

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM OMAHA COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Stocker sells carpets and rugs. Laffert, specialist in... Dr. Stockdale, first Nat. Bank building.

Take home... The Misses Laughlin of College Springs are guests of the family of A. M. Hutchinson.

Hon. Thomas Bowman left Sunday evening for an extended visit at his home in Cassport, Mo.

T. Rhone Wilson, assistant cashier of the State board of... was in the city visiting friends yesterday.

Pay your quarterly water rent before the 10th and save 5 per cent. Water company office open Thursday evening until 10 o'clock.

For rent, five-room cottage, city water in kitchen, good out buildings, \$20 per month. Call on E. F. Watts, Bee office, or 283 North First street.

The newly-elected officers will be installed at the regular meeting this evening of the Royal Highlanders. The installation will be followed by a banquet.

Postmaster Treynor has received notice that an examination for the position of rural free delivery carrier will be held Friday morning, July 11, at the federal building.

The months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Patrick, 2024 Avenue D, who died Sunday evening from smallpox, after two days' illness, was buried yesterday morning in Fairview cemetery, the funeral being private.

The Women's Foreign Missionary and Ladies' Aid societies of the Broadway Methodist church will meet this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. C. Hart on Oakland avenue.

A free musical will be given this evening at the Christian home placed on North Seventh street. An excellent program has been prepared. In addition to the musical numbers Miss Emma Betch will give two recitations.

G. P. Thompson, a Rock Island switchman, living at 2181 North 16th street, was severely injured yesterday by a car and engine Sunday afternoon. He was removed to the city ambulance hospital.

Will Chapman, son of S. S. Chapman of South Sixth street, is expected home from the Philippines. Five years ago young Chapman enlisted in the regular army, and his parents heard nothing from him until his name appeared among the list of wounded at Cavite during the Philippine campaign.

Alderman Huber wants it understood that he is no longer chairman of the streets and alleys committee. He says that hundreds of citizens make his life a burden by coming to him with their complaints when they ought to go to Alderman Louge, who is chairman of the streets and alleys committee.

Tom Ryan pre-empted a portion of the sidewalk on Willow avenue near Fourth street late Sunday night to sleep on. A woman passing stepped on his head and her frightened scream brought Officer McKinley to the scene. He arrested the woman and her escort had disappeared and Ryan was taken to the city jail to complete his slumbers.

S. B. Connor of Bartlett, Ia., a guest at the Kiel hotel, Sunday night had a day's escape from being speared by a shark. Night Clerk Mortensen, in making his round of the halls about 11 o'clock, saw the shark and tried to kill it. Connor was revived after considerable difficulty, but yesterday was none the worse for his experience.

On June 13 J. G. Walnwright was arrested on complaint of F. W. Hutchinson who charged him with the malicious destruction of a fence gate. Justice Bryant, before whom the information was returned, permitted Walnwright to leave the court room to secure bail. Walnwright forgot about the bail and went to the city jail. He returned to the city yesterday and was promptly committed to the city jail.

Mayor Morse is anxious as all members of the several committees having in charge the arrangements for the celebration of the National Army of the Philippines, be present at the meeting Wednesday night at the Kiel hotel. Will but little over a month before the Philippine veterans will be here, there is considerable work to be done and the members of the local camp are desirous that the citizens' committees make a start.

Nick World's Latest Exploit. The boy who was knocked unconscious by a Manawa motor Sunday night and taken to the Woman's Christian association hospital was identified yesterday morning as Nick World, a youth formerly in the Christian home. Nick had a mania for running away from institutions and on several occasions went through more or less interesting experiences. The stories he invented and told the authorities showed that the youth had an unusually fertile brain. One of his most recent escapades was to steal a horse and buggy across the city and on another occasion he succeeded in ingratiating himself into the good graces of the Omaha police, who for a while credited him with being quite a young hero.

Several months ago Manager Lomen of the Christian home placed the boy to live with a family named James on Thirteenth avenue, Mr. Lomen paying for his board. Nick and a companion had been to Manawa Sunday and it was while returning that another boy dared him to jump from the car while it was speeding along. Nick tried to be bluff, as he termed it, and jumped. A southbound car struck him, knocking him senseless. His injuries consist of a severe scalp wound and numerous bruises, but the doctors say he will be up and about in a few days. None the worse for this, the last of his many strenuous experiences.

Davis sells glass. Plumbing and heating. Sibly & Son. These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 161 First street.

W. P. Drowfield to Marcella F. Drowfield, lots 1 and 2, block 13, Macedonia, \$800. C. A. Tibbets and wife to E. Weeb, part lot 1, Tibbets & Herald's sub of block 5, Mill add., w. d., \$1,000. T. G. Green to F. C. and E. H. Louge, lot 12, block H, Curtis & Ramsey's add., w. d., \$2,000. Charles A. Hamling and wife to Frank H. Hamling, lot 2, block 4, Foster & Cobb's add., w. d., \$300. Sheriff to Council Bluffs Savings bank, 25 lots in Habbitt place add., s. d., \$1,210.

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Delegates from Country Arrive Early and Begin Talking Politics.

TWO NOMINATIONS ARE MUCH IN DOUBT

Numerous Candidates for Clerk of the Courts and County Attorney Complicate the Situation.

Monday was a busy day politically, especially among the candidates for the several nominations to be dealt out by the republican county convention today. A number of the country precinct delegations arrived in the city yesterday afternoon, most of them making their headquarters at the Kiel hotel, which during the evening was the scene of much activity. The candidates from the city were to be seen hobnobbing with the country delegates in the endeavor to strengthen their fences with the outside precinct delegates. The early arrival of the country delegates indicates that there will be something doing at the convention today because as a rule the delegates from the outside precincts do not reach the city until the morning of the convention.

The contest over the nominations for clerk of the district court and county attorney promise to be the star feature of the convention. The fight for the nomination of clerk of the district court, is expected to be particularly keen, there being so many candidates in the field, each of whom it is believed will have a good sized backing. For some time past it has been known that more than one of the country precincts will come into the convention opposed to according candidates a third term nomination, but it is now very doubtful whether any such resolution will be sprung today. The situation is such that it seems very doubtful if it will be taken into consideration that Auditor James and Recorder Smith, both of whom have served two terms, will go before the convention today with practically no opposition for a renomination.

With the nominations for clerk of the district court and county attorney, the situation is different, both County Attorney Killpack and Clerk Reed having several opponents in the field against them.

Situation Badly Mixed. Such was the situation last evening that even the old time war horses declined to pick out the winners for these nominations. There is no doubt but that Freeman Reed will go into the convention this morning with a strong following, especially from the country precincts, and his friends are confident that he will be renominated without much difficulty, possibly on the very first formal ballot. On the other hand G. Baird's candidacy cannot be overlooked, as he has a large following in the city. H. V. Battey of Aveca, at present deputy clerk there, and the east end of the county candidate for the district court clerkship, will enter the contest with at least four of the precincts in his section of Pottawattamie county for him. Harry M. Brown, deputy clerk of the superior court and chairman of the city central committee, has not been idle since he announced his candidacy. His campaign has been made to a great extent on the "will hunt" plan, and his friends assert that he will develop more strength than he is given credit for. E. E. Sayles, former alderman-at-large, will have the fifth ward delegation at his command, but his strength in the country districts is problematical.

County Attorney Killpack's strongest opponent is conceded to be John M. Galvin, who is said to have at least forty of the city delegates to start with. Assistant County Attorney Kimball has been doing some hard work within the last few days and yesterday was wearing a sanguine smile and feeling more or less hopeful that the lightning would strike his way today.

The contest for the two nominations for members of the Board of Supervisors does not promise to be very exciting and it is believed that Supervisors Brandes and Bullis will be both accorded renominations. The county convention will be called to order at 11 o'clock this morning in the capitol room by Chairman Wright of the republican county central committee, who will name George S. Mayne as temporary chairman, leaving the convention to select its permanent secretary.

Beyond the appointment of the usual committees it is expected that also will be done by the convention before the noon adjournment. The Kane township convention will be held immediately at the close of the county convention.

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ASSESSMENT OF TELEPHONES

Over Six Hundred Companies File Reports with the State Board.

BIG LAND COMPANY INCORPORATES

Action of Des Moines City Council Likely to Bring About Settlement of Telephone Operators' Strike.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, July 7.—(Special.)—The state board of equalization today commenced consideration of the telephone and telegraph reports received by the auditor of state, with a view to making the annual assessment for taxation purposes on this class of property in Iowa. Whereas last year there were 257 of these reports to be considered by the council, this year more than 600 have been received. There has been much less reluctance on the part of the companies in making reports this year, because the assessment on the private and farm telephones has been light and the taxation question one of only a few cents. A great majority of the reports are of small companies, having less than a dozen telephones. Reports show the number of miles of wire, the number of poles, the number of telephones in use, whether they are toll lines or not and other information on which to base the assessment. The enormous increase in the number of companies the last year and in the number of telephones in use is a surprise to everyone, and indicates that the new law is being put into effect with telephone lines. Next Monday the council will be ready to hear all persons who may wish to speak in relation to the assessment of telephone and telegraph companies. This work will keep members of the council busy until the close of taking up assessment of railroad and express companies.

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Paid Highest Railroad Tax in the United States. K. C. & O. Railway, now a branch of the Burlington Route, last year paid taxes equal to nearly 3 per cent of its full cash value. (Issued under the Authority of the Railroads of Nebraska.) Statement of Taxes Paid in 1901 by the Kansas City & Omaha Railway Company in Nebraska. COUNTY TAXES PAID. Jefferson \$1,476.60. Clay 5,085.11. Adams 4,232.28. Kearney 4,743.55. Phelps 58.32. Harlan 4,533.71. Fillmore 4,176.94. York 6,626.10. Polk 580.28. Saline 1,331.10. Total, 193.38 Miles \$32,843.99—\$164.62 per mile. For the year ending December 31, 1901, the Gross Earnings amounted to \$253,082.25. Operating Expenses amounted to 144,688.22. Net earnings \$108,394.03. Out of this amount, the taxes \$32,843.99 were paid, which amounts to 30-10 per cent of their net earnings. This railroad was purchased by the C. B. & Q. R. Co. for the sum of \$1,157,883.21, and on the first of July of the present year they commenced operating it. The projectors of the K. C. & O. Railroad