DEMOCRATS LONG FOR PEACE

Harmony Great Object of Party Leaders in House.

WAYS AND MEANS SLATE READY

Underwood of Alabama is Asserted to Have Call for the Chairmanship—Want Control of Both Chambers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Democratic members of the house of representatives are busily engaged in preparations for the party caucus to be held next Thursday night and which all democratic representatives-elect are expected to attend. In actual effect it is intended to commit the democratic majority of the next house to an organization to be perfeced next winter.

It is expected that a committee on ways and means, the body which frames the tariff laws in their initial stages, will be chosen; the method of designing the personnel of the standing committee will be determined and a selection will be made for speaker of the house. The selection of Champ Clark of Missouri, the present minority leader, seems a foregone conclusion, as more than a majority of the democrats of the next house already have pledged themselves to his election.

Nearly all of the democratic leaders favor the selection now of the membership of the ways and means committee, in order that there shall be no delay in beginning work on the tariff revision program to which the democrats are pledged. The majority of the committee intends to begin work at once, although the republican minority of the committee probably will not be chosen until the new house is organized next winter.

Delay No Handicap.

This delay will not be a handicap to the democrats, however, as they intend to follow the custom of excluding the minority from the committee during the framing of a bill, just as the republicans when they were the majority excluded the democrats until their bill was ready to report.

The slate which seems to find favor with most of the democratic leaders gives the chairmanship of the ways and means committee to Underwood of Alabama, and disposes of the remaining places as follows:

Peters of Massachusetts, Harrison of New York, Palmer of Pennsylvania, Dixon of Indiana, James of Kentucky, Hammond of Minnesota, Hughes of New Jersey, Shackleford of Missouri, Randall of Texas, Brantley of Georgia, Kitchin of North Carolina, Hull of Tennessee, and Rainey of Illinois. The selections, aside from reasons of fitness, have been made along geographical lines.

The method of selecting committees is not expected to be disposed of without a contest, although the declaration is freely made that two-thirds of the democrats of the next house favor the selection by caucus of a "committee on committees." Fitzgerald of New York, the ranking member of the committee on appropriations, who was appointed by Speaker Cannon to his present place on the committee on rules after breaking with his own party, probably will introduce a resolution providing for the continuation of the present method of having committees appointed by the speaker.

Dove of Peace Hovers Over All.

It may be that the members of the house will all come back from the harmony conference in Baltimore, which is to be held on Tuesday, in such a complacent mood that a fight over the appointment of committees can be avoided, although few are sanguine of such a result.

In connection with the naming of a committee to frame a tariff bill, the situation in the senate is interesting. In that house the tariff measures are handled by the committee on finance, the personnel of which will undergo a considerable change in the next session.

Although the senate still will be republican, four of the republican members of the committee, as now constituted, will not be members of the next congress. Those who will drop out are, Chairman Aldrich, Burrows, Hale and Flint.

There also will be changes in the democratic membership, as Senators Money and Taliaferro have not been re-elected, and there is a vacancy because of the death of Senator Daniels. The total membership of the committee is only fourteen, and, therefore, in the next session half of that number will be new to tariff making.

Insurgent senators are planning to demand places on the finance committee on the ground that their selection is necessary to insure downward revision. On this issue they confidently count upon democratic support in the event they are excluded by the republican committee on committees, which nominates for committee places.

Contest on Senate Floor.

If the committee on committees of the senate should recommend for places on the finance committee only such senators who believe next year is too early for another revision of the tariff, the prospects are that there will be a contest on the senate floor over the adoption of the committee's report. A combination of insurgent republicans and democrats, it is conceded, might easily overturn republican control of the senate and allow the democrats to revise the tariff as they please.

Administration senators have given no little thought to this situation. In case of a combination such as has been suggested in informal exchanges of views in cloak rooms and corridors, the only hope of senators who oppose radical tariff revision is said to be for the executive to veto any tariff measure passed.

There is little doubt that the house, which will have an almost unwieldy democratic majority, would promptly pass the bill over the president's veto. This would not be so easy in the senate, for although democrats and insurgent republicans could muster a majority, it is extremely doubtful whether they would be able to get the necessary two-thirds to pass a tariff measure over a veto.

Some of the democrats do not hesitate to say such a contingency, from their party point of view, presents an opportunity to them devoutly to be wished. They say that no issue would so forcibly argue the necessity of turning over to them the reins of government, and would aid them in the campaign of 1912.

To Save Control of Senate.

Administration senators will avoid being drawn into such a position if they can and they hope that mutual concessions of standpat and insurgent republican senators will save for the republican party control of the upper house.

So far as this session is concerned there seems to be little prospect of legislation except that carried by the appropriation bills. The Lorimer case will take a great deal of time in the senate, and the day set on the resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution providing that senators shall be elected by the people will be long and heated. There will be a contest also over the bill to create a permanent tariff commission.

Among the important measures that may come up in the house at an early date, in the odd moments that appropriation bills are not under consideration, are those relating to canal regulation, the promotion of Captain Peary to rear admiral of the navy and extending the thanks of congress on account of his attainment of the North pole, and the reapportionment of congressional representation based upon the thirteenth decennial census.

Boy Killed While Hunting.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Clarence Thayer, aged 12 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Thayer, residents of Marshall county, was the victim of a fatal shooting accident, which occurred while he was hunting with his cousin, Fred Thayer, jr., aged 13 years. The two boys were passing through a depression in the prairie, with Clarence in the lead, when his cousin, who was following closely behind him, stumbled and fell, discharging the gun he was carrying. The charge struck Clarence in the thigh, severing the femoral artery, death resulting in a short time from the loss of blood.

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At the Theaters

Attractions in Omaha.

"School Days" at the Brandeis.
"An American Widow" at the Boyd.
Vaudeville at the American.
Vaudeville at the Orpheum.
Burlesque at the Gayety.
Burlesque at the Krug.

"School Days" at the Brandeis.

"School Days," a musical comedy in three acts; by Gus Edwards; staged by Dan Coleman; under direction of Stair & Havlin. The principals:

Biff Dugan.....Jack Manley
Carl Dashund.....Daniel Murphy
Meller Pear.....Leah Mower
Ima Lemon.....Rose Wood
Tommy Tatters.....Dan Coleman
Tony.....Arthur Henry
Ima Hogg.....Addie Gallant
Ura Hogg.....Edna Lawrence
Sassy Little.....Caroline Stanley
Vera Nutty.....Kathryn Brown
Lizzie Brown.....Viola Evans
Johnnie Boston Beans Perry.....Charles F. Walsh
Jimmy and Timmy, the hold-up twins.....William Maine and E. Heffernan
Lotta Gold.....Dolly Duree
Nonnie.....Edna Reming
Izzy Ievy.....Herman Timberg
Captain Gingham.....William Llewellyn
Miss Take.....Alma Bauer

Herman Timberg leads or pursues a lot of fun through three hours of unrestricted enjoyment at the Brandeis this week. "School Days" is not an elaborate article, save in the manner of presentation. Its plot is flimsy, and its story might be forgotten without especial harm to any; but it has tinkling music and jingling dances, and a chorus that is rare even in these days of choruses, for it can both sing and dance, and is made up of comely lassies who can easily make believe they are not yet out of short dresses (although most mammas would insist on letting the skirts come just a little nearer to the shoetops than is called for by the stage manager). But these nimble-footed girlies keep up their end in the rush and melee of the three acts, and do it mighty well.

Herman Timberg furnishes the big end of the fun in his character of a Russian lad who has come to America equipped only with a violin and a dominating courage. His comedy is not coarse or bumptious, but is good-natured foolery, with some flashes of real humor interspersed. He sings a couple of songs and dances exceedingly well. Jack Manley, Daniel Murphy (think of a man with that name essaying a German dialect), Charles Walsh and Dan Coleman assist strenously in the fun-making in school and out of it.

Edna Reming is chief of the soubrette corps, and has plenty to do in her character of waif, who turns out to be an heiress. Caroline Stanley, plump and comely, leads a chorus and does other things that are worth while; and the other girls named in the cast connect regularly with the laughter, for they all know how to go about to please.

One of the features of the performance is the clog dance by "the dancing cops." Another is the finale to the second act, in which the schoolroom is turned into a "merry-go-round," and the chorus is fitted to the change. The third act presents a very handsome stage setting, too, and shows Timberg as a violinist as well as a clever comedian. The Brandeis was filled at both performances yesterday, and the reception given the company proves the popularity of its effort to entertain.

"An American Widow" at the Boyd.

"An American Widow" at the Boyd is not to be taken seriously. For one thing the rollicking, galloping, little comedy play of manners will not of itself admit of such a thing. The play deals with a widow, who, owing to the circumstances of an erstwhile inconvenient will left by her millionaire husband, is forced to marry "a temporary husband." She longs very much for a coronet. Her second husband must be an American or she loses the fortune. The earl of Dexminster would be entirely suitable as a third husband, but not as a second. Hence Jasper Mallory, a young composer, becomes the makeshift husband with a divorce in the offing. But after a year's absence in Europe, the one-time widow returns and through the nature of things finds her temporary husband too good a proposition to let get away.

As for Miss Lang, at the least it is safe to venture that they who saw Lillian Russell in the same role several seasons ago will not be disappointed in the comparison thus afforded. Miss Lang portrays the character of "the widow" who wishes that she could marry "because it is so reducing" with a charming grace of manner. Her piquancy and naivete, that are so characteristic, are given full play. Miss Lang is given the opportunity to wear several imported gowns that draw gasps of admiration from the feminine part of the house.

Mr. Lynch does not overdo the part of the young genius, but gives a very sensible portrayal of a commonsense young man of talent.

Miss Du Bois as Mme. Absioni, an Irish prima donna with an artistic temperament makes the most out of a very good part.

The fortune-hunting earl of Dexminster is happily cast in Edwin Evans, who further strengthens a favor already strong in the hearts of his hearers. The rest of the company enters into their parts with as sprightly a zest as the principals.

Vaudeville at the American.

To three large audience, Bob Fitzsimmons, once heavyweight champion prize fighter of the world, told the story of his start in the ring, pleaded for recognition of the fact that a man may be a prize fighter and still a man in the truest and highest sense of the word, and won hearty applause at the American theater yesterday. Mr. Fitzsimmons and his wife, Julia Gifford Fitzsimmons, offer a one-act playlet "A Man's a Man for a' That," which is the headliner of the bill which opened yesterday afternoon and will continue the balance of the week. Mrs. Fitzsimmons beautifully sings several numbers. Her voice is strong, well controlled and possesses a remarkable liquid tone, especially in the difficult higher register. The scene is laid in a gymnasium. Mr. Fitzsimmons gives a punching bag exhibition, closing when he drives the bag far into the auditorium.

Miss Sadie Sherman offers some delightful character studies of visitors to a photographer's studio. They call for fine acting, and Miss Sherman meets all the demands. The number is the most artistic of the bill. Dave Rafael in Edward F. Reynard's ventriloquial play, "On the Farm," does remarkable things with figures. The scene is a country crossroads, the only building being a postoffice and general store. A dozen or more figures are operated by the ventriloquist, each one of which does his "stunt" in an unusually lifelike manner. While smoking, Mr. Rafeal makes one figure sing in a really artistic style. The number closes with all the figures in operation at one time.

Leonard, Louie and Gillette offer an attractive acrobatic comedy number. "College Days," which contains some fair acrobatic feats and some somedy that is not so fair. George Hayes and the Clancy Twins in newsboy songs and jokes give a good account of themselves. The Garrity sisters, in some pretty little Irish songs, almost as pretty, in fact, as the sisters themselves, afford fifteen minutes of good entertainment. The bill is a well-balanced one and every number is a good number of its class.

Vaudeville at the Orpheum.

Shylock, Uncle Tom, Rip Van Winkle and Faust, lived and told their story in turn before the audience at the Orpheum theater yesterday. In presenting his collection of characters Hal Stephens provided an impressive excursion into fiction. Mr. Stevens is ably assisted in "Famous Scenes from Famous Plays," by Isabel Allan and William Scanlan. The scenic incidents to Mr. Stephens' act likewise drew upon the best art in stagecraft.

The bill includes a variety of dramatics, singing, dancing, acrobatics and tastefully contrived comedy. Miss Hamid Alexander, an English comedienne with deft fingers at a grand piano and delicate grace, recited serio-comic pieces with great effect. Miss Alexander is unusually pretty. Mlle. Blanci Froehlich and Mons. Ivan Bankoff possess a remarkable repertoire of dances. Mlle. Blanci, dependent completely upon small toes and ankles, enacts all the graceful dancing figures of the old world. Mons. Bankoff accomplishes the feats of a whirling dervish. Besides several other cleverly good acts, the Four Huntings renew acquaintance with Omaha in "The Fool House." The sketch is replete with side-splitting fun.

Burlesque at the Krug.

Brimming over with fun and frolic and chock full of good specialties is the offering of the Jolly Girls' company, which opened the second week at the Krug theater yesterday afternoon under the new management. For good looks the chorus is hard to beat. The management has collected a bevy of pretty girls, as clever and versatile as they are pretty. From the time the curtain goes up on the first skit, something is doing. Taking songs, supplemented by an excellently costumed chorus, come so fast that the applause of one scarcely dies away before a fresh outburst begins for the succeeding song.

The vaudeville acts, which are an added feature, are as excellent as those offered at the houses which feature the short performances. Though the bill is uniformly good, Miss Beatrice Harlowe, the singing commediene, usurps first place among the specialty people. She is clever, versatile and with them has lots of good looks. That combination can win any place and it surely scored a big hit with the Krug patrons.

Etta Victoria, the bashful Venus, who is everything but bashful, gives a clever performance as a contortionist. Tony Kennedy, assisted by Miss Luella Temple, presents an amusing little sketch, "My Wife Won't Let Me." The olio concludes with the three Armstrongs, comedy cyclists, who do things with the bicycles which thrill.

Manager Francke will introduce an innovation at the Krug Tuesday night. A contest for the chorus girls of the company has been arranged, which will follow immediately after the performance. The girls will be permitted to offer any vaudeville specialty and the one getting the most applause from the audience will be presented with $20 in gold.

Burlesque at the Gayety.

The numerous principals at the Gayety this week have to keep hustling to hold the chief attention of the cowds from the pretty blonde chorus girl whose name is not revealed by the program. Last night she was responsible for nearly as many of the recalls to the big numbers as the leading characters singing the solo parts.

"Crazy Finance" is a musical two-act farce presented by Phil Sheridan's Marathon girls, a unique troupe with many clever people. The piece has an over-abundance of liveliness—and the principals and the chorus are kept on the move all the way through, probably for this reason being called the "Marathon" girls. No other reason reveals itself during the evening. Last year the Marathon girls ran a real race to keep up their name.

"How-Do-I-Know-Hall" as "Would-Be-Holmes" presents a character study out of the usual and has 'em going most of the time. Rashman and Adams in German characterizations help keep up the fun with the aid of several other in the male section. Miss Fyvie Dench glories in her beautiful hair and wears it to good advantage. Miss Carrie Cooper is a comely serving maid or clerk or some other official in the mix-up and is good to gaze upon. There are no ponies on the stage, the score of girls being about all of a size. It is quite a singing chorus, too.

Hastings and Wilson, in a sketch entitled "The Lunatics," put on about as crazy a stunt as one would wish to see. Ed Morton does some clever singing.

Mme. Kirby-Lunn in Concert.

The B. H. W. concert series will offer at the Brandeis theater this afternoon the noted English contralto Mme. Louise Kirby-Lunn in concert. Mme. Kirby-Lunn received her musical education in her native land and made her first appearance in Schumann's "Genoveva." Her success was so great that she was immediately engaged by Sir Augustus Harris for a five-year term of opera. For many years Mme. Lunn has been a favorite at Covent garden and several continental opera houses. Second balcony seats for this concert will be placed on sale tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

WANTS WOMEN TO CARRY GUNS

Superintendent of Police in Indianapolis Offers Gold Medal for "Plugging" Holdup.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 16.—"I will give any woman a gold medal who will shoot a hole through a purse snatcher," was the declaration of Superintendent of Police Hyland tonight, following the reports of numerous holdups of women by negroes.

"Of course, I cannot say women should go armed on the street, for that would be a violation of the law, but what can I say under the circumstances. Women are robbed night after night, despite extra precautions of the police. We no more than think we have the gang broken up, until purse snatching breaks out in another section of the city."

Council Bluffs

WATER PLANT FIGHT STARTS

Expert Will Submit Figures to the City Council.

APPRAISERS MEET THURSDAY

Engineers Say They Will Make Proposition Later by Wire if Unable to Be Present in Person.

The first efforts of the city to prepare for the legal fight that comes up this week in connection with the condemnation of the city water plant will be made at the meeting of the city council tonight. A proposition will be presented to the council by the first of the experts who will be summoned to furnish facts for the city's side of the case, to be submitted to the arbitration court, composed of Judges Thornell, Hobson and Ellison, who have been appointed by the supreme court to act as appraisers. They will meet here on Thursday and will be ready to begin taking testimony on the following day. A letter was received yesterday by Alderman Younkerman from Messrs. Burns and McDonnell, Kansas City hydraulic engineers, accepting his invitation to appear before the council and discuss the terms upon which they will do the work of making a physical examination of the plant.

In the letter, it is said, either Mr. Burns or Mr. McDonnell will be here, and in the event of neither being able to arrange matters so as to make a personal visit possible, that a proposition would be made by wire. They said they would prefer to make an engagement with compensation fixed upon a per diem basis. They said in their letter that they furnished the evidence upon which the Des Moines water plant valuation was fixed, and that as their charges were satisfactory, they believed that a similar arrangement would be equally acceptable here.

Council Has Authority.

Mayor Maloney said last evening that he had personally taken no steps toward securing expert evidence to be submitted to the court, but would be satisfied with anything the council might do in this relation. All he desired, he said, was that the very best evidence possible should be submitted to the court that would force the valuation of the plant to the lowest reasonable figure. He said he believed Engineer Kiersted should be recalled and hoped he would be able to materially reduce the valuation fixed two years ago. In Kiersted's report a "going value" of over $20,000 was included, which would be eliminated from the present consideration, bringing the Kiersted valuation under $500,000.

It is also said that M. H. O'Brien, the St. Louis hydraulic expert who received something over $2,000 for examining the Etnyre plans for a new plant, has also been invited to appear before the court and may have a communication for the council at the meeting tonight. Mr. O'Brien favorably impressed the advocates of municipal ownership when, after a careful examination of the Etnyre set of plans, he declared that the bid of E. A. Wickham for the construction of the new plant, amounting to $635,000, was about $90,000 too high, notwithstanding Mr. Wickham subsequently said he had made estimates about $50,000 too low, due to an error in footing up the figures.

Company's Evidence Ready.

Manager Hart of the water company said last night that his people would be ready to submit their evidence whenever the court was ready to receive it, and that there would be no obstructive tactics to cause delays.

"Of course," said Mr. Hart, "I don't believe in municipal ownership now and never did, but I know when to quit. We will have competent experts here to tell the court the value of our plant to protect the interests of our bondholders. There is nothing to be gained by delays and we will not resort to anything for that purpose."

It is probable, although Manager Hart did not name the company's witnesses, that John W. Alvord, a Chicago hydraulic engineer, will be called, and possibly Benezette Williams. The former fixed the value of the plant, immediately after Engineer Kierstedt had made his report, adding over $200,000 to the valuation, and Mr. Williams drew a set of plans for the enlargement of the plant after making a careful examination. Both men were employed by the water company and both are in possession of intimate personal knowledge of the physical condition of the plant. Kierstedt made over 100 excavations in examining the pipes, and Mr. Alvord had his assistant, Mr. Phillips, with him all of the time this work was under way. The water works employes were used in making all of the excavations and Mr. Hart aided in every way the work of Kierstedt.

Wanted—Good boy to carry papers in west part of city. Call 15 Scott street.

"The Dream Girl" to Be Presented.

IOWA CITY, Ia., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—"The Dream Girl" is the name of the play to be presented by the Dramatic club of the University of Iowa, February 7, with Lucile Emerson of Afton in the title role and Clarkson Miller and Ferdinand Dugan of Des Moines playing the leading male roles.

Culled Over the Wire

Detroit anti-tuberculosis workers dedicated the Detroit tuberculosis sanitorium.

Phosphate beds believed to be of great commercial value have been discovered in western Montana, according to a bulletin from the United States geological survey.

Reports of damage to the Kansas fruit crop as a result of the sleet and cold weather are not given much credence by Walter Wellhouse, secretary of the Kansas State Board of Horticulture.

Council Bluffs

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Wanted—Girl or woman to help do housework. Apply Dr. Ericksen, 131 Pearl St.

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The S. A. Pierce & Co. shoe store will be open for business at their new location, 551 West Broadway, between Pearl and Sixth streets, January 16.

Twenty per cent discount on everything in furniture, crockery and stoves another week, commencing Monday, Jan. 16. Petersen & Schoening Co.

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The funeral of Edwin F. Bryant will be held from the residence, 1315 Avenue D, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Elder Joseph A. Francis of the Latter Day Saints' church will have charge of the services.

The body of Merton Benner, who was accidentally killed at the Kearney Military academy, was brought home yesterday and taken to the Woodring undertaking rooms. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2:30 from the residence of the lad's mother at 743 Washington avenue. Rev. Mr. Skoggard, pastor of St. John's English Lutheran church, will conduct the services. Burial will be in Walnut Hill cemetery.

The Board of County Supervisors has made a cut in the pay of City Assessor W. D. Hardin of $500. He has heretofore been paid $3,000 a year and will this year get only $2,500, from which he will be obliged to pay the salary of at least one assistant. The salaries of all of the other assessors were fixed at the same figure as two years ago, when the real estate assessment was made, with the exception of the Minden assessor, whose pay was raised from $44 to $50 for the job.

Colonel W. F. Baker has received word from Washington of his early appointment to a position in the field work of the national bureau of good roads, which will require his presence away from home a good part of the time in the future. The appointment comes through Congressman Walter I. Smith. On January 30 Colonel Baker will be one of the chief speakers before the good roads convention at Lincoln. The Commercial club of that city has invited him to be present and he has accepted the invitation.

Children playing in an upstairs room at the home of Mrs. Van Honn, 16 South Eighth street, Saturday night overturned a stove in which a hot fire was burning. The fire department was called out, but the stove was taken care of before the firemen arrived and no damage was done. It was the sixteenth call made upon the department since January 1. The department records show that just twenty years ago yesterday the department was called out to extinguish the first fire that had occurred in three months.

John W. and Charles W. Clatterbuck, doing a farming and live stock business as a copartnership at Ingraham, Mills county, have applied to the bankruptcy court for relief from their debts which have accumulated since they began business six months ago. They schedule liabilities to the amount of $1,393 and assets to the value of $450, including household goods and farm property, which is all claimed as exempt. The debts are all unsecured and represented chiefly by notes given for merchandise purchases. The prinipal note is held by John C. Asliew of Atchison, Kan., for $750. Council Bluffs creditors are represented by the Council Bluffs Lumber company, $190.38, and E. E. Hart, $32.90. J. J. Maurath of Silver City, a former Council Bluffs merchant, is a creditor to the extent of $70.35.

It has cost the taxpayers of Pottawattamie county more than $50,470.08 for money expended on bridge work during 1910. The Board of County Commissioners on Saturday received the reports of cash expenditures by individual members during the year. Supervisor Setz expended $10,679.86, Spencer $10,784.31, Darrington $12,692.42, Johns $16,313.49, aggregating the total stated. The report of Colonel Baker, one of the retiring members, was not handed in in time for action, but Colonel Baker said last evening that it would not exceed $3,500. Money received from the sale of old bridges and material was reported as follows: Setz $195.15, Spencer $302, Darrington $211.85 and Johns $339.95. The annual meeting of the road supervisors of Pottawattamie county will be held on January 27 in the south room of the county court house.

In the interest of the carriers and clerks in the postoffice an effort is to be made to secure the approval of the patrons of the Council Bluffs office to close it on Sundays. A meeting of the clerks and carriers was held in the postoffice yesterday morning for the purpose of considering the matter and a committee was appointed, headed by Postmaster Hazelton as chairman, to lay the proposition before the public and secure an expression of opinion. In his last annual report the postmaster general said the department would approve this plan wherever the patrons of the offices were willing to put up with the slight inconvenience that would be entailed. The plan has been put in operation in a number of cities and has fully met public approval. At Detroit a majority of near 20,000 people voted to give the carriers and postoffice employes the Sunday holiday.

The annual meeting of the Council Bluffs Grape Growers' association was held Saturday afternoon in the south room of the county court house. Officers for the year were elected. J. C. Bock was made president, W. S. Keeline, vice president; E. A. Hess, secretary, and Henry Sperling, treasurer. The board of directors chosen were: Robert McKinzie, W. G. Rich, J. S. Gretzer, J. A. Aulabaugh, H. A. Smith and J. W. Dorland. George W. Reye was re-elected general manager at the same salary as paid him last year, $2,200. The financial report was excellent despite the nearly complete failure of the fruit crop. The total sales of fruit raised by the growers and handled by the association amounted to $31,981.41. The commission on these sales failed to meet the expenses of doing business to the extent of $450.31, which would have left the association loser to that amount if the storage business had not been exceptionally good.

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First Loaded Bomb Dropped from Airship; Explodes on Ground

Shrapnel Shot Released at Height of Four Hundred and Seventy-Five Feet.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16.—For the first time in the history of aviation in this country, according to army officers here, a loaded bomb was dropped from an aeroplane on Camp Selfridge ground and exploded. The experiment was made by Lieutenant M. S. Crissy of the Coast Artillery, flying with Phillip Parmalee in a Wright biplane. At a height of 475 feet, Lieutenant Crissy released the shrapnel shot, aiming at a clear spot on the ground near the lower end of the field. A puff of smoke as the missile struck showed the success of the experiment. The shot was capable of wounding within a radius of seventy yards and great care was exercised in selecting the place for dropping it.

Lieutenant John C. Walker of the Eighth infantry also was carried aloft today for the purpose of taking photographs and making observations. Walter Brookins took him up in a Wright biplane, and at a height of 1,000 feet Lieutenant Walker made six snapshots of Camp Selfridge and the surrounding country.

After nearly a week of rain the resumption of flights today attracted several thousand spectators to the aviation grounds.

The field was rain-soaked, but the birdmen had no difficulty in ascending. Air conditions were excellent and many interesting flights were made. James Radley, the Englishman, made another visit to San Francisco this afternoon in his Bleriot monoplane. He followed the line of the bay again to the Ferry building, and then crossed the harbor to Oakland pier before beginning his return trip.

LIGHTS WINK AT DANCERS

Annual Military Ball is Interrupted by Electrician Having Fun of His Own.

IOWA CITY, Ia., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Since there is an ironclad rule at the University of Iowa that there shall be no dark dances at parties, no little surprise was occasioned Friday evening at the annual military ball when the lights suddenly went out during a dreamy waltz and threw the monster hall in darkness for several minutes. A second time they went out, and then an explanation was forthcoming, when it was told that someone in the power house was having a little fun of his own.

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