

THE COUNCIL OF INTEREST FROM W.A. COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Stockert sells carpets and rugs. Wollman, scientific optician, 409 E. W. Ave. Leffert, eyeglass specialist, 235 Broadway. Take home brick of Metzger's ice cream. Vanlin, 257 Neoplaton, etc.

WORKMEN CHOOSE OFFICERS

Two Ballots Required to Settle the Contest for the Minor Places.

CLOSE FIGHT ON AMENDMENT COMING

St. Louis City Selected Without Opposition at the Next Meeting Place of Grand Lodge - Make Changes in Salaries.

The Iowa grand lodge Ancient Order of United Workmen elected these officers Wednesday: Grand Master Workman—Will M. Narvis, Muscatine.

Grand Foreman—J. H. Merckens, Fairfield. Grand Overseer—James E. Stanton, Marshalltown.

Grand Recorder—B. F. Rehkopf, Des Moines. Grand Receiver—R. F. Carroll, Bloomfield.

Grand Guide—E. M. Holt, Ottumwa. Grand Inside Watchman—L. Southard, Shenandoah.

Grand Outside Watchman—R. N. Cresap, Hannibal. Grand Trustee—L. P. Van Gise, Mount Pleasant.

Representatives to Supreme Lodge—W. M. Narvis, Muscatine; B. F. Rehkopf, R. L. Tilton, Des Moines.

The election of officers was held at the morning session and the Australian system of balloting was used. Will M. Narvis of Muscatine being the only nominee for grand master workman his election was unanimous, and the same was true of B. F. Rehkopf of Des Moines for grand recorder.

E. Taylor of Perry, 49 Grand outside watchman, withdrew in favor of B. F. Carroll of Bloomfield and the latter's election consequently was unanimous. L. P. Van Gise of Mount Pleasant, the retiring trustee, was the only nominee for the place and he was accordingly re-elected without opposition.

James E. Stanton of Marshalltown was elected grand overseer on the first ballot by 148 votes, as against 105 for J. E. Harrison of Burlington and 33 for J. Sharon of Northwood. The vote for representatives to the supreme lodge was as follows: B. F. Rehkopf, Des Moines, 269; W. M. Narvis, Muscatine, 263; R. L. Tilton, Des Moines, 225; W. R. Graham, Waterloo, 66; L. L. Hamlin, Des Moines, 23. Narvis, Rehkopf and Tilton were accordingly elected.

Plumbing and heating. Birby & Son. Track men off for Grinnell. E. E. Spelman and Roy Mitchell of the Council Bluffs track team left yesterday for Grinnell, where the State High school field meet is scheduled to take place Friday. Manager Silcott, Warner, Hemminger, Cooper and Scott, the other members of the team, will leave for Grinnell this morning. Reports received here yesterday were to the effect that the rain at Grinnell was very heavy and that possibly the meet might have to be postponed until Saturday.

Gravel roofing. A. H. Read, 541 Broadway. Light Guards have a Ball Team. The Dodge Light guards have organized a ball team, with J. L. Lawrence as captain and J. N. Chernis as manager. These are the members: Catcher, John Lawrence; pitcher, George Hansen. First base, Jerry Walters; second base, Carl Phillips; third base, Will Barlow; shortstop, Berle Warner; right field, Art Woodruff; center field, Will Sorenson; left field, Charles Spratler; substitutes, Harry Linton and Henry Voss.

Real Estate Transfers. These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract title loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street: A. W. Way to J. W. Colt, lots 6 and 7, block 2, Casady's add., w. d., \$2,000. W. A. Gibbs to J. W. Squire, lot 15, block 10, Crawford's add., w. d., 800. John Lafferty and wife to J. W. Squire, lots 2 and 4, Golden's subdiv. of lots 14, 15 and 16, block 24, Neola, w. d., 800. John Linder and wife to Frank L. Hodges, lot 3, block 28, Crawford's add., w. d., 250. Treasurer to H. M. Hardin, lot 15, Midland add., s. d., 100. Hattie O. Hardin and husband to H. M. Hardin, lots 19, 20 and 21, block 28, lots 18 and 20, block Perry add., s. d., 200. F. J. Moody, lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, block 13, Wright's add., q. c. d., 100. J. J. Moody and wife to James W. Coker, same, w. d., 100. Claus Ehmeke and wife to J. L. Bunker, lot 15, block 10, Perry add., s. d., 194. V. A. Street to J. W. Colt, lot 6, block 13, Williams' 1st add., s. w. d., 2,000. Ten transfers, total, \$4,256.

Marriage Licenses. Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following: Name and Residence. Age. Louis A. Erickson, Council Bluffs, 21. Michael E. Henry, Council Bluffs, 21. J. A. Butta, Augusta, Kan., 23. Minnie E. Chambers, Council Bluffs, 22.

SPENDS THREE DAYS IN BOXCAR Sick Man Found in Pittable Condition in Shenandoah Railroad Yards. SHENANDOAH, Ia., May 15.—(Special.)—John Swisher, late of Red Oak, while on his way to St. Joseph, Mo., was taken sick in a boxcar in the railroad yards in this place and laid in there for three days without food or drink. He finally attracted the attention of some passing men and called for water. Help was summoned and the unfortunate man taken to the city jail, where an examination showed him to be suffering from an abscess in the loin. He was later taken to a local private hospital and is there now. An operation that may not end favorably will be necessary. The man stated he had worked in Red Oak and was on his way to St. Joseph, but had no money and so tried to steal a ride. He was kicked off the car at Red Oak and thinks his trouble is a result of Coburg's few miles north of this place, the bruises he received. He has relatives in St. Joseph, who have been notified.

Phylis Picnic in June. IOWA FALLS, Ia., May 15.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the Hardin county Phylis picnic association, held at Eldora, June 10 was selected as the date for the annual picnic, which will be held at Radcliffe. The association embraces a membership of over 300 knights, enrolled in nine lodges located at Alden, Iowa Falls, Ackley, Eldora, Whittem, Union, Hubbard, New Providence and Radcliffe.

Electric Railway to Carry Mail. CEDAR FALLS, Ia., May 15.—(Special.)—Beginning June 2 the Rapid Transit company will begin the transportation of mail between Waterloo and Des Moines. This is the first mail contract that has been made between the government and the electric lines of this state.

RUBY BRITT GETS ESTATE

Supreme Court Hands Down Decision in a Hotly Contested Case.

YOUNG MAN STEALS FROM HIS BEST GIRL

State Board of Education Formulating Rules for Schools Which Have a Normal Course—State Board of Health Meets.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, May 15.—(Special.)—The Iowa supreme court today rendered a decision in an interesting and hard-fought case from Hamilton county, involving a large estate. Reuben S. Bennett, who died at Webster City in 1898, had lived in Iowa forty-four years and had accumulated quite an estate. He was never married. Colateral heirs claimed the estate and an administrator was appointed. Then came Ruby J. Britt, a resident of Montana, who claimed to be the illegitimate daughter of Bennett. She was born in Ohio in 1854. As proof of her contention she exhibited letters written to her by Bennett when she lived in Louisville, Ky., in which he acknowledged her as his daughter, and showed that later Bennett went with her to his former home in Ohio and there publicly acknowledged the relationship. Under the circumstances the lower court decreed the plaintiff to be the sole heir. The supreme court today affirmed this decision.

The following are decisions of the supreme court today: Valley National bank against Des Moines National bank, appellant; Poik county, Judge Hishop, question of priority of liens, affirmed; and affirmed, George B. Spence against Chicago, Rock Island and North Western, appellant; for personal injury, affirmed; and affirmed, Edw. M. Wright, et al., appellants; Sac county, Judge Elwood; action on bond, affirmed.

BRIT against O. A. Hall, administrator, appellant; Hamilton county, Judge Britt, question of priority of liens, affirmed; and affirmed, J. J. Roy against Minneapolis & St. Louis railroad, appellant; Webster county, Judge Britt, question of priority of liens, affirmed; and affirmed, T. P. Green against J. J. Mosant, appellant; Benton county, Judge Burnham; action on contract, affirmed.

Stole from His Best Girl. Blake Childster, a young man living in Burlington, a traveling solicitor for the New York Life company, is detained at Moulton, Ia., to answer a charge of larceny. The young man has been paying attentions to a Miss Ora Hills, an estimable young woman of Bloomington. He had been called on her and spent the evening and after his departure the young woman missed a valuable seal coat from her wardrobe. It was supposed the house had been visited by burglars, but there was no evidence and suspicion was directed to Childster. He has been the only person known to be at the house aside from the family. He had been seen carrying a suspicious looking bundle. He was followed to Des Moines, where he had registered at the De Moines pavilion, where it had been put up for \$20. The person was accurately described and proved to be Childster, who had sold the coat, but he had left the city before the coat was found and was tracked to Moulton, where he was captured. He has borne an excellent reputation. The young woman is of a fine family. The coat was left here in custody of a deputy sheriff pending the investigation.

Conference on Normal Work. An important conference of educators was held here today. It was a meeting of the State Board of Education, presided over by Governor Charles D. Drake. The conference was held at the State Normal school, where the representatives of various colleges and private normal schools and all institutions having courses preparing pupils for teaching, for the purpose of devising rules and regulations governing such schools under a proposed act to be passed by the legislature this state recognition. It is left for the Board of Education to fix a standard for such schools. There were about thirty representatives of these colleges present today for consultation. The day was spent in the discussion of the proposed act, which is the result of this discussion the state board will in a few days promulgate the rules governing such schools and establish a uniform minimum requirement for them before they can secure state recognition. It is expected that the school will do a work in preparing young persons for teaching in the rural schools and not at all take the place of the State Normal school, which prepares for teaching in the secondary schools.

Sad Death of College Professor. While the conference of college men was in session today with the Board of Education a telegram from Cedar Rapids was received notifying the board that Dr. Wilcox of the faculty of Cornell college, Mount Vernon, had died this morning. His death was due to an accident. Yesterday he was engaged in laboratory work as a tank of gasoline exploded and enveloped him. He was alone and had no means of saving himself. He ran down cellar and tried to cover himself with dirt and sand in the hope of putting out the fire, but this only made the matter worse and today he died.

State Board of Health. The annual meeting of the State Board of Health was held today, with Drs. Linn, Coniff, McKelven, Sams, Adams and Powers and Eugene Francis present. Dr. Linn, the newest member of the board, is the president. The reports of the secretary and other officers were read, covering the work done during the last year, which has been a most important year in many respects. Research was presented on the part of a presidential secretary of the board for the ensuing year will occur tomorrow.

The board today debated at length a proposal to permit raising the quarantine in case of infectious disease sooner than under the present rules. This proposition met with little favor and was voted down. The republican congressional convention for the seventh district was today called for July 10 at Perry.

Parole for Sundell. Governor Cummins has issued a parole for Charles Sundell of Marshall county, who was serving a sentence of two and a half years for larceny. The petition was signed by leading persons of Marshall county. He will go to Cerro Gordo county to live.

Burned by Gasoline. Mrs. Mary Bennett and Mrs. Letitia Reese were frightfully injured as the result of a gasoline explosion at 117 East Locust street this forenoon. The wounds are very painful, but will not prove fatal, and the early recovery of both is expected. Mrs. Reese's gasoline stove needed filling and she has mismanaged the small gas burner, which she had intended to use for a purpose. A terrible explosion immediately followed. Mrs. Bennett had presence of mind to close the door to an adjoining room to prevent the flames

LABOR MEN GO TO BALL GAME

Delegates to the Federation State Convention Take a Half Holiday.

CEAR RAPIDS, Ia., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The appointment of a salaried organizer and lecturer is one of the recommendations of President Holes of the Iowa State Federation of Labor in his annual report to the convention today. He also recommends an attorney to defend the federation interest and more power for the executive committee, that it may deal promptly with emergencies. The report of the secretary and treasurer showed a gratifying gain in membership and receipts. The convention adjourned this afternoon and went to the ball game and Governor Cummins went along. This evening he was the guest of honor and made the principal address at the banquet.

Oborne Deignan-Huntton. STUART, Ia., May 15.—(Special.)—At 4 o'clock this afternoon Miss Maude Huntton was led to the altar by Osborn Warren Deignan, Stuart's member of the Hobson crew of heroes who, in the face of Spanish shells, saved the Merrimac in Santiago harbor in 1898.

Miss Huntton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Huntton, is a charming blonde of petite figure, large, expressive, blue-gray eyes, reticent nose, and a wealth of softly waving brown hair. She was born in Stuart, in the house from which she goes forth a hero's bride.

Mr. Deignan is boatswain in the United States naval service, late of the Independence at Mare Island, California. He is now on three months' leave, but will have orders on June 6th which will appoint him to some navy yard. He also was born in Stuart, the son of Conductor Deignan of the Rock Island railway, who was killed in the Grinnell cyclone. His mother, with her family, is now a resident of Seattle, Wash.

Williams Names Hardin Delegates. IOWA FALLS, Ia., May 15.—(Special.)—Hon. F. M. Williams of this city, who is a candidate for judge of the Eleventh judicial district, announced the following Hardin county delegation: C. E. Albrook, H. L. Huff, Eldora; J. S. Roberts, Daniel Eller, Ashler, the town; W. H. Lewis, Alden; F. H. Noble, Radcliffe; C. O. Hubbard; W. L. Weaver, C. A. Bryson, William Weiden, C. E. Shaw, Iowa Falls.

While the date of the convention has not been formally announced it is reported that the meeting will be held at Fort Dodge on June 12.

Helps Growing Crop. SHENANDOAH, Ia., May 15.—(Special.)—The rain Monday night and Tuesday was another godsend for this section. It put the growing crops and the soil in the very best of condition and prospects are fine for big crops. The hay crop, that was at first thought to be injured, is coming along very fast and will make a good yield. Farm work is ahead of its usual stage at this time of the year and the farmers are in great spirits.

Iowa Man Climbing Up. SHENANDOAH, Ia., May 15.—(Special.)—The friends of Captain James Ross, one of the volunteer officers who served through the Philippine campaign with the Fifty-first Iowa, are pleased to know that he has been appointed governor of one of the islands over there. Captain Ross went out as a second lieutenant, and then re-enlisted in the regular army as a captain of cavalry. Later he was appointed judge advocate and to top it off is now a governor.

Iowa State Normal Commencement. CEDAR FALLS, Ia., May 15.—(Special.)—The program for commencement week at the State Normal school is completed. The exercises begin June 6 and continue until June 11.

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