

GENERAL BYERS TO RETIRE

Change in Office of Adjutant General Comes with the New Year.

CAPTAIN THRIFT OF DUBUQUE STEPS IN

Old Battle Flags of Iowa Regiments to be Placed on the First Floor of the Capitol Building—Soldier of Revolution.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Melvin H. Byers, for a number of years adjutant general of Iowa, will be succeeded the first of the year by Captain William H. Thrift of Dubuque.

General Byers, the retiring adjutant general, was a soldier in an Iowa regiment during the war of the rebellion, and for many years engaged in business in Glenwood, Mills county. He became connected with the Glenwood military company many years ago and always took an active part in guard affairs.

During the administration of Governor Jackson, when a controversy arose in the guard as to who should be adjutant general and the bitterness engendered promised to disrupt the organization, General Byers was selected as active part in guard affairs.

Captain William H. Thrift of Dubuque, who is to become head of the guard, is probably the officer in the guard of longest continuous service, or practically in continuous service, for many years at the head of the company at Dubuque and went with the company to Cuba.

Will Remove Battle Flags. A committee of the department of Iowa, Grand Army of the Republic, held a conference with Governor Cummins today in the matter of moving the Iowa battle flags.

Begin the Guard Inspection. Major Jerald A. Olmsted, U. S. A., retired, who represents the regular army in detail with the state guards, received orders today from General Bates to make the regular army inspection of all the guard companies of Iowa at once.

Des Moines May be Appointed. Des Moines friends of former Secretary of State G. L. Dubois have been working to assist in recommending him to President Roosevelt for appointment to a place in the consular service.

Another Revolutionary Soldier. Another soldier of the revolution has been found in Iowa, or the grave of Nathan Winton, who lies buried in Mount Pleasant cemetery, Salt Creek township, Davis county.

ONAWA, Court at Onawa. The Onawa county district court convened yesterday, in special session, Judge Wakefield presiding. The ditch cases, which were expected to come up, were temporarily sidetracked by the 340 cow case of Glenn against Beaman.

Holiday Rates. Via the Missouri Pacific the points in Arkansas, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri, etc., very low rates for round trip.

Through Sleeper. From Kansas City to Hot Springs, Ark., without change via Missouri Pacific and Union Mountain route.

SPORTS OF A DAY.

EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS

Two Long Shots Win at Ascut Park—Bad Day for Favorites. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Rain rather heavy at Ascut today and only one favorite on the card was successful.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Results at Oakland: First race, five and a half furlongs: Tommie won, Flo Manolis second, Bob Elder third.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.—Results: First race, six furlongs: St. Sever won, Little Jack Horner second, Dalseman third.

GAME GOES TO WESLEYAN BOYS

Highland Park Loses by Technical Decision. Manager Cherrington of the Wesleyan University basketball team received word Thursday afternoon from the Amateur Athletic union, stating that the disputed goal made in the game between Highland Park and Wesleyan should not count.

REGAN KNOCKED OUT BY ATTELL. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—After battling Monte Attell of St. Francisco in a standing bout during the first nine rounds of what was to have been a twenty-round bout, Johnny Regan was knocked out by Attell in the sixteenth round.

Pat Cannon Makes Deposit. The following communication from Pat Cannon to Peter Loch is self-explanatory: In reply to Manager Loch's acceptance of my challenge for a wrestling match, in which he objects to the stakeholder, will say that I have this date deposited with Charles A. Lewis, 1809 Harper street, a forfeit of \$2 for a match with Clarence English, sold match to take place within thirty days from date.

Contest for Post Trophy. OHIOWA, Neb., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—On December 22 there will be a match shoot here the title of the post trophy between L. E. Reed of this place and C. E. Williams of Hamsco, Colo.

Holiday Low Rates. To accommodate holiday travelers the Union Pacific has placed in effect a rate of one fare plus 50 cents for the round trip.

Americans in Yacht Race. BERLIN, Dec. 22.—The Lokal Anzeiger, in a dispatch from Kehl, says the Imperial yacht club announces the following list of entries for the Transatlantic race: Schomberg, Aquilina, Schwonneker, Geisler, Thielie, Robert E. Tod, Ariel, Francis L. Leland, Hillegarde, Edward H. Coleman, Aquilina, Schwonneker, John W. Masury, Intrepid, Lloyd Phoenix, Ariadne, Henry W. Taylor, Jr., Sloops: Constitution, August Belmont and others; Columbia, J. Pierpont Morgan.

NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

Special Offerings Are Made for the Seekers for Suitable Gifts.

RICH BINDINGS AND ILLUSTRATIONS RULE

Magazines as well as books take on the air of the glad Christmas time, with stories appropriate for the season.

The children's holiday books are more pretty and gorgeous than ever, and are certainly masterpieces of the artists' imagination. "When Little Boys Sing," by John R. Carpenter, an elaborate book of songs, with words, music and pictures, appropriate to this season. Published by A. C. McClurg & Co., "Hobby Horse Fair," by Augustus L. Jackson, in which the boys and girls all attend the wonderful fair, and drive and ride the hobby horses. Each verse begins with a bright red letter, alphabetically arranged, and the print is all "caps," just as the "3-year-old" would write.

"The Little Giant, the Big Dwarf and Two Other Wonder Tales," are by Thomas Dunn English, with beautiful pictures in black and white by Lucy Fitch Perkins. Boys and girls, from 8 to 10, will enjoy the little tales of a queer, and as there is no public school near a private class is organized, with Mrs. Grayson, who was once the governess of Dorothy's mamma. The happiness that comes to Dorothy and her companions makes a most charming story. Published by Lee & Shepard.

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"The Little Gray House," by Marton Ames Taggart, author of the "Wyndham Girls." "The Little Gray House" shelters a flock of delightfully dear young people, boys and girls, who have splendid good sense, but when disaster strikes the home and the family fortune is shattered, they show the real stuff they are made of, by the way they meet their ill luck, keep heart in spite of it, and finally get the best of it. Published by McClure, Phillips & Co.

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and nature for its themes. The hero falls in love with a marvelous voice, never guessing that it belongs to the daughter of a neighboring farmer. The country neighbors with their peculiarities give touches of both humor and pathos to this sweet story. Each chapter is headed by a few lines of appropriate music. Published by Little, Brown & Co.

"Fata Morgana," by Andre Castaigne, is a story of the fascination of Paris' Latin quarter. The reader is given a taste of motoring and yachting, even insurrection and turbulent trucks out in Morgana, where the last curtain falls on the characters, and all the love affairs are settled for good or ill. Published by the Century company.

"Kitty of the Roses," by Ralph Henry Barbour, is just such a love story as will please a young girl. There is a lovely garden, beautiful white gowns, lavender ribbons, fresh roses and best of all a young man, who peeps through the fence and finally becomes acquainted, but it must be left to the reader to find out how this all came about. J. B. Lippincott company, publishers.

"Snowfall Folk," by Robert E. Peary, is a very handsome book of the Eskimos, the bears, the dogs, the musk oxen and other dwellers in the frozen north. It is profusely illustrated by engravings of photographs by Commander Peary and of drawings by Albert Optert. Frederick E. Stokes Company, publishers.

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WOMAN IN CLUB AND CHARITY

Club women, like all other women, are too much occupied with Christmas preparation just now to give much thought to meetings except where these meetings are a part of the Christmas preparation. Most of the departments of the Omaha Woman's club have suspended meetings until after the holidays and there will be a full during the coming fortnight.

Thursday evening to be given next Thursday evening to the members of the Nebraska State teachers' association, and Friday afternoon the Women's Christian Temperance union will give a reception at the First Congregational church that their members may meet the state union officers, who will hold a session here December 29, and Mrs. Mary Hart, national superintendent of scientific temperance, who comes here as one of the speakers on the teachers' program. The Young Women's Christian association will hold its annual New Year's reception and the Women's club its annual reception and musical evening of January 3 at the First Congregational church. This practically constitutes the calendar for the next two weeks.

Interest in the work of the Colorado Cliff Dwellers association is beginning to extend in a manner most gratifying to the women who have so long worked for the preservation of these pre-historic relics. A chapter of the association has recently been formed in New York, with Mrs. Donald McLean as vice regent. The object of the chapter is to extend the influence and work of the main organization in disseminating information concerning the Pueblo ruins in the effort to have them protected by the government.

The National Society of New England Women of New York is one of the many women's organizations that will embrace the opportunities of the holiday season to increase or establish scholarship funds. Next Tuesday these women will give a tea for the benefit of their fund, which already supports one young woman in college. From every state comes reports of tea, luncheons and various other benefits given by women's clubs or societies that

will make possible an education to some young woman to whom such advantages would otherwise be denied. Some of the federations are supporting as many as six or eight such enterprises.

The work of the New Century club of Philadelphia has received distinct recognition in the recent order from the Department of the Interior for fifty copies of a book recently compiled by it which deals with the laws that concern children in every state in the union. According to a Philadelphia paper, a letter was read at a recent meeting from a prominent official of the department speaking in terms of highest praise of the club's work and recognizing it as a valuable aid. It is this sort of recognition that encourages women to continue "taking themselves seriously."

The program of the musical department of the Woman's club to have been presented this morning has been postponed until after the holidays.

The next meeting of the Tuesday Morning Musical will be held January 17 at the home of Mrs. L. F. Crofoot.

Important Change of Time. By Rock Island system effective Sunday, December 26, 1904, on and after which date train now leaving Omaha eastbound at 12:01, noon, except Sunday, will leave at 11:35 a. m., except Sunday, and train now leaving Omaha westbound at 5:15 p. m., daily, will leave at 4:35 p. m. daily. F. P. RUTHERFORD, D. P. A.

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