

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

CAN FORCE FIRE ESCAPES

New Law Solves a Difficulty Confronting the Public Library Board.

OWNER IGNORES PREVIOUS NOTICES

Several of the Public School Buildings Also Come Within the Scope of the New Law, Effect-ive in July.

Trustee Baird now has a way to enforce his demands that the Merriam block, in which the public library is situated, be provided with fire escapes. Several months ago Mr. Baird urged that the library board take this matter up and have the library protected with fire escapes as provided for in the city ordinance. In compliance with his request this city council was notified that the owner of the Merriam block had not complied with the ordinance regulating fire escapes, but that the matter was permitted to rest.

Mr. F. Rohrer, president of the library board, is said to have thrown cold water on the efforts of Mr. Baird to secure the fire escapes and for this reason the council failed to take any action. Mr. Baird, however, is now independent of President Rohrer, or even the city council, as the last legislature enacted a law which requires that all three-story buildings shall be equipped with fire escapes, and under the provisions of this law, if rigidly enforced, the Merriam block will be literally covered with fire escapes on all sides of the building. This law will go into effect July 4.

At the meeting of the library board this afternoon Trustee Baird will again bring the matter up with a resolution, providing that the secretary call the attention of Mr. Merriam, owner of the building, to the law and notify him to comply with it, otherwise the courts will be called upon. The law provides that failure to comply with its provisions within sixty days after its passage will make the owners of buildings subject to a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$100 for the first offense.

The need for fire escapes on the Merriam block, Mr. Baird asserts, has been doubled since the city authorities permitted Mr. Merriam to erect the frame structure adjoining the block on the west side. This building, which extends through from Main street to Pearl street, is composed of finely lumbered with a roof. Used as it is, as a corral and tin works, it is considered by Mr. Baird and others as a constant menace to the Merriam block. In case of the new building catching fire there is absolutely nothing to prevent it spreading to the Merriam, which is situated on the west side of the new structure.

The law enacted by the legislature, if enforced, will require the Board of Education to place fire escapes on several of the school buildings. When the city ordinance was passed there was considerable talk about requiring these school buildings to be equipped with the necessary fire escapes, but the matter was allowed to drop. In the Washington avenue school the attendance of pupils reaches at times over 600, and yet there is practically but one stairway with four exits on the first floor. The same is the case of the Bloomer and Pierce street schools.

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Beck Tires of Waiting.

The motor company having failed to comply with his demand that an opening or gate be placed in the fence to afford visitors to Lake Manawa access to his place of business, Colonel Beck stated yesterday that suit would be brought either today or Tuesday to prevent the sale of liquor within the grounds at Manawa. In this fight Colonel Beck is supported by W. Rogers, keeper of the Country club house, which is also shut off from the grounds by the fence which the motor company erected across the roadway this spring.

Colonel Beck and W. Rogers have been conducting their saloons, it is asserted, strictly according to the provisions of the mulct law since they gave notice of their fight against the motor company and their places have been closed promptly every night at 10 o'clock and have been kept closed on Sunday.

When Colonel Beck first threatened to enforce the mulct law on the motor company, an official of the company promised that the gate asked for would be placed in the fence, but up to last night it had not been done and Colonel Beck stated he was tired of waiting and would appeal to the courts today or Tuesday.

A week ago Colonel Beck secured the names of over 100 prominent business and professional men of Council Bluffs who were at the lake and whom he threatens to summon as witnesses in the event of being forced to bring proceedings against the motor company.

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Gentry Bros.' Shows.

Inasmuch as many of the patrons of Gentry Bros.' famous trained animal shows are prevented from attending the afternoon performances owing to business engagements, and as everybody enjoys the parade, which is the handsomest the Gentry Bros. have ever presented, they are entertaining a show made several additions to their wonderful display this season and the show is decidedly bigger and better than ever. Gentry Bros. will exhibit their gigantic collection of educated animals in Council Bluffs for two performances on June 11. The show grounds are located at Twenty-ninth and Broadway and the parade will start from the grounds at about 11 a. m.

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Schoentgen Appointment Pleases.

The appointment of Edward P. Schoentgen of this city by Governor Cummins as a member of the commission to complete the Iowa capitol building is a source of much gratification to his many friends here. Mr. Schoentgen was born and raised

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COMPLAIN OF HEAVY RAINS

Too Much Water for Farming Operations the Past Week in Iowa.

DATES FOR THE TEACHERS' INSTITUTES

List of Those Scheduled in Western Iowa—Balliet Will Seek New Trial, but Will Close Out His Business.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, June 8.—(Special.)—The excessive rain of the last few days in Iowa, covering practically the entire state, has been very hard on the growing crops. The director of the State Weather and Crop bureau reports that the fall of water for the season is now beyond the normal and there are indications that the end has not yet been reached. While not making any doleful predictions as to the injury done crops or the prospect of reduced yield per acre because of the superabundance of water, Mr. Sage is ready to confess that the outlook is not so bright as it was a few weeks ago. Since there have been several seasons of dry weather in Iowa the farmers have neglected the work of putting in tile drains on the farms, and the ground is not in as good condition for withstanding a wet season as it should be. In the northeastern part of the state the heavy rains have washed out much of the growing corn and the fact that the ground is kept wet all the time has made it impossible to carry on cultivation to keep back the weeds. The reports for the past week show that perhaps as much water fell during the week as ever before in any week in the history of the state. The rain continued general in the state. All the streams are greatly swollen, which is unusual for this time of the year.

Normal Institutes for 1902.

State Superintendent Barrett has compiled a list of the county teachers' normal institutes, with time and place of meeting. The following are those in the western part of the state: Adair, Greenfield, August 4; Adams, Cornish, June 18; Audubon, Audubon, August 4; Boone, Boone, August 18; Buena Vista, Storm Lake, July 28; Carroll, Carroll, July 7; Cass, Atlantic, June 18; Cherokee, Cherokee, June 18; Clarke, Osceola, August 4; Clay, Spencer, August 4; Crawford, Denison, August 11; Dallas, Adel, August 11; Fremont, Sidney, August 4; Greene, Jefferson, June 16; Guthrie, Guthrie Center, August 18; Harrison, Logan, July 14; Ida, Ida Grove, March 24; Madison, Winterset, June 23; Mills, Glenwood, August 4; Monona, Onawa, July 28; Montgomery, Red Oak, July 21; Page, Shenandoah, August 18; Plymouth, Lemars, June 16; Pottawattamie, Council Bluffs, June 23; Sac, Odebolt, June 16; Shelby, Harlan, July 23; Sioux, Hawarden, July 23; Taylor, Bedford, July 14; Union, Union, August 4; Woodbury, Correctionville, June 23, and Sioux City, July 28.

Will Seek a New Trial.

It is the intention of the attorneys for Letson Balliet, convicted last week in the federal court of using the mails with intent to defraud, to demand a new trial, and failing in this, to carry the case to the highest court. One ground on which a new trial will be asked is that one of the jurors is alleged to have slept part of the time of the trial. It is also alleged that Judge Munger ruled contrary to Judge McPherson on the matter of admitting certain important evidence, which crippled the defense. Balliet has gone to San Francisco to close his offices. He had a force of fifteen or twenty stenographers and clerks at headquarters, but the government has issued a fraud order against him, so that he will be unable to use the mails pending the trial.

Odd Fellows' Memorial.

The Odd Fellows' lodge of Des Moines had memorial day today. There are eleven of the lodges and one Canton of Patriarchs Militant and they marched to the Greenwood cemetery in a body with the postoffice band and Iowa band. The memorial address was by Rev. J. A. Wirt.

The date for holding the encampment of the Fifty-first regiment, Iowa National guard, has been changed from July 17 to June 26 and it will be held at Fonda. The place for the encampment of the Fifthieth has not yet been fixed, but will probably be at Oskaloosa.

Ex-Convict to Lecture.

Governor Cummins has given special permission to Theodore Buschek to lecture in the state for the purpose of raising money with which to pay his way to Haiti.

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No Clues in Peterson Murder Case.

The police were compelled to release Harris, arrested a few days ago as a suspect in the Peterson murder case. There was no evidence against him. He appeared to have become greatly interested in the case, so much so that he incessantly talked about it, but it is certain he had no knowledge of the crime. The city detectives are still at work finding everything they can, but the body of the victim is still lying there with nothing tangible on which to work.

New President Addresses Students.

GRINNELL, Ia., June 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Dr. Dan P. Bradley, the newly elected president of Iowa college, delivered the baccalaureate address at the Stone church this morning to an audience of 1,600 people. Dr. Bradley spoke as his theme "The Creation of the Perfection of Character," tracing it in biblical experience from the garden of Eden to Paradise. The bible opened with Eden and closed with Paradise. Applying his words to the present graduating class, Dr. Bradley said they had their ideal experience in college days. The chastening of life was to come later and whether their reward was to be paradise or failure was dependent upon their conduct of life. The address was able and timely, replying with depth of thought and uplifting sentiment. Dr. Bradley's initial appearance before the college world stamps him as an educator of versatility and power. An innovation was made here today in the commencement custom by the appearance of the faculty in cap and gown.

Bishop Morrison Addresses Graduates.

IOWA CITY, Ia., June 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Bishop Theodore N. Morrison delivered the baccalaureate address to the senior classes of the University of Iowa this afternoon. His text was Philippians, chapter II, verse 12: "So then, my beloved, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who worketh in you." Bishop Morrison said in part: "The perfect manhood of Christ

Jesus is set before you. You are to work it out in yourselves. Set yourselves to make men of yourselves. The moment you do this God is with you. There is time in eternity in which to perfect it. Work out better conditions in society, business and politics in your own sphere of influence. Through helping others comes your own manhood, your salvation."

Commencement at State Normal.

CEDAR FALLS, Ia., June 8.—(Special Telegram.)—President Seider today delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the class of the Normal on "The Great Expectation." His message was that the real greatness of a human life is in its taking advantage of every possibility in its providing prudently for the future and in the magnificence of its interpretation of a career of usefulness and power.

Essex Will Outdo Itself.

ESSEX, Ia., June 8.—(Special.)—Arrangements have been made to have a Fourth of July celebration at Essex. The largest amount of money ever raised for such a purpose has been contributed and extensive preparations are being made. Excellent committees are in charge and Essex will try to eclipse all former efforts in the manner of entertaining the visitors.

COMMENTS OF THE IOWA PRESS.

Burlington Hawkeye: The silver democrats of Iowa are fearful they will be put in the also ran class at their state convention next August.

The Des Moines Register comes to the relief of the puzzled democracy with a suggestion that Corporal O'Brien should seem to be the logical candidate for president in 1904.

Sioux City Journal: Uncle Dick Clarkson says the month of May this year was the first in his forty-seven years of experience in Iowa where the weather was so good.

The Parkersburg Eclipse asserts "The Iowa, who does not feel enthusiastic enough this year to yell for Iowa should be taken to the borders of the state and given gentle hint that his presence is no longer desirable."

Davenport Democrat: With packing houses to work up her sugar and cattle, and a new beet sugar factory to work up her sugar beets, and a big distillery to work up her corn and rye, Sioux City ought to be able to work up something of an oldtime boom.

The selection of Calvin Manning of Ottumwa as temporary chairman of the Sixth district convention, which is to be held at Newton, July 18, inside the Fort Madison Republican that Mr. Manning may be a candidate for congress in the Sixth district some day himself.

Dubuque Times: At Des Moines the pastors have noted the immense popularity by comparison with the services at the churches. As its population grows the capital city becomes more and more inclined to adopt the moral standards of the cosmopolitan metropolis.

Iowa State Register: James S. Clarkson of New York City says the state of Iowa is making a great mistake by not joining the good roads movement, and that it ought to have an appropriation of not less than \$500,000 for beginning the work. The little state of Virginia, with its naturally hard and smooth roads, has appropriated that much, he says, and every state in the east is spending millions every year. Good roads make good business.

Marshalltown Times-Republican: An instance of the remarkable prosperity of the farming districts is related by one of the Times-Republican traveling agents, who has been working on the rural mail routes at Deep River. In a day's drive he observed twelve hundred and six new farm houses. One of these residences had cost \$12,000, and all were modern and roomy, with modern conveniences. The way of bath rooms, furnaces and the like.

Cedar Rapids Republican: Des Moines has a phenomenon in the form of a man who turned in for taxes last year eleven and credits than all the other people in Iowa. In the month of May he paid taxes and credits listed is \$3,442,000. Mr. Callahan has of this amount \$107,876. Deducting what belongs to the state and the companies, Mr. Callahan has more listed than all the other individuals in that city. Mr. Callahan must have had an active assistance on the day the assessor came to see him. There are several men in Des Moines who probably have as many farms in money and credits as Callahan and the aggregate of such property listed is probably hardly 10 per cent of the total in existence.

Iowa State News Notes.

The Ida Grove Era prints a half-tone which shows that five of the prettiest girls in Iowa graduated from the high school of that place last week.

Farmers about Dodge and Leando have contracted with the Ottumwa Packer company to plant forty or fifty acres of cucumbers this year. The pickles will be delivered at Dodge and salted in tanks at that place.

Because he refused to sell a drink to a "Keeley graduate" James Ellis, a bartender of Marshalltown, fell at his home suffering from two serious wounds made by a knife in the hands of "Keeley" Cather, a painter. As a result Ellis may be a cripple for life, or possibly may die.

The proposed excursion to the Black Hills by the Iowa Press association has been abandoned for want of interest on the part of the editors. The secretary announces that less than twenty-five applications have been made for berths and that this would not meet the expenses of a single car.

The state auditor has issued his annual report on fire insurance for the last year's business. It shows that during 1901 there was written in Iowa risks amounting to \$492,948, an increase over the previous year of over \$36,243,28, and the losses paid during 1901 amounted to \$1,000, or an increase of \$1,566,735 over the previous year.

Oscar Halls was arraigned before Justice of Glenwood and admitted having killed a black squirrel within the city limits by the use of a rubber sling shot. He was fined \$10 and cost of prosecuting the case about \$13. The arrest was made by Deputy Game Warden Strider, who intends to prosecute all such violations of the law that come to his notice.

While John Christy was working in his yard of labor trying to remove some work lightning came near killing both him and his team. The horses were struck and the team made worthless and the man was rendered unconscious and his body all along one side blackened, but he recovered from the shock and apparently suffers no serious consequences from his present condition.

J. E. Williams and wife of Manson, Ia., are enroute to their old home in England, where they will remain for the remainder of their lives. The couple came to Iowa about twenty years ago and since that time have amassed enough to insure their future for the remainder of their days. They have disposed of their property at Manson and are visiting friends in Iowa. The wife of the state before crossing the ocean.

County Supervisor C. D. Becker of Waterloo has sold his farm and is moving to the farm south of Hicks and three miles of Waterloo. He has a fine place and the farm will have the use of the money. Mr. Becker bought the first eighty in 1887, paying \$10 an acre. The next forty he bought in about 1872 for \$13, the next forty for \$25 and the last eighty in 1885 for \$45.

The assessed valuation of the property of Waterloo is \$240,000. The city of Waterloo is \$33 on the dollar, making a total of \$83 that the taxpayers of the incorporated city of Waterloo have to pay for the support of their school annually.

The expense of maintaining the city schools at present is about \$100 a year, or several hundred dollars more than the city is able to pay. The town of Waterloo, if the district were made independent the schools at Waterloo would cost no more than \$100 a year. It is proposed to raise the school tax from \$3 mills to about \$5 mills on the dollar.

Another case of smooth swindlers at Maquoketa has been reported. For the last three weeks a trio of young fellows have been in the city, claiming to be students of the University of Iowa, and have been stopping at the Advance hotel and claiming to have a large sum of money. They were stopped at the hotel and the women of the hotel were told to keep them out of the city. The flatterers seemed to be a good thing, but it is quite certain that the money they claimed to have was not theirs. They failed to pay a number of bills contracted for livery, washing, etc., and \$3 borrowed from a young woman was also forgotten. Marshall Lancaster sent the boys at the hotel and they were not arrested. Their other money they were not able to get. A telegram was sent to Monticello, and a telegram was sent to the authorities, but no word has been received so far. The names given by these young impostors were John W. Hayes, J. M. Boltz and B. C. Hinkle.

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