COUNCIL EXCEEDS AUTHORITY

Building Committee May Be Called on Carpet to Explain.

REPAIRS ROOF WITHOUT BIDS

Comptroller Charges the Committee with Ignoring the Law in Letting Repair Job on the

F. Punkhouser, A. C. Kugel and Goodley F. Brucker-may be called upon to ex-plain their official acts as members of the public buildings committee by the council in committee of the whole Monday afternoon

Comptroller F. H. Cosgrove has charged committee with having ignored the law in letting the contract for repairing the roof of the city hall, which was dan axed during December by wind Bids should have been advertised for, he says, but the first intimation other officials had that the work was to be done was when a cialm came into the comptroller's office from Bjorsen & Hass, who per-

formed the work.

The repairs required an expenditure of the city hall, said he called Mr. Funk-houser by telephone and told him the Debating Coach at

roof needed repairing at once. Mr. Funk-houser said it would be repaired.

Waistrom then called Wilg & Son and
Mr. Monroe, contractors, and each sent
a man to inspect the roof and present bids. These bids were as follows: Wife & Son, \$2.50; Mr. Monroe, \$13. When the bids were received Mr. Walstrom took them to Chalrman Funkhouser of the public buildings committee, but he was a cay late, as workmen were then to the batting couch at the Omaha High school, we graduated from Beloit college in 1505 and entered the Harvard law makes.

at once to a competnent contractor. In his opinion the copper used in the repairs would alone cost as much as \$7.50. He said the lower bidders could not have done the work at a profit.

Better Service is Promised by the Burlington Road

Judge Macomber is in receipt of a letter from the Nebraska Railway commission, in which Secretary Allen states that the suit brought by the people of Wheeler county against the Burlington road has been dismissed. This is the care wherein the business men and others living along the Ericson branch of the Burington em-

on the Ericson branch.

At this time and during the past the Burlington has been running tri-weekly mixed trains between Greeley Center and Fricson. They tired of it and hired an attorney, who made this showing that they were entitled to before train service.

WOLCOTT IS SENTENCED A date was fixed for taking testimony but before that date came General Mar ager Holdrege wrote a letter to Attorney Macomber stating that as early as March 15 the Burlington would improve its service by putting on a motor car between the two points, alternating with the regular train, thus giving a dutly service, as

West Enthusiastic Over Crop Outlook

Eugene Duval, assistant general agout

of wearing an overcoat, and Wednesday at Fort Collins, Colo., he played on the golf links in his shirtsleeves, the tehirature being 40 above

many snewstorms, but the snew has melted almost as rapidly as it has fell. leaving the ground in splendid condition. In addition to this the snowfall in the mountains has been the heaviest in twen-ty-five years, now being from three to ten feet deep. When this melts in the spring the surplus will be stored in the numerous reservoirs of the irrigation companies, afferding a supply of water sufficient to carry the crops through the next growing season.

Fire Gong Stolen

Fire Chief Salter is on the warpath. Fire Chief Salter is on the warpath for the Standard Drainage company were Friday night the department made a run to Thirteenth and Howard streets. One of the large hose carts was left near the scene of the fire and not under surveil-ance. When the firemen came back to the wagon the hose was packed in the work and had not paid a number of the men hired by it. wagon and the trip to the barn started.

Suits were brought in the Dodge county the driver, in turning a couner, attempted to ring his bell, but get no response to the exertions of his feet.

When the wagon reached the barn an idventigation was made and the fourteen and the Standard Drainage company as principals. toch gong was missing. The police were notified and believe some boy stule it for his coasting traveler.

NEW ORLEANS HAS SEEN SOME WONDERFUL CHANGES

George L. Campen, assistant city en-gineer, has returned from New Orleans where he attended the meeting of the Two hundred members were present from the eterm and yesterday they were praction passed a resolution regreting that George W. Craig, city engineer of Omaha and vice president of the association, was unable to attend.

Mr. Campen says wonderful progress orado warm weather continues. From Funeral services association for standardizing pavements. Two hundred members were present from

these changes. Mr. Black is an engineer Zero weather is reported nearly all the ef renown and was employed by New way across lows, with 10 to 15 below in Orleans to help solve problems that had the central and northern portions of the PERSO Orients to not move of the most noted engineer, state. The weather in Kansas is reported far minds in the country. A son of Mr. to be similar to that of Nebraska cold Black is employed in the engineering dein the castern and warm in the western partment of this city.

ART OF DEBATING.



High School Most Popular With Boys

school of Kansas City and the West high school of Des Moines will be held by the purple and white team the first week in April and the squad will begin its work for the contest after the new school term

Mandamus is Issued for Hydrant Rentals

peremptory mandamus, commanding the city of Omaha to pay \$45,65.15 to the Omaha Water company within the next ten days to settle judgment entered last October in favor of the water company. This amount represents hydrant rentals for the first six months in 1911. Several weeks ago Judge Munger ordered the pioyed Judge Macomber to represent them of the city officials to appear before him to in an effort to secure better train service show why the rentals were not forthcomon the Ericson branch.

TO ONE TO TWENTY YEARS

Orville C. Wolcott, the former general was sentenced to one to twenty years in the penitentlary; the term fixed by stattence was passed after Judge Day had for \$5,000. overruled the motion for a new trial of Stanley M. Rosewater, Wolcott's attorney, Mr. Rosewater was given the customary late Peter W. Birkhauser, has sold thre forty days in which to perfect his appeal houses at the southeast corner of Twenty

of the Milwaukee road, is back from two weeks spent in Utah and Colorado lookand spent weeks spent in than kind the property of the south of the western trip ar. Durante that has been gen-of the frigid weather that has been gen-eral over the central west, the coldest that he experienced being 18 degrees tions of Wolcott prior to the forgeries

WANTS FREMONT CASES TRANSFERRED TO OMAHA

Application for an order restraining th prosecution of suits now pending in the Dodge county court was filed Saturday morning by Brome, Ellick & Brome, attorneys for the Title Guaranty and Trust company, in the federal district court. from Hose Wagon

In the bill of application it is stated that the Standard Drainage company contracted, to construct a drainage system for the Eikhorn drainage district near fremont in December, 1829. The bonds the stole the curtains he said, "Well, but Saiter is on the warpath for the Standard Drainage district near fremont in December, 1829. The bonds in the stole the curtains he said, "Well,

men and the Elichorn dramage district BECK MAKES RECORD

principals.
The Title Guaranty company wants the case settled in the federal district court here and Judge Munger has set February I as the date for the hearing of the ap-

WARM WEATHER HELPS OUT STOCK IN WYOMING

The railroad trains have all weathered

water which settled in the streets and was allowed to evaporate has been solved.

Along the Union Pacific, the weather branches and into Union Pacific, the weather branches and lakes.

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part of the state

HE TEACHES HIGH SCHOOL LADS TIMELY REAL ESTATE GOSSIP

Question of Exclusive Listing Bobs Up in Realty Exchange.

WILL BE DISCUSSED WEDNESDAY

Realty Dealers Who Are Not Members of Exchange May Attend Annual Banquet-Several Acreage Tracts Sold.

The question of exclusive listing has again bobbed up in the Real Estate exchange. It evoked much lively discussion last Wednesday and is slated for discussion again next Wednesday.

Latham Davis, last Wednesday, declared that no agent should try to sell a piece of unless it was listed with him in writing, but he spoke against exclusive agencies, which he said would work to the advantage of a few of the hig firms which have the reputation of having han-dled a large amount of property. C. F. Harrison spoke for exclusive agencies and moved that the exchange go on record to that effect. Harry Tukey said exlusive listing would be a fine thing for both agent and owner, but only a few owners could be brought to see it that way and many owners declined to make exclusive listings.

of H. A. Tukey, C. F. Harrison, Lathani Davis, B. R. Hastings and F. D. Wead to frame a by-law conforming to the new

bids were received Mr. Walstrom toos, the public buildings committee, but he was a cay late, as workmen were then busy repairing the roof.

The first Omaha High school debate of the year will be held with the Council to building inspecter, said the year will be held with the Council to be present the year will be held with the Council to be present the year which will be held Thursteen the banquet, which will be held Thursteen the present day evening, January 25, at 6:15, at the Rome hotel. Fifty tickets, at \$1 each. have been sold to date.

> Thomas Herd will build two double brick flats on two lots that he has bought from Howard B. Smith at Tulty-third and Marcy streets, for fl.80e. The sale was made through the Glover Realty company.

> Louis Nush is having plans premared for a fine new residence at Thirty-eighth and Davenport streets. It will be one of the finest homes in the city.

The Glovet Realty company reports the sale from F. A. Robbins to Ed Brown, for \$5,000, of a house and lot at Twentieth and Emmet. The lot has a frontage of seventy-four feet.

The Byron Reed company bought two sented the Omaha Grain exchange at the bunches of lots last week. One group of session of the council of North American twelve is near Fowler avenue and Thirty-sixth street. They will be platted and committee of the council outlined a camput on the market in the spring. Eigh-paign, to be participated in by all the teen lots between Thirty-fourth and grain exchanges, for encouraging the

Thirty-two-acre lots in Patterson park, company, convicted of uttering a forgery. Pitty-seventh and Center streets, have was sentenced to one to twenty years in been bought by N. P. Dodge for 18,603.

ute, by Judge George A, Day in the criminal division of the district court. Sen-nai division of the district court. Sen-tence was passed after Judge Day had for \$5,000.

Mrs. Marcia Birkhauser, widow of the late Peter W. Birkhauser, has sold three to the supreme court. He said he will fifth and Dodge to Charles A. Wagnet, the consideration being \$17,700. There are two brick houses and a large frame house, the latter built by the late Dr. A. A.

sait Lake Mr. Duval never thought in their epinion he was insane. The jury found wolcott guilty and recommended in their epinion he was insane. The jury found wolcott guilty and recommended leniency.

Judge Day and the court carnet with a shirtsleeves, the teni-Judge Day said the court cannot extend prevent development in that neighborlood. Persons interested in the development of another part of the developperature being 60 above.

People of Utah and Colorado, according to Mr. Duval, were never so eithushastic over crap prespects as now. All through both states in the valleys there have been hoth states in the valleys there have been hoth states in the valleys there have been hoth. taken to prevent the railroad from getting the ground. Several options in the same neighborhood, however, are said to be bons fide propositions, though no single big improvement is contemplated.

Eikhern river drainage district and the STRANGE CALLING CARD IS STRANGE CALLING CARD IS LEFT BY CHARLES SMITH

Charles Smith, a negro, has discovered a way to go calling without the customary calling eards.

He was arrested charged with the theft the young lady and when I found she was not home, I took the curtains just to let her know that I had called."

asked the judge: She was a black damsel, yer bonor. Smith was released on condition that he returned the curtains, which he did.

AT BANKERS' MEETING

Henry A. Beck, who was called the "adding machine" while assistant cushler of the Cudahy Packing company at South Omaha, is sustaining his reputation with the Kansas National bank at Wichita. Kan., judging from the following article in a Wichita paper:

"Henry A. Beck of the Kansas National bank won first prize in the rapid calcula-tion contest at the bankers' meeting Thursday night, adding 30 figures is

WOOLRIDGE FUNERAL TO BE HELD SUNDAY

and we present the attend.

Mr. Campen says wonderful progress has been made in New Orleans within the Long Pine, along the Northwestern, which saystem and the water obtax system have the snow about gone. The mercury over been improved at, an expine of \$10,000 to Cappar, the weather is warm and been improved at, an expine of \$10,000 to Cappar, the weather over the snow about gone. The mercury over been improved at, an expine of \$10,000 to distance at 7 o'clock ranged outil they are now as up-to-date as any from Z to 6 degrees above zero, with a city and the question of disposal of the Chinook wind blowing from the north-range of the streets and west. ices. The pallbearers will be Patrolmen Pzanowski, Carney, Cummings, Wentz.

ago I was ususy attrones with catarri of the stomach. I need had a rist of typhoid fever, was very depleted. I could find nothing I could eat without causing distress and sour stomach. Finally I came to the conclusion that I had catarrh of the stomach and seeing Peruna advertised, began to take it. It helped me soon. PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Homer Winder of Kanena City has been transferred to Omaha as cattle buyer for Armour and is located at the New Ham-

BRIEF CITY NEWS

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Douglas. Bargains for old friends and

Theosophical Society Meets The Theosociety will meet at the Omana School of Music, Eighteenth and Farnam streets, on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. L. J. Quinby will address the society, his subject being "You Are Divine."

City of Florence May Refuse to Pay Hydrant Rentals

Consternation reigned among th learned that the Omaha Water company had paid taxes on the judgment instead of the plant, thus shutting the city out Mr. Harrison's motion was tassed the time being and the question is to be fought out next Wednesday. President and heavy taxpayers met at the Eagle Morton appointed a committee consisting rooms to discuss the matter. While all rooms to discuss the matter. divided whether one municipality could tax the property of another municipality within its domains. After threshing the matter out it was the consensus of cerned it did not make much difference, for if it could not tax Omaha for the plant, neither could Omaha tax them for nydrant rental and one about offsets the other, so the revenue of the city for municipal purposes would not be affected. In the case of the school district this would not hold. The district now levies to the limit of the law, 21 mills, and if the amount of taxes the water works now pays, approximately \$4,700, is deducted the fleances of the district would be in a bad way. It was finally decided ject and then call a mass meeting of citizens and determine on the advisability of taking the matter

Grain Men to Work for Better Crops

returned from Chicago, where they repreteen lots between Thirty-fourth and grain exchanges, for encouraging the Thirty-eighth streets and Powier avenue and Larimore avenue, were bought by the company from Rev. J. P. Collier of Philimethology of farming. This plan will be presented to the Omaha exchange by Mesurs. Peck and Wontbrook at the Breith of the Breith o presented to the Omaha exchange by Messrs. Peck and Westbrook at the Brat meeting of directors.

Fearful Slaughter of deadly

Fined for Hunting on Sunday. BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special.)— Frank Sidel, Ernest Leach, Mayborn Sal-Frank Sidel, Ernest Leach, Mayborn Sal-ingiver and Charles Winkler, four farm-ers from the south part of the county, yesterday pleaded guilty in the county court to hunting on Sunday and were fined it and costs each, which they paid. The complaint was filed by S. A. Kinney

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If you have not already bought a Piano during this sale, come early tomorrow, you will see by the list below that we have added some bargains that outshine any that we have previously quoted. Pianos are selling fast, and we are breaking all our previous January records. Notwithstanding the low prices, we will allow you to MAKE YOUR OWN TERMS during this sale. Our record of 53 years' hones' business dealings is the guarantee that stands back of every sale.

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ose & Sons' practice piano \$300	\$ 30	Bradford upright piana	8145
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Overcoat Thieves Caught by Police

The police believe that in the arrest of

The police received a call abo o clock that a man was trying to pawn an overcoat at the Riverside pawn shop at 1121 Douglas street. Detective Dan Lahey was dispatched to the score and found West inside trying to get rid of an almost new coat. Erown was on the outside keeping a watchout. Lahey arrested both men and took them to the station. A large number of pawn tickets were taken from the two men and the police will try to get possession of all the coats which have been stolen by the men. They refused to make a statement as to their guilt or innocence.

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