

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

HANG UP PHONE FOR TIME

Independents See No Present Prospect of Getting into the Bluffs.

MAY GO BEFORE THE VOTERS IN MARCH

Conference of Managers of Lines in Southwestern Iowa Unable to Reach a Definite Conclusion on Problem.

"How can we persuade the people of Council Bluffs to allow 10,000 telephone subscribers in southwestern Iowa to talk with them?" was the subject arranged for discussion and possible solution at the annual meeting of the Western Iowa Independent Telephone Association held at the Grand Hotel yesterday.

It has been expected that several of the promoters of the local independent telephone companies would have been present at the meeting and given the association some assistance in solving the problem of how to get into Council Bluffs, but instead they religiously stayed away and left the association to combat the question alone.

The question was one which the association did not quite see its way to solve and was evidenced by the fact that the newspaper men, when they put in an appearance, were called upon to give their views of the local situation, to which invitation they responded, and it was soon evident that the members of the association had learned something of which before they were unaware.

As a result of the discussion, which was more or less informal, the association practically decided that it was useless making any further move to establish an independent telephone system in Council Bluffs.

May ignore the Council. The sentiment of the meeting appeared to be in favor of going direct before the citizens of Council Bluffs with a proposition for a franchise of an independent telephone line to connect with the independent companies now operating in this section of the state without first asking the leave of the city council.

This was the program at the annual memorial services of the Council Bluffs lodge of Elks, to be held this morning at 10:30 o'clock in the New theater.

Opening Exercises-Ritual, Anthem-Jerusalem the Golden, Prayer for "Auld Lang Syne."

Vocal Solo-There is a Light in Mine Eye. Address by Hon. S. B. Wainwright.

Te Deum in G. Closing Ceremony-Ritual, Benediction.

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The members of the lodge will meet at the club house at 10 a. m. and from there march in a body to the theater.

HAIR Sells Lumber. Catch the Idea?

There will be no services today in St. Paul's Episcopal church, but the congregation is invited to attend the Elks' memorial services in the New theater at 10:30 a. m., at which the choir of the church will furnish the music.

At Grace Episcopal church there will be holy communion and sermon by the rector, Rev. F. J. Brooks, at 11 a. m., vesper services and baptism at 4 p. m., Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

At the First Christian church this morning

ing at 11 o'clock there will be a special service in honor of the Christian Women's Board of Missions, with address by the pastor, Rev. W. B. Clemmer, and a special program of music.

At the Latter Day Saints' church, Elder Charles Fry of Omaha will conduct a sacramental service at 10:30 a. m., and will preach in the evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The First Church of Christ (Scientist) will hold services this morning in the Sapp building at 11 o'clock.

The Second Church of Christ (Scientist) will hold services this morning in the Merriman block at 10:45 o'clock.

The pulpit of the First Congregational church will be occupied today by Rev. and Mrs. L. P. Broad of Boston, in the interests of the national benevolent societies of the denomination.

At Trinity Methodist church there will be preaching services at 11 a. m., and at 7:30 p. m. At the morning service the pastor, Rev. A. E. Burritt, will take as the subject of his sermon, "Wings," and at the evening service his theme will be "A Present Salvation."

ELKS' MEMORIAL SERVICES

Exceptional Program of Music and Addresses Prepared for the Occasion.

Look down upon and bless our work And be all glory Thine; Oh! hear our prayers for the honored dead, While bearing in our minds, The memories graven on each heart For "Auld Lang Syne."

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N. Y. Plumbing Co., Tel. 26. Night, F-55.

Preliminary to City Campaign. A number of leading republicans met last evening at the office of J. J. Hess, chair-

man of the city central committee, and discussed the outlook for the city election next spring. The meeting was purely informal and preliminary to a bigger meeting to be called in a few weeks by the city chairman, at which time it is said candidates for the leading offices will be practically decided upon.

BROOKS REED COMMISSIONER

Commercial Club Finally Fills Position Made Vacant by Loomis' Resignation.

At the regular weekly meeting of the executive committee of the Commercial club yesterday, W. Brooks Reed was appointed secretary of the club and will assume his position December 10. Mr. Reed will practically fill the position of commissioner, formerly held by W. W. Loomis, and that of Miss Bartlett, who since the retirement of Mr. Loomis has been acting as secretary of the club.

The committee discussed and decided to lend its assistance in securing a franchise for the Council Bluffs, Tabor & Western Electric railroad, which is seeking an entrance into this city.

Winners in Grandma Contest. DeLong's grandma voting contest, which closed last night, resulted as follows: Mrs. O. Talbot, first prize, \$1,901; Mrs. John Linder, second, \$2,623; Mrs. Charles Nicholson, third, \$25,188.

The next nearest were: Mrs. N. W. Williams, 13,083; Mrs. John Rogers, 12,087; Mrs. W. S. Mayne, 9,734; Mrs. Charles Lankley, 8,832.

Catholic Bazar. Opens Monday, December 7, in the Rink building, corner Fifth avenue and Pearl. Ladies will serve dinner and supper, beginning Tuesday with a chicken dinner. Public is invited.

Real Estate Transfers. These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of Squire & Amis, 101 Pearl street:

Louie H. C. Kraetz to Agatha Roth, lot 2, Schickelans' subdiv., and lot 1, block 3, Curtis & Ramsey's add. John F. Wilcox and wife to Henry L. Morehouse, lots 3 and 8, in J. F. Wilcox's subdiv., W. 4, 4,023; Chris Wolff and wife to Fred C. Knott, neq, sq, 10-20-41, w. d., 2,500; Ernest Tinley and wife to C. F. Palmer, lot 8, block 15, Bayliss & Palmer's add., w. d., 100.

Four transfers, total, \$1,494.

MINOR MENTION. Davis sells drugs. Leffert's glasses fit. Stockett sells carpets.

A store for men-"Ben's." Celebrated Metz beer on tap. Neumayer. Diamond betrothal rings at Leffert's, 408 Broadway.

14-K and 18-K wedding rings at Leffert's, 408 Broadway.

The Lady Macabees will meet Tuesday afternoon at the usual time and place for election of officers and initiation of candidates.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to John Wakehouse of this city, aged 22, and Lillie Withem of Mondamin, Ia., aged 20 years.

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.

Patrolman A. Lorensen, who has been on the sick list for some time, has sufficiently recovered to be able to resume his beat yesterday.

There will be a special meeting of Council Bluffs aerie of Eagles this afternoon at 7 o'clock to take action on the death of Eugene Gallagher.

Dr. A. V. Stephenson has returned from Chicago and will resume the practice of his profession here until next spring, when he expects to return to Wyoming.

The regular meeting of the Knights and Ladies of Security will be held Tuesday evening in the Merriman block.

The remains of Henry Panor, the East Des Moines merchant, was found dead in his bed at the Kiel hotel Friday morning, were taken to Des Moines last evening by his two sons.

Hawkeye lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has elected these officers:

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The Question to Solve is Where to Buy Jewelry

You will have no trouble if you visit our store and look over our immense line. We will make holiday shopping easy for you. You can rest contented that everything we carry is just as represented. We carry the largest stock in the city and are prepared to fill every order to perfection.



Advertisement for Hermann M. Leffert Jeweler and Optician. Lists various jewelry items such as diamonds, solid gold jewelry, sterling silver, and watches with prices. Includes a list of items like '1-K Perfect White Stone', '2-K Perfect White Stone', and '3-K Perfect White Stone'. Also lists 'Ladies' Watch Chains', 'Baby Chains and Lockets', 'Wedding Rings', etc. Includes contact information: Telephone L607, 409 Broadway.

Optical Department. We have the best equipped optical department in the state of Iowa. Glasses fitted by latest improved and scientific methods. Our glasses are worn and recommended by the best people in this vicinity.

Hermann M. Leffert Jeweler and Optician

Telephone L607, 409 Broadway. Jeweler and Optician.

Xmas Shopping at Jacquemin's

Advertisement for Jacquemin's jewelry store. Features a large image of a watch. Text: 'Watches for men, ranging from \$15.00 to \$350.00. Watches for ladies, ranging from \$5.00 to \$150.00. A wonderful assortment of fine Diamond and Gold Jewelry in the highest perfection of the gold worker's art. We have thousands of pretty articles for Christmas gifts at amazingly low prices. IT PAYS TO LOOK AT 27 Main Street. Geo. Gerner, Jr., Manager'.

Advertisement for Sargent's School Shoes. Text: '\$1.50 School Shoes That Will Wear. All solid—the best oak soles and box calf uppers. The best on earth for the price, at SARGENT'S. LOOK FOR THE BEAR. CLEANING AND DYEING. Ladies' and Gentlemen's Clothing Cleaned, Dyed, Pressed and Repaired; also Dry Cleaning. No shrinkage or rubbing off guaranteed. Work done on short notice. COUNCIL BLUFFS STEAM DYE WORKS. Tel. 290, 1017 West Broadway. TWENTIETH CENTURY FARMER. Only One Dollar a Year. TWENTIETH CENTURY FARMER. Write for a Sample Copy.'

Advertisement for Bluff City Laundry. Text: 'LATEST LAUNDRY METHODS are used in this up-to-date laundry. The finest modern machinery for laundry work, the best skilled help and pure soft water and pure soap is a combination that makes our laundry work so perfect and so satisfactory to our customers. Bring us your bundle and be assured of the best there is in laundry work. Special rates on family washing. BLUFF CITY LAUNDRY. Telephone 314, 22-24 North Main Street.'

Advertisement for The Novelty Bargain Store. Text: 'THE NOVELTY BARGAIN STORE BUSTED THE NOVELTY BARGAIN STORE. A SENSATIONAL SALE OF Dry Goods, Clothing, Cloaks and Millinery. ONE OF THE MOST SENSATIONAL SALES OF THE YEAR. The entire stock of the Novelty Bargain Store, consisting of Dry Goods, Cloaks, Skirts, Silk, Satin, Brilliantine and Flannel Waists, Wrappers, Millinery, Shoes and Overcoats, Men's and Boys' Clothing, Hats, Caps, Trunks and Valises, is offered to the public without reserve, and without consideration of previous cost or value. Every dollar's worth of goods in the store must and will be sold at once. PRICE IS THE MIGHTY LEVER. That we have employed to move it, the most phenomenal values ever offered in Council Bluffs. This is a money saving opportunity for the people of Council Bluffs and vicinity that does not often occur, and may never occur again. The most determined slaughter of merchandise ever attempted in this city; space here is too limited to quote prices. Follow the crowd and see what you can get for a little money. THE NOVELTY BARGAIN STORE. 17 and 19 Main Street. Council Bluffs, Iowa.'

Advertisement for Swaine & Mauer. Text: 'THE FAMOUS ROUND OAK. Thousands of people will testify to its superiority. The low-down fire-proof anti-clinker grate, hot-blast linings and one-piece air-tight bottom are points that are worth your consideration. Let us show it to you. We also sell the ROYAL RED CROSS The finest parlor heater on the market and a full line of other stoves and ranges. Swaine & Mauer. 337-338 BROADWAY. COUNCIL BLUFFS. A Merry Christmas. It is to those who have a spick and span new bath room in which to prepare for the pleasures of the day. Consult us as to the best plan for your floor space, and we will fit you out with a bath room of which you will be proud, without much strain on your pocketbook. If we do it, it's done right. J. C. Bixby & Son. 202 Main Street and 208 Pearl Street. Tel. 198, Council Bluffs, Iowa.'

Advertisement for The Acorn Heater. Text: 'The Acorn Heater IS A FUEL SAVER. In buying a stove for this winter you should bear in mind the cost of coal and learn the economy of the parlor and kitchen stoves and ranges we offer for your inspection and purchase. These stoves bear comparison with any made in the matter of coal saving—get all the heat out of the fuel to say nothing of their appearance and price. We sell stoves and ranges on easy payments and at low prices. See our great line of holiday furniture, carpets, rugs, curtains, etc., all on easy payments. D. W. KELLER, Phone L611, 407 Broadway. CONSULT THE KING OF ALL CLAIRVOYANTS AND PALMISTS. PRO KIRO. 309 Fourth St., Council Bluffs, Ia. (Cor. 4th St. and Willow Ave.) Reduced prices for a few days longer. Ladies—50c. Gentlemen—\$1. All business strictly private and confidential.'

Advertisement for Anna H. Moore. Text: 'A Clever Thing. Is to take a look at the fine line of TAILORED SUITS and SKIRTS at our store before the holiday times are upon us. This gives you time to select from the best patterns before they are picked over. Our line will certainly please you in every way, both as to style and merit. You will find our Millinery Stock Always Up-to-Date. Anna H. Moore. 339-341 Broadway, Council Bluffs.'