, while Lind handled for the Nebraskans a white pile, which, while weighing only an ounce less than the Iowa cock, looked as if he was at least a pound heavier. After a few pittings both birds were blind in one eye and the fighting was more or less tame. When they succeeded in getting together, however, the pile had the best of it in most of the pittings, especially after the twenty-ninth pitting, when the Iowa bird was gaffed in the base of the brain and was "crazy" for the balance of the fight. At the seventy-eighth pitting, when every one was hoping that the end would come, the Iowa bird, on being breasted, failed to keep his feet, but quietly lay down and sinking his head into the sand was perfectly content to let himself be counted out, while the pile stood over him on one leg, watching to see if he would come to the scratch once more.

This gave two fights of the main to the Omaha contingent and things were commencing to look decidedly blue for the men from Iowa, but the next fight went their way and some of their money came back from the pockets of the Nebraskans.

For the third fight Iowa put into the pit a splendid pile that looked like a fighter all over, while the Nebraskans pitted a "Cleburne" red bird. Iowa weighed in at 5.9, one ounce the better of the Nebraska cock. No sooner had the word "down, cocks," been given than the pile made a dash for the red bird and one of the prettiest shuffles ever seen in a pit was witnessed. A few seconds sufficed for the pile to get his gaff home and as Lind picked up his bird for another round the chicken's head dropped and he was a dead one.

The fourth fight gave the main to Nebraska. Iowa put into the pit a brown red at 5.10 and money was freely offered on it, but there were few takers which, as it later proved, was a lucky thing for the sports from the Hawkeye state. Nebraska pitted a "Race Horse" and Lind, when he handled the bird in his corner, thought he was a goner, but the chicken proved a gamer one than he looked. Both birds fought gamely for the first few pittings and it looked as if the Brown Red had an easy thing before him. The Race Horse proved a slow bird, despite his name and it was not until after twenty pittings that he pulled himself together and gave the Red Brown more than he was looking for. Both girds became blind in the early stage of the fight and had to be breasted. At each breasting the Race Horse got the best of it and the Red Brown had to be frequently released from the other chicken's gaffs. The Red Brown at the thirty-sixth pitting turned tail and jumped out of the pit, thus losing the fight and giving the main to Nebraska.

The first fight with the "big ones" was declared off, much to the regret of the sports, as they had been looking for a battle for their money from the heavy weights.

Following the main a number of scratch fights were brought off.

Davis sells paints.

TRAMPS HOLD UP FARM HANDS.

Two Young Men from Cass County Relieved of Their Funds.

John Wilson and Pete Nichols, two farm hands from Cass county, complained to the police yesterday that they had been held up and robbed by a tramp a few miles this side of Weston, on the Rock Island tracks.

Wilson and Nichols decided Saturday afternoon to come to the Bluffs and boarded a boxcar at Atlantic. In the car a tramp had already made himself at home and the three were soon on friendly terms. Just as the train was pulling into Weston the train crew put the two farmers and the tramp off and they started toward the Bluffs along the track. As they were crossing the long trestle just this side of Weston the tramp suddenly drew a revolver and ordered the two farmers to hand over whatever money they had about them. They both expostulated, but the tramp, with an oath, said he would blow both their heads off if they did not get quick action on themselves and hand over their cash. Wilson had $17.65, which he was forced to surrender, and Nichols, in addition to his gold watch and chain, was forced to give up $19.75.

As soon as he had the money, the tramp told the two farm hands to "right about face" and start back in the opposite direction. Not wishing to have their heads blown off, the two farmer lads obeyed and the tramp continued on his way. As soon as he was out of sight they retraced their steps and on reaching this city at once notified the police. A search of the railroad yards was made, but no trace of the tramp was to be found.

Daylight Theft.

The dry goods store of Woodbury & Culver, on Main street, was entered by a thief yesterday afternoon in broad daylight and robbed of considerable goods and about $15 in cash. The thief secured an entrance through the front door by means of a skeleton key. After loading himself with his booty he made his exit by the rear door into the alley. The robbery was discovered shortly after by H. F. Culver, one of the members of the firm, who, on going to the store, found the both doors unlocked. A hasty examination of the stock showed that eleven silk waists, a number of pairs of white silk gloves and several boxes of handkerchiefs and other small articles were missing. The money drawer, which had contained $15 in change, had been emptied. It was said last night that the police had obtained a clew to the thief and that they hoped to have him behind the bars before long.

Apoplectic Stroke.

GLENWOOD, Ia., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Dr. C. B. Bosbyshell, the oldest practicing physician in Mills county, was stricken with apoplexy last evening. Frank Weatherhead called at the doctor's office for medicine and found him unconscious. He was carried home, where he has lain in a comatose condition, gradually failing, since. Dr. Bosbyshell was a surgeon in the civil war and has always been an active practitioner in Glenwood since that time.

Buried by Wife Number Two.

SIOUX CITY, Jan. 14.—The remains of Dr. Gustave Mahe, whose body two wives claimed, was buried today by wife No. 2. Although wife No. 1 in San Francisco demanded custody of the remains, local officials decided to issue a burial permit to wife No. 2 and she had charge of the ceremonies. More sensational developments are expected.

LEGISLATURE MEETS TUESDAY

First Ballot Will Then Be Cast for United States Senator.

NO DOUBT ABOUT THE ELECTION OF GEAR

Joint Convention to Be Held on Wednesday Will Also Nominate a Candidate for State Printer—Resume of Legislation.

DES MOINES, Jan. 14.—(Special.)—On Tuesday afternoon the recess of the Iowa legislature will be over. Both houses will then meet, each in its individual chamber, to take a ballot on United States senator. The following day, January 17, at noon, as prescribed by act of congress, the two houses will come together and compare votes on the election of the preceding day. If the votes tally, and they unquestionably will show a full republican vote for Senator John H. Gear, the formalities of the closing of the most bitter political fight in the annals of Iowa politics will be concluded. Besides the name of John H. Gear, there will be that of Hon. Fred White, last democratic candidate for governor in the state, for whom the democrats cast their votes. There is considerable gossip over the narrowness of the escape of the democrats in their caucus last week from dividing their forces on the money question. The gold democrats still claim that they had enough votes to have nominated Hon. Cato F. Sells, the prominent gold democrat residing at Vinton, Ia., had that gentleman not withdrawn his name from the caucus and made it impossible for them to cast their votes for him. The joint convention will also determine who shall be the next state printer and binder in Iowa. Bernard Murphy of Vinton, Ia., will be named state printer, and Howard Tedford of Mt. Ayr, state binder. The democrats named no candidates for these offices, declaring they did not care to give the offices that much recognition.

There is likely to be another effort to abolish the offices of state printer and binder, though it will unquestionably be futile. The one two years ago failed and the fact that the republicans have named candidates this year practically removes any possibility of such an action being taken. The democrats, however, are decidedly in favor of abolishing these offices, where boodle has been the chief feature in the past, and they will undoubtedly put themselves on record against their continuance and in favor of the state letting its printing and binding out by contract or of putting in its own plant.

Length of the Session.

Nearly everybody believes the assembly will be in session at least 100 days. Lieutenant Governor Milliman, president of the senate, has put himself on record that the session will last that long and this is generally approved by the members who are in closest touch with matters which are to come up for consideration. Next to the legislation on schools, which is conceded to be the biggest task before the assembly, the question of appropriations is one which will demand attention. The largest appropriations, as usual, will be asked for the state institutions. The Board of Control has asked for appropriations aggregating $759,572.68 for special purposes and $89,000 for land for the thirteen eleemosynary, penal and reformatory institutions under its charge. The State university wants $60,000 annual support fund and the continuation of a one-tenth of a mill tax for five years. The State Agricultural college wants as much and the State Normal school department is likely to be enlarged by the establishment of several additional schools, four new ones having been recommended by the governor in his biennial message. The governor stated also in this document that there was at least $1,200,000 available for appropriations this year and he recommended appropriations in keeping with the large surplus in the treasury.

Appropriations.

Senator Warren Garst of Carroll county, chairman of the senate committee on appropriations, says he believes the work of the appropriations committee will be as hard, if not harder, than two years ago, when everything had to be pared to the utmost to accommodate the deficit in the state treasury, for the more money there is the more demands there will be. Senator Garst is one of the most influential members in the upper house of the assembly. He was a supporter of the Board of Control measure which passed the last assembly and became a law only two years ago and he believes that the present prosperous condition of the state treasury is due to the careful and economical administration of the present Board of Control as much as to any other one thing. Senator Garst has said he believes the State Board of Control is a fixture in Iowa and this is the general belief. There will be no effort to abolish the new board and if there is, it will have few supporters. There will doubtless be some changes in the present laws governing the board and its management of the institutions under its charge.

Among the measures pertaining to the educational interests of the state which will be the most important under consideration is the one proposing to establish new normal schools, one to establish the township system in the country and otherwise improse the schools of the rural districts, and several measures looking to the improvement of the three existing educational institutions—the State university, the State College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts and the one normal school now in existence. There will be a proposition for compulsory education, and one for free text books, and the private and denominational institutions of the state will ask for legislation putting their graduates on a level with those of the state schools in the preferment of state certificates.

Speaker Bowen's house committees will probably be announced not later than Wednesday, though they may possibly come Tuesday, though they are not yet in the hands of the printer. Until these are announced little can be done in the house in the way of getting down to business.

Blencoe Man Fails.

ONAWA, Ia., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—S. B. Greek of Blencoe, Monona count, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy and gives the following list of unsecured claims: Winona Manufacturing company, $1,300; Blencoe bank, $1,125; Cunningham & Gray, $350; A. C. Webster, $40; T. M. C. Logan, $50; Peter Reily, $100; J. M. Halhaney, Onawa, $9; L. D. Higby, $9; McCormick Harvester and Manufacturing company, $100. Total liabilities, $3,107. No assets are given.

Library for Ottumwa.

OTTUMWA, Ia., Jan. 14.—Andrew Carnegie will probably endow Ottumwa with a $50,000 library building. The only restricting proviso is that the city vote a $5,000 annual tax to maintain the institution. The city council has tacitly agreed to pass an ordinance to this effect.

Size doesn't indicate quality. Beware of counterfeit and worthless salve offered for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. DeWitt's is the only original. An infallible cure for piles and all skin diseases.

"ALL RIGHT ON THE GOOSE."

Business Office Strategy Linked with Editorial Perspicuity.

"It didn't take much to kick up a row in my town, where my father was the editor of the paper," said the son, who lives in New York, to a New York Sun reporter.

"You wouldn't think," he continued, "that an asterisk at the end of a political announcement would set people to wondering. Well, it did, or they did, for there were several asterisks. There were no primaries or conventions at the time of which I speak. When a man wanted an office he announced that fact in the newspapers. Sometimes a call would be printed, signed by many taxpayers and prominent citizens, urging some man to allow his name to be used at the ensuing election.

"The announcements began to appear about six weeks before election. They helped out the exchequer immensely. I often heard my father say, when he was pressed to buy something for the home, 'wait until the political announcements come in.'

"The asterisk war of which I spoke occurred the year before the civil war. The announcements had appeared sooner than usual. The asterisk appeared at the end of some announcements, and the question of that day was, 'What is the meaning of the star in 'Squire Blank's announcement?'

"I remember that several citizens called at my father's house that night and asked, in the most serious manner, if 'Squire Blank was all right on the goose?' That was the query of that age when you wanted to know if a man stood well socially, politically or financially. In this case it referred to the 'secesh' proclivities of 'Squire Blank. My father informed the citizens that he was glad to say that 'Squire Blank was all right on the goose.

"'Then there is Judge Dash,' said the chairman of the committee, 'he is not all right on the goose.' My father hastened to correct the chairman by saying that Judge Dash was one of the very first men in town to get all right on the goose. While the committee was trying to satisfy itself at the sideboard 'Squire Blank rushed in without waiting to pass the compliments of the day and, thumping on the table, he asked vehemently: 'See here, what do you mean by saying in your paper this morning that I am not all right on the goose?'

"Before my father had a chance to explain Judge Dash rushed in with all the characteristics of a fighter. He didn't stop to say anything about the weather, but bristled up and demanded to know why the Cycle—that was the name of the paper—had intimated that he was not all right on the goose. By that time that was the unanimous inquiry in the room. My father had put on some war paint by that time and demanded an explanation. 'If it's a joke,' he said, 'all right, and the sideboard is open. But if you have come to me seriously about this, tell me what you mean, for I'm damned if I know.'

"'Squire Blank was the first to be heard. 'It's this way,' he said. 'When the Cycle came out with my announcement it had a star after my name, and some of my neighbors said that spotted as not all right on the goose. Now what did you mean by that?'

"'Yes, and what in the dickens did you mean by not putting one after my name?' broke in Judge Dash. 'My friends came lumbering into my court room this morning and wanted to know if I wasn't all right on the goose, and said that the Cycle said I was not, and that no star following an announcement means that the candidate is not all right on the goose, and it has cost me $4 to prove that I am what I am.'

"My father gave a hearty laugh that shook the stoppers out of the decanters and explained: 'Why, my dear friends, it's a business office matter. You see we have a new rule in the business office that where a man pays in advance for his advertisement or announcement the bookkeeper puts an asterisk on it, and the printer sets it up, so when the bookkeeper goes to post he does it from the paper, don't you see? Asterisk, cash; no asterisk, credit. That's all. Have something with me, gentlemen.'

"At the top of the first editorial column of the Cycle the next day was this paragraph:

"'Politically, every candidate who announces in the columns of the Cycle is all right on the goose.'

"And it was but a few days before an asterisk was at the end of every announcement. It was what my father called 'business office strategy, linked to editorial perspicuity.'"

PHIL ARMOUR AS A BRAKEMAN.

Chicago Millionaire Had a Brief and Unsuccessful Career.

George A. Sheldon, depot master of the Lake Shore station at Adrian, Mich., who died on October 23, after forty-six years of continuous service with the Lake Shore company, was a veritable encyclopedia of railroad incidents, and his well-told tales, if repeated in his own select phrase, would rank as classic literature. His narrations were confined to actualities, thus giving them a real value, says the Detroit News. He was many years a conductor, and among the best of the incidents he related the following:

"One day there stepped aboard my train a well dressed, business appearing man, who, as he tendered his fare, remarked:

"'I see you are still on the road, Mr. Sheldon.'

"'Yes, I am still at it,' I replied, 'but I am not certain that I remember you, though I think I have seen you before.'

"'Yes, you have seen me before,' emphasized the passenger, 'and while you doubtless have forgotten it I still remember that you once did me the greatest favor of my life. Come to my seat when you get time, and I'll tell you about it.'

"When I had finished collecting fares I dropped into the stranger's seat, and he continued: 'Years ago I was four days brakeman aboard your train. At the end of the four days you took me aside and remarked in a tone of sympathy: "I'm sorry to have to tell you so, but the fact is young man, you are too much of a fool to ever make a good railroader. Take my advice and quit." I took your advice and went into other business and the result is I made a fair fortune. I thank you, Mr. Sheldon, for your wise counsel.'

"'What is your name?' I asked.

"'Phil D. Armour of Chicago,' replied my ex-brakeman, 'and I shall always remember your kindness. I was a stupid railroader, and you advised me for my good.'

"Until this interview," added Mr. Sheldon, "I never suspected that Philip D. Armour, the packer, was the brakeman I discharged years before."

Miss Florence Newman, who has been a great sufferer from muscular rheumatism says Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the only remedy that affords her relief. Miss Newman is a much respected resident of the village of Gray, N. Y., and make this statement for the benefit of others similarly afflicted.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Threatening Monday and Partly Cloudy Tuesday with Variable Winds in Nebraska.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Forecast for Monday and Tuesday:

For Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri—Threatening Monday; partly cloudy Tuesday; variable winds.

For South Dakota—Threatening Monday; probably fair Tuesday; southeasterly winds.

For Iowa—Threatening Monday, with light rain in eastern portion; threatening Tuesday; east to southeast winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Jan. 14.—Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.
Maximum temperature..	40	45	36	28
Minimum temperature....	32	29	25	19
Average temperature.....	36	37	30	22
Precipitation	.00	.00	T	T

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1899:

Normal for the day	17
Excess for the day	19
Accumulated excess since March 1	543
Normal rainfall for the day	.02 inch
Deficiency for the day	.02 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	26.10 inches
Deficiency since March 1	4.46 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1898	4.01 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1897	10.05 inches

Report from stations at 8 p. m.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER.	Temperature at 8 p. m.	Maximum temperature	Precipitation
Omaha, clear	36	40	.00
North Platte, partly cloudy	44	54	.00
Salt Lake City, cloudy	40	54	T
Cheyenne, cloudy	46	54	.00
Rapid City, partly cloudy	34	48	.00
Huron, cloudy	38	48	.02
Williston, foggy	36	48	.00
Chicago, cloudy	36	38	.00
St. Louis, clear	36	38	.00
St. Paul, cloudy	36	38	.00
Davenport, sleeting	34	38	.02
Helena, partly cloudy	36	38	.00
Kansas City, clear	36	38	.00
Havre, clear	32	38	.00
Bismarck, snowing	30	34	.16
Galveston, clear	52	64	.00

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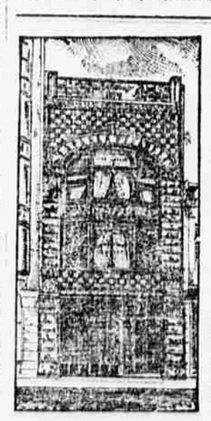

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