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## ENJOY NEW HALL

Woodmen of the World House Warming.

## BANQUET AT NIELSEN HOUSE

Clever Speeches Toasts and Music Celebrate the Removal to the Review Building

On Saturday night Hawkeye Camp, Woodmen of the world celebrated their first meeting in their new quarters in royal style. There were many expressions of appreciation of the handsome new hall and its appointments, and the Woodmen and their wives and friends felt that it was good to be there. Although more than one hundred were present the hall was not crowded in the least. Sovereign J. H. Walker occupied the handsome chair of the Counsel Commander with dignity and his clever introductions were no small part of the evenings pleasure. The program was brief consisting of a speech by Mr. C. F. Kuehne in which he congratulated the Camp upon its prosperity, and the order upon its growth and security. He also spoke of the duties and privileges of lodge membership and congratulated Denison people upon the peace and harmony which prevailed in the community and upon the fact that our city is so ably represented in the councils of the Nation. He spoke of the good influences of the lodge, placing the influence of fraternities for good as being greater even than that of the church.

Mr. G. L. Caswell responded with a bright and witty talk, filled with clever anecdotes and happy sayings. He spoke more particularly about the new hall and its elegance and convenience and extended a welcome to the guests of the camp.

After a few moments of social chat it was announced that the banquet was in readiness at the Nielsen Hotel and to this genial hostelry the "old folks" repaired while the young people waited their turn passing the time with music and jollity.

The banquet at the Nielsen proved all that could be asked. Mr. Nielsen had everything in readiness, the ser-

vice was exceptionally fine and the viands appetizing as possible.

After the feast the old folks tarried yet a few moments for a few informal toasts and then returned to the hall to notify the remainder of the company of the good things in store for them. The Woodmen of the World Camp is one of the strongest of Denison's fraternities, numbering more than one hundred and twenty-five members and it is confidently expected that with their attractive new lodge home their numbers will be rapidly increased.

## WAS MARRIED ON WEDNESDAY.

The wedding of Mr. A. B. Wood of this city and Miss Blanche Norton of DeWitt, Neb., took place at the home of the bride on Wednesday, February 21st, at high noon. After a brief visit in eastern Iowa, the newly married couple return to Denison, occupying the Branch home until their new residence which Mr. Wood expects to build this spring is completed.

The bride is a handsome and charming young lady and we welcome her to Denison and trust that she will find a host of friends here to take the place of the many whom she leaves in her Nebraska home.

The groom is well known to Denison people. He is a thorough going, progressive and business-like man, of the strictest integrity, affable, a good friend and a good citizen. He has made a success of everything he has undertaken and has gained an excellent position as traveling salesman for Paxton and Gallagher of Omaha, by hard work and real merit. We had almost concluded that he was a confirmed bachelor and our congratulations are all the more sincere that he has chosen the better path and has become a Benedict. Long life and happiness to bride and groom.

## Business Changes.

Mr. T. J. Kelly has definitely decided to move his stock to the Bamford building on April 1st. He has planned many innovations for his new store and promises to give Denison the handsomest shoe store in western Iowa. The furniture firm of Barthele & Schneckloth has leased the Kelly store and will move to their new location as soon as possession can be obtained. This firm while a new one has proved itself enterprising and progressive and its career promises to be a most successful one.

## IN NEW QUARTERS

"The Boys" Now at Home in New Store.

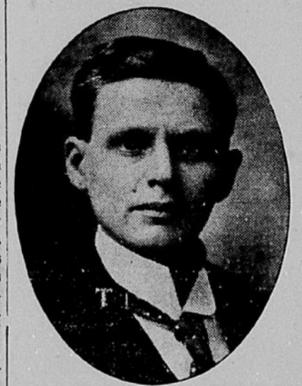
## A MODEL ESTABLISHMENT

Brief History of One of Denison's Most Successful Mercantile Concerns.

Nearly thirteen years ago Denison suffered a severe blow when the firm of C. Stock's found itself unable longer to maintain itself. People wondered who would have the temerity to continue what had not proven a successful business. It was at this juncture that three young men, clerks in the J. P. Miller & Co. concern resolved to join their fortunes and become merchants on their own hook. There were many to prophesy failure, and but few who dared hope for their success. Mr. Pfarr had proven himself an expert groceryman, Mr. Gebert was an authority on dry goods and Mr. Wieland was a fine book-keeper, and the new firm thought they could at least make wages in keeping store for themselves. It was Mr. J. Fred Meyers in the Review who first dubbed the firm "The Boys," a non de plume which they readily adopted and by which they are known all over the county. They have never told us but we imagine the new firm some pretty hard sledding at first and it is this perhaps that has caused the few grey hairs which strive to give the lie to the well known name of the firm. On the whole, however, the history of the store has been one of continued success. Every one wished them well and this feeling went a long way toward helping them. They weathered the financial storms of the Cleveland administration and did so without being obliged to refuse credit to those who were worthy of it. With the return of prosperity the business began to grow by leaps and bounds until it was one of the most popular trading places in the county.

For a number of years it has been apparent that they were being held back by their inadequate quarters, but there was no other desirable location and they were obliged to remain in their old quarters. The building of the Balle-Brodersen block opened the

way for them and with characteristic enterprise they purchased the J. P. Miller building into which they moved but two weeks ago. As yet the new store is not arranged just as they want it and they tell us they have but begun the many improvements they



expect to make. It is however, a great improvement over their old quarters and we are confident that they soon will find this big store too small for their needs.

Since moving they have been able to keep their various departments more distinct. On the south side is the dry goods department, filled with dress goods, ribbon, laces and the many articles of women's attire. Underneath this side of the building is the china and glass ware department. The north side of the store is devoted to groceries, one large department, however, being devoted to shoes for both men and women. The wing fronting on Court avenue is occupied by the new hardware department over which Mr. A. D. Wilson is the presiding genius and which he has made to look as neat as the proverbial pin.

The basement under the grocery department is the produce room, while on the second floor are rooms devoted to cloaks, ready to wear goods, Men's Furnishings, carpets, rugs, curtains, the comforts, blankets and household necessities. It is a big store, a store of which any city of Denison's size might well be proud. There has been but one change in the personnel of the firm since it first opened for business and that was in 1901, when Mr. Wieland sold his interest to the well

known citizen and experienced merchant Mr. N. L. Hunt.

The business methods of The Boys have always been above reproach. They have been liberal and enterprising and have always been ready to join in any project which had the welfare of Denison as its object. Their stock is a fine one, they are able to pay cash and obtain all discounts and are thus able to sell at right prices. All of the members have grown up in the business and they know just what to buy to meet the wants of their customers.

At the head of the firm is Mr. J. F. Pfarr, Frank as he is familiarly known is of German origin but of American birth. He first saw the light in 1866, in Pomeroy, Ohio. He

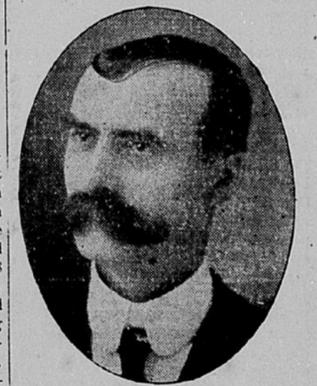


lived on a farm until his twenty-second year, but his winters were spent in study and in attendance at Carleton college at Syracuse, Ohio, at which place he acquired that literary taste which has made him ever a reader and a student of good books. In 1888 Mr. Pfarr went to Cedar county, Iowa, where he worked on a farm and attended high school. In the spring of 1888 he entered the general merchandise store of W. H. Cobb & Co., and two years later he came to Denison to enter the employ of J. P. Miller and Co. He remained with the firm until the fall of 1893, when "The Boys" store had its birth. Mr. Pfarr was married in 1898 to Miss Jessie Shattuck, and their happy home is graced by two charming daughters. Mr. Pfarr is as hardworking a man as there is in Denison, he is at his work early and late, but he nevertheless finds time to follow his literary

bent and few men in Denison are more studious than he.

Mr. Hugo Gebert the second member of the firm was born in the regal city of Hamburg, Germany, in 1870. He was educated in the thorough schools of that county and learned the printing trade, he also acted as clerk in a Hamburg hotel. In 1887 he came to America and settled in Denison. His first year he put in as a farm hand on the Peter Soehl farm in this township. Later he entered the employ of Mr. J. Cosman and another year found him working for J. P. Miller & Co., where he soon became the trusted head clerk of the dry goods department. In 1893 he entered the firm of which he is now a member. He was married in 1894 to Miss Katharine Osborne and the merry laughter of three girls and two boys makes their home a happy one. If Mr. Pfarr is the literary member, Hugo is the Scientific member of the firm. He delights in the study of the different sciences and he is without doubt one of the best informed men in Denison in these lines. He has proven himself not only a good salesman but a good merchant and business man.

Mr. L. N. Hunt entered the firm in



1901, purchasing Mr. Wieland's interest. He is so well known that a biography is almost unnecessary. He was born in Crawford county in 1855, and was one of the notable group of pioneers photographed by Mr. Ferguson last August. He received a common school education and as he grew older taught five terms in the rural schools. He was elected township as-

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Our New Line of White Goods, Fancy Suitings and Gingham

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On any of our goods is the mark that shows them to be the Standard of Excellence. Order "Diamond S"; take no substitute and you will get the best of satisfaction.

## Ranges

Main Street

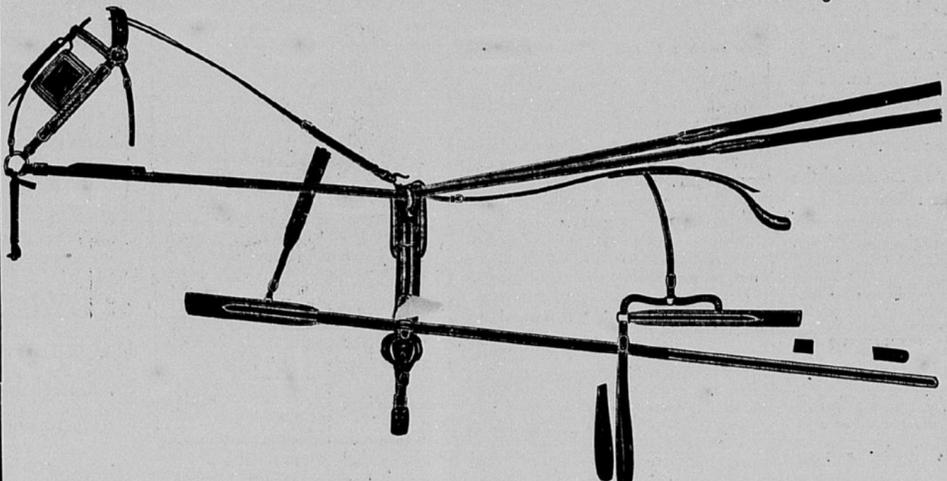
The opening of the spring season finds us with the strongest line of Malleable and Cast Steel Ranges on the market. Every range is made from the very best material, well lined and put together by the most skilled workman. The linings in these ranges are riveted every two inches, making the stove more durable than any other kind. If you are in need of a range we can interest you. Call and look them over.

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## Dry Goods and Notions

### New Hand Bags and Belts

We have a new line of Stylish Hand Bags, Gilt and Leather Belts. The Hand Bags are the very latest patterns with the newest trimmings at 25 and 50c each.

### White Waistings and Fancy Gingham

Chiffon Voile 25c per yard.  
Fancy Checked Voile, very stylish pattern 25c yd  
Mercerized Fancy Waistings, 35c per yard.  
Plaid Gingham, 12c per yard.  
Checked and Striped Gingham, 12c per yard.  
Embroidered Suitings, 15c per yard.

### The New Goods this Season:

Muslin Skirts with lace edging, 50c each.  
Muslin Corset Covers with deep lace edging and insertion, 25c each.  
Gent's Gauze Wool Underwear, the best underwear for late winter and spring, \$1.00 a piece.  
Children's Union Suits, 50c each.  
Black Panama Suitings, 44 inches wide, \$1 yd.  
Black Brilliantine, 44 inches wide, 75c yard.  
Granite Cloth, all popular colors, 50c yard.  
Ladies Wrappers, best grade, \$1.00 each.  
Extra heavy Sateen Underskirts, with deep flounce and dust ruffle, \$1.75 each.

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Men's Kangaroo Dress Shoes \$3.50 pair.  
Men's Box Calf Blucher Cut Shoes \$2.50 pair.  
Men's Good Durable Shoes \$2.00 pair.  
Men's Seal Grain Work Shoes \$1.75 pair.  
Men's Congress Work Shoes \$1.50 pair.  
Women's Patent Button Dress Shoes \$3.50 pair.  
Women's Vici Dress Shoes, Blucher and Bals \$3.50 pair.  
Women's Welts and Hand Turned Shoes \$2.50 pair.  
Women's Good Durable Dress Shoes, (like cut) \$1.75 pair.



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