COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Independents See No Present Pro:pect 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 Concluaion on Problem.

"How can we persuade the people of Council Bluffs to allow 10,000 telephone subscribers in southwestern lows to talk with them," was the subject aranged for discussion and possible solution at the annual meeting of the Western lowa Independent Telephone association held at the Grand hotel yesterday. The question, however, proved more or less of a conundrum to the solving It before the meeting adjourned they failed to make it public.

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. That the question was one which the association did not quite see its way to solve 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

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 independ ent telephone system in Council Bluffs during the regime of the present city councli, but that it would be best to wait until election next spring, when the question could be made an issue in the

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 tele phone line to connect with the independent companies now operating in this section of the state without first asking the leave of city council. It was shown that the law provides that a special election for such a purpose can be called by the mayor without the sanction of the city council, on a petition signed by the requisite number of voters. This, it is believed, will be the course followed next spring when a franchise for an independent telephone line in this city is sought. During the discussion it was stated that this was the manner in which after two years' fight the independent companies had finally secured an entrance into Sloux City a few months

Woral Duet—Sun of My Soul

Mrs. Sherman and Mrs. Mullis.

business men of Council Bluffs, especially wholesale firms, were losing busines right along by not having in telephone connec tion with the rural and independent lines now in operation in this section of the According to the figures submitted by the secretary of the association there were in the counties adjacent to Council Bluffs subscribers to independent 'phone

Independent Subscribers.

Pettawattamie County-Carson, 300; Oak-nd, 325; Hancock, 100; Avoca, 300; Walnut, land, 225; Hancock, 100; Avoca, 390; Wainut, 150; Minden, 50.
Shelby County—Harlan, 800; Portsmouth, 15; Shelby 200; Panama, 25; Deflance, 70; Earling, 50; Westphalis, 10; Kirkman, 50; Irwin, 34; Corley, 10.
Audubon County—Audubon, 400; Manning, 394; Extra, 243; Gray, 38.
Harrison County—Dunlap, 200; Woodbine, 375; Logan, 425; Missouri Valley, 500; Modale, 75; Mondamin, 75.

It was unanimously decided to call the organization the Southwestern instead of the Western Iowa Independent Telephone association, and the officers elected for the

usuing year were as follows: President, H. A. Kinrey, Woodbine; vice president, P. C. Holdoegel, Rockwell City; secretary, J. F. Glenn, Denison; treasurer, A. T. Whittle, Harlan; executive committee, H. W. Cutshall, Shelby; W. B. Swaney, Audubon; M. A. Reed, Woodbine; E. E. Piper, Avoca. Among those present were the following

representatives of independent lines in this section of the state: H. A. Kinney, M. A. Reed, Woodbine Telephone company; J. F. Glenn, Crawford county Telephone company: W. B. Swaney, Audubon County ne company; A. T. Whittle, E. E. Piper, Harlan-Avoca Telephone company; P. C. Holdoegel, Central Union Mutual Telephone company, Rockwell City; H. W. Cutshall, C. R. Benedict, Shelby Independent Telephone company. From Nebraska, A. M. Munn of the Nebraska City Telephone company, and H. Herndon of the Ashland Telephone company were in at tendance, besides a number of representatives of supply houses.

Hafer sells lumber. Catch the idea? Sunday Services.

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. T. J. Brookes, at Il a. m., vesper services and baptism at 4 p. m., Sunday school

At the First Christian church this morn-

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> Rev. Harvey Hostetler, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, will preach this morning on "Experience and Truth." In the evening his address will be illustrated by stereopticon views.

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. Sunday school will be at noon, and the regular social service Wednesday 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, when the subject of the lesson will be "God, the Preserver of Man." Sunday school will be held at embers present and if they succeeded in the close of the services. The regular midweek testimonial meeting will be held on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Second Church of Christ (Scientist) will hold services this morning in the Merriam block at 10:45 o'clock, when the subject of the lesson will be "God, the Preserver of Man." Sunday school will be at the close of these services. The mid-week testimonial meeting wiff be Wednesday evening at 7:45 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 7:31 p. m. At the morning service the pastor, Rev. A. E. Burriff, will take as the subject of his sermon, "Wings," and at the evening service his theme will be "A Present Salvation." In the morning the sacrament of the Lord's supper will be administered. Sunday school will be held at 10 a. m., Junior Epworth league at 3 p. m. and Senior Epworth league at 6:30 p. m.

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MEMORIAL SERVICES Exceptional Program of Music and

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Occasion. This will be 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
St. Paul's Choir. St. Paul's Choir.

Opening Ode—
Grat Ruler of the universe
All seeing and benign,
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 grayen on each heart

The memories graven on each heart. For "Auld Lang Syne." Address

Address
Hon. S. B. Wadsworth.
Vocal Solo-There is a Light Mine Eye
Hath Seen
Mrs. Sherman.

Closing Ceremonies—Ritual

Doxology

Benediction

Vices

Victor E. Bender, exalted ruler of the the ritual exercises by the following officers of the lodge: Esteemed leading knight, H. A. Shearle; esteemed loyal knight, W. H. Town: esteemed lecturing knight, Thomas G. Green; secretary, E. A. Troutman; G. Green; secretary. E. A. Troutman; treasurer, M. C. Van Deveer; esquire. Gall Bluffs aeric of Eagles this afternoon the M. Hamilton; tyler, N. E. Tyrrel. chaplain, W. N. Clifford; inner guard, J. D. of Eugene Gallagher. lain, W. N. Clifford; inner guard, J. D. Evans; organist, C. P. Lewis; trustees, H. H. Van Brunt, A. T. Elwell, Theo. N.

Petersen. 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. The public is cordially invited to attend these

N. Y. Plumbing Co., Tel. 250. Night, F-667. 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 efty chairman, at which time it is said candidates for the leading offices will be practically decided upon.

BROOKS REED COMMISSIONER Commercial Club Finally Fills Posttion 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. Mr. Reed, it is believed, will prove a most valuable acquisition for

the Commercial club. The committee discussed and decided to end its assistance in securing a franchise for the Council Bluffs, Tabor & Western Electric railroad, which is seeking an entrance into this city. The committee was informed that the railroad would submit an ordinance granting it a franchise at the meeting of the city council Monday night. The committee is issuing invitations to the state senators and representatives from the western part of the state to meet with the Commercial club on January 4, and be guests at a banquet to be served in th Grand hotel.

Winners in Grandma Contest. DeLong's grandma voting contest, which losed last night, resulted as follows: Mrs. O. Talbott, first prize....51,801 Mrs. John Linder, second......29,623 Mrs. Charles Nicholson, third. .25,189

Catholic Bazar.

The next nearest were: Mrs. N. W. Williams, 13,093; Mrs. John Rogers, 12,687; Mrs. W. S. Mayne, 9,724; Mrs. Charles Lunkley, 9,528.

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 & Annis, 161 Pearl street:

Louie H. C. Kracht to Agatha Roth, lot 3, Schicketanz' subdiv., and lot 1, block S, Curtis & Ramsey's add... John F. Wilcox and wife to Henry L.
Morehouse, lots 5 and 6, in J. F.
Wilcox's subdiv. w. d.
Chris Wulff and wife to Fred C.
Knott, ne4 sw4 10-76-41, w. d.
Emmet Tinley and wife to C. F. Nugent, lot 8, block 15, Bayliss & Palmer's add. w. d. 2,500

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

Patrolman A. Lorensen, who has beer on the sick list for some time, has suf-ficiently recovered to be able to resum-his beat yesterday.

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 Ladles of Security will be held Tuesday evening in the Merriam block. Following the initiation of candidates refreshments will be served.

The regulars of Henry Paper, the East

The remains of Henry Panor, the East Des Moines merchant, who was found dead in his bed at the Kiel hotel Friday morn-ing, were taken to Des Moines last even-ing by his two sons. Hawkeye lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has elected these officers

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2-k Perfect White Stone, set in latest plain Tiffany mounting. \$245
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