



Just Eight More Days

to do your Holiday shopping. We'll remain open evenings until 9 o'clock, so as to give all an opportunity to visit this store if you are unable to come before.

What to Give

has been the subject generally of all our preceding Holiday advertisements and we trust our ads have been and still will be of service to you in the selection of your gifts.

This is an Ideal Christmas Store

because the name *The Balle-Brodersen Co.* has a significance that lends value to a gift; besides this is a store where economy can be practiced with safety, for no matter what you buy here, you have the assurance that it is the best the amount of money can buy anywhere.

This Store will be Closed Xmas Day

so be sure and do all your necessary shopping before and place your orders early enough to give us ample time to deliver merchandise on Friday preceding Christmas Day.

The Balle-Brodersen Co.

Your Xmas Store

IOWA UNIVERSITY IS CHAMPION

Carries Off Highest Western Honors in Forensic Contests for Several Years.

Frank H. Randall, writes as follows:

"I call your attention to the result of the Annual Debate in the Central Debating Circuit of America, composed of the following states: Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Nebraska.

Iowa University debated "The Income Tax" question, with Illinois and Nebraska Universities last Friday evening, Dec. 10th.

One team from Iowa met Illinois at Urbana, Ill., and another Iowa team met Nebraska at Iowa City, Iowa.

Iowa won on both sides of the same question defeating both Illinois and Nebraska.

Last year Iowa defeated Wisconsin and Minnesota Universities on both sides of the same question likewise; making four straight victories.

Iowa has not suffered a defeat in the last two years, having met and defeated every member of the Debating League, in that time."

This news will be gratifying to the friends of Iowa University and is a great compliment to the efficient work of Mr. Frank H. Randall, who has coached the team during the last two years.

Mr. Randall is actively engaged in the practice of law at Cedar Rapids, having located there during the summer.

He has gone to Iowa City regularly this fall to coach the team upon the "Income Tax" question.

Mr. Randall is one of Denison's self-made boys who worked his own way through both the College of Liberal Arts and the College of Law of the State University of Iowa.

He was for several years an instructor in the College of Law at Iowa City.

We predict for him a great career at the Bar.

WEST DENISON ITEMS.

Mr. Behan and Mr. J. Fitzpatrick spent Sunday with Mr. W. J. Bauman. Messrs. Henry Duncan, A. Schweisow and F. Boger were guests of Geo. Atzen Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lentz of Ute visited with Mrs. Schweisow Saturday. Anna Prosch visited with Ella Boger Sunday.

Hannah Stang spent last week with Mrs. Aug. Loewe. Will and Hans Sonnichsen visited with Chas. Stang Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Evers were guests of their daughter, Mrs. Wm. Kruse, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Magner, Mrs. T. O'Connor and daughter and Joe Berne and sister were callers at the M. L. Houlihan home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Joe Bauman and sister, Mrs. Jas. Finneran, were over Sunday visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bauman.

Miss Jane Brown was a visitor at the Owens home Wednesday evening. George Evers and D. Sonnichsen spent Sunday with Harry Kahl.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Duncan visited with Mr. and Mrs. Beck of Denison Sunday.

Miss Margaret Brown spent Saturday and Sunday with her friend, Miss Norah Finnegan, at Buck Grove. Both girls returned to College Monday.

MORGAN ITEMS.

Mr. Pete Boysen gave a party to his friends December 8, in honor of his forty-second birthday, few were able to respond on account of bad weather.

Joseph Wulf, cousin of Wulf Bros., who has been working in this

township for some time, left last Saturday for Pierce, Neb. After visiting with relatives he goes to Idaho.

Saturday farmers were driving cattle to town to ship them to Chicago. Many more are preparing to ship theirs.

Six of Morgan township teachers were seen on the streets of Schleswig looking about to see if they could aid Old Santa in some way.

Carl Evers of South Morgan had the misfortune while handling cattle on the day of his sale to get his leg broken. It is very bad this time of the year for a farmer, who is busy as Mr. Evers has been. All wish him a quick and complete recovery.

Jacob Jensen went to Chicago with a carload of stock Saturday, Dec. 11.

Boys' and Men's Fur Caps

Also Men's Fur Caps. 50c to \$3

Empire Clothing Co.

FROM DARKEST KANSAS

Chet Lyman Sends Clipping Regarding Desperate State of Affairs in Hutchinson.

Mr. C. E. Lyman sends us the clipping which we print below, concerning conditions in Hutchinson, Kansas. It must be awful to live in such a place and Chet's new daughter ought to sue her parents for damages for allowing her to be born there. Denison had a return to candle power not long ago but it did not begin to compare with the state of affairs in darkest Kansas.

Hutchinson, Kansas, Dec. 9.—Hutchinson residents have but one solace, going to bed, tonight. In addition to the shortage of gas, the coal companies of the city have refused to sell more than 500 pounds of coal to any one customer, as there is little coal in the city. A break down at one of the power plants in the city shortly before sundown resulted in enveloping the city in darkness, while there is no power for the street car companies. Three and one-half inches of snow cover the ground and for the last four days the temperature has hovered between four degrees below zero and fifteen above. On account of no fuel, an indefinite vacation has been declared at the public schools and for four days not an educational institution in the city has been open. The Hutchinson branch of the Wichita Natural Gas company offers no relief from the situation, unless the weather moderates, which, in the opinion of a multitude of angry citizens, is mighty poor consolation. In the office of the gas company here, coal is being burned. With ten thousand connections, there is but one-half ounce of gas pressure. Harry Howland, a member of the police department here, last night purchased an oil burner stove and started home with it. He held it, burning, in his hand to occasionally warm himself. He was met at a secluded portion of the residence district by two men, and one of them demanded the oil stove at the point of a gun.

Fancy Dress Shirts, Soft and pleated front style \$1 to \$2.50

Empire Clothing Store

CHARTER OAK ITEMS.

Last week on Friday evening Misses Fanchon Probasco and Ethel Sturges gave a "Hard Times" party at the home of the former. About twenty young people responded to the invitations. Costumes and refreshments were in keeping with the name. The company spent a very pleasant evening.

Mrs. D. D. Carlton has been entertaining her mother from Rippey, Ia., during the past week. We are pleased to note that the mother of A. F. Barber is better.

Last Thursday Mrs. T. D. Collins went to Mapleton to visit an aunt and uncle whom she has not seen for several years.

Mrs. Mary Holmes, who has been ill for the past few days, is better. Last Friday evening the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church gave Mrs. Geo. Jones a pleasant surprise. The ladies spent a sociable evening and after refreshments were served presented Mrs. Jones with a very pretty china dish as a token of remembrance.

Mrs. Jones is soon to go to South Dakota to spend the winter with an aunt, who is in very poor health. Mrs. F. S. Probasco returned last Friday from a visit in Denison. F. H. Davis was a Denison caller between trains last Friday.

Albert Strissel, accompanied by his sister from Denison, went to Nebraska last Saturday to visit his parents for a few days.

Mrs. Harry Lang and children of Geddes, S. D., are visiting relatives in Charter Oak and Mapleton. Grandma Brown is quite ill. She seems to be losing strength gradually.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones returned from a trip to Denison last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Romans of Denison took the train at Charter Oak for Sioux City to visit their daughter, Mrs. Chas. Milligan. Mr. and Mrs. Romans expect to spend the winter in California.

Frances Drake returned Friday from a visit with friends at Sac City and Carroll.

Nothing but Booth's Extra Select oysters used at the Oxford. 41tf

WEST SIDE ITEMS.

John Cathcart of Charter Oak visited friends in West Side a few days last week.

Leroy Dohse came over from Mapleton to spend Sunday at home.

Rev. J. J. Davies went to Odebolt Saturday to preach during the absence of Rev. W. W. Bollinger, who filled the pulpit here and at Vail last Sabbath.

The game of basket ball played last Saturday evening between Ida Grove and West Side, resulted in a victory for the latter, the score being 30 to 22. A return game will be played at Ida Grove next Friday evening.

Miss Erna Gehlsen of Denison spent Sunday with relatives in West Side. F. W. Pruter shipped two carloads of cattle to Chicago Tuesday.

Messrs. Herman Kuhlman, Henry Lamp, Wm. Goettsch and John Strathman went to Omaha Tuesday morning to attend the Corn Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schwartz of Hartington, Neb., came Friday for a visit at the Claus Genisen home south of town.

Mrs. Ed. Killeen is reported quite sick this week.

The ladies of the M. E. church served lunch Saturday afternoon at the City Hotel to a large number of Christmas shoppers, who were glad of the opportunity to rest and secure the refreshments.

Hans Sievers returned home from Carroll last week, where he has been working on a farm.

Miss Christine Bock entertained a number of lady friends at her home Tuesday afternoon. The ladies were requested to bring their fancy work and a very pleasant social afternoon was spent, after which Miss Bock served very nice refreshments.

Mr. Louis Gary of Chicago spent Saturday at the home of his brother, Mr. F. J. Gary.

KENWOOD ITEMS.

Mr. Armstrong is fattening some sheep.

Mr. Turner had the misfortune to break his wagon wheel Friday, while hauling a load of corn to Mr. Geo. Jordan.

The Arion mail man has only missed one day (Tuesday) during this bad road season.

Messrs. Turner and Rockwell attended the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Wright's child.

Center school had a regular "smoke out" last Friday. Mr. Malone was soon summoned and made things go all right again.

Fienhold Bros. shelled again Friday as their repairs came in due time.

Miss Gladys McCord walked out from Dow City to her home Saturday morning.

Winter seems to be here to stay.

Messrs. Cook and Meyers went to church in their bobsleds Sunday.

Mr. Bramley had a register put in to warn their upstairs. They believe in keeping comfortable this cold weather.

Mr. Glassburner drove ten miles to come after his daughter, who is teaching at Paradise Center.

Mrs. Jane McCord has been ailing for several weeks. We hope she will soon be able to be out again.

Guy Rockwell has been housed up with asthma lately. His brother, Will, made a trip to Charter Oak Saturday.

Too late for last week.

Mr. C. Saxton was delivering coal last week through the mud.

Miss Lucy Healy was home last week to see her brother, William.

The Center school is planning to have a Christmas entertainment. They have a big school and we predict a good program.

Mrs. Earl Green is visiting at the home of A. Cook this week.

Mr. Wm. Haley of Wisconsin was visiting at the home of his sisters at Charter Oak last week.

Mr. C. K. Schafer, formerly of East St. Louis, Ill., was home a few days before going to his new work at southern Arizona. He will visit his brother and sister at Omaha enroute.

The coal that was looked for at

Kenwood by the farmers came and was delivered during the mud and rain.

Mr. Z. Fienhold and wife went to Dow City last Friday.

Mr. Hunt is boarding with his uncle, Mr. John Coon, the past week, going back and forth horseback.

Suit Cases and Traveling Bags \$1.50 to \$12.00
Empire Clothing Co.

For Sale.

Extra Fine B. P. R. Cockerels. Mrs. K. F. Brink, Phone 31, Route One, Denison. 45tf

Only A Few Days Left

To do your Xmas Shopping. We are still showing a very large selection and complete line in the Finest Tailored Garments in Men's Suits and Overcoats, Young Men's Suits and Overcoats and Children's Clothing. Our stock is still unbroken in everything in Men's Furnishings, such as Duck Coats, Shirts, Underwear, Hosiery, Neckwear and Mufflers.

We still have a few Black All Wool Cravenettes left at \$10.00

DENISON, IOWA.
Kuettmann Bros
THE OLD "HUB" CORNER.