

## Council Bluffs

## Minor Mention

The Council Bluffs Office of The Omaha Bee is at 15 South Street. Both Phones 62.

Davis, drug, Corlans, undertakers, Phones 143. For Sale—6-room house, 725 Sixth Ave. FAUST BEER AT ROGERS' BUFFET, Woodring Undertaking company, Tel. 335. Lewis C. Fisher, funeral director, Phone 97. PURE GOLD WEDDING RINGS—LEP. PER'S.

Hunters, take notice! See J. J. Klein Co. for pure whiskey. Have your spring framing done now. Fable Art Shop, the approaching school. See the new 1911 wall paper patterns at Horwick's, 211 South Main street.

Druggists' prescriptions, accurately filled the same day at Lafferty's Big Jewelry Store. Have your glasses fitted or repaired by J. W. Terry, optician, 411 Broadway, office with George Gierber.

Ohio Knox has returned from an extended trip through Nebraska and Colorado looking after his own private interests. The S. A. Pierce & Co. shoe store is now open for business at their new location, 222 Broadway, between Pearl and Sixth streets.

Excelsior lodge No. 359, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, will meet in special communication on the evening of Tuesday, April 4, at 8 o'clock, at the city hall for work on the third degree. All master Masons are invited to attend.

Mrs. Mary Kimball, of City Bollet, is seriously ill with pneumonia. She has passed the critical point of the disease, however, and her friends anticipate her speedy recovery.

Nearly every school teacher in Council Bluffs went to Atlantic yesterday to take part in the meeting of the Iowa Teachers' association. Attendance is not compulsory, but the teachers get credit for work on the third degree.

Miss Maggie Sherman, for many years one of the most faithful and efficient members of the public library force, has resigned her position to take a more desirable one elsewhere. Miss Sherman did her last work at the library last night. There are several applicants for appointment to the vacant place.

Thomas Kelley, more than 60 years of age and in a seriously impaired physical and mental condition, was sent to jail for ten days yesterday by Police Judge Snyder. He was not asked to plead to the charge of intoxication. A continuation of the protracted drunk he was indulging in plainly meant death. It is doubtful, however, if the jail sentence will save his life.

A heavy sale of tickets for the play, "Paid in Full," at the Doherty Monday night insured a substantial addition to the benefit fund for Mrs. Clarence Woolman. Manager Mooney has agreed to donate 10 per cent of the proceeds. Sheriff McCaffery and other friends of the dead officer are donating the balance of the tickets. The probability is that the excellent play will be presented to a crowded house.

Mrs. Stuart McCall has returned to the home of her relatives at Macon, Mo., with the intention of making a lengthy visit. The handsome home of Dr. and Mrs. McCall on Oakland avenue has been advertised for sale. Dr. McCall bought the property from W. F. Sapp last summer and expended nearly \$10,000 in remodeling it. It became the first home of the young people following their marriage less than a year ago.

Frances Elizabeth Brock, aged 4 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brock, died of their home, 222 S. Seventh street, Omaha, Thursday night. The body was brought to this city yesterday and taken to the home of the grandmother, Mrs. Frances Smith, 205 Washington avenue. The death of the little girl followed an acute attack of bronchitis after only two days' illness. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the residence of the grandmother. Rev. Edgar Price will officiate. Burial will be in Walnut Hill cemetery.

**SATURDAY SPECIALS—Hams!** Hams! Diamond C hams, per pound, 25c. Large sweet oranges, regular 10c size, today, 5c. Fancy red apples, per peck, 60c. Fresh tomatoes, per peck, 10c. Early corn, per bushel, 12c. Whole cheese, little daisies, per pound, 17c. Full cream white New York cheese, per pound, 20c. Early Ohio seed potatoes, per bushel, 13c. Can apricots, peaches and pears, per can, 15c. Do your own baking. Flour is excellent. Burn-Crosby Gold Medal, per sack, \$1.00. L. Green's Lily Cream flour, nothing better, per sack, 13c. Since April 1st, L. Green, 134 Broadway, Tel. 321.

"THE PORT OF MISSING MEN," a play from Meredith Nicholson's exciting novel of the same name, is easily one of the most delightful romances that we have had in any day. A story that does not pretend to be historical, but that none the less shows us the way in which modern history may be made, and probably sometimes is made. The hero is John Armitage, a young Austrian who has become Americanized and the owner of a western ranch. From Europe to Washington to Virginia one follows Armitage, and there upon Virginia soil the last battle is fought for a European throne. One is uncertain in the very last who Armitage really is; the action is quick and dramatic. In this age of problems and psychic study, a clean, healthy play like this, where right is painted white and wrong black, and people live and work with certainty in their mind, is refreshing. "The Port of Missing Men," with Higgs B. Koch in the part of John Armitage, will be seen at the Doherty theater Sunday matinee and night.

Drink Budweiser, King of Bottled Beers.

## TRANSFERS FAIL ON RECORD

Full Off in Middle of Month and Do Not Set the Expected Mark.

County Recorder Barkhausen was considerably disappointed when the real estate transfers began to fall off after the middle of the month and made it certain that March, 1911, would not set a new record for number and consideration of filings, leaving March, a year ago, still the banner month.

There were 354 instruments filed for record during the month with a total consideration of \$156,338.50, while for the same period last year the total filings amounted to 403 deeds, involving the transfer of \$2,171,541.17 worth of property for the month. At the beginning of March this year the transfers ranged around the \$100,000 a day rate regularly, frequently being more than twice that amount, but the last half of the month there was a decided and permanent drop.

The sales of city property were heavy throughout the month, but the big transactions were all in Pottawattamie county land, the average price of all the sales being far above \$100 per acre.

Following is the report of the transfers of yesterday made by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company:

Alma Sheets and husband to Charles L. Bolton, 40 acres six miles 27-28, 29-30, W. 4, sec. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Charles L. Bolton and wife to J. J. Timmerman, lots 1 and 2 in block 24 in the Middle's subd. in Council Bluffs, W. 4, sec. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Andrew Knudsen and wife to Council Bluffs, W. 4, sec. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

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## EARNINGS ARE ESTIMATED

Engineer Williams Makes Hypothetical Draft for Water Court.

## QUESTIONED ABOUT RIGHT RATES

Declares Earnings Sufficient on Purchase at \$700,000 to Make Improvements Needed and to Carry Charges.

For the purpose of showing the earning value of the city's water plant and incidentally to encourage the advocates of municipal ownership, Engineer Bennett Williams submitted to the condemnation court yesterday morning a hypothetical statement of the earnings of the plant during the next year if taken over by the city, if the city paid the price of \$700,000 for the plant as it stands today and then spent \$50,000 in making improvements and additions.

Mr. Williams spent many hours in preparing his statement and told the court that he would stake his reputation as a hydraulic engineer upon the soundness of his conclusions and the correctness of his figures. Mr. Williams' statement, now a part of the official record of the case, follows:

YEAR 1911.  
Private revenue.....\$45,000  
Service city buildings.....\$49,500  
Interest on \$700,000 at 5 per cent.....35,000  
Depreciation fund.....4,000  
Surplus.....\$13,500

YEAR 1912.  
Private revenue.....\$100,000  
Service city buildings.....\$104,500  
Interest \$700,000 at 5 per cent.....35,000  
Operating expenses.....45,000  
Depreciation fund.....3,000  
Surplus.....\$13,500

Private revenue.....\$107,500  
Service city buildings.....\$112,000  
Interest \$700,000 at 5 per cent.....35,000  
Operating expenses.....50,000  
Depreciation fund.....4,500  
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## Railway Mail School

## Raided on Charge of Defrauding Students

Prominent Railroad Officers on List of Directors of Concern Which Advertises Jobs.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Detectives, acting at the instance of postoffice inspectors, raided the offices of the Railway Educational association in Brooklyn this afternoon and arrested George W. Baker, president of the enterprise, on a charge of using the mails to defraud. Paul J. Gallagher and John A. Jenkins, secretary and director, were arrested later. Baker was released under \$5,000 bail and his colleagues were paroled for examination Monday.

Baker issued a statement late tonight saying that a banking firm of international repute and many railroads were stockholders in his company and endorsed his work. The object of his association, he said, was the instruction by mail of trainmen and men about to enter railroad service, especially firemen and engineers.

Baker also made public what he says is a list of the directors of the association, which includes J. J. Reid, master mechanic of the Missouri Pacific railway, and several road foremen and engineers of the Vandalia, Baltimore & Ohio and New York Central railroads. The corporation directory for 1910 confirms this list and gives other well-known railroad men as directors.

Postoffice inspectors confiscated nearly half a ton of advertising matter and letters. They allege that the concern obtained students by advertising for brakemen at \$50 and firemen at \$100 a month. The association had also opened what it termed recruiting offices, the inspectors claim, in Chicago, St. Paul, Denver, Detroit, Boston and Milwaukee.

## Lobeck Picks His Washington Office

Congressman from Second Nebraska Selects His Headquarters at the Capital.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative C. O. Lobeck of Omaha arrived in Washington today, appeared at the capital and has selected himself in No. 129 house office building. Senator Brown today called upon President Taft to pay his respects. The senator is himself authority for the statement that Mr. Taft took him somewhat into his confidence, explaining reasons for action in mobilizing troops along the Mexican frontier. Mr. Brown, while not feeling at liberty to repeat all the president had said, admitted that he had been thoroughly convinced that the president had taken a course that, when the time to publicly proclaim this delicate situation arrived, would meet with hearty approval from everyone without regard to political divisions. Senator Brown is making an effort to induce an assignment upon the judiciary committee and expresses himself as being very hopeful of success.

Mr. Williams was on the stand all day yesterday and was closely questioned about the proper rates to be charged when the plant becomes municipal property. He said his statement was based altogether on the rates now in force, and included the free use of the fire hydrant service, water for street flushing and sewer cleaning, and all of the public uses now enjoyed. It also included the interest on the necessary amount of bonds to buy the plant at a valuation of \$700,000 and enough more to make the required extensions and improvements, and that at the end of the first six-year period it would yield a profit of \$15,000 to the city annually.

The estimate created a great deal of interest and will undoubtedly have considerable effect upon the pending negotiations.

## Farmer's Wife Falls

Heir to Half Million

Mrs. O. A. Edgar of Avery Will at Once Benefit from Savings of New York Bank Clerk.

EDGAR, Neb., April 1.—(Special Telegram.)—One-fifth of the fifty-years' accumulation of Charles F. Hoffman, who, during a half century, was confidential clerk of Brown & Co., bankers of New York, will go at once to Mrs. O. A. Avery, wife of a well-to-do farmer, near here. News has been received that Hoffman's estate of \$2,500,000 has been ordered divided by a New York court and Mrs. Avery's eldest son will leave early next week for New York to place proper proofs of his mother's right. She is 60 years of age and has a family consisting, besides her husband, of four sons and one daughter. Hoffman was a cousin of Mrs. Avery.

## Police Get April Fool

Little Ahead of Time

Wild Chase After Supposed Murderer Proves to Be with Little Foundation.

The police had their first of April sprung a few hours ahead of time last night when M. F. Boyd of 2009 South Twenty-eighth avenue telephoned that three Italians had killed a boy at Twentieth and Hickory streets.

Captain Dempsey, with a squad of police and reporters, rushed to the place to find the supposed victim, E. Sinclair, 2073 Castellar, ready to tell how it all happened. Sinclair is a youth of 17. Walking down Twentieth street near Hickory he met Miss Ennis Nelson, with whom he had been the compliments of the evening. A jealous Italian, he said, lurking near resented his favor in the woman's eyes and made a vicious attack. M. F. Boyd, a passing railroad man, saw the attack and his fears magnified the Italian into three black-handlers. When the police arrived the Italian had disappeared. Sinclair says he would know the man if he saw him again.

## ANIMALS NOT INJURED IN FIRING AT THE SAN MARCOS

Secretary Meyer Replies to Protest from Societies for Prevention of Cruelty.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Protests having been received by Secretary of the Navy Meyer from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals because live chickens and cats were aboard the old battleship Texas during the recent target practice in Chesapeake bay, the secretary has replied that there was no cruelty to the animals.

The chickens and cats which were on the San Marcos, as the Texas is now called, were carried off after the firing by blue jackets from the various vessels of the fleet. They are being honored as heroes who have gone through the thick of a big battle and won glory for themselves.

There was considerable rivalry among the various ships, each being anxious to obtain one of these valuable mascots. Secretary Meyer also replied to a communication from Senator Perkins of California, chairman of the senate naval affairs committee, in which the latter said he had been receiving protests because the San Marcos, formerly the battleship Texas, had been used for experimental purposes. Mr. Perkins asked if this was not a waste of money.

Secretary Meyer told Senator Perkins in his reply that the San Marcos would have been nothing better than a "death trap" if it had been put into an actual battle. The vessel, he said, was obsolete in design and the experiments in his opinion, were of far greater value to the navy than could have been accomplished in any other way.

## Iowa

## FINAL RUSH ON IN IOWA

Legislature Getting Ready to Close Up Its Work.

## SENATE GETS SIFTING COMMITTEE

Two Houses at Deadlock Over Method of Appointing Commerce Council—Educational Appointments Confirmed.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, April 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The senate made a start for the conclusion of the legislative session this afternoon by authorizing the appointment of a sifting committee to be named by the president tomorrow afternoon, this committee to take over all unfinished business and report bills at five.

The five-mile limit bill and a bill to abolish the office of printer and binder were made special orders for tomorrow. The senate and house have locked horns on the manner of appointment of a commerce council for Iowa to take charge of all rate cases. The office is to pay \$5,000 a year and the house wants the appointment to be made by the railroad commission, but the senate insists upon appointment by the executive council. A conference committee was ordered today.

Appropriation Estimates. Senator Mattes, chairman of the committee on appropriations, today placed upon the desks of members of the senate a statement as to the appropriations asked and the available funds. The total of askings in the various bills was \$1,730,558.96. This includes the estimate on some of the bills where the exact amount that would be used is not known. The funds available aggregate only \$1,600,000. The committee has already recommended out bills aggregating \$299,006.55. Then there has already passed the two houses bills which did not go through the hands of the appropriations committee which will aggregate \$4,700 of expense.

Change of Superintendents. Miss Garrison, superintendent of the state industrial school for girls at Mitchellville, has been succeeded by Mrs. Lucy M. Sicks of Milwaukee. Miss Garrison was in charge of that institution at the time of the outbreak of two years ago which resulted in having the character of the institution changed and made more of a penal institution. It was largely through her that Chairman Cowles of the board was deposed. Some time ago a committee of the legislature planned for an investigation, but was induced to wait under promise that she would not remain long.

Will Not Pay Convicts' Families. The bill by Senator Smith of Shelby to require that the state make provision for paying to the families of prisoners in the penitentiary 50 cents a day while they are employed and in case the prisoners are conforming to the rules of the prison, was defeated by the senate today. The bill received only sixteen votes. Objection was made because of the expense involved and the necessity for a large appropriation. Senator Smith urged it as a measure of justice to the families of the prisoners.

The railroad committee of the senate reported a substitute for the bill to so arrange it that the switching charges at terminal points of railroads will not be interfered with by the mileage tariff rule of the state. The bill leaves it within the power of the railroad commission to authorize deviation from the rule within or without terminal yards for a distance of ten miles.

Will Not Shut Off Bills. The house today discussed one phase of the early adjournment question. It came up on a resolution to require that after tomorrow no bills of any kind, except legalizing acts, shall be proposed in the house. Attention was called to the fact that two years ago some of the most important bills of the session came in during the last week, also that the omnibus appropriation bill and others cannot be prepared until next week. The resolution was defeated.

Five-Mile Bill Reported. The senate committee on suppression of intemperance made its report this morning on the five-mile limit bill. The report was to the effect that the bill be amended so that instead of applying only to Iowa City it will apply to every city in which there is a higher educational institution and that when so amended the bill be indefinitely postponed. The report was placed on the senate calendar to await future action. Members of the senate are receiving letters and telegrams galore in regard to this bill and especially since it has been amended so as to affect Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, Sioux City and other cities it will be bitterly opposed.

Passed Clarkson Mine Bill. The senate gigged back in its attitude toward the miners of the state and passed the Clarkson bill for general revision of the mine laws. The bill had been defeated by a narrow vote and when Senator DeWitt called up his motion to reconsider it was adopted, after which the bill was passed, 33 to 14. The bill completely revises the law as to coal mining.

House Committee Work. The house flourished the most axe this morning and killed fifteen bills. During the same half hour it placed on the calendar twenty-three bills, thus accomplishing the largest morning's work of the session. Among the important bills that went the guillotine route were Friley's trade school measure and Dabney's anti-lobby bill, upon the latter there being a minority report. Fletcher's bill for changing weights and measures was put to sleep. Pindivson's bill to create a commission to draft all the bills was killed in committee and later by the house. Senator Ream's plan of giving the supervisors power to "farm out" county prisoners at the labor was rejected, and an important alteration was made in Klay's bill to create three additional supreme court judgeships. The bill was altered to provide for the election of three new judges in the 1912 elections instead of appointment by the governor. A substitute bill for Bowman's bank examining bill was offered, under the terms of which the board of examiners will receive \$2,000 per year and each of the examiners will be expected to show proof of five years' practical experience in the banking business.

The senate discussed at length the Allen bill to create separate boards for osteopathy. It was urged by him and Van Law and others as a measure to raise the standard and to give the osteopaths a legal standing and recognition in the state. Drs. Bennett and Chapman opposed the bill, and it was declared that the sole purpose of the osteopaths is to secure a board that will cut out some of the requirements now imposed by the State Board of Medical Examiners. The adverse report of the committee was defeated, after which Bennett offered a substitute which had come up from the office of the State Board of Health. The whole was then made a special order for next Tuesday.

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## Labor Questions

## Before Mass Meeting in Various Phases

Number of Speakers Present Union Problems to Large Gathering in Lyric Theater.

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Changes Front on Bill. The house took it all back on the Hickenlooper bill to require that all miners who shall hereafter come into the state shall be certified by a mine board as competent. The bill was passed some days ago and today reconsidered, and on the second roll call was defeated. The bill was attacked as tending to form a monopoly by the unknown miners in control of the mine work in the state.

## BLOOM SAYS SAW SPARKLER

Believes Nixey Tried to Sell Him Valuable Gem for Small Sum.

Smith Haines, a negro railroad porter, of Fourteenth and Cass streets, who appeared to be a steel blue diamond worth \$750 to Max Bloom for \$10. Bloom, who keeps a rooming house at 514 North Sixteenth street, believes he knows a diamond when he sees one and struck by the conduct of the negro he notified the police. Haines was arrested. Thirteenth and Davenport by Officer D. C. Rich. When searched at the station the diamond was not found on him. The police will institute an investigation.

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## METHODISTS PLAN CHANGES

Would Do Away with the District Superintendents.

BIGGEST MOVE SINCE WESLEY Laymen Join Hands with New York Conference in Seeking to Put Through Program Involving Radical Developments.

NEW YORK, April 1.—The Laymen's association of the Methodist Episcopal church of New York, meeting simultaneously with the New York conference, voted by a large majority this afternoon to petition the general council to establish diocesan bishops, abolish district superintendents or presiding elders, rearrange conference boundaries throughout the United States, give lay members representation in annual and general conferences and extend the terms of pastors from two to five years.

This program it is understood, embraces the most