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Minor Mention

The Council Bluffs office of the Omaha Bee is at 15 Scott Street. Both 'phones 43.

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The Clark barber shop for baths.
Corrigans, undertakers. Phones 148.
FAUST BEER AT ROGERS' BUFFET.
Woodring Undertaking company. Tel. 339.
Lewis Cutler, funeral director. Phone 97.
FOR EXCHANGE OF REAL ESTATE TRY SWAPS.
WE CARRY MALT EXTRACT. J. J. Klein Co., 162 West Broadway.

Mrs. R. W. Cozad, 147 Vine street, is visiting friends at Grand Island, Neb.

Have your glasses fitted or repaired by J. W. Terry, optician, 411 Broadway, office with George Gerner.

City Clerk Casady has received the bill for examining the municipal accounts by F. M. Cox and W. P. Ellis of the state auditor's office. The work cost the taxpayers $258.12. The examination was made in compliance with the state law and there is no means of evading payment of the bill.

A fishing and hunting party, comprising James Mithen, Frank C. Hendricks, Gus Hinrichs, G. W. Baker and William Van Derloo of Crescent, starts today for Silent Lake, Minn., for a two weeks' outing. It is their intention to camp out during the entire stay at the fishing resort and will go equipped for any kind of weather.

The first prosecution of chronic vagrants under the new state law was conducted in police court yesterday morning, when Judge Snyder sent Glen Roberts, a local barber, to the county jail to appear in the district court. Unless he can furnish a bond of not less than $100 that he will seek employment and keep busy and not get drunk he may be kept in the county jail for a whole year.

A sneakthief invaded the home of Mrs. C. W. Watts on South First street Wednesday night while she was calling at a neighbor's house three doors away and stole her pocketbook containing a small sum of money and a highly prized $200 gold watch. The watch was a gift from her husband. The Roman gold case was set with seven diamonds. The thief entered the house through a basement door that had been left unlocked.

Mrs. George Richardson, residing at 1622 Fifth avenue, was induced to give a stranger $5 yesterday when he appeared at her home and said he had been sent by her husband to collect that amount on a consignment of hard coal which had been sold by the Northwestern Railroad company, following a wreck, and at only $3 a ton. The fellow indicated such familiarity with the railroad work and her husband's business that Mrs. Richardson was fully deceived. She is still waiting for the coal to be delivered.

Contractor George F. Hughes, who has had full charge of the work of remodeling the Twentieth Avenue school building, which included the construction of a large addition, said last evening that his work was practically completed and that the building would be fully ready when school begins Monday morning. The addition includes two new rooms, changes to make new rooms in the basement for the manual training department, new heating plant and plumbing, new boiler house and smokestack. The work has all been done since the schools closed in June. Contractor Hughes finished the large addition to the Thirty-second avenue building a few years ago in the same expeditious manner.

J. A. Miller returned last evening from Denver, after spending two weeks' vacation there and in other portions of Colorado. Mr. Miller says that a large part of Colorado has suffered seriously this season from the long drouth, and that farmers say it has been the hottest, windiest and driest summer they have ever known in the state. Crops are seriously injured in the portions he visited, especially in Morgan county, where farmers were cutting their corn and cane in the effort to save as much of it as possible for fodder. As a crowning misfortune, Mr. Miller says, the state was visited not only by a killing frost, but a hard freeze last week, destroying the last hope of a crop. Even around Denver all kinds of summer vegetation except hardy grasses and forest trees were cut down by the freeze. He declared that the farmers would have little to ship out this season and that the usual supply of potatoes that have come from the state would be missing this year.

Dr. O. O. Smith has returned from Nevada, Mo., where he attended the national meeting of the suggestive therapeutic and metaphysical chautauqua workers, which lasted a week. Dr. Smith was interested in the chautauqua feature of the gathering to the extent that he filled a place on the program each day, and was a member of the Omaha and Nebraska party of delegates who sought to secure the next national meeting for Omaha. Dr. Smith carried an invitation from the Omaha Commercial club and the Nebraska men came very near capturing the prize, compelling the Nevada Business Men's association to submit a flattering offer coupled with a cash donation of $1,000 toward the expense account. A number of national celebrities attended, including Harold Bolce, the author of the series of articles recently published in the Cosmopolitan Magazine under the caption, "Christianity in the Crucible;" William Walter Atkinson of Chicago, author of numerous yogo philosophy books, and Henry Frank. There were delegates from every state in the union and a number from abroad. It was tacitly agreed that the Nebraska delegates should have the 1912 meeting for either Lincoln or Omaha.

ALMOST HUNDRED YEARS OLD

Frank Walker Celebrates Ninety-Seventh Anniversary by Doing Little Extra Work.

Frank Walker, a well known colored man of Council Bluffs, yesterday celebrated his 97th birthday anniversary. The chief feature of the celebration was doing the hardest day's work he had performed in fifty years. He hauls garbage, and yesterday almost doubled his customary area.

Walker was born September 1, 1813, in Bath county, Virginia. He was a slave, owned by Jack Frey, and before manhood was reached he became the property of Divers Frey, son of the older. The first stirring incident in Walker's life came soon after he was taken over by his master's son. A dashing Virginia cavalier named Carter Harrison, with expensive tastes and an uncertain income, lured the young slave into running away with him and being sold in the slave market at Richmond. Walker says the white man promised to give him half the sale price, and he consented. The plan worked all right with the exception that the young slave did not get any of the money, but fell into the possession of a hard master, who took him into South Carolina and to New Orleans. Shortly before the civil war broke out the slave was sold to a man named Walker, who became an officer in the confederate army. Walker was the kindest master the old negro ever had, as well as the last, so he assumed his master's name and still retains it. At the close of the war he was one of the slaves doing duty for some of the intimate friends of Jeff Davis, and when Jefferson made his ignominious flight dressed in his wife's petticoats Walker was following toting a heavy package, said to have been chiefly gold and silver belonging to the fugitive president. The strain of the flight and the weight of the cash caused a rupture of some of the glands of the neck, and the old man has since been disfigured by a huge tumor protruding from the back and side of his neck. He has lived in Council Bluffs for more than twenty years, and those who remember seeing him twenty years ago do not perceive that he has aged a particle since. He is never sick, never fails to do his hard daily toil, discharging the most unpleasant duties singing happily and his face beaming in smiles.

Walker lives in a little cottage at Twenty-first street and Twenty-third avenue, with a wife who is many years his junior.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250. Night L-1702.

Mrs. Sarah C. Saw Dies.

Mrs. Sarah C. Shaw, aged 70 years, died last night at her home, 1422 Eighth avenue, after an illness of five months. Death was due to the weakness of age. Mrs. Shaw had been a resident of Council Bluffs for the last thirty years. She is survived by her husband and two sons. Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed.

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TEACHERS GIVEN PLACES

Superintendent Beveridge Completes Work of Assigning Their Work.

SESSIONS WILL BEGIN MONDAY

Personnel of Instructing Force Busily Engaged at County Institute Until Windup of Their Vacation Time.

The public schools of Council Bluffs begin Monday, and yesterday while the teachers were busy at work in the county institute, Superintendent Beveridge completed the list of assigning them to the schools where they will labor during the school year. Following is the assignment:

High School—C. E. Reed, principal; B. S. Asquith, W. A. Brindley, Emma Boesche, Dolle D. Burgess, Flora Cooper, J. C. Grason, F. A. Schrader, Mittie Pile, Kate Reed, Pauline Reith, Jennie Rice, Anna Ross, Allen Sayles, Edna Sprague, Mary Showalter, S. L. Thomas, Jet Thrush, Mary Wallace, Raymond Wilson, Alice Pheney, assistant.

Washington Avenue—Mantie Mangum, principal; Helen Tyler, Isabel Orris, Caroline Blake, Mattie O. Phillips, Hazel Gooch, Mary Kennedy, Nellie Cole, Nellie C. Bonfield, Josephine Christensen, Mina Converse, Edith Rist, Elizabeth Owens, Helen Walker, Marie Dege, Bessie Howlette, Mrs. Mary A. Scott, Elizabeth Gleason, Stella Royer.

Bloomer—Nannie Hardin, principal; Jessie Green, Mary Tidball, Myrtle McNutt, Katherine Morris, Ray Mahler, Julia Walker, Alice Walter, Elizabeth Morris, Margaret McPherson, Dorothea Spetman, Jane Howe, Gertrude Davenport.

Twentieth Avenue—Clara Meyers, principal; Mamie Norene, Charlotte Henninger, Catherine Putnam, Edith Joseph, Elizabeth Crocker, Hannah Bick, Elizabeth White, Ge Riley, Mary Coggeshall, Ora Fulmer, Sadia Barrett, Dora Lyon, Eva Lyon.

Pierce Street—Edith Trouey, principal; Olive M. Harl, Florence M. Storrs, Eunice Grason, Ella Spetman, Sara O. Sperle, Myrtle Winter, Alida McFadden, Mayme Morris, Julia Hughes, Gertrude Green, Edna M. Grosvenor.

Third Street—Mrs. M. B. Curtis, principal; Elsie Powers (a. m.), Maude Walker, Mary O'Connor, Blanche Peck, Orva Converse, Aurelia Tinley, Elizabeth Parkinson, Ida Casady.

Eighth Street—Willanne White, principal; Minnie E. Clay, Jessie Alworth, Anna Ash, Rose D. Pusey, Vera Spetman, Blanche Patterson, Adele Card.

Second Avenue—Elizabeth Graves, principal; Maude McAneney, Henrietta Sperle, Josephine Sutton, Angie Middleton, Belle Barclay, Lula Spetman, Margaret Aiken, Marie Petersen, Barbara Tucker, Belle Robinson.

Avenue B—Sue L. Badollet, principal; Cora Gretzer, Pearl Gooch, Daisy Bartley, Isla Baker, Minnie Rupp, Etta Smith, Jessie McAneney, Dorothy Cook, Eva Utterback, Minnie Johnson, Anna B. Mikesell, Cora P. Treynor.

Thirty-second Street—Agnes Drake, principal; Elsie Powers (p. m.), Margaret Fisher, Emily Butler, Anna Moule, Pearl Cool, Lida Voorhees, Crystal Dingle, Frances Wood.

Madison Avenue—May Sims, principal; Irma Walker, Margaret Dea, Theoun Kendie.

Eighth Avenue—Kathleen Connor, principal; Elnora Darnill, Louise Carson, Anna Homer.

Avenue E—Josephine Clausen, principal; Anna Van Druff, Ina Weir, Frances E. Wood (p. m.).

Oak Street—Lillian Cherniss, principal; Anna Weinberg.

Courtland—Emma Hoffman, principal; Nora V. Shea.

Masonic Ritual Used for Church

Rev. O. O. Smith Prepares Ritual to Be Used in Laying Cornerstone of Edifice.

The cornerstone of the new edifice of the First Congregational church will be laid Sunday afternoon with ceremonies new and interesting. Singularly enough the ritual of the church does not contain any ceremonial or special service for laying cornerstones in the church buildings, and the pastor, Dr. Otterbein O. Smith, who is a high degree Mason, naturally turns to the Masonic ritual for the most appropriate ceremonials. During the week he carefully prepared and has had printed in pamphlet form an adaptation from the Masonic ritual which will be used. The modified ritual is very appropriate and beautiful. It includes reading from the Hebrew scriptures, appropriate hymns, participation by all of the officers of the church and responses by the congregation so that every member of the organization will participate in the beautiful ceremonies, each including the Sunday school pupils and members of the Flower mission. The function of the latter will be to strew flowers over the stone while a quartet sings.

The church is located on First avenue almost opposite the Young Men's Christian association building.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were reported to The Bee Thursday, September 1, by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company of Council Bluffs:

Fritz Stortenbecker et al. to Ludwig Stortenbecker, s½ nw¼ and n½ sw¼ 19-75-42, and e½ ne¼ 24-75-43, w. d.	$ 1
Ludwig Stortenbecker et al. to Fritz Stortenbecker, sw¼ 12-74-43, q. c. d.	1
W. E. Kennedy and wife to Frank M. Rapalje, e84 feet of n30 feet lot 9, block 1, Babbitt Place add., w. d.	2,500
Nicholas Miller and wife to Theodore Allen, lot 15, block 31, Mrs. Perry's add., w. d.	1,700
Charles T. Officer and wife to W. E. Kennedy, undivided five-eighths lot 11, block 1, Babbitt Place add.	250
Charles T. Officer, trustee, to W. E. Kennedy, undivided one-fourth lot 11, block 1, Babbitt Place add., tr. d.	100
Jessica J. Siedentopf and husband and Ellen M. S. Haas and husband to Benjamin-Fehr Real Estate company, lot 10, block 37, Central sub., q. c. d.	1
Martin Christensen to Marie Christensen, lot 2, block 27, Burns' add., q. c. d.	1
Eight transfers, total	$ 4,554

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were yesterday issued to the following named persons:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Charles W. Pierce, Council Bluffs	21
Violet M. Christian, Council Bluffs	22
Jorgen Jensen, Council Bluffs	31
Johanna Nelson, Council Bluffs	31
Frank A. Pingrey, Coon Rapids, Ia.	22
Cecil E. Johns, Coon Rapids, Ia.	21
Thomas J. Dunn, Council Bluffs	24
Mildren Davison, Council Bluffs	22
James Heim, Council Bluffs	51
Ingeborg Nelson, Council Bluffs	22
Charles G. Dinkel, Council Bluffs	28
Mabel A. Hamburg, Council Bluffs	22

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Divorces Take Much of the Time in District Court

Judge Woodruff Grants Decrees to Four Persons, Granting One Permit to Remarry at Once.

Judge Woodruff yesterday resumed consideration of the divorce docket, but did not succeed in clearing away as great a number of cases as he did on the preceding day, when he permanently disposed of an even dozen of the 101 docketed for the term. He only adjudicated four, and like the others all were submitted upon ex parte evidence and decrees taken by default. In each case the wife sued the husband for divorce. Olga May Lennon, a handsome young woman of 28, was freed from Fred J. Lennon, aged 35. The evidence indicated cruelty, neglect and failure to provide. It was disclosed, however, that it was the young woman's second matrimonial venture that proved unsatisfactory.

Nannie A. Smith was divorced from William Smith after three long years of matrimonial unhappiess.

The third divorce was given to Grace M. Evans from her husband, H. G. Evans. The evidence, although one-sided, showed unquestioned grounds for legal separation.

Mrs. Hazel L. Moore was the fourth successful applicant for freedom on the grounds of cruelty and neglect.

In speaking of the expeditious manner in which he was eliminating the divorce cases from the docket Judge Woodruff said: "I have never stronger and clearer evidence submitted in substantiation for divorce decrees than was submitted in all of these cases. In some of the cases the women were led into hasty marriages without becoming fully conversant with the habits of the men they married. Only a short time was required to reveal inharmonies that rendered happiness impossible. The judge on the bench realizes more than men do elsewhere the potent part whisky plays in disrupting homes. In all such cases the woman is the real sufferer."

Judge Woodruff, for the first time this year granted yesterday the frequently desired permission to remarry at once. It was the case of Alva J. Thomas against Cora Thomas, tried on the preceding day. The man, who is far along in life, made a satisfactory showing that immediate remarriage would result in good for the woman and for himself a home.

As a break in the weary monotony of default cases where accused husbands failed to come into court and make a showing Thomas J. Walker yesterday came forward with an answer and cross petition to his wife's suit. In her petition Mrs. Ida Walker alleged that her husband had been guilty of gruel and inhuman treatment to such a degree as to endanger her health. In his answer he denies all of this and asserts that his wife was not only guilty of cruelty to him, but indulged in it to the extent that it reached "the refinement of cruelty." In defining this refined cruelty he says she 'refused to cook his meals, refused to keep clean and mended the clothes of himself and children; she repeatedly told him he was crazy and had him arrested and brought before the insanity commissioners, and was doing all of the time all she could to make him lose his position, a brakeman on the Milwaukee railroad; claiming to be sick when she was well; running him into debt with the merchants and doctors, and generally neglecting her wifely and motherly duties." The case is assigned for trial in the first assignment.