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YOUNG man 30 years old, wants to travel
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NEWS OF INTEREST FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS

Office, 10 Pearl St. Tel. 43.

CHECK TO HANNAN'S PLANS

Federal Court Rules Against Him on His Claim to Cut-Off Land.
LOSES OUT ON EVERY POINT RAISED

No Contract with State and Land Not Withholding Meaning of Law Under Which He Sought to Secure Title.

Judge Smith McPherson handed down an important ruling yesterday while in the city in three of the actions in federal court arising out of the attempt of Charles R. Hannan, formerly president of the First National bank of this city, now of Boston, to purchase 1,000 or more acres in Cut-Off from the state of Iowa under the law empowering the state to dispose of all abandoned river beds, lakes and islands in the waters of the Missouri.

Hannan claimed that the property which he sought to purchase from the state under this law formerly was the bed of the Missouri river and accretions to an island in the river, prior to the changing of its course in 1871, and not an accretion to either bank. The law under which Hannan sought to purchase was passed in 1904, but two years later a new law was passed repealing the act of 1904 and providing that any person or corporation having possession of the lands for five years, paying taxes upon them and making improvements upon them, should have the first privilege of buying from the state at an appraised value.

Judge McPherson's ruling yesterday was on the demurrer of Hannan in the three suits brought by John A. Creighton, the Omaha Bridge and Terminal company and Carr and others to enjoin Hannan and Secretary of State Martin from further proceedings in the matter of surveying the land in controversy or attempting the purchase and sale of it.

Hannan on his part set up the contention that the act of 1906 was unconstitutional in that it impaired the obligation of contract, while on the other hand the plaintiffs in the three suits claimed that there had been no contract.

In his opinion Judge McPherson dwelt at length on what constituted a contract and wherein it had been shown that Hannan had fallen short of the acceptance necessary to complete a contract. The court further held that the act sought by Hannan was not within the act granting the state the right to sell and again that the act was repealed by the act of 1906.

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Where Verse and Lumber Go Together
If you want to buy lumber, wood, etc. by it just right, then it is up to you to see Hafs. His lumber is the best, it stands every test and you get just what you pay for. The cat scratches out to all, come on, no price is safer. If you want to get your money's worth follow those that trade at Hafs.

CENTRAL FLOUR, 8.5 PER SACK
EVERY BAG WARRANTED. CENTRAL GROCERY AND MEAT MARKET, PHONES 24.

MANY INSPECT THE NEW HOSPITAL
Said to be One of Most Modern in Iowa.

The new Jennie Edmondson Memorial hospital, which was thrown open yesterday afternoon and evening for the inspection of the public by the Woman's Christian association, was visited by a large number of people, especially during the evening hours. The building, which is three stories and basement high and contains thirty rooms for patients in addition to reception, operating and other rooms, as well as quarters for the nurses and attendants, was much admired by the visitors, although only part of it is at present furnished.

The furnishings of the rooms thus far equipped have been donated by private individuals and business firms of the city. The association expects to complete the furnishing within the next week, and be able to remove the patients from the old hospital to the new building some time during the next week. The equipment of the new hospital is of the most modern and up-to-date character and, as one of the medical directors said last evening, "as good as in a new hospital."

J. D. Edmondson, formerly of this city, now a resident of Des Moines, made it possible for the Woman's Christian association to erect this magnificent building by contributing the necessary funds as a Northwestern freight, backing south, struck the end of one of three cars which were being switched on the Illinois Central track. The caboose of the Northwestern train struck the Illinois Central car in the center, turning it over and against the bridge beams. The caboose at one end was lifted

off its trucks and was more or less damaged where it struck the freight car. A switchman, who was standing on the top of the Illinois Central car, jumped as the cars came together and the force of the collision threw him about thirty feet, but he managed to land on his feet and escaped injury.

Twenty Per Cent Discount.
Odds and ends of granite walls, all this week. See our window. Swaine & Mason, 124 and 126 E-way.

Clock repairing. O. Mauthe, 228 W. E-way.

No Water Works Committee.
There was no conference yesterday between the special water works committee of the city council and Manager Hart of the water works company as had been expected. Councilman Knudsen is still laid up with his injured knee. Councilman Wallace, chairman of the committee, held a conference in Omaha with W. Kiersted, the expert engineer employed by the city, and it is said that Mr. Kiersted will come here as soon as possible to meet Mr. Alvord, the engineer employed by the water works company, and go over their respective reports with a view to trying to reconcile the differences in their figures. Mr. Kiersted is engaged at present on the approval of the Kearney (Neb.) water works plant and that accounted for his presence in Omaha yesterday.

New Location of Wholesale Bakery, 216 Myrtle Street, Council Bluffs, Ia. Home-Made Bread a Specialty. Visitors Welcome.

Last Day of Sale at Wilcox's Boston Ferns. Nice, bushy 75c plants for 45c for balance of this week. Special Sale. This week only, 1,000 beautiful Cyclamen plants, in full bloom and plenty of buds. Will bloom for several weeks. All sizes and colors. Also Chinese Primulas and Primula Obconica with a mass of flowers. These blooming plants for 15c to \$1.00. Make your selection early. Visitors and Purchasers Equally Welcome. 521 BROADWAY. Both Phones 99.

INCREASE IN COMMISSION
Bill to Add Two Members to Board Which Fixes the Railway Rates.
HOUSE GOES ON RECORD AGAINST DELAYS

Woman Who Has Been Condemned for Charge of Murdering Baby Farm in Des Moines Arrested on Charge of Murdering a Child.

DEB MOINES, Ia., Feb. 1.—(Special Telegram)—The bill to increase the number of members of the railroad commission may be introduced tomorrow. It is being prepared by Grier of Poweshiek county and adds two members to the commission, the appointments to be made by the governor and for a period of but one or two years. It is expected that the bill will be completed and ready for introducing in the house tomorrow morning. The first intention was to add four members to the commission. The intention is that with the added members appointed by the governor a majority of seven members to go home over Sunday. McAllister moved to amend it to adjourn till tomorrow morning. The speaker urged the house to stick to business and indicated that was what the members were sent here for. The house passed the amendments to go home over Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Three insurance bills were passed in the house today. One requires life insurance companies to preserve vouchers for all expenditures of \$100 or over, another allows fraternal accident companies to do business in Iowa and the third furnishes a plan whereby assessment companies incorporate on a legal reserve basis. Aside from these the active in both houses was confined to introducing bills.

Bills Introduced.
In the House—By Grier, providing that the Senate shall not reverse the action of the district court; Calkins, requiring county treasurers to be responsible for personal taxes unless they give the account to the sheriff to collect; Blathy, appropriating \$500 for the erection of a woman's reformatory at Des Moines; Jones, a

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Arrest Baby Farm Proprietor.
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PALACE GROCERY. BOTH PHONES—251. 620 BROADWAY. SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY

- For Saturday only we will sell all Flour, per sack... \$1.00
Cane Sugar, 21 pounds... \$1.00
Hand-Picked Navy Beans, 7 lbs. for... 25c
Boda Crackers, per lb... 5c
Oyster Crackers, per lb... 5c
Japan Rice, 4 1/2 lbs... 25c
Ginger Snaps, per pound... 5c
2-lb. can Sweet Corn... 5c
Grape Sugar Flakes, per pkg... 7c
Pearl Hominy, 10 lbs... 25c
Sour Pickles, per doz... 5c
Navel Oranges, each... 1c
2-lb. can Peaches, each... 10c
20c Can Salmon, each... 10c
Shredded Wheat Biscuit, per pkg. for... 10c

ORVIS MARKET AND GROCERY. Both Phones 46. 557 Broadway. SATURDAY ONLY
Armour's Skinned Hams, per pound... 12 1/2c
Sirloin Steak, per pound... 10c
Armour's Flotilla Bath Soap, 2 bars... 5c
Armour's Woodchuck Soap, 10 bars... 25c
Fine, Large Prunes, 3 lbs. for... 25c
Orvis' Best Flour, sack \$1
Pork Roast, per lb... 11c
3-lb. can Tomatoes, each, for... 10c
Bacon, per pound... 12 1/2c
Seeded Raisins, 2 lbs... 25c
Pot Roast, per lb... 5c
Cheese, per pound... 15c
Boiling Beef, per lb... 4c
Good Coffee, per lb... 15c
Sausage, link or bulk, three pounds... 25c
Tea Dust, 2 pounds... 25c
Soda or Oyster Crackers, per pound... 5c
Navy Beans, 8 pounds... 25c
Fancy Apples, per pk... 20c

Central Grocery and Meat Market. Both Phones 24 600-602 Broadway. SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY
We have just received 100 sacks of Fresh Cornmeal, both white or yellow, which we will sell, per sack... 10c
35c can Dunkley's Table Peaches, per can... 15c
Fresh Dressed Spring Chickens, per lb... 11 1/2c
35c can Dunkley's Bartlett Pears, can... 15c
Breakfast Bacon, in strips, per pound... 12 1/2c
50c grade uncolored Japan Tea, per pound... 25c
Spare Ribs, per lb... 8 1/2c
Pottawatamie Corn, per can... 5c
Frankfort Sausage, per lb, for... 7 1/2c
Fresh Country Butter, per pound... 25c
Solid packed Oysters, per quart... 35c
TRY OUR CENTRAL FLOUR, per sack... \$1.05 EVERY SACK WARRANTED