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THE CITY IN BRIEF

Enter Business College Jan. 2. Dr. Mighell, surgeon and physician. Abstracts, loans, R. F. Cummings.

At Edgington's Christmas in jail. Having been arrested Saturday afternoon by Officer Weaver for intoxication.

A cold winter is predicted. Fuel is high. How can we economize? Get an Anderson heater and utilize the heat generated by the stove or furnace.

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worthy arrived from Spencer, the family's former home, where he has been on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Heald and children went to Grinnell Saturday evening, where they spent Christmas with Mrs. Heald's mother, Mrs. S. M. Hoffman. Mrs. Heald and the children will remain over New Year's.

Mr. George L. Marsh, of Chicago, arrived in the city Sunday morning and was the guest over Christmas at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Marsh. He returned to Chicago Monday night.

Mr. Ernest Turner of Canton, Ill., arrived in the city Saturday evening and will be in the city and county for a week's visit with his uncle, Messrs. George A. Turner, of this city, and T. B. Turner, of Bromley.

Miss Anna Gray, of Ogden, who has been visiting in Liscomb for a month with her sister, Mrs. F. E. Lewis, returned to her home Saturday evening, accompanied by Mrs. Lewis, who will remain during the holidays.

Mrs. G. W. Tower and daughters, Arbor and Lola, of Monmouth, Ill., arrived in the city Saturday evening and will visit a week at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stahl and other relatives.

Mrs. Elmer Adams, of Monmouth, Ill., who has been in the city for a few days' visit with friends, went to Oskaloosa this morning to visit friends a few days before returning to her home.

Mr. Warren Voorhies of Glendive, Mont., arrived in the city Saturday night and will remain for an indefinite visit with his brother, Mr. John Voorhies, and wife, grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Voorhies, and other relatives.

Mrs. W. C. Newman, of Omaha, is in the city for a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. M. J. Pierce, and brother, Mayor F. G. Pierce. Mr. Newman was here for Sunday and Christmas day, being for Omaha Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. McNeil, of Golden City, Mo., who have been spending the summer and fall months with relatives and friends in Oskaloosa, Rose Hill, What Cheer and Montezuma, arrived in the city this morning and will visit until after New Year's with their daughter, Mrs. John Sanderson.

Miss Ethel Meyer, of Malcom, who is teaching at Cedar Falls, spent Saturday in the city as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Patience Sears, and cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wallace, being on her way to Malcom, where she will visit during the holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Rist, of Clemons, spent Christmas in the city with Mrs. R. S. Palmer, at whose home a family reunion was held. Besides Misses Grace and Maude Palmer, of Chicago, Mr. Guy Palmer, of the same city, was present. The latter will return to Chicago tomorrow.

Misses Kate and Ella Coleman, were in Oskaloosa for a Christmas visit with their father, Mr. Edward Coleman. Mrs. J. A. Ham and Children, of Belle Plaine, were also guests at the Coleman home.

Miss Bertha Lewis spent Christmas day at Nevada as the guest of her mother, Mrs. Martha Lewis.

Miss Gertrude Van Orman of Belle Plaine was home for Christmas, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Van Orman. At the Van Orman home was also entertained a cousin, Miss Minnie Ducker, of Huntsville, Ohio, who arrived Saturday and who will remain for a few weeks' visit.

THINK IT WAS STRETCHED. An Old Iowa Central Plug Puller Expects to a Race Story Told by a Northwestern Engineer.

OSKALOOSA, Dec. 25.—Editor Times-Republican: I find an article headed "A Race on the Rail," said to be the statement of the engineer of engine 217 on the Northwestern railway. Evidently the Boone newspaper man who recites the incident therein contained omitted the gentleman's full name, and I want to set that right to start with.

His proper name is Baron Munchausen Roger Hanchey, and taking his literal phrases as found throughout the article he is certainly a lineal descendant of the old baron. Of course old-time plug pullers take all such hot wind as pleasantries. The younger set is more apt to criticize and this article is intended to console them to some extent by pointing out a few of the many inconsistencies contained in this article.

Commenting with the distance that C. & N. W. and Iowa Central roads run parallel he says it is six miles. This is about two miles off. Four is the nearer correct. Now take his statement as to rate of speed—eighty miles per hour. Not reducing speed for yard limits and time consumed in passing over the distance, a fraction over two minutes, yet the baron says he and his fireman conversed on the subject to a considerable extent. While it may be true that under some circumstances a man may live his life over in the space of a few minutes, it is hardly creditable to believe that this wonderful and only great feat of passing a Central passenger train as described is wholly true, or even partly true. The fact is, at the rate of speed he says he was going, is mostly attributed to a diseased brain, and if many of the engineers of the Northwestern have any similarity of the disease a branch of the line should be constructed to Mount Pleasant.

The boys on the Central want it understood that the baron does not exist at this day and date. That class of engines has long since been relegated to the scrap pile and in its place is a class of engines that are strictly down to date and equal in every particular to any on the Northwestern, or, for that matter, on any road in the west. And that to the men who run them, they never take the rear seat.

About the one and two-pound chunks of coal thrown over on the right-of-way, that is pretty hot stuff for sure, but as before stated, the article was intended as a slang pleasantry and to boost the reporter.

Speaking about old-time plug pullers, I would like Mr. Hanchey to read some of Balty Soues' reminiscences when he ran the 4-11-4 on the Sy Gammon & Buckwheat railroad, this being the most peculiarly constructed road in the world. It was 250 miles long, six-foot gauge and down grade both ways. Mr. Balty Soues says that they had to renew the rails every three months, as the speed was so great that it raised blisters on rails, and in a short time, as stated, they wore away, necessitating renewals. I take it that from descriptions given the 4-11-4 and in the recitations of accomplished and to be accomplished feats and prowess the men have many of the like qualities.

But don't forget the Central never gets left.

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Supreme Satisfaction Follows the possession of one of our handsome and efficient Stewart Heaters. The line is still complete. We have made our third purchase of these goods and while prices are a little higher than they were earlier in the season, we can still give you a low price on this excellent line, which comprises hard coal burners, oaks, hot blasts, Wood Todd, Stewart cooks and Stewart wrought steel and cast irons.

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