

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

CONCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Stockert sells carpets and rugs. Expert watch repairing. Loftorf, 49 Broadway. Officer is selling dwellings cheap. 433 B'y. Blouses for boys and girls are cheap at Petersen & Schoening Co.

TALK INDEPENDENT 'PHONES

Representatives of Outside Companies Desire Entrance to the Bluffs.

LOCAL MEN CALLED INTO THE MEETING

Assurances Given that Attempt to Secure a Franchise in This City Had Not Been Abandoned.

In response to the call recently issued between thirty and forty representatives of independent telephone lines in this section of the state gathered at the Grand hotel yesterday and organized the Western Iowa Independent Telephone Association, with these officers: H. A. Kinney, Woodbine, president; Charles G. Cockerill, Jefferson, secretary; A. F. Felton, Harlan, treasurer; J. C. Mansfield, Shelby, W. B. Sweeney, Manning; George E. Atchison, Creston; H. A. Kinney, Woodbine (ex officio).

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Robbers Loot Postoffice. PARKERSBURG, Ia., Dec. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—The postoffice here was robbed last night and \$150 stamps and cash taken. The robbers escaped and have not been captured.

OUT OF JAIL ON A FURLOUGH. Imprisoned Man is Allowed by Judge to Spend Holidays with His Family.

MARYVILLE, Mo., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Judge Thomas C. Nevitt, one of the St. Clair county judges in jail here, serving a sentence from the federal court, will spend Christmas at home with his family. A telegram was received from Judge Phillips last night giving him permission to go home for the holidays. He left Maryville this morning and will not return to prison for two weeks.

Countess Loses Diamonds. LONDON, Dec. 23.—Another big jewelry robbery on trains between Paris and London has upset society.

WIFE'S PLEADINGS POTENT. Secure Release from St. Joseph Jail of a Former Resident of Omaha.

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Body Found in the Water. MARYVILLE, Mo., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The body of Adam Gerhardt, who was drowned in attempting to cross Honey creek Saturday night, was found today. The body had been washed some distance down the stream. Gerhardt, in company with George Messinbarger, started to cross the creek with a team and wagon. They were caught by the floating ice and thrown into the turbulent stream. Messinbarger and the team succeeded in getting out, but Gerhardt was drowned. He was 60 years of age.

Quarrel Over Division Fence. MARYVILLE, Mo., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Maid Green, who shot and perhaps fatally wounded Joseph Kempf, his neighbor, in a row over a division fence, was arraigned in court yesterday afternoon. Bond in the sum of \$2,500 was furnished and Green was released. Kempf is still in a serious condition. The bullet has not been located.

FINISHING TOUCHES ON SHIP. Battleship Maine with Steam Up and Guns Aboard Almost Ready to Sail.

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Roderick in Trouble Again. Otto Roderick, who recently served thirty days in the county jail for committing an assault on Clark Meyer, a railway mail clerk, which resulted in the latter's death, is in trouble again. He was arrested yesterday afternoon in a state of intoxication and put up a stiff fight when the officers attempted to place him in the patrol wagon. At the city jail he renewed the fight and the persuasive powers of a club had to be brought into service before he could be subdued and placed in the steel cell. In addition to drunkenness he will be called upon to answer a charge of resisting an officer.

Dance tonight at Hughes' hall.

Real Estate Transfers. These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street: Austin B. Patton and wife to Edie D. Weed, lots 1 and 2 of original plat lot 230, lot 1 and 2 of original plat lot 231, lot 1 and 2 of original plat lot 157, and part of lot 8 in Polson's subdiv. of original plat lot 157, w. f. d. 122.

Marriage Licenses. Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following: Name and Residence. Age. W. H. Campbell, Neola, Ia., 22. Emma E. Carter, Neola, Ia., 22. Othello Beasley, Omaha, 27. Eva M. Rogers, Pottawattamie county, Iowa, 27. R. A. Austin, Chicago, 25. Agnes McClellan, Council Bluffs, 21.

NEW THEATER—CHRISTMAS MAT. and NIGHT. Dance Meredith. Prices—Matinee, 25c, 50c, 75c, 1.00. Night, 50c, 75c, 1.00.

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Correct Visiting Cards. All cards ordered before 3 o'clock will be ready this evening. DeLong The Printer, 307 Broadway.

MAY SETTLE SEINING CASE. State Game Warden Here in Consultation with Motor Company Officials.

State Fish and Game Warden E. A. Lincoln of Cedar Rapids was in the city yesterday consulting with Deputy Warden Brown and the attorneys for the motor

company about seining Lake Manawa for the purpose of exterminating, as far as possible, the carp and other fish which prey upon the game fish recently placed in the lake by the government.

Mr. Lincoln stated he was not desirous of antagonizing the motor company in the matter, although he was of the opinion that it would be beneficial both for the game and the anglers who indulged in legitimate sport to get rid of the carp and other species of fish which preyed upon and destroyed the game fish. The seining he said ought to be done before the spawning season, which is in early spring. He said he had no fear about the fishermen falling to discriminate between the game and other fish, as the work of seining, as required by law, would have to be done under the personal supervision of a deputy warden, who would be required to be on the spot all the time the seining was in progress. Mr. Lincoln, before leaving for home, stated he would take the matter under advisement, and that it would be several days before he would decide what course he would pursue in face of the information presented to him by President Wells of the motor company, but he was of the opinion that the matter would be amicably settled.

Regarding "Constable" Maguire of Manargo, who caused the arrest of E. H. Dunsar for seining on Manawa, a deputy who has now fled information against certain Omaha sportsmen for hunting in this state without a license, State Warden Lincoln said that up to about August 1 last Maguire had been a deputy under him, but that he had been ordered to let him out, owing to charges which had been brought against the man in Cedar Rapids. Maguire, he said, was now evidently acting on his own authority. Maguire, Mr. Lincoln stated, had left Cedar Rapids suddenly after his arrest and had failed to appear when the case against him was called.

Appropriate Ladies' Gift. Gold pen with pearl holder in plush box. DeLong, 307 Broadway.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 254. Ping pong and all kind of games at Morgan & Dickey's, 142 Broadway.

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Matters in District Court. Judge Wheeler will hold a session of district court today to hear such equity and probate matters as may be brought before him and then court will be adjourned to Saturday, at which time it will again be adjourned to January 2.

Friday of this week will be the last day on which cases can be filed for the January term, which opens January 6, with Judge Thornell on the bench.

The suit of H. G. Wernholm against the Illinois Central and Chicago, Bridge and Terminal Railway companies for damages to his house, which was run into by a freight train while being moved across the tracks on Eleventh street and Avenue D, was dismissed yesterday, having been settled out of court by the companies.

The case of Fremont West against John K. Winchell has been assigned for the first jury trial at the January term. Arguments in the suit of W. A. Wells against Edward Dealy and others, involving the question of the ownership of the mine named Silver Thorn were submitted yesterday and the case taken under advisement by Judge Wheeler.

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