

CURRENT NEWS OF IOWA

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MINOR MENTION. Davis, Crags. Lewis, Cutler, general director. Phone 77. Wooding Undertaking company, Tel. 326.

JEALOUS MAN SHOOTS SELF. Sidney Gibbons Follows His Wife to the Home of Her Parents. THREATENS TO SHOOT WOMEN. When Police Are Called He Turns Weapon on Himself and Fires Two Bullets Into His Own Breast.

After gaining admission to the house, the doors of which had been locked against him, by climbing through a kitchen window, Sidney Gibbons, a railroad man, shot himself twice through the breast near the heart yesterday afternoon at the home of his parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Edwin McClelland, 800 Avenue H. The weapon used was a small revolver of 22-calibre.

Lincoln music stock at 6c, 8c, 10c and 12c a copy, Saturday, at A. Hospe Co., 29 Pearl St. No music played during this sale.

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COB SHED MAKES A BIG BLAZE. Cause Rumor Big Implement Warehouse Was Burning. Fire of unknown origin in a shed used to store cobs at the warehouse of the Shugart & Burns Seed company at Sixth street and Tenth avenue, shortly before 7 o'clock last night, made a big blaze for a short time and caused a report that another large implement warehouse was a prey to flames.

Pair of Bankrupts. Elmer Dyer, a farmer of Audubon county, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the federal court here yesterday. He schedules liabilities aggregating \$1,863.99, of which \$524.95 is secured. He also assets worth \$538.00, all of which are claimed as exempt.

Hand-Painted China—Discount 20 Per Cent. It's Pickard's—there is no equal to it for daintiness and artistic execution. This is your chance to get that piece of china so long desired. Suitable for wedding gifts. See special window display. Lettner's.

Commercial Banquet Speakers. President Winchell of Rock Island and Ex-Mayor Dunne Accept. Announcement was made yesterday by Henry H. Van Brunt, chairman of the program committee, that E. L. Winchell, president of the Rock Island Railroad company, and Edward F. Dunne, former mayor of Chicago, have been secured as two of the speakers at the annual banquet of the Council Bluffs Commercial club, which will be held at the Grand hotel Thursday, March 18.

Victor E. Bender, who returned from Chicago yesterday, acting for the program committee, personally presented the invitation of the club to Mr. Winchell and Mr. Dunne and secured acceptance from both.

Real Estate Transfers. These transfers were reported to The Bee February 18 by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company of Council Bluffs:

John R. Toller and wife to Charles F. Schick, lot 14, block 7, Fleming & Graybill, part sec 84, 10-78-43, g.c.d. 1. Elizabeth M. Stacker, widow to Zenas Graybill, part sec 84, 10-78-43, g.c.d. 1. George Sexton and wife to Zenas Graybill, part sec 84, 10-78-43, g.c.d. 150.

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Survey for Sioux City Line. Thirteen civil engineers in the employ of the American Engineering company of Indianapolis, Ind., have commenced a survey for the Sioux City & Des Moines Interurban line between here and Corvallis. President Wilson of the construction company believes that the road can enter Sioux City on a 1 per cent grade.

BATTLESHIPS NEARING HOME. Admiral Sperry's Fleet Within Seven Hundred Miles of Virginia. OLD POINT COMFORT, Va., Feb. 18.—The near approach of the battleship fleet and its escort, signalled tonight by wireless telegraph as less than 700 miles off the Virginia cape, is reflected in the great crowds of visitors pouring into the hotels here.

Money for Rivers and Harbors. Senator Frudden of Dubuque introduced in the senate a resolution for a memorial to congress in favor of a large appropriation for the improvement of rivers and harbors and general work on the inland waterways.

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Why Nebraska State

Everybody knows that Nebraska is prosperous. Many people, however, even in Nebraska, do not know the source of its prosperity, except in their own neighborhood. Neither is it always understood in the cities, as to the cause of the general prosperity of the farmer, and the farmer may not be familiar with what has been most essential in bringing about the prosperity of our towns and cities.

In the coming articles, descriptive of the different counties of the state, the Commercial Club and their good roads campaign will receive attention; from what the state has been developed and the place it holds today in the industrial world; the advantages Nebraska offers to those who may come here; what the farmers of today have accomplished, and the possibilities for the farmer of the future; what the stock-breeders and stock-feeders have developed and what they are trying to develop; what the dairy industry has to offer and how it is being received or rejected by the average farmer. The fruit industry has added to the pleasure and profit of the home; the corn grower has learned and is learning, and his knowledge of improved methods are of immense value to himself and his neighbors. The railroads have done much for the state and have received much in return from the people. Thrifty towns and cities of the state are growing, and how they are making progress will be told. The county schools, the school teacher and county superintendent of schools are entitled to notice and will be touched upon.

All of these things will receive special attention in the future articles. No one can be well posted unless they know their own state. Your friends, elsewhere, will be glad to receive a copy of the issue containing the account of your home county.

Next week---York County THE OMAHA DAILY BEE

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revision of the Iowa railroad rates as to partially offset the alleged advantage of the river cities of Iowa because of the fact that all interstate rates are based on either Mississippi or Missouri river points. The interior cities complain that this fact operates to their advantage and they desire a revision of the state rates.

After having attempted to pawn a large diamond brooch which has since been identified as having been the one taken from the body of Mrs. C. W. Rosen, who was murdered at Ottumwa two weeks ago, John Junkin, a negro, was placed under arrest today. Junkin was released from Port Madison penitentiary January 19, shortly before the murder of Miss Rosen. He has a bad record. The police searched his house, but so far have failed to find any corroborative clues that he committed the crime. The negro claims he found the diamond brooch from the scene of the crime.

ONAWA—It has just become known that several merchants of this city were recently flooded by a bogus check passed, who gave his name as G. W. Tubbs. The check was cashed at the First National bank and were plainly counterfeit. The grafter is described as five feet nine inches tall, blue eyes, and a blue nose, a drop of hair and a drop of hair. He succeeded in passing for his board bill with a \$75 draft at the First National bank. He has fled into Minnesota.

CRESTON—Twenty head of fine imported horses arrived here this morning by express, consigned to J. W. G. Taylor. They arrived in New York Wednesday, three days later, owing to stormy weather.

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TAFT MADE MASON AT SIGHT. Lodge Dignitaries from Seventeen States Witness the Ceremony.

OHIO GRAND MASTER OFFICIATES. Chairman Hitchcock Comes to Cincinnati for Conference with President-elect Over Cabinet Affairs.

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