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Women Who Testified Against Him.

Anthorities at State College Explain Belay in Award of Spoor Trophy and Deny any Dissatisfac-

tion Exists. OES MOINES, Dec. El.—(Special.)—John Daily, one of the constables under indictment for accepting bribes from the loose

ing paper says he will swear in leading ministers of the city as deputy constables for his raid on a gambling The ministers of the city have mons commending the grand jury for the indictments and deploring the on one count of his indictment nd is under sentence of \$100 fine. He has tarted a crueade against the immoral ourse and the gamblers. On his trial hany of the women witnesses admitted he character of their business and yet the character of their business and yet the grand jury. Daily says, refused to do its duty and indict the keepers of these houses. Now he proposes to raid them until they are driven from the city and says the ministers who condemned him-self and the other constables shall know

child awaited him at the end of the run to accompany him to church. As his given to his wife. He was 40 years of

Mayor James M. Brenton today at the the meeting of the city council vetoed the ordinance increasing the salary of the mayor and other city officials, and said, however, that he would sign an ordinance luded in the increase the offidinance raising the malaries increased that of the mayor from \$1,500 to \$2,500.

Prof. W. J. Kennedy of the department of animal husbandry of the State college at Ames denies that his department is complaining because of the annoying delay in the awarding of the Spoor trophy and makes the following explanation of the

"In justice to ourselves, to our competitors and to the management of the Inter-national Live Stock exposition, I wish to make the following statement, giving the facts of the case to the best of my knowl-edge: The contest so far as we know was conducted on a thoroughly fair and impar-tial basis. No person connected with the animal husbandry department of the Iowa State college has ever in any way insinuated that the management have in any way worked against our team; furthermore, we believe in students' judging contests and will enter future contests whether our team losers when some other team wins as we have been winners in the past years; that we as a department thoroughly believe in the Integrity and fairness of the management of the International Live Stock exposition. They are, in our estimation, trophy go where it properly belongs. The delay in the announcement of the results was due to the fact that part of the papers a judge who had returned to his home be fore correcting the papers. He being s busy man could not give this work his immediate attention; thus the unfortunate de

One and one-third fares will be given by the railroads of the state to delegates de-Iowa State Grocers' association, to be held in this city February 9 to 11; the Iowa Retail Hardware Dealers' association Febru-ary 10 to 12, and the Patriarchs Militant February 2 to 11.

Looks More Like Murder.

death and burning of Mrs. May Graves ing. The society will ho grows deeper hour by hour as the detectives untangle the knot of evidence. There society in all their work. working on the case but that murder has been committed.

Neighbors discovered his house in flames and it was with great difficulty that they succeeded in awakening him in time to escape only parity dressed. The family nerve away at Chariton visiting relativas gram.)—Miss Pleura Thompson, who was Patch." We have only a few copies left

DAILY IS AFTER REVENCE and it is thought the fire caught from an arrested here some time ago in company with a married man named J. C. Harbert, any of the furniture and the house and whose home is in Kearney, on a complaint

PREACHERS TO BE SWORN IN AS DEPUTIES

One and Injury of

KEOKUK, la., Dec. 21.-Fire today Jestroyed the main buildings of Hubinger Bros.' starch factory, the largest indeendent factory in the country. The los is \$250,000; insurance, \$100,000. An explosion in a dryer room started the blase. The factory was new, commencing operations the machinery by pressing a button while on a visit here. One workman reported

who was burned, has not been recovered. Theodore Bedford and William Moore were scorched and bruised.

One hundred men were at work in the

CRESTON, Ia., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Sunday was a great day for the Methodists in this part of the state. It was the occasion of the dedication of their fine new \$25,000 church building which took the place of the from personal observation that there is other crime in the city that deserves a word from the pulpit.

Beterman Dies at Post.

Charles F. Charles at Post. dedicated 3,000 Methodist churches, conducted the services. He was assisted by the male quartette from Simpson college to pass he was seized with heart failure and dropped back through the glass door of the car, dead. The body was taken to the waiting room and the teacher as a secretary for Simpson college. The church is a handsome brick structure and one of the finest in the state. It was fedicated free from debt and the congregation here is happy.

> ATLANTIC, Ia., Dec. 21 .- (Special Teleday from the officers at Boseman, Mont., that M. B. Lyttle had been arrested at that place and was being held subject to his orders. Lyttle was formerly grain buyer Elevator company and left for parts un-known some ten days or two weeks ago, taking with him, it is claimed, considerable and had gained quite a place in the best society of this city, where he spent a large portion of his spare time. Sheriff Marshall left this evening for Des Moines to consult interested parties before bringing the young man back on a warrant which he holds

MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., Dec. 21.-(Speregular meeting Friday night: Mrs. Clar- be formed for passenger service. Constru M.; Beryl James, secretary; Mrs. A. E. July 1, 1994, and completed by July 1, 1995. Edgecomb, treasurer; Mrs. M. C. Burbank, The second section of streets begins a

lowing officers: James S. Jensen, I. P.; to commence within one year from the Mrs. H. Holmes, C. C.; R. H. Padel, W. time set for the completion of the work on E.; T. Tollesfan, secretary; R. Robinson, the first section and the line upon this sec treasurer; Q. R. Baldwin and M. E. Ker- ond section must be in operation within len, M.; F. W. Strobehn, guide; J. F. Cou'- five years from the time of commencement thard, herald; Mrs. O. Tollefsan, C. of A.; of work of construction. R. M. Moore, C. of G.

CRESTON, Is., Dec. 21.-(Special.)-Dr. over its tracks. succeeded in organizing the physicians of line people, was present and in answer to this county into the Union County Medical questions from the aldermen admitted that society to act in conjunction and be a the promoters of the Tahor line had abanbranch of the state organization. It is the doned the distinctive terminal idea for policy of the state society to organize every Council Biuffs and expected to run its here for Corning where he expects to or- business warranted it. This feature of the ganize Adams county. The officers of the proposition did not appeal to the aldermen Union county society are: President, M. and some changes in the ordinance may be B. Reid of Cromwell; vice president, E. E. looked for before it is approved. The spe-Gillmore of Creston; secretary and treas- clal committee having the matter of the urer, J. P. Claybough of Creston; Jelegate ordinance in hand will meet this after to the state society, Dr. Lynch of Spaulding. The society will hold regular meetings and keep in close touch with the state

Expect to Find Cont.

CRESTON, Ia., Dec. II.-(Special.)-Some Close Call from Cremation.

CRESTON, Ia. Dec. II.—(Special.)—William Cunningham who resided in Afton across the relired track on the west side came near being cremated yesterday morning between the hours of 6 and 7 octock. Neighbors discovered his house in flames and it was with great difficulty that they succeeded in awakening him in time. The coroner's inquest was postponed at time ago the board of supervisors of Union the request of Chief of Detectives Eli Hardin until the report of the medical officers first ton of coal produced from a paying

contents were a total loss. The loss will sworn out by her father, disappeared today Constable Proposes to Get Even with be nearly \$4,000 and was only partially cov- The officers at Lincoln telephoned Mr. Thompson that his daughter passed through that place today for York. It is WATCHMAN DEAD IN RUINS thought Harbert and Miss Thompson have planned to meet at that place. Mr. Thompson says he will not interfere with his daughter's plans.

> OPERATES ON BROKEN NECK Dr. Jepson of Iowa State University

Performs Unique Operation at Sloux City.

misssing is thought to be dead in the has the chair of surgery at the State uni-

to operate on his broken neck. Accordingly factory when the fire started but none of the third cervical vertebra was these was burned. H. W. Green, manager of the plant, tonight said that the plant cleaned out and the bone replaced. The patient is doing well with every prospect

> OMAHAN SEEKS IOWA MINES M. Hartmeyer is Investigating Prop erties Around Dubuque for

> > Paxton Mining Company.

DUBUQUE, In., Dec. 21.-(Special.)-M. Hartmeyer, representing the Paxton Mining company of Omaha, is inspecting the nuview to purchasing. He stated that the quality of the lead ore here is superior to that of the Joplin mines. Ten thousand pounds of ore were taken from the Fitz Thursday and thousands of pounds are in sight. John M. Bredt, a mining engineer, richest lead mines in the west.

Seems Wildly Jenious-Is Pursued, but Kills Himself.

CENTERVILLE, Ia., Dec. 21.-L. W. east of here, shot and fatally wounded his wife at church last night and then fired a bullet through his own brain. Jealousy is

Horn fled south, pursued by a sheriff and a brace of hounds. At daylight his body was found at Sedan with a bullet hole

STARTS WAR ON DOWNSPOUT

(Continued from Eighth Page.)

of passengers, baggage, mail, express matter, produce, freight, etc., by the company, whose cars are to be propelled by electricity The first section of streets on which a Star elected the following officers at its Curtis and Sixth streets, where a loop will ence Bell, W. M.; Mrs. Harry Rainbow, A. tion on this section must be commenced by C.; Mrs. George Shiley, A. C. The installa- Avenue G and Sixth street and ends at the tion of officers will take place some time southern city limits. Construction on this

> city limits shall be 5 cents and the com pany shall make at least three trips a day

ounty in the state and Dr. Derr has left trains through to Omaha whenever the

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UXORCIDE ENDS HIS After He is Dead it is Believed In-

aunity Was Not

Feigned.

CHICAGO, Dec. II.—Saloonkeeper James Vicek, who a few days ago choked his wife to death, strangled himself in his cell at the county jail today with a handkerchief tightly knotted about his throat.

The man had been acting irrationally since his arrest, but the physicians who investigated the case reported that he was hamming insanity. It is now believed that nsanity was not feigned, but that Vicek took the life of his wife and himself after eing driven crazy by the woman's alleged drinking spells,

LEGISLATORS WANT FREE HAND

Those of Oregon Object to Consider ing but One Matter in Special

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 21.—The special ses-sion of the Oregon legislature convened teday for the purpose of revising the tax laws of the state. Governor Chamberlain's message dealt with tax legislation only and contained no recommendation. By a vote of 35 to 12 the house went on record as being opposed to confining itself to tax legislation only by referring a resolution to that effect to the committee on resolutions.

TON OF UNAVAILING PLEAS

Children's Letters to the Mythical Santa Claus Are Unusually Numerous.

by children to Santa Claus are reaching the postoffice here in larger numbers this year than ever before. They come from all parts of the country, even Alaska. The and will be forwarded to the dead letter office at Washington. The collection will weigh at least a ton a: I is double the quantity received in any previous year.

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 21.—An operation said to have had no parallel in the surgical world, was performed at St. Joseph's hospital today by Dr. William Jepson who has the chair of surgery at the State university.

John Norstrom of Danbury, Coon., fell from a load of hay striking on his head and breaking his neck. He has been almost paralyzed for weeks and Dr. Jepson decided to operate on his broken neck. Accordingly

Transatlantic Mails,

TUESDAY—At \$:30 a. m. for ITALY direct, per a. a. Citta di Milano (mali must be directed "per a. s. Citta di Milano (mali must be directed "per a. s. Citta di Milano").

WEDNESDAY—At 7:30 a. m. for NETHER-LANDS direct, per a. s. Amsterdam (mali must be directed "per s. s. Amsterdam"); at \$:30 a. m. (supplementary 10 a. m.) for EUROPE, per s. a. Teutonic, via Queenstown; at 11 a. m. for DENMARK direct, per s. a. Hellig Olav (mali must be directed "per a. s. Hellig Olav").

TPURSDAY—At 7 a. m. for FRANCE, BWITZERLAND, ITALY, SPAIN, PORTUGAL, TURKEY, EGYPT, GREECE, BRITISH INDIA and LORENZO MARGUEZ, per s. a. La Bretagne, via Havre (mall for other parts of Europe must be directed "per s. a. La Bretagne").

SATURDAY—At 6 a. m. for EUROPE, per s. s. St. Paul via Southampton (mall for Irialand and letter mail for Liverpood must

Mails for South and Central America, West Indies, Etc.

West Indies, Etc.

TUESDAY—At 8:30 a. m. (supplementary 10:30 a.m.) for CENTRAL AMERICA(except Costa Rica) and SOUTH PACIFIC FORTS, per s. a. City of Washington, via Colon (mail for Guatemala must be directed per s. s. City of Washington"); at 12 m. for SANTIAGO, per s. s. Clentuegos (mail must be directed "per s. s. Cientuegos (mail must be directed "per s. s. Clentuegos").

WEDNESDAY—At 11:30 a. m. for YUCATAN, per s. s. Daggry"); at 12:30 p. m. for LEEWARD AND WINDWARD (BLANDS, BRITISH DUTCH and FRENCH GUIANA, per s. s. Fontabelle (mail for Grenada and Trinidad must be directed "per s. s. Fontabelle").

THURSDAY—At 3:30 a. m. for BARBADOS and BRAZIL, per s. s. Bellaggio, via Pernambuco, Rio Janeiro and Santos (mail for Northern Brazil, Argentine, Urugusy and Paraguay must be directed per s. s. Havana (mail for Mexico, via Progreso, Campeche and Vera Cruz must be directed "per s. s. Havana"); at 12 m. (supplementary 12:30 p. m.) for BAHAMAS, per s. s. Saratoga (mail for Mexico via Tampico, must be directed "per s. s. Baratoga").

SATURDAY—At 8 a. m. for BERMUDA.

HAMAS per a a Saratoga (mail for Mexico via Tampico, must be directed per a a Saratoga").

SATURDAY—At 8 a m. for BERMUDA. per a a Pretoria; at 8.20 a m. (supplementary 9:20 a m.) for PORTO RICO, CURAÇÃO and VENEZUELA, per a a Philadelphia (mail for Savanilla and Carty sena must be directed "per a a Philadelphia"); at 8.20 a m. (supplementary 10:20 a. m.) for YORTUNE ISLAND, JAMAICA, SAVANILLA, CARTAGENA and GREYTOWN, per a a Alene (mail for Costa Rica must be directed "per a a, Alene"); at 10 a. m. for CUBA, per a a Morro Castle, via Havana; at 12:30 p. m. for CUBA, per a a, Maracas, via Havana.

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