

NEWS OF THE COUNCIL BLIFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells Arugs.
Crayon enlarging, 308 Broadway.
For rent, room, 151 Main street.
Expert watch repair, 409 D. Y.
Celebrated Meats on tap. Neumayer.
Schmidt's photos. Satisfaction guaranteed.
Diamond brooches at Leffert's, 407 Broadway.
14K and 18K wedding rings at Leffert's, 407 Broadway.
The newest thing—rich bread toast table. Alexander's Art Store.
Chester Ebert was taken to the asylum at Clarinda yesterday morning by Sheriff Cousins.
Miss Ruth Swartz of Sioux City, the guest of Mrs. A. E. Smith, enroute to Cambridge, Neb.
Mrs. Lewyn Crockett of South McAllister, 1. T. is the guest of Mrs. W. A. Madison of Avenue B.
Attend the lawn social given by Degree of Honor, Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Vogel, 107 Sixth avenue.
George S. Wright is visiting friends in New York City and will visit a number of Atlantic coast points before returning.
For rent, office room, ground floor. One of the most central locations in the business portion of the city. Apply to **THE BEE**, office, city.
Colonel W. P. Baker of the County Board of Supervisors has abandoned for the present the idea of holding a good roads convention in this city.
We contract to keep public or private houses free from roaches by the year, insect exterminator, **MASTERS**, 1215 Broadway, Council Bluffs, Ia. Phone 104.
R. V. Thomas of Des Moines, secretary of the Iowa State Rowing Association, is in the city. It is said that he has some proposition to lay before the State Rowing Association.
Cablegrams received by friends here announce the safe arrival of the Van Brunt and Lanchett families at Gibraltar.
There will be a special meeting of Excelsior Masonic lodge this evening for work in the third degree.
Articles of re-incorporation of the Milldale Farm and Live Stock Improvement company have been filed for record. Charles T. Stewart, continuing the existence of the corporation for a further period of twenty years.
Major General Canham of Indianapolis, supreme commander of the United States Grand Army of the Republic, has notified the local committee that he will attend the biennial encampment of the organization in this city next month. He will be accompanied by his staff.
Word was received here yesterday of the death of W. B. Homer Friday night last at his home in Buckner, Mo. Mr. Homer was 35 years of age and until about a year ago had lived for twenty years in this city. He was a prominent member of the First Congregational church.
The funeral of Chris Danielson, who died in the Woman's Christian association hospital Monday last, will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Scandinavian Lutheran church. Interment will be in Fairview cemetery. Danielson had been in this country but a short time and only came to Council Bluffs two weeks ago.
The receipts in the general fund at the Christian Home last week were \$205.53, being \$20.53 above the needs of the fund and decreasing the deficiency in this fund to date to \$1,111.55. The receipts for the week were \$125.35, being \$15.75 below the needs of the week and increasing the deficiency to \$215.50 in this fund to date.
Mrs. Estelle Fehr began suit for divorce in the district court yesterday against Clinton Fehr, to whom she was married February 25, 1900, and from whom she alleges she was forced to separate January 1, 1903, on account of his cruel and inhuman treatment. She asks also for the restoration of her maiden name. The Fehrs live near Underwood, this county.
The hearing of N. E. Wright, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses by mortgaging household goods to two different parties, was continued in Justice Curren's court for thirty days and Wright was released from the county jail on his own recognizance of \$200. It is understood that friends of Wright have come to his assistance and will fix the matter up.

Object to Stone Paving.
Property owners and residents on Graham avenue, which is now being paved with vitrified brick, object to the motor company being permitted by the city council to pave the portion of the street between its rails and two feet on each side with granite blocks. They contend that the motor company should use the same material as the rest of the street is paved with.
Graham avenue is a residence street and the strip of granite block in the center of the brick paving will not only mar its appearance but force all traffic on each side of the street. Those who object to the motor company using granite blocks on this street point to Pearl street, where between the tracks stone is laid, while the rest of the street is paved with brick. The result has been that rats have been worn in the brick adjoining the granite blocks and it will be but a few years before part of the paving will have to be renewed.
As a compromise it has been suggested that in the case of the motor company declining to remove the granite blocks between its tracks and replace them with brick the company be requested to at least allow brick to be laid up flush with its rails on the outside. Aldermen Casper and McDonald have appointed a committee to confer with the motor company and see what can be done. It is said that the motor company was granted permission by the city council to use granite blocks on Graham avenue, but even if this is the case some of the objecting property owners are talking of taking the matter into court and see if the company cannot be compelled to pave with brick as the rest of the street is.

Real Estate Transfers.
These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of Squire & Annis, 101 Pearl street:
Charles Dodge and wife to W. S. Cooper, lots 5 and 6, block 1, Park add. W. S. Cooper, \$1,000.
Neil C. Nelson and wife to Fred Nelson, lot 1 and all fee block 2, block 25, Avenue C. Fred Nelson, \$1,000.
John A. Churchill and wife to Walter B. Huston, lot 5, block 1, Jefferson add. W. B. Huston, \$2,300.
Emeline Thode to Frank J. Thode, lot 2, block 3, Central add. W. J. Thode, \$1,200.
Margaret A. Plummer and husband to P. C. H. Spelman, lots 1 and 2, block 1, W. J. Spelman, \$2,000.
David Wentz and wife to J. J. Vandergoot, lot 1, block 1, Vandergoot add. J. J. Vandergoot, \$1,200.
Six transfers, total, \$12,700.

Marriage Licenses.
Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:
Name and Residence. Age.
Harry Nicholson, Florence, Neb., 21.
Mary Brougham, St. Louis, Mo., 21.
M. P. Bell, Norfolk, Conn., 21.
L. M. Boyd, Mattoon, Ill., 21.
The Best Cure for Colds
Is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Cures, pleases, safe and guaranteed to soon cure, or no pay. 50c, \$1.00. For sale by Kuhn & Co.

LEWIS CUTLER
MORTICIAN.
101 Pearl St., Council Bluffs. Phone 51.

PILL ROLLERS IN SESSION

Large Attendance at Annual Meeting of Pharmaceutical Association.

TALK OF WAR ON DEPARTMENT STORES

President Baker Also Wants Law Changed Regarding the Granting of Certificates to Pharmacists.

When President Howard B. Baker of Sioux City called the opening session of the twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Iowa State Pharmaceutical association to order last evening in the ball room of the Grand hotel, 200 members of the association, many of them accompanied by their wives and other members of their families, were present.

In his annual address President Baker urged the members of the association "to go after the department stores with barbed hooks" and recommended that an effort be made to secure the repeal of that section of the state pharmacy law which permits the granting of certificates to graduates of pharmacy holding diplomas from the State university, or from other schools or colleges, without examination by the state board.

Regarding the encroachment of the department store on the business of the pharmacist President Baker said:

I believe that the condition of the Iowa pharmacist is better today than in the past, yet I do not believe he has made the commercial invasion he should on the department and general stores of the state which are constantly eating in on side lines that originally and rightfully belong to the pharmacist. The pharmacist is being crowded out of business by the department store, and I cannot stand meekly aside while this is being done. I believe that the pharmacist should be given the right to sell the same goods as the department store, and I believe that the pharmacist should be given the right to sell the same goods as the department store.

Let us add to our business lucrative lines that will meet the loss sustained in meeting cut-throats.
Show me the pharmacist who seeks out the paying lines to add to his business, especially the lines that are already in his hands, and I will show you a successful business career. The pharmacist should be given the right to sell the same goods as the department store, and I believe that the pharmacist should be given the right to sell the same goods as the department store.

Wants Graduates Examined.
In urging the repeal of the section of the state pharmacy law relative to the granting of certificates without examination to graduates of any school or college of pharmacy, Mr. Baker said:

I most earnestly urge the legislative committee for the ensuing year to use all honorable effort to amend section 350 of our pharmacy laws by striking from the section the words, "Graduates of pharmacy holding a diploma from the State university, or from any school or college of pharmacy, requiring a course of study and laboratory work equivalent to that prescribed by the said State university in its catalogue for the year 1897-98, may be granted a diploma from the State university without examination."

The evils from the above enactment are evident on every hand. Under this section the Board of Pharmacy is compelled to issue certificates to any and all applicants that show a diploma from the State university of Iowa, or any college throughout the country, alleging its standing as a pharmacy school in quality with that of our State university. In other words, it practically converts the State Board of Pharmacy into judges of the standard of schools all over the continent, and not judges of the applicants' ability to practice pharmacy for the safety of the public. The Board of Pharmacy has no means of ascertaining the standard of many schools in remote districts, without personal inspection of equipment and the practical work of the students. This entails a tremendous expense to the state.

The result has been the enforced passing of many applicants who have not had day's experience in the drug business, and it is told by a prominent druggist that he has seen a number of graduates of the State Board of Pharmacy who have received their certificates in this manner, could not tell the difference between a bottle of Warfield's and a bottle of Pinkham's pills, for he had never seen either.

I would further recommend the repeal of that portion of section 350, namely: "Which shall hold good for one year, and no longer, and shall be renewed by the board of pharmacy upon the payment of the annual fee fixed in the preceding section."

The primary object in the passage of this law was for the maintenance of the commission, which, at that time, in our judgment, was eminently proper. To render the board self-sustaining through the assistance of the druggists of the state.

The time has now arrived for its elimination from the code. Inasmuch as the office of the commission is not only self-sustaining, but an income to the state, it is not an expense to the state.

Informal Session at Night.
The evening session was opened with prayer by Rev. James Thomson, pastor of the Congregational church, following which the business session was held on behalf of the city and the Council Bluffs Retail Druggists' association, of which he is president, made a short welcoming address, which was responded to by First Vice President F. J. Gieseler of Chapin, in the absence of W. H. Torbert of Dubuque. During the evening music was furnished by Whaley's orchestra, and the Mendelssohn male quartet rendered several selections. Each person present at the meeting was presented with a pound box of Ganymede chocolate bonbons through the courtesy of John O. Woodward & Co., the Council Bluffs candy men.

During the afternoon the wives of the local druggists acted as a reception committee at the Grand hotel and took personal charge of the women guests as they arrived. The Elks' clubhouse was thrown open to the visitors and many of them took advantage of the courtesy during the afternoon and early part of the evening.

During the morning the state pharmacy board, consisting of Fletcher Howard of Des Moines, president; N. T. Hix of Columbus Junction and F. Russell of Rockwell City, held an examination at the Washington avenue school of applicants for registration. Twenty-three applicants took the examination.

Program for Today.
The first business session of the association will be held this morning at 9 o'clock in the ballroom of the Grand hotel, when the following program will be read: Minutes, election of applicants for membership, report of secretary, report of treasurer, report of committee, reading and discussion of essays, miscellaneous business.

While the men are grinding away at business the women visitors will be taken for a trolley ride to Fairmount park and to Wilcox's greenhouses in the east part of the city. Cars for this trip will be at the Grand hotel at 9 o'clock.

In the afternoon the visitors will be taken to Lake Manawa, where many of the long list of sports will be pulled off. The management of the resort has invited

the visitors to take advantage of all the amusements such as bathing, rowing or riding in the electric launches. Everything at the resort will be at the disposal of the guests.

In the evening the association will hold its annual ball at the clubhouse of the Council Bluffs Rowing Association, which has been generously tendered for the occasion. A special car service for the ball has been arranged for.

Plumbing and heating. Bixby & Son.

MANUAL TRAINING IN SCHOOLS

Board Decides to Introduce Elementary Course with New Year.

At a special meeting of the Board of Education last night Superintendent Clifford was authorized to establish a course of elementary manual training work for the first to the eighth grades at the opening of the school year in September. For the present this course will be purely elementary and consist only of such work as can be done by the pupil at the desk. Later it is hoped the work will be extended and a properly equipped workshop, containing, however, cannot be accomplished at this time for lack of funds.

The course of manual work will be practically the same as was started as an experiment toward the end of the last school year. It will consist of weaving, basketry and raffia work. Superintendent Clifford hopes to introduce Venetian iron work and wood carving, both of which can be done by the pupil at the desk. The pupils for the present will purchase their own material, although later if the work proves successful the board may decide to furnish all materials, the work accomplished by the pupils then becoming the property of the district. During the discussion last night Superintendent Clifford displayed for the benefit of the members of the board numerous samples of superior work in weaving, basketry and raffia work done by the pupils of the lower grades.

In order to encourage entertainments of this character the board granted permission for the use of the high school auditorium for a course of lectures to be given during the winter months under the auspices of the Elks' lodge. There will be six entertainments of an educational character, the Elks lodge bearing the entire financial responsibility. It is understood that part of the profits, if any, of the course will be turned over to the high school library fund.

J. E. Carman of Hawarden, Ia., was elected a member of the high school faculty to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Prof. F. E. Miller. Mr. Carman is a graduate of the State Normal and Simpson colleges. His salary was placed at \$100 month. Miss Margaret Montgomery of LaBee, Ia., was elected a supply teacher for the high school at a salary of \$25 a month. Miss Montgomery formerly taught in the high school of Boone, Ia., and is a graduate of the State Normal school and Ann Arbor, Mich.

Miss Emma Thomas was added to the ranks of the teachers at \$35 a month and Miss Theodora Hobbs was appointed assistant kindergarten teacher at the Harrison street school at \$20 a month.

In order to relieve the congestion at the Washington avenue school it was decided to open all of the twelve rooms at the Pierce street school at the opening of the school year. This will relieve Miss Reynolds, the principal, from teaching a half day and place her on the same plane as the principals of the Bloomer and Twentieth avenue schools.

Chicago Man Dies in Hospital.
Henry Schade, a saloon keeper of Chicago, died at St. Bernard's hospital at a late hour Monday night from spinal meningitis. With his wife he had made a visit to Denver and shortly after arriving there was taken ill. Accompanied by his brother and wife Schade started home, but while on the train became mentally unbalanced and on reaching Council Bluffs it was deemed best to remove him to the hospital. When the train reached here Schade was in a bad condition and violent. At the hospital he grew rapidly worse and died shortly after 11 o'clock. The remains, accompanied by his wife and brother, were taken to Chicago last evening.

Tramp Supposed to Be Burned.
IOWA CITY, Ia., July 14.—(Special.)—Fire at 4 o'clock this morning destroyed a half block of frame buildings, in which were Murphy's lively stable, Hatch & Heinsau's lively stable and Kettwell's fire-setting shop. The fire is supposed to have been started by a tramp lighting a pipe in the haymow. The man was sleeping in the upper loft of the stable and it is believed that he was burned to death in the fire set by his own pipe. The fire also damaged the brick building occupied by the Rees Remedy company. The loss at the property burned will be about \$7,000, and the insurance will amount to \$5,100.

Lambkin is Renominated.
SIBLEY, Ia., July 14.—(Special Telegram.)—This morning the republican representative convention of the district comprising the counties of Lyon and Osceola, on a roll call by counties, Hon. C. B. Lambkin of Inwood, Lyon county, was unanimously renominated, for representative, receiving the eight votes of Lyon and the six votes of Osceola. W. J. Reeves of Sibley was chairman and C. Roach of Rock Rapids secretary. Interesting speeches were made by the nominee and by O. J. Clark and E. C. Roach.

Girl Has Narrow Escape.
MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., July 14.—(Special.)—Miss Maude Powell of this city had a narrow escape from death yesterday while cleaning a skirt with gasoline. She had completed the cleaning process, and had hung the skirt up to allow the gasoline to evaporate, when a match which had been thrown on the floor was accidentally ignited by Miss Powell stepping on it. Immediately the skirt was in flames. Miss Powell was badly burned on the left side and arm. Friends held her screams and quickly extinguished the flames.

Fisherman Lands a Muskallunge.
CEDAR FALLS, Ia., July 14.—(Special.)—C. S. Cummins while fishing hooked and landed an eight-pound muskallunge in the Cedar river, a mile above this city. This is the first fish of this variety to be taken from inland Iowa waters in many years. The high water of last year and this leads many anglers to believe that these fish have found their way from the Mississippi into the smaller streams of the state and that the old time sport of a quarter of a century ago is to be renewed.

SMALLEST WOMAN IN DEAD.
Thirty-one inches tall, weighs fifty pounds and forty years old.

NEW YORK, July 14.—Mrs. Mary J. Piercy, said to have been one of the smallest women in the world, is dead at her home in Bayonne, N. Y.

She was thirty-one inches tall, weighed fifty pounds and was 40 years of age. The recent hot weather caused her fatal illness.

PROTESTS AGAINST RAISE

Railroads and Almost Half of Iowa Counties Say Assessment is Right.

COST OF STATE INSTITUTIONS INCREASES

Additional Sum is in About Same Proportion for Number Cared for.

However, as in Previous Biennial Period.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, July 14.—(Special.)—The hearing of the state executive council, consisting of the governor, auditor, treasurer and secretary of state, was concluded today, so far as it related to the question of real estate valuations. Representatives of about forty of the ninety-nine counties of the state appeared before the council to protest against any increase in their assessments, contending that the assessments as made are all right and represent substantially the sale value of the property at the present time. It was brought out in the discussion, however, that some counties are assessed higher than others proportionately, and that without any apparent reason, and the counties assessed highest are not asking that they be reduced, but content that their assessments are fair. It was also brought out that farm lands are not being sold in Iowa at as good prices as they were a year or two years ago, but there has been a decided slump in values all over the state, according to the officials from the counties who have made the matter a study. Much of the time of the council has been taken up in ascertaining what will be the proper method of arriving at the proper valuation of the counties. The council is required to find the actual value and to make the assessment accordingly. Representatives of the railroads and other property owners of the state would be unfair to the farmers and to all property owners in the state.

Tomorrow the matter of railroads will be taken up by the council and the representatives of most of the companies doing business in Iowa are here to be heard before the council. They will contend against any increase in railroad assessments. It has been claimed by them that the assessments last year were excessive and this year should not be so high. In spite of this it is generally believed that the officials will make an increase in railroad assessments this year, largely because of the enormous increase in real estate and other values in the two years. It is expected also that the total valuation for taxation purposes for the year 1903 will be about \$50,000,000 this year as against \$70,000,000 last year, and as a consequence the tax levy for the year will be reduced for state purposes from 3.5 mills to 3.2, or possibly 3.1 mills on the dollar. The council is required to raise about \$2,000,000 in taxes for the year.

Cost of State Institutions.
According to the report of the bookkeeper of the State Normal school, the expense of the state institutions for support during the entire biennial period ended June 30 last, was \$2,238,420.54, which was \$174,978.86 more than for the previous biennial period. The amount spent for salaries for the normal school was \$1,000,000, which was the most considerable item of the increase. The items relating to clothing, household stores, postage and stationery, ordinary repairs and transportation of patients, decreased during the period. The increase in the cost of the normal school was due to the fact that the school was larger than in the previous period.

Want Permit to Send Body.
Governor Cummins today received from Governor Mickey of Nebraska a telegraphic request for permission for the transportation of a corpse across the state of Iowa. It was in reference to the transportation of the body of Miss Cook of Detroit, Mich., to Nebraska. The Michigan authorities had reported that while the person had died of smallpox, the body had been placed in a hermetically sealed casket and prepared for shipment in a manner that would render it entirely safe. In the estimation of the Michigan authorities, the matter was referred to the secretary of the State Board of Health here, who reported that the Iowa laws forbade the transportation of a smallpox victim, no matter how the body has been prepared, that the rules in Michigan are more lax than in other states. It is doubtful if the permission can be given here.

New Militia Company.
General Byers went to Ida Grove today to look into the prospects for a company of the Iowa National guard there. A company has been formed with sixty available men, and it will probably take the place of the Perry company in the Fifty-sixth regiment.

The Bronson Savings bank was organized today with \$100,000 capital by A. T. Bennett and others of Sioux City.

Not has been filed with the supreme court for rehearing in the case of Burkett against Greenfield, being a famous sidewalk case which has been before the supreme court in several forms and caused a great deal of trouble.

Pardoned that She May Marry.
Alice Miller, formerly of this city, who was serving a term in the penitentiary for keeping a house of ill-fame, has been pardoned by the governor. The pardon was secured for her by her sister in this city. It is known that a man at Boone has been putting up money to have influence brought on the governor to secure a pardon, and this because he expects to marry her. The pardon was secured for her by her sister in this city. It is known that a man at Boone has been putting up money to have influence brought on the governor to secure a pardon, and this because he expects to marry her.

Rubens Picture Disposed Of.
In the district court today the court made an order dividing the property of Joseph Lehn and wife, which included a picture, and incidentally disposing of a somewhat famous picture claimed to have been an original Rubens. Competent artists went on the stand, however, and declared that the picture is a fraud and worthless. Mr. Lehn expects to take it east and establish that it is genuine and secure a big sum for the same. It is a Christ head and unquestionably very old.

Colored Masons Confer.
The Iowa grand lodge of colored Masons, which includes in its jurisdiction lodges in Omaha and other towns, were in conference here today.

Coal Operators Complain.
Sixty Iowa coal operators met in secret session here today and formulated a series of charges against local unions of the United Mine Workers which will be submitted to the state executive board of that organization for action. If the charges are proved, the operators will consider their contract with the mine workers at an end. The operators complain of numerous small strikes and stoppages of work.

CORN MAKES A GOOD GROWTH

Fast Week Also Proves Very Favorable for Harvesting of Winter Wheat.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—The Weather bureau's weekly crop bulletin says: The temperature last week was very favorable in all districts east of the Rocky mountains and on the Pacific coast, but in the northern Rocky mountain and middle plateau regions it was too cool, with frosts in exposed places on the 7th and 8th. Portions of the lower Ohio and central Mississippi valleys, central Florida, western Texas, northern Minnesota and the southern Rocky mountain districts were in need of rain, but elsewhere there is ample moisture, southern Iowa, southern Minnesota and portions of the south Atlantic and east Gulf states having suffered from excessive rains.

Corn has everywhere made splendid growth and is much improved, though generally shockward and, in portions of the upper Ohio valley and middle Atlantic states is weedy. The early planted is now in tassel in the more northerly states and a considerable part of the crop has received final cultivation.

The week has been very favorable for harvesting winter wheat, which work is very largely completed, except in the more northerly sections. Threshing has made good progress and the reports generally indicate light yields. A feature of the reports respecting winter wheat is the entire absence of injury to grain in stack and shock.

In northern Minnesota and North Dakota spring wheat is thin and heading short, and lodging is reported from portions of southern Minnesota and South Dakota, while rust is reported from the last named state and Iowa.

In Kansas, Wisconsin and the southern part of South Dakota spring wheat is heading well and very favorable reports are received from Washington and Oregon. Considerable rust in oats is reported from Iowa and Illinois, and lodging from South Dakota and southern Minnesota. In North Dakota and northern Minnesota the crop is thin and heading short, but continues promising in Nebraska, Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania.

Harvesting is in general progress in the central valleys, good yields being reported from Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma, but light yields from the states of the Ohio valley.

Throughout the cotton belt there has been a general improvement in cotton, which has made vigorous and healthy growth. There is, however, very general complaint of grassy fields in the coast districts of the eastern section and in Texas.

Only a fair crop of apples is indicated in most of the principal apple states, the most favorable reports being received from Kansas and Iowa.

NEBRASKA CROP CONDITIONS

Week Dry and Hot, but Generally Favorable to Growth and Harvest.

Weekly bulletin of the Nebraska section of the climate and crop service of the Weather bureau, for the week ending July 13, 1903:

The last week has been warm, with scattered showers. The mean daily temperature has averaged 3 degrees above normal in eastern counties and 1 degree above in western.

The rainfall was confined to light, scattered showers in the southeastern counties, while in other portions of the state moderately heavy to heavy showers were general, with rainfall measuring from half an inch to one and a half inches, and in a few instances exceeding three inches.

The last week has been a period of good growth and generally favorable for harvesting. The crop now promises to be slightly below average; the harvest of winter wheat is just beginning in western counties and the yield there promises to be large. Oats are ripening and some fields have been cut; the crop generally promises well. Spring wheat has grown well. Corn has grown rapidly, but is still very small and unripe; considerable of the early planted has been laid by; much of the late planted is very small. Potatoes have been injured in some localities by lack of rain. Grass in pastures and meadows continues good and much tame hay has been secured.

Iowa Crop Report.
Weekly bulletin of the Iowa section of the climate and crop service of the Weather bureau, for week ending July 13, 1903:

The week was unusually warm with high per cent of humidity. The average daily excess of temperature was 3 to 4 degrees. On the 8th, 9th and 10th very heavy showers, with high winds, swept over extensive areas in the east central, northeast and north central districts, and the excessive amounts of rainfall were reported ranging from 2 to 6.50 inches. In about one-half of two-thirds of the state the rainfall did not exceed the normal requirement of the crops, and in some of the southern localities there was a scanty supply of moisture at the surface. Considerable damage was done by high winds and local floods in storm-swept districts, but the percentage of loss of crops is not large.

Numerous reports indicate that spring wheat and oats are considerably affected by rust and smut, especially in the districts recently subjected to excessive moisture. The extent of injury to small grain from this cause cannot as yet be determined. The high temperature and humidity afford ideal conditions for the corn crop, which is reported to be making excellent progress in all parts of the state, the early planted fields beginning to show tassels at about the normal height. In the central and southern districts having operations have been carried on, and the crop is generally heavy. At many points early sown oats are being cut.

The recent windstorms have been damaging to early apples in the northern section, but generally that important crop is doing well in other sections. Numerous reports are received of damage to potatoes by rot and fungus disease of the tops.

HYMENEAL

Jensen-Christy.

BEATRICE, Neb., July 14.—(Special.)—The marriage of Albert B. Jensen and Miss Winifred Christy was solemnized in county court yesterday at 10:30 a. m., Judge Bourne officiating. The groom is a resident of Nebraska and the bride is from Edgar. The young couple left yesterday afternoon over the Burlington route for the former place, where they will make their future home.

Spielberg-Loescher.
NORFOLK, Neb., July 14.—(Special.)—The wedding of Rev. Henry Spielberg and Miss Louise Loescher was celebrated in Christ Lutheran church last evening at 7:30 o'clock. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Rev. Mr. Spielberg has charge of a church in Campbell, Ill., and the bride couple has departed for that place. The bride has grown up in Norfolk.

A Good Thing for Mother.
If she is tired out, sickly, run down, Electric Bitters will give her new life, or there's no charge. Try them 50c. For sale by Kuhn & Co.

CRUSHES OUT THE LIFE

The most loathsome and repulsive of all living things is the serpent, and the vilest and most degrading of all human diseases is Contagious Blood Poison. The serpent sinks its fangs into the flesh and almost instantly the poison passes through the entire body. Contagious Blood Poison, beginning with a little ulcer, soon contaminates every drop of blood and spreads throughout the whole system. Painful swellings appear in the groins, a red rash and copper colored spots break out on the body, the mouth and throat become ulcerated, and the hair and eye brows fall out; but these symptoms are mild compared to the wretchedness and suffering that come in the latter stages of the disease when it attacks the bones and more vital parts of the body. It is then that Contagious Blood Poison is seen in all its hideousness. The deep eating abscesses and sickening ulcers and tumors show the whole system is corrupted and poisoned, and unless relief comes soon this serpent disease tightens its coils and crushes out the life. The only antidote for the awful virus is S. S. S. It cures permanently the most desperate cases. It is nature's remedy, composed entirely of vegetable ingredients. S. S. S. destroys every vestige of the poison and removes all danger of transmitting the awful taint to others. Nothing else will do this. Strong mineral remedies, like mercury and potash, dry up the sores and drive in the disease, but do not cure permanently. Send for our home treatment book and write us if in need of medical advice or special information. This will cost you nothing.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

Very Low Rates

Detroit and back, \$21.00, July 14 and 15.
Baltimore and back, \$32.25, July 17 and 18.
Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo and back, \$17.50.
Salt Lake City and Back, \$30.50.
Portland, Ore., Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., and back, \$45, August 1 to 14.
Los Angeles or San Francisco and back, \$45, Aug. 1 to 14.
Hot Springs, S. D., and back, \$16.40.

The above are some of the Burlington's cheap excursion rates this year. If you are going anywhere you had better write or see me, as I can probably offer suggestions that will save you money.

J. B. REYNOLDS,
City Pass. Agt.,
1502 FARNAM STREET,
CITY

UNION PACIFIC
\$45.00
ROUND TRIP.

Portland
Seattle
Tacoma
San Francisco
Los Angeles
Tickets on sale Aug. 1st to 14th, inclusive, GOOD SIXTY DAYS RETURNING.
Sixteen hours quicker than any other line to the Pacific Coast.

For full information call or write CITY TICKET OFFICE, 1324 FARNAM STREET, Phone 316.

WIDSUMMER NIGHTS IN MANITOU.

A month in Colorado isn't altogether a matter of sight-seeing and fishing and camping. There's a social side to Colorado life. At the big hotels at Manitou, Colorado Spring and Glenwood dances are of almost nightly occurrence. They are just formal enough to be thoroughly enjoyable—just formal enough to be "nice."

The shortest and quickest line to Colorado's resorts is the Rock Island System. Exceptionally low rates will be in effect June 1 to September 30, \$17.50 for the round trip from Omaha. Information and literature on request.
Rock Island trains for Colorado Springs and Denver leave Omaha at 7:30 a. m. and 1:30 p. m.

City Ticket Office
1323 Farnam Street, Omaha
F. P. Rutherford, D. P. A.

Dr. Searles & Searles SPECIALISTS
Cure All Special DISEASES OF MEN BLOOD POISON WEAK, NERVOUS MEN KIDNEY AND BLADDER DISEASES

WOMEN
FEMALE BEANS
SHERMAN & McCONNELL DRUG CO., OMAHA