

LOOK FELLOWS

I have taken over the management of the Palace Roller Skating Rink at Third and Main Streets, which has a new floor and everything up-to-date, with a capacity of 100 couples.

Don't say you haven't any place to take your girl but the movies—bring her down and enjoy the cleanest and healthiest sport in the world. Join the rest of the bunch and get the craze, and you will have amusement all winter.

I am going to make a specialty of private parties. Come down and make arrangements with me to have the whole floor for your class or club some night.

I EXPECT TO RUN A STRICTLY FIRST CLASS RINK, AND RIGHTS OF ADMISSION WILL BE STRICTLY RESERVED.

J. C. McManus, Manager

Doors Open 2:30 to 5:00 p. m.; 7:30 to 10 p. m. Admission 10 Cents; Skates 15 Cents

Christmas Dinner

THE HOTEL IOWA

Will serve its usual Christmas dinner, both noon and evening. From 12 to 2:30; evening 5:45 to 8 o'clock.

Music by Hotel Iowa Orchestra

Want Column

WANTED.—By an old established manufacturing concern, a bright, energetic young man, about nineteen years old to learn trade. Apply X. care Gate City office.

WANTED.—Two press feeders, girls or boys. Apply Saturday, Wm. Rees & Co., 23 South Fifth St.

FOR RENT.—Modern seven room house, extra store room, with electric lights, gas, furnace, gas stove furnished. Phone B-1482.

FOR RENT.—Six room cottage, \$10.00 per month, 1300 Orleans avenue. Inquire 716 Main street.

FOR RENT.—Six room cottage, 618 North Thirtieth. Enquire 716 Main.

FOR RENT.—No. 909 Leighton Ave., eight room modern house, \$25.00 per month. John Tumely.

FOR RENT.—New 5 room cottage on California avenue, West Keokuk, J. A. Pollard, 12 South Sixth.

FOR RENT.—No. 314 Exchange, modern except furnace; three rooms and reception hall down, four rooms and bath up; \$18.00 per month. John Tumely.

FOR RENT.—No. 413 Fulton, six room electric lights, interior refinished, \$20.00 per month to small family. John Tumely.

FOR RENT.—On north side, house of 7 rooms, modern except furnace, large yard, rent reasonable. Also 4 room house, phone 2303 F-3.

FOR SALE.—Easy payment, new 5 room house with pantry and large closet. California Ave. See J. A. Pollard.

FOR SALE.—Three good upright pianos taken in exchange on piano player pianos. Prices \$125, \$140, \$180. Come early and get choice. Guest Piano Co.

LOST.—Ladies' small pocket book containing sum money. Return to this office. Liberal reward.

LOST.—Between Fourth and Main and Tenth and Bank, gold pendant and chain with small diamond. Return to this office. Reward.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MOLER BARBER COLLEGE, St. Louis, Mo., wants you to learn the trade. If this opportunity means lighter, cleaner work at better pay, you want it. Can learn in a short time and have your own shop. Write for the truth about it today.

YOU CAN MAKE big money selling our guaranteed trees, fruits, roses, etc. We pay highest commissions every week. Free outfit and part expenses. The Blue Mound Nursery Co. West Allis, Wis.

THE PARTY who took sled from Garfield school will be prosecuted unless sled is returned to Garfield school at once.

This purpose. This will prevent the heated glass from burning or scorching woodwork.

Turkey Christmas dinner at Mission Inn, 25c. 12 South Third.

A number of the carrier boys of The Gate City have been remembered by their patrons, and the boys are extremely appreciative of the gifts which they have received.

The Gate City carrier boys are faithful and painstaking, and it is through their efforts that the best paper in Keokuk is brought to your door every night in a prompt and efficient manner.

The boys take this means of thanking their patrons who have already remembered them, and in wishing them a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mission Inn turkey Christmas dinner 25c. Leo Bland, chef.

MR. HI PRICE PAYS KEOKUK A VISIT

Man of Much Feared Name Succumbs to Dictates of Law and Forks Over Cash.

Mr. Hi Price has made his appearance in Keokuk, and just the day before Christmas, too.

Now, don't get excited, Mr. Hi Price has nothing to do with groceries, meat, coal and Christmas trimmings. This Hi Price faced

Billiards and Bowling

FOR SALE—BILLIARD TABLE, Brand new, oarom and pocket, with complete outfit, \$115; second-hand tables at reduced prices. Easy payments. Bowling alleys and accessories. Cigar store fixtures a specialty. Send for catalogue. THE BRUNS, WICK-BALKE-COLLENDER CO., Des Moines, Iowa. C. Sanders, Agent, Blackhawk Hotel.

Condemned to Die Unless He Submitted to the Knife

Mr. Louis Hanson, a well known and popular engineer on the C. M. and St. P. R. R., residing at Mason City, Iowa, was suddenly stricken with a severe case of appendicitis. He called upon two different doctors, both of whom told him that his only chance to live was to be operated upon at once, otherwise he was liable to die. Mr. Hanson decided first to consult the United Doctors at their institute in Mason City, who never used the knife. When Mr. Hanson came before these specialists he was fairly bent double from pain and misery. The United Doctors told Mr. Hanson that they thought they could pull him through without an operation. The result was that in less than one week Mr. Hanson was back on his engine well as ever. The following statement was given for publication by Mr. Hanson: Mason City, Ia., July 20, 1912. "The United Doctors cured me of a severe case of appendicitis without an operation." (Signed) "LOUIS HANSON, "229 W. 6th street."

Judge McNamara in the superior court this morning, charged with being drunk. With his payment of costs, the story is ended, almost with the brevity of the immortal Jack McGoory tale from Mother Goose. Along with Hi were Emmet Irwin and Tom Hardy. All paid costs. Six sleepers were discharged from the station house this morning.

C. W. B. M. PROGRAM ON SUNDAY NIGHT

Mrs. Elizabeth Ross of Canton Will be Speaker at Meeting at Christian Church.

On Sunday evening in the First Christian church the C. W. B. M. auxiliary will hold its annual mission praise meeting. The general public is cordially invited. Mrs. Elizabeth Ross of Canton, Mo., will deliver the address. Following is the program: Hymn. Cornet duet—Mr. and Mrs. J. Calvin Hedrick. Scripture reading, Psalm 24—Mrs. H. H. Stafford. Prayer—Rev. W. M. Baker. Vocal solo—Mrs. Florence Wright Schouten. Illustrated address—Mrs. Elizabeth Ross, Canton, Mo. Offering. Hymn. Benediction.

HAMILTON WINS BACK THE CHECKER BOARD

Albert Leffler Captures Prize by Defeating Roy Sherwood of This City Yesterday.

Roy Sherwood, the local checker player, after defending the Stanton checker board twice successfully against Hamilton players, lost yesterday afternoon to Albert Leffler in a match played at the local Y. M. C. A. Mr. Leffler won the first, third and fourth games, Mr. Sherwood winning the second. Mr. Leffler won the last game in a decisive manner, sweeping the board clear of his opponent's men in the last play. Leffler will defend the board in Hamilton next Thursday afternoon.

CITY NEWS.

Reserve a table for your Christmas dinner at the Hotel Keokuk. Marriage licenses were issued today to Ralph A. Leake, 26, and Miss Opal M. Peck, 20, Keokuk; William W. Cameron, 22, and Ruth Detmer, 18, Keokuk; John Conrad Meister, 20, and Birdie Eleanor Lee, 19, Canton, Ill.; and Dorothy Thomas, 19, Canton, Ill. Yesterday a license was issued to John C. Seyb, Kahoka, and Elizabeth Best, Keokuk.

PROMISED CHECK HAS BEEN GIVEN

Purity Oats Company, Through C. M. Rich, President, Matches \$100 Raised for Community Fund.

MANY DONATIONS MADE

Baskets Are All Packed and Were Delivered Today to Those Who Would Not Otherwise Have Been Remembered.

A check for \$100 from the Purity Oats company, C. M. Rich, president, was handed to the community Christmas committee today by Mr. Rich, pursuant to his promise to give this amount from the company in case an equal amount was raised through public subscription to the community fund. The \$100 was raised through subscriptions which came in more generous fashion once people were aroused to the fact that an empty stocking tragedy was threatening Keokuk's poor children. The Purity Oats company check was turned over by Mr. Rich and was used in purchasing the necessary articles to go in the food baskets.

Following is the list of donations today at headquarters:

J. B. Well	\$5.00
A friend	2.00
D. W. Haggerty	2.00
E. F. Renaud	1.00
Miss Daisy Johnstone	1.00
F. W. Swan	2.00
Friend	1.00
Mrs. W. H. Carter	1.00
A friend	1.00
Mrs. J. E. Craig	3.00
Friend	1.00
Jacob Seither	1.00
Friend	1.00
J. S. Spruells	1.00
Miss C. Baldwin	2.00
Friends	2.00

Some Other Donations.

Schouten's bakery, 124 loaves of bread. Mrs. J. L. S. Scaddings, oranges. Mrs. C. A. Wright, fruit. Linguist Brothers, dolls. Mrs. McKay, books, caps, stockings. Friend, toys. J. W. Markley, meat. U. P. church, canned goods. Lagomarcino-Grube Co., bananas.

Baskets Go Out Today.

The food baskets which went out from headquarters today were filled with coffee, sugar, beans, rice, rolled oats, bucket of syrup, bread, cabbage, meat, potatoes and bananas. In the toy baskets for the children were every kind of games and toys which will delight the heart of a child. The baskets were being delivered all day today, and in spite of the storm good cheer was carried into the homes of hundreds of people in the city, who otherwise would have had a cheerless Christmas.

CITY NEWS.

Eat Christmas dinner at Mission Inn, 25c. Leo Bland, chef.

A word of warning is timely in regard to the burning of candles this evening. If the vesper candles are used it is suggested by someone who knows that the candle receptacle be placed in a dish in which there is water. A baking powder can cover filled with water is very suitable for

FUNERAL RECORD.

Mrs. Violet Shadle. The funeral of the late Mrs. Violet Shadle was held at 1 o'clock this afternoon, from the home on the middle road. The services were conducted by Rev. W. M. Baker and burial

DEATH OF FORMER KEOKUK RESIDENT

Charles W. Mead Passed Away Last Week in Oakland, California—Body to be Brought Home.

FUNERAL ON MONDAY

Left Keokuk About Twenty Years Ago for Oakland—Was Bachelor and Only Two Cousins Survive.

Friends in this city have just learned of the death of Charles W. Mead, a former well known resident of Keokuk, which occurred at Oakland, California, on Friday, December 17. The body is being brought to Keokuk and burial will be made here next Monday.

Mr. Mead left Keokuk about twenty years ago, after a long residence here, going direct to Oakland where he spent the remainder of his life. While here he held a responsible position with the Iowa State Insurance Co., when it was under the management of Howard Tucker. He was engaged in the insurance business in Oakland also.

Mr. Mead was a bachelor and the only survivors are two cousins, Mrs. Nellie Vail Plant of St. Louis and Jesse Vail of Chicago. While in Keokuk, Mr. Mead lived for many years at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hollingsworth and was a well known figure in social, religious and business life in Keokuk. He is described by his friends here as having been an unusually handsome man and he had many fine traits of character that endeared him to the hearts of all of his acquaintances.

The decedent was a member of the Unitarian church and was sixty years old. He was born in Keokuk. His mother is buried here.

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Application for a widows' pension has been made by Rosia Payne in the district court.

Verdict of Guilty. NEWTON, Iowa, Dec. 24.—After being out since four p. m. Thursday, the district court jury trying Lou Sherman, charged with fraudulent banking, returned a verdict of guilty at 1:30 this afternoon.

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SOCIETY

Call Black 665 For Society Editor

A CHRISTMAS WISH.

May Christmas day be a happy one and in the New Year may you have joy in all your deeds and days; wishing you time for the task, wisdom for the work, peace for the pathway, friends for the fireside, and love to the last.

Christmas Charity Party.

The Christmas charity party in the Elks ball room tomorrow afternoon from 4 to 7 o'clock will be one of the very delightful features of the holidays. The party is for the benefit of the Visiting Nurse association, a similar party having been given on Christmas day for several years.

To Spend Holidays Here.

A. C. Parsons of Chicago arrived last night to spend Christmas with his father, Mr. George Parsons, and his sister, Miss Cora Parsons, 714 Bank.

Mrs. Beebe Here.

Mrs. Marie Beebe of Seattle arrived from Chicago today to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John M. French, 1201 Mondeau street.

Mrs. Wells Closes Home.

Mrs. Cate Gilbert Wells of Burlington has closed her home for the winter and gone to New York to be with her son, Gilbert Wells, who is with the Winter Garden Co., giving dancing specialties.

Have Returned From Trip.

Messrs. Edward Johnstone and Cyrus Phillips returned on Wednesday from a trip to Honolulu.

Enjoyable Christmas Party.

A very pleasant party in all of its features was given last night in the Elks club house, by Mrs. Emma G. Summers in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William Arthur Bridgman. There were three hundred and twenty-five guests. At both this party and at the Irwin dance earlier in the week, the beauty of the costumes worn by the women was unusual. With the handsome setting of the hall room, gaily with jordanes of poinsettias, red roses and red carnations, the scene was a brilliant one.

A reception was held from 8 to 9:30 o'clock when the grand march was led by Mr. and Mrs. Bridgman and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Irwin leading one line, four abreast, and a second line of four was led by Mr. and Mrs. E. Ross Baker. Miss Mary Margaret Ayres and Mr. Archer Miller. The programs were given by Miss Mary Hollingsworth and Woodson Huiskamp. Miss Virginia Dunlap and James Hollingsworth. The programs James Hollingsworth. The programs were of heavy white card board in

WIDE INTEREST IN KEOKUK CASE

Local Citizens and Whole State Sat up and Took Notice of Action of the City Council Yesterday.

COSSON IS DEFIANT

Says He is Ready to Take Care of all Scraps—Notices to be Sent Out Early Next Week.

The granting of the 1916 saloon license to Philip Nickel by the city council yesterday, for the purpose of providing him grounds to test the validity of the repeal of the Iowa saloon law, has occasioned great interest, not only in Keokuk, but throughout all of Iowa as well.

That George Cossion, attorney general of Iowa, was not looking for trouble in this quarter of the state, was his statement yesterday afternoon to a representative of the United Press who showed him a copy of the dispatch sent out from this city. Mr. Cossion stated, however, that he was ready to take care of all scraps the saloon men want to stage, so that if all the plans of Phil Nickel and his attorney, Frank M. Ballinger, carry out, there promises to be a great legal battle fought in the district court here next year.

Attorney Ballinger stated yesterday that he hoped to get a decision inside of four months. Keokuk people are divided in their opinions of the case. Some seem to think that the fight will be futile, while others believe that the plaintiff and his lawyers have something new up their sleeve. Just what grounds the case of the plaintiff will be based on has not yet been divulged.

Attorney Ballinger will not send out notices of the action of the city council to state, county and city authorities until next week.

From present indications Keokuk may be the only city in which the saloon law repeal will be tested. Manning, Iowa, which had already taken a step similar to the one taken here yesterday, has dropped the matter.

Where the first sale of liquor will be made and the date, has not been given out yet. It will not take place, however, at Mr. Nichol's present location and January 3 may be the date selected. Complications might result, Attorney Ballinger said today, if the information was divulged too soon.

Miss Marie Williams who has been attending St. Mary's academy at Quincy, Ill., arrived Wednesday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams, 418 South Eighth street.

Wedding at LaGrange. Chester Blackwood and Miss Florence Eslinger, LaGrange young people, were married at the home of the bride's father, John Eslinger, in that city, Wednesday at 10 a. m. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. R. Piper. The newly-weds left during the day was made in Oakland cemetery.