

CURRENT NEWS OF IOWA COUNCIL BLUFFS

SEEKS MONEY OF RAILROAD

Man Ejected From Train Thinks Dollar Less Than Two Thousand Enough.

SAYS BRAKEMAN FORCED HIM TO JUMP

Train is Then Stopped to Discover How Badly He Was Injured and Company Doctor Summoned to Attend Him.

Papers will be filed today in the district court in a suit in which Earl Chickering asks \$1,000 damages from the Union Pacific railroad for being forced off a moving train.

Chickering was beating his way east and was stealing a ride on one of the trains which brought the Parker Amusement company to this city from Grand Island last month. He alleges that a brakeman ordered him off the train at short distance west of Columbus. Chickering says he refused to obey the brakeman unless the train was stopped. The brakeman, he alleges, drew a revolver, at the muzzle of which he forced Chickering to jump from the fast moving train. After Chickering had jumped the train was stopped and the crew went back to look for him. They found him lying helpless with a dislocated shoulder and badly bruised. He was then taken to the next town, where the railroad company provided him with medical attention and finally gave him transportation to Omaha. From Omaha he came to Council Bluffs, where he has since been stopping.

Chris Christensen and N. P. Anderson of this city have served notice of a suit on the Northwestern railroad asking damages for assault by a drunken passenger on one of the defendant's trains which was returning from Des Moines on July 14. Christensen and Anderson were assaulted by a passenger who was intoxicated and who became involved in a dispute with the conductor over the payment of his fare. The drunken man accused Christensen and Anderson of robbing him. It is said the suit will be settled out of court.

S. P. Sorenson, landlord of the Chicago house, on South Main street, will bring suit today in the district court against the street railway company asking \$3,000 damages for personal injuries alleged to have been received June 15 while returning from Lake Manawa. Sorenson was boarding a car when it suddenly started, throwing him to the ground. He had one rib broken and was otherwise injured.

A stipulation of dismissal has been filed in the suit of Otto Czerwinski against the Bronson Drug company in which the plaintiff asks \$7,500 damages for the alleged unlawful conversion of a drug stock at Peru, Neb. It is understood that the case has been settled out of court.

Buy Fire Apparatus.

The committee on fire and light of the city council, of which Alderman Crippen is chairman, met yesterday morning and decided to award the contract for the combination chemical engine and hose wagon to be placed in the new engine house in the south part of the city, to the Seagrave company of Columbus on its bid of \$1,280. The wagon is to be supplied with ladders, a forty-gallon chemical tank, 300 feet of hose for the chemical and other apparatus.

Henry bids were received from American-LaFrance Fire Engine company, Chicago, \$1,875, and the New York Plumbing company, Council Bluffs, representing the P. J. Cooney company of St. Louis, \$1,300 with wooden body and \$1,400 with metal body.

The contract for 1,500 feet of hose was awarded to Stephen Brothers of this city on their bid of 90 cents a foot. The committee had before it bids ranging from 85 to 90 cents. The bids were referred at the last meeting of the city council to Alderman Crippen's committee, with power to act. The action of the committee will be reported at the meeting of the city council tonight.

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Pythian Representatives. The local lodges will be represented at the meeting of the Iowa grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, at Waterloo next week. The grand lodge meets August 11 and the Rathbone Sisters and Knights of Khorrassan will also meet in Waterloo at the same time. The delegates from the local lodges are: St. Alban's, C. W. Atwood, C. A. Tibbitts, C. H. Gilbert, C. B. Washington; alternates, S. H. Conner, L. Kost, W. M. Frederick, Fred DeGroat; Concordia, Frank Elgan, George L. Hill, T. A. Black; Rathbone Sisters, Mrs. C. P. Kimball and Mrs. C. A. Tibbitts.

MINOR MENTION.

Devils sells dresses. Leffert's dresses fit. Stockert sells carpets. Schmidt's new studio, 46 Broadway. C. E. Alexander, 333 B'way. The regular monthly meeting of the city council is scheduled for this evening.

The Rock Island will run an excursion next Sunday to this city from Atlantic. Look. Pure Cane Sugar, 10 lbs for \$1.00. U. S. Tea Co. Phone 334. W. W. Way. Pictures framed to order. Lacquer colors do not fade. Borwick, 211 Main. Tel. 4535. Mrs. O. D. Wheeler and children will leave today for Lake Okoboji to join Judge Wheeler for a two weeks' outing at Miller's bay.

Mrs. W. W. Sherman and some of South Seventh street left yesterday for a month's visit with her sister, Mrs. F. H. Evans, at Garden City, Kan. Mrs. B. F. Blum, formerly of this city.

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MAKE PURCHASES ON BIDS

Iowa Educational Boards Adopt Reform in Methods of Business.

CRITICISM NO LONGER HOLDS GOOD

Many Entries in Stock Classes at State Fair—Report on Iowa Fruit Crop—Politics in Iowa.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DEER MOINES, July 31.—(Special.)—An important innovation has just been adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Iowa State fair, which will be followed by similar innovations at all the state educational institutions, and this will go far towards putting a stop to agitation in favor of changing the system of control of the colleges. The trustees appointed a purchasing committee at the last meeting of the board to make all the purchases of materials of every kind used by the college and authority over all expenditures except as regards buildings and the salaries, with instructions that all purchases are to be made on competitive bids presented to the committee of the Iowa State fair.

The members of Pansy camp, Omaha, and Oakland, and other camps of the city, Royal Neighbors of America, will picnic Tuesday afternoon at Fairmount park. The picnic will be a very successful one and an exhibition drive in the evening at the meeting of Lily camp.

Meets Requirements of Law. MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., July 31.—(Special.)—The law passed by the last general assembly, requiring all fraternal insurances to be organized in the state to have at least 500 members before they could do business, caught in its grasp the newly organized Loyal Legion of Plymouth, an order with its headquarters in this city. When the law was passed the new order was far short of the required number, but a short time was granted by the state officials in which to build up the required number.

The officers and members went to work with a will, giving many earnest, hard efforts to keep the order up to its feet and build it up to the required strength. The necessary number was quickly secured and the lodge reorganized, each member being re-inured in the old order as originally started, and now it is fully authorized to do business as articles of incorporation were filed with County Recorder Evans yesterday. The principal place of business of the order is stated to be this city, although subordinate lodges have and will be established in the different cities of the middle west.

Gypsies Make Trouble. ONAWA, Ia., July 31.—(Special.)—A party of gypsies with three wagons undertook to hold up Mrs. Marion Davis west of town today while she was coming to Onawa. Mrs. Davis was badly frightened but managed to whip up her team and escape. Complaint was entered before Justice D. M. Rose and the outfit was moved. The gypsies claimed they only meant to beg and did not intend robbing. Justice Ross concluded they were at fault at any rate and the gang was fined \$150, which they paid and skipped, muttering curses loud and deep.

More Ditch Litigation. ONAWA, Ia., July 31.—(Special.)—Judge Addison Oliver, presiding, George A. Oliver, has added one more to the multiplicity of ditch suits in Monona county. The petition in equity filed yesterday is entitled Addison Oliver, plaintiff, vs. Monona County, and is for the purpose of quieting title to the east half of section 18 and the 1/2 of section 30, township 32, range 10, west, through which the Wattle ditch passes and is for the purpose of extinguishing any claim against the land for the cost of constructing the ditch.

Accidentally Shot in Leg. MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., July 31.—(Special.)—Yesterday afternoon E. R. Van Flech, a young man who lives near California Junction, suffered a serious accident. Together with a young companion he was shooting at a mark when one of the bullets intended for the bullseye became imbedded in his leg. He was taken to Gascon's hospital where he still remains.

Leaves Palpit for College. EAST HAMPTON, Mass., July 31.—Rev. J. D. Stoops today resigned the pastorate of the First Congregational church here. He has accepted a call to the chair of philosophy in Grinnell college, Iowa.

TURTLE WEIGHING 900 POUNDS

Monster Towed into a Massachusetts Port by a New Bedford Whaler.

J. I. Humphrey, Jr., who manages a cold storage plant at New Bedford, was here a few days ago on business with P. Berry & Sons. In the evening Police Commissioner Berry dropped in at Long Bros. and introduced Humphrey to John C. Long. References were made to the Maybrook branch of the Long business, and the inaudible mosquito fell under discussion. Mr. Humphrey listened to the stories attentively, remarking finally that he didn't know much about mosquitoes, but he could show a water nymph that would throw all their mosquito stories into the shade, declaring that he had at home a sea turtle that would tip the scales at about 900 pounds.

CLIMBS POLE TO SAVE CAT

Girl Shins Up the Tall Cedar and Brings Frightened Puss to the Ground.

When a black and white fox terrier chased a Mollie out two telegraph poles at Germantown and Stanton avenues, Philadelphia, and kept it there for nearly an hour the street became as dense with people as if the United States mint had begun to distribute samples of its gold coinage. More than 1,000 persons stood in the street and on the sidewalks and craned their necks watching the trembling pussie climb down from the top of the pole to the excited crowd below.

Nobody seemed to know how to bring the cat down. One man suggested that the feline be lassoed with a long rope and then hauled down, but this suggestion didn't meet with favor. Somebody else suggested that the pole be chopped down, another declared that the fire department ought to be called out to dislodge the cat with a good, heavy stream from a hose. An elderly woman wanted to "phone to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Matters were in this strait when Miss Ethel Sibley, a pretty young girl of 41 Woodland avenue, arrived.

"Why, what's the trouble?" she asked in a surprised voice. "Try up a telegraph pole? Well, I'll get him." She began to scramble up the pole while the crowd looked on in amazement. Straight toward the top she went. "Here, pussie, pussie, here, pussie," she said in a soothing voice as she reached the frightened animal. The young woman kept up her gentle purring and the cat stopped trembling. As she reached the top of the pole the cat made a spring and landed on Miss Sibley's shoulder. Then the young woman slowly descended while the crowd looked on. When she reached the ground the cat sprang from her shoulder and scurried off. Among the crowd that had been watching for nearly an hour walked foolishly away.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Boys or Girls? ST. LOUIS, July 31.—One of the interesting features in the Agriculture building at the World's fair, St. Louis, is the guessing contest at the Mellin's Food booth. Among the hundreds of baby pictures in this booth there are twenty pictures of boys and girls. The difficulty is to know which is

a boy and which is a girl. Thousands are guessing and are trying to get the \$250 offered by the Mellin's Food company for the one who correctly guesses the boys and girls in the pictures. There are two very handsome oil paintings in the exhibit from the Paris salon and some marble statues, but the guessing contest is the popular attraction.

ORIGIN OF COPPER COMBINE

Tommy Lawson Tells How the Trick Was Turned and Where the Public Came In.

The great Anaconda mine, and affiliated properties, previous to the creation of the Amalgamated, were owned by J. B. Haggis, Lloyd Tevis and Marcus Daly. The control of the properties and their operations were absolutely vested in Marcus Daly, and he alone knew where the lean veins ended and the fat ones began. Deep down in his mind Marcus Daly cherished a dream—a dream of immense riches, and it was to be realized in a simple enough way. He should get together the millions to buy out his partners on a basis of the valuation of the "see in sight," then in supreme ownership himself, reap untold profits out of the milling of the plethoric veins he had been so careful to leave unworked.

Mr. Daly met Henry H. Rogers. The miser confided his dreams and his aspirations to the magnate, who at once magnificently undertook to realize them. The trade was almost instantly made. Mr. Rogers would buy the properties of Daly, Haggis and Tevis at "in sight" prices, and Daly would be his partner, but the partnership must remain secret until the purchase was consummated.

The ownership of the Anaconda company at the time consisted of 1,200,000 shares, with the purchase of a few shares over the majority of the "in sight" lean vein valuation of \$24,000,000, would carry the turnover of the management and the control. It took but a very brief time to get together the other properties which were finally included in the first section of Amalgamated. They consisted of the Colorado, Washoe and Parrot Mining companies, and timber, coal and other lands, and mercantile and like properties situated in the state of Montana, for which Mr. Rogers paid in round figures \$2,000,000, a total of \$26,000,000, for what within a few days after the purchase was capitalized at \$75,000,000 in the Amalgamated company.—T. W. Lawson in Everybody's Magazine.

The World's Fair.

A bachelor never seems so full of gratitude as when he thinks of the girls who have refused to marry him.

Another cause for race suicide may be that children are not admitted to membership in women's clubs.

If it is true that the greatest happiness is in having enough, the man with seven daughters should be ever so joyful.

It doesn't worry a girl nearly so much to be courted by the wrong man as it does to be courted by the right man.

It is sometimes the case that those who marry in haste are the least likely to repent it.—Cincinnati Tribune.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Warmer Today for Nebraska and Fair Tuesday—Fair and Colder for Iowa.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Forecast for Monday and Tuesday: For Nebraska—Fair, Monday and warmer in the northwest portion; Tuesday fair.

For Iowa—Fair Monday; cooler in the east and south portions; Tuesday fair, warmer.

For Missouri—Fair Monday, except showers and thunder storms, and not so warm in the south portion; Tuesday, fair.

For Colorado—Fair in west; showers and thunderstorms in eastern portion; Tuesday, fair and warmer in east portion.

For South Dakota—Fair and warmer Monday; Tuesday, fair.

For Kansas—Fair in north, showers in south portion Monday; Tuesday, fair.

Local Record. OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, July 31.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the past three years.

Table with columns for Year, Maximum, Minimum, Mean, Precipitation, and Normal. Rows include Omaha, Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, Rapid City, Huron, Williston, St. Paul, St. Louis, Kansas City, Davenport, Des Moines, Helena, Bismarck, and Saltwater.

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VENEZUELA AWARD SIGNED

Umpire of Italian Commission Completes His Labors.

DISPOSES OF CLAIMS FOR 360 CITIZENS

Aggregate Awards for Damages Sustained by Italian Citizens During the War Cut Down to \$600,000.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Jackson H. Rolston of this city has just signed his final award as umpire of the Italian-Venezuelan commission and this completes the labors of all the recent Venezuelan mixed commissions. About 360 claims, aggregating \$2,000,000, were filed with the Italian commission, there being many more Italian claimants than for any other nationality and the aggregate awards were about \$600,000.

Many questions of doubtful citizenship came before the commission and the umpire held in all cases of differences between Venezuelan and Italian laws that the law of domicile in the claimant after the time of birth should control. The largest claim presented was that of the Cervia heirs for over \$3,000,000. The original claimant was born in Sicily, but passed a large part of his life in Venezuela, going abroad at different periods in various capacities for that country. The umpire held that according to the law of his native land he had forfeited his original citizenship by his diplomatic employment and his heirs therefore could not be heard before the Italian commission.

Another case of importance was that of the Martini company, which held a concession of the paper blockade, or blockade from Guanta in Barcelona. The company claimed \$1,800,000 because of interference with business by the paper blockade and the seizure of the harbor of Guanta, etc.

Among the Large Claims. The umpire held that under the terms of the concession the port should have remained and the paper blockade, or blockade by proclamation only, was illegal and that Venezuela was liable for damages directly resultant therefrom granting the company \$35,000.

A claim of \$60,000 was presented by the Foggiola, who had been merchants in the state of Los Andes. The Foggiola claimed they had been assaulted, that their assailants, by connivance of the authorities escaped punishment, and that their extensive properties had been destroyed through the joint action of the authorities and private individuals, none of the parties engaged in such destruction being punished and personal protection being practically refused. The umpire held that under the circumstances of the case, Venezuela was legally liable for the wrongdoing of her officials and granted an award of \$107,000.

Several cases of expulsion from Venezuela came before the commission. The umpire recognized the governmental right of expulsion, but found in particular instances that it had exercised in disregard of the law and granted damages. For the unlawful killing of two Italians by or in the presence of the authorities, the government officials, awards of \$5,000 and \$10,000 were given.

Responsibility of Venezuela. The question most debated before the commission was as to the responsibility of Venezuela for the acts of unscrupulous revolutionists. The umpire, following many precedents, held in a number of cases that such responsibility did not exist.

In several cases of contract where the concession had provided that all questions of interpretation and execution should be referred to the Venezuelan courts for settlement and none in a number of cases that an individual claimant could not contract away the right of his government diplomatically to present a claim and that the commission had jurisdiction. In several cases Venezuela had collected a second time taxes on land to a de facto revolutionary government, but in the umpire's opinion such payment was held illegal and refund was ordered.

Mr. Rolston held barred by lapse and in conformity with the principles underlying prescription claims for damages which had not been presented to Venezuela for thirty years after the alleged occurrence.

Interest at the rate of 3 per cent per annum, the legal rate in Venezuela in the absence of the contract, was allowed in claims from the date of presentation to the Venezuelan government or the commission, January 1, 1904. The government will soon publish a complete report of the decisions of all the Venezuelan commissions.

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