

# CURRENT NEWS OF IOWA

## COUNCIL BLUFFS

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## CHANGES IN HIGH SCHOOL

Prof. C. C. Colby Will Retire from Faculty on Account of Ill Health.

ROBERT SWAINE WILL SUCCEED HIM

He Is a Graduate of Council Bluffs High School and Also of the Iowa State Uni-

versity.

E. E. Colby of the high school faculty has tendered his resignation and will retire from the position of Instructor in mathematics and American history at the end of the present semester. His health brought on by closer confinement in the school room and the lack of work which will permit him to be out of doors have induced Mr. Colby to send in his resignation. He will remove with his family to Waterloo, Ia., where he will take editorial charge of an agricultural paper published there.

It is announced that Mr. Colby will be succeeded by Robert Swaine, a graduate of the Council Bluffs high school and the University of Iowa. Mr. Swaine, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swaine of this city, graduated from the State university last year. At the university, as was the case when in the high school here, Mr. Swaine won prominence as a debater and was selected to lead in the contest against Minnesota last year. Since graduating from the State university Mr. Swaine has been engaged as teacher of history in the high school at Red Oak and also has had charge of the debating teams there. At the State university he specialized in history and civics. His appointment it is understood, will be made at the meeting of the Board of Education tomorrow night.

## Deaths and Funerals.

The funeral of the late Blanchard B. Atten, who died at Wallace, Idaho, from injuries received in the Hecla mine, held yesterday afternoon from the family residence on Glen avenue, was attended by a large gathering of friends of the deceased and the bereaved family. The services were conducted by Rev. James O'Malley of the Broadway Methodist church, assisted by Rev. W. H. Clommer of the First Christian church. The Dodge Light Guards, of which deceased was formerly a member, attended in uniform and fired a volley over the grave in Fairview cemetery.

The funeral of the late Frederick Herman, the veteran contractor, held yesterday afternoon from the residence of his son-in-law, J. Gardner, on Washington avenue, was attended by many of the older citizens of the city, eight of whom acted as pall bearers. The services were conducted by Rev. Harver Hosteller, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church. The funeral tributes were many and beautiful. Interment was in Fairview cemetery, the body being followed to the grave by a long cortage.

Friends desiring to view the body of the late Henry Robinson can do so at the family residence, 49 West Broadway, this morning between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock. The funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock at St. Paul's Episcopal church and interment will be in Walnut Hill cemetery. The services will be conducted by Rev. H. W. Starr.

## Find No Trace of Ryan.

The authorities so far have failed to secure any trace of Jack Ryan, the youthful bandit who shot Bartenders McSorley and robbed John Doody's saloon Friday evening. Joe Murray, who was said to have been a companion of Ryan and who was arrested at Pacific Junction in mistake for Ryan, was released yesterday by Chief Richmond. Murray convinced the police that while he was acquainted with Ryan he was not in any way implicated in the saloon holdup. Friday, neither did he know anything concerning Ryan's whereabouts or in what direction he left the city.

It is known that at least three hours after shooting McSorley and robbing the saloon, Ryan went to the restaurant on South Main street formerly conducted by Shawler and where he had been employed as cook, secured the keys to Shawler's rooms over 101 Main street, where he packed his suit case. When last seen he was making for the railroad yards.

Word was received by the police yesterday morning from Missouri Valley that a young fellow answering the description of Ryan was under arrest there. Detective Callahan went to Missouri Valley, but found that the fellow under arrest was named Allen and not the man wanted.

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## Annual Reports of Mercy and St. Vincent's hospitals for 1905 just completed give the following statistics:

Mercy Hospital—Patients January 1, 1905, 52; admitted during year, 58; births, 12; deaths, 21; operations, 401; number of patients January 1, 1905, 73.

Hospital—Number of patients January 1, 1905, 52; females, 36; total, 157. Admitted during year, males, 149; females, 182; total, 331. Deaths, males, 102; females, 120; total, 222. Number of patients January 1, 1905, males, 68; females, 106; total, 172.

St. Mary's Home for Young Women, conducted by the Sisters of Mercy, has forty.

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## LAW MAKING THIS WEEK

Committees of Iowa Legislature Have a Number of Bills Ready to Report.

## INSURANCE MEASURES COMING UP

Address of Ex-Governor Larnarbee Saturday Is Serving to Boost the Anti-Pass Bill.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Jan. 21.—(Special)—It is confidently expected that the legislature in the coming week will get down to business in dead earnest. The judiciary committee in both houses has reported a number of measures and recommended their passage and other committees are expected to report the coming week. These reports will form the basis for making up calendars in each house and by the close of the week, at least, debates will be in order. Among the committees that will get down to work in the coming week will be the committee on insurance in each house and bills will be reported. These will include some of the most important bills of the session and the ones that will attract principal attention will be a uniform policy and valued policies. The committee on elections in the senate will report the Crossley primary election bill and a date will be fixed for its debate. The caucuses for the nomination of candidates to the vacancies on the boards of the educational institutions will be called and the resolution which Senator Gale intended to introduce Saturday striking the word "male" from the constitution will be introduced probably Monday. The preliminaries are now well out of the way and real business will begin Monday.

Boast for Anti-Pass Bill.

The address of Governor William Larabee Saturday is serving as a boost to the anti-pass bill. The ex-governor did not mince words in saying that the anti-pass bill would be enacted. There is no doubt but the aged statesman has a very strong following in the state at this time. He was the foremost of the granger movement of many years ago and the political battles of today are described as nothing in comparison with the times when Larabee was the executive. The fact that Governor Larabee has spoken against the pass system is sufficient for many people.

Work for Tuberculosis Hospital.

An greater effect than this advocacy of the anti-pass bill was the statements of Governor Larabee in favor of the tuberculosis hospital. It is now understood that the tuberculosis hospital had a very small amount of money at this time available for legislative appropriations. Governor Larabee urged the necessity of the hospital so earnestly upon the legislature that considerable more attention will be given to the matter than was at first expected. It is more than likely that at least sufficient ground will be purchased now, leaving to future legislatures the business of providing buildings, but if the ground is once purchased for the hospital, the buildings will be erected beyond doubt.

Carroll in the East.

B. F. Carroll, state auditor, is in the east appearing with other state auditors and insurance commissioners to consider the report of a committee of the national association on the condition of the big companies at New York.

Bowler Has Membraneous Croup.

Representative Seeler of Linn county was大道 gone last night to have membraneous croup at the Chamberlain hotel in this city, where he is staying. He was isolated, as it was feared at first that he had diphtheria.

Physicians are giving him every attention and hopes are entertained that he will recover speedily.

Child Labor Bill.

The child labor bill introduced Saturday is the bill drafted by the committee of citizens of the state that was raised for that purpose. The bill will be pushed in the senate by Dowell and in the house by Calderwood. It provides that no child shall be employed in a factory, mine, bowling alley, mill workshop, laundry or mercantile establishment where five or more persons are employed while school is in session unless the child for that year has been in school five months and can read and write, and no child under 16 years can be employed unless it is at least five feet high and weighs eighty pounds. The bill further provides that lists of children employed must be furnished to the school authorities and truant officers and is very stringent as to kinds of employment at which children can be employed. It limits the hours to ten of any one day and the day must not begin before 7 or last longer than 8 o'clock in the evening. At least half an hour must be furnished for noon lunch and girls under 16 years cannot be employed at work requiring them to stand continually.

Will Oppose Measure.

In one of the bills introduced last week the employers of labor have discovered something to fight and they propose to make every effort to defeat it. This is the bill providing that a workman, after he notifies his employer that his work or the place where he works is dangerous, does not assume the risk of continuing in such employment. The bill is one of the shortest introduced at this session. It is but a few lines and amends the code by adding about three lines. All the big corporations came on to Des Moines at once to fight the measure. The railroads especially are opposed to it. It became necessary to postpone action on the bill in order to give the opponents a chance to be heard on the proposition.

New Social Club.

MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., Jan. 21.—(Special)—A new society club of young women has been organized here called the Alpha Zeta Law Society, with the following officers: President, Ada Braggle; vice president, Nellie Rourke; secretary, Josephine Johnson; treasurer, Anna Adams; social editor, Helen Noyes.

Business Change at Red Oak.

RED OAK, Ia., Jan. 21.—(Special)—W. F. Conley, who has been in the restaurant business for a number of years in this place, sold out to H. J. Fisher of this city. Stevens has bought the Star laundry from Pierson Bros. Mr. Stevens will take possession February 1.

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Alleged Forger is Arrested.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 21.—(Special)—A forger was received tonight that Alfred W. Bernheimer, prominent real estate dealer of this city who has been missing since February 2, 1904, and who is wanted on charges of

forgery and embezzlement, is under arrest in San Francisco and will be brought back to St. Louis. It is charged that Syrett forged bills given to Bernheimer for duplicate estate mortgages to the amount of \$20,000 and that he embezzled funds placed in his charge.

## INDICTMENT OF THE PACKERS

Some Suggestive Sideights Contained in a Live Stock Commission Firm's Letter.

The long and short of the above matter is that the packers are indicted at Chicago for making a success of a legitimate business. The effect will be, and already is, first, to hamper their operations and hurt the market for both beef and cattle, and, second, to make indictment and statutory crime impossible in this country with all the long trains of evil incident to such responsibility.

The big packers may not have been always wise in what they have said or did not say. They, of course, have the ordinary human limitations, including selfishness, especially of men who have lived and striven intensely for the accomplishment of a single material purpose, but I submit that it is utterly impossible to conduct a large business, except as they have done it, with regard to competitors. Large interests cannot afford to fight each other and they cannot be made to do so by statutory enactment.

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To illustrate: Suppose a law were passed (we believe there is such a law) making it a crime for railways to agree on a rate of transportation from Kansas City to St. Louis. Does any one suppose that the four independent lines connecting the two cities would not have an understanding, tacit or otherwise, just the same? Otherwise, a war would be precipitated that could end only in the extinction of all, except one, as an independent property, and the war would be ended by the foolish destruction of the combatants rather than by the wisdom of peace, but the war would be ended. The big packers sell meat, the railroads sell transportation; that is the only difference.

There has been more foolish, incendiary and even revolutionary things said and written on the beef combine lately than on any other one subject. The packers have been lampooned, baited, harpooned, cartooned and pilloried, even by respectable and otherwise sane people. The only explanation I can think of is that the business deals with the concerns of the stomach, a very sensitive and irritating avenue of feeling with men in all the various vocations of life.

The government, under pressure, instituted a thorough investigation. It covered a period of two years. All the financial and cerebral resources of the government were drawn upon to conduct this investigation. The result has been published broadcast, and its correctness has never been successfully disputed. The chit of the report was published in these columns. It is: First, that the packers' profits are being invested in the form of live stock market operations; second, that their total operations cover only a minority percentage of the entire industry. The original "big four" has been increased to "big six," but there are still over 800 concerns in business, but not under indictment. Any interest that is to be impressed with the large amount of independent buying, the business is open to the world, and is participated in by almost the whole world when the temperature is right. The packers only advantage is the very large capital and experience and ingenuity required. With these they have in twenty years revolutionized the industry; they have educated consumption and created demand. This is conspicuously illustrated by what has happened in the sheep markets in recent years.

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