

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA. COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis' glass drops. Left's glasses fit. Stock's suit carpets. A store for men - "Ben's".

COURTING IS DONE BY MAIL

Requires Only a Few Hours of Personal Interview to Complete Cupid's Work.

MINNESOTA FARMER GETS AN IOWA GIRL

After Starts Through a Mutual Friend and Ends in a Wedding in Omaha and a Honey-Moon in Council Bluffs.

T. W. Matthews, Wilmar, Minn., appeared among the autographs on the register of the Grand Hotel Friday. Yesterday this was changed to "Mrs. and T. W. Matthews, Wilmar, Minn."

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COURT DOCKET A HEAVY ONE

Trade Over Five Hundred Cases for District Court to Pass Upon.

Contrary to general expectations the January term of district court, which will open Tuesday the 5th, will be a heavy one. The docket, which was compiled ready for the printer yesterday by W. C. Cheyne, record clerk, shows a total of 503 cases, 317 law and 186 equity.

PAST WEEK IN BLUFFS SOCIETY

Weddings and Homecoming for the Holidays Make Joyous Season.

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VITAL TO IOWA TEACHERS

Salary Proposition to Be Discussed at This Year's Meeting.

DEB MOINES, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Iowa State Teachers' association is to be held here next week.

OPENS IN DES MOINES TOMORROW

Professionaries to Occupy Monday Evening, with Three Days' Active Discussion to Follow, with a Comparison of Salaries.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

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PARTY FOR THE CHILDREN

Mrs. Roosevelt and Distinguished Women Receive Large Company.

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF OFFICIALS

Little Ones Entertained with Musical Performance by Children, Christmas Luncheon and Games, Each Receiving Souvenir.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Five hundred children, youthful sons and daughters of members of the cabinet, senators, representatives, army and navy officers, members of the diplomatic corps, assistant secretaries of departments and Washington newspaper correspondents, were the guests between 4 and 6:30 o'clock this evening of President Roosevelt at the White House.

EVENTS ON RUNNING TRACKS

Big Ben, Favorite in the Event, Wins New Orleans Handicap Easily.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—Big Ben scored in the New Orleans handicap, worth \$2,500 to the winner. The favorite went to the front at first and was never in trouble. Robbin's made a show of riding him at the end when Captain Arnold was coming fast.

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