

NEED OF INTEREST FROM OMAHA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Stockert sells carpets and rugs. Wolman, scientific optician, 409 F.W. Leffort, eyeglass optician, 232 Broadway.

Take home a brick of Metzger's ice cream. Vanliber, Neopolita, 232 Broadway. Mrs. James McCabe died about midnight last night at her home in this city.

Mrs. Charles Test Stewart attended Tuesday evening on visit to friends in Denver. Mrs. Ruth Wyckoff of Jacksonville, Ill., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Huggins, at 232 Broadway.

Mrs. Robb of Chicago, who is the guest of Miss Marian Crane of Park avenue. The Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church will give its May social this evening in the church parlors.

Mrs. A. Murray of Chicago is the guest of Miss Helen Crane, who is a former student at St. Francis academy in this city.

The Retail Grocers' association will hold a special meeting this evening to make arrangements for its annual excursion and picnic in June.

Jan Huss castle, Royal Highlanders, has selected Thomas R. Dr. Fraser, who resigned on leaving the city.

Adam Eckert of Walnut was in the city Tuesday and announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for member of the Board of County Supervisors.

Charles E. Marion, chief clerk in the office of the commissioner of the Public Health, has been elected secretary of the Council Bluffs Freight Agents' association in place of J. W. Fraser, who has returned to Salt Lake City.

The suit of Mrs. Elizabeth B. Evans to restrain the sale of her property in the north of Broadway between Scott and Sixth streets was tried before Judge Wheeler in place of Judge Dr. Fraser, who was taken by him under arrest.

R. T. McIntyre of 827 Franklin avenue fell down as he was going to the office yesterday, receiving injuries which necessitated his being conveyed to his home in the city and placed in bed.

Council Bluffs division, Ancient Order of Mithras, will entertain its friends on Tuesday night in Royal Arcanum hall at a musical party, which was well attended.

Mrs. Lewis Schurman, brother of Mrs. Lottus Kinder, 200 South avenue, died Tuesday night at St. Bernard's hospital from spinal meningitis after an illness of five months. Deceased was 24 years of age and single.

The remains were shipped this afternoon to La Crosse, Minn., for burial.

Rev. Paul Handy, pastor of the Congregational church, will be in the city on Tuesday night at the Women's Christian Association hospital of this city about nine years ago in connection with his treatment of the amputated limb, which has been troubling him of late.

E. E. Wadsworth, taken last evening for Minnesota, where he goes as delegate from the Council Bluffs series to the grand annual conference of the Methodist church, meets June 8. Mr. Wadsworth is chairman of the finance committee, which necessitates his absence several days before the meeting.

The fire department was called at 3:15 p. m. at Williams, 184 Fourth avenue. While fighting the gas member of the family dropped a match into a bed, which was being bed. The quilt flared up and for a few minutes it was in flames. The fire was extinguished by the destruction of the quilt and the burning of a small hole in the carpet.

Members of St. Albans and Concordia lodges, Knights of Pythias, are considering the advisability of combining their forces under consideration is to merge the membership of Concordia lodge with that of St. Albans. The latter, it being the older lodge. In the event of the consolidation it is said to be almost certain that uniform ratification will also consolidate.

Frank Doyle and James McDermott, strangers, were taken last evening for Tuesday evening suffering from smallpox. One of the men, Doyle, is said to be the Illinois Central yards when discovered and the other was watching his partner being loaded into a car. The physician noticed that he was also taken out with the disease. It is thought the men came from one of the grading camps, but this they denied.

Davis sells paint. CHRISTIANS ELECT OFFICERS. Discussion of Topics of Interest to the Church Fills Up Remainder of Day.

The convention of the Christian church of the newest district of Iowa elected these officers yesterday: President, Rev. J. W. Walters, pastor of First Christian church, Red Oak; vice president, Rev. H. McSparran, Atlantic; secretary, Rev. W. T. Fisher, Clarinda; superintendent of bible schools, Rev. J. H. Wright, Shenandoah; superintendent of senior citizens societies, Rev. R. S. Campbell, Gravit; delegate to state convention at Boone, Rev. W. B. Crawford, Council Bluffs.

Chancellor Craig of Drake university, Des Moines, was unable to attend and his place on the program for the evening session was filled by A. M. Heggard, dean of the bible department, Drake university. Mr. Heggard took "Christian Leadership" as the subject of his address. He traced the leadership of the several Protestant denominations, showing how one had succeeded the other. He spoke at length of the essentials for leadership, which he said, were evangelistic work and education.

Several changes were made in the day's program owing to the absence of those named for addresses. Rev. Clinton Lockhart of Des Moines was unable to be present and his place was taken by Rev. S. Gregg of Elliott, who spoke on "Bible Study."

Plumbing and heating. Bixby & Son. Board Not Ready to Act.

When the Board of Education met last night in special session to hear the report of the committee on buildings and grounds, to which was referred the matter of modifying the plans for the addition to the Pierce street school to bring the building within the appropriation of \$5,000, Chairman Cooper reported that the committee was not prepared to make any report and the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of President Sargent. The call for the meeting will not be made public, as Chairman Cooper suggested that a freer discussion of the question could be had at a private session. The committee of which Mr. Cooper is chairman is said to have arrived at the conclusion that the contractors of Council Bluffs have formed a combine to keep up building prices and that accounts for the bids on the Pierce street addition all being not only high but close together. It is said that the committee is in favor of inviting bids from out-of-town contractors.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250. Licensed to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

Name and Residence. Age. Joseph H. Whitman, Omaha, 27. Elizabeth M. Little, Omaha, 23. J. H. Larrison, Silver City, Ia., 24. Marie E. Whitman, Silver City, Ia., 21.

SUITS CLEANED. Dried and pressed. Special attention given ladies' garments. Also chemically cleaned, pressed, dyed, steamed and pressed. Phone 34. Iowa Steam Dry Cleaning Co., 34 Broadway.

LEWIS OUTLER. FUNERAL DIRECTOR. (Successor to W. C. Estep) 23 FRANK STREET. Phone 97.

WANT RECEIVERS REMOVED.

J. K. Cooper Alleges Management of Officer & Pusey Estate is Too Expensive. OFFICIALS FILE A GENERAL DENIAL. Assert that Deals Pending Would Render Change at This Time Unwise—Dividend from Estate of Thomas Officer.

A petition asking for the removal of L. F. Murphy and John Bereshelm as receivers of the Officer & Pusey bank was filed yesterday in the district court by J. K. Cooper and others, claiming to represent a majority of the bank's creditors.

The petition also asks that the creditors be permitted to name some one person to act as receiver to act in winding up the estate of the bank.

In support of the application it is alleged that the present expense of the administration of the estate is greater than that suffered by the amount of business done, that L. F. Murphy was bookkeeper and confidential clerk of the banking firm of Officer & Pusey for many years prior to the failure and that Receiver Bereshelm is the holder of a large banking institution, to the affairs of which the receiver is entitled.

It is further asserted that Receivers Murphy and Bereshelm were not appointed at the request of or with the knowledge of the creditors of the bank, but at the instigation and suggestion of Charles T. Officer, who was administrator of the estate of his father, Thomas Officer, the senior member of the defunct banking firm. It is claimed that the creditors have the right to elect the receiver.

Attorneys for Mr. Cooper state that this action is not intended in any way as a personal attack on the receivers or with the intention of criticizing their actions, but that the creditors feel that they are being kept in the dark and that a receiver can be dispensed with and the business of closing the estate done by one man.

Receivers File Answer. As soon as copies of the petition were filed on the receivers they filed their answers in order that a speedy hearing might be had before the court. They deny that Mr. Cooper represents a majority of the creditors or anybody but himself and his lawyers. While admitting that Receiver Bereshelm has been for many years bookkeeper in the employ of Officer & Pusey, they deny that he was a "confidential clerk" and deny also that their appointment was suggested and brought about by Charles T. Officer.

It is also denied that Receiver Bereshelm devotes his entire time to the affairs of his bank. They defend their administration as economical and wise and allege that the large attorneys' fees they have been compelled to pay have been to a great extent necessitated by the unwise and imprudent litigation instituted by the creditors, including the applicant in the suit at bar.

They state that since their appointment they have collected \$338,711.73 and disbursed \$309,512.95, leaving a balance of \$27,198.78 on hand; that under orders of the court they have paid preferred claims of \$25,431.75, that they have increased the indebtedness to \$338,234.02. They state further that there are now pending four sales of property aggregating \$60,000 and settlements of other claims amounting to \$20,000 and that they proposed to shortly declare a dividend of 5 per cent. They also claim to have received \$100,000 worth of property to dispose of comes as a great surprise to the creditors, as if this is the case there ought to be sufficient means to pay a dividend of nearly 15 per cent in place of 5 per cent.

Officer Estate Pays Dividends. They call attention to the fact that so far during eighteen months of the receivership they have received no compensation except \$1,354, which has been paid to Receiver Murphy. It is claimed in the answer that Receiver Murphy, by reason of his familiarity with the books of the bank and his acquaintance with the creditors has been peculiarly qualified to manage the details of the receivership and has given to it his entire time, while Receiver Bereshelm has given his counsel, judgment and time to the handling of its affairs, collection of its claims and disposition of its assets.

In conclusion the receivers say they have no personal desire to continue the arduous labors of the trust, but they are ready to accept the responsibility of the receivership if it is found that there is no warrant, cause or reason for the application of Mr. Cooper being filed and ask that it be dismissed.

Judge Wheeler is expected to hear the answer of the receivers at this time.

J. J. Stewart, administrator of the estate of Thomas Officer, deceased, senior member of the defunct banking firm of Officer & Pusey, filed his first report yesterday and secured an order of court authorizing him to pay a dividend of 5 per cent to the creditors of the bank.

The claims against the bank originally amounted to \$531,342.99. Preferred claims to the amount of \$53,843.49 were allowed and paid in full, leaving a balance of \$477,499.50, upon which two dividends amounting to \$100,000 have been paid.

Administrator Stewart is recommending the payment of the dividend says in his report that although the assets of Officer & Pusey are not entirely exhausted, there is no question but that they will be in sufficient, and further that he believes that after both estates have been exhausted, that Thomas Officer will be insolvent and that therefore in his opinion it would be perfectly safe to distribute now the funds in his hands.

Under the ruling of Judge Macy all creditors who file their claims against the receivers of the banking firm are entitled to participate in the distribution of the assets of the Officer estate, although they may not have filed their claims also against the estate.

Gravel roofing, A. H. Read, 541 Broadway. Reception to New Pastor.

Rev. Milford Riggs, the new pastor of the First Baptist church, will be tendered a special reception when he enters the church. This program will be carried out: Piano solo, Mrs. Julia C. Cook, church organist.

Welcome to the church, Deacon Joseph Robinson.

To welcome to the city, Rev. W. S. Barnes, representing the City Ministerial association.

Selection by the church choir.

Words to the pastor, Rev. J. W. Conley, D. D., pastor First Baptist church, Omaha.

Special music by the choir.

Prayers to the choir, Rev. George Van Winkle, pastor, South Omaha Baptist church.

Address, Rev. Riggs.

At the close of the program a social hour will be observed during which a reception committee will introduce all present to the new pastor and wife.

Davis sells glass.

HERR SUNDBECK VISITS IOWA.

Representative of Swedish Throne Investigates Conditions Among Former Subjects of Crown.

SHENANDOAH, Ia., May 29.—(Special.)—Herr Dr. Carl Sundbeck, a representative of the Swedish king, Oscar, spent the first of the week visiting the Swedish settlement in this section of Iowa, taking notes and inquiring into the condition of the former subjects of the Swedish throne.

Herr Sundbeck is taking many photographs and extensive notes, which will be reproduced in a book when he returns to Sweden for the purpose of writing the Swedish people a treatise on the country prospective immigrants will find here.

Mr. Sundbeck has been sent by his government to make an exhaustive report on the conditions of the Swedish people through the United States and Canada. He is now on his outward journey and will on Monday visit the Des Moines and the western states, returning in the fall through Canada. The information he will find will be used to combat or substantiate claims made by land agents from this country.

Herr Sundbeck stated that so far he found the Swedes in this section of the United States in much the best condition of any he had yet called on and that there was no reason for the Swedish government to be at all alarmed about the condition of the Swedes in the agricultural states.

The court refused to allow the district attorney to introduce evidence as to what money was spent in establishing variety theaters and on variety actresses, ruling it did not matter whether the money went to churches or theaters.

J. C. Higgins of Spokane, Wash., who was the principal witness of the day, testified that when Balliett left San Francisco for Cedar Rapids, he instructed the witness to turn the stock books for the postoffice inspectors called and to deny that Balliett conducted the office.

In cross-examination F. B. Thomas of San Francisco admitted that he believes the White Swan mine to be good paying property.

Convention of Letter Carriers. A large delegation of the Des Moines letter carriers went to Marshalltown this morning, accompanied by the postoffice band, composed of employees of the Des Moines postoffice, to attend the state convention of the letter carriers. The association of clerks of postoffices will meet at the same time and place.

Childster Held to Grand Jury. B. M. Childster, the young man of Burlington, who is held in jail at Bloomfield, was held to grand jury this morning to await the action of the grand jury on a charge of grand larceny. Childster is alleged to have taken a fur coat in Bloomfield, which he brought to Des Moines and pawned. It was recovered here and he was arrested in Centerville.

Iowa Normal Summer School. CEDAR FALLS, Ia., May 29.—(Special.)—The plans for the Iowa Normal summer school are now complete and the bulletins are being mailed from the office of President Seerley. The enrollment of 225 secured last year is expected to be swelled by about 200 this summer. The regular school and in addition Superintendent Dix of Des Moines, John Logan of Vinton, Miss Gertrude Child of Des Moines and Miss Harrington of the Dubuque High school.

Myths Out of the Running. DES MOINES, May 29.—(Special Telegram.)—James Blythe of Mason City today issued a letter in which he withdrew from the congressional race in the Fourth district. He had called for the support of the Iowa State League, the only one to contest with Hauger, the present member, and it gives Rule a strong chance to win.

Meeting of Colored Women Close. OTTUMWA, Ia., May 29.—(Special.)—The meeting of the Iowa State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs will meet here today at the State fair grounds in Ottumwa. The meeting was held here closed with an address by Mrs. J. S. Yates of Kansas City, president of the National federation.

Slimmer Donates His Home. WAVERLY, Ia., May 29.—(Special Telegram.)—A well known Hebrew philanthropist, today donated his home and the surrounding grounds in this city to the Sisters of Mercy of Dubuque for the establishment of a hospital. The property is valued at \$20,000.

Iowa State Field Meet. DES MOINES, May 29.—(Special Telegram.)—The annual athletic association was held today at the State fair grounds in Des Moines. The meet was well attended and had for the meet. Eight colleges were represented. Delegations of from 100 to 200 men from each college and Des Moines turned out a large number of enthusiasts to watch the meet.

Results: Six state records were broken and Drake won the 100-yard dash, 15.4 seconds; Drake, 66%; Iowa, 194; Grinnell, 41; Ames, 11; Cornell, 9; Normal school, 9; Simpson, 9.

Two hundred and twenty yards dash: Young of Drake won, 2:15.50; Grinnell second, Jacobus of Ames third, Time: 3:10.

Half-mile run: Thompson of Drake won, 9:30.50; Grinnell second, White of Ames third, Time: 10:00.50.

Putting sixteen-pound shot: Orshaugh of Drake won, 44.5 feet; Ames second, Drake third, Time: 17.75 inches.

One hundred and twenty yards hurdles: Chapman of Drake won, 2:15.50; Grinnell second, Drake third, Time: 2:30.

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Running high jump: Graham of Drake won, 5 feet 6 inches; Ames second, Drake third, Time: 1:14.

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