

ISSUES OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Stockert sells carpets and rugs. Laffert, asphalt specialist, 1215 Broadway.

ROHRER MAKES SACRIFICE

Agrees to Read Book to See Whether it is Fit for Library Use.

TALK OF INSTALLING A TELEPHONE

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