

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM OMAHA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Twenty-five cent photos, 306 Broadway. Expert watch repairing, Leffert, 40 N. Y. For rent, modern house, 715 Sixth avenue. Celebrated Meix beer on tap, Neumayer. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Murphy of Harrison street, a daughter.

SHELBY PEOPLE HOLD OFF

Independent Telephone People Not Making an Exclusive Contract.

ANOTHER COMPANY NOW INCUBATING

Dr. Macrae and Thomas D. Metcalf Expect to Have a Proposition to Make to the City Council Soon.

Dr. Don Macrae, Jr., Thomas D. Metcalf and Attorney James E. Price returned last evening from Shelby, Ia., where they held a conference Friday evening with the Independent Telephone company of that place with a view to closing an exclusive contract with the Shelby company, which is regarded as controlling the independent telephone situation in this section of the state.

Dr. Macrae and his associates are planning to organize a local independent telephone company with a capital stock of \$30,000. The conference at Shelby, however, it is said, was not satisfactory.

The visit of Dr. Macrae and his associates to Shelby was the direct result of the conference held here Thursday between C. W. Cuthbert of Shelby, the representative of the independent telephone companies in this section of the state, and H. H. Van Brunt, chairman of the executive committee of the Commercial club, and Attorney Emmet Tinley. Mr. Van Brunt and Attorney Tinley are vitally interested in a local independent telephone company organized in this city about a year ago, which went before the city council for a franchise, but failed to secure it.

On his return to the city last evening Dr. Macrae stated that his company would be before the city council at its meeting Monday or possibly a week later with a proposition. What the nature of the proposition would be Dr. Macrae declined to make public at this time. He said, however, that he and his associates, realizing the need of connection with the independent telephone companies now operating in this part of the state, meant business. His company, he added, had no connection whatever with the company formed by Van Brunt and Tinley.

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VICTIMS OF THE FOOTRACERS

Several Testify How They Were Worked by the Sharpers at Webb City.

The second day of the trial of Leon Lozier and Ed Moore, charged with conspiring to defraud Charles Gregory and William Barker out of nearly \$10,000 at an allegedly fake foot race at Webb City, Mo., attracted an even larger crowd than on Friday. After the cross-examination of William Barker was concluded Alderman Charles Huber was placed on the stand and he proved the star witness of the day.

Alderman Huber spoke from experience and his testimony was given with considerable feeling. He told of how he also had been induced on another occasion to take a trip to Webb City and how \$5,000 of his hard earned money found its way into the strong box of the Webb City Athletic club.

Alderman Huber always insisted that he recovered his money at the point of a revolver, but nothing to this effect was brought out in his testimony. Charles Morse, a traveling man of this city, testified that he had been offered a job at good money to induce moneyed men to become interested in the sporting events at Webb City, but that he had declined the offer.

W. D. Kyle of Red Oak testified that he also had been victimized by Lozier and Moore in the same manner that Gregory and Barker were and that Lozier had told him that he got as his share about \$1,700 of the wad dropped by Gregory and Barker.

George S. Martin, county jailer, testified that Lozier while in the county jail here, after being brought back from Colorado, told him that he got \$1,800 of Gregory's money and was entitled to it because he had won the race.

At the close of the evidence for the state counsel for the defendants moved to strike out Alderman Huber's testimony and that the verdict directed for his clients, Judge Thornell took both motions under advisement but directed that the jury be placed in care of the court officer until court reconvened Monday morning.

With the Churches.

Rev. George Edward Walk will preach in St. Paul's Episcopal church this morning on "Duty and Devotion." At the vesper service the topic of his address will be "True Catholicity." Lenten services will be held Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons at 4:30 o'clock.

At Grace Episcopal church Edwin J. Abbott, lay reader, will conduct morning prayer and penitential office at 11 o'clock. Sunday school will be held at 9:45 a. m. Rev. J. W. Abel, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church, will take as the subject of his sermon this morning, "Behold the Lamb of God." At the evening service his theme will be "Daniel's Trial." Services will be held as follows: Class meeting at 9:45 a. m., preaching at 10:30 a. m., Sunday school at noon, Junior League meeting at 3 p. m., Epworth League meeting at 4:30 p. m., preaching at 7:30 p. m. The mid-week prayer meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

At the First Baptist church the pastor, Rev. Milford Riggs, will preach this morning at 10:30 o'clock on "Making God Known," and in the evening at 7:30 o'clock, "The Other's Mouth" will be the topic of his address. Sunday school will be held at noon and the meeting of the Young People's union at 9:30 p. m.

Rev. A. E. Burdick will speak this evening at Trinity Methodist church on "The Lawless School," with special reference to local conditions. Rev. Newman H. Burdick will continue his evangelistic services at the Second Presbyterian church, speaking both morning and evening today. These services will continue each evening of the week, except Saturday.

Elder James Caffall will preach this morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Letter Day Saints' church, and also in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday school will be held at noon. The mid-week prayer meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The First Church of Christ (Scientist) will hold services at 11 o'clock in the Sapp building, when the subject of the lesson will be "Matter." The regular testimony meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The Second Church of Christ (Scientist) will hold services in Modern Woodmen of America hall, in the Merriam block, at

10:45 a. m. Subject, "Mind." Sunday school immediately after the service. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 7:45.

Rev. James Thomson, pastor of the First Congregational church will deliver one of his series of lectures of the Life of Christ tonight illustrated with stereoscopic views. The pictures tonight will include forty of the most famous paintings in the world, dealing with the life of Christ.

PAST WEEK IN BLUFFS SOCIETY

Physical Culture Department of Women's Club Arranges Reception in May.

Mrs. J. M. Flagler are visiting relatives in Olathe, Kan. Mrs. Horace Everett entertained at what Friday evening.

Mrs. Beattie of Glen avenue entertained at cards Wednesday evening. The Tuesday History club will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. C. G. Saunders.

Mrs. Bobington and daughter, Miss Gwynne, are visiting friends at St. Joseph, Mo. Mrs. H. A. Quinn of Oakland avenue entertained a number of friends at her home Friday evening.

Mrs. F. A. Fair of Graham avenue entertained a number of friends at her home Wednesday evening. The literature department of the Council Bluffs Women's club will meet at the club-rooms Thursday afternoon.

The women of St. Paul's Episcopal church will meet at the fair of the home of Mrs. E. McCune of First avenue. The members of the Oakland Avenue Reading club will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. Finley Burke of Oakland avenue.

The Euchre club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. B. W. Stockdale. Miss Trotman will be the next hostess of the club. Charles H. Sherraden, formerly of Council Bluffs, is now a resident of St. Louis and is in the city visiting friends and relatives.

The Daughters of the American Revolution will hold their regular meeting Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. H. H. Van Brunt. Miss Bertha Wheeler entertained a number of her friends at her home Thursday evening in honor of her high birthday anniversary.

Mrs. and Mrs. J. D. Edmondson, who are traveling in Europe, will return here from Italy that they expect to return home this month. Mrs. A. B. Cook, assisted by Mrs. Alice Stork and Mrs. Ward, entertained the members of the Calendar Card club Tuesday evening at her home.

The members of the Tuesday Euchre club will be entertained at a 1 o'clock luncheon Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Cummings of Omaha. The condition of Miss Flora Van Order of the high school faculty, who has been seriously ill at her home for the last several weeks, is reported as improved.

Miss Caroline Turner arrived home yesterday from Missouri, where she is attending school, to spend Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Roberts. The members of the University club were pleasantly entertained at a dinner given Friday evening by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Williams at their home on Madison avenue.

The members of the art department of the Council Bluffs club met at the club-rooms Monday evening. Mrs. J. K. Cooper will be chairman of the meeting. Mrs. J. W. Squire entertained the members of the First Congregational church at her home Thursday night. An interesting program was given, followed by refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Vogeler of Sixth avenue were pleasantly surprised Saturday evening by a number of their friends and neighbors. The evening was spent with music and cards.

The pupils of St. Francis' academy will observe St. Patrick day anniversary with a musical and literary program to be given in the auditorium of the academy Monday evening. The members of the New Century club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Street of First avenue. The program was in charge of Mrs. F. C. Eshelby and consisted of a play and a song.

The members of the physical culture department are arranging to give the general club reception at the home of Mrs. C. McDonald of South seventh street. Miss Denny, leader of the department, has appointed the following committee to complete arrangements for the program: Mrs. M. Fleming, Mrs. Victor E. Labbe, Mrs. Robert Bruce Wallace and Miss Mary H. O'Donnell.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street: Frank S. Bishop and wife to E. W. Adriel, lot 24, section 34, ne 1/4, 15-25-35; W. D. ... \$35,000; William E. ... \$5,000; John Graves to H. G. Macdonald, lot 12, block 10, Howard add. q. c. d. ... 15.

Total, three transfers \$41,015

ON THE NEW LINE TO OMAHA

First Great Western Train Crosses the Big Bridge Out of Fort Dodge.

FORT DODGE, Ia., March 14.—(Special Telegram).—Passage of the first train across the Chicago Great Western bridge this morning was made an occasion of unusual interest. Special preparations had been made for the opening of the great structure, which has been in process of erection for the past eighteen months. A special train of three cars with George Gregory, master mechanic of the Mason City & Fort Dodge Railroad company at the throttle of the engine, was taken across the bridge. On board were representatives of all the railroads in the city, members of the newspaper fraternity and invited citizens of Fort Dodge. The passage of the train was witnessed by hundreds of spectators. Although not yet formally opened the bridge will be used from now on by construction trains.

IOWA WILL SHOW ITS CORN

Plans Being Consummated for Extensive Grain Exhibit at the World's Fair at St. Louis.

AMES, Ia., March 14.—(Special).—W. C. Whiting of Whiting, Ia., will meet the members of the Iowa Corn Growers' association and of the Iowa Corn Breeders' at the college next Tuesday. Mr. Whiting is a member of the World's fair commission from Iowa and is superintendent of the department of agriculture. This meeting is another step in the consummation of the plans for an extensive grain exhibit from Iowa at the fair. If the corn men are able to carry out the plans that are begun to a successful issue, the exhibit will be the best Iowa has ever had at a World's fair.

The question of an interstate grain judgment is being argued, similar to the international livestock show, will be discussed and some action will probably be taken.

Student Falls Under Train.

AMES, Ia., March 14.—(Special Telegram).—Blaine Van Vleet of Trar, Ia., an academic student at Iowa State college, was run over by a freight train at Ontario late this afternoon. He was picked up and carried to Boone and taken to Eleanor Moore hospital. It proved necessary to amputate one leg above the knee and the other foot. It is expected he will recover. Van Vleet was injured while attempting to board a moving train, falling under the wheels. His parents have been notified and will arrive in the morning.

CUMMINS SOUNDS KEYNOTE

Candidacy for Renomination Formally Launched at Des Moines.

REITERATES PLATFORM OF PAST YEARS

Not Only Stands by the Iowa Idea, but Will Seek to Have the National Convention of 1904 Endorse It.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Ia., March 14.—(Special).—The republicans of Iowa were today given a political keynote from their candidates of this year for governor, for when Governor A. B. Cummins had been unanimously recommended by the Folk county republicans in convention for renomination and was called before the convention for a speech, he delivered himself of an utterance that set at rest all doubt as to what will be his attitude in the coming campaign and next year. The governor had just recently returned from Washington where he met the president and leaders of congress. He did not assume to speak for any one but himself, but he made it very plain that he will not recede in the least from the advanced position he has taken in support of the Iowa republican platform. He will be entirely satisfied if the convention nominated a county ticket and endorsed the candidacy of the governor, and when he was called on he said in part:

Stands by Platform. With respect to our platform of the last two years upon the subject of the tariff let me say at once that I believe in every word that we have put in it. My views and feelings have not changed since I was elected and I unhesitatingly say that what I am not willing to do is to change the platform of the party. I am not willing to do anything that would be a concession to any one, but I am profoundly convinced, essential to the continued success of the party, and I say to you frankly that I intend to do whatever I see in my power to introduce into the national platform of next year the things which the republicans of Iowa have already given utterance to. I am not willing to do anything that would be a concession to any one, but I am profoundly convinced, essential to the continued success of the party, and I say to you frankly that I intend to do whatever I see in my power to introduce into the national platform of next year the things which the republicans of Iowa have already given utterance to.

We are all profound believers in the policy of protection. Notwithstanding the statement of an eminent republican, recently made, I venture to say that protection is not only practically sound, but that it is the only policy which can be defended by the highest and most able statesmen of the present day. One more suggestion and I shall have finished. I have heard some criticism respecting that clause in our platform of last year which declares that we favor any modification of the tariff which would be necessary to prevent the arising of a shelter to monopoly. It ought to be true—whether it is or not, we have no right to quarrel with the democrats should have a monopoly at least of the perversion and misconstruction of the tariff in any way responsible for the new company in northeastern Iowa. A few corporations which are in this day commonly called "trusts."

The resolutions specifically endorse the platform of 1901 and 1902 and the candidacy of Cummins for governor and Charles A. Bishop for district judge.

Securing Facts on Land Values.

The state executive council of the state of Iowa has directed its secretary to send out to all county auditors in the state a request for some definite information on which to base action relating to the assessment of real estate when this comes before the council as a board of review in July. The information sought is the statement of the sales of real estate for the last half of 1902, giving each tract sold separately and the exact amount paid, as shown of record, excluding nominal sales for the purpose of securing a loan drawn by the equalized assessed valuation placed on the same tracts of land by the assessors and local reviewing boards as of January 1 last. The executive council will thus have before it some definite knowledge of actual conditions in the state so as to determine to what extent the assessors and local reviewing boards have sought to comply with the law, which makes it obligatory to have the assessment made on an actual cash basis with one-fourth of the same for taxing purposes. The council has already arranged to secure the names of every assessor in the state and the president of every reviewing board, so that when the information is secured, if more is desired or any special information is desired, communication can be had at once. It is the intention of the state board to give the assessment matter the most thorough consideration ever given the subject. The tendency for several years has been to allow the assessments to drop down and to become uneven. The state board has declared that it will insist upon a legal assessment at this time.

Settle with Printers.

The state executive council has effected a settlement with the state printers for the biennial period ended January 1 last. This is the first time in the history of the state that any actual settlement has ever been made with the state printers or binders. It was made on the basis of a cash settlement for the amount of \$10,000 drawn by the printer and not accounted for in his invoice nor used by the state. Hereafter it has been customary to allow the printer to draw the supplies and make no actual accounting, but under a new law everything must be accounted for.

Endorse Clarke for Speaker.

The republicans of Dallas county held their primary election today to select a county ticket. Representative George W. Clarke was unanimously renominated for member of the lower house and thus his name went before the state as a candidate for speaker of the house.

Bryan Missed Des Moines.

Some of the local democrats were preparing to receive an informally entertained W. J. Bryan today as he was on his way home from the east. He had an engagement to speak at Iowa City last night and it was planned that he should stop off there at Newton and consult with G. F. Kinshard, the promoter of the democratic conference in Des Moines on Jefferson day, then come on to Des Moines. It was expected that he and General Weaver would be in the city and would be given a dinner. But Bryan went to Centerville to fill an engagement and did not return to Iowa. He will go on to his home tomorrow from that point.

One Candidate Withdraws.

Captain Smeenk of Muscatine has withdrawn from the race for major of the Fifty-sixth regiment and a call for a fourth election will be issued in a few days. It is stated that the friends of Smeenk will

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Interrupts Bridal Tour

South Dakota Men Arrested on Felony Charge Shortly After Wedding. SIOUX CITY, Ia., March 14.—(Special Telegram).—Alex C. McKay, at one time clerk of the courts of Lyman county, South Dakota, is in jail here and is being held as a fugitive from justice. McKay is charged with having obtained money under false pretense at Chamberlain, S. D. This evening Sheriff Fisher and McKay's bride arrived from Osceola and he will return to South Dakota Monday to stand trial. McKay says he drew checks on a bank for \$100, but his attorney, I. N. Auld, promised to have \$250 in the bank before the checks could be presented. He intimates Auld has thrown him down. He tried to enlist in the regular army here without the knowledge of his bride.

TURNED OVER TO OMAHA POLICE

H. C. Young Arrested in Sioux City for Obtaining Money Under False Pretences. SIOUX CITY, Ia., March 14.—(Special Telegram).—H. C. Young of Omaha is under arrest here in response to orders from the chief of police at Omaha. The Omaha officials called for him this evening. The charge against him is having obtained money under false pretenses. J. J. Dale, under arrest here for two burglaries, came from South Omaha. Mike McHale, a former South Omaha saloon man, is endeavoring to get him out of jail.

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NEW YORK, March 14.—The condition of Beriah Wilkins of the Washington Post was much improved today. There is now good reason to hope for his recovery.

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