NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA

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MINOR MENTION.

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See Schmidt's elegant new photos.
Plumbing and heating, Bixby & Son.
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Watch repairing, O. Mauthe, 228 West Broadway.
Dishes and supplies for cigar band decorations. Alexander's Art Store.
DIAMONDS AS AN INVESTMENT. TALK TO LEFFERT ABOUT IT.
Excelsior Masonic lodge will meet this evening for work in the second degree.
Miss Susie Hoffman has returned from Carroll, Ia., where she was called by the death of her brother.
Councilman Wallace has called a meeting of the special water works committee for Monday afternoon at the city hall.
BUDWEISER BOTTLED BEER IS SERVED AT FIRST-CLASS BARS AND CAFES. L. ROSENFELD CO., DIST.
Sheridan (Wyo.) coal in stock; also all other grades. Fenlon Wickham Coal company, 107 Pearl street. Both phones 325.
ALL SIZES OF STORM DOORS, STORM SASH, STORM WINDOWS AND WEATHER STRIPS AT GEO. HOAGLAND'S.
Illinois nut coal, delivered, $5.50 per ton; spadra grate, $8.50 per ton. William Welsh, 18 North Main street. Tel. 128. Yard Eighth street and Eleventh avenue. Tel. 971.
D. S. Kerr has farms of different sizes to rent, either cash or crop rent. Houses for sale on monthly payments. Tels. 417 and 826 Ind. 346 Broadway, Council Bluffs, Ia.
Are you paying two prices for mantles and gas burners? If you are, we can cut the price in two for you. We handle Lindsey self-lighting and inverted mantles, also all other connections. W. A. Maurer.
The funeral of the late George Hollenbeck will be held this morning at 11 o'clock from the family residence, 901 North Eighth street, Rev. Marcus P. McClure of the First Presbyterian church will conduct the services.
Men's four-buckle arctics (Hood's) $3; men's pure gum arctics (Bostons) $1.90; men's all rubber arctics (old colony) $1.35; ladies' two-buckle arctics (Bostons) $1.35; misses' classes 50c. Great reduction on all kinds of rubbers. Duncan & Deane, 23 Main street.
Charles F. Smith, aged 54 years, died Thursday afternoon at his residence, 2904 Avenue I, after a week's illness from pneumonia. He had been a resident of this city for twenty-five years. Besides his wife, two sons and two daughters survive him. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, from the residence, and burial will be in Walnut Hill cemetery.
H. J. Palmer, constable in Justice Greene's court, died yesterday afternoon at the home of his sister, Miss Emma Palmer, 305 West Pierce street, aged 48 years. Death resulted from Bright's disease. Besides the sister, with whom he made his home, Mr. Palmer leaves three other sisters, Mrs. L. Kinnehan, Mrs. E. J. Baldwin of this city, and Dr. Anna Peckham of Omaha, and one brother, Fred Palmer, of this city. The funeral will be held Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, from the residence on Pierce street. Burial will be in Walnut Hill cemetery and the services will be conducted by Rev. Charles Fry.
A good many people put all their dependence in an almanac. You cannot save money that way. Read our advertisements and we will save money for you. Take, for instance, Snyder's baked beans, 15c cans we are selling tomorrow at 10c. Oranges that sell at 25c, tomorrow at 20c. Petit Pois peas, 2 for 25c. "J. M." brand of tomatoes, 2 for 25c. Eggs, 25c doz. In dried fruits, prunes, 3 lbs. for 25c; apricots, 20c; peaches, 20c; pears, 25c. Then we have something fine in summer sausage, 20c; smoked whitefish, 15c lb.; bloaters, 6c each. In vegetables, celery, lettuce, turnips, carrots, cabbage, rutabagas. You will never make any mistakes in buying your coffee from us; we have built up our trade in handling good goods. Try a pound of our B. & M. blend, 35c. Bartel & Miller, Tel. 359.

Saturday Specials.

Egg-O-See, per pkg	7½c
Bulk tea, lb. up from	25c
½-lb. pkg Baker's chocolate	16c
Cornmeal, per sack	12c
Shredded Wheat Biscuit, pkg	9c

Rhubarb, lettuce, radishes, parsley, pineapples, oranges, bananas, etc.
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11 pounds Basket Leaf Lard $1.00

Lemons, each ..... 1¢	Rib Boiling Beef, 8 lbs. 25¢
Strictly Fresh Eggs, per dozen ..... 23¢	No. 1 Hams, per lb... 11¢
Country Butter, per lb. 25¢	Rendered Lard, per lb. 10¢
Fancy Holland Herring, each ..... 2¢	Sausage, per pound.. 7½¢
Norway Mackerel, each.. 5¢	Solid packed Oysters, per quart ..... 30¢

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Sirloin Steak, per pound ..... 11¢
Armour's Flotilla Bath Soap, 2 bars ..... 5¢

Armour's Woodchuck Soap, 10 bars ..... 25¢	Fine, Large Prunes, 3 lbs. for ..... 25¢
Orvis' Best Flour, sack. $1	Pork Roast, per lb.... 11¢
3-lb. can Tomatoes, each, for ..... 10¢	Bacon, per pound .. 12½¢
Seeded Raisins, 3 lbs.. 25¢	Corn Beef, per lb..... 4¢
Cheese, per pound .... 15¢	Boiling Beef, per lb.... 4¢
Good Coffee, per lb... 15¢	Sausage, link or bulk, three pounds ..... 25¢
Tea Dust, 2 pounds... 25¢	Soda or Oyster Crackers, per pound ..... 5¢
Navy Beans, 6 lbs..... 25¢	
Fancy Apples, per pk. 20¢	

FISH AND OYSTERS

MANY BIG GUNS TO TALK

Five Members of Congress to Attend the Commercial Club Banquet.

HON. WALTER I. SMITH SECURES THEM

Plan is to Make it Most Notable Function Ever Held in City—Senators Unable to Attend and Secretary Shaw Undecided.

With five members of the national house of representatives and other notable speakers on the program for addresses, the annual banquet of the Council Bluffs Commercial club, to be held on the night of Saturday, March 16, at the Grand hotel, promises to be the most notable in the history of the organization. Not in the history of any organization in this city, nor on any previous occasion, have so many notable speakers been heard as will be the case at this banquet.

The congressmen who have accepted invitations to attend the banquet and respond to toasts include some of the ablest and most distinguished members of the house of representatives. They are Hon. Charles E. Littlefield of Rockland, Me.; Hon. James Tawney of Winona, Minn.; Hon. Washington Gardner of Albion, Mich., and Hon. Francis R. Cushman of Tacoma, Wash. Congressman Walter I. Smith of this city will also be present and in addition to acting as toastmaster will respond to one of the toasts. The committee in charge has hopes also of securing the attendance of Congressman J. P. Conner of Denison, Ia., and Congressman Kennedy of Omaha. Another notable speaker of the evening will be Judge M. J. Wade of Iowa City, former congressman from the Second Iowa district. Victor E. Bender of this city will be the representative of the Commercial club on the program, and it is hoped that Hon. Lew Genung of Mills county will also be one of the speakers.

The matter of securing the notable speakers for the annual banquet was left entirely in the hands of Congressman Smith, and a telegram from him received yesterday by C. W. McDonald, president of the club, announced the acceptance of his four colleagues to attend and take part in the program.

An invitation has been extended Secretary Shaw, but he has so far been unable to give any assurance that he will be able to accept it. At first it was thought possible to secure the presence of one or more United States senators, especially Senator Gamble of South Dakota, but Congressman Smith wrote the committee that the talk of a possible extra session of the senate prevents the senators from making any arrangements or accepting any invitations during March.

Congressman Littlefield is billed for an address at Oskaloosa, Ia., on March 15, and Congressman Cushman expects to be in this vicinity during the middle of March, so he at once accepted the invitation to attend the banquet here. Congressman Gardner of Oakland, this county, will be one of the guests at the banquet. Congressman Cushman is a native of Iowa, having been born at Brighton, Washington county.

The annual election of the Commercial club will be held Wednesday, March 6.

CENTRAL FLOUR, $1.05 PER SACK; EVERY SACK WARRANTED, CENTRAL GROCERY AND MEAT MARKET, 'PHONES 24.

Funeral of Fred H. Hill.

Funeral services over the late Fred H. Hill will be held this afternoon at the family residence, 823 Third avenue, at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Marcus P. McClure, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Hill was a member and one of the officers. Burial will be in Fairview cemetery and will be private. These have been selected to act as pall bearers: D. J. Rockwell, C. D. Parmelee, F. R. Davis, W. H. Van Brunt, Victor E. Bender, Ned Empkie, F. C. Riker and E. H. Merriam.

Saturday Specials.

1½ quart granite rice or milk boiler	57c
1¾ quart granite rice or milk boiler	63c
2 quart granite rice or milk boiler	70c
2¾ quart granite rice or milk boiler	83c
9-inch granite pie pan	5c
9-inch granite cake pan	7c
Superior egg whips, each	1c
9-inch asbestos stove mat	1c
3-tine cooking forks	3c
Nutmeg graters, each	3c
Mrs. Potts' pattern sad irons, including handle and stand	89c
Asbestos sad irons, per set	$1.75
50-lb. flour can, highly decorated and japanned	79c
No. 8 waffle irons	78c
Economy cobbler sets, has stand and lasts, hammers, awls, thread, etc. Repair your own shoes	58c

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Clock repairing. O. Mauthe, 228 West Broadway.

Musicale by Woman's Club.

Miss Maude Bell of the musical department of the Council Bluffs Woman's club has arranged a program of unusual merit for the regular monthly musicale next Tuesday evening. The musicale will be held in the hall over Schmoller & Mueller's new store, No. 11 South Main street, instead of in the club room of the library building. Admittance will be free and a cordial invitation is extended to all lovers of good music.

The piano numbers will be given by advanced pupils of August M. Borglum of Omaha. Miss Katherine Davis, a talented mezzo-soprano, will make her initial bow before the club. Miss Davis is a recent arrival in this city, where she expects to locate. Mrs. A. A. Covalt will contribute two numbers.

Plans are being made also for an excellent program for the March musicale. The committee has secured Mrs. Slabaugh, contralto, of Omaha, for several numbers, and T. H. Tibbles, who will give a short lecture on "The Artist and the Audience."

This is the program for Tuesday evening:

Thirty-two Variations ..... Beethoven
Mr. Cecil Berryman.
a. Winds in the Trees ..... A. Goring Thomas
b. Heart's Fancies ..... A. Goring Thomas
Mrs. A. A. Covalt.
Etincelles ..... Moszkowski
Mr. Frank Strawn.
a. A la bien aimee (Valse) ... Edward Schutt
b. Polonaise, C sharp minor ..... Chopin
Miss Alice Davis.
Three Songs of Parting ..... Allen
Miss Katherine Davis.
a. Chant Polonaise ..... Chopin-Liszt
b. Valse, D flat ..... Chopin
c. Prelude ..... Rachmaninoff
Miss Marie Meek.
Barcarolle, F minor ..... Rubinstein
Mr. Strawn.
O, Love, Of Thy Might, Let Me Borrow (Samson and Delilah) ..... Saint-Saens
Miss Katherine Davis.
Fifteenth Rhapsodie ..... Liszt
Mr. Berryman.
Accompanist, Miss Tulleys.

Meat Department.

Beef, Pork, Veal, Mutton, Poultry, Fish and game.
Leave your Sunday meat order with us. We will please you.
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ROBERT BURNS 10c CIGAR, OLD TIMES 5c and SPINA 10c CIGAR. MALONEY CIGAR CO., DISTRIBUTORS, COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA.

Royal Arcanum Banquet.

Over 100 members and guests sat down to the banquet given last night at the Grand hotel by Fidelity council, Royal Arcanum, following the initiation of a large class of candidates. The banquet was partly in celebration of the fact that Fidelity council has the distinction of having the largest membership of any council of the order in the state of Iowa and partly in honor of the visiting supreme officers.

The prominent guests included Supreme Regent H. C. Wiggins, Supreme Vice Regent Robert Van Sands, C. M. Dickson, grand vice regent of Iowa; N. F. Reckard, grand regent of Nebraska; A. F. Sidnell, deputy grand regent of Nebraska, and H. A. Snyder, grand secretary of Iowa. Charles A. Beno of Fidelity council is grand regent of Iowa and A. E. Brock of the same council is grand treasurer of Iowa. Both were present last night.

At the banquet Victor E. Bender presided as toastmaster.

A. Metzger & Co.
New Location of Wholesale Bakery, 516 Mynster Street, Council Bluffs, Ia.
Home-Made Bread a Specialty.
Visitors Welcome.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were reported to The Bee February 15 by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company of Council Bluffs:

Harry V. Jefferis and wife to Emma Rief, e½ of ne¼ and n½ of ne¼ of se¼, 34, and nw¼ of sw¼, 36-77-44, w. d.	$ 8,000
Sievert Rief, sr., and wife to Harry V. Jefferis, part of nw¼ of se¼ and part of ne¼ of sw¼, 6-76-43, w. d.	4,500
H. W. Redding and wife to Hugh Pritchard, trustee for Amos Longwell, lot 11, block 2, Avoca, Ia., w. d.	700
Kastus Petersen and wife to Denver Smith, lot 5 and n13 feet lot 6, block 15, Howard's addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	550
Charles A. Hamilton and wife to A. T. Rickerby, lots 6, 7 and 10, block 39, Ferry's addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	100
Benjamin-Fehr Real Estate company to A. T. Rickerby, lot 9, block 39, Ferry's addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	17
Heirs of Henry Robinson to J. P. Greenshields, lots 7, 8 and 9, block 33, Bayliss & Palmer's addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., q. c. d.	1
L. O. Geddard and wife to J. P. Greenshields, lots 22 and 24, block 16, Omaha addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., q. c. d.	1
Eight transfers, total	$14,269

Feed Department.

Hay, Corn, Oats, Bran, Chop Screenings, Wheat, Alfalfa Meal, Barrel Salt, Rock Salt, etc.
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Matters in District Court.

The district court jury in the personal injury damage suit of Levi Hunt against the Burlington railroad, after being out since Thursday morning, brought in a verdict last evening in favor of the plaintiff for $1,300. Hunt, who was injured while in the employ of the defendant company as baggageman at Lincoln, sued for $25,000.

The $5,000 personal injury suit of Mrs. Ora Everett against the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company will be given to the jury this morning.

Lottie B. Gregory, according to the petition of divorce from Charles E. Gregory, filed yesterday, evidently found that six weeks of married life such as she encountered was sufficient. She was married November 18 last and alleges that owing to her husband's cruel and inhuman treatment of her, which was such as to endanger her life, she was forced to leave him January 1. In addition to $500 alimony she asks for the restoration of her maiden name of Lottie B. Garrett.

This week the handy fruit and vegetable slicer for 25c, for cutting plain fluting and shoestrings. See it in our window. Swaine & Maurer, 336-338 West Broadway.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250. Night, 603.

Big Time for Veterans.

A grand rally of the old soldiers of the city and the members of their families will be held this evening in Grand Army hall. For their entertainment an excellent program has been arranged and luncheon will be served by the members of the Woman's Relief corps. All old soldiers and their families are invited to attend. This is the program:

Ten-minute talk on "Liberty," Colonel G. W. Cook.
Song and drum solo, the elder McIntosh.
Address, "The Lives of Washington and Lincoln," General John Lindt.
A darkey sermon and a banjo solo, McIntosh brothers.
Address, "The Life of McKinley," Colonel Abbott.
Solo, the McIntosh trio.
Short talk, Colonel Hubbard.
Some funny sayings, the McIntosh comedian.
Select reading, the president of the Relief corps, Mrs. Witter.

Fish Specials.

The Lenten season is now on. Our stock of fish is the best in the city.

Anchovies, lb	12½c
Norway mackerel, each	15c
Whitefish, 3 for	10c
Holland herring, 3 for	10c
Extra fancy pickled herring, 2 for	15c
Spiced rolled herring, each	5c
Boneless herring, lb	20c
Rolled codfish, each	15c
Smoked whitefish, lb	17c
Boneless brick codfish, pkg	15c

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Iowa News Notes.

CRESTON—William Henry Harrison, the negro who was the principal disturber in the cutting scrape in which Del Grant, a young colored man, was seriously cut, waived trial in justice court yesterday and was bound over to the grand jury.

CRESTON—Chris Boll, who appeared in the Forest City Summit, was married yesterday at Covert, Mich., to Miss Harriet L. Boise. Miss Boise is not the only one who has changed her name, for a few days ago Raleigh, whose real name is Olson, changed to the English cognomen because there were so many Olsons in the neighborhood.

IOWA FALLS—E. S. Ellsworth, the man who made the larger part of the history of this section of the country, who built the Des Moines short line, who promoted the country along the line of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern, and who has been a father to Iowa Falls, making this city the leader in northern Iowa, died at his home here this morning, death being due to a long-established affectation of the heart, made acute by a severe cold.

GLENWOOD—The fourteenth annual ball of the Glenwood Bachelors' association was given in the opera house last night. Schulhoff's orchestra furnished the music. This is the swellest event of the season here and, although the ranks are being constantly thinned by desertions, new members are always ready to join with those who are unwilling or unable to shake loose from single wretchedness, and make the annually recurring reunion a red letter day in the town's history.

MORTIMWOOD—While attempting to rob the postoffice here a man giving the name of Thomas Ambrose was fatally shot by Marshal John Olson. The man had already blown open the safe and was preparing to make his escape when caught by the officer. He is now in jail suffering from hemorrhage of the lungs. Ambrose who says his people live in St. Paul, confessed that he intended shooting the marshal had opportunity offered. Marshal Olson is being praised for his bravery.

NEBRASKA FROM DAY TO DAY

Quaint and Curious Features of Life in a Rapidly Growing State.

With Otoe county floating 3½ per cent refunding bonds it will be difficult to prove a money stringency in Nebraska.

Publicity for Jacob—Jacob Sides, the erstwhile sport, spends too much time talking over the 'phone with our "hello" girl.—Salem Correspondent Dakota City Eagle.

No Back Taxes—M. J. Moler says he thinks there ought to be a law passed to tax old bachelors for the support of old maids. If they should collect back taxes off of him, he would probably change his mind.—Bee Correspondent Seward Blade.

Don't Sneeze at the Butcher—Will Kohl came over to the Four Corners one day last week and helped to dispatch a couple of porkers, and, by the way, when it comes to butchering, Will is not to be sneezed at.—Four Corners Correspondent Madison Chronicle.

Beatrice's Claim to Greatness—Beatrice is not only distinguished as the third city, but has earned a reputation as the home of more poets than any other point in the state. They seem to develop here without much effort, and the verses they grind out are usually good.—Beatrice Express.

Work for the Laundryman—The parties have been coming so thick in Norfolk this winter that the man with only one dress shirt has been forced to spend half his time carrying a bundle to the laundry, and then going after it again. And, besides, it's hard on the shirt, 'tis said.—Norfolk News.

Bachelors' Club Grows Smaller—The Bachelors' club is in need of a few more members. Its ranks have been thinned out considerably the last few weeks. Some of the boys are worrying for fear they may lose the president. Things look serious.—"Dutch," Correspondent Beemer Times.

Albert Housechild of Ravenna plans a tour of the world. He will go first to California, then to Australia, Japan, China, India and Europe, making a long stay in Germany, his native land. In 1898 he bought a farm from his father and after starting with a team of horses and $250 in cash, cleans up $50,000, one-half in land.

Editors Are Coming—This office acknowledges receipt of an invitation to join a theater party to be given by The Omaha Bee at the Burwood theater in Omaha Tuesday evening, February 19. If the editor and his wife are missing about that time you may be sure they are enjoying the hospitality of the King of Bees.—Geneva Gazette.

W. E. Dayton, in an ecstasy of glee at recovering from an attack of pneumonia, inserts in his York Republican the following card of thanks: "To the kind friends and neighbors who visited us, and sent us beautiful flowers and sympathized with us through the illness and recovery of our beloved husband and father, we return our most highly irrigated thanks. And we most devoutly pray that a like affliction may never visit their homes. All along it was our intention to make this card a giant in the ranks of graveyard literature. We included the minister, the choir, the sexton and the undertaker, and we especially included the good doctor. But papa recovered, nevertheless, and that spoiled it all. We feel that it is our Christian duty to bow in humble submission. This card was neither signed nor conceived by W. E. Dayton's family."

LEGAL RIGHT TO BE JEALOUS

Supreme Court Says it Does Not Entitle Husband to a Divorce.

CEDAR RAPIDS WANTS THE TEACHERS

Majority of Executive Committee Said to Favor Taking the Annual Convention to that City.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—In an opinion filed by the supreme court today it is held that women can be jealous if they wish to and if they annoy their husbands by their talkativeness the husbands must endure it philosophically. The decision is in the case of William Pfannebecker against Margaret Pfannebecker, appealed from Keokuk county. They were married September 2, 1891, and the action by the husband for a divorce was brought in September, 1905. He charged cruelty on the basis of her accusation of infidelity. He claimed that she talked to him when he wanted to go to sleep and one night, hearing a noise, he turned up the light and discovered that she had entered the room, and he feared it was for the purpose of killing him. The court holds in the decision that a charge of infidelity made by the wife against the husband does not constitute the same ground of legal cruelty that the charge of the husband against the wife does, for men do not suffer from the implication if untrue. It holds that though he may be annoyed by her talking he must bear it philosophically and suggests that medical treatment for the wife is what is needed rather than the divorce courts.

Cedar Rapids Wants Teachers.

Cedar Rapids wants the state convention of the Iowa State Teachers' association. It has wanted it every year for several years and has made a close race to take it away from Des Moines. The executive committee has for some years decided in favor of Des Moines and this committee meets tomorrow in Des Moines for the purpose of determining the matter. This year there is a new element in the discussion. F. E. Bolton of Iowa City, one of the three members of the executive committee, took the responsibility to write to every teacher in the state and ask their preference as to the meeting place. It is claimed a great majority of these favor Cedar Rapids as the meeting place. O. M. Elliott of Sheldon, one of the members of the committee, is understood to favor Cedar Rapids and his vote, with Bolton's, will determine the question. F. E. Palmer of Jefferson, the third member, is understood to favor Des Moines. Objection is made against Des Moines by some teachers who claim that the hotels and restaurants raise their rates during the state convention and that the department stores bring out all their leftover goods and try to sell them to the women teachers.

House Proceedings.

In the house today the first business taken up after the correction of the journal was the Teter bill, which was left in the air when the house adjourned yesterday afternoon. The bill provides that townships which desire may return to the old system of working out the road tax instead of paying in cash. The bill, after further debate and a dozen or more efforts to amend it, some of which were successful, passed the house.

The house also at the morning session passed the Harding bill regulating employment bureau offices.

Holmes of Kossuth in the house today introduced a bill that is intended by the author to assist the legislature in getting at the real value of the railroad property of the state, with all watered stock left out of calculation. The bill provides that the railroads, under penalty, shall file with the state auditor an account of the mileage and value of all property of the roads, the amount of stock outstanding every five years beginning with 1885, the amount of bonds and the amount outstanding every five years beginning with 1885, the earnings each year and the railroad companies' own estimate of the value of the railroad property. The bill calls for information never heretofore required of the railroads and is causing considerable debate. The author means to press it to a passage. The information must be filed with the auditor of state by July 1, 1907, and biennially thereafter, and furthermore, the bill provides that the railroads, under penalty, must furnish all information called for by the legislature, the executive council or the state railroad commission. The bill is causing some sweating on the part of the railroads.

Allred today introduced a bill providing for a legislative reference department to the state library to be in charge of a competent person to gather and furnish the legislature any information it may wish or need.

At the afternoon session the house killed the bill increasing the compensation paid newspapers for publishing the laws; passed the bill by Brandes of Council Bluffs relating to the compensation of supervisors; referred the Offill firecracker bill to the judiciary committee; passed the bill by Harding of Woodbury relating to levying special assessments to pay for damages to property from erection of viaducts.

Senate Proceedings.

The senate passed the concurrent resolution to take a recess from February 28 until March 5 at 1:30 p. m. The purpose in deciding so early is that members may arrange their business affairs to be at home on March 1.

The senate unanimously passed the bill to give the State Board of Health bacteriological laboratory at Iowa City $6,000 annually and to give the director $1,200 a year salary.

New Bills Introduced.

The following new bills were introduced:

Crossley—Exemption of mortgages.
DeWolf—Bulk sales bill.
Moon—Street car vestibules.
Gilliland—Bridge taxes in cities.
DeWolf—Boiler inspection.

Coal Lands Change Hands.

Buffalo capitalists and W. S. White of Oskaloosa today purchased the property of the Norwood Coal company for $120,000. The Norwood-White Coal company has been incorporated for $150,000 to take over the property and handle it. H. M. Poola is president of the new company; Charles E. Williams, vice president; W. S. White, secretary and treasurer.

Drake Gets Another $5,000.

At chapel exercises today it was announced by President Hill M. Bell that a gift of $5,000 had been received for the benefit of the college as a further contribution toward securing the Carnegie gift.

May Get Secretary Shaw.

An attempt is being made on the part of the Woman's Press club to get Secretary Shaw to speak before the club at the Chamberlain hotel March 11. It is understood that he is to be here at about that time and this is the reason for the invitation being extended to him for that date.

Illinois Man Dies on Train.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—When the Iron Mountain train from Texas pulled into the Union station this morning the dead body of Charles Henson, 40 years old, was found in the chair car retiring room. He had died from consumption while returning from Texas to his home in Paris, Ill. Among his effects was a letter of recent date from his mother, Mrs. Mary Henson, stating that a baby girl had been born to him, and his wife was longing for him to come home. Henson had been in Texas six months endeavoring to regain his health.

STATISTICS ON COAL LANDS

Figures Sent to Senate Showing Extent and Status of Fuel Deposits.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Complying with a resolution of inquiry, the secretary of the interior today sent to the senate a statement showing the area of coal lands in the various states, the title of which has passed from the United States.

The statement deals especially with the coal areas of Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Washington, Wyoming and Utah and in addition to showing the extent of coal land in the patented areas, shows it on lands not patented, on vacant lands and on Indian reservations. The total area in those states in which coal is known to exist is as follows: On patented land, 9,955,963 acres; not patented, 1,593,963 acres; vacant land, 11,140,854 acres; Indian reservations, 1,738,273 acres. In addition the existence of coal is considered probable in still larger areas as follows: On patented land, 19,646,280 acres; not patented, 6,461,195 acres; vacant land, 44,276,247 acres; Indian reservations, 1,707,330 acres.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLER TAKEN

J. Wallace Hight Accused of Defrauding Missouri Life Insurance Company at St. Joseph.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—Acting on instructions telegraphed last night by Chief of Police W. H. Franz of St. Joseph, Mo., detectives arrested J. Wallace Hight at the Southern hotel on the charge of having embezzled from the Missouri State Life Insurance company, for which he is an agent.

He denied the charge and asserted if a shortage had been found in his accounts it was due to an error on the part of the company. Only 2 cents was found in his possession. The hotel took possession of two grips as security for his hotel bill. He will be held awaiting the arrival of an officer from St. Joseph.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—MONEY—On call, firm at 4½@6 per cent; ruling rate, 5¾ per cent; closing bid, 5 per cent; offered at 5½ per cent. Time loans, steady; sixty days, 5@5¼ per cent; ninety days and six months, 5¼ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5¾@6¼ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Easy, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8450@4.8455 for demand and at $4.8630@4.8635 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4.81@4.85½; commercial bills, $4.80¼@4.80¾.

SILVER—Bar, 60½; Mexican dollars, 53½c.

BONDS—Government and railroad, steady.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg	105⅝	Japan 6s, 2d series	99⅛
do coupon	106⅝	do 4s ctfs	84⅝
U. S. 3s, reg	108⅝	**do 4s ctfs	84⅝
do coupon	109⅝	do 2d series	90½
U. S. old 4s, reg	101⅛	*L. & N. unl. 4s	100
do coupon	101⅛	Man. c. g. 4s	100⅛
U. S. n. 4s, reg	129	Mex. Central 4s	85
do coupon	130	do 1st inc	35⅛
Am. Tobacco 4s	75	Minn. & St. L. 4s	92⅛
do 6s	110⅛	M., K. & T. 4s	98
Atchison gen. 4s	101⅛	do 2s	85⅛
do adj. 4s	91⅝	N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	87
Atlantic C. L. 4s	98	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	93⅛
Bal. & Ohio 4s	101⅝	N. J. C. g. 5s	125⅝
do 3½s	94⅛	No. Pacific 4s	101⅝
Brk. R. T. c. 4s	89⅛	do 3s	72½
Central of Ga. 5s	110	N. & W. c. 4s	98
**do 1st inc	90	O. S. L. rdg. 4s	93⅝
**do 2d inc	98	Penn. conv. 3½s	96
**do 3d inc	64	Reading gen. 4s	97½
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	105⅛	*S. L. & I. M. c. 5s	113⅝
*Chicago & A. 3½s	72⅝	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	82⅛
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	94⅝	*St. L. S. W. c. 4s	76
C. R. I. & P. 4s	76	Seaboard A. L. 4s	65⅝
do col. 5s	99⅝	So. Pacific 4s	89⅛
CCC. & St. L. g. 4s	101⅝	*do 1st 4s ctfs	94½
Colo. Ind. 5s, ser. A	70	So. Railway 5s	112
Colo. Mid. 4s	72	Texas & P. 1s	108⅛
Colo. & So. 4s	91⅝	T., St. L. & W. 4s	89⅝
Cuba 5s	103½	Union Pacific 4s	101⅛
D. & R. G. 4s	96⅛	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	98⅝
Distillers' Sec. 5s	89⅛	Wabash 1s	113
Erie g. 1. 4s	97½	*do deb. B	70
*do gen. 4s	86⅝	Western Md. 4s	81⅛
*Hocking Val. 4½s	104⅛	**W. & L. E. 4s	88
Japan 6s	99⅛	Wis. Central 4s	88⅛

*Bid. **Offered. ***Ex-interest.

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, Feb. 15.—Call loans, 6@7 per cent; time loans, 5½@6½ per cent. Official prices on stocks and bonds were:

*Atchison adj. 4s	91	Atlantic	17⅛
do 4s	99⅝	Bingham	30
Mex. Central 4s	84⅛	**Cal. & Hecla	995
Atchison	104⅝	Centennial	44
do pfd	99½	Copper Range	94⅝
*Boston & Albany	225½	Daly West	20
**Boston & Maine	160	Franklin	10⅝
**Boston Elevated	149	Granby	146⅛
Fitchburg pfd	134	Isle Royale	29⅛
Mex. Central	22⅛	Mass. Mining	8
N. Y., N. H. & H.	183⅛	Michigan	21½
*Pere Marquette	53	Mohawk	70
Union Pacific	175⅛	Mont. C. & C.	1⅞
Am. Arge. Chem.	25½	Old Dominion	60⅛
do pfd	93	Osceola	166⅝
Am. Pneu. Tube	16⅝	Parrot	31⅛
Amer. Sugar	135½	Quincy	141⅝
do pfd	130⅛	Shannon	22⅝
Am. T. & T.	127⅝	Tamarack	150
Am. Woolen	32	Trinity	32⅝
do pfd	100	United Copper	77⅝
**Dom. I. & S.	32⅛	U. S. Mining	63⅛
**Edison Elec. Ilu.	220	U. S. Oil	13
Mass. Electric	18⅝	Utah	72⅛
do pfd	68	Victoria	7⅝
Mass. Gas	85⅛	Winona	12½
United Fruit	106⅝	Wolverine	195
United S. M.	64	North Butte	112⅛
do pfd	28	Butte Coalition	27⅛
U. S. Steel	47⅝	Nevada	17⅛
Adventure	4⅝	*Cal. & Arizona	190⅛
Allouez	66	Arizona Com.	34⅛
Amalgamated	114⅛	Greene Con.	31⅝

*Bid. **Asked.

London Closing Stocks.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Closing quotations on stocks were:

Consols, money	86⅝	M., K. & T.	43⅝
do account	86 15-16	N. Y. Central	139
Anaconda	15⅛	Norfolk & W.	89
Atchison	107⅝	do pfd	88
do pfd	108	Ontario & W.	46⅛
Baltimore & Ohio	118⅛	Pennsylvania	68⅛
Canadian Pacific	161⅛	Rand Mines	6⅝
Ches. & Ohio	53	Reading	44⅝
Chicago Gt. W.	17	Southern Railway	27⅝
C., M. & St. P.	124	do pfd	89
Delbeers	28	Southern Pacific	97⅝
D. & R. G.	40	Union Pacific	181⅝
do pfd	85	do pfd	96
Erie	37⅛	U. S. Steel	47⅝
do 1st pfd	72⅛	do pfd	105⅛
do 2d pfd	63	Wabash	17
Illinois Central	165	do pfd	35
Louisville & N.	139⅛	Spanish 4s	95⅛

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 4¾ per cent; for three months' bills, 4¾ per cent.

Boston Copper Market.

Closing quotations on Boston copper market, reported by Logan & Bryan, 112 Board