

THE NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA

COUNCIL BLUFFS

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MINOR MENTION.

David, drugs. Stockert sells carpets. Fine engravings at Lefferts. Ed Rogers' Tony Faust beer. See Schmidt's elegant new photos.

BLOOMER ASKS TRACKAGE

Also Requests Permission to Fret Flat-form Over the Sidewalk.

DAMAGE SUIT RESULTS FROM BIG FIRE

Councilman Maloney Gets Warrant for Twenty Cents for Hour's Work Shoveling Dirt Last Summer in Indian Creek.

R. H. Bloomer, on behalf of the Bloomer Ice and Cold Storage company, which proposes erecting this year a six-story brick building on Fourth street and Twelfth avenue, appeared before the city council last night with a request that the company be permitted to build a platform four feet in height over the sidewalk on Fourth street and on Twelfth avenue, adjoining the proposed building, and that the Burlington railroad be granted a right-of-way for a single spur track with switches, etc., from Twelfth avenue north on Fourth street for the length of the building.

The annual statistical report of the library for the year ending December 31, 1906, shows that the cost of maintenance had been \$6,954.40, and that there was a balance in the treasury on January 1, 1907, of \$4,833.55. The largest item of expense was salaries, \$2,800. The amount expended on new books was only \$274.54, while \$619.25 was spent in binding magazines and books.

Declines to Remit Taxes.

The petition of A. Metzger & Co. for the remission of taxes on its new bakery plant on Myrtle street under the ordinance permitting the council to remit taxes for five years to new enterprises locating in the city, was denied, the judiciary committee, to which it had been referred, holding that the bakery was not a new enterprise such as contemplated by the ordinance, but merely an enlargement of the company's former plant.

After considerable discussion City Solicitor Kimball was instructed to appeal to the supreme court the case in the district court in which Julius Katselman recently secured a judgment for \$500 against the city for the flooding of his premises on Main street by the breaking of a fire hydrant.

TWO MEN UNDER SERIOUS CHARGE

Accused of Crime by Young Woman Whose Condition is Critical.

CRESTON, Ia., Feb. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Peter Hanline and Claude McCan, who were several miles north of Afton, were arrested and put under \$500 bonds yesterday, charged with criminal assault on Miss Wicks, 20 years of age, who lives several miles north of Afton. According to the young woman's story, she went out riding with the two men, who dragged her, committed the crime and left her lying by the roadside. It was some time before she managed to reach her home.

Farmers at Sidney.

SIDNEY, Ia., Feb. 11.—(Special.)—The most successful farmers' institute in the history of Fremont county was held last night in Sidney. At the closing session Saturday evening Hon. J. S. Estes addressed the institute on the necessity of farmers uniting in an effort to secure their share of the prosperity which they are the chief instruments in producing. His advocacy of a 2-cent fare bill was received with hearty and prolonged applause and at his suggestion resolutions were put and adopted today requesting that the hands of our present legislature a 2-cent fare bill. A resolution was also passed demanding better railroad service on the Sidney branch of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway, which now gives but one train a day.

HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR SCRAP IRON, METALS AND RUBBER BY J. KATELMAN, 603 MAIN ST., PHONE 650.

Editors' Midwinter Convention.

The program for the midwinter meeting of the Western Iowa Editorial Association to be held in this city Saturday, February 23, was received here yesterday. The sessions will be held in the auditorium of the public library building. At this meeting the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place.

"We trust that the new anti-pass law will not keep an editor away from this meeting. Come—if you have to walk," is the way Secretary Stevens puts it in his preamble to the program announcement. Every country editor in Iowa is eligible to membership in the association and is invited to join. The officers are: President, William Hill, Red Oak; vice president, W. C. Hills, Oakland; secretary, E. A. Stevens, Silver City.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were reported to the Bee February 11 by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company of Council Bluffs: D. W. Bushnell and wife to E. A. Wickham, part n.w. 34, 25-75-44. By acres, w. d. 100.00. H. J. Lebeck to J. C. Turley's add. 400. H. J. Lebeck to J. C. Turley's add. 400. R. V. Innes and wife to E. A. Wickham, part n.w. 34, 25-75-44, w. d. 200. F. J. Day and wife to S. E. Humphreys, lot 1, block 1, 25-75-44, w. d. 100.00. J. C. Turley's add. 400. Louis A. Yome, guardian, to J. C. Turley's add. 400. J. C. Turley's add. 400. Fred Voss to J. C. Turley's add. 400. Joseph R. McPherson and wife to John R. Pilling, part of lot 1, official plat of subdivision of n.w. 34, 25-75-44, w. d. 100.00. Seven transfers, total \$1,200.

ROBERT BURNS 100 CIGAR, OLD TIMER 50 and SPINA 100 CIGAR, MALONEY CIGAR CO., DISTRIBUTORS, COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following: Name and Residence. Age. Thomas Millet, Goldfield, Neb. 47. Kate M. Wickham, Council Bluffs. 43. Sam Leuber, Sargent, Neb. 27. Celia Burke, Sargent, Neb. 27. Henry Sabota, Bruno, Neb. 25. Carrie Capoun, Bruno, Neb. 25. Wesley Merritt, Omaha. 22. Edna Knight, Omaha. 22. CENTRAL FLOUR, 5 1/2 PER SACK; EVERY SACK WARRANTED, CENTRAL GROCERY AND MEAT MARKET, PHONES 2.

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twenty drops of morphine. Miss Beattie is the one whom Miss Goble testified gave "Baby Jim" the first dose of laudanum, Mrs. West finishing by giving two other doses later.

First a Freak Bill.

Under the new system of reciprocity under which the Iowa legislature will exchange copies of the bill introduced with those of other legislatures, one of the first bills to be received is the Kinney bill from South Dakota, providing for trial marriages running under contract for five years, with privilege of renewal for a like period. It has met with no favor with Iowa legislators and will not be introduced here.

ARMY RIFLE SCORES FAKED

Prize Money Awarded Companies of Fifth Infantry Must Be Repaid.

Because of fraud practiced in the marking up of the rifle scores an order has been issued by the War department striking out the entire score made at practice at Plattsburg, N. Y., last summer by Companies L and M of the Fifth Infantry. The order is a very sweeping one, and not only are the scores declared off, but the department orders that all the men who have received increased pay for their good work before the targets must refund the extra money to the treasury.

The order was received yesterday at the headquarters of the Department of the East on Governors Island, and, while it caused little surprise among the officers, it created a stir among the enlisted men. The order followed proof that there was fraud practiced in recording the target scores, the result of collusion among the men.

The officers of the regiment are held entirely blameless.

The inquiry, which has shown an astonishing state of affairs, is to be followed by a sweeping investigation of the rifle scores of the entire battalion. This will take some time, for the battalion is split. Some of the men are in Cuba and some are stationed in Plattsburg. Captain Johnson, who is in charge of the scores at the Plattsburg barracks to continue the investigation there, while another officer is to be detailed to proceed to Cuba to make the same inquiry there.

That the investigation will be rigid is not doubted by army men, for the War department seems to find out exactly what extent the frauds were practiced. Whether the investigation will become general throughout the whole army is a matter for speculation.

When the men go to target practice the scores are kept by other enlisted men stationed in the pits. They are in charge of targets there are many chances for fraud. The targets are examined after each firing by the man in charge, and he signals the result with flags to the scorekeepers on the firing line. It is believed that there was a conspiracy in the two companies by which the men in the pits announced after examining the targets a greater score than the marksmen had really made.

For excellence of marksmanship the men receive rewards of increased pay. This increased money amounts to from \$1 to \$2 a month. Under the order issued fifty or sixty men, who have received this cash will have to pay it back. There is no way by which they can avoid payment, for the amounts will be deducted from their pay.

Colonel H. O. S. Helstead, military secretary of the department of the west, said that the investigation had really resulted in the order striking out the score of Companies L and M had been going on some time.

"The regiment has separated," he said, "as the papers had to be sent back to the fourth military post. All this caused delay, but finally they were forwarded to Washington. Colonel Calvin D. Coles, in command of the regiment, took an active part in the matter, and it was upon his recommendation that the order was promulgated.

"The frauds came out through the official reports. There were certain details in connection with the target practice which came to the attention of the officers and led them to suspect that the men had practiced fraud, in order to pile up good scores. The first cursory examination convinced the department that there had been collusion, and so the more careful investigation was made. The inquiry has now been extended to the other companies of the regiment."

Colonel Helstead was asked whether he believed the practice of padding scores was general. To this he replied that the War department gave increased pay for good marksmanship and that there was always the temptation for men to strive for good scores. Beyond that he was noncommittal.—New York Times.

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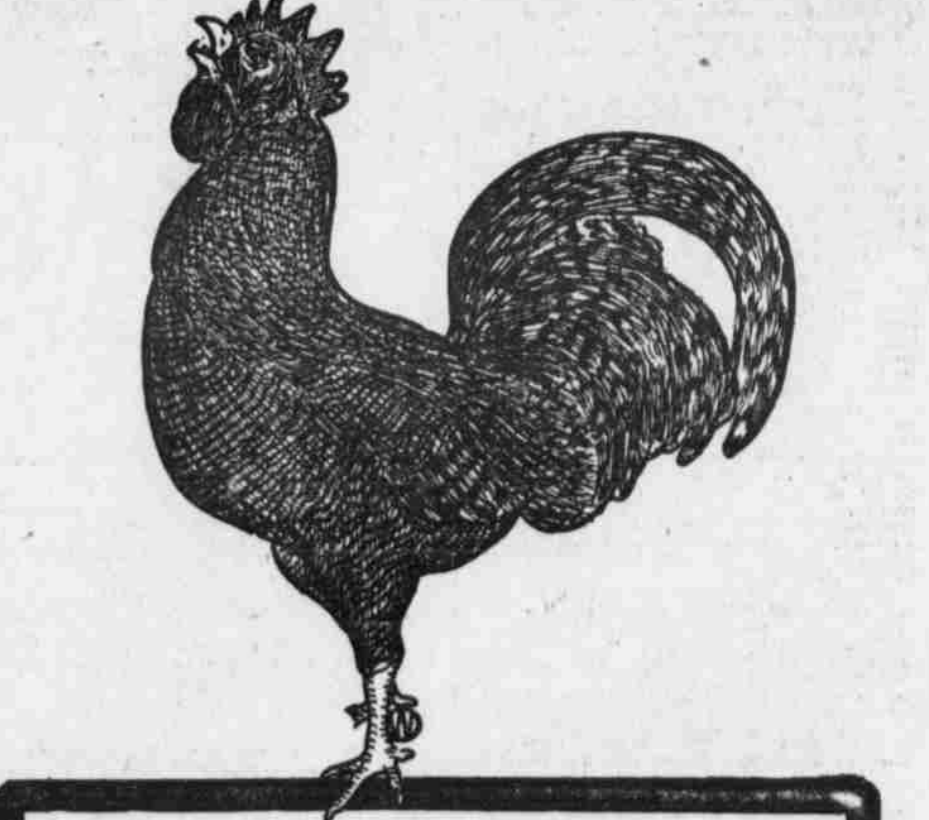
A great many people have an idea that old sores exist merely because of a diseased condition of the flesh where the ulcer is located. They patiently apply salves, powders, plasters and other external applications, but in spite of all such treatment the place refuses to heal. Whenever a sore or ulcer does not heal readily the blood is at fault; this vital fluid is filled with impurities and poisons which are constantly being discharged into the place, feeding it with noxious matter, which makes it impossible for the sore to heal. Old sores may be the result of an inherited blood taint, or the effects of a long spell of sickness, or again the circulation may be contaminated with the collections of refuse matter which the different members have failed to expel through the channels of nature. Whatever the cause the blood becomes steeped in poison and a cut, bruise, scratch or other wound often develops into a sore, fed and kept up by these impurities, causing it to cut deeper into the surrounding tissue, inflaming, festering and causing pain. External applications can only keep the sore clean; they cannot cure the trouble because they do not reach the blood. S. S. S. cures Old Sores by going to the very bottom of the trouble, driving out the impurities and poisons and purifying and building up the entire circulation. When S. S. S. has removed the cause the blood becomes rich and healthy, the sore begins to heal, new flesh is formed, the place scabs over and is soon permanently healed. Book on Sores and Ulcers and any medical advice free.

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