NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA

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MINOR MENTION.

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Stockert sells carpets.
Ed Rogers, Tony Faust beer.
Lewis Cutler, funeral director. 'Phone 97.
Woodring Undertaking company. Tel. 289.
For rent, unfurnished rooms, 231 Main St.
Easter post cards. Alexander's art store, 133 Broadway.
Dog tags riveted on free of charge. Petersen & Schoening Co.
FOR RENT—Nice large rooms, $2.00 and up per week. Ogden hotel.
Wanted—Two carriers to carry The Bee. Omaha Bee, 15 Scott street.
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ENROLL IN THE WESTERN IOWA COLLEGE, A SCHOOL OF INDUSTRY.
We know we have the best flour. Eaco is the name. Bartell & Miller. Phone 359.
IT PAYS TO SEE HOSPE BEFORE BUYING A PIANO, 20 PEARL STREET.
Judge Wheeler excused the petit jury in the district court yesterday until Thursday.
You had better come to D. W. Keller's, 108 So. Main St., and get your go-carts. He can save you money.
Mrs. Clara Andrews of New York City is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Monfort of 333 Williams street.
The Woman's Christian Temperance union will meet in regular session this afternoon in the club room at the library building.
The young women of the First Congregational church will meet Saturday afternoon with Mrs. A. O. Rowe, 611 South First street.
The case against S. C. Whittaker, charged with the embezzlement of $15 by H. S. Smith, was dismissed in Justice Greene's court yesterday.
Bluff City Masonic lodge will meet this evening at 6 o'clock sharp for work in the third degree. Following the initiatory exercises a banquet will be served.
You can get better coal for less money from William Welch, 16 North Main. The reason why is because he sells for cash. Both 'phones 128. Yard 'phone, Bell 977.
Settle your troubles by getting a good reliable watch, of a strictly reliable make, with a reliable guarantee behind it. We have that watch. O. Mauthe, 228 West Broadway.
County Attorney J. J. Hess will file in district court this morning the petition of ouster against H. V. Battey, clerk of the district court, on the ground of alleged irregularities in the accounts of his office.
TUBE ROSES, GLADIOLAS, DAHLIAS, CALADIUMS, CANNAS AND OTHER BULBS, PAEONIA ROOTS, TOMATO, CABBAGE AND OTHER PLANTS IN SEASON. WE DELIVER. YOUNKERMAN SEED CO.
Our spring stock of oxfords, black and tans is now in. It's to your interest to call. Our expenses being so low we can undersell the other fellow and thus give you the best quality for less money. Duncan Shoe Co., 23 S. Main St.
A building permit was issued yesterday to Guy C. Shepard for a two-story frame residence on Second avenue, between Ninth and Tenth streets, to cost $3,000. One was also issued to E. E. Spetman for a $4,000 residence at 710 Bluff street.
Claude Hahn, the Omaha youth charged with attempting to entice 15-year-old Mabel Hayden to leave her home in this city and accompany him to Kansas City, was discharged in police court for lack of sufficient evidence. Hahn was warned by the court to keep away from the girl and he promised to do so.
A. E. Brock, grand treasurer; W. A. Groneweg, C. A. Beno, past grand regent; A. T. Flickinger, J. C. Mitchel, and W. E. McConnell, members of Fidelity council of this city, were in attendance at the eighteenth annual session of the grand council of the Royal Arcanum of Iowa, held in Boone yesterday. They will arrive home this morning.
The members of the Fire and Police commission made a tour of inspection of the fire department houses yesterday afternoon. The commission will meet this evening and embody its recommendations as to repairs at the different engine houses in a report to be submitted to the city council at its next session. The commissioners report finding the houses generally in good condition.
William Fox, a stranger residing temporarily at 242 Thirteenth avenue, was yesterday bound over to the grand jury by Judge Snyder in police court on the charge of breaking and entering the residence of Thomas Williams at 1650 Avenue B Monday afternoon. Fox is said to have gone to the Williams home while Mrs. Williams was visiting a neighbor. Finding the door unlocked he is said to have entered the kitchen, emptied a sack of potatoes on the floor and filled it with a small tablecloth, a suit of clothes, a looking glass and other smaller articles which he found handy. When arrested by Detective Weir, Fox claimed to have purchased the articles. He waived a preliminary hearing.

Doyle Objects to Genung.

Attorneys for James Doyle in his mining suit against James F. Burns, former president of the Portland Gold Mining company, yesterday filed a motion in the district court of Mills county at Glenwood that the law firm of L. T. Genung and his son, Clyde Genung, be prevented from appearing as attorneys for Burns in the trial of the case, which was transferred from Pottawattamie county to Mills county. The motion is supported by affidavits by John N. Baldwin, George S. Wright and A. W. Askwith, counsel for Doyle, and by Doyle himself.

In the affidavits it is set forth that L. T. Genung has professional knowledge of Doyle's side of the case by reason of association with Doyle's counsel in conference in this city during the last trial. It is also set forth that it was the intention to continue L. T. Genung in the case for Doyle.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were reported to The Bee April 14 by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company of Council Bluffs:

John W. Tye and wife to Ira R. Tye, n½ s½ se¼ 15-75-38, w. d.	$3,600
J. N. Rolston to Walter M. Gibson, lots 1 and 2, block 33, Central subdiv., w. d.	1,500
Edward L. Estabrook, executor, to Frank Barlow, lot 17, block 2, Voorhis' add., w. d.	750
William Barker and wife to George H. Lyons, e½ nw¼ and nw¼ sw¼ 26 and ne¼ se¼ 35-74-44, s. w. d.	100
F. T. True and wife to John W. Templeton, lot 8, block 5, Twin City Place add., w. d.	60
Five transfers, total	$6,010

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Bernahed Shemberg, Fremont, Neb.	24
Matilda Namen, Council Bluffs	23
Clarence McManamy, Ute, Ia.	26
Maude Lapworth, Crescent, Ia.	19

Restore Strength

Dr. Miles' Nervine cures diseases brought on by mental and physical exhaustion. So many ailments are nervous affections that you can hardly miss it if you try it. In any event its strengthening influence upon the nerves will be of great value to you.

"I was very nervous, could not sleep, was tormented with nervous headaches, and it seemed that every malady was mine. My druggist told me that Dr. Miles' Nervine was good for nervous affections, so I purchased a bottle and a box of Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills. I took the pills for headache and the Nervine regularly. In a week I felt much better. It seemed that I was living a new life. I do not feel that I can again relapse into the physical wreck that I was before taking them."
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If first bottle fails to benefit, money back.
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DEMOCRATS FIX UP SLATE

Conference Submits Names to Go on the Primary Ballot.

MORE NAMES TO BE ADDED LATER

Conference to Be Held at Neola on the Twenty-Fifth to Accept Entries from Any Others Willing to Run.

At the democratic conference held yesterday at Avoca, a list of tentative candidates for the several offices to be voted on at the primary to be held June 2, was selected. For most of the offices two candidates were named. For the purpose of filling out and adding to the list of county candidates another conference will be held in Neola Saturday, April 25.

The following is the list of prospective candidates for the primary:

For Congress—J. R. Spencer of Audubon, publisher of the Audubon Advocate; John W. Blake of Atlantic.

Electors—Hamilton Wilcox of Griswold, W. W. Gardiner of Avoca.

State Senator—S. B. Wadsworth of Council Bluffs, James M. Coons of Macedonia.

Representatives—J. B. Johannsen of Walnut, J. F. Rooney of Walnut, Victor Jennings of Council Bluffs.

County Attorney—H. L. Robertson of Council Bluffs.

Coroner—S. P. Plunkett of Council Bluffs, Dr. Earl Bellinger of Council Bluffs.

Auditor—John D. Hanan of Neola.

Clerk of the District Court—Andrew Kestner of Walnut.

Recorder—Myers Hansen of Council Bluffs.

Sheriff—Major G. H. Richmond of Council Bluffs, M. C. Goodwin of Council Bluffs.

Treasurer—J. M. Kelley of Macedonia, Al Lenocker of Oakland.

Surveyor—E. E. Spetman of Council Bluffs.

SUIT TO ANNUL NATURALIZATION

Government Brings Action Against Resident of Mills County.

Alleging that the certificate was obtained contrary to the federal statutes the United States government filed a petition in the United States circuit court here yesterday, asking the annulment and cancellation of the certificate of naturalization held by Hau Nielsen, a farmer of Emerson, Mills county.

The petition alleges that on January 30, 1907, the defendant, a subject of the king of Denmark, filed in the district court of Mills county a petition for naturalization. The clerk of the court issued the certificate to Nielsen on September 21 of the same year. By virtue of this certificate, it is alleged in the petition, the defendant claims the rights of an American citizen and the protection of the federal government.

The principal allegation in the petition filed by the government asserts that Nielsen failed to prove that he had ever made a declaration of intention to become a citizen, as required by the federal statutes and particularly by the naturalization act of two years ago. The naturalization act of 1906 requires that with a petition for naturalization there must be filed the certificate of declaration of intention issued the required period before. This, it is alleged, Nielsen failed to do nor did he prove to the court by competent evidence that he had made a declaration of intention.

It is further alleged in support of the government's request for the cancellation of the certificate, that no final order of court authorizing the issuance of the certificate was entered upon the record under the hand of the court. It is further alleged that Nielsen did not execute the oath of allegiance to the United States.

Nielsen is given sixty days in which to answer the allegations of the petition. It is probable that the case will be heard at the next term of federal court in this city which will open the third Tuesday in September.

Although representatives of the government appeared in court here with objections to the issuance of naturalization papers on various grounds to applicants for same, this is the first instance here of suit being brought to annul the issuance of a certificate of naturalization.

TREASURER MITCHELL THE LOSER

Pays Back Money Held to Have Been Illegally Paid Deputy.

The certiorari action brought by Attorney S. B. Wadsworth as a "citizen and taxpayer of Pottawattamie county" to compel the Board of County Supervisors to rescind its action authorizing the payment of a commission of 10 per cent to Otto Vollstedt, a clerk in the office of County Treasurer Mitchell, on the amount of delinquent personal taxes collected by him, will not be tried before Judge Wheeler of the district court next Saturday.

Treasurer Mitchell, as soon as the supervisors, acting upon the advice of County Attorney Hess that their former action was unauthorized by law, ordered the amount paid to Mr. Vollstedt refunded, paid into the county treasury $888.07, the amount of the commission which had been allowed his deputy.

"Not the slightest criticism should attach to Mr. Mitchell in this matter," said a member of the Board of Supervisors yesterday. "The entire transaction as between the board and the county treasurer, was in perfect good faith and with the understanding that the board had the authority to pay such a commission for the collection of delinquent personal taxes. The custom of allowing one of the county treasurer's deputies a commission of 10 per cent for the collection of these delinquent personal taxes had prevailed for years. When the attack was made by Mr. Wadsworth it was at the request of Treasurer Mitchell that the matter was referred to the county attorney, who decided that the board had not the authority to pay this commission. It was the county attorney who drew up the resolution providing for the payment to Mr. Vollstedt of the commission which was adopted by the unanimous vote of the board on December 4 of last year."

As the result of Mr. Vollstedt's efforts close upon $10,000 of delinquent personal taxes which had accrued long before Mr. Mitchell assumed the duties of county treasurer, was recovered into the treasury of Pottawattamie county. Some of these personal taxes had been delinquent for as long as ten years. Many of the delinquents who, through Mr. Vollstedt's efforts, were compelled to pay up had left Pottawattamie county and are residents of Idaho, Washington, Colorado, Wyoming and other western states. In many instances payment of delinquent personal taxes was brought about by seizure of cattle and other stock by Collector Vollstedt.

The salaries of his deputies and clerks are paid by the county treasurer, and as the matter now stands Mr. Mitchell is practically out the amount paid Mr. Vollstedt, as the latter's time was nearly all taken up in attending to the collection of these personal taxes, which had become delinquent before Mr. Mitchell took charge of the office.

LADIES OF MODERN MACCABEES

Convention of Lodges in Western Iowa and Omaha.

About fifty members and delgates of the Ladies of the Modern Maccabees from Council Bluffs, Omaha, Red Oak, Mt. Ayr and other towns in this section of the state, held yesterday in Danish hall, the first county convention of the order in this district. Although termed a county convention the gathering included delegates from Omaha and a number of towns in this state outside of Pottawattamie county.

The following oficers were elected to serve for two years:

Commander, Mrs. Lillian Wray, Red Oak.
Lieutenant commander, Mrs. Mittie Thompson, Omaha.
Record keeper, Mrs. Margaret Dalton, Council Bluffs.
Chaplain, Mrs. Belle Laughlin, Mt. Ayr.

Mrs. Laura Marti of Omaha was elected delegate to the meeting of the great hive in Toledo, O., in June.

The next convention will be held in Omaha in 1909.

The session was presided over by Mrs. Margaret Dalton of this city, who holds the office of state deputy great commander of Nebraska. Owing to the late arrival of many of the delegates from out of town, but little business was transacted at the morning session. At noon the visiting delegates were guests of the local members at a luncheon served in the dining room in Danish hall.

At the afternoon session Mrs. Margaret Dalton was elected to represent the local hive at the meeting of the great hive in Toledo.

Among the resolutions adopted was one calling upon all members of the hives in the state for contributions of 10 cents for the endowment of a bed in some Iowa hospital. It is estimated that $1,000 can be raised in this manner. As the local hive is among the largest in the state, it is possible that the Edmundson Memorial hospital of this city may be selected for the endowed bed.

The afternoon session was brought to a close early in order to permit the out of town delegates returning to their homes by the evening trains.

GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL ARCANUM

Meets at Boone, Hears Reports and Elects Officers.

BOONE, Ia., April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The grand council, Royal Arcanum, held in Boone today was well attended. Routine business, such as receiving reports, auditing the books of the grand regent, grand secretary and grand treasurer, was transacted. Fort Dodge gets the next council. This afternoon the citizens of Boone gave the delegates an automobile ride about the city, showing the places of interest. This evening an elaborate banquet was tendered in the Young Men's Christian association gymnasium, bringing to a fitting close the council.

Officers were elected as follows:

Grand regent, Charles M. Dickson, Sioux City; grand vice regent, J. K. Dysart, Ottumwa; grand orator, J. N. Labarre, Waterloo; past grand regent, C. A. Beno, Council Bluffs; grand secretary, H. A. Snyder, Waterloo; grand treasurer, A. E. Brock, Council Bluffs; grand chaplain, C. E. Boss, Sioux City; grand guide, E. P. Hazen, Fort Madison; grand warden, E. P. Drake, Des Moines; grand sentry, George J. Pickett, Ottumwa.

MAY STRIKE AT FORT DODGE

Gypsum and Tile Workers Want More Wages.

FORT DODGE, Ia., April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Labor troubles are brewing near this city. It has leaked out the Gypsum miners employed by the United States Gypsum company Saturday demanded a return to the old wage scale of 45 cents per ton. If the demands are not granted they will strike, involving the mill hands, sympathetically, and it is likely other companies will become involved. If so, 400 men may strike. One hundred laborers in the brick tile plants at Lehigh strike Wednesday night, as the employers refuse to raise the pay from $1.70 to $2.

Iowa Central Strike Expected.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., April 15.—(Special.)—The prospects of a strike of machinists employed in the local Iowa Central shops was made more certain Sunday, when the shop committee refused to consider the new wage schedule which Superintendent D. C. Noonan laid before the committee. The schedule contemplates a reduction in wages of from 40 to 37 cents an hour for machinists and a corresponding decrease for their helpers and apprentices. The committee, which had met Mr. Noonan earlier in the week, refused to even consider the schedule and have appealed to General Manager L. F. Day of Minneapolis. A business agent of the international union of machinists, who had been here in the interest of the local union, left for Minneapolis this morning.

It is expected the union will not win its point before Mr. Day, as it is believed that Mr. Noonan acted with the full approval of Mr. Day.

In case the company insists in putting into force this new schedule, union machinists say they will strike, which will probably mean also a sympathetic strike of the boilermakers and blacksmiths and their helpers.

Railroad Conductor Killed.

GRINNELL, Ia., April 15.—(Special.)—Conductor Al Neff on the local freight of the Iowa Central road was run over by the engine of the Montezuma branch in the yards at this city yesterday about noon and his right leg was crushed up to the hip. He was taken to the Grinnell City hospital, just opened for patients, and the company brought his wife from Oskaloosa in forty minutes. He was conscious and talked freely about the accident, blaming no one but himself. Every effort was made to save his life, but he died after midnight. The body will be taken to Oskaloosa this evening. He was about 45 years old and had worked for the Iowa Central for fifteen years and was greatly beloved by all his associates. He leaves a wife and three children in Oskaloosa.

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HORSES BIG CARD AT FAIR

Management Proposes to Offer Premiums for Several New Classes.

CANDIDATES CONTINUE TO FILE

Declination of Dennison, However, Leaves the Democrats Without a Candidate for Head of the Ticket.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, April 15.—(Special.)—While the attractions and amusement features of the Iowa State fair for 1908 have not been all definitely contracted for, enough have been agreed upon to insure that this year's state fair will be the greatest in the history of the state. One of the finest of the attractions will be the horses. Pabst, who bought the Jordan stables of hackney horses, is to show his stables this year. It is recognized as the finest stable of hackney horses in America and the exhibit will be something new for Iowa. While the state fair has always had a few hackneys shown there has never been anything like the exhibit of this year will be.

Another attraction will be the ponies. Every year the Shetland ponies have been a drawing card. All the children and many of the older people have loitered about the barns where the Shetlands have been on exhibit. But a Shetland to be exhibited must be under forty inches high. This excludes niany very fine ponies that are above that. This year a new classification on ponies has been added that will admit this other class of ponies and the result will be that there will be probably twice as many ponies at the fair as ever before. Charles Bunn of Peoria will have his stable of ponies there.

A still further innovation in the horse exhibit will be that of commercial horses. In this classification will be placed all draft horses other than for breeding purposes. No pure bred mares will be admitted to the classification, but cross-bred and grade mares and cross-bred, grade and pure blood geldings will be admitted. The purpose of this classification is to get the farmers of the state interested. The classification is primarily to encourage the raising of horses to meet the commercial demand. In the same connection premiums are to be given to the grooms who put the teams in shape for the exhibit.

Cummins' Grandchild Sick.

Because of the sickness of one of his grandchildren with pneumonia Governor Cummins delayed his start for the reservation to continue his campaign till the last minute today. The child recovered some and the governor went to Ottumwa, where he was to speak tonight. He was accompanied by Joseph A. Dyer of this city, who will also speak.

Candidates File Papers.

William R. Lee of Carrol, in the Tenth district, and Alex Mardis of Wayne county, in the Eighth district, are the only candidates for presidential elector on the republican ticket thus far heard from. Lee filed his papers with the secretary of state today.

W. A. Dowell of Cumberland has filed his papers as a republican candidate for representative from Cass county, Hardin L. Exley has filed as a democratic candidate for state senator from the Lucas-Wayne district, Otis H. Holmes of Algona has filed his papers as a republican candidate for representative from Kossuth county and John Lachmann has filed as a democratic candidate for representative from Lee county.

Forget the Affidavit.

Secretary of State W. C. Hayward has been compelled to write back to many candidates filing papers to have them corrected. In many instances they fail to have an affidavit attached as provided by law. The affidavit must state that the man is a candidate. Under the primary election law it is impossible to foist an office upon a man. He must swear that he is a candidate before his papers will be filed.

Dennison Not a Candidate.

John D. Dennison will not enter the field for the democratic nomination for governor of Iowa. There is no one else in the field and it seems as though a nomination which, when it was bestowed by a state convention two years ago, was desperately fought for, is this year to go begging. Dennison two years ago was one of the candidates for the nomination. Only a week remains in which to get nomination papers in shape and filed to get on the primary ballot.

Guy is Held for Murder.

William Guy is being held for the murder of Clarence Richardson. The coroner's jury today returned a verdict that Richardson died from blood poisoning resulting from a revolver shot wound made by William Guy. Guy is claimed to have made threats against Richardson before the shooting.

Requisition Revoked.

Governor Cummins has revoked the requisition under which A. W. Waterman was taken from Iowa to Pennsylvania and now there is a clash of authority between Governor Cummins' adopted state and his native state of Pennsylvania as to which state will have Waterman. Waterman is wanted in Pennsylvania on a charge of forgery. He lived in Ida county, Iowa, and it is claimed that in fact he was really kidnaped from Iowa and taken to Pennsylvania and that the authorities there were not entitled to the requisition which Governor Cummins honored in the first instance. It is claimed that at the time he was taken from the state he lived in Ida county and was insane and in fact in the charge of a guardian.

Young Weaver in Council Bluffs.

IOWA FALLS, Ia., April 15.—(Special.)—It is stated here today that while Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Otterbach of this city were in Council Bluffs, a few days ago, enroute to the southwest, they saw Attorney W. L. Weaver, who has been missing since February 24, on the streets of that city. While there is a persistent report that the last grand jury returned an indictment against Weaver, the report lacks verification, as nothing regarding the actions of the grand jury has been made public officially, yet. The fact that the police officers of the county have taken no steps to locate Weaver, the indications are that the grand jury did not return an indictment. Sheriff Walsh stated yesterday that no action whatever had been taken to locate Weaver. George Weaver, a brother of the missing man, returned from Omaha yesterday and stated that absolutely nothing was known regarding his missing brother's whereabouts.

Council Bluffs Man Robbed.

STERLING, Ill., April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Henry Baker, who gives his address Council Bluffs, Ia., R. F. D. No. 2, was held up and hobbed here of $200 and a $60 gold watch this morning.

Gypsum Miner Killed.

FORT DODGE, Ia., April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—While timbering in the Cardiff gypsum mine, Will Jones, aged 22 years, was instantly killed this afternoon by the falling of the rock roof. Deceased lived at Holliday Creek, a short distance from this city.

IOWA COAL SCALE IS READY

Miners and Operators Will Meet Thursday at Des Moines to Ratify It.

DES MOINES, Ia., April 15.—(Special.)—A joint convention of the United Mine workers and the coal operators will be held Thursday to ratify the action of the committee in arranging a scale of wages for the next two years. The joint scale committees are still at work and today finished the new machine scale. They will have completed their work tomorrow. The mines, it is expected, will not open till about the first of May. The last winter has been an open one and a great deal more than the usual amount of coal was mined, and in addition, not as much was consumed as usual. There is therefore an abundance of coal above ground and no necessity to begin mining till next month.

TOLEDO, O., April 15.—At the joint conference of the miners and operators this afternoon J. B. Zerbe of Cleveland, representing the operators, was made chairman of the conference and W. D. Ryan, national secretary of the United Mine Workers of America, was selected secretary. Trouble was started when the conference proceeded to make up the temporary scale committee to agree upon the scale of prices under which miners may go to work at once pending permanent agreement. There are present thirteen members of the miners' union from Illinois, but no operators. The Illinois men demanded representation on the scale committee. The operators fought the proposition and the contest waged for three hours. Finally an agreement was reached by which the Illinois miners will have a voice in the deliberations of the committee but not vote.

Boy Killed Under Cultivator.

LOGAN, Ia., April 15.—(Spjecial.)—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob's little son was found dead this morning under the wheel of a cultivator between the house and barn on their farm five miles southeast of Logan. It is thought the child in playing on the cultivator started it down a sharp incline and fell beneath the wheel.

Iowa News Notes.

GRINNEL—Johnson A. Porter, living a short distance east of Evart, lost two barns with all their contents, including some live stock, by fire on Sunday last. He had only a partial insurance in the Poweshiek County Mutual.

MARSHALLTOWN—At the annual conference of the German Evangelical churches of Iowa, held at Dubuque, Rev. J. M. Mingo was assigned to the charge at Laurel, Marshall county, and Mingo, Jasper county. He succeeds Rev. Mr. Beckman and Laurel.

IOWA CITY—Miss Alice Beattie, the superintendent of the Homeopathic hospital in this place, has resigned and will practice her profession at Cleveland, O., after June 29. Miss Beattie has been an excellent superintendent and the entire corps of nurses and physicians are sorry to see her leave.

SIOUX CITY—United States government snag boat James B. McPherson, which has been in the government yards on the Big Sioux river during the winter, has cleared for Kansas City. On the trip to the Missouri metropolis the boat will be used in pulling snags. The crew is composed of twenty-two men, with Captain McFarlane in command.

MARSHALLTOWN—The Methodist Episcopal church of Gilman, which was totally destroyed by fire Friday night, is to be rebuilt. At a meeting of the congregation, held this afternoon, the initial steps to erect a new edifice to cost between $4,000 and $5,000 were taken. Work is to begin on the new church at once. Until it is finished the congregation will hold its services in the opera house.

SIOUX CITY—J. H. Strief of Sioux City, secretary-treasurer of the Iowa Federation of Labor, has commenced his annual tour of the state for the purpose of compiling the federation's directory of labor organizations and their secretaries. He will also make personal inquiry and observations into the conditions of organized labor, gaining, if possible, the number of employed and unemployed men and the future outlook for labor.

IOWA CITY—The annual sophomore oratorical contest was won by J. C. Mundt with his oration on the sublimity of the will. Earl Stewart of Des Moines was a close second. The other men who contested were Don Batesson and J. A. Kyle. Mr. Mundt is from Logan, Ia., and by winning the contest wins the Egan prize of $20. The Lowden prize was awarded Messrs. Starzinger, Luxford and Brant, who have been prominent in debate in the university this year.

ATLANTIC—Otto Reisberg, a young man of this place who has been working at Omaha, but who came home sick a few days ago, died at the home of his parents yesterday after but a five days' illness of spinal meningitis. He was 23 years of age and was never sick a day until taken with his last illness. There is an epidemic of contagious diseases here now and all the doctors are busy taking care of scarlet fever, diphtheria, mumps, measles and other lighter ailments.

ATLANTIC—The farm house near Marne, owned and occupied as a dwelling by Tarkel Jensen, was totally destroyed by fire that originated in the roof from a defective flue yesterday. The loss was about $1,400, with $700 insurance. Some of the household goods were saved, but the building was a total loss. A vacant house owned by Seaman Maaborg of Elkhorn was also totally destroyed by fire of an unknown origin. The loss was about $1,000 covered partially by insurance.

SIOUX CITY—A semi-annual meeting of the Presbytery of Sioux City, which comprises northwestern Iowa, was opened here last night. One hundred delegates from the various cities and towns are in attendance. The sessions will cover two days. The program includes addresses by Rev. H. H. Sawyer of Sioux City, district superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, Mrs. B. B. Bruse, returned missionary from China, and President B. G. Campbell of Bouna Vista college.

MARSHALLTOWN—Earle Roberts of Oskaloosa, Ia., who has been at the head of the boy's department of the local Young Men's Christian association, is to go to Des Moines on May 1 to assume charge of the boy's department of the University Place Christian church. This church raised $1,000 Sunday, when Mr. Roberts was there to inaugurate this new movement, which is to be patterned after a similar department, which has been made highly successful by the Anderson, Ind., Christian church.

ATLANTIC—What appears to be a neighborhood fued has developed in Grant township near Anita. It is said to have originated over a telephone war. At any rate a man by the name of Ely had all his orchard trees, his grapes and other small fruit completely ruined by parties cutting them with knives just as the buds were bursting. A valuable orchard and small fruit farm has been rendered useless. The depredation was committed during the night and Mr. Ely claims to know who did the work, but lacks sufficient proof to take the matter to court.

IOWA FALLS—Master Mechanic F. E. Doxey of the Des Moines Short Line had his left foot badly mashed last evening. While crossing the tracks near the company's round house, Mr. Doxey passed between two sections of a freight train that was switching in the yards. He tripped and fell across the track, but had presence of mind to throw his body out of the way of the advancing train, but his foot was caught and badly mangled. It is thought amputation of the member will be necessary. Mr. Doxey was formerly with the Illinois Central and came here several months ago from Waterloo. He was taken to Ellsworth hospital.

IOWA CITY—The cast for the senior play of the university has just been chosen. Miss Blanche Bloom, a professional actress, assisted in the choosing process. The following will represent the various classes of the university in the annual play: Joe Beem, Pearl Cross, Josephine Lynch, Robert Remley, S. E. Felt, Bernard Murphy, Gertrude Branson, William S. Johnston, Ariel Parish, H. S. Allen, William Hotz, Laura Lynch, William E. Jones, Robert Long, Kathryn Green, J. T. Colgrove, Marguerite Moore, R. H. Sylvester, Hilda Brodersen, Edith Ball, Walter Y. Myers and John Conaway. The play to be presented is "Trelawney of the Wells," and will be under the direction of the department of public speaking of the university.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Four Men Arrested on the Charge of Highway Robbery.

IDENTIFIED BY ONE OF VICTIMS

Stolen Property Found at the Home of One of the Accused Parties, Who Insists His Wife Bought It.

The South Omaha police arrested four men on suspicion yesterday, whom they expect to prosecute for highway robbery. They were John Quincey, Thomas Dombrowski, Michael Dombrowksi, his son, and John Wabons. It is alleged the four men broke into a hay barn owned by the Union Stock Yards company about Thirty-fourth and H streets and stole a ton of baled hay. Later Monday night, they are alleged to have visited the Bradford-Kennedy lumber yards and attempted to steal lumber. While they were engaged in this a watchman came upon them. They held him up with a gun and ordered him back to his house. The watchman did not delay in getting away from the vicinity. He recognized two of the men, however. He was so positive that the police immediately placed Dombrowski and his son under arrest. Then they paid a visit to the residence and found the hay stored, and also the lumber. They also found a barrel of beer which was taken from a box car last Saturday night. This combination of evidence is thought to make a strong case against the Dombrowskis. The statement of the first two led to the arrest of the others.

The prisoners were put through the sweat box yesterday and were pretty well tied up in their efforts to explain how the stolen property happened to be in their possession. Dombrowski said his wife had bought the hay last Friday, but he could not tell how much she had paid for it.

Johnson Gets in Wrong Bed.

A man giving his name as Ed Johnson was the most disgusted man in the South Omaha jail last night. He was jailed for drunkenness and carrying concealed weapons. But the rudeness of his arrest was the point which made him doubt the kindness of the fates. He indulged in a few too many drinks and the warm afternoon made him drowsy, so he found a corner between the high board fence of the Union Pacific and one of the stone retaining walls at the east end of the Q street viaduct. In this narrow place he lay all the later hours of the afternoon. No one saw him creep in, but finally someone on the tracks below saw a pair of feet hanging through a rift in the fence in an unnatural position and mounting to the wall above they found Johnson. They concluded the place for him was with the undertaker, so they called up the city jail and reported that a man had fallen off the wall of the Q street viaduct and was either dead or dying. Two police officers hastened to the spot and found only a sleepy "son of the road" instead of his corpse. They allowed him to pass the rest of his sleep at the jail. During the evening he asked the jailer if there was any hope of getting out on his nerve. Being assured there was none he resigned himself to his fate. "It's a funny town, wants to arrest a man for sleepin'. Say, who was I hurtin', anyhow?" he said.

Magic City Gossip.

A. F. Stryker is away on a western trip and will be gone about ten days.

Mrs. Harry Armstrong returned Monday from a short visit to Fremont.

Jetter's Bock Beer delivered to any part of the city. Telephone No. 8.

Dr. R. L. Wheeler announces a special Lenten service Thursday evening at the Presbyterian church.

Charles Powers of South Omaha was married last evening to Miss Daisy Porter of Omaha by Rev. Dr. R. L. Wheeler.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George Alters, 188 South Twenty-third street, died yesterday. The burial will be at 2 p. m. today.

Members of Upchurch lodge No. 2, Degree of Honor, will meet this evening. The grand chief of honor and the grand officers will be present.

Charles Hibbler, living in the country near Seymour park, was taken to the South Omaha hospital suffering from a broken leg received last Sunday in a runaway accident.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McLean were agreeably surprised Monday evening by a party of fifty members of the United Presbyterian church. Many of the guests were young people and spent the evening in outdoor games. A memorial was presented to the host and hostess on the eve of their departure to Red Oak, Ia., their future home.

PRIMARY ELECTION LAW VALID

Missouri Law Passed Upon by Supreme Court Sitting En Banc.

JEFFERSON CITY, April 15.—The supreme court today denied the application of the republican city central committee of St. Louis to institute mandamus proceedings against the St. Louis election commissioners for the purpose of calling a city convention. The application was recently filed as a test of the state primary election law. The decision handed down by the supreme court in banc, Judge Graves not sitting, holds that the primary election law is constitutional.

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NEBRASKA FROM DAY TO DAY

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

Surgeons Wait on Religion—Father Walsh was rushed fifteen miles across the country Tuesday in a flying automobile trip. The fifteen and a half miles were covered in from forty to fifty minutes, the fast trip being made over muddy roads and through election day rain. At the end of the trip two surgeons were waiting to amputate the leg of James Brozek, the young farmer near Battle Creek who was accidentally shot by his hired man. The presence of Father Walsh was demanded before the operation could proceed. Father Walsh was in Norfolk. It would take several hours to make the journey by rail and buggy. So it was hastily arranged to bring Father Walsh out to the farm in Dr. Salters' runabout. Carl Ahlman drove the car.—Norfolk News.

The Way of the Minister Is Hard—There is something strange about selecting a new preacher for a town. Each applicant is brought forth and gives an examination of himself, does the best that he can, shakes hands with all of the people and goes away. After a few examinations the new pastor is selected and comes to town. He is at once the rage. He has nothing but praises and compliments on every side. He is pointed out as our new minister. He is it. He stays and preaches and labors. But his star is never as high as in those few weeks. In his work he has to step on the feet of people. They yell. The minister keeps on doing the best that he can, and more and more people get their toes pinched. In a year or two the preacher is in his proper sphere. He has his many loyal friends and those that are not. The way of the minister is not all roses.—St. Paul Republican.

Nature Fake—By the explosion of a pair of pants which they were cleaning with gasoline, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Colton, residing at Eleventh and Grover streets, were seriously burned last Saturday afternoon. In cleaning the garment Mr. Colton had used a liberal supply of the fluid and Mrs. Colton was helping him wring them out by hand. They were using considerable force, when all at once there was a loud report like the discharge of a gun and in an instant they were in flames, as well as the enclosed porch where they had been working. One of Mr. Colton's hands was burned so bad that the skin came off when he made his next trip as an engineer on the Burlington and Mrs. Colton received serious burns about the head. She was sitting close to the center of the explosion and it was so violent that every pin holding her hair in shape was shaken out. The explosion also tore a hole in the side of the porch and set fire to the interior. Fortunately it all happened while Mr. Colton's brother was at home, and through his assistance the fire was not allowed to gain headway. The trousers were made of woolen cloth, and it is believed that in wringing them the friction caused an electric spark which ignited the gasoline. Mr. Colton says that he always heard it was dangerous to use gasoline for cleaning woolens and silks and he is hoping his experience may warn others to use great caution.—Columbus Telegram.

TURN BACK ON THEIR FATHER

Children of Peter Coburg of Norfolk Refuse to Come Home with Him.

CINCINNATI, O., April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Peter Coburg of Norfolk, Neb., has arrived here in search of his wife and to secure the children she took away with her on leaving her Nebraska home. The children she placed in a home, but no trace has been found of the woman. The children, however, refuse to return with their father and he will institute legal proceedings to secure possession of them.

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