

DES MOINES HAS NO LONG GREEN

Capital City is up Against It In the Matter of Having Lots of "Spontulax," Is the Report.

THE COMMISSION FORM

Councilmen Knocking on Each Other's Departments With Sledge Hammers Trying to Reduce Expenses.

From a Des Moines press notice it is very evident that the ship of finance is becoming water-logged in the capital city.

A suggestion on the part of Councilman John MacVicar to eliminate unnecessary officials in the legal department and the department of public safety and use the money in the investigation of health conditions in Des Moines met with strenuous opposition from Councilman Zell Roe.

Although the fire department fund is said to be in danger of a deficit this year, Chief Burnett is confident that he can bring the department through on his appropriation.

The rise in salaries has been a great handicap, but it is impossible and inadvisable to practice economy in payrolls, said Mr. Burnett.

"Suggestion? H'mph! Did you ever hear of a real cure effected by suggestion?" "I personally know of one."

"IN A BAD WAY."

Many a Keokuk Reader Will Feel Grateful for this Information.

When your back gives out; Becomes lame, weak or aching; When urinary troubles set in, Your kidneys are "in a bad way."

QUESTION OF RIVER STAGE

Burlington People Have Been Discussing Matter Since Visit of Delegation to Keokuk on Monday.

ENGINEER GIVES VIEWS

Says That He Had Not Heard of Seven Foot Stage, But if so, Happenings Will be Interesting.

What effect the building of the Keokuk dam will have on the stage of the river at Burlington is a question that has been discussed at length as much as the never-failing weather situation.

The Burlington Hawk-Eye says: "Say, what about that dam business; are we going to be flooded out?"

A civil engineer, who is well-posted on the river projects in connection with surveys for drainage work, said he had never heard of the seven-foot ris before, but that if this situation was to be created there would be some mighty interesting happenings along this section when the big stream began to back up.

"I will feel sorry for those business houses along Valley street, and you want to keep your eye on that ancient piece of masonry, the Hawkeye sewer, if this thing comes off."

While no two persons seem to agree on the exact situation as it will be when the Keokuk project is carried out to completion, those who are in touch with the work do not look for any noticeable change in the river at Burlington.

It is stated the promoters of the Keokuk project have never consulted with the owners of thousands of acres of low land between Burlington and Fort Madison, hence it is concluded that they do not expect these lands to be submerged by the lake that will be created through the building of the big dam.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Louis Hartel of Cherryville, Kan., is visiting in the city with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schlotter.

"You simply can not trust anybody!" declares the lady. "My maid, whom I had the utmost confidence in left me suddenly and took with her my beautiful pearl brooch."

CITY NEWS

Mrs. Eliza Stripe is very low today at her home, 718 North Seventh street.

Mrs. Caroline Dufek has been appointed administratrix of the estate of John Dufek.

H. A. Mathews and Cornelia L. Berrier of Bowen, Ill., were granted a marriage license and were married by Justice Burrows.

John W. Heever has conveyed to the Keokuk and Hamilton Water Power Company a part of lot 4, block 15, Montrose.

Mrs. Amanda Brier received a telegram this morning from her son George, announcing the sad news of the death of his wife at Dallas, Texas.

Services at Summitville. At the Evangelical Lutheran church there will be services at 10:45 and 7:45; Sunday school, 9:45; Young People's meeting at 7 p. m.

Union service will be held tonight at the Congregational church, conducted by Rev. E. B. Newcomb, and at the Methodist church, conducted by Rev. R. W. Lilley.

Eighteen expert crib builders arrived from St. Paul today to work for the Water Power Co. They will assist in the work on the Iowa side. It was announced that the machinery for the newly constructed machine shop on the Illinois side arrived today also.

A. W. O'Harra and wife of Carthage, are stopping at the Hotel Keokuk. Mr. O'Harra is the senior member of the law firm of O'Harra, O'Harra, Wood and Walker of this city and Carthage, Illinois. Mr. O'Harra is here on business and expects to remain for some time.

W. A. Van Camp, a former Keokuk boy, now located in Seattle, Wash. is in the city on an extended visit with his mother, Mrs. A. L. Van Camp. While in this city many years ago he was an employe of The Gate City as a carrier and in the press room. Mr. Van Camp stated this morning that he noticed a progressive change since his departure from Keokuk.

Facing a bitter cold wind for forty-two miles and stopping only a few times enroute, a young man giving the name of John Samuelson, walked briskly into Keokuk yesterday.

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NEW OFFICERS OF HERMAN LODGE

They Were Installed Last Night at Regular Meeting in Odd Fellows Hall.

The following officers of Herman lodge were installed last night: Henry Pechstein, N. G.

Julius Rabe, V. G. Albert Kiefer, secretary, Henry Rabe, treasurer.

LATE AFTERNOON BULLETINS

[By the United Press.] DES MOINES, Jan. 5.—Some twenty members of the legislature held a conference today. Senator Young has issued a statement in which he implies that he wants the standpatners to stay out of the caucus, which would mean a deadlock and Young would hold over until the close of the session.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Leslie Carlson aged twelve today admitted that he shot and killed John Wisneeki, his playmate aged twelve while they were playing Indian and buried the body in the cellar. The murder occurred six weeks ago.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Senator Beveridge, a dissenting member of the Lorimer investigation committee will file a minority report probably on Monday, it was announced this afternoon.

BELFAST

The rain which we have been looking for a long time has come, and it did much good to the shock corn and kept all the farmers busy.

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Weak Nerves

Weak nerves mean nervousness, nervous headaches, debility. They call for good food, fresh air, and a nerve tonic. Let your doctor select the medicine. Ayer's Sarsaparilla, free from alcohol.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

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Daily Grain Letter.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Cables three-eighths lower. Press has no ideas this morning. Two of the four morning dailies are bearish on wheat, one is neutral. Remaining one leans to bull side. If bull leaders are in control it is wise to assume that they will keep the market on new ground if possible. It is remarkable to assume that the campaign will bring a fight around 98c in case of a break. Until the leaders surrender it is unwise to scout the possibility of May wheat at \$1.00.

Northwest Receipts.

	Last	Last
	Today	Week
Minneapolis	83	173
Duluth	14	67

Liverpool Opening.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 5.—Wheat, unchanged; corn, unchanged. Close—Wheat, 1/4 lower; corn, unchanged to 1/8 higher.

Argentine Shipments.

Wheat this week, 480,000; last week 1,264,000; last year, 144,000. Corn—This week, 2,380,000; last week, 969,000; last year, 463,000.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 5.—Hogs, 2,000; cattle, 5,000; sheep, 7,000.

Omaha Live Stock.

OMAHA, Jan. 5.—Hogs, 8,500; cattle, 4,300; sheep, 11,000.

Chicago Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Hogs, today, 23,000; left over, 6,200; 5@10c lower than yesterday's average. Mixed, \$7.80@8.15; good, \$8.00@8.15; rough, \$7.80@7.95; light, \$7.80@8.12 1/2.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Eng., Jan. 5.—Broom-hall wires the following: Wheat market at the opening was firm with lighter offerings, due to the American steadiness in the face of the more favorable weather in the wheat belt and the forecast of light shipments from Argentine this week and values were one-eighth higher; following the opening there was a decline of market on LaPlatte offerings and parcels were lower, and there was a decline on future at the close. There was quite a general demand, especially from the continent. Just before the mid-day there was some little disposition to cover and market gained one-eighth from the lower point and three-eighths lower than yesterday.

Corn—The market opened steady and unchanged. Following the opening, LaPlatte grade remained steady on reports that rain in Argentine were insufficient. American grade one-fourth lower on expectations of large arrivals of corn here.

Daily Range of Prices.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 5.—Open. High. Low. Close.

WHEAT—

May	95 1/4	95 1/2	95	95 1/4
July	94 1/2	95 1/4	94 1/2	95 1/4
Sept.	93 1/2	94 1/2	93 1/2	94 1/2

CORN—

May	48 1/2	49 1/2	48 1/2	49 1/2
July	49 1/2	50 1/2	49 1/2	50 1/2
Sept.	50 1/2	51 1/2	50 1/2	51 1/2

OATS—

May	34 1/2	34 1/2	34	34 1/2
July	34 1/2	34 1/2	34	34 1/2
Sept.	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2

PORK—

Jan.	19.60	19.77	19.60	19.77
May	18.62	18.87	18.52	18.80

LARD—

Jan.	10.35	10.52	10.35	10.50
May	10.10	10.22	10.05	10.15

RIBS—

Jan.	10.37	10.50	10.37	10.47
May	9.77	9.92	9.77	9.90

Estimated Receipts Tomorrow.

Wheat, 12; corn, 172; oats, 10; hogs, 23,000.

Chicago Car Lots.

	Today	Contract	Estimate.
Wheat	28	18	28
Corn	258	1	258
Oats	213	81	218

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8 room, 50x140 S. S. . . . \$2,200
7 room, full lot, N. S. . . . \$2,600
8 room, full lot, S. S. . . . \$2,200
6 room, 3 full lots S. S. . . . \$2,600
6 room, 55x60 N. S. . . . \$1,600
5 room, new cottage S. S. \$1,500

Others just as good.

Bargains In West Keokuk

100 acres, close in, per acre \$125
125 acres, extra good, per acre \$125
6 acres, small fruit farm, near city limits, only \$2,000
10 acres, 3 miles out, well improved \$2,000

Smaller places close to city.

Bargains in Clark and Scotland county, Mo., farms.

M. S. Ackles

"The Real Estate Man"
Roam 1 Estes Bldg.

Want Column

WANTED—Twenty car loaders at McManus & Tucker's toe field.

WANTED—By man and wife, small first class cottage, or 5 or 6 unfurnished rooms with bath. Must be north of Main street. Write or phone this office. N. N. Reisberg.

FOR SALE—One 10 H. P. steam engine. Address, P. O. Box, No. 3.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms; city water, 708 Des Moines St.

Good But Unpopular Habits.

We are sure that the Bishop of Chester was very right in his remark that "it is the man who sings over his work and the boy who whistles who work best." But it makes us extremely unpopular with the rest of the staff, and the boy has been violently dealt with at the second line of "I used to sigh for the silvery moon."—London Globe.

Not Room Enough.

While riding on an electric car, during his first visit to the city, a farmer passed the yard of a monument company, where gravestones and monuments were displayed. Turning to his host, he remarked in an awestricken voice: "They dew bury 'em close in the city, don't they?"—Lippincott's.

Handling Men.

The best way to handle a man is to make him have a good opinion of himself, the best way to make him have a good opinion of himself is to tell him he hasn't.

Facts as to Business.

A very large proportion of people think business is a goldmine and conducts itself. As a matter of fact, it is quite otherwise.—Judge Parry.

It Hits Them Differently.

The same thing may affect different people very differently, says the New York Sun.

Here is one man just back from the country, and this man says, as he senses the city's roar: "My goodness! This infernal racket makes my head ache!" "But the man with him says: "Thank heaven, we've got back at last where we can hear something, away from the infernal racket of the country!"



SCENE FROM "GRAUSTARK," AT THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE, MONDAY, JANUARY 9.