

# THE COUNCIL BLUFFS.

## MINOR MENTION.

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Stocks rise sharply.  
The Faust class, again.  
Peterson sharpens knives. 420 W. W.  
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Western Iowa college summer term begins tomorrow.  
Dr. F. Earl Bellinger left yesterday for Idaho City, Colo., on a business trip.  
Pictures for wedding gifts given at attention. Alexander's 43 Broadway.  
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Jap-A-Lac four finish. Morgan & Dickey.  
Miss Clarence H. Johnson is critically ill at the home of her mother, Mrs. F. C. DeVol, on Willow avenue.  
A marriage license was issued yesterday to June D. Cory, aged 24, and Mabel L. Anderson, aged 23, both of this city.  
The graduating class of the high school presented Principal Bensen with a handsome set of silver spoons as a token of esteem.  
Wood Harrison, a railroad brakeman, charged with disturbing the peace by fighting on South Main street, was fined \$20 and costs in police court yesterday morning.

## SUSTAINS THE RYAN WILL.

Jury Listens for Nine Days; and Makes Up Its Mind in a Few Hours.

### DITCH ASSESSMENT IS DECLARED VOID

Troubles of the Hoskins Family Occupy a Large Portion of the Time of the District Court—Equity Assignment.

After occupying the attention of Judge Wheeler and a jury in the district court for nine days, the trial of the Smith-Ryan will case was completed yesterday noon and at 7 o'clock last evening the jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendant.

The suit was brought by Mrs. Christina Smith, Mrs. Emma Smith and Mrs. Josephine Woodworth to set aside the will of their mother Mrs. Christina Ryan, who made her second husband, Lewis Ryan, sole legatee. The plaintiffs, daughters of Mrs. Ryan by her first husband, alleged that their mother was mentally incompetent at the time she executed the will, and that she had been unduly influenced by her husband, who, during the lifetime of her first husband, worked on the farm as a hired man. The ownership of a fifty-acre farm in Garne township was involved in the suit. In finding for the defendant the jury sustained the will.

In the suit of T. H. Hoellworth against County Treasurer Consigny and other officials of Pottawattamie county, Judge Wheeler yesterday ordered the assessment made by the board of supervisors against the plaintiff for the cost of the Harrison-Pottawattamie county drainage ditch set aside and cancelled. This was one of the suits brought before the supreme court decided that the drainage law was unconstitutional.

Joshua Haskins was before Judge Wheeler yesterday afternoon and was ordered to turnover without further delay to Alderman Maloney, administrator of Mrs. Frances Haskins' estate, the family homestead on First avenue, which he has been occupying since his mother's death and which he refused to surrender possession of. He was also ordered to turn over whatever other personal property belonging to his mother he had in his possession.

James Haskins was also before the court for examination as to certain diamonds and a sum of money belonging to the estate of his brother, William, who was drowned in Lake Manawa and which, it was claimed, he refused to turn over to Alderman Maloney, who is also administrator of William Haskins' estate. James admitted having the property in his possession, but in his statement to the court he said that while asleep one afternoon at his home the diamonds and money were taken from him. He accused his wife of taking the property, but in her examination she denied the accusation and said she was not at home at the time her husband claimed to have missed the property.

Judge Wheeler made the following equity assignments yesterday:  
Assignments, June 7—Compton against Baker and others.  
Wednesday, June 8—Gilbertson against others.  
Thursday, June 9—Day against Hutchinson, Golestein against Morgan.  
Friday, June 10—Hutchinson against Golestein, Hal against Hal.  
Saturday, June 11—Schleifer against Collins, Soule against Soule.

Church Services.  
Rev. W. B. Clemmer, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will conduct services this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Union Christian church, Thirty-fifth street and Broadway.

At the First Congregational church there will be preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. and the pupils will be occupied by Rev. C. R. Hamlin, pastor of the Plymouth Congregational church at Lincoln, Neb., in exchange with the pastor, Rev. James Thomson, who went to Lincoln, Neb., yesterday. Sunday school will be held at 10:30 a. m. at the Christian Endeavor society at 7 p. m.

Services at the First Christian church will be at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. In the morning the pastor, Rev. W. B. Clemmer, will take as the subject of his sermon "The Four-in-Hand Sunday School Team." His topic in the evening will be "Comfort of Noah." Sunday school will be at 9:45 a. m.

Rev. Harvey Hostetter, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church will preach this morning on "The Joy Service." The service will be illustrated with stereopticon views.

The First Church of Christ (Scientist) will hold services at 11 o'clock this morning in the Sapp building, when the subject will be "God, the Preserver of Man." Sunday school will be held at the close of the service. The regular midweek testimony meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Second Church of Christ (Scientist) will hold services at 10:45 a. m. in Woodman hall in the Merriam block. The subject of the lesson will be "The Universe." Sunday school will be at 11:45 and the midweek testimonial meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45 o'clock.

Pioneer Passes Away.  
In the death of Mrs. Mary Hughes, wife of Martin Hughes, who died yesterday morning at the family home, 623 Fourth street, Council Bluffs, loses another of its pioneer settlers. Mrs. Hughes, who was a native of Ireland, came to Council Bluffs in 1848, and lived here for fifty years. She had been an invalid for two years. The funeral will be held Monday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Francis Xavier's church, of which she was a devoted member, and burial will be in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Promotions to High School.  
With the close of the school year eighty-seven pupils from the Bloomer and Washington avenue schools have been promoted from the eighth grade to the high school, which they will enter next September. The pupils thus promoted are:  
Della Bartel, Clara Bonham, Mabel Bayman, Edith Copeland, Stella Currie, May Currie, Margaret Clifford, Emma Dillon, Marguerite Dike, Mary Egan, Grace Egan, Marguerite Graham, May Graham, Hannah Goussier, Francis Hehl, Mae Higgins, Marguerite Hyman, Glee Huntington, Nellie Knutson, Knutson Altona Park, F. Permelier, Hazel Reynolds, Lorene Scheffer, Edith Stallard, Margaret Ruybe, Katie Welch, Anna Weinman, and Wm. W. Williams. Grover Bono, Guy Bourgeois, Fred Gibson, Richard Green, Arthur Hutchison, Clarence Jones, Ruel Lovett, Robert Moore, Henry Nathanson, Elmer Nordmark, Cressy Phillips, Theodore Schmidt, Frank

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## BATTLES ARE NOT ALL OVER

Members of Iowa 6. A. R. Still Have On a Finger to Fight for Place.

### CONTEST OVER DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

State Board of Control Selects Superintendents of Boys' Industrial School and the Soldiers' Orphan's Home.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
DES MOINES, June 4.—(Special.)—There is prospect of a lively time at the department encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, department of Iowa, at Mason City, next week. The program which has been arranged includes a good many of the best speakers of the state, and aside from this there is great interest in the contest which is going on for department commander.

The fight at present appears to be entirely between R. T. St. John of Riceville, Mitchell county, and J. A. Speelman of Fairfield, Jefferson county. There are two other candidates, P. A. Smith of Greene county and A. H. Hamilton of Wapello county. They may both drop out before the day comes for the balloting.

In the case of St. John and Speelman their friends have allowed the contest to get to the point where it is decidedly disagreeable. St. John was brought by the Veterans' association of northeastern Iowa last winter, and this association, which held a reunion this week, will back him to a man. He is one of the youngest of the veterans of the war, as he enlisted as a mere boy and late. He has been prominent on the State Agricultural board and was twice its president. The very fact that he was so young when the war broke out is being used against him and the story is being circulated that he did not even leave the state. As a matter of fact, he enlisted in an Iowa company, but his parents would not let him go, and he went over into Illinois and enlisted as a recruit in a cavalry company and was sent at once to the front, where there was fighting going on, and he was not mustered out until late in 1865, so that he merely had time to get home for Christmas.

His friends have started the story about St. John never having seen service, it has been alleged in retaliation that Mr. Speelman has been posing as a captain when he was not a captain. One of his comrades, editor of a paper in Fairfield, publishes the statement that he was never in the army and went home after less than two years' service. Instead of being elected captain of the company, it is claimed that the company remained as captain until a year or more after Speelman went home.

While these things are being hurled back and forth, the contest is likely to turn on a different question. It is discovered here that J. W. Muffy of this city is a candidate for assistant adjutant general and that Mr. Speelman has agreed to appoint him as one of the grand army men who have been passing the honor around among themselves and that Adjutant Newman is the head and center of the thing. It is said that Newman's friends, in consequence, are making up for the northern Iowa candidate. A great deal of letter writing is going on and the candidates are traveling about over the state in great activity to corral the necessary votes. The situation promises an interesting contest at the encampment.

The State Board of Control today solved the problem of filling two vacancies at state institutions, which vacancies have caused them some trouble. These places have been vacant some time and many applicants have labored to secure them. At Eldora, Superintendent B. J. Miles, who had charge of the Boys' Industrial school for twenty-five years, had resigned to accept a place in Washington at a similar institution. The board today named Colonel Lyman D. Drake of Booneville, Mo., for the place. He has been for a number of years at the head of the Missouri Training school, which has developed into one of the finest institutions of the kind in the country and has given especial attention to the industrial feature. He has taught the boys in this school all sorts of trades and has erected sixteen brick buildings on the place entirely with the work of the boys who are there to learn. It is the intention of the Iowa board to develop the industrial feature of the school at Eldora, and Colonel Drake was selected over any of the Iowa applicants because of his success in this line.

The board elected Prof. F. J. Sessions of Cedar Rapids to be superintendent of the Soldiers' Orphan's home at Davenport to succeed the late Superintendent M. J. Gass, who died about two months ago, after having been there ten years. Prof. Sessions is a native of Iowa and a graduate of Cornell college. He has been engaged in school work and in business, and at present is superintendent of the Iowa school exhibit at St. Louis.

Prof. Frank J. Wilder of Iowa City was

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## YANKTON COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

YANKTON, S. D., June 4.—(Special.)—Yankton college commencement week will begin on Sunday, June 5, with the baccalaureate sermon, which will be delivered by President H. K. Warren in Fluke assembly hall. The program for the remainder of the week will be as follows:  
Monday, June 6.—Commencement concert and exercises at Fluke assembly hall.  
Tuesday, June 7.—Exercises of the academic year at Fluke assembly hall.  
Wednesday, June 8.—Exercises of the twenty-second annual commencement, with an address by Rev. E. P. Williams, D. D., of Chicago. Subject: "Political Ideals."  
Thursday, June 9.—College collection.  
Friday, June 10.—Annual report of the alumni.

## YANKTON GRADUATES INADEQUATE.

YANKTON, S. D., June 4.—(Special.)—The teachers of the city schools will not be allowed to attend the exercises given by the graduating class of the high school. In the words of Superintendent Schellenberger, "It would not be well for any teacher to attend the exercises, as it would request that teacher's resignation. This condition is due to the fact that the graduates have taken matters in their own hands and with the consent of their parents have engaged the opera house, secured a speaker and will carry out some of the graduation exercises without the consent of the school board. Feeling has been very high over this matter. Superintendent Schellenberger announced that if the board gave in to the class that he would resign. The class was pleased with his action. This morning in the office of the superintendent.

## PHIPPS GOES TO DENVER HOME

PITTSBURG, June 4.—Lawrence C. Phipps, the Pittsburgh millionaire, who caused his two young daughters to be sequestered from the room of their mother in the Holland house, New York, is now enroute to his home in Denver, Colo. It was learned today that Mr. Phipps passed through Pittsburgh last evening on his way to Chicago with his two children, and he was joined at the East End station here. It is said, by five servants from his Pittsburgh mansion, one of whom is the old nurse of the children. At his Pittsburgh home he admitted that the servants had joined Mr. Phipps here, expecting to go to Denver.

## HYMENEAL

WESTERLYS-PHILADELPHIA.  
PLATTSBURGH, Neb., June 4.—(Special.)—John J. Westerly and Miss Frances Placock were married in the Bohemian Catholic church Wednesday, Rev. Joseph Barker officiating.

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