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## QUITE AT HOME

Bums Take Possession of Congressman Conner's Home

## SLEEP IN THE SITTING ROOM

Snore Before Grate Fire, While Music Box Charms Their Slumbers—Arrested and Searched on Sunday—Costly Jewels Found—Probably are Burglars.

Sleeping the sleep of the just(?) Covered with blankets and fine comforts, while a good fire blazed cheerily in the open grate, two bums, tramps, burglars or whatever they may be called, were captured and arrested on Sunday noon in the sitting room of the residence of Hon. J. P. Conner. They were ruthlessly aroused from their luxurious surroundings and the cold iron doors of the county jail soon clanged unsympathetically behind them. They had evidently been making the Congressman's home a sort of winter resort and were solving the labor problem in their own sweet way while the member on the Committee on Labor worked at the problem at Washington. They were thoroughly at home in the house and had ransacked it from cellar to garret. Raymond Conner's room was particularly attractive as his clothes would fit while the Congressional togas were too large for them. They were not tidy housekeepers, and the floor was strewn with burnt matches, candle ends, portions of their daily bread and sacks of smoking tobacco.

The first knowledge that the house was inhabited, without the consent of any nation on earth was on Saturday afternoon when Mrs. F. H. Morgan went into the house on an errand. She found the house all "topsy-turvy," and at once told Raymond Conner about it. He said things were all right when he was last there and he inspected the house, found his revolver gone but no other articles of value missing. Feeling confident that the new tenants were only temporarily absent, he and Leslie Gulick resolved to watch and to try to catch the miscreants. They crept themselves in the kitchen of Mr. Walker's residence and watched without avail

until the fire alarm sounded about midnight. Like all patriotic citizens they went to the fire and helped sound the alarm. Later they made up their minds that the tenants had gone for good and did not resume their watch. About noon Sunday however, they went to the Conner residence and before going far they discovered fresh signs of occupancy. They went for Mr. E. Gulick who accompanied them and almost before they knew it they nearly ran into the two men stretched out before the sitting room fire sleeping on heaps of blankets and comforters they had taken from the bed rooms. The men were so sound asleep that they failed to arouse and the searchers quickly left the house. Raymond and Leslie running up town for help, while Mr. Gulick stood guard. Dr. W. T. Wright and Mr. John Muir were found and they entered the house, woke the men up, placed them under arrest and landed them in the county jail.

When searched a revolver was found on each and a quantity of fine jewelry, and diamonds were discovered. It is said that these articles corresponded to a description of goods stolen from a residence in De Witt, Iowa, but a few days ago, and the authorities of Clinton county were at once notified. Besides the jewels the men were provided with tinned sardines, twenty or thirty packages of smoking and chewing tobacco, and a large quantity of chewing gum and sundries, a part of which we understand are identified by Mr. W. E. Terry as having been stolen from his store on Saturday night.

It seems as if all they wanted at the Conner home was a quiet, secluded shelter, and that while they took the liberty of going through things at will they had taken little of value. Judging from other facts however, it is not improbable that they would have gutted the house of valuables before taking final leave. Entrance was effected by cutting through a panel of the kitchen door and turning the key from the inside. They then took possession of the key and had things all their own way until discovered.

Additional measures of protection will be taken at both the Shaw and the Conner residences hereafter, so that there may be no repetition of the offense at either home. On Wednesday the case was brought before Justice Gulick and the men bound over.

## WARBASSE SELLS.

Prominent Merchant Trades For Farms in Kansas.

## FINE BUILDING IS INCLUDED.

New Owners Take Immediate Possession—Deal Involves Twenty-five Thousand Dollars.

Mr. J. L. Warbasse, one of Denison's prominent and respected merchants has completed a deal by which he transfers his handsome brick block on Main street and his fine stock of jewelry and musical goods to the A. T. Plain Land Co. of Westphalia, Kansas, receiving in return 400 acres of farm lands together with house, barns, etc., for the three farms into which the tract is divided. The land is within 2½ miles of Westphalia, and about 3 miles from Mr. E. Rippen's ranch. Mr. A. D. Randall was the prime mover in the big transaction. Some two weeks ago he accompanied Mr. Warbasse to Kansas and the latter was greatly pleased with the country and its rapid growth. It was soon after his return that the deal was completed. Mr. Warbasse intends leaving for Kansas at least by March 1st. Together with Mr. Monroe Whiting who has purchased a farm in that locality he will ship his horses and stock and the family will follow as soon as possible.

The store is now closed for invoice, which is being taken by Mr. Combs an Omaha expert, assisted by A. F. Boylan, Leon Cassaday and Miss Gilbreath. The invoice will take several days as the stock is a large one. The new owners do not expect to continue the business, it being their intention to dispose of it in bulk as soon as a suitable purchaser can be found. Mr. A. D. Randall will be placed in charge of the store for the present. The Warbasse stock was a fine one. We doubt if there is a larger stock nearer than Council Bluffs.

Mr. J. L. Warbasse is a well known man in Crawford county. He was a prosperous farmer in Hays township and since coming to Denison he has been among our most liberal citizens. He has been active in church and lodge circles and his name

has been on every subscription paper we have seen circulated in Denison since he came here. He and his family have a host of friends who will regret to see them go but who will hope for their happiness and well-being in their new home.

## AN UNFOUNDED RUMOR

Report on Sunday of Roosevelt's Assassination Causes Consternation—Knowledge That Rumor was Untrue, Hailed with Delight.

On Sunday afternoon a rumor was spread that President Theodore Roosevelt had been assassinated. The first report came from the telephone via Des Moines. A few minutes later and the report went through on the Western Union wire. This seemed verification and the faces of those who had heard it showed dazed consternation and despair for a republic where the lives of two great presidents were in succession, laid low by an assassin's bullet. Inquiries were made at once in Sioux City and Omaha, and a little later came the cheering news that the report was entirely false. Theodore Roosevelt is, more than any other man has ever been, a friend of all the people. Should he be harmed, even so much as a hair of his head, the American people would be driven to a very frenzy of grief and of revenge. We thank God that not only the government at Washington but the President, still lives.

## DIED AT ST. LOUIS.

Mrs. Grace Morgan, youngest daughter of Mrs. N. Wells of Denison, died Monday, Jan. 29th, at the residence of her sister Mrs. J. L. Goodner, 3910, West Belle place, St. Louis. Grace had been ailing for several weeks and had been taken to St. Louis by Mrs. Goodner, where she could receive the best of medical attention, but she passed away but two days later. The funeral was attended by her relatives from Omaha, Creston, Iowa, and other cities. Interment was made in Calvary cemetery in St. Louis.

The Methodist Ladies Aid society will hold a Market Day sale at the Broadway grocery on Saturday, Feb. 10th. Home made bread, rolls, cakes, pies, doughnuts, etc., on sale.

## BARN DESTROYED

Horses, Cows and Chickens Cremated In the Blaze

## FIRE'S ORIGIN A MYSTERY

Chas. Evers Barn and Its Contents Quickly Destroyed in Fierce Fire on Saturday Night.

Shortly before midnight on Saturday, Mr. Charles Evers found that the interior of his barn to the rear of his residence on north Denison, was all ablaze, although the alarm was quickly sounded by someone, it was too late to prevent the destruction of the building or to rescue the team of horses, two cows, and numerous chickens that were confined in the fiery furnace.

There was a brisk breeze blowing and the fire made rapid progress. After the water was turned on the fire was soon under control and it did not spread to other buildings as at first feared. Mr. Evers carried insurance on the building but none on the stock.

The origin of the fire is a complete mystery. Mr. and Mrs. Evers had been visiting in West Side and returned at 9:00 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Evers met them and returned to their home, passing the barn on their way, shortly after eleven o'clock. They did not notice anything amiss. Soon after their departure Mr. Chas. Evers went into the kitchen of his home, and looking out of the window saw that the whole interior of the barn was ablaze.

The first alarm of fire was sounded, not by the usual alarm, but by four taps of the bell. Men at the Elite lunch counter ran to the City hall at once, but found no one there, but seeing the blaze they continued the alarm until enough men arrived to man the hose cart. The extraordinary circumstances of the fire and the peculiar alarm given, gives color to the story that the fire was set by strangers, possibly as a cover to the burglary of the Broadway grocery, which was committed that night. The loss is quite a severe one and we would sympathize with Mr. Evers who was obliged to see his property go up in smoke. We should be very glad if the guilty parties could be discovered and severely punished.

## THE NEW GAS PROPOSITION.

The members of the city council were somewhat surprised on Monday when Mr. E. Gulick appeared before them asked for gas franchise in the name of the electric light company.

The Review can see no reason why it would not be better to grant a franchise to home people rather than to strangers. As for competition there would be little or none in any event. The franchise would largely govern the price. We think however, that the same restrictions should be made in granting a franchise to one company as to another. The instrument should be carefully drawn and the gas company should be obliged to file a sworn statement as to the cost of the plant, both for use in case of ultimate municipal ownership and for the future regulation of rates. We can foresee the time when municipal ownership will be a burning question in Denison as well as in other cities and the way should be intelligently paved for it now. Like other citizens the Review hopes that we will get a gas plant and if possible it favors home capital in its erection. It is our hope however, that something will be done so that it may include day power and a central heating plant.

## BRIDGE CONTRACT LET.

The board of supervisors met on Thursday and Friday of last week to consider the bridge contract. The contractor last year was under bond to build the bridges this year also, but as he was losing money the board let him off. The old price was \$4.20 per lineal foot. This year the only flat bid was that made by W. M. Lana of Harlan, at \$4.90. The other bids were so intricate that the board could not accept them.

The new contract awarded to Mr. Lana calls for 70 cents per foot more than would have been paid had the old contract been enforced, but the board has seen fit to have the people pay this difference rather than to have the contractor suffer.

For iron bridges none of the bids were satisfactory and the board has set Feb'y. 23rd, as the day for the opening of second bids for the iron bridges.

Fred Theodorf who came to Denison last week to attend the funeral of his father returned on Wednesday to his home in Hartington, Neb.

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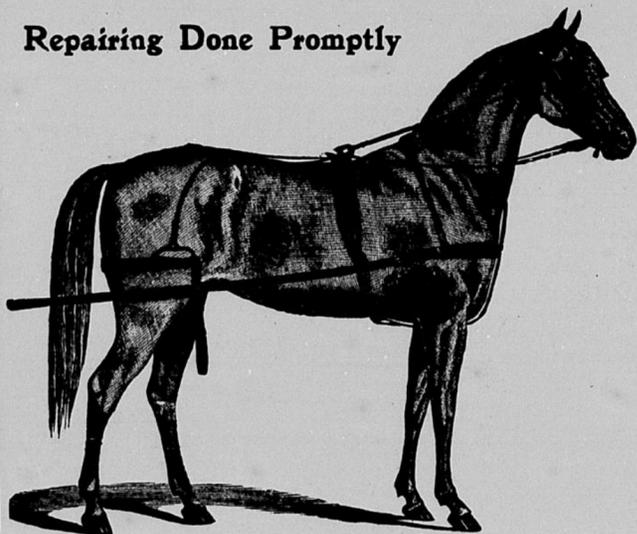
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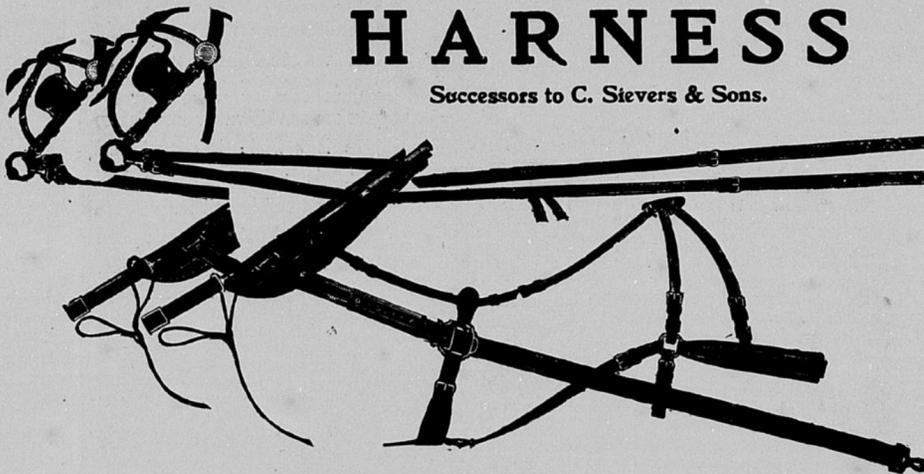
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