# NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

## COUNCIL BLUFFS.

### MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs.

Stockert sells carpets and rugs.

Mauthe, fine watch repairing, 228 B'way.

Leffert, eyesight specialist, 409 Broadway.

Misses Ida and Nellie Beasore are visiting relatives in Persia, Ia.

All wool suits made to order, $13.50 up. N. Y. Tailoring Co., 337 B'way.

Born, to County Superintendent and Mrs. O. J. McManus, yesterday, a daughter.

Pyrographic outfits and supplies. C. E. Alexander & Co., 333 Broadway. Tel. 368.

Mrs. J. Bazin of Logansport, Ind., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Clifford of Fifth avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edmund of Denver are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bloomer of First avenue.

Today (Sunday) only, from 10 a. m. to 4 o'clock p. m., $3.50 cabinet photos $1 dozen if you bring this ad. Williams.

Members of Abe Lincoln Relief corps will meet at the Broadway Methodist church at 9:45 a. m. today to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. G. Lemen.

F. J. Duerr took out a permit yesterday for the erection of a two-story brick building on Broadway between Seventh and Eighth streets to cost $10,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hillis of Earling, Ia., who have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. E. C. Brown, left Friday for an extended trip through Canada, Michigan and Ohio.

Miss Grace Whitcomb of Long Island, Kan., will spend the winter with her cousin, Miss Katherine Warner of Washington avenue, while attending the high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Morand's Dancing school opens in Hughes' hall Thursday, October 4. Children, 4:15 p. m.; adults, 7:30 p. m.; public assemblies, orchestra, 8:45 p. m. Admission, 25 cents.

For good rigs, rubber tire, or anything in the livery line, we can suply your wants at a reasonable price. Horses boarded and cared for. Good stalls. Marks & Co., 158 Broadway. Phone 108.

Rev. A. J. Wheeler of New York will lecture this evening at the Broadway Methodist church on "The Temptations of Young Men and Young Women and Our Responsibility."

The Baptist, Christian, Second Presbyterian and Epworth, Trinity and Fifth Avenue Methodist churches will unite in the general services of Mrs. Lemen at Broadway church this morning.

Everything in the housefurnishing line can be had at D. W. Keller's, 407 Broadway, on the easy payment plan. Economical buyers will not overlook this store. Prices always cut to the lowest notch.

Miss Gertrude Hendricks of this city and James M. Daily of Albin, Idaho, were married last Thursday in Ogden, Utah. Mr. and Mrs. Daily will make their home near Albin, where Mr. Daily has a large cattle ranch.

Mrs. C. E. Buckner of Gray, Ia., wife of Hanford Buckner, died Friday midnight at St. Bernard's hospital. She was 44 years old and leaves her husband and four children. The remains were taken to Gray yesterday for burial.

For rent, modern cottage, neatly furnished, five rooms, convenient to Illinois Central passenger depot. For further information call at Anderson's drug store, corner Broadway and Ninth street. Lady wishes to go to California on account of ill health.

The hearing of the suit of Lewis Hammer to recover on a note given in 1891 by Ben Marks and W. H. Ware as a committee of the Council Bluffs Wolf and Fox Hunting club was completed before Judge Macy in the district court yesterday and by him taken under advisement.

Night school will open at the Western Iowa college Monday, September 27. Commercial, shorthand and English departments. A school for clerks, office employes and public school pupils who wish to make up grades. We can teach you anything you want. Send for circulars and terms.

Gravel roofing, A. H. Read, 541 Broadway.

## PAST WEEK IN BLUFFS SOCIETY

**Happenings Consist Almost Entirely of Small Social Gatherings.**

Miss Squires entertained at a luncheon Wednesday afternoon.

Avery Jennings will leave this week to resume his studies at the state university at Iowa City.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edmund of Denver were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bloomer last week.

Mrs. W. B. Crewdson entertained a few friends informally at her home on Mynster street Monday evening.

Miss Isabelle Patterson entertained a number of friends at a dinner given at her home Tuesday evening.

I. Beers Rohrer will leave today for Mexico, Mo., to resume his studies at the Mexico Military academy.

Miss Maude Hoagland entertained the members of the Kensington club at her home Thursday afternoon.

Miss Stapp of Des Moines, who has been in the city, the guest of Mrs. J. B. Atkins, will leave Tuesday for her home.

Mrs. M. F. Rohrer and daughter, Miss Caroline Test Rohrer, will leave tomorrow for Chicago on a visit to friends.

Miss Bessie Beno and Miss Helen Wallace will leave the latter part of the week for Laselle seminary, Auburndale, Mass.

Miss Walker, who has been in the city, the guest of her sister, Miss Oscar Keeline, will leave today for her home in Alabama.

Miss Adah Sargent and Miss Edna Keeline will leave tomorrow for Knoxville, Ill., where they will resume their studies at St. Mary's school.

Miss Gladys Hart entertained a few of her friends at a fancy dress party Thursday evening. About twelve little folk were in attendance.

Miss Marian Benton and Miss Helen Foley will leave the early part of the week for Washington, D. C., where they will attend school this year.

Miss Helen Foley entertained a few friends informally at her home on Sixth street Wednesday evening in honor of Carl Chamberlain of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The members of the Woman's Whist club were entertained Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Mary E. Dailey. The club will meet this week with Mrs. D. W. Bushnell.

Mrs. C. R. Tyler and daughter, Miss Marian Tyler, will leave the early part of the week for New York City, where Miss Marian will resume her studies at Miss Ely's school.

Miss Flora Besley of Grant street entertained the members of the Flower mission at her home Thursday afternoon. She was assisted by Miss Caroline Schoentgen, Miss Helen Baldwin and Miss Rosa.

Miss Ethel Watson entertained a few friends informally at her home Monday evening in honor of Miss Josephine Jennings, who will leave this week for Rockford, Ill., where she will attend school.

The first general reception of the Council Bluffs Woman's club for this season will be held Friday afternoon, at the home of the president, Mrs. Walter I. Smith. All who desire to enter the club this year are invited to attend.

Miss Maude Cavin of Washington, D. C., who has been in this city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Cavin of Park avenue, has gone to St. Louis to visit friends. She will also visit friends at Cincinnati before returning to Washington.

Mrs. M. Pfeiffer and trimmer have just returned from New York and other eastern points where they selected the latest and most novel patterns for their fall millinery OPENING which occurs next Friday and Saturday, September 19-20, and to which they cordially invite all to attend.

Monday is the day we give a flower to every lady purchaser. DeLong, The Printer.

**Notice to Subscribers.**

All the numbers of "The Living Animals of the World" are now complete and can be obtained for the next few days at the Council Bluffs office of The Bee. It is requested that those desiring to fill out their numbers call at once and get them, as unsold copies will be returned in a short time.

LEWIS CUTLER
MORTICIAN.
38 Pearl St., Council Bluffs. 'Phone 57.

## CANNOT VISIT THE BLUFFS

**Latest Effort to Attract the President Results Same as Previous One.**

**ALL TIME PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED FOR**

**Secretary Cortelyou Telegraphs Regrets at Being Unable to Comply with the Request of Mr. Hart.**

Presuming that the former telegram inviting President Roosevelt to visit Council Bluffs on his western trip had been misunderstood and taken to mean that it was desired he stop over here on his way west on Friday, September 26, another telegram was sent by National Committeeman Ernest E. Hart explaining that it was hoped the president while in Omaha Saturday, September 27, would be able to spare sufficient time to take a run over to Council Bluffs and spend an hour or so in the city. In the event of the president entertaining the invitation it was proposed to place a special motor at the disposal of the presidential party so that a rapid trip to and from Council Bluffs could be made. Previous arrangements, however, prevent the possibility of President Roosevelt paying Council Bluffs a visit at this time, as the following telegram received by Mr. Hart last evening will show:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 13.—Ernest E. Hart, Council Bluffs, Ia.—Telegram received and contents noted. It is impossible, however, to make the desired arrangements. Completed program has been arranged with Omaha authorities covering entire time allotted to that city. I regret to be unable to make a more satisfactory reply.

GEORGE B. CORTELYOU.
Secretary.

Special sale on Tablets and box stationery all week, at DeLong's, 307 Broadway.

## PLANS TO RECTIFY ERRORS

**County Attorney Helps Out the School Board of Garner Township.**

The directors of the school district of Garner township have evolved a plan whereby they hope to nullify the effect of State Superintendent Barrett's reversal of the ruling of County Superintendent McManus in the case of effecting the change of textbooks in the district. There was no opposition to the action of the board changing the textbooks, except by the patrons of the schools in one subdistrict, and they contended that the meeting at which this action was taken was irregularly called. The state superintendent upheld them and held that the action of the board was null and void as the meeting at which it had been taken had been irregularly called.

Several other meetings of the board at which bills had been allowed and ordered paid, and at which contracts for the building of schools had been let had been held which under the ruling of the state superintendent had been improperly called and the directors have now evolved a scheme to remedy these defects. They called upon County Attorney Killpack yesterday and obtained from him a form of resolution ratifying the actions at these improperly called meetings which the county attorney says will rectify matters and make the former actions legal and binding.

It is proposed to bring up this resolution for adoption at the regular annual meeting of the board Monday night. J. J. Cook, who appeared as principal plaintiff in the appeal against the action of the school directors in changing the textbooks in the district, is now a member of the board, and he is expected to make a fight on the adoption of the resolution. In the event of its adoption it is said there will be further litigation and that another appeal will be taken to the county superintendent and if necessary from him to the state superintendent as the patrons of the subdistrict which objected to the change of textbooks will fight the case to the last ditch if compelled to.

County Attorney Killpack gives it as his opinion that a resolution ratifying the action of the former meetings whether irregularly held or not, will be sufficient to settle the controversy and place the objecting patrons of the schools out of court.

Pen Holder and pen given with every 5c and 10c tablet all this week at Delong's, 307 Broadway.

Plumbing and heating. Bixby & Son.

**With the Churches.**

"The Memory of a Martyred President," will be the subject of Rev. Harvey Hostetler's sermon this evening at the Second Presbyterian church. There will be no service in the morning on account of Mrs. Lemen's funeral, the congregation uniting with that of Broadway Methodist church.

At St. Paul's Episcopal church there will be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist and sermon by the rector, Rev. George Edward Walk, at 10:30 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon will be at 7:30 o'clock. The sessions of the Sunday school will be resumed at 12 o'clock.

There will be no preaching service this morning at the First Baptist church on account of Mrs. Lemen's funeral. The evening service will be for young men, when Charles Warner will speak on "What the Church Can Do for Young Men." The pastor Rev. Milford Riggs, will take as the topic for his sermon, "How the Male Quartet Raised the Roof." Sunday school will be at noon and meeting of the Young People's union at 7 p. m. Sunday school at the West Side mission will be held at 3:30 p. m.

Rev. S. Alexander will preach at 7:30 p. m. at the church on the corner of Seventh street and Seventeenth avenue.

The First Church of Christ, Scientist, will hold services this morning at 11 o'clock in the Sapp building, when the subject for discussion will be "Matter." Sunday school will be held at the close of the morning service and the midweek testimony meeting will be Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Bishop E. L. Kelley of Lamoni, Ia., will preach this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Latter Day Saints' church. At the morning service at 10:30 o'clock Elder F. E. Cohry will occupy the pulpit. Sunday school will be held at noon and the midweek prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Owing to the absence of Rev. W. H. Cable, the pastor, there will be no preaching services today at Trinity Methodist church. Sunday school will be held at the usual hour. In the morning the congregation will attend the funeral service of Mrs. Mary Lemen at Broadway Methodist church.

At the First Congregational church today there will be preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The evening services will be in commemoration of the death of President McKinley, and the pastor, Rev. James Thomson, will preach a sermon appropriate to the occasion. Sunday school and the meeting of the Christian Endeavor society will be held at the usual hours.

At Grace Episcopal church there will be morning prayer at 11 o'clock, conducted by Edwin J. Abbott, lay reader. Sunday school will be held at 9:45 a. m.

**Little Work in Federal Court.**

The docket for the September term of federal court, which will open in this city next Tuesday, is the lightest on record. It contains but two law cases assigned for trial, one equity case and one bankruptcy matter. Twenty-two old cases remain on file, but none has been listed for trial this term. It is also said that the grand jury will have little to do, there being but few criminal cases to come before it. Since the opening of a new district and a federal court at Creston and the removal of the headquarters of the several federal officers of this district to Des Moines, the business in the court here has been gradually but surely decreasing. A few years ago when Clerk Steadman and Marshal Bradley had their headquarters here the terms of federal court lasted several weeks, during which the federal building was always a scene of unusual activity.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 256.

**Attach Excursion Company Property.**

For the second time this season the sheriff's office was called upon yesterday to attach property of the Union Excursion company, situated on the Iowa side of the river west of Lake Manawa. The property attached yesterday consisted of a quantity of lumber, ropes and other miscellaneous effects of the company and was to secure a claim of J. B. Watkins & Co. of South Omaha. Captain R. A. Talbot, as in the former proceedings, was made a party defendant. The company has been running the excursion steamer Henrietta during the summer from Omaha to the park on this side of the river until the steamer was tied up across the river.

School Tablets, 1c, 5c and 10c, 307 Broadway.

Davis sells glass.

**Gasoline Stove Acts Up.**

The fire department was called yesterday morning to the residence of D. E. Buck at 2200 Second avenue, where the tank of a gasoline stove had overflowed and the oil had become ignited. Mrs. Buck, who was cooking dinner, was severely burned about the arms in attempting to extinguish the flames. Members of the family succeeded in throwing the stove into the back yard before the arrival of the fire department. Beyond a slight scorching to the woodwork in the kitchen there was no damage done to the premises.

Ten pens, 5c at DeLong's, 307 Broadway.

Davis sells paints.

**Real Estate Transfers.**

These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street:

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| County treasurer to George W. Lipe, lot 1, block T, Curtis & Ramsey's add, t. d. | $ 15 |
| E. M. Smart to Boone Humbert, lot 3, block 10, Oakland, w. d. | 700 |
| Joseph A. Headlee to Ruth N. Howlett, lot 9, block 9, Meredith's add to Avoca, w. d. | 250 |
| Charles Frysek to Adolph Diwoky, lot 36, block 5, Squire's add, w. d. | 1,500 |
| Owen Cunningham to Pottawattamie county, lot 11, block 8, Casady's add, w. d. | 75 |
| Martha Martin to Christopher Armstrong, lot 8, block 2, Williams' 1st add to Hancock, w. d. | 100 |
| Charles Lockwood to J. M. Punnell, lot 11, block 1, Fairmount add, w. d. | 67 |
| A. O. Wyland to Underwood Savings bank, lot 8, block 8, Underwood, w. d. | 350 |
| E. A. Davidson to Thomas J. Young, 42 feet front in lot 11, block 10, Macedonia, w. d. | 450 |
| Total nine transfers | $ 3,507 |

## CARNS SEEN IN SIOUX CITY

**Calls for Something to Eat at House in Suburbs and Then Disappears.**

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—A stranger who applied at the house of Jacob. I. Lewis in Cole's addition for refreshments about dusk last evening, is now thought to have been Ed Carns and a new condition has presented itself in the pursuit of the murderer of Sheriff Strain. The man had his right hand bandaged and explained that it had been hurt in a threshing machine. His description tallies with that of Carns, except that he wore a coat and Carns was without one when he fled. However, he might have easily obtained one from his friends on the reservation. He also carried a gun. After he had gone Mr. Lewis looked up the description of Carns and became convinced that the murderer had just left him. It is thought Carns is making for the bad lands in South Dakota. The police have been unable to find any trace of him from the time he was seen at the Lewis house.

## SON LEVIES ON AGED FATHER

**Young Creston Attorney May Be Disbarred from Practice for a Cruel Proceeding.**

CRESTON, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Much talk is being indulged in over the action of James Locke, an attorney of Creston, in levying upon the property of his aged and half-witted father, who was the first white settler of Union county, and who has been an inmate of the county farm for several months, upon an old judgment dated in 1875, which he recently purchased. While the execution is perfectly legal, the bar is seriously considering disbarment proceedings from a moral standpoint.

**Osceola Republican Ticket.**

SIBLEY, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—This afternoon the Osceola county republican convention renominated George W. Thomas for auditor, J. P. Hauxhorst for clerk of the district court, J. W. Regan for recorder and C. M. Brooks for county attorney. Joseph Raine was nominated for district supervisor. A new central committee was appointed, and Harold T. Scott, editor of the Sibley Gazette, was re-elected chairman of the county central committee. Chairman Scott will lead an active campaign in an effort to elect the entire republican ticket. W. J. Reeves was chairman and A. E. Underhill of Ocheydan secretary of the convention.

**Gets Damage from County.**

LOGAN, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—In the district court of this county was decided yesterday the case of Jones against Shelby county, giving plaintiff a verdict for $4,000. The plaintiff, Thomas F. Jones, was injured by the falling of a county bridge in Shelby county and brought suit against the county for $45,305. The case was brought here on change of venue and tried, with the above result. An appeal will be taken.

**Apple Carnival at Glenwood.**

GLENWOOD, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The citizens of Glenwood at a mass meeting appointed a committee to secure funds for an apple carnival to be held October 7, 8 and 9, and $1,000 was raised the first day. A number of other fine attractions will be secured.

## ENTHUSIASM IS ONE-SIDED

**Iowa Democrats Have Monopoly of the Despondency at the Contest.**

**CANDIDATES DESERT THE TICKET**

**Upholders of Kansas City Platform Are Discontented and Show No Willingness to Support the Cause.**

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Despite the promises of those democrats who pleaded for a platform without mention of free silver in it the democrats of Iowa have not as yet manifested any great enthusiasm over their state ticket, and the republican management has not encountered anything of a discouraging nature. On the contrary, the campaign in Iowa has started out with all the enthusiasm with the republicans and the despondency all with the others. The personnel of the democratic state ticket has not attracted even the enquiries of the curious and the democratic state committee has not taken the trouble to open headquarters or make a move toward having any state campaign. The weekly democratic newspapers that have been upholding the Kansas City platform are generally either silent in regard to the work of the state convention in turning down free silver or they are muttering discontent and making half-veiled threats. The only campaign the democrats are capable of making at all is in the congressional districts and this campaign has not progressed far enough yet to indicate what may be expected. They are most hopeful of the Second district, and next to this believe they can win the First and Sixth. If they can rally enough strength under the name of Boies they will make a hard fight in the Third, but their candidates have got off the ticket in most of the other districts or they have utterly failed to secure candidates. Such an epidemic of democratic declinations has never before been known in this state. Word has been received here that some members of the democratic state committee hope to get the committee into working order early next month and have headquarters opened.

**Making a Good Start.**

The republican committee is making a good start toward a campaign. This is the second year of the chairmanship of Mr. Spence, and the experience of last year has enabled him to pick his ground carefully. The district conferences held the past week in Fort Dodge, New Hampton, Burlington, Waterloo and elsewhere, have been highly satisfactory. At these conferences the chairman of county committees are present with some of the local candidates and leading speakers of the districts. In most cases the candidates for congress have also been present to consult with the committeemen. Details of party organization are talked over, plans made for collection of the necessary funds for the campaign, the work of polling the counties by voting precincts is mapped out and the work of the speakers is discussed. The entire work of securing speakers and assigning them is left in charge of A. F. Dawson, private secretary of Senator Allison, who has had this work in charge under several of the state committees. He enjoys personal acquaintance with a large number of the prominent men of the country and thus is ablet o do business with them with full knowledge of their capabilities. A number of speakers from outside the state will be used in the campaign, and nearly all the well known local speakers, of whom there are hundreds. At the conferences the matter of speakers is carefully considered and the wants of different communities ascertained. The coming week there will be conferences, beginning on Tuesday and following the rest of the week, as follows: Sioux City, Council Bluffs, Creston, Ottumwa, and Cedar Rapids. The date for the Seventh district conference has not been fixed. In the meantime the state committee is having prepared the necessary literature and the machinery for the polling of the state is being well greased.

**Advance Guard of Odd Fellows.**

Several hundred of the delegates to the sovereign grand lodge of Odd Fellows which meets in Des Moines next week, have already arrived in Des Moines and have filled the hotels and lobbies. This afternoon all the delegates and visitors here were given a trolley ride through the city and entertainment at Union park. Tomorrow they will attend the annual sermon to be delivered by Rev. H. O. Breeden, in the Central Christian church. The sovereign lodge meets here on Monday and with it all the auxiliary societies. Representatives are here from nearly every state in the union. It is learned that Hot Springs, Ark., will make a strong bid for the next sovereign meeting, and there will be other cities asking for the privilege of entertaining the lodge. The Patriarchs Militant will encamp at the state fair grounds during the week. Many candidates for the head offices are appearing in the lobbies with their workers. It is anticipated that from 75,000 to 100,000 visitors will come to Des Moines during the week and that the city will be crowded beyond all past experience.

**More Frosts in Iowa.**

More frosts are reported in Iowa this morning. Reports reach the weather bureau from the corn regions indicating killing frosts at nearly every station. The local experts, however, interpret killing frost to mean frost that will kill tender vines and vegetables of this character and not the more sturdy plants such as corn, etc. Such frosts are also reported throughout the corn and wheat belt of the United States except in the Columbus district. This section of the belt escaped completely. Frosts are reported to the local weather bureau from Iowa stations as follows: Cedar Rapids, heavy; Centerville, heavy; Charles City, killing; Des Moines, heavy; Estherville, killing; Forest City, killing; Iowa City, killing; Iowa Falls, heavy; Keoaqua, killing; Maquoketa, killing; Marshalltown, killing; Ogden, killing; Osceola, light; Waterloo, heavy. The minimum temperature registered between the hours of 5 and 6 this morning showed the temperature to be two degrees lower in this locality that the minimum temperature of yesterday morning. Yesterday the lowest mark reached was 37. This morning the mercury fell to 35.

**Holiness People Reincorporate.**

The National Association for the Promotion of Holiness, which has headquarters in Des Moines, has filed with the secretary of state amended articles of incorporation placing the association on a little different basis from that followed in the past. The papers are signed by C. J. Fowler, Isaiah Reid, John M. O'Bryan, William L. Carpenter, George M. Pendell and M. M. Snider. The association has offices in Chicago, Louisville, Boston, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Atlanta and Los Angeles.

Articles of incorporation were filed today with the secretary of state by the People's Mutual Telephone company of Latimer, Franklin county, capital $25,000, by F. D. Smith and others; by the Orchard Produce company of Mitchell county, capital $6,000; by J. C. Bartlett, president, and Isaac Crawford, secretary; and by the Hawkeye Investment company of Sioux City, capital $30,000, by George H. Bliven and F. B. Robertson. The Lefevre Ledger company of Cedar Rapids gave notice of an increase of capital stock from $20,000 to $30,000.

**Tried to Swindle Railroads.**

Witnesses have gone from here to St. Paul to attend the trial of E. E. Empey of Excelsior, Minn., accused of making use of the mails to defraud. Empey, it is alleged, had carried on a business of bringing bogus suits for damages against railroad companies and settling them for a consideration. It is alleged he would follow up accidents on railroad trains and bring suit in the name of some fictitious person and bringing it for a small amount would secure a settlement and pay without coming to trial.

**Veterans' Union to Meet.**

A meeting of the state association of the Union Veterans union will be held in Des Moines next week, commencing on Monday. It is anticipated that the meeting of the union will be well attended and be a very interesting one.

## KILLING FROSTS IN NORTHWEST

**Corn Crop Through an Extensive Territory in Iowa, South Dakota and Minnesota Seriously Damaged.**

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Much damage has been done by frost to the corn crop in the region about this city. The last two nights the thermometer ranged from 26 to 30 degrees over the country stretching from North Platte and Valentine, Neb., to Huron, S. D., and covering the five tiers of counties of northern Iowa and thence to Moorhead, Minn. Heavy frosts fell over all northwestern Iowa. In the valleys of northern Iowa, unmatured corn is unquestionably killed. The cold was not so severe in Iowa as in South Dakota, but to offset this fact, the corn in South Dakota was estimated to be a week further advanced than in northwestern Iowa. Reports from more than a score of points show that the corn crop was damaged nearly 50 per cent last night. Some places report a loss of not more than 30 per cent, but most accounts indicate much more serious damage. The damage seems to stop at a line about fifty miles south of here. It is believed that fully half of the corn crop in this vicinity is rendered unfit for husking and much of it will be cut and shocked for feeding purposes.

MUSCATINE, Ia., Sept. 13.—A heavy frost in the lowlands in this vicinity last night severely damaged all the crops except corn, which was not injured to any appreciable extent.

CRESTON, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—There were heavy frosts in Union county Thursday and Friday nights, but there was no material damage to crops save in the extreme low places. The corn is not yet nearly matured and there is still great danger of much soft corn.

SHENANDOAH, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The first serious frost of the season was yesterday morning. Some of the late corn on the lowlands was damaged and will be soft, so say the farmers, but the corn on the upper bottoms and the hillsides is uninjured. No other crops suffered to any appreciable extent.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—A much harder frost struck this locality last night than on Thursday night. Ice formed to the depth of a quarter of an inch on still water.

Garden truck was mostly killed and the corn crop damaged greatly. It is estimated that 25 per cent of that yet standing was ruined in Hamilton county.

## BITES HARD ON AN OLD GAME

**Indiana Farmer Out $2,000 as Result of Answering Matrimonial Ad.**

CLINTON, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—An old man of four score years and a buxom widow of 40, and a purse of $2,000, are the principal figures of a romance which has just culminated in this city. About two years ago a well-to-do farmer with a family of grown children, who resides in northern Indiana, arrived in answer to an ad of a "pretty and wealthy widow seeking a husband."

The correspondence grew more interesting as the days passed and September 8 the prospective groom appeared here and, with his bride to be, went to the office of a notary, when an antenuptial contract was signed, by the terms of which the groom was to pay the bride, Susan Dobson, the sum of $1,000 then and another $1,000 on the day of their marriage. From here they went to Chicago, where Susan proposed that the happy would-be groom go after a license, however, asking for the other $1,000. The unsuspecting man readily granted the request and went for the license. When he returned the bride-elect had disappeared with the $2,000 and Wood has not heard of her since. He returned to Clinton and today sought legal advice from an attorney. Not desiring any publicity, he decided to drop the matter for fear his family would hear of the transaction.

## BUILDS WEST TO BLACK HILLS

**Important Extensions Announced by Roswell Miller, Chairman of Directors of Milwaukee.**

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Roswell Miller, chairman of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul board of directors, is reported upon the best of authority to have announced an important extension of the Milwaukee in South Dakota. The statement was made to a prominent South Dakota man, with large property interests in the state, with no confidential conditions. According to Mr. Miller's statement, the Milwaukee will extend its Chamberlain line to the Black Hills. The western terminus of the line will be Rapid City. The Platte line will be extended up through Charles Mix and Brule counties to Chamberlain.

This news will probably have a tremendous influence on the capitol site fight in South Dakota, and it is thought will have the effect of sending the capitol to Mitchell. Mitchell is on a straight line east from Chamberlain. Mr. Miller said the capitol fight did not enter into the Milwaukee's plans.

**Creston Printers Organize.**

CRESTON, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The printers of Creston have organized a local union and as soon as the charter can arrive from the national Typographical union they will become a branch of that order. This makes the fifth labor union now in Creston and puts the city second in the list of labor cities of the state, the city of Albia alone having more union men in her borders. There is now a stone cutters', a printers', a painter and paperhangers', a barbers', and a carpenters' union in Creston and nearly ever laborer in these lines is member of his union. The officers for the printers' union are Pat Morriaty, president; R. Bruce Coons, secretary; John Morrison, treasurer, and an executive committee composed of these men and W. A. Roseberry, Robert McMaster and Ed F. Noble.

**Operation Proves Fatal.**

SHENANDOAH, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—A telegram received yesterday announced the death in Prescott, Ariz., of Guy Holden, a young man raised in this place who has been working in a railroad office in Prescott. Mr. Holden had suffered from appendicitis for some time and last week he wrote his parents that the physicians had told him that his only hope of life lay in an operation and that its termination was by no means certain. The body will be brought here for burial. He was to have been married to a Shenandoah girl this fall or winter.

**Never Too Old to Marry.**

IOWA FALLS, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Two hearts that for over three score years have beat independent of each other will now beat as one, for the marriage yesterday of Sylvester Axtell and Mrs. Sarah Conroy united the lives of two pioneer residents of this county. Their ages are respectively 78 and 67. Both have tried matrimonial life before, their companions having died several years ago. After a honeymoon trip to Kansas City they will return to their old home, southeast of this city, and take up the duties of belated wedded bliss.

**Shenandoah Needs Schools.**

SHENANDOAH, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The school board of the independent district of Shenandoah has called a special election for the 17th inst, when three bonding propositions will be submitted to the electors. Two of the propositions provide for the building of additional schoolhouses, one in the First ward and one across the Burlington tracks. The third proposition is for money for building a sewer from the central schools and to build additional toilet facilities.

**New City Hall for Creston.**

CRESTON, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Creston will soon have a new city hall and engine house. The council has advertised for bids for the erection of the building, which is to be of pressed brick, two stories high and will contain room for all the fire apparatus, the drivers, a mayor's office and council chamber, headquarters for the police and a police court and a city jail. It is to cost $4,000 and the erection is to be begun at once.

**Sues for Seventy-Five Thousand.**

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Suit has been brought in the district court here against C. E. Mable for $75,000 by the National Life Insurance company, of which Mable was formerly president. He is now an officer of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life association and resides in New York. The plaintiff company secured an attachment against $17,000 worth of stock of the Iowa Life Insurance company belonging to Mable, which was found here.

**Dies in Omaha Hospital.**

SHENANDOAH, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Mrs. Sam Gibson, wife of a liveryman here, died in St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha Friday morning. Mrs. Gibson went to Omaha a week ago to be operated upon and seemed to rally from the operation very well. Yesterday, however, her husband, who was with her, telegraphed his parents that she could not get well and early this morning word came that she had died during the night.

**Ottumwa Strike Becomes Serious.**

OTTUMWA, Ia., Sept. 13.—The street car strike is assuming a serious aspect. The blacksmiths in the employ of the company struck this morning. The city depends upon the street car plant for electric power, which may be shut off.

**Killed by a Circular Saw.**

WATERLOO, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Loren Wolf was killed while operating a circular saw in Nauman's factory. He was struck in the stomach by a board.

**Creston District Fair.**

CRESTON, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The Creston district fair will open here Tuesday with the Elks' derby day, when a purse of $250 for a running race has been offered. There will also be an Elks' parade and a flower parade, for which good prizes have been offered. Excursions will be run by the Burlington road throughout the fair, which will continue four days.

**Osceola County Democrats.**

SIBLEY, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The Osceola county democratic convention to nominate a county ticket is called to meet at Sibley September 20. The convention call is for eighty-nine delegates. The two townships of Holman and Gilman furnish forty delegates. Horton, Wilson and Allison townships furnish but three delegates each.

**Call a Minister from Illinois.**

SHENANDOAH, Ia., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The Baptists of this place have extended a unanimous call to Rev. Walter J. Sparks of Stillman, Ill., and the new minister will move to this place early in October. Mr. Sparks is highly spoken of as a thinker and reasoner and has a good reputation as a writer for several of the religious magazines.

**Population of Sibley.**

SIBLEY, Ia., Sept 13.—(Special.)—The school census of Sibley has increased from 414 in 1900 to 494 in 1902. W. T. Steiner, secretary of the school board, taking the ratio of increase of persons of school age as a basis, estimates that the total population of Sibley at present is 1,538.

**Fairs Not So Liberal.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—The Call says that it is in a position to state that the exact amount received by the relatives of the late Mrs. Charles Fair in settlement of their claims was $185,000 instead of sums running into the millions, heretofore mentioned.

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