# COUNCIL BLUFFS DEPARTMENT

### MINOR MENTION.

Clark & Wetzel, I. O. O. F. blk., art parlors.

Cereal coffee, the great health drink, can be had at Bartel and Miller's.

I. O. O. F. Ladies' No. 284 will give a prize dance at Woodmen hall Tuesday, February 9.

For rent, office and store room, 50x100 feet, in good implement warehouse. Address Marseilles Manufacturing company, Council Bluffs.

A. Jones will leave this evening for a visit with relatives and friends at his old home, Cassapolis, Mich., where he has not visited for thirty-four years.

C. K. Hesse left last evening for Ithaca, N. Y. Mr. Hesse is connected with the treasurer's office of Cornell university, and may be detained there some weeks.

C. V. Nieman & Co., 523 Broadway, dealers in stocks, grains and provisions. Correspondents of James E. Boyd & Co., Omaha. They will furnish market quotations by telephone at any time. 'Phone 129.

Perhaps you haven't heard of us. Just woke up, eh? Well, we are the people who have learned to do one thing well. That is, to turn out fine laundry work. We are known everywhere as the Eagle Laundry, 724 B'way.

Alice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Grady, aged 12 years, died at 817 Sixth avenue yesterday of pneumonia. The funeral will occur Wednesday at 10 a. m. from St. Francis Xavier's church. Interment at the Roman Catholic cemetery.

Hon. Smith McPherson of Red Oak has been ill for several weeks, but has entirely recovered and is attending to his professional duties. He was in the city yesterday enroute to Des Moines, to argue some cases before the supreme court.

Grace D'Urre, who has been in all of the principal European cities since she left Council Bluffs a year or more ago, and who has been spending some time in Mexico, has returned and is at her home with Mr. and Mrs. Bierworth. She will remain in Council Bluffs until warm weather arrives.

The supreme court has affirmed the decisions of the Pottawattamie district court in favor of D. H. Huston against the city of Council Bluffs, and Grimmelman against the Union Pacific. In the former case Huston sued the city for $750 claimed as damages for falling through a defective sidewalk on Washington avenue. Grimmelman sued the Union Pacific for damages for the death of a son, as the result of an accident in the company's roundhouse.

Dr. Weld returned yesterday from Deadwood and other points in the Black Hills. He spent a week in the Hills, and returns thoroughly imbued with the idea that the country is on the eve of a most phenomenal boom. He predicts that Deadwood and Edgemont will each have 20,000 more people by the middle of the season than they have now. He says he saw enough of the mineral resources of the country to convince him that it is the richest mining district on the continent.

While in Denmark, Thomas W. Keene, by permission of the director of the Museum of Northern Antiquities in Copenhagen, had a sword made, copied from that used by Holger the Dane, one of the tutelary saints of the empire during the Eighth century. It is half sword and half dagger, about two feet long, with a curiously fashioned open worked guard, elaborately representing a scene of Danish warfare, and is of singular interest. Mr. Keene has many other interesting and historic articles in his home in New York.

For some weeks past a band of gypsies, ten or twelve in number, have lived in tents and barns and cottages in the northwest part of the city, near the driving park. Some of the band are well-to-do people, while others are very destitute. One of the latter class named Lee was found yesterday in a tent, destitute and with a broken leg. He had been kicked by a vicious horse several days ago, and was suffering excruciating pain from the wound. Yesterday afternoon the case was called to the attention of the county physician, who will provide for the removal of Lee to a hospital.

C. B. Viavi Co., female remedy. Medical consultation free Wednesdays. Health book furnished. 309 Merriam block.

N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 250.

### Farm Loans.

For lowest rates on good farm loans call at the office of D. W. Otis, No. 133 Pearl street, Council Bluffs. Money ready and loans closed without delay.

Hughes for shoes. Shoes for men at 20 per cent off for cash all this week. 415 Broadway.

### Trick Fails on Second Trial.

C. Williams, an able-bodied tramp, whose role is that of an intimidator and abuser of women, was arrested yesterday, after he had made the same woman twice a victim. Sunday afternoon he entered a small restaurant near the Northwestern depot and ordered a full fare dinner. After he had eaten it with great relish, he arose to leave the place without offering to pay. The woman remonstrated with him, and was vilely insulted and threatened. She was alone in the place at the time and was unable to prevent the tramp leaving without paying. Yesterday afternoon he returned and repeated the same performance. Mathew Miller, the woman's husband, happened to be in at the time, and while the fellow was eating he slipped out the back way and called an officer, and returned before the fellow concluded his meal. When he started to leave, after repeating his threats and insults, Miller walked out of the back room and collared the fellow, and held him with a good firm grip by the throat until Officer Barbydt took charge of him. He will have a hearing before Judge McGee this morning.

Fire insurance during this time of year makes one feel safe. Day & Hess represent the leading companies. Order a policy from them. Telephone 344.

### Pleasant Surprise Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bierwirth were tendered a pleasant surprise last evening in the shape of a musical party by friends. The program, which was long, was taken part in by Master Jackson Cady, Miss Anita Bierwirth, Miss Covalt of Osceola, Miss Margaret Judge, Ernest von Bieberstein of Des Moines and Emilie Bierwirth. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Vanness of Chicago, Mr. Wolf and Miss Anna Quinlan of Omaha, D. A. Quinlan and Miss Carrie Anderson, Mrs. Urmery, Carl and Harry Urmery of Boone, Mrs. Zachariah and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Deveny, Mr. Boysell of Boone, Miss Alice Judge, Miss Ruth Letchford, Miss Berry, Mr. Clifford, Mr. Bentley, Mr. Weber, Mr. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Cady.

After the music there was card playing, and later refreshments were served.

Attend the cash raising 20 per cent discount sale on winter goods at Hughes', 415 Broadway, this week.

### Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers were reported yesterday at the office of J. W. Squire:

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| C. W. Lumm and wife to Gordon Hayes, e½ se¼ 11, and sw¼ 12-74-38, w. d. | $ 8,400 00 |
| Sheriff to Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., e 40 feet, lot 154, Original Plat, s. d. | 7,856 76 |
| Admr. of J. Hayden Burns to Jay Burns, und½ ne¼ ne¼ 4-74-43, d. | 1 00 |
| Three transfers, aggregating | $16,257 76 |

Twenty per cent discount on winter underwear, caps, shoes, gloves, wool shirts, wool hose, etc., at Hughes' all this week.

### Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued by the clerk of the courts yesterday as follows:

| Name and Address. | Age. |
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| Frank Jones, Council Bluffs | 27 |
| Carrie Scott, Council Bluffs | 23 |
| Arthur B. Schoepfer, Omaha | 21 |
| Nellie Cherry, Omaha | 19 |
| Richard Wicks, Waterloo, Neb | 34 |
| Mary Jackson, Omaha | 32 |

Forty Domestic soap wrappers are good for six silver spoons.

Any silk muffler in our stock for 75 cents this week. Hughes, 415 Broadway.

## PLAN FOR BETTER ROADWAYS

Macadam and Vitrified Brick to Be Laid Out Into the Country.

ALDERMAN SHUBERT MAKES A PROPOSAL

**Tax Realized from County Levy on City Property to Be Used for the Construction of Permanent Highways.**

At the meeting of the council last evening Alderman Shubert briefly outlined a plan for the improvement of country roads that will no doubt meet the hearty approval of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association and the Business Men's club. Each of these organizations at meetings held within the last few days has given an emphatic expression of the opinion of the members that good roads, permanently built, leading into the city are a necessity, and that the business interests of the city can best be served by bringing about conditions that will make such improvements possible. Alderman Shubert's idea is a practical one and will be popular with Council Bluffs taxpayers and the farmers in the western part of the county. His plan is to use all of the road tax realized from the county levy for road purposes on city property in the construction of permanent highways outside of town. The total county levy for all purposes amounts to a little over $8,000,000. Of this sum Council Bluffs city property is assessed over $5,000,000, or nearly three-fourths of the entire amount. The road tax levied by the county board upon Council Bluffs city property amounts to between $20,000 and $30,000 each year. This large sum goes to defray the expense of desultory road working all over the county. The road supervisors get a few farmers together twice a year, plow up the roads, fill in a few washouts and holes, cut down a hill or two and do a lot of temporary work that has to be all done over again when the road working season again arrives. Shubert's idea is that the board should expend the road tax collected from city property owners in a way that would be of permanent benefit to all and of direct benefit to the people who pay it. It should be expended in the construction of permanent roads, of macadam or brick. The only benefit that Council Bluffs has ever received from the vast amount of money its citizens have paid into this fund will be found in the macadam work that is now being done on Lower Broadway, where $6,000 of last year's fund appropriated by the county board is being expended under the joint direction of the county supervisors and the city council. Taking this work as an example Shubert argues that five or six miles of permanent roadways leading in all directions from the city can be built each year. In a short time every main road within ten miles of town can be transformed into a permanent highway, over which the heaviest loads can be hauled in all kinds of weather.

It is to be expected that the scheme will meet considerable opposition in the board of supervisors, whose members will be obliged to fight the scheme in obedience to the demands of their county constituents, who cannot, or will not understand its necessity or importance. The city council can only recommend such a course and do missionary work among the people of the country.

A plan is under consideration that may bring about a consummation of the council's hope in another way that will permit some permanent road making to be done this year. It is proposed to secure the adoption in the code at the present extra session of an amendment to the road laws that will require all the money realized from the assessment of city property for road making purposes to be expended in building permanent roadways leading into the cities assessed.

County and city engineers estimate that enough money has been expended in Pottawattamie county since its organization to have built permanent macadam or vitrified brick roadways over all of the chief highways in the county. All of the vast sums of money used have been practically wasted, for the roads are in no better condition than they were when the first furrow was turned in the virgin soil. In many places they are worse than they were in pioneer days, but in others there has been some permanent gain in the reduction of hills and easing of grades.

The scheme will be a very popular one to agitate, either as an act of justice and good business sense on the part of the county board or as a legislative enactment. The plan will be immensely popular among wheelmen and all progressive citizens.

### BARGAIN BULLETIN

**Boston Store, Council Bluffs, Iowa.**

The close of our BIG JANUARY CLEARING SALE finds us with many odd lots, remnants and odd garments in the different departments.

These goods we have marked at prices to close them out in the next week before our annual stock taking.

IN OUR DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT.

100 pieces fancy novelty dress goods, worth from 75c to $1.00, on sale at 48c a yard.

$1.00 and $1.25 high grade fancy dress goods at 89c and 95c a yard.

SPECIAL REDUCED PRICES ON REMNANTS AND SHORT ENDS IN OUR BLACK GOODS STOCK.

BLANKETS.

Our clearing sale prices will prevail in this department for the next ten days. Cotton blankets at 50c, 69c and 95c a pair.

Wool blankets, $1.25, $1.89 and $2.39.

LADIES' AND MISSES' CAPES AND JACKETS.

We are bound to close all winter garments. Value or loss will not be considered.

$6.50 garments, $3.39.

$10.00 and $15.00 garments, $5.75.

$15.00 and $19.00 garments at $8.69 and $9.98.

Special reduced prices on all winter underwear. Odd lots at prices to close them out quick.

BOSTON STORE,
Council Bluffs.

## MUCH GOLD YET IN CRIPPLE CREEK.

**Millionaire Strattan Says Others May Do as Well as He Has.**

W. S. Strattan, the millionaire Cripple Creek mine owner, was in the city nearly all day yesterday, accompanied by a number of attorneys and prominent mining men. They were here to attend the annual meeting of the Portland Gold Mining company. The meeting was held in the office of Ross & Ross, local attorneys for the company. The only business to be transacted was the election of a board of directors for the year. There was no opposition by the members to the old board, and all were re-elected. They were W. S. Strattan, J. F. Burns, James Doyle, John Harnan and F. G. Peck. Judge Gunnell, Thomas Burns and Scott Ashton, attorneys for the company and heavy stockholders, were members of the party.

The company's articles of incorporation require that the board of directors shall be annually elected at Council Bluffs and they shall elect the officers of the company at a subsequent meeting. This meeting will not be held until after the party returns to Cripple Creek.

Mr. Strattan is very enthusiastic in his talk about the future of Cripple Creek, which he unhesitatingly declares to be the greatest and richest gold mining camp on the earth. He thinks there are plenty more mines in the district just as rich as the Independence, that has made him a multimillionaire, and his belief is firm that their owners cannot avoid striking it rich. He spoke very encouragingly of the prospects of a number of Council Bluff men who were wooing fortune from the inhospitable hills around the camp. "All that is needed by anybody in Cripple Creek is a pick, pluck and grubstake," said he, "and they will find that the camp will do the rest." He also spoke very highly of the great improvement that has been made in the town of Cripple Creek since the fire. The fire has proved to be a blessing, and every vestige of its ravages has been obliterated. Solid brick blocks have gone up where the flames destroyed wooden shacks, and plate glass fronts have taken the place of pole shanties and tents.

Mr. Strattan gives some astonishing figures showing the wonderful richness of the Independence and other mining property belonging to the company.

The reports of the officers of the company showed the property to be in excellent condition, in a high stage of development and very profitable.

The annual report of the president, James F. Burns, shows that, although the company was cut off from the Anna Lee ore reserves by the accident of a year ago, whereby several men lost their lives, and which caused an entire cessation of work on all its properties for a period of three weeks and entailed heavy expense, the management paid out in dividends $360,000, as against $479,790 the previous year, besides paying out large sums for permanent equipment and developing work.

The recapitulation of the general manager, John Harnan, shows that 23,598 net tons of ore were produced, having a gross valuation of $1,116,128. The cost of treatment aggregated $219,038, making the gross value of the product to the company $897,089.

The total production of the company's mines to date shows $2,872,268 gross values, and the amount paid out by the company in dividends is $907,080.

### LISTEN TO THE MONTHLY BILLS.

**City Council Spends an Hour in a Long and Tedious Task.**

For a long weary hour the members of the city council sat and nodded in their chairs last night and listened to the reading of the city's regular monthly ills, work that should be done in committee but is done in open council in compliance with the demands of Alderman Casper. The bills were totally devoid of interest beyond the fact that the amounts represented the disposition of so much of the city's funds. The bill of one of the justices of the peace for $3.50, representing the costs of a suit brought by the poll tax collector in the name of the city, was presented and allowed. The fact that the costs accrued in a case when the city only obtained $2 elicited a little discussion, but there was no disposition to avoid payment and the bill was allowed. It is not known just how many more there are of the same kind to follow. The bills were approved and allowed.

Alderman Shubert introduced his scheme for the improvement of the county roads in the following resolution:

Resolved, That we recommend to the board of supervisors that steps be taken to improve the county roads by macadamizing each year as far as the funds will permit, the same to be paid out of the general county road fund for that purpose, thereby giving work to unemployed labor and benefitting residents of both county and city.

The resolution drew considerable interesting discussion and met the approval of all the aldermen. They realize that it could have no effect beyond the influence it might have on the county board as an expression of the opinion and wishes of the council. It was unanimously adopted.

The sum of $600 was ordered transferred from the police fund to the sidewalk and curbing fund.

The sum of $4,000 was ordered to be transferred from the police fund to the general fund.

Ordinances and other matters approved by the committee of the whole was reported and approved.

The chairman of the fire committee was allowed $100 and the chairman of the health committee was given $50 to meet incidental expenses during the month.

An ordinance providing for the removal of city officers and determining tie votes was passed. It provides for determining tie votes for the election of municipal officers by casting lots, and permits the suspension of city officers only upon the filing of written charges. It declares that the clerk shall issue to each contestant a notice to appear at the next regular or special meeting. If one of the contestants fail to appear the mayor or presiding officer shall draw lots for him and the proceeding shall be entered upon the journal. Before any officer shall be removed from office by the council written charges shall be filed with the clerk, and the proceedings shall be similar to those of the district court. A two-thirds vote of all the members shall be necessary to remove any officer. The election of any city officer may be contested in the same way as the election of a county officer.

The coasting ordinance was called and laid upon the table by the nearly unanimous vote of all the members, and the kids have permission to coast on the sidewalks and all streets as of yore.

The council annulled a number of old ordinances and franchises, fourteen in all, with their recent amendments, and declared all rights and privileges forfeited. None of the ordinances have been utilized by the individuals and corporations for whom they were passed.

The bond and contract of the city scavenger, John Nelson, were submitted and approved. The scavenger notified the council that he had leased a tract of forty acres as a burial place for dead animals. It is located north of the motor bridge. The council approved the lease and location.

A communication from A. J. Mandel, a former resident, objecting to the rate of taxation, was laid on the table.

A saloon license was ordered to be issued to Smith and Rasmussen, the saloon to be located at 418 Broadway.

A resolution was offered by Alderman Casper directing that the contract for city printing be taken from the committee which now has it in hand and brought before the council. Alderman Brough seconded Casper's effort, but when it reached a vote all of the other aldermen voted against it.

Alderman Casper called attention to the failure of the employes of the gas company, the water company and of plumbers generally to observe the provisions of the city ordinance requiring the relaying of pavement taken up to repair broken pipes, to be done under the supervision of the city engineer. He called attention to the fact that this provision of the ordinance was habitually disregarded, to the serious damage of the paved streets. The engineer and street commissioner were instructed to look after the matter.

The council adjourned until next Monday night.

Just to show that we handle a few men's shoes we will sell any shoe in the house this week for 20 per cent off for cash. Hughes, the men's outfitter, 415 Broadway.

Special sale of parlor furniture this week at Durfee Furniture Co., 205 and 207 Broadway.

Hoffmayr's fancy patent flour makes the best and most bread. Ask your grocer for it.

The genuine Domestic soap wrappers are red. Beware of the cheap grade of Domestic put up in yellow wrappers.

### Postmaster Draper's Shortage.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 1.—(Special.)—The investigation of the affairs of the Cheyenne postoffice has been concluded and reveals the fact that Postmaster Draper's shortage is $4,823.87. His bondsmen have been notified by the department to make this amount good. The bondsmen have recovered about $3,200 of the money, which Mr. Draper abstracted from a registered package, which is available for application upon the shortage. They hope to retain one of their number as postmaster until the close of Mr. Draper's term and by applying the salary of the office in payment of the balance of the shortage to be relieved from the matter with but nominal loss. The investigation of the accounts of Charles Draper, the postmaster's son, who had charge of the money order department, shows them to be correct.

### Rival for Ragged Top.

SUNDANCE, Wyo., Feb. 1.—(Special.)—Considerable excitement prevails here over the discovery at Bear Lake, fifteen miles east of this place, of a gold ore lead which assays high values in gold. People are flocking to the scene of the discovery and over 100 claims have been taken up. The formation is said to be the same as that at the new celebrated Ragged Top mines.

## PROTEST OF WHOLESALERS

Corporations Object to Being Required to Tell Business Details.

ALSO FEAR A DOUBLE ASSESSMENT

**Leading Business Men of Iowa Appear Before the Ways and Means Committee to Argue Against Proposed Legislation.**

DES MOINES, Feb. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The first manifestation of intense public interest in the special session of the legislature was shown tonight, when the leading wholesalers of the state gathered to protest against the legislation which they declared would drive them out of the state or out of business. Fifty of them, representing nearly every town that has any wholesaling interests, were present, to appear before the joint meeting of the senate and house committees on ways and means. They came to protest against the proposed plan of taxation of corporations. The bill provides that corporations shall furnish the assessor a certified statement of their amount of capital, amount paid in on each share, description of all real estate owned, date, amount and percentage of all dividends and amount of capital on which such dividend was declared; gross and net earnings during the year and surplus; amount added to sinking fund, highest price of stock sales between the 1st and 10th of January of the year; highest price of stock sold during preceding year, and average price of all sales during the year.

Among those who took part in the discussion before the committees were: E. L. Johnson and C. F. Fowler of Waterloo, S. T. Mesevery, George E. Roberts of Fort Dodge, H. A. Jandt, O. O. Tolerton and A. F. Nash of Sioux City, F. C. Letts, G. F. Kirby and A. G. Glick of Marshalltown, W. R. Warfield of Webster City, A. T. Averill of Cedar Rapids, T. M. Gobble, L. C. Eastman, S. M. Highlands, W. S. Gardner, Clinton, H. O. Seiffert, E. H. Ryan, F. H. Miller of Davenport, George Palmer, John Hayes of Red Oak, William Pilger, S. H. Jones of Burlington, B. Whitman, W. A. McNeill, Messrs. Bentley, Langland, Slade, Hambleton and H. L. Spencer of Oskaloosa, J. C. Davis and C. P. Birge of Keokuk, E. F. Potter and A. P. Brown of Fort Madison.

They informed the committees in their addresses that the inquisitorial proposals would compel them, together with the plan of double taxation proposed for corporations, to either go out of business or leave the state. The bill proposes that corporations shall pay, at the principal place of business, taxes on their full amount of capital stock. Representatives of concerns that have branches showed that under this arrangement they would pay no taxes in the places where their branch establishments are located, and would as a result be boycotted in those towns as carpet-baggers. Many of them have branches outside the state; they would have to pay taxes in Iowa on their capital stock and in other states on the property located there, making double taxes. The requirement that they make public all the details of their business would work injury to them.

Colonel C. H. Gatch of Des Moines made the opening address, opposing the proposal to assess all property at 100 or even 50 per cent, the house bill proposing the former and the senate measure the latter figure. Then the jobbers appeared in turn and stated their case. The committees took no action, but announced another hearing for Wednesday evening. Nearly all the people who are now here will remain and expect to bring enough more to have 200 leading business men on hand at that time.

The house held no session today and the senate session was devoted to routine matters, lasting only a short time.

### Woodmen Flock to Des Moines.

DES MOINES, Feb. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Six hundred delegates from the Iowa lodges of the Modern Woodmen of America are here tonight for the annual convention of the order for Iowa, which will open tomorrow and last two days. A meeting was held at the tabernacle this evening, at which the 1,400 Des Moines Woodmen met the visitors and planned for the convention. The object of the convention is the election of delegates to the national encampment and of officers for the state camp.

### Auditor's Request Refused.

DES MOINES, Feb. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—State Auditor McCarthy is at least temporarily defeated in his application for the right to examine the failed German Savings bank. The matter was argued today in district court and the court announced that it would make no order till the receiver had presented his report, which would contain all the information desired by the auditor. The judge afterward stated that in all probability he would not allow the auditor to make the examination, as he had confidence in his receiver.

### Bondsmen Must Pay Mulct Tax.

DES MOINES, Feb. 1.—The supreme court today decided in the case of Marshall county against John Knoll and others that bondsmen must pay mulct liquor tax if it is not paid by the principal.

### LECTURES TO THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

**Mrs. Stetson Talks of Woman and Politics and Government.**

The Omaha Women's club met in Creighton hall yesterday afternoon with the president, Mrs. Harford, in the chair. The usual order of business was set a side, and Mrs. Francis M. Ford, leader of the department of sociology, was called to the chair. She announced to the club that it had been possible at a late moment to secure the services of a well known speaker, and the regular program prepared for the occasion had been joyfully set aside to give place to Charlotte Perkins Stetson.

"First," said this free, alert, strong looking woman, "I will talk to you about 'politics,' the 'women,' In the savage state each man works alone. As he begins to develop he begins to work with others. At first he learned co-operation through fighting. For many centuries all peace was the 'peace of pigs.' In war he learned conserted action—brotherhood.

"Women think of government as something above them, something way off. It is only a method of doing business together—of concerted action.

"The growth of civilization is measured by the extension of the functions of government. Politics is the science of the administration of government. Then as to women. She is not," according to this keenest of satirists, "a species of angel invented by providence for man's especial satisfaction," and the speaker most earnestly deplored that of all the animals, it is only in the genus homo that the female is either in strength, cunning or usefulness, inferior to the male species. Even in her maternity woman is inferior to all her little sisters of the animal world. "Who is to be blamed," she asked. He who does not now apply the remedy which is to lift half the world to its birth right—freedom, strength, perfect development for the individual and a share in perpetuating the race and maintaining its standard.

Mrs. Stetson believes that the woman who would really be mistress of the home must be intelligent about it at every point—its sanitation, its foods, its every detail. When care taking encounters the water supply she says it is politics. She graphically said: "You all know what it is to dust; well when its out side the fence (the street) its politics, when inside its dusting" She believes man and woman should work together for the weal of all. That women have a duty outside of the home as well as inside it. The woman who lets herself become a mere housemaid cannot be an ideal mother and "the children of the nation are being reared by housemaids—their mothers and others." So women must do their share to clean up outside the house as well as in it. "Politics and women are bound now to become acquainted. The time has come, and you can't keep back the ocean tide by any teaspoon remonstrances."

It is difficult to say which characteristic of Mrs. Stetson's made for her the most admirers, the clearness of her logic, the unerring shaft of satirical wit, or the inexpressible charm of her frantic, fearless face lit with its swift smile.

The business session of the club was much given to resolutions, and "the honorable body" at Lincoln which is busy with law making for the state was the target of these remarks.

Mrs. Andrews presented an appeal for the reinstatement of the law of 1889 on the subject of property rights of married women. The present law gives a widow only a dower right in her late husband's estate. The law of 1889, which was thrown out upon a technicality, gave her one-half the estate in fee simple. The club responded heartily to Mrs. Andrews' defense of the resolution, which passed without a dissenting voice.

Mrs. Wayne presented the matter of the home at Milford, asking the legislature to leave its present management undisturbed. There is much strong feeling upon this matter and the resolution was passed.

A resolution was then read asking that a law be passed to provide vestibules upon street cars for the protection of the motormen. This also expressed the desire of the club as shown by the vote.

The musical committee that has purchased for the club a fine piano, which was selected by Mr. Godowsky, were thanked and dismissed.

Mrs. Ford was delegated to represent the Omaha Women's club at the national congress of mothers which meets in Washington, D. C., February 15. The meeting of the directory of the general federation of clubs, of which Mrs. Ford is a member, calls her east at this time. At this gathering the fate of Omaha as regards the biennial of 1898 will be decided. It is a matter of great satisfaction to the club members that they can thus be so ably represented in these two important gatherings. If Mrs. Ford does not bring home the biennial it can't be had, is the feeling of the club.

The next general club meeting will be in charge of the Current Literature department. On that evening from 5 to 7 o'clock dinner will be served in the dining room of the club rooms to ladies and gentlemen. It is thus hoped to defray the expenses of the course in cooking which the executive committee of the department of sociology has given to twelve young girls.

### DIDN'T SEE ANY SIGNS OF A FIGHT.

**Officer Flint Reports to the Fire and Police Commission.**

At the meeting of the fire and police commissioners last evening liquor licenses were issued to James S. Quinn, 1024 North Sixteenth street, and Amalia Bieser, 414 North Sixteenth. License was refused Gustav Stepp, 2239 North Twentieth.

Leaves of absence were granted policemen C. L. Madsen five days, A. C. Rauney ten days, and fireman J. C. Farrish two days.

The amount expended for feeding city prisoners for January was $93.12.

The following report from Officer Flint to the chief of Police was filed:

OMAHA, Feb. 1, 1897.—A. T. Sigwart, Chief of Police: It is reported that there was a prize fight in the vicinity of Sixteenth and Vinton streets on Saturday night, January 1, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock. I being detailed in that vicinity failed to notice anything unusual and in any way that would indicate that there was a prize fight in the vicinity.

HARRY FLINT, Police Officer.

George Blake, driver of engine company No. 3, and Leonhardt Van Hicker, pipeman same company, were before the board charged with violating the rules of the department. Both were docked their "offs."

Charges were preferred against Richard Grant, assistant engineer of engine No. 3, by Captain Taylor of Hook and Ladder No. 1, and Frank Urban, lieutenant of engine No. 3, of having city property in his possession. The charges were thoroughly sifted by the board and its decision was that they were utterly false and malicious. After complementing Grant he was promoted to engineer, and on motion of Mr. Palmer the chief was instructed to prefer charges against both Taylor and Urban for hearing at the next meeting. It was the opinion of the board that it was dangerous to have men who could be guilty of such malicious work in the department. Richard J. Grant was given the highest average by the examining board for the promotion of assistant engineers of the four examined.

### UNIVERSITY CADETS WILL DRILL.

**February 20 is Set for the Annual Contest at Vermillion.**

VERMILLION, S. D., Feb. 1.—(Special.)—The military department of the university will give its annual contest and entertainment February 20. There are three companies of cadets, A, B and C, each containing about twenty students. The first two are composed of old students who have had one or more terms of drill, while company C is made up entirely of recruits. Companies A and B will compete for first place in the executing of the various evolutions. There will also be a contest between the captains of the two companies for the championship of the university. Each company is given fifteen minutes to go through the various maneuvers in marching, manual in arms and the different exercises which are used in the daily drills. There are also to be several sword and sabre drills. It has been the custom heretofore to have the governor of the state present to view the exercises. In all probability Governor Lee will be at home in time for this occasion, and will be prevailed upon to sit in the chair of state. The governor is an enthusiastic admirer of the state militia.

### Lands Patented in January.

PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The office of the commissioner of lands has issued thirty-one patents for the month of January. Clay county has secured the highest number for any one county, with seven. The rest was scattering in other counties in the southern portions of the state.

### Building a New Town in Wyoming.

CASPER, Wyo., Feb. 1.—(Special.)—The work of building the new town of Wolton, fifty miles west of this place, is proceeding rapidly and the town will soon be a fully equipped sheep shearing center for a great area of country in Fremont, Natrona and Sweetwater counties. A forty-stall sheep shearing house, the finest in the state, has been put up, a store building is being erected, a hotel nearly completed and bunk houses and residences are under way. The town will have a postoffice, to be opened April 1. The town is believed to be the objective point of the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley line for a westward extension from Casper.

### Batch of Crimes in Wyoming.

LARAMIE, Wyo., Feb. 1.—(Special.)—Judge Bramel of the Albany county district court has called a grand jury for February 4, for the purpose of making a special investigation of the serious crimes which have recently been committed in Albany county. These include the assassination of several ranchmen, the brutal murder of Mrs. Wurl, the incendiary burning of barns and haystacks of several ranchmen, and the sending of threatening letters to others.


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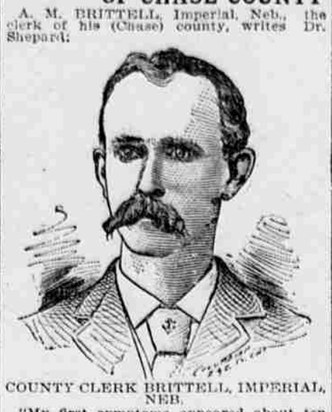

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