

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA. COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

David sells drugs. Let's get the best. Stocker sells carpets. The Faust cigar, 5 cents. Peterson repairs tires. Morgan & Dickey. Full line fishing tackle. Morgan & Dickey. Pictures for wedding gifts. Alexander's, 213 Broadway.

Dr. H. B. Jennings is home from Sterling, Ill. where he was called by the death of his mother. Frank Hollis has gone to Billings, Mont. to spend the summer with his sister, Mrs. Charles Estabrook.

There will be a special meeting this evening of Joppa council for work in the Hoyas district. Attorney Emmet Tinsley has notified the Dodge Light guards that he cannot accept the captaincy of that company.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to O. G. Bair of Hancock, Ia., aged 21, and Edna M. Bair of Council Bluffs, aged 19. The meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Union Church, thirty-fifth street and Broadway, was postponed for one week.

Jap-A-Lac floor finish, Morgan & Dickey. Have your carpets taken up, cleaned and re-laid by the best workmen in Council Bluffs. Call on J. H. Anderson, 24 North Main street. Phone 516.

Sophus Jensen, aged 46, died yesterday morning at his home in Garner township. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock from the residence and burial will be in Greenwood.

The receipts in the general fund of the Christian Home last week were \$69.57, being a net increase of \$1.00 over the week and decreasing the deficiency in the fund to date to \$4,436.21. In the manager's report the receipts were \$68.50, being \$4.50 above the needs of the week and decreasing the deficiency to \$4,431.71 in this fund to date.

Word was received here yesterday of the death from an accident of Arthur F. Peterson, 310 West Broadway, a resident of this city at Seattle, Wash. No particulars have been received here yet of the accident, but it is supposed that the boy, who was a father by trade, fell from a building under construction.

Already one of Mayor Macrae's new patrolmen has been paroled, the privilege of wearing a uniform and carrying a gun being granted to every twenty-four hours in the case of Arthur Peterson, who lives at 1212 North Main street. The parole was granted by the board of parole and the man is now working for Wickham Brothers.

Ralph Miller, aged 12, and Glen Duncan, aged 17 years, who had run away from their homes in Omaha with the intention of going to the coast, were brought back to this city yesterday morning by the police, who correlated them in the act of trying to board a train for Chicago. The boys had taken back across the river, the bicycle which they had used to get to the city.

Library Contract Ready. A special meeting of the Board of Public Library trustees has been called for this evening, at which time Secretary Stewart will submit the contract he has prepared to be entered into between the board and the contracting firm of Winchester & Cullen of Rockport, Ill., for the construction of the Carnegie library building.

The contract as prepared by Secretary Stewart provides that the building shall be completed by April 1, 1905, but whether the date will be entered into by the board and the contractors has yet to be decided. In speaking of the matter yesterday Secretary Stewart stated that in his opinion until April of next year was ample time in which to complete the building and he would personally be opposed to any later date.

Transpacific Mails Forwarded Overland Daily. The schedule of transpacific mails is arranged on the presumption of their sailing from Omaha on the following dates: Registered transpacific mails which close at 6 p. m. on the following dates: General Postoffice, New York, as follows: China and Japan, via Vancouver and Victoria, close at 6 p. m. on May 19th, for despatch per S. S. Empress of China. (Mails close at 6 p. m. on May 19th for despatch per S. S. Empress of China.)

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SIGN BUILDING CONTRACTS

All Ready Now for Work on the New Avenue B School.

FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR REPAIRS

Suggestion That Battleship Fund Retained Should Be Donated to Fund for Monument to General Dodge.

At a meeting of the Board of Education last night the contracts for the construction of the addition to the Avenue B school and the remodeling of the old portion of the building were approved and signed. Wickham Bros., who secured the contract for the general construction on their bid of \$17,700, are required by their contract to have the building finished by October 12, under a penalty of \$25 a day after that date.

Hollenbeck Bros., who were given the contract for raising the old portion of the building and setting it back on the new walls on their bid of \$1,800, are required to have their part of the work completed in four weeks. The Grahl-Petersen company, given the contract for the metal work on its bid of \$3,471, is required to have the roof of the building completed by August 12, and all of the metal work completed by August 10. The bonds of Wickham Bros. and Hollenbeck Bros. were placed at \$10,000 and of the Grahl-Petersen company at \$1,800.

Chairman Gorman of the committee on buildings and grounds recommended that the repairs on the school buildings be made during the summer vacation as follows:

- Pierce street \$1,483.00
- Eighth street \$1,000.00
- Madison street \$1,000.00
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ALL AT SEA OVER PLATFORM

Stand-Patters Turn Down the Ideas Presented by Secretary Shaw.

FIGHT IN THE CONVENTION IS LIKELY

Conservatives Likely to Hold the Balance of Power Between the Stand-Patters and the Radical Revisionists.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, May 17.—(Special.)—On the eve of the republican state convention to select delegates to Chicago as a platform of expression of party views on the issues of the day, the great mass of the 2,000 delegates are much in the dark as to what is going to be done, aside from the things which have long since been outlined and over which there is no controversy. The delegates-at-large have long been agitated and most of the district delegates, and it is known, of course, that the convention will endorse Roosevelt and perhaps the state administration, and refer to protection as a principle, about which there is no disagreement. But as to what the convention will say on what has been agreed upon and most of the district delegates, and it is known, of course, that the convention will endorse Roosevelt and perhaps the state administration, and refer to protection as a principle, about which there is no disagreement.

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Grand Jury Brings in Two Bills. One is Against John Lowing, the Boy Holdup. The district court grand jury completed the work of its adjourned session yesterday and adjourned for the term after returning two indictments.

One of the indictments was against John Lowing, the Chicago lad, who, with his brother Martin, essayed the roles of bandits and on the morning of April 7 held up and robbed Martin Mortenson in his saloon on Sixteenth avenue. The lads secured \$25, but John Lowing was captured within a few blocks from the saloon, while his brother, when cornered in the railroad yards, crawled into a threshing machine and rather than be captured alive, sent a bullet into his brain.

Young Lowing's case, owing to his youth, has attracted much attention and it is said that several members of the bar stand ready to give their services free in his defense. Rev. Henry DeLong has taken an especial interest in the boy and has arranged matters so that he will have every legal assistance possible at his forthcoming trial. The boy has been in the county jail since his arrest and under the indictment his bond is placed at \$1,000, which it is not likely he will be able to furnish.

The other indictment is against Louis Cole, charged with the theft of an overcoat valued at \$25 belonging to Edward Steele, from the Minnick bank on Bryant street on April 10 last. Cole's bond was placed at \$500. He is under arrest at the county jail.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Fair and warmer for Nebraska and adjoining States, with Showers Thursday.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday: For Nebraska, Kansas, North Dakota and South Dakota—Fair and warmer Wednesday; Thursday fair, except showers and cooler in west portion. For Iowa and Missouri—Fair and warmer Wednesday; Thursday fair.

For Indiana and Illinois—Fair and warmer Wednesday and Thursday with fresh northerly winds becoming southerly. For Colorado and Wyoming—Fair Wednesday; warmer in east portion; Thursday fair.

For Montana—Showers in west, fair in east portion Wednesday; Thursday showers.

Local Record. OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, May 17.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1904	1903	1902	1901
Maximum temperature.....	69	51	58	82
Minimum temperature.....	49	62	64	58
Mean temperature.....	58	57	61	70
Precipitation.....	0.16	1.12	1.12	1.12

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for the day since March 1, 1904:

	1904	1903	1902	1901
Normal temperature.....	62	62	62	62
Deficiency for the day.....	4	0	0	0
Total deficiency since March 1.....	6.3	0	0	0
Normal precipitation.....	14	14	14	14
Deficiency for the day.....	13.8	0	0	0
Total deficiency since March 1.....	3.5	0	0	0
Deficiency for year period, 1903.....	1.08	0	0	0
Deficiency for year period, 1902.....	3.42	0	0	0

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station	Temperature	Wind	Clouds	Precipitation
Omaha, clear.....	60	0	0	0
Veneta, clear.....	60	0	0	0
North Platte, clear.....	60	0	0	0
Cheyenne, partly cloudy.....	60	0	0	0
Sioux Falls, clear.....	60	0	0	0
Rapid City, clear.....	60	0	0	0
Huron, clear.....	60	0	0	0
Williamstown, clear.....	60	0	0	0
Chicago, partly cloudy.....	60	0	0	0
St. Louis, partly cloudy.....	60	0	0	0
St. Paul, cloudy.....	60	0	0	0
Davenport, cloudy.....	60	0	0	0
Kansas City, cloudy.....	60	0	0	0
Des Moines, cloudy.....	60	0		