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SEEK TO REVOKE ITS CHARTER

Iowa Teachers' Association Chooses Des Moines for Meeting Place Next November—Republican Committee to Meet.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—Representing the Des Moines Retail Grocers' association, Attorney W. A. Graham pleaded guilty to the charge of gambling made against the association in an indictment returned by the Polk county grand jury. Judge Bradshaw of the criminal court imposed a fine of \$100. The indictment against the alleged trust grew out of its conducting a candy raffling machine at the recent pure food show in the Calliseum. According to the county attorney he will now take the case up to Attorney General George Cosson, with the request that the charter of the association be revoked and that articles of incorporation be set aside.

Teachers Meet in Des Moines.
Des Moines was selected again today as the place for the annual meeting of the Iowa State Teachers' association for 1912, the date to be November 7, two days after the election.

Republican Committee to Meet.
The republican state convention is called to meet here January 11 to fix a date for the republican state convention.

Many Rumors Are Afloat in Muscatine

MUSCATINE, Ia., Dec. 29.—Echoes of labor difficulties in the button factories were current today when the work of the grand jury, which has been in session for more than a month, drew to a close.

With nothing more definite than rumors it was whispered disclosures would be contained in the report.

County officials were silent on the subject of the grand jury's activity. One of the rumors was that a quantity of dynamite had been found and that the purpose for which it was intended was being investigated by the grand jury.

A committee composed of members of the most prominent societies and social workers in the county, appointed at a meeting of the Federal Council of Churches of America held at Pittsburg, December 12, to investigate conditions sociological and industrial, arrived in Muscatine today and began its work.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO FORM BASE BALL LEAGUE

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Plans are under way among the Knights of Columbus lodges of this section of the state for the organization of a six-club Knights of Columbus base ball circuit. The league is to be known as the "K. C. League" and will be composed of teams from the towns in this district of the lodges.

The cities in this district are Cedar Rapids, Iowa City, Marshalltown and Victor, and to make the organization a six-circuit affair, promoters would add Davenport and Muscatine.

Five-Thousand-Dollar Fire.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Fire was discovered at 4 a. m. in three frame buildings at Clark, which were all burning merrily by the time the discovery was made. The volunteer brigade composed of every man in town fought valiantly and saved a large implement house next door and confined the losses to \$5,000. A blacksmith shop, a barber shop and a butcher shop were burned.

Taft Writes to Engineer.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Homer Rhodes, a veteran Illinois Central engineer, is proudly displaying to his friends a letter from President Taft wishing him and his family a Merry Christmas. The occasion of the letter was Taft's desire to thank the engineer for his part in carrying the Taft special throughout the entire recent trip without mishap. Engineer Rhodes carried the train from Omaha to Fort Dodge.

Iowa News Notes.

BAKSTER—George Deal, aged 47, the manager of the Bakster implement company, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself in the company's warehouse. No cause for the act is known. A widow and small son survive him.

MARSHALLTOWN—Judge W. S. Kenyon of Fort Dodge, the junior senator from Iowa, is to speak before the members of the Marshalltown club on Tuesday, January 2. Arrangements are being made to have him also address an afternoon meeting.

PRUYN'S FATHER SAYS HE SHOT IN SELF-DEFENSE

NORTH BEND, Neb., Dec. 29.—Following the death of Michael Gorey, the saloon keeper, who was shot in a brawl at his place of business on Christmas day, an inquest was held last night. After hearing extended evidence the jury returned the verdict that Gorey came to his death from gunshot wounds received at the hands of A. P. Pruy. An important witness for the defense was the father of Pruy, who witnessed the brawl. The elder Pruy testified that his son fired in self-defense after he had been shot at twice. He asserted that his son took refuge behind a stove at the first shot and only returned the fire in self-defense.



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\$2.50 for alteration will be charged in every instance on sale garments.

COATS—Colored Coats—Plush Coats—Black Coats

\$20.00 Coats at \$9.75
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\$12.50 Waists as low as \$2.95; choice \$4.50 waists \$1.98; the \$2.00 ones at 98c
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Misses', Juniors', Children's and Infants' garments of all kinds cut to the QUICK.
Children's Coats—Ages 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8.
\$5.00 Coats at \$2.98 | \$8.50 Coats at \$5.00
\$12.50 Coats at \$6.98 | \$15.00 Coats at \$9.75
Little Misses and Big Misses—Ages 10, 12 and 14.
Those which were \$10.00 at \$5.00
\$12.50 at \$6.98 | \$15.00 at \$9.75 | \$22.50 at \$14.75
Hats at 1/2 Price—One lot was \$2.50, at 50c
Coats for 13, 15, 17 and 19 years.
\$10.00 and \$12.50 Coats at \$6.50
\$15.00 Coats at \$3.40

YOUR LAST CHANCE THIS YEAR!!!!

Thos. Kilpatrick & Co.

MARKS REFUTES MABRAY'S STORY

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Firm name was Lineberger & Co., a 20 per cent interest in the Manhattan and for a short time a 20 per cent interest in the Blue Ribbon, but took no part in the management of the places with the exception of supplying the money.

He told of the frequent reports from all of the houses of the presence of undesirable men in the city, which he collected and took to police headquarters. He said it was done for self-protection.

Richardson's testimony confirmed. Other witnesses for the defense during the day were Desk Serpanti, Nicol of the police department, who confirmed Major Richardson's testimony concerning the method of keeping daily reports of officers, and he flatly contradicted the two former policemen who had testified that they reported Mabray incidents to him during 1908; Marshal W. A. Groneweg, who was a deputy sheriff while the "big store" was running and who confirmed the testimony of Sheriff McCaffery and former Sheriff Cannon; and Attorney George H. Mayne.

Mr. Mayne, as member of the firm of Mayne & Hazleton, occupied offices in the Merriam block for twenty years, and he was called to tell of the secrecy that governed Mabray's operations, conducted for two years in the same block, but he was not permitted to testify upon objections of Mr. Cosson.

A. V. Askwith and Emilie Schurz, local attorneys, testified to the declaration Mabray had made to them that Marks had nothing to do with the business at any time, and that Mabray said it was time for him to get under cover, with twenty-six indictments against him.

A Life Problem Solved by that great health tonic, Electric Bitters, is the enrichment of poor, thin blood, and strengthening the weak. 50c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

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Second Floor
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All our \$10 and \$15 Coats and Suits	\$5.00
All our \$15 and \$18 Coats and Suits	\$7.50
All our \$30 and \$35 Coats and Suits	\$15.00
All our \$5 and \$6 Skirts	\$2.95
All our \$7 and \$10 Skirts	\$4.95
All our \$10 and \$15 Dresses	\$5.00

We cannot sell goods in the ad, so take the elevator and come up to Omaha's New and Bright Daylight Cloak and Suit Store, and see the great values we offer you.

Miller, Stewart & Beaton Co. 413-15-17 South 16th Street. Our greatest annual furniture sale begins at 8 o'clock, Tuesday morning, January 2.

BOYD'S Saturday

Dec. 30, 8 p.m.

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Tickets—50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2
On Sale at Boyd's Box Office.

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The Bee for All the News

CAFETERIA IN THE TEMPLE

University Students Are to Have New Place to Eat.

CHIEF HUNGER EXPERT WITNESS

Lincoln Police Head Tests Brew on Witness Stand and Man is Convicted on His Declaration that it Was Beer.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—The proposed cafeteria at the university is to be a go and in a few days work will be commenced remodeling the basement of the Temple at the university for that purpose. The purpose is to give students the noon meal at a reasonable price. It probably will be run by the university Young Men's Christian association.

Hunger Tests Beer.

Chief Hinger of the police department, who is of German extraction, was brought into police court today as an expert witness to testify whether some beverage sold by William Sharp, colored, was beer or not. The chief tapped the bottle and testified that the beverage was beer. The verdict of the court was guilty, as charged.

Rowell Held for Perjury.

John F. Rowell, the Lincoln mining promoter arrested in Milwaukee in connection with the sudden death of Mrs. Nelson, is being held at that place on the charge of perjury, at present. He is alleged to have testified at the inquest that the dead woman was his wife, which is not the fact. Arthur Nelson, the woman's son, left today for Milwaukee.

H. E. Must Make Report.

W. D. Milligan of Omaha, attorney for the Missouri Pacific Railroad company, was before the State Railway commission today and attempted to convince the members that it should not enforce an order made last June, but was unsuccessful. In June the commission permitted the road to issue \$30,000,000 worth of new securities under condition the company should report what the securities were sold for and what was done with the money. The company had not made such report, but at the conclusion of the conference Mr. Milligan informed the members the report would be forthcoming.

MEAT BUSINESS RULED BY POOL

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on their hands," the witness said, "and were at a loss what to do with them. Three plans were considered in regard to disposing of the recently acquired properties.

"One was to divide them among the promoters—Armour, Swift and Morris. The second was to operate them under a partnership agreement, and the third was to put the concerns into a new organization. The last plan was adopted and the National Packing company was effected March 15, 1905, with a capital of \$10,000,000.

The percentage of stock of the National Packing company was divided as follows: Swift & Co., 46.70; Armour & Co., 40.11; Morris & Co., 13.19.

Division of Country.

The younger Veeder described the geographical division of the country used by the packers as follows:
Territory A—All east of the Mississippi river and north of the Ohio river, except Illinois and West Virginia.
Territory B—All north of the Ohio and Putomac rivers and east of the Mississippi river, except West Virginia.
Territory C—Chicago.
Territory D—St. Louis and all of Illinois except Cook county, and all of Iowa except Territory E—Colorado.

Other sections of the country were not included in the alphabetical list.
In reply to questions as to the meetings of the old packers pool, the witness said:
"Representatives of Armour & Co., Swift & Co., Morris & Co., G. Hammond & Co., Cudahy & Co., and others met in the Commodore building about every week between 1902 and 1905."
"The companies at these meetings were identified by letters. Armour & Co. was known as A, Armour Packing company as B, Cudahy & Co. as C, G. H. Hammond & Co. as D, St. Louis Dressed Beef company as E, Morris as F, and Swift & Co. as G."

"In 1888 Schwarzschild & Sulzberger joined the meeting and were designated by the letter O, and Swift & Co. became known under the letter H."
"The meetings were held on the sixth floor of the Counselman building. There were nine or ten rooms used for these meetings. There were no signs on the door. These meetings were not held between May 1898 and May 1899, but were then resumed."

"I leased the meeting rooms under the direction of either Gustavus Swift, D. Hartwell of Swift & Co., or E. J. Martin of Armour & Co.," continued Mr. Veeder. "All the firms who attended the meeting paid their proportionate amount of rent and other expenses, which was determined by the volume of business done in fresh beef in territory A."
Key to the situation—See Advertising.

TROUBLE FROM BRYAN FILING

Pushing Him for President Keeps Him Off Ballot as Delegate.

HE CANNOT WITHDRAW NAME

Primary Law, as it Relates to Preferential Petitions, Differs from Other Provisions of Law—Peter Jansen Files.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Dec. 29.—(Special.)—The proposal in Omaha to file the name of W. J. Bryan as a preferential candidate for president on the democratic ticket has stirred up considerable comment and may have an effect not dreamed of by the circulators of the petition. The primary law as it relates to filings of preferential petitions for president differs from other provisions of the law.

In the first place no fee is charged. Where it is done on petition of the required number of voters, the person himself does not have to accept the filing, as in the case with all other offices. For this reason if the proposed candidate for any other office does not desire to run he can neglect to accept the filing. In the case of presidential preference, however, the filing, once made, stands unless the party who actually files the petition withdraws it. Under the construction of the law neither Mr. Roosevelt in the case of his Yale filing, nor Br. Bryan in that of his Omaha addressers, could withdraw from the race of his own motion.

In the Bryan matter another complication corps out. It is generally understood that the Fairview statesman desires to be a candidate for delegate-at-large to the national convention. Under the primary law, however, his name cannot appear twice on the same ticket and in the case the filing for president is made first he will be barred from competing for a place on the delegation to the national convention. This back action result probably has not been contemplated by the Lincoln man's advisers.

I. D. Evans of Kanesaw, who has been here attending the meeting of the La Follette executive committee and also of the employers' liability commission, left today for home without making a filing for state auditor, as some had anticipated he would do.

The only filing made today was that of Peter Jansen of Beatrice, who would be the republican candidate for the state senate from the Gage-Pawnee district.

Custer Candidates Must Cast Lots

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—The county court has been occupied with an election contest of road supervisors in district No. 2. At the last election two candidates were up for this office, Clarence Miner, socialist, and E. C. Saunders, running on a combination ticket. The election board gave Miner a majority of twelve votes and shortly after Saunders instituted contest proceedings, claiming that the official returns were wrong. Recount was made under the supervision of County Judge Hylcomb. After a careful canvass of all the votes it was found that Miner and Saunders were a tie, each receiving forty-one votes. Judge Hylcomb ruled that the candidates would have to decide who is winner by the usual manner of casting lots.

NEWS NOTES FROM BEATRICE

Commercial Club Arranges for Annual Banquet on January Eleventh.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—The directors of the Beatrice Commercial club held a meeting last evening and arranged to hold the annual banquet of the club on the night of January 11. It is planned to make it the biggest affair of the kind yet held by the club. The out-of-town speakers and their subjects follow: "The Relation of the Commercial Club to the City," W. S. Whitten, secretary of the Lincoln Commercial club; "Municipal Advertising," Henry Gerins, president of the Omaha Ad club; "The Excelsior System of Street Lighting," Mayor Wols of Fremont; "Transportation and the Extension of the Missouri Pacific Railroad," W. G. Wilson, transportation commissioner of the Kansas City Commercial club.

Mrs. Amanda Clausen, an old resident in the United States died yesterday, aged 92 years. The funeral was held today and the body was taken to Omaha for interment.

The boom for the renomination of Hon. Peter Jansen for state senator from Gage county has been formally launched by the circulating of a petition asking his name to be placed upon the primary ballot. Up to the present time no candidate has entered the race against Mr. Jansen.

Two brothers, J. C. and F. R. Moore, who have just finished serving four years in the United States navy on the battleships Maryland, West Virginia and Charleston, have arrived in the city to spend the winter at home.

The only one "BROOKS QUININE" That is Laxative Bromo-Quinine. Look for the signature of E. W. Grove. Used the world over to cure a cold in one day.