

Council Bluffs.

Minor Mention

The Council Bluffs office of The Omaha Bee is at 15 Scott street.

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GRANDMOTHER KEEPS BABIES

Judge Thornell Decides Hard-Fought Case Without Argument.

FATHER AND MOTHER ARE SCORED

Court Holds Neither One Shall Have Custody, but Father Shall Contribute to Their Support—Mother May See Them.

After listening for three days to the Black-Over case in which the divorced wife of Oliver has sought to recover possession of her 3-year-old twin children Judge Thornell cut short the case yesterday, and denying the attorneys the privilege of arguing it rendered his decision.

In announcing his finding he declared the evidence was so evenly balanced that a doubt in his mind as to the capability of either parent taking proper care of the children, but he had concluded that their best interests prompted the order for a continuation of the care by their grandmother, Mrs. Oliver. This leaves the children in the custody of the father, who is required to contribute to their support.

After the announcement of the decision Judge Thornell called the father, who is a boyish looking fellow, before him and administered the severest lecture that he has ever heard of in any court in the city for years.

FIREMAN COCHRAN MAKES POULTRY BUSINESS PROFIT

Possesses Knowledge of Chicken Nature and Ability to Make Hens Lay in Winter.

J. N. Cochran of No. 3 home company, yesterday completed the inventory of stock and took a trial balance showing the status of the chicken business which has engaged his attention during his spare moments for the last year.

He began a year ago with sixteen hens and a patriarchal head of the family. He ends the year with a flock of ninety-seven birds. During the year his hens have produced 4875 dozen eggs. From his flock he sold \$223 worth of eggs and young poultry.

Mr. Cochran believes that every housewife in the chicken business for whom he understands it, but he asserts they must understand hen nature, and even pot roast, and love the hen as well as the business if they expect to succeed.

MURDER SCARE ONLY FLASH

Police Respond to Hurry Call Only to Find that No One Was Seriously Hurt.

A hurry call from the George Deal saloon at Thirty-seventh street and Broadway yesterday afternoon sent Chief of Police Froom and several members of the detective force to that locality to arrest a man...

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following transfers were reported to the Register of Deeds by the Pottawattamie County Abstract Company, Council Bluffs:

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Bluffs Official Raps Ferret Law

Bill to Do Away with Measure Likely to Have Strong Support Before Legislature.

The introduction of a bill in the Iowa legislature Thursday to repeal the tax ferret law, with the certainty that it will pass, has awakened considerable interest around the county court house.

The principle of the law was repugnant to the thinking members of the county board, and for several years at the beginning no appointment was made. At the start the law gave the collector about 25 per cent of the delinquent taxes collected.

For the last three years Ben McCoy of Oskaloosa has been the county ferret, and he has administered the law in a way to eliminate its harsh features.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to the following named persons:

LORIAN—Rita E. Fowler, the seventh grade teacher in the Logan school, will marry Robert L. Thomas, janitor of the Oskaloosa hotel, at St. James church, Monday, January 22.

ROOSEVELT TO SUCCEED MORTON

General Agent of Equitable Life at Davenport.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Former President Theodore Roosevelt will succeed Paul Morton as president of the Equitable Life. This is the prediction of George Sternsdorff, general agent of the insurance society at Davenport.

NEWTON, Ia., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—Lou Cross was shot through the lungs and probably fatally injured at Baxter this afternoon while at the home of his cousin, William Brady. Brady has been arrested and is being held in jail here, pending the outcome of Cross' injury.

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LOGAN—Representative Charles W. Hunt of Harrison county has been assigned by Speaker Paul Sullivan to the following committees: Agriculture, Irrigation, Printing, telephones, college for the blind, railroads and transportation, drainage, telegraph and express.

LOGAN—W. I. Stern republican county claimant, was presented a bookcase by the newly elected county officials in appreciation of his work during the campaign. Two years ago the county officials-elect presented Mr. Stern a gold watch as a testimonial of his efficient services.

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FREAK MEASURE IN IOWA

Legislator Would Inquire Into Reason for Change in Spelling.

RESOLUTION FOR SHORT COURSE

League of Commercial Clubs Adopts Resolutions for Repeal of Taxes on Credits and Tax Ferret Law.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—A "freak" resolution was introduced in the house by Mr. Zeller for appointment of a committee to inquire into the authority of the State Teachers' college in changing the style of spelling in use here and directing that if it is legal that they also change the alphabet and the multiplication table and print the catalogue in Volapuk or Esperanto.

The senators unanimously decided today that they would leave to the president of the senate the matter of designating what committees shall receive the bills for consideration. In the next the senators have been able to designate what committees shall receive the bills. By the adoption of an amendment to the rules today the president will attend to that duty, unless the senate itself shall designate where a bill may be referred.

The first bill to get through either branch of the legislature was Senator Quigley's bill authorizing sheriffs and county attorneys to employ detectives in ferreting out crime. This was passed, with the publication clause dropped, by a vote of 41 to 1.

The president appointed Senators Larrabee and Francis a committee on arranging the Dooliver memorial. He also named committees to prepare memorial resolutions in honor of Senator Ericson and Senator Crawford.

Senator Smith of Shelby introduced a bill to give 75 per cent of collateral inheritance taxes to the counties and to relieve brothers and sisters and their families from paying.

Senator Cowles introduced a bill to fix the county as the unit of school organization; also a bill relating to the method of issuing teacher's certificates.

Senator Ritzsch introduced a bill legalizing all real estate instruments where the corporate seal has been left off. In case the papers were signed by a corporation.

Senator Balfour put in a bill to appropriate \$44,500 for the soldiers' orphans' home. On a question of adjournment over Saturday a no discussion arose in the senate.

By Whitney—That witnesses in criminal cases be required to furnish bonds.

By Lenoche—Making it compulsory for every voter to vote at the polls.

By Huchings—Changing the time of the primary election to September.

By Halgrims—Creating a board of osteopathy separate from the State Board of Health.

By Harding—Raising the pay of court clerks.

By Whitney—Placing employment agencies under the state labor bureau.

We Welcome You To Our Handsome New Home

Tomorrow, Monday, January 23d, we open for business in our new location, Southeast corner 16th and Jackson St. Directly opposite Hotel Rome.

If this store stands for anything it is and shall be for "RELIABILITY"; first, last and all the time our watchword shall be "RELIABILITY."

WE KNOW, and we want you to know also, that you can place the utmost trust into every part of this business. We want you to know that our goods are bought, marked sold and delivered with the idea always in view of giving you the utmost for your money in quality, price, accommodation and service.

Our entire organization shall be keyed up so that there shall be no cause for complaint, and where errors do creep in, nothing shall be left undone to make them right.

We realize fully that your confidence and patronage has made this institution what it is, and we depend upon your future good will, confidence, respect and patronage for its continued growth.

We assure you that the combined power of these two stores shall do all you can reasonably ask in order to merit your continued trade.

We thank you for past patronage and solicit your future business.

We shall be on hand to welcome our friends—old and new—in our new, modern home, beginning tomorrow, the 23d.

OUR FORMAL OPENING, WITH ALL THAT GOES WITH SUCH, WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE NEAR FUTURE; BUT IN EVERY OTHER RESPECT WE SHALL BE READY FOR YOU TOMORROW WITH A NEW STOCK, BEAUTIFULLY DISPLAYED AND AT PRICES THAT WILL SATISFY YOU.

Advertisement for Union Outfitting Co. featuring a logo and text: 'Union Outfitting Co. 16th & Jackson Sts. "Union Corner"'

Advertisement for The Polo Store with text: 'Don't Forget the New Location, S. E. Cor. 16th and Jackson Sts. Directly Opposite Hotel Rome.' and 'The Polo Store Leaders of Low Prices'

Advertisement for Red Cross First Aid Car with text: 'Red Cross First Aid Car to Be Seen Here' and 'Pullman Used for Instruction of Workmen in Hazardous Trades Arrives Today.'

Under the direction of Dr. M. W. Glasgow, a splendidly equipped Pullman car, known as the American Red Cross First Aid car, will arrive in the city for educational work about 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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Table with 3 columns: Name, Address, and Status. Lists names like BOSTON, NILES, and others with their respective addresses.