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Mrs. C. H. Orvis is home from a visit with relatives in Lincoln, Neb.
Officer Distman last night arrested Frank Carter, a deserter from the Fifth cavalry band at Fort Logan, Colo.
Photos taken at Schmidt's before December 23 positively finished before Xmas. Open Sundays. Phone A643.
There will be a competitive debate Friday evening at the high school auditorium between the Delta Tau and Philomathian societies.
Leon Claude the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Loundsbury, died yesterday at the Hooker hotel, on West Broadway, aged 10 months.
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.
A motion to quash the indictment against E. E. Schurz was argued before Judge Green in the district court yesterday, and by him taken under advisement.
The suit by Ovide Vien as administrator of the estate of Riley W. Luce against the Omaha Bridge and Terminal Railway company for $10,000 damages for the death of Luce was yesterday ordered removed to the United States court, on petition of the railway company.
Steve Dunn was taken before Judge Green in the district court yesterday, charged with being a chronic dipsomaniac. The court ordered him committed to the hospital at Mount Pleasant for two years, but suspended the commitment so long as Dunn abstains from getting intoxicated.
Mrs. Effie Ella Douglas, aged 33, wife of George Douglas, 129 West Pierce street, died yesterday morning from paralysis. She leaves besides her husband two children. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Lunkley's chapel, and interment will be in Fairview cemetery.
The receipts in the general fund at the Christian home last week were $384.89, being $184.89 above the needs of the week, thus decreasing the deficiency in this fund to date to $3,697.82. In the manager's fund the receipts were $56.41, being $21.41 above the needs of the week, and decreasing the deficiency to $197.31 in this fund to date.

Hafer sells lumber. Catch the idea?

Higgins Gets a Parole.

M. J. Higgins, who was convicted at the March term of district court in this city on a charge of adultery and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary at Fort Madison, will not have to serve the sentence. Yesterday Clerk Reed received from the executive office in Des Moines a parole for Higgins, which, while saving him from going behind the bars, also grants him permission to reside outside the state.
Higgins, who is at present a resident of Kansas City, was also charged with bigamy, but was convicted on the less serious charge. He appealed to the supreme court, which sustained the verdict of the lower court. He, however, was not taken to the penitentiary, but allowed his liberty on the original bond pending action of the governor on his application for a parole. County Attorney Killpack opposed the granting of the parole and was much surprised yesterday when informed that Governor Cummins had granted it.

Subscription for Library.

William G. Woodbury of the firm of Culver & Woodbury has made a suggestion to President Rohrer of the library board that a fund for the furnishing of the Carnegie library building be raised by popular subscription among the citizens of Council Bluffs. As a starter Mr. Woodbury stated that his firm will be willing to donate $100.
It was estimated that at least $10,000 of the $70,000 offered by Mr. Carnegie for the library would be required for the furnishing of the building. Mr. Woodbury now suggests that this $10,000 be spent on the building and that there will be no difficulty in raising a fund sufficient to pay for the furnishing of the new library. President Rohrer says he favors Mr. Woodbury's suggestion and will recommend that the board try to raise the money by popular subscription for the furnishing of the building.

Burglars Have Busy Night.

A burglar visited the home of Former County Surveyor L. P. Judson at 929 Sixth avenue Monday night and secured about $8 in cash from Mr. Judson's coat, which was on a chair near his bed. The thief secured an entrance by raising a rear window on the ground floor. His perambulations around the house did not awaken the family and Mr. Judson was not aware of the robbery until morning, when he reported it to the police.
A thief also broke into the saloon at 718 Sixteenth avenue and broke open the cash register, from which he secured about $3 in small change. The register was badly damaged.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of Squire & Annis, 101 Pearl street:

Ernest E. Hart and wife to Frank Blank, lot 3 in lot 173, original plat, w. d.	$ 4,000
Jens Hansen Nielsen and wife to Nels C. Johnson, lot 10, block 28, Howard addition, w. d.	1,150
Arthur R. Dunton and wife to Louise Feuerbacher, lot 4, block 9, Crawford's addition, w. d.	385
George B. Folsom to Florence F. Everest, e150 feet on High School avenue of lot 2, referee's sub. of s part outlot 1, Jackson's addition, q. c. d.	1
Alec Bolton and wife to Verne Benjamin, lots 26 and 27, block 26, Ferry addition, w. d.	20
Chris J. Christofferson and wife to trustees of Hazel Dell township for cemetery, 1,715 acres in sw¼ se¼ 28-76-43, w. d.	128
Six transfers, total	$ 5,584

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Axel Ehlers, Omaha	28
Bessie Sullivan, Council Bluffs	20
Fred Blumenstein, Council Bluffs	27
Lena Ehlers, Council Bluffs	26

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OPPOSITION TO FRANCHISE

Some Aldermen Think Proposal of Belt Line Company is Too Sweeping.

PROMOTERS DENY ITS BEING FREEZEOUT

Say They Depend on Ultimate Entry of Other Electric Lines in Order to Make Profit Out of Their Venture.

"Without other interurban electric lines coming into Council Bluffs the franchise for a belt line which we now seek would not be worth a cent to us." Such was the statement of Malcolm Green, one of the promoters of the Interurban Terminal & Belt Line company, to the aldermen at a meeting of the committee of the whole, held ment of Malcolm Green, one of the proposed ordinance.
By this statement Mr. Green explained to the committee that he meant that the completion of the Tabor line would undoubtedly encourage other interurban electric lines to build into Council Bluffs and thus make the construction of a belt line indispensible. Unless other roads did come in the belt line would in all probability not be built.
The discussion of the ordinance was purely informal, only five of the aldermen being present. The promoters took the ground that Council Bluffs ought to receive their proposition with open arms and if anything offer them a bonus to enter the city. They stated that they had been given right-of-way through the business portions of Sidney, Tabor, Hastings and Rockport without any demand that they pay damages and at Riverton they had been given a right-of-way through the residence portion also without being asked to pay any damages.

Denies Being a Freeze-Out.

Mr. Green denied that the proposition to establish a belt line in the city was for the purpose of preventing any other interurban electric line from entering the city except over their tracks and on such terms as they would dictate.
Some of the aldermen appeared opposed to the company entering the city on South avenue and so expressed themselves, contending that this was the main thoroughfare for farmers to drive into the city from the south. President Dobbs of the Tabor line in answer to this stated that this route had been planned upon at the instigation and suggestion of the executive committee of the Commercial club, which desired to place the Iowa School for the Deaf in communication with the city by electric car line. The plan of the company had been prior to the suggestion of the Commercial club, to enter the city in the western portion.
President Dobbs stated that four trains daily will be run each way between Council Bluffs and Langdon, which is six miles beyond Rockport, the original proposed terminus of the line. The company, Mr. Dobbs explained, will absorb a six-mile steam road now in operation between Rockport and Langdon.
Malcolm Green, the representative of the eastern firm financing the company, in concluding his address to the committee, said: "The attitude you take is of great consequence to us, because we desire your goodwill and co-operation. The very work that we are doing should commend us to your goodwill. We have not asked anything inimical to the city's welfare. We are ready to adopt a northern terminal and we would desire to try Council Bluffs first. We ask prompt action on the part of the city council."
The general opinion of the aldermen is that the ordinance is altogether too sweeping, as it gives the company the right to occupy and practically monopolize every street and avenue in the city except those on which the street railway company at present has its tracks.
The committee adjourned without taking any action on the ordinance.

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LIBRARY BOARD TAKES ACTION

Decides to Purchase Pinney Property for Addition to the Library Site.

The Library Board decided last night to add to the site for the Carnegie library building by purchasing the Pinney property adjoining the Pusey homestead on the south. The price to be paid for the property, which is improved with a two-story and basement brick dwelling and a brick office building, will be $5,200, this being the figure at which the board has an option on the property. The question of purchasing the Pinney property was determined last night in order that the architects could draw their plans of the library in conformity with the size of the site. Mrs. Everett and J. J. Stewart were the only members of the board to oppose the purchase of the property.
Grant Miller of the firm of Paton & Miller, the Chicago firm of architects selected by the board to draw the plans of the Carnegie library, arrived yesterday and was present at the meeting which was devoted principally to an informal discussion as to the character of the building to be erected. After deciding to acquire the additional ground by the purchase of the Pinney property before the expiration of the option, the board adopted a resolution to the effect that the entire $70,000 offered by Mr. Carnegie be expended in the building and furnishings. It was estimated the cost of the moveable furniture would not exceed $2,000.
The board was unanimous in favoring a building of two stories and basement. Several of the members are desirous that the main entrance be on Willow avenue, facing Bayliss park and this developed considerable discussion. President Rohrer suggested that the building have two entrances, one on Willow avenue and one on Pearl street. It was, however, decided not to decide definitely on this until the architects had submitted their preliminary sketches.
Mr. Miller suggested that the building be constructed on the slow burning plan, as to erect an absolutely fire proof building would cost from $8,000 to $10,000 more. Mr. Miller expects to remain here and prepare the preliminary plans and sketches and as soon as same are approved by the board will return to Chicago where he will complete them.

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Lodge Elections.

These lodges have elected the following officers for the ensuing year:
Fidelity council, Royal Arcanum—Regent, M. Maynard; vice regent, L. L. Evans; orator, Richard Green; chaplain, J. M. Cursler; guide, H. L. McNitt; secretary, W. E. McConnell; collector, John T. Tidd; treasurer, H. N. Hattenhauer; warden, Charles Lefferts; secretary, A. W. Francis; trustees, C. A. Beno, A. T. Flickinger, A. E. Brock; representatives to grand council, G. H. Nicoll, A. T. Elwell; alternates, Dr. G. C. Brown, J. H. Arthur.
Council Bluffs camp, Modern Woodmen of America—Venerable consul, R. F. Atkinson; worthy advisor, T. R. Thomas; banker, M. E. Sutton; clerk, A. L. Dickey; escort, J. W. Alberry; watchman, James F. Smith; physician, Dr. C. H. Bower.
Twin Brother encampment, Independent Order of Odd Fellows—Chief patriarch, Theodore McMullen; senior warden, I. V. Howard; junior warden, C. W. Bachelor; scribe, Thomas McMillen; treasurer, Stymest Stevenson; high priest, G. C. Taylor.
St. Alban's lodge, Knights of Pythias—Chancellor commander, E. D. Carr; vice commander, W. B. Lackey; prelate, A. W. Huber; master of work, C. H. Gilbert; keeper of records and seal, E. J. Abbott; master of finance, R. E. Ingraham; master of exchequer, A. C. Lane; master-at-arms, O. H. Norrine; inner guard, J. A. Heflin; outer guard, P. Nelson; trustees, L. Kost, S. H. Conner, C. A. Tibbits; library trustees, C. B. Washington, E. J. Abbott, T. Pilling, E. T. Hendricks, R. E. Meneray.

PROTEST ON COAL SHRINKAGE

Iowa and Nebraska Dealers Hold the Railroads Responsible for the Loss in Transit.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—The coal dealers' association of Iowa and Nebraska met in Sioux City today to protest against short weight from the railroads. They claim their car shipments of coal average one to ten tons less than the amounts named in the bills of lading, and they blame the railroads for lack of care. Resolutions were passed and a subscription fund was started to begin a fight in the courts to recover damages for shrinkage. The blame for present high prices of coal was laid to the railroads. C. H. Chisam of Council Bluffs is president and presided at the meeting. J. F. Hutchins of Lincoln is vice president. Harris of Omaha is secretary and treasurer. This was a special meeting. The regular annual meeting will take place in Omaha next year.

NO MARRIAGE UNTIL INFORMED

Iowa Society for Prevention of Degeneracy Proposes Law to Regulate License Issue.

DES MOINES, Dec. 8.—The Iowa Society for the Suppression of Disease and Degeneracy has prepared a bill to be introduced in the coming assembly providing for a physician's certificate of examination before a marriage license can be issued. The exact text of the bill follows:
"Whenever applications are made to clerks of the district court for license to marry, said applicants shall provide said clerk with a certificate from a reputable practitioner, vouching that said applicants have been under instruction regarding duties pertaining to marriage relations."

Oliver Talks on Interest.

ONAWA, Ia., Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Addison Oliver, a large land owner of Monona county, has been granted a temporary writ of injunction by Judge Gaynor against County Treasurer A. D. Smith, preventing him from selling about 2,000 acres of land for taxes levied for the construction of the Wattles ditch in 1889. Judge Oliver tendered the amount of taxes, but refused to pay interest at 6 per cent from March 1, 1890, as demanded by the treasurer. The suit will be heard at the January term of the Monona county district court.

Convicted on Bigamy Charge.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—A. E. Isenhart, the Marshalltown man who married Emma Mitchell in this city last July, was found guilty this morning of the crime of bigamy. Sentence will be pronounced Friday.

LEWIS NIXON RESUMES STAND

Makes Further Admissions Concerning Receivership of Shipbuilding Company.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Lewis Nixon was again on the stand on the resumption of the United States shipbuilding receivership hearing today. Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the suing bondholders, continued the re-direct examination with questions about the ability of the shipbuilding company to have continued its business without the Sheldon reorganization plan. Mr. Dixon declared that if the Bethlehem company had paid dividends the ship building could have gone on.
"What was the cause of the collapse of the shipbuilding company?" asked Mr. Untermyer.
"The suit which your clients started," answered Mr. Nixon, but Mr. Untermyer, unsatisfied, made him admit that the promulgation of the Sheldon reorganization plan was a confession of insolvency.
"So far as you know, was there any one who was willing to trust the shipbuilding company, after the Sheldon plan came out on May 26, 1903, and before the action was begun on June 10, 1903?"
Mr. Nixon's reply was "No."
A copy of the letter from J. W. McGregor, an accountant, to Mr. Nixon, dated April 17, was at this point introduced in evidence. It gave a statement of the account of the shipbuilding company at that time.
Mr. Nixon was then asked about the earnings of the subsidiary companies since the receivership and said that the Union Iron works had, during the year, earned about $560,000.
Mr. Untermyer then announced that he had finished with Mr. Nixon and C. C. Deming, one of the counsel for the company, took the witness for a short recross-examination, George W. Perkins of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., being notified that he would be wanted in an hour.
Mr. Deming testified as to the work of organizing the company, and said that Max Pam had never received the $1,000,000 of stock allotted to him.
Mr. Nixon became angry at the line of questioning by Mr. Untermeyer when he came to the stand again. He admitted that the Shipbuilding company had put several hundred thousand dollars more into the Crescent yards than it had taken out.
George W. Perkins testified as to the part taken by Morgan & Co. in the formation of the company, saying that firm only acted as syndicate managers in buying the Bethlehem plant for the United States Steel corporation, and told of letting the Shipbuilding company have $750,000 for a few days. He will continue his testimony tomorrow.

WOS Y GIL MISSES THE BOAT

Which Explains His Failure to Arrive in New Orleans from Troubled Domingo.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 8.—The steamer Arkadia arrived today from Porto Rico, and, contrary to expectations, Wos y Gil, former president of the Dominican republic, was not on board. The Arkadia brought no passengers. The agents of the line here say they understand Wos y Gil just missed the ship as it sailed, and if he takes the next boat out he will land in New York instead of New Orleans.

FARMERS HAVE AN INNING

Five Societies Now Holding Annual Sessions in Des Moines.

SOME CONTESTS OVER DIRECTORSHIPS

State Farmers' Institute Listens to Addresses by Experts from All Parts of the Country—Klingenbiel Died of Neglect.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
DES MOINES, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The various farmers' meetings of the state allied to the State Department of Agriculture are in session here today and some will continue for several days. These are the State Farmers' institute, the State Horticultural society, the State Agricultural convention, the Park and Forestry association and the meeting of the Association of Fair Secretaries. Before the meetings are done the new directory board of the Department of Agriculture will have been selected. There are six directors whose terms expire. There is no opposition to the re-election of W. C. Brown, Clarion; S. B. Packard, Marshalltown, and H. L. Pike, Whiting. J. P. Manatry of Fairfield is opposed by R. S. Johnson of Columbus Junction; M. J. Wragg of Des Moines is opposed by Phil S. Keil of Des Moines, and H. McDonald of Bayard is opposed by G. M. Hill of Red Oak. It is expected that W. W. Morrow will be re-elected president of the board for another term and have charge of the state fair again, with all other officers re-elected. The state meetings this year are not as well attended as in other years, but the programs are good ones. There is a corn exhibit and contest in connection with the agricultural convention and prizes will go to the successful persons. The apple exhibit is rather poor, though some of the samples are fine.
The feature of the Farmers' institute today was the presence of John Hamilton of Washington, United States institute specialist, who talked on the work being done by the Department of Agriculture; of F. D. Coburn of Kansas, who talked on the plans for the live stock exhibit at St. Louis, and W. H. Moore of St. Louis of the National Good Roads association, who presented that subject. A discussion of the farm institute law and improvement of farm institutes in Iowa was by Prof. C. F. Curtiss of the Iowa State college, Ames, and by Mrs. F. A. Squires of Spencer and Eugene Secor of Forest City. During the past year the state has expended $4,035.33 in payment of farm institute expenses in sixty-six counties, against institutes held in fifty-eight counties last year.

Horticultural Interests.

President M. J. Wragg of the State Horticultural society, in presenting his report on opening the thirty-eighth annual meeting, suggested maintaining a legislative committee to see to it that the society continues to receive its appropriations for the work of the experiment stations. He stated that this work is not making as good progress as it should, but ought to be kept up for the future good. There are a series of experiment stations in the state where experimental work is carried on in securing plants and trees adapted to Iowa conditions. He recommended an additional appropriation, if necessary, to make a proper exhibit at St. Louis of the fruit of the state. Secretary Greene reported that the season was a poor one for fruit owing to the frost in April, which injured fruit. The society had expended the last year $6,528.54.
It is probable that Colonel W. A. Burnap will be elected tomorrow as president, to succeed M. J. Wragg, who has been president three successive years.

Park and Forestry.

A meeting of the State Park and Forestry association is being held. A movement is started to do a great work in improving country school grounds by tree planting and otherwise. Able papers were read on forestry subjects by B. Shimek, W. A. Burnap, Henry Sabin, L. H. Pammel, B. Fink and others. The Park and Forestry association went on record as favoring a joint program of the various associations each year with three or four days' session.
A meeting of the Fair Secretaries' association was held this evening, with discussion of various special attractions.

New Corporations.

The articles of incorporation of the Greene Driving Park association were filed with the secretary of state; capital, $2,500; M. Blauer, president, and P. J. Clarke, secretary. The articles of the Denison Land company of Denison were filed; capital, $25,000; W. H. Woolston, president, and D. L. Boynton, secretary.
The jury in the case of Dr. W. R. Trotter of this city, accused of murder in causing the death of Miss Cora Lacey, who came to his home for medical assistance, disagreed and was discharged. Dr. Trotter was today released from jail on his own recognizance and it is doubtful if he will be tried again.

Investigate a Death.

The coroner's jury is making a thorough investigation into the cause of the death of George Klingenbiel, who died Saturday, after having received a wound from a pistol in the hands of his former wife. She is under arrest, accused of murder. It is now asserted that he died of sheer neglect and that the physicians who attended him in the jail were not in condition to perform professional services at the time and that if he had received attention at all there would have been no cause for his death. It is anticipated that sensational disclosures will be made in the case.

Iowa Mine Operators Meet.

Selection of a scale committee and election of officers was the program for the meeting this afternoon at the Kirkwood of the Iowa Coal Operators' association. President Charles Morris of Des Moines presided and Secretary C. A. Ludwick of Ottumwa read minutes of the last meeting. John P. Reese, former president of the United Mine Workers of America of this state, but now a special commissioner for the operators, was present. The operators say they have no grievances, but will select a scale committee to be ready for the regular meeting in March, when the miners hold their spring convention and confer with operators regarding the scale of wages for mining and other work for the year that begins May 1. Mr. Morris will probably be re-elected president. About twenty members of the operators' association were present today.

Colfax Bank Solvent.

A statement was made this evening by Receiver McElroy of the Bank of Colfax as to its condition at the time of the suicide of George Woods, the cashier. He found liabilities of $475,000, chiefly deposits, of which $26,000 was due the partners in the bank. The bills receivable amounted to $320,000, the overdrafts $36,000 and cash $5,000. In addition to these assets the partners owned the bank building and had real estate estimated at $200,000, so that after allowing for all shrinkage it is believed the bank will pay out.
The second trial of the Armour Packing company, under indictment for evasion of the Iowa law against the sale of colored oleomargarine, resulted in a verdict of guilty this evening. The company was found guilty before, but the case was thrown out for defective indictment. The case will now go to the supreme court.

HOTEL MEN'S MEETING DATES

Fifth and Sixth of January Decided Upon for the Sioux Falls Gathering.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—January 5 and 6 next have been determined upon as the dates for a convention at Sioux Falls of the hotel men of the northwest. The convention will be held for the purpose of organizing an association, to be composed of the hotel men of Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and other states.
It was originally planned to hold the convention last July, but owing to the absence of many hotel men on their summer vacations it was postponed until this winter. A great many of the hotel men in the territory which it is intended to include in the association have signified their intention to be present.

Strike Big Coal Vein.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—There is considerable excitement over the striking of a vein of coal on the Niger farm, about twelve miles southwest of Aberdeen. The vein was struck at a depth of 100 feet and the drill showed it to be sixteen feet thick. The quality is good, being a hard lignite much better than is found in North Dakota. The same vein was struck one mile north of Mr. Niger's, but was in two layers, each about seven feet thick, and separated by a layer of earth. The area of the coal bed is not known, but will be determined by test wells, which can be quickly and cheaply drilled. The finding of such a large body of coal in this section of the state means much for Aberdeen and in fact the entire valley. Land in the vicinity of the find has jumped in price and the farmers are jubilant over their prospects.

Warren May Succeed Springer.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Local stockmen are of the opinion that if President J. W. Springer of the National Live Stock association resigns, as he is expected to do, Senator F. E. Warren of Wyoming will be chosen as his successor. Senator Warren is now president of the National Wool Growers' association, and while the wool men are loath to see him go, stockmen generally believe he could do even a greater amount of good for the stock interests by accepting the new position. The sentiment is very strong in favor of Senator Warren for president in the event Mr. Springer resigns.

Implement Dealers' Convention.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—The fifth annual convention of the Implement Dealers' Association of South Dakota, Southwestern Minnesota and Northwestern Iowa convened here this evening for a session lasting until Thursday night. The convention was called to order by M. D. Thompson of Vermilion, president of the association. The delegates were welcomed in behalf of the city by Judge H. H. Keith. The opening address was made by E. H. Evans of Tracy, Minn. President Thompson made his annual address.

Bank of Scotland Reorganized.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The work of reorganizing the old Bank of Scotland, at Scotland, which was organized under territorial laws in 1884, has been completed and the institution has now been merged into what will in future be known as the First National bank of Scotland. The capital stock of the new bank is $25,000. Officers were elected as follows: President, C. C. King; vice president, V. S. Barker; cashier, J. P. Resner; directors, the above officers and L. A. King and D. J. Finney, of Niles, O.

Contract for Silver Service Let.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—W. D. Nelson, a jeweler of this city, has secured the contract for furnishing the silver service to the cruiser South Dakota, which service was provided for by the last legislature and $5,000 appropriated. The designs which will be represented on the service will be typical of South Dakota life and activity, the principal scenes being those of mining, ranching, farming and hunting, as well as buffalo, Indians and other figures typical of the state, both in the past and present.

Swindles Odd Fellows' Lodge.

BUFFALO, Wyo., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Buffalo lodge No. 14, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, was recently swindled. B. F. Haroff, a member in good standing, was reported dead in Iowa. The lodge paid all funeral expenses, the insurance and other benefits. An investigation followed later and the discovery made that Haroff is not dead and that a stranger had stolen his card and was masquerading as the real Haroff.

DEATH RECORD.

Funeral of Edward Hinzerling.

BLAIR, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The funeral of Edward Hinzerling, aged 74 years, who died in this city last Saturday evening, was held from the residence of his son, Rudolph Hinzerling, yesterday afternoon. He was born in Prussia in 1829 and came to New York in 1866, and to Omaha in 1869, and a year later moved to Blair, where he worked at his trade of harness maker and built up a successful business in that line. Mr. Hinzerling became a member of Ailsman lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Omaha in 1869, and his remains were buried under the auspices of the Odd Fellows' lodge of this city, of which he has been an efficient member since he came to Blair. Three sons survive him, Rudolph and Louie of this city and Edward, now of Kennard.

Daniel Williams.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—News of the death of Daniel Williams, at one time a conductor on the Burlington branch between this place and Nebraska City, which occurred last week at his home in Chicago, was received here yesterday. He was familiarly known as "Dad" Williams and was one of the best known railroad men in this section. He was 75 years of age. The remains were brought here today for burial.

Iowa Editor.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Dec. 8.—Henry Lischer, publisher of Der Demokrat, is dead. He was 75 years old. Mr. Lischer was a pioneer newspaper man in the northwest. He came to Iowa in 1851 and was a member of the Missouri mounted dragoons in the Mexican war. He was also a veteran of the civil war.

Katharyn White, Nebraska City.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Miss Katharyn White, daughter of Mrs. Mary J. White, died at the home of her mother in this city today of typhoid fever. Miss White was a student in the Nebraska City High school and would have graduated this year.

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WILSON TALKS OF WOOD

Retired Army Officer Shows Feeling When Speaking of General's Promotion.

MAJOR DUDLEY TELLS OF GAINING HOUSE

Postoffice Inspector Fosnes, Who Succeeded Major Rathbone as Director General of Posts, Testifies as to Action of Judge.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—In the investigation of charges against General Wood, Inspector Fosnes identified a copy of a letter which he had written to Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow under date of October 8, 1898, regarding the incidents of a visit he had received from Judge Ortez, which court tried the Cuban postal cases. The visit was for the purpose of obtaining translations of the Bristow report of the Cuban postal frauds for use in the trials. In this letter Mr. Fosnes said it was the opinion of Judge Ortez that the translations should be made in the United States. Mr. Fosnes was asked whether he had learned that the request made by Judge Ortez was at the request of General Wood. He answered that such was his understanding.
The Spanish version of the report was filed as documentary evidence and used by the Cuban junta in trials. The witness was asked if he considered the report expert evidence. He replied that it was the official report. He was asked to state his office in Cuba and replied that he succeeded General Rathbone as director general of posts.
Major Edgar S. Dudley, who served in Cuba as judge advocate under General Wood, said that when General Wood received the application of the Jai Alli for a concession to erect a "fronton" for the playing of the Cuban game of petola, the application had been referred to him for investigation. After making a thorough inquiry into the character of the game the witness said he had informed General Wood that he should refuse to indorse the application on the grounds that the game was a gambling institution.

Form of Application Changed.

He said the application had been changed to the building of a mere amusement amphitheater and that in that form it had received the approval of the War department. The concession to the Jai Alli company was subsequently granted by General Wood.
General James H. Wilson, U. S. A., retired, told the committee of his meeting with Captain E. G. Bellairs at Havana, saying that he became convinced that Bellairs came to Havana for the purpose of wilfully falsifying conditions in the island; that Bellairs called on him at his headquarters in the province of Matanzas and that he (General Wilson) then accused Bellairs of writing dispatches which gave a wrong color to affairs in the island and injured the work of General Brooke and others.
The witness said that Bellairs admitted that he was standing by his friends, declaring that his position was a necessary one. General Wilson said the remark could have had but one meaning, and that was that he was backing General Wood and that this was evident from the nature of Bellairs' dispatches. The witness asserted it to be his belief that Bellairs went to Havana for the purpose of promoting the advancement of General Wood.
When asked concerning the rapid strides made by General Wood in jumping over himself (General Wilson) and Generals Ludlow and Lee, the witness showed a feeling of bitterness against General Wood. The effect of the response was that he considered the promotion was brought about by preferment rather than warranted by merit.

HYMENEAL

Coburn-Stoll.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Sunday afternoon, at the Christian church parsonage, Rev. Edgar Price officiating, occurred the marriage of Charles E. Coburn and Miss Carrie A. Stoll. The young couple have resided in Beatrice for many years and will continue their residence here.

Evangelistic Meeting at Pierce.

PIERCE, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The series of special evangelistic meetings that have been held in the Congregational church the past week came to a close on Sunday evening. Rev. S. I. Hanford, pastor of the Congregational church at Weeping Water, who has had charge of the meetings, delivered some powerful sermons, and he will not be forgotten very soon by the people of Pierce. The church and all the Christian people of the place have been greatly benefited by his coming here.

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