

PROBATE WORK IS GROWING RAPIDLY

ENORMOUS VOLUME OF BUSINESS BEING HANDLED IN OFFICE OF CLERK.

SIX HUNDRED CASES ON THE PROBATE DOCKET

During Past Five Years Over 800 Probate Cases Have Been Filed—District Court, Working Every Day for One Year Could Not Dispose of All of the Business.

Few people in Marshall county, perhaps, realize the great volume of probate business now being done in the office of the clerk of the district court, and the figures of that office will appear stupendous to many. It is apparent from these figures that the time has come when a probate court would seem necessary to transact all of the business now carried on thru the clerk's office and in the district court.

There are now over 600 live cases on the probate docket, and over 350 cases on the docket of the district court. In all probabilities more than 200 cases will be brought up in the judge's docket during the present term of court, altho in many cases the business to be transacted will be small.

Enormous Work of Court. If the district court remained in session every day for one year it is doubtful if all of the business before it could be disposed of. The matters in probate come up in some instances repeatedly, and naturally a great deal of clerical duty is necessary.

The work of the clerk's office has become so great, in fact, that it has become necessary for the clerk, Frank M. Haradon, and his deputy to work about 200 hours out of the year.

Cause of Increase in Business. One of the principal causes ascribed for the great increase in the work of the office and the rapidly increasing number of cases in probate, is the increase in the price of land and the general improvement in the financial condition of farmers during the past two years. The increased price of land has caused many estates to be founded and the improved financial condition has resulted in many more farmers leaving estates than previously.

Since Mr. Haradon first entered the office as deputy in 1905, there have been filed 808 cases in probate, or an average of 150 a year.

To Whom it May Concern. I have this day given my son, Max N. McCombs, his time, and will not be responsible for any debts he may contract. George B. McCombs.



CARL GLICK, Who As Romeo Scored a Success in First Appearance Here.

GLICK MAKES A HIT

Carl Glick, Marshalltown Young Man, Scores a Success With Associated Players in Presentation of "Romeo and Juliet"—Glick as Romeo.

The Associate Players company appeared at the Odson Thursday evening in Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet," with Carl Glick as Marshalltown boy, as Romeo. The production is a very creditable one in every respect. The audience was quite large and contained many of Mr. Glick's friends and friends of the family who were anxious to see him in his first professional appearance on the local stage. Mr. Glick was most warmly greeted and his interpretation of the part of Romeo was good. He was repeatedly applauded and recalled and following the performance he held an informal reception on the stage when many of his friends met him.

Altho not included among the featured members of the company, Mr. Glick is entitled to greater recognition from the management as he is easily the star of the company. Mr. Glick appeared last season with Donald Robertson in performances of classic plays at Odson, and this is his first season as a member of a regularly organized company. His work in the role of Romeo gives promise of a most successful career on the stage. His most creditable moment was displayed in his love with the friar and in the death scene.

J. W. McConnell, an actor of the old school, who for many seasons was leading support with William Owen, is featured as Friar Lawrence, and Miss Margaret Hoskins as Juliet. Both gave very careful readings of their roles, following the traditional Shakespearean rules.

The other members of the company were above the ordinary. The production is quite elaborate, the company carrying all its special scenery. The

performance is the best that has been given of the immortal tragedy in this city for years.

The company went to Grinnell this morning where they will appear at the Colonial theater this evening.

CHURCH RALLY SUNDAY.

Special Meetings in All Departments at State Street Church.

Special services will be held at the State Street United Evangelical church Sunday, which will be church rally day, and all departments of the church organization will be represented in the meetings.

At 10:45 in the morning the pastor, Rev. J. E. Stouffacher will deliver a special sermon to the young people of the church and the children of the Sunday school. A Sunday school rally will be held at noon, when a special program will be given, in which members of the school will participate. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon a special rally will be held by the Junior department of the Keystone League Christian Endeavor, and the senior department will hold a like meeting at 6 o'clock.

The various departments of the church will be represented in an evening rally at 7:30. At this meeting addresses will be made by heads of the various church organizations. E. J. LaDue, assistant superintendent of the Sunday school, will speak for the school; Mrs. Ida Somers, president of the society, will speak for the Keystone League; Mrs. G. S. Thompson will represent the Ladies' Aid Society, and Mrs. J. E. Stouffacher will speak for the Women's Missionary Society and the Mission Band.

ROBERTSON IS MISSING.

Well Known Chicago Actor Makes No Plans For the Season.

Donald Robertson, the Chicago actor, who far the past few years has conducted a company of players for the presentation of classic plays, and who has been seen in this city several times during the past two or three years, has disappeared from Chicago, according to members of the Associate Players, who appeared at the Odson last evening. Mr. Robertson was last heard from in New York City, but all trace of him has been lost during the past two weeks. He has made no plans for the season and has sent no word to the former members of his company.

FURNACE SHIPMENTS.

Thursday Saw Twenty-Seven Furnaces Leave the Big Factory.

The Lehigh Furnace Company shipped Thursday twenty-seven furnaces to the following towns: Kingsher, Okla.; Terre Haute, Ind.; Carlock, Ill.; Sheffield, Iowa; Canton, Ill.; St. Charles, Minn.; Spring Valley, Wis.; Waterloo, Iowa; Britt, Iowa; Lewistown, Minn.; Blairtown, Iowa; Ellsworth, Iowa; New Ulm, Minn.; Melva, Mo.

Directors Meeting Tonight.

The board of directors of the Railroad Y. M. C. A. will meet this evening for the purpose of hearing the reports of the various working committees of the association. The committees have been meeting daily for the purpose of arranging for the season's work. The board will pass on some necessary repairs to the building this evening.

PLAN TO ORGANIZE NEW PHONE COMPANY

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO PREPARE INCORPORATION ARTICLES FOR COMPANY.

COMMITTEE TO REPORT TO MASS MEETING OCT. 1

Expected That New Company Will Be Incorporated for \$75,000 or \$100,000—Stock Subscriptions Not to Be Taken Until Incorporating Committee Reports Oct. 1.

Additional steps were taken toward the organization of an independent telephone company by those from the country and this city who have been interested in the movement, at a meeting held in the council chamber Thursday afternoon. At that time a joint meeting of the general committee from this city, which was appointed at a meeting held Sept. 16, and the directors of the united rural lines, was held. A special committee, consisting of W. H. Jones, M. E. Melvin and E. E. Benedict, was appointed to prepare articles of incorporation for the new company.

To Hold Mass Meeting Oct. 1. This committee was instructed to have the articles prepared and ready to submit to a meeting of the local committee and the rural directors and to a mass meeting both of which are to be held on Saturday, Oct. 1. Until this report is made no effort will be made to sell stock in the new corporation.

May Incorporate For \$75,000. It has not been definitely determined yet the amount for which the new company will incorporate, this detail being left to the committee to decide. It is expected, that the corporation will be incorporated for \$75,000 or \$100,000.

As soon as the committee's report is accepted and the articles of incorporation adopted, committees will be appointed to solicit stock subscriptions. The members of the local committee are George Herman E. E. Benedict, M. E. Melvin, F. J. Young and George Paton. The directors of the united rural lines are Charles Lynch, Ed Monahan, N. O. Keen, W. H. Jones, Charles Landon, Frank Davis and Robert Harper.

QUESTION ABOUT VERDICT. Did Jury Intend to Give Mrs. Wood \$600 or Double That Amount.

The seems to be some question as to what amount the jury in the case of Catherine Wood versus the city of Marshalltown and Gimre & Co. awarded

ed the plaintiff in the case. It was at first understood that the jury awarded Mrs. Wood \$600, against both the city and Gimre & Co., but her attorneys took it to mean \$600 against the city, and \$600 against Gimre & Co., or a verdict for \$1,200. The attorneys say that they have been told by a juror that their contention is correct and that the verdict was for \$1,200. In his instruction to the jury, Judge Parker said the jury should return a verdict of damages in a certain amount against the city, and in a two-thirds amount against the company, if they found in the plaintiff's favor, and following these instructions, the jury tried to make it clear that they found against the city in the sum of \$600, and against the company in a like amount.

GROCERS TO CLOSE EARLY.

Majority of Members of Retailers' Association to Shut Stores at 6 O'clock.

A movement which has been talked for some time by the retail grocers of the city took definite shape today when an officer of the Marshalltown Retail Grocers' Association announced that, beginning with Monday, a majority of the grocery stores of the city would close at 6 o'clock instead of 6:30, excepting on Saturday evenings. It was estimated by an officer of the association that from two-thirds to three-fourths of the grocery stores, especially those in the uptown business district had agreed to the earlier closing hour. It has been impossible, tho, to secure unanimous action.

TRIES CHECK AT SALOON.

Stranger Makes Second Unsuccessful Attempt to Cash Forged Check.

Investigation by Officer Will Lage, who was on the trail of the stranger, who gave the name of Saner, and who tried to cash a forged check for \$14.75, purported to be issued by A. H. Donnell, a Great Western engineer, at the office of the Gregory Coal, Coke and Lime Company, late Tuesday afternoon, developed that the stranger made a second unsuccessful attempt during the evening to get the check cashed at the Harry Vogel saloon on South Third avenue. The check was presented to one of the bartenders, who refused to cash it, because Saner was a stranger to him.

CHILDREN, MATCHES, FIRE.

Combination of the First Two Cause Destruction of St. Anthony Barn.

Children playing with matches in the small barn belonging to Henry LaPlant at St. Anthony, caused the destruction of the building and two hen houses, and two strawstacks nearby by fire Thursday afternoon. The loss consists of the buildings, two buggies, two stacks of hay and harness. The property was rented by Frank Buchan, but the barn was being used by Harry Parroy, who owned the buggies, hay and harness. The building was insured for \$50. The total loss is not known.

Local Weather Record.

Eighty was the maximum temperature Thursday compared with 83 for the day before. The minimum temperature for the day was 55, two degrees warmer than the minimum for the day before. At 7 o'clock this morning the temperature was 61, six degrees warmer than at the same hour

Thursday morning. Rain that began falling early Thursday afternoon continued steadily thru the rest of the day and part of the night. A total of 74 of an inch had fallen up to 7 o'clock this morning, when rain began to fall again.

CANNOT FISH NEAR DAM.

Law Prevents Fishing Nearer Than 300 Feet From Fishway.

As soon as the fishway, which is being built into the new city dam is completed and the gate in the dam is closed, it will be against the law for fishermen to fish closer than 300 feet to the new dam. This is one of the provisions of the state game laws. A well-known fisherman says, tho, that fishing near the new dam will not be as good as it was close to the old, because of the type of dam that has been built by the city. It has been erected so that the flow of water over the dam will not plunge down and dig a deep pool just below the apron.

Etzel Back at Pickering.

George Etzel, who for several years was joint agent for the Iowa Central and Milwaukee at Pickering, but who has been in the west while on an extended

tended leave of absence, has returned. Mr. Etzel was checked in agent of the state Wednesday.

TENNIS WINNERS NOT DECIDED.

Y. M. C. A. Tournament Breaks Down Because Games Are Not Played.

Because of the failure of teams play games when they were scheduled the tournament of the Y. M. C. A. Tennis Club was not brought to a close Wednesday, the date set for the finish. A great many games have been played, but it is expected that arrangements will be made soon to have the unplayed games played so that winners of the tournament can be determined.

PIERCE IS RE-ELECTED.

Local Man Again Chosen to Office Iowa Municipalities.

At the annual convention of the League of Iowa Municipalities which has been in session at Waterloo, an which closed Thursday, F. G. Pierce of this city, was again re-elected secretary and treasurer. Mayor John F. Rector, of Waterloo, was elected president.

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the use of which enables you to raise and lower a coal fire as easily as any gas flame can be controlled.

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Everyone coming in next week will be entitled to Register Free on a New Home Sewing Machine to be given away Saturday, October 1.