

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA

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ATTEMPT TO EXTORT MONEY

Charles McKeown, Farmer Near Crescent, is the Victim.

C. A. WILDING UNDER ARREST

Two Threatening Letters Received Turned Over to the Authorities and Arrest of Wilding Follows.

Charged with attempting to "extort" money by blackmail from Charles McKeown, a well-to-do farmer living about three miles from Crescent, C. A. Wilding is being held by the authorities and will have a preliminary hearing before Judge Snyder in the superior court this morning.

Wilding is said to have had a partner in the alleged attempt to extort money from McKeown, but so far the authorities have been unable to locate him.

Two letters were recently received by McKeown. In the first, the writer, which was mailed to the gatepost of McKeown's residence, the sum of \$50 was demanded.

Text of Letters.

Both letters were written with a pencil and there was evidently an attempt on the part of the writer to disguise his handwriting.

Mr. Charles McKeown: You are hereby notified by the undersigned to come to Council Bluffs, Iowa, at once, and bring with you \$50 (three hundred and fifty dollars), go to the Northwestern depot at exactly 8 o'clock.

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SOME DOCTORS CARELESS

Endanger Lives of Many People by Violation of Law.

FEDERAL LAWS ARE INVOLVED

Week of Meetings of Various Societies to Discuss Farm, Live Stock and Horticultural Matters.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Officials of the Iowa State Board of Health are in arms over recent acts of criminal negligence and have asked the postal authorities to assist in running down one offender who has sent a letter containing germs to the dread disease, diphtheria.

Monday Dr. Louis Thomas, secretary of the board, received through the mail a package that was loosely wrapped and tied. On opening it he found an old vaseline bottle with but an ordinary cork, unsealed in any way.

The package was a letter containing germs to the dread disease, diphtheria. The postmark on the exterior of the package was obliterated so it could not be made out. The outside wrapper, however, has been disinfected and turned over to detectives to ascertain if possible the name of the sender.

CHURCH COUNCIL ON SCHOOLS

Motion for Half-Day Recess Each Week for Religious Instruction Voted Down.

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GREAT DISCONTENT IN VIENNA

Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister Will Probably Be Forced to Resign Because of Failure of His Bluff.

VIENNA, Dec. 8.—It is reported that the Agrarian boycott of Constantinople is in progress, 5,500 Turkish firms, having been added to the boycott committee's list in the last few days.

Rumors are again current that Baron von Aehrenthal, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, will be obliged to resign. The newspapers are beginning to attack his policy, urging that it would be cheaper to arrive at an agreement with Turkey than to risk a costly mobilization.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 8.—The slow progress of the negotiations with Austria will probably entail a short delay in the appearance of M. Iswolsky, the foreign minister, in the Duma, which is scheduled for Wednesday next.

Germany's Foreign Affairs Von Buelow Outlines Situation During Debate on Budget.

BERLIN, Dec. 8.—Chancellor von Buelow during the budget debate today, addressed the Reichstag on Germany's foreign policy, dwelling at length on the southeast European situation, the relations of Germany to France and Great Britain and Germany's attitude toward the American-Japanese understanding.

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tives of both countries. "The new arrangement," he said, "is thoroughly in harmony with the principles of Germany's policy in the far east, the open door, the preservation of the status quo territorially and the integrity and independence of the Chinese empire. We have no occasion to regard the agreement otherwise than sympathetically. It gives new support to our principles and additional guarantee of peaceful development in the far east."

The chancellor in discussing the Balkan crisis, said: "From the very beginning two points were to me clear for the exercise of German diplomacy—first, we must leave the lead in southeastern European politics to other powers and, secondly, we must never hesitate for a moment to stand faithfully by our ally, Austria-Hungary."

Mrs. McRaney's Experience. Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble and was treated by two physicians, but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. After taking two bottles I felt like a new person and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what Foley's Kidney Remedy did for me." Sold by all druggists.

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