

SUICIDE OF IOWA BANKER

Institution, Shoots Rimself.

Had Been Married Only a Year to Nurse Who Attended Former Wife During the Latter's Illness.

DES MOINES, Dec. 4 -George D. Wood, president of the Bank of Colfax, and dibanks, committed suicide at his home in ing himself through the head. Wood ago to a nurse, who attended a former his accounts were straight.

Ex-County Treasurer A. W. Woods' bank at Colfax. He went to Colfax this afternoon and was closeted with the directors. Much anxiety over the safety of the county funds is expressed. The State bank at Baxter, another of the Woods series, closed its doors temporarily to await developments. It was given cut this afternoon that the institution was night announcing his candidacy for govfinancially sound and the action was taken ernor. He stated that only after repeated merely to determine what course to pursue, are operating.

Drillers Strike Flow of Water.

STURGIS, S. D., Dec. 4 .- (Special.)-The The stream, which is the size of one's arm. has sufficient force to come a few inches above the top of the pipe. This flow has its source at a depth of something like 600

George D. Wood, President of Colfax gone further into the sandstone. It is the was lost. ntention to keep on drilling until a depth of at least 900 feet has been reached.

DOMESTIC TROUBLE SUPPOSED CAUSE ATTACK ANTI-COMPACT LAW Mutual Insurance Company Taker Up the Fight in South Dakota.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 4 - (Special Telegram.)-This afternoon summons was served on Insurance Commissioner Perkins in a case brought by the Commercial Mutotor of Ira, Mingo and Baxter (Ia.) ual Fire Insurance association of Mitchell to test the anti-compact provision of the Colfax at 9 o'clock this morning by shoot- state insurance laws by the state mutuals at least that is what it shows on the surwas 43 years old. He was married a year face, but in fact its purpose is to attempt to use this move as an amended bill of wife during her last filness. Domestic complaint for reopening the case which trouble is supposed to have caused the was brought in the United States court by suicide. Wood was worth over \$250,000 and foreign companies and decided in favor of the state by Judge Carlan. Such a move will be opposed by Insurance Commissioner The case will be heard in Davison

Crawford Announces Candidacy.

HURON, S. D., Dec. 4 .- (Special Tele gram.)-The opera house was too small to accommodate the throng anxious to hear Hon. Coe I. Crawford's address todemands, based upon assurances of sup-The banks at Mitchellville, Ira and Mingo port from a large number of representative republicans throughout the state, did declared in favor of party organization and gave assurance that his canvass would latest report from Spring Creek, where oil be made on strict party issues, fairly and is being bored for, is to the effect that a honestly presented, and pledged himself fairly strong flow of water has been tapped. to the best interests of the state and

Somebody Has Fuel.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Dec. 4 .- (Special.)-

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feet. The water is soft and of a tempera- A large coal wagon belonging to Louis Lature above that taken from nearer the sur- ger, with over two tons of hard coal, was face. It is thought that the pressure will stolen Monday night. The wagon be greatly increased when the drill has traced as far as Westport, where all trace

IT'S UP TO THE OIL COMPANY

Dakota Law It Must Begin Again.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 4.-(Special Telegram.)-In the circuit court this morning State's Attorney Goodner moved to dismiss the case against L. B. Albright, local agent of the Standard Oil company, for selling oil which did not meet the gravity test provided for by the present oil law of the state. The attorneys for the defense resisted the motion, but the dismissal was granted. Just what the next move of the oil company will be in its friends, and in case of exposure he be-attempt to test the law is not known, but lieved Johnson would not be so quick to it probably will ship in several tanks of oil below the gravity test and force the

ROB THE BANK OF FAIRVIEW Midnight Visitors Take Thousand Dollars, but Leave Six Cents

in Safe.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 4. -(Special Telegram).-The safe in the bank of Fairview at Fairview, south of Sioux Fails, was robbed by cracksmen last night. The safe was blown to pieces and the robbers secured over a thousand dollars, taking all the cash but a nickel and a penny. They stole a team and made their escape to he conclude to become a candidate. He wards Sloux Falls. Persons near the bank heard the explosion but failed to give an alarm until early this morning. The bank was fully insured. There is no clue.

Run Saloon Out of Reserve. LARAMIE, Wyo., Dec. 4 .- (Special.) Herman George and Shaffer Bros. at Holmes have been denied a renewal of their saloon license because the saloon was situated on the Medicine Bow forest reserve Forest Supervisor I. G. Davis made the objections to the Board of County Commisloners. The salson owners will move their usiness onto a tract of patented land three miles from Holmes. This is the first case on record where a saloon has been prohibited from doing business on a forest reserve, but as there are a number of saloons scattered through the several forest reservations in the state it is more than likely that all will be compelled to close

Looks for New Cattle Range. SPEARFISH, S. D., Dec. 4 .- (Special.)-It s reported that J. W. Driskill contemplates eaving in short time for South Amerca, with a view to locating on a cattle range. He is at present in Texas. His son Walter, it is said, will accompany him and they will sail probably from New York for Rio Janeiro. Mr. Driskill has in mind the Argentine Republic or Paraguay as a possible cattle range. He has been informed that cattle may be purchased very cheaply there and in that event he would enter the business on a large scale. Mr. Driskill comes of the old family of Driskills and his father was one of the pioneer cattle raisers of the great state of Texas.

Many Pupils at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Dec. 4 .- (Special.)-The enrollment at the public schools has already reached 982, a gain of 98 over the same month last year. The enrollment of pupils in the model department at the normal school is 108, and at the preparation academy over 100, making the total enrollment over 1,200. A large number of pupils are attending the two business colleges, making Aberdeen quite an educational

Much Wanted Man Caught.

STURGIS, S. D., Dec. 4 .- (Special Telerum.)-John Gergen, wanted here for the shooting of Christine Keffler of Sturgis, on the evening of November 8, was captured by Sheriff Brown of Meade county about twenty miles west of Rochford. Brown was notified that he was in that vicinity and immediately went after him. Gergen was brought here today and placed in the Meade county jail.

Arraigned on Murder Charge.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 4.-(Special.)-Raiph Carr, Edward Davis and Martin Howe have had their arraignment on the charge of murdering Henry Stokes. Their preliminary hearing was set for Friday of this week and they were sent to jail and

Alleged Forger Caught. ABERDEEN, S. D. Dec. 4.-(Special.) Young James Rogers, wanted at Vermilon, was arrested here as he was boarding a train for the east. He will be taken back to face a trial for forgery.

ALDERMAN JOHNSON'S TURN

Lant Salsbury Takes Up Another of Grand Rapids' Councilmen.

THOUSAND DOLLARS THIS ONE'S PRICE

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Bissel Said to Have Done Most of the Negotiating Because of Being

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 4.-The nost interesting features in the water boodle scandal today were the confession of ex-Alderman Abraham Ghysels of the Sixth ward and Corry H. Bissell, former member of the Board of Public Works that they accepted the bribes mentioned by Salsbury in his confession

Later this afternoon ex-Alderman Ghysels went to Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Ward's office and made a statement of the boodle transactions, acknowledging that he accepted an envelope from Salsbury con-

This confession was followed a few minates later by the appearance of Mr. Bissell, who also made a statement of his connection with the deal, acknowledging that he had accepted \$500 and otherwise corroborating Saisbury's statements that he approached members of the council with the boodle proposition. Both Ghysels and Bissell informed the prosecutor that they will plead guilty in the superior court tomorrow. The statement that ex-Alderman Lozler of the Eleventh ward had neglected to appear when wanted in police court and that his bond was liable to be forfelted elicited a report from his attorney today. Attorney McDonald explained to Judge Haggerty that he and his client understood that Lozier was to appear tomorrow. Neither the judge nor Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Ward remembered any agreement to that effect and there was no record to confirm it. Mr. McDonald promised that his client would be in court tomorrow morning and Mr. Ward, assenting to that arrangement, the arrangement was placed on record. No additional warrants were issued today, but there may be one arrest tomorrow, if the prosecution can get the warrant served. Assistant Prosecutor Ward, however, declines to give the name of the man who is wanted.

The examination of Alderman Charles T. Johnson, charged with accepting a bribe from Lant K. Salisbury to support the Lake Michigan water deal, in aid of which Salisbury alleges he bribed a score or more of prominent citizens, including the managers of three local newspapers, was taken up in police court today.

Salsbury had sufficiently recovered to again take the stand as a witness. He was mable to remember any more than the substance of various conversations with Johnon in the summer of 1900, but stated that If Standard Wants Test of South Johnson agreed to support the water deal for \$1,000 in cash, \$350 of which Salsbury said he paid him.

Salsbury said: "A little while after I of-fered Johnson \$1,000 I further promised him \$45,000 in bonds. He did not ask for them. the proposition being made by me volun-

tarily. On cross-examination Salabury said he did not at first approach Johnson himself, Corey P. Bisset of the Board of Public Works, who waived examination in the police court on a bribery charge, going to The reason for this, according to Salsbury, was that Bissel and he were give Bissel away as he would himself. He said, however, that he did not ask Bissel to approach Johnson.

Salsbury could not tell the number of times he talked with Johnson about the deal, nor could he tell the date of the pay ment, saying merely that it was between June and September. Salsbury said he also gave Johnson \$100 or \$200 for his campaign and that he contributed money to the fund of every democratic candidate for alderman.

The examination was then adjourned until next Wednesday to prepare the record and have it sworn to by Salsbury, as in the other cases.

BURNED TO DEATH IN HIS HOME Son Unable to Help Aged Man, Who Was a Helpless

Cripple.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., Dec. 4.-(Special.)-Five miles southeast of here Thomas Swanda, sr., an old man of \$6 years, lived sione in a new house recently built, and his son, Thomas Swanda, jr., lived near him, within a few rods. The son and his family were out gathering corn nearby, between \$ and 9 o'clock in the morning, when the house was discovered to be on fire, and it was so far along before they arrived at the scene that the old gentleman had perished in the flames. He was helpless and unable to save himself. The origin of the fire is unknown. The building was said to be in sured, but not known in what company.

Dedicate School Building.

BURWELL, Neb., Dec. 4 - (Special.)-The Burwell school district has just completed an eight-room brick veneer schoolhouse at a cost of \$10,000, and the people to the number of 500 turned out Wednesday night to a public dedication and banquet. State Superintendent Fowler made the address. The schools will convene in the new building Monday after being over a year without any permanent home, having used the churches and store buildings during that

Big Record Shucking Corn.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 4 .- (Special.) - C. L. Reed, a young man living at Holmesville, yesterday shucked 156 bushels and fifty pounds of corn in nine hours and forty-five minutes. The corn was weighed, and the amount was correct, as was the time in which the work was performed. The corn was husked from the field of W. B.

Fall May Prove Fatal. BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 4 .- (Special.) -- Mrs.

Phoebe Smith, the aged mother of S. K. and B. L. Smith of Wymore, broke her hip by a fall several days ago and the attending physician says she cannot recover. She is 89 years of age.

Humboldt Odd Fellows Elect. HUMBOLDT, Neb., Dec. 4.-(Special.)-The local Odd Fellows lodge has selected the following officers for the coming year; N. G., C. M. Sarber: V. G., Al Hales; R. S., B. L. McCulloch: treasurer, B. Fruhbauer, trustee, Will Schwass.

Change in Hotel.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 4 .- (Special.)-G. H. England of Essex, Ia., has purchased the interest of George Selfert in the Morton hotel in this city and will assume charge next Sunday.

STURGIS, 3, D., Dec. 4.-(Special.)-Oswald Decker, who resides near the Bellefourche river, shot and killed a large golden eagle. The bird measured nearly eight feet from tip to tip of wings. It was given to Wesley A. Stuart of Sturgis, who has sent it to a taxidern to have it mounted.

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