NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass.
Davis sells drugs.
"Mr. Riley," 5-cent cigar.
Fine Missouri oak. Gilbert Bros.
Gas fixtures and globes at Bixby's.
Fine A. B. C. beer, Neumayer's hotel.
Wellman, scientific optician, 409 B'd'y.
Schmidt's photos guaranteed to please.
Moore's stock food kills worms, fattens.
W. J. Hostetter, dentist, Baldwin block.
Leffert, jeweler, optician, 236 Broadway.
Drink Budweiser beer. L. Rosenfeld, agt.
D. W. Otis is kept to his home with grip.
Picture framing. C. E. Alexander & Co., 334 Broadway.
W. F. Graff, undertaker and disinfector, 101 South Main street. Phone 56s.
Get your work done at the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway. Phone 157.
Morgan & Klein, upholstering, furniture repairing, mattress making. 122 S. Main st.
Bernard Josselyn, 726 First avenue, was reported to the Board of Health yesterday suffering from measles.
Thirty implement men from this city are in Chicago attending the carriage and vehicle exhibition in the Coliseum.
The Central University Extension club will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock with Mrs. Dawson, 845 Seventh avenue.
A want ad in The Bee will bring results. The same attention given to a want ad in Council Bluffs as at the Omaha office.
The regular meeting of Concordia lodge, Knights of Pythias, will be this evening. There will be work in the third rank.
A prayer and praise service will be Wednesday evening in the Sunday school room of the Broadway Methodist church.
Sheridan coal, once tried always used. Smokeless, no soot, clinkers nor sulphur. Price $5, $5.50. Fenlon & Foley, sole agents.
The saloon of L. W. Handy at 615 West Broadway has been closed and the fixtures and stock seized on attachments secured by creditors.
The Men's club of St. John's English Lutheran church will meet tonight in the church parlors. Rev. G. W. Snyder will speak on "Clubs."
President Hannan of the First National bank is home from Pierre, S. D., where he bought $250,000 of state warrants. There were nine bidders against him.
The personal injury damage suit of A. D. Fengler against the Omaha & St. Louis railroad was transferred from the district to the federal court yesterday.
Colonel C. G. Saunders has been appointed chairman of the bar banquet committee for John Marshall day in place of C. M. Hart, who is unable to serve.
The Woman's auxiliary of Grace Episcopal church will have a special meeting this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Harry Jones on Knepper street.
W. E. Frost, a farmer of Tabor, Ia., filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy yesterday in the United States district court here. His debts aggregate $415 and he has no assets.
Frank Hermiss, a bartender, was arrested last night, charged with the larceny by embezzlement of a goldplated watch valued at $8. M. A. Burke, a traveling man, filed the information.
Bob Scott was arraigned in Justice Ferrier's court yesterday on the charge of stealing a coat, the property of A. Reed. Owing to the absence of the witnesses for the prosecution the hearing was continued until Wednesday.
Ed Dooley, alias Henry Smith, and Mat Carter, alias Louis Smith, negroes charged with stealing a watch from the jewelry store of Robinson Bros., took a change of venue yesterday morning from the police court to that of Justice Ferrier, where they will have a hearing Wednesday morning. They were transferred from the city to the county jail.
Mrs. Mary Jane McNair, aged 46 years, died yesterday morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. Sam Kelley, 1524 Avenue C. She leaves a husband and four children. She came from her home in Cheyenne, Wyo., here two months ago, hoping to regain her health. No arrangements for the funeral will be made until the arrival of her husband, Ed McNair.
The funeral of Mrs. Fannie E. Achter yesterday afternoon from the residence of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Stoeckert, was attended by a large number of friends. The services were conducted by Rev. R. L. Knox, rector of Grace Episcopal church. Burial was in Fairview cemetery. The bearers were: J. J. Klein, Oscar Younkerman, Gus Weber, Mathew Bartel, Thomas Bowman and Charles Green.
Peter Larsen was before Justice Ferrier yesterday charged with intoxication and abusing his family. Sentence was suspended for thirty days, but if in that time Larsen should get drunk or misbehave toward his wife or family he is to be immediately arrested and sent to the county jail for thirty days. If he behaves himself for the full thirty days, at the expiration of that period he is to appear before Justice Ferrier and pay $5, when he will be discharged from custody.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250.

Commonwealth 10-cent cigar.

Funeral of Benjamin Winchester.

The funeral of Benjamin Winchester, one of the pioneer settlers of Council Bluffs, was held yesterday afternoon from the family residence, 420 East Washington avenue, and was attended by a large gathering of friends of the deceased and the bereaved family, among those present being many of the oldest residents of the city. Short services were conducted according to the doctrine of the Spiritualists, by J. W. Kempster. Burial was in Walnut Hill cemetery. The pallbearers were: R. T. Bryant, U. McMacken, P. Wareham, W. M. Bradley, D. Denny and John Smith.

Mr. Winchester is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters. The children are Savillion A., Americus and Benjamin Winchester, Mrs. Thomas Owen and Mrs. Joseph Abel. Mr. Winchester came to Council Bluffs in 1854. He established the first brickyard in Omaha, and assisted in laying out that city. He served two years as a member of the city council of Council Bluffs. At an early age he was a missionary in the Mormon church, but later withdrew.

Howell's Anti-Kawf cures coughs, colds.

Real Estate Transfers.

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

J. M. Metcalf and wife to J. N. Cornish, undiv of part lots 1 and 2, block 2, Bayliss' 1st add, w d	$ 4,000
H. C. Hemmingsen and wife to Hans and Nels Peterson, w½ nw¼ 24-76-43 (except 15 acres in nw corner), w d	3,000
J. P. Hess, trustee, and wife to C. W. Hoyer, lot 7, block 26, Central subdiv, w d	500
Total, three transfers	$7,500

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EASY Footwear
ALL
Our Shoes
are EASY ON THE FEET—EASY ON THE PRICE.
Our shoes are made to fit neatly and wear long. That's how you get full value for your money. If you want satisfaction in footwear the place to go is
SARGENT'S
Look for the Bear.

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

ALLOWS PREFERRED CLAIMS

Judge Thornell Hands Down His Decision in More Bank Cases.

SOME OF THE CLAIMS NOT GRANTED

One Ruling is That Sums Paid as Interest Shall Be Deducted from Original Deposits, as Interest Cannot Be Recovered.

Judge Thornell of the district court handed down his decision yesterday morning in the cases where creditors of the banking firm of Officer & Pusey had filed preferred claims. The claims were divided into several classes, his rulings covering the claims in each divisions. One ruling which covered all preferred claims was to the effect that in all cases where the preferred claim was allowed any sum which had been paid as interest should be deducted from the original deposit, the court holding that preferred claimants, while entitled to recover the original amount of their deposits, could not receive any interest, as to do so would change the nature of their claims.

In the case of executors and administrators Judge Thornell held that where they had deposited the funds of estates on time certificates or in their own names they were exceeding their authority, as to make such deposits was virtually loaning the money to the bank, and consequently such deposits were unlawful, not being by the order of court, and such claims for preference would be allowed. On the other hand, executors and administrators who had deposited the funds of the estates in their charge on open account, subject to check, had not exceeded their authority, but their claims would not be preferred, as such deposits simply established the relations of creditor and debtor. In making this ruling, however, Judge Thornell held that the administrator or executor who had deposited in open account had done so in the discretion of his best judgment for the purpose of providing a safe place for the funds in his charge, the firm of Officer & Pusey having a financial standing in the banking world, and that such administrator or executor nor his bondsmen could be held responsible for what loss might result by the failure of the bank.

In the case of guardians who had deposited funds for minors and others Judge Thornell ruled that the claims for preference should be allowed under the laws of the state governing this class of funds and the decisions of the Iowa supreme courts. Township trustees, school treasurers and county officers were placed under the preferred list.

Claims Given Preference.

The following claims were given preference:

Mary Mithen.
William Arnd, treasurer of Pottawattamie county.
Warren Hough, treasurer of the school district of Crescent.
Crescent township, E. A. Kirkwood, clerk.
Mindy Thiemann.
Mary A. Haines, guardian Harry C. Dye, insane.
J. J. Hughes, administrator estate of Thomas B. Hughes (in to $1,500 time deposit).
Garner township, C. L. Prouty, clerk.
Harry C. and J. A. Hatleaway, S. B. Snyder, guardian.
H. B. Knowles, guardian of Lamont Orr, insane.
Anna B. Fredericksen, administratrix of John Henry Thomas, only as to $25 special deposit.
J. H. Sigafoos, acting as guardian for sons, Ray and Frank.
C. J. Stillwell, guardian of C. C. Hazen, insane.
John F. Garner, guardian of W. H. Dial, insane.
Carl A. Pilling et al, minors, F. S. Childs, guardian.
School township of Garner, William Hellman, treasurer.
School township of Hardin, Davis, treasurer.
School township of Hazel Dell.
Margaret A. Frank.
William Larsen, administrator of Chris Rosen.

No Preference on These.

These claims were disallowed preference:

Allen Boyd and Belle Barnett, L. W. Crossland, trustee.
J. J. Hughes, administrator of T. B. Hughes, as to $2.20 open deposit.
Underwood and Oliver, administrators estate of Daniel Eicher.
J. J. Stewart, executor estate of A. Cochran.
A. T. Flickinger, trustee.
Vaughn heirs.
William McCoy.
Woman's Christian association.
Mrs. Anna B. Fredericksen, administratrix of estate of J. H. Thomas.
James Shaw.
Ella O. Pinney, administratrix C. H. Pinney.
Ohio Knox, treasury board of deacons of First Presbyterian church.
N. P. Bowsher & Co., J. B. Patterson, agent.
Mary E. Matheson, trustee.

Several claims for preference which had been submitted were passed for the purpose of securing further evidence as to the facts in connection with the manner in which the money was deposited. Other claims were passed, as the attorneys representing the persons interested desired to offer further evidence. Several of the claims had been settled under the general order made Saturday by Judge Thornell regarding offsets.

Fresh Vaccine Points received every day at Dell G. Morgan's drug store.

DISTRIBUTION OF PAVING MONEY.

Mayor and Aldermen in Secret Session Over Motor Company.

Mayor Jennings submitted to the city council last night a communication in which he recommended that the aldermen take some steps to enable a distribution of the money deposited by the motor company for the paving on South Main street. He also read a petition to the same effect signed by the following firms and property owners, who are entitled to the refund: David Bradley & Co., W. W. Leomis, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway company, George S. Wright, Keystone Manufacturing company, Sandwich Manufacturing company, Grand DeTour Plow company and others. After transacting some routine business, the aldermen on motion of Lougee took a recess and retired to the mayor's office, where a session of the committee of the whole to discuss the matter was held behind locked doors. For fear that any of the discussion might reach the ears of outsiders, the transom over the door was closed.

The session lasted over two hours and judging from the pitch of the voices of the different aldermen was heated at times. On returning to the council chamber about 11 o'clock, Alderman Boyer moved to adjourn, and the meeting was over without any action being taken as far as was made public on the mayor's communication.

Mayor Jennings' Communication.

Mayor Jennings' communication was as follows:

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa: Gentlemen—In response to a communication from David Bradley & Co. and to the petition hereto attached, signed by David Bradley et al, in regard to the refund of tax for special assessment on South Main street, I would suggest that some means should be taken to enable the property owners upon said street to receive the refund of the tax, which is properly payable by the Omaha, Council Bluffs & Suburban Railway company.

The law provides that before a track can be laid upon a street which is already paved the company before laying such track shall pay into the city treasurer the amount of the special tax for paving between the rails and for one foot on the outside thereof, which amount shall be refunded to the abutting property owners. The law also provides that the city council shall determine the amount of such tax.

The city council met, examined the paving and determined the amount that should be refunded to the abutting property owners by the Omaha, Council Bluffs & Suburban Railway company and before proceeding to lay said second track said company deposited with the city clerk a check for the amount as determined upon by the city engineer.

I would recommend that the said railway company withdraw its check deposited with the city clerk and deposit it with the city treasurer.

The said railway company agrees to sign a waiver by which the city may be protected in any litigation that may arise in regard to said company's right to occupy said street and if such waiver is signed by the said railway company I see no reason why the property owners should not be entitled to receive the amount due to them on account of the occupancy of said street.

The said railway company is at present in possession of said street and the law makes it the duty of said company to pay for the paving as aforesaid to the abutting property owners.

I would recommend that the city council take such action that may protect the city of Council Bluffs in its rights and not forfeit any claim which said city or its inhabitants may have to test the right of said company to occupy said street and to the end that the abutting property owners may receive the refund to which they are entitled by law and that the city engineer be instructed to furnish the city treasurer sufficient data for him to determine to whom said refund paving tax belongs and that he be instructed to pay the same in accordance therewith.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

VICTOR JENNINGS, Mayor.

Mayor Jennings, when asked what had transpired at the committee of the whole meeting, had but one answer: "There was so much talk that I cannot remember it all." Beyond this he declined to say anything. The aldermen were also all noncommunicative.

From what, however, drifted through authoritative channels it was apparent that Aldermen Boyer, Brown and Clark were afraid that if the city took any steps to make a distribution of the money paid in by the motor company it might give the latter rights on South Main street which they questioned whether the company had. It is understood that the city attorney was instructed to investigate the rights of the motor company to lay a second track on Main street and report to the council at the meeting next Monday night.

Property owners who are entitled to the money paid in by the motor company threatened last night in the council chamber that if there was any further delay in the matter they would institute mandamus proceedings against the city to compel it to distribute the money.

Card of Thanks—Mr. J. J. Achter and daughter, Edith, desire to express their thanks for the manifestation of friendly and sympathetic feeling in their recent bereavement in the death of the late Fannie E. Achter.

J. J. ACHTER.
EDITH ACHTER.

Taken to Pesthouse.

Jack Coleman, the fourth inmate of the Atlantic house on South Main street found to be suffering from smallpox, was removed to the city pesthouse yesterday afternoon. Coleman until a few days before the Atlantic house was placed under quarantine had been working on the new sewer system in Shenandoah.

Several of the inmates of this house are sick and more cases of smallpox are looked for by the Board of Health.

A meeting of the Board of Health was held last night preceding the session of the city council and the legal technicalities complied with in the cases of the three latest smallpox patients from the Atlantic house.

At the suggestion of some of the members of the board it was decided to fence off the sidewalk on the north and west sides of the Atlantic house.

The matter of placing guards at the residence at the corner of Sixth avenue and Eighteenth street, where Alvin Lewis is quarantined, was left in the hands of the mayor and city marshal with power to act. Complaints had reached the board that the quarantine regulations were not being carried out according to the strict letter of the law.

City Treasurer True, purchasing agent, was authorized to supply the needs of George Bell, Alvin Lewis and Lena Kunz, three smallpox patients under quarantine at their homes, provided they were not able financially to do so themselves.

Gravel roofing. A. H. Reed, 541 Broad'y.

Question of Clerk Hire.

The case in which County Recorder Elmer Smith sued Pottawattamie county to reimburse him to the amount of $1,508 which he paid out for clerk hire during 1900 was tried before Judge Thornell in the district court yesterday afternoon.

All the witnesses testified that the work could not have been kept up as required by law unless the recorder had employed the extra help he did. On behalf of the county board County Attorney Killpack took the position that the recorder having been allowed a deputy whose salary was paid by the county, the law did not authorize the payment by the county of any further amount for clerk hire. Judge Thornell took his decision under advisement.

Hearing in Junk Case.

John Harris, the alleged professional "junker," charged with the theft of nearly $50 worth of brass journal boxes from the premises of the McCormick Harvester company, was arraigned in police court yesterday morning and the case was partially heard. An information charging Harris with grand larceny was filed by the McCormick company. The hearing will be resumed this morning.

Files Adoption Papers.

G. T. Miller, supervisor of the poor for Kane township, filed adoption papers yesterday for Flora Scott, a little girl who some months ago was given by the court into the care of the Iowa Children's Home society of Des Moines. The girl's mother committed suicide in Omaha. Two younger children of the same family were turned over by order of the court to the same society.

Unions Oppose Lumber Men.

The employment by C. Hafer, lumber man, of non-union carpenters on the construction of his new sheds, has exalted the opposition of the local trade unions. It was said yesterday that the members of the several unions had inaugurated warfare against Hafer and would refuse to work on any building where lumber from his yard was used.

Frame Building Burned.

A frame building at the Christian home, used as a laundry, was damaged by fire about 3 o'clock last night. There was no one in the building at the time and the blaze is thought to have originated from an overheated stove pipe. The damage done was estimated by Manager Lemen at about $100.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Harry J. Carley, Macedonia, Ia	26
Lillie M. Hecker, Taylor, Ia	18
O. M. Walker, Macedonia, Ia	30
Lillie M. Parker, Oakland, Ia	22
William Groepper, Minden, Ia	26
Mary M. Ivers, Minden, Ia	21

HEARS THEIR ALLEGATIONS

Iowa Board Listens to Witnesses' Complaints of Dr. Druett and Warden Hunter.

NOTHING VERY SERIOUS IS DISCLOSED

Discharged Employes of Anamosa Penitentiary Make No Alarming Revelations and Board Will Further Consider the Matter.

DES MOINES, Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The State Board of Control heard witnesses today in this city in the case of the charges made against Dr. Druett of the state penitentiary at Anamosa, and incidentally against the management of Warden Hunter. The testimony taken here today concludes the investigation begun last week at Anamosa into the various charges made by discharged employes and others, affecting the general management of the institution. The board will have all the evidence transcribed and consider it at leisure, but from outside sources it is learned that while the evidence shows some dereliction in the management, there was nothing of a serious nature. A large number of witnesses were before the board and gave testimony relating to the case. This is the first investigation of the kind by the new board and inasmuch as two members of the board have been chief justices of Iowa the case was tried with all legal formalities.

Supreme Court Proceedings.

The Iowa supreme court today heard oral arguments for a rehearing in the case of the State against Archie Woods, from Harrison county, in which Woods was convicted of manslaughter and at the last term of court the rulings of the lower court were affirmed.

The Western Union Telegraph company won a case in supreme court today on appeal from Judge Macy's court in Pottawattamie county. Micklewait & Young of Macedonia had been sent a message by a grain broker in Des Moines offering them a certain price for corn. The message as delivered showed a cent a bushel more. The Macedonia firm promptly bought 18,200 bushels of corn on the strength of this message, but the Des Moines man refused to pay more than he had offered and it was sold to him at that price. The lower court gave the plaintiffs on their suit for damages a verdict for 1 cent a bushel loss or loss of profits. The supreme court figured it out that there was an actual profit of $73 to the plaintiffs in the transaction as it stood, and they cannot therefore claim a loss. They cannot claim a loss of possible profits because if there had been no mistake in the message no corn would have been bought.

The following are decisions filed by the Iowa supreme court today:

Henry Cornelius, appellant against Farmers' Insurance Company, Clayton county, action on insurance policy; affirmed.

Weber Company, appellant against Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway Company, O'Brien county, action to recover valuables lost in shipment; affirmed.

Middlewait & Young against Western Union Telegraph Company, appellant, Pottawattamie county, damages for mistake in message; reversed.

Daniel Benson against Chicago & Northwestern Railway, appellant, Marshall county, damages for failure to furnish cars as agreed; reversed.

Le Grande Station Case.

For many years efforts have been made by the citizens of Le Grande, a town of Marshall county, to induce the Northwestern railroad to move its station nearer town. The station is now more than a mile from town and in Tama county. Eight years ago the Le Grande people tried to secure the assistance of the railroad commissioners, but they refused to order the company to make a change. Today the railroad commissioners rendered another decision in the same case, refusing to order the change of the station to a point three-quarters of a mile nearer town. The reason for the refusal is that to move the station to the proposed site would be to place it on a grade of thirty-six feet to the mile, which is the maximum grade of the road between Chicago and Omaha, and it is impracticable to cut the grade down further. The company is now engaged in cutting the grade from fifty-two feet to the mile to the lesser grade. But the commissioners have ordered that the company move the station 800 yards nearer town provided a highway is opened to that point, and has directed that the company shall improve the highway by dressing it with gravel and shall also place a telephone in the depot for the use of patrons.

A Daughter of the Revolution.

Mrs. Sarah Whitcomb, who died in Red Oak, aged 86, was a real daughter of the Revolution. She was born in Canada but her father and five brothers took part in the Revolution. Her father was in a Massachusetts regiment and was wounded and afterward received a pension. She was a cousin to President Franklin Pierce.

New Corporations.

The following are new corporations authorized by the secretary of state: Carbon Coal company of Carbon, Webster county, capital $3,000; president, Martin Swalim; secretary, M. A. Hughitt; treasurer, Thomas A. Munn. The American Creamey Supply company, Waterloo; capital, $10,000; W. Cranston, A. M. Chamberlain and N. W. Gates, incorporators. Ryan Implement and Hardware company, Fort Dodge; capital, $20,000; president, Andrew Hawes; secretary, William O'Brien; treasurer, H. J. Lohr; general manager, J. W. Ryan.

Cash Assets Disappeared.

There is trouble brewing in the case of the assignment of the Bee Hive store in Perry. Morris Glucklich, the owner, offered to file a petition in voluntary bankruptcy and to turn over everything to a trustee of the creditors. The referee, who made the examination, has just reported to Judge McPherson of the United States district court, that he issued an order to Mr. Glucklich to turn over to the referee within five days the sum of $19,766.41 in cash. The order was based on evidence said to have been obtained by the referee that various sums were due from the petitioner, chiefly the sum of $16,000, which it is alleged the books show to be due the creditors. The money represented in this way is cash received in the last few days of the operation of the store when it was virtually under control of an agent of one of the creditors. The attorneys for Mr. Glucklich say he has no money to turn over and therefore cannot comply with the order. The case will come before Judge McPherson in a short time to determine whether or not the money is due, and how much.

Five Companies Are Interested.

RED OAK, Ia., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Five insurance companies are interested in the heavy damage to the Isold-Conad Clothing company, by Sunday morning's fire, but the full extent of the loss is not yet ascertained.

Summer Fields in Winter Months.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—January fields of green rye with a growth long enough to furnish pasture for a herd of hogs are extraordinary in this part of the country, but there are scores of such fields hereabouts now. A number of grass pastures even are green in spite of the time of the year, and the unusual weather has been the source of saving to Woodbury county farmers amounting to many thousands of dollars.

CAT CAUSES BABY'S DEATH

Knocks Over Lamp, Sets Fire to Crib and Father Burns Himself in Vain Effort to Rescue Infant.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Jan. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—The family cat in the home of Charles Schlotman, a farmer, near Jefferson, S. D., a few miles of here, brushed against a lighted lamp which was standing on a table beside the crib in which Cora, the 2-months old daughter, was sleeping. The lamp was overturned on the child, which was immediately wrapped in flames. Mr. and Mrs. Schlotman had gone out to the barn to water a horse.

The father was attracted to the house by the sight of the flames. He dashed into the room where the sleeping babe had been left, grabbed the burning little body in his arms, and rushed out of the door to a tub of water, into which he plunged the child. In rescuing the baby he was badly burned himself. The child died shortly after.

Intent upon saving the life of the little one, the mother and father paid little attention to the house, which was burned to the ground. The child was brought to Sioux City and buried in Logan Park cemetery. The father is reported to be almost frantic over the loss of the baby.

South Omaha News.

Within a day or two the plans for a new High school building now being prepared by Architect Davis of the Board of Education will be ready for inspection. What the cost of the structure will be Mr. Davis declines to state at this time, but as soon as the plans are submitted to the Board of Education his estimates will be made.

It is inferred that the cost cannot be less than $100,000, as the drawings show a remarkably handsome and substantial structure. There is very little gingerbread work on the building, the idea being to construct a massive and imposing building, which will stand for many years. As the site has been purchased all that remains to be done is for the Board of Education to ascertain the will of the people in regard to paying the cost of construction. While it is figured that the revenue of the school district will be largely increased this year by reason of the increase in the price of saloon licenses and also a presumed increase in the valuation of the property in the city, it will most likely be necessary to vote bonds. Since the establishment of the school district, not a bond has been issued against it and the property of the district is now considered very valuable. An issue of $100,000 in bonds is talked of and if this is acceded to by the people the entire building can be erected at once. The suggestion was made some time ago that only one or two wings be erected this year, but the impression prevails now that it would be advisable to construct the entire building at once and thus secure a structure suitable to the needs of the city without any more delay than is absolutely necessary.

Labor Union Resolutions.

Residents of South Omaha do not seem to get tired of talking about the charter and it is understood that a united effort of some kind will be made to bring about the passage by the legislature of a charter, which will be of real benefit to the city. At a recent meeting of the Trades and Labor council resolutions were passed endorsing certain sections of the charter prepared by the joint committees. The section providing for union labor by the municipality and eight hours work at scale prices is especially recommended. Under the present administration union labor is recognized as far as possible and good wages are paid. It is understood that a copy of the resolution passed by the Trades and Labor council will be sent to the Douglas county representatives at Lincoln. Another charter eliminating some of the features of the one introduced in the house of representatives may be sprung on the senate in a few days. If so, the wrangle will doubtless be increased. No united efforts are seemingly being made toward sending representative citizens to Lincoln to urge the passage of the charter, but it is expected that the business men will take this matter up for serious consideration as soon as printed copies of the bill arrive.

Special Tax Decisions.

In a communication to the city authorities Attorney E. T. Farnsworth calls attention to the case of Murphy et al against the city of South Omaha, an action involving the legality of the grading tax on West S, T and U streets. This case was tried a short time ago and the court held that the special assessment levied against the lots to pay the cost of grading in the district designated was absolutely void.

Mr. Farnsworth asserts that some of the parties desire to sell lots in this district and are willing to donate to the city $250 or $300, providing the decision of the court be allowed to stand. The property owners do not want City Attorney Lambert to appeal this case to the supreme court. It is stated by Mr. Farnsworth that an investigation will convince the council that under no circumstances can the city reverse the decision of the trial court and that whatever the plaintiffs in the case donate to the city will be clear gain. This proposition is made, it is stated, to facilitate the sale of property in the district.

Raising Church Debt.

Rev. Jamison is busily engaged in securing subscriptions toward a fund being raised for the purpose of wiping out the debt of the First Presbyterian church. Over $500 has been subscribed and Rev. Jamison will continue this work for the balance of the week. It is hoped that the debt, which amounts to $800, will be cleared up before Rev. Jamison leaves for other fields. Revival meetings will be held at the church every evening this week.

Schools Reopened.

The public schools reopened yesterday after a vacation of a couple of weeks. Dr. Wolfe said that the attendance among the pupils of the higher grades was very satisfactory, but many of the children in the first and second classes have not yet returned to their studies. The attendance will, however, Dr. Wolfe thinks, reach its normal period by the end of the week. Examinations in the higher grades are in progress this week.

Drug Fight Continues.

The cut rate fight between the local druggists continues and it was stated yesterday that the dispensers of medicines were getting farther apart every day instead of reaching a settlement. One of the leading druggists said last night that he did not think the fight would last much longer, as patent medicines were being sold at almost cost now.

Charity Ball Tickets.

Members of the committee in charge of the sale of tickets for the charity ball to be given at the Exchange dining hall on the evening of February 1 report that a large number of both single and double tickets have already been disposed of and that the prospects are that the ball will be as largely attended as those given in the past.

Danish Odd Fellows.

The new Danish lodge of Odd Fellows held its first regular meeting after organization Saturday night, at which time two candidates were initiated. The degree team of South Omaha lodge No. 148 performed the staff work. Over 100 visiting members were present. There are now 251 lodges of Odd Fellows in Nebraska.

Magic City Gossip.

An increased demand for labor is noted at the packing houses.

Street Commissioner Frank Clark is visiting in Fremont for a few days.

W. J. Brennan, secretary of the Board of Education, is on the sick list.

Mrs. A. W. Babcock is confined to her home with an attack of pneumonia.

Scott King writes from Hot Springs, Ark., that he is enjoying his vacation immensely.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Christian church will meet at the church Wednesday.

Dr. C. M. Schinde' and wife are sojourning in Berlin, Germany, at the present time.

On Friday night of this week the Royal Arcanum will initiate over a dozen candidates.

Don't forget to buy a ticket for the charity ball and thus help along a worthy cause.

Mrs. Fred Drews is at Hot Springs, Ark., where she will spend the balance of the winter.

Henry Mies leaves Wednesday for Salt Lake City, where he will spend a couple of weeks.

Charles Brown of Atlantic, Ia., has returned home after a visit with Ralph Hall and other friends.

Miss May Phelps of Wahoo is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Shrigley, Twenty-third and E streets.

An inquiry into the cause of the death of W. D. Cox will be made by Coroner Swanson this afternoon.

While quite badly injured, Officer Elliott, who was thumped by toughs Saturday night, is rapidly improving.

Police Officer H. E. Newman has recovered from his recent illness and will be on duty within a few days.

John Jonhson, who is employed at Swift's, and Miss Ella Hinkle were married by Justice Caldwell yesterday afternoon.

Last week 3,115 head of stockers and feeders were shipped from the yards here to the country. The bulk of this stuff went to Nebraska.

James Fitzgerald, chairman of the floor committee for the charity ball, desires that the members of this committee meet at his office tonight.

Major Wolcott, one of the traveling representatives of the Union Stock Yards company, came in from the west yesterday and spent the day at the yards.

The Christian Endeavor society will go in a body to Omaha Friday night to attend the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the Endeavor movement.

Mrs. Lease Must Be Present.

WICHITA, Kan., Jan. 28.—Judge Dale of the district court today insisted that Mrs. Mary E. Lease must positively be present when her petition for a divorce is taken up. Her attorney sought to have the court grant her a divorce without putting her to the expense of a journey from New York.

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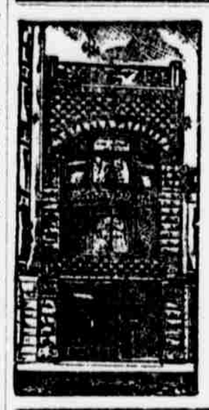
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