SCOTT HOLDS HIS HEARERS

Spectators and Others in Court Must Remain Until the Judge Says Go.

BAILIFF KEPT BUSY UPHOLDING DIGNITY

Another Chapter is Added to the Dodd Children Habeas Corpus Case and the Court Turns Loose Again.

Judge Scott has added a new chapter to the habeas corpus proceedings of Benjamin Dodd against the Nebraska Children's Home society, and in doing so he delivered a lecture on preachers, hypocrites, newspaper men and others, with just a dash of vitriol directed against the judiciary.

While this harangue was in progress spectators in the court room were held prisoners. Every time anyone attempted to quietly slip out of the room the bailiff interfered, he having received orders from Judge Scott that no one should go out of his presence until after he had exhausted his vocabulary.

The issue before the court was the case of Clara and Marvel Dodd, the two children of the plaintiff who have not been produced in court, despite the orders issued by the judge. As indicated several days ago Judge Scott decided in favor of the plaintiff, and that decision gives to Benjamin Dodd and his wife the custody of the two missing children. But to find the children is the next question. One of them is supposed to be at Craig and the other at Alma, but it is said that the keepers of the little ones have taken them out of the state. According to Judge Scott's order if Dodd can find his children he has the legal right to take them. The two children who were brought into court and who were awarded to the parents by Judge Scott several days ago are at the Dodd home in South Omaha.

The bailiff in Judge Scott's court is perhaps the busiest man about the court house these days, his time being fully occupied in an effort to uphold the dignity of the court.

Out on Good Behavior.

Four men, A. P. Evans, Charles York, John Antes and Charles Williams, have pleaded guilty to selling liquor to the Indians of the Omaha and Winnebago reservations. These are the men who made a practice of driving over the reservations and dealing liquor out in pint and half-pint bottles. Instead of Judge Munger imposing the sentence, he has let the men go on their good behavior, which he has explained means that if again brought before him on a similar charge, they will be punished to the full extent of the law.

Higby Answers Yeiser.

City Clerk Higby has filed an answer in the district court to the mandamus proceedings instituted by John O. Yeiser to compel him to submit at the next general election the initiative and referendum proposition about which there has been so much talk. The answer is in the nature of a general denial.

JACKSONIAN CLUB AT HOME

Informal Gathering of Members at the New Quarters in Germania Hall Last Night.

A hundred or more members and friends of the Jacksonian club gathered at the new quarters of the club in Germania hall last night to inspect the new location and to participate in the refreshments which flowed freely.

Everything was strictly informal. There was no speechmaking nor other program, except to talk politics with a free pitch-in for everybody, and to eat sandwiches, drink beer and smoke cigars. Owing to the recent removal, not all of the furniture is yet in proper position, but these preliminaries will be completed soon and on January 1 there will be a regular "house warming." The club will keep open house all day and the fun will probably run until late in the night.

On January 8 the club will give its tenth annual banquet. The speakers who have accepted invitations are Governor Hogg of Texas, Congressman Carmack of Memphis, David Overmeyer of Kansas, William J. Bryan, Mayor Harrison of Chicago and Willis J. Abbott, a New York newspaper man who was recently placed in charge of the press bureau of the democratic national committee.

PRIZE FOR YOUNG PATRIOTS

Daughters of American Revolution Award Gold Medal for Most Meritorious Essay.

A prize was awarded by the Daughters of the American Revolution yesterday to the public school pupil in the eighth grade who had prepared the most meritorious paper on "Colonial Manners and Customs." The winner was Violet Patten of the Omaha View school, who was presented with a handsome gold medal inscribed with a spinning-wheel and distaff, done in blue enamel, and the words "Daughter of the American Revolution."

The society was much gratified with the response which the offer brought forth, and the prize will be awarded annually for the purpose of stimulating interest among the younger generation in the early history of America. The winner on this occasion is an orphan and is securing an education through her own exertions so that her victory is popular among both teachers and pupils.

The judges considered the following competitors worthy of honorable mention: Amanda Kellar, Francis Morrison, Ruth Johnston, George Weidenfeldt, Aggie Kahna, Mary Schenk, Jessie Willis, Blanch Waterman, Fannie Boise, Mary Moriarity, Hazel Herpert, Helen Carmichael, Grace Mickel, Ida, Schwartz, Leila Scribner and Joseph Filiger.

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INSURANCE TAX DECISION

H. D. Neely Declares Life Insurance Men Are Grateful for Action of Supreme Court.

OMAHA, Dec. 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: Referring to the article in The Bee entitled "Are Not Much Interested," and to the interview with Mr. Steel and the comments following, I have no hesitancy in saying that Mr. Steel is hardly the representative of mutual legal reserve life insurance companies to have interviewed on this subject, if your object was to get a true expression of feeling as to the Weaver bill.

Of course he had no objection to the bill, as the company he represents will have to pay the tax imposed by the Weaver act, notwithstanding the supreme court's decision. This is due to the fact that Wisconsin taxes gross premiums 2 per cent and the reciprocal act on the statute books of Nebraska makes the same tax apply to the gross premiums collected in Nebraska by all Wisconsin companies.

Life insurance companies do not ask to be exempt from taxation, although the tax as it applies to insurance companies conducted on the mutual plan means an increase in the cost of insurance by the amount of the tax, but they do object to being discriminated against.

No other corporation or individual is taxed to any such extent, as was contemplated in the Weaver bill, by the state of Nebraska.

If it was possible to get proper returns from other corporations or individuals as easily and if it was as impossible for other corporations and individuals to evade the law as it would have been in the case of life insurance companies under the Weaver bill, the state's treasury would be full to overflowing with money.

As trustees of funds for the protection of widows and orphans and for old age, the managers of mutual legal reserve life insurance companies feel it a duty to endeavor to stop, as far as possible, along legitimate lines, this craze that has been sweeping the country to tax their gross premiums.

Mr. Steel's company did all it was possible to do to defeat the measure before the Wisconsin legislature. That it failed does not carry with it its endorsement of such a tax measure.

Mr. Steel's position reminds me of a story. Four young men went out hunting and it was agreed that no matter how bad the cooking was—and they were to take turns at it—there was to be no kicking. All went well until one of the boys thought he would have a little fun. So he cooked a batch of cakes that were simply execrable. But still the boys did not kick. Then he made a pan of biscuits, one part dough and nine parts salt. The boys pitched into them and began coughing and spitting, but they tried to choke them down. The cook asked them what was the matter. "Oh, nothing much; a little salty, but I like them—I like them."

In closing I wish to pay my respects to those other insurance men—life men, I presume—as it appears under the heading of "How it Affects Life Insurance." I do not know who they can be and I doubt if they are representative life insurance agents and if they are they must have been misquoted. I personally know nearly all the life insurance men in this city and I know that every one of them have discussed this bill and all have a fairly clear idea of its contents and all, without exception, except such as are situated as Mr. Steel is, if they have the interest of their policy holders at heart, can't help but feel grateful at the action of the supreme court.

If a comprehensive bill could be introduced that would properly regulate all companies proposing to do a life insurance business and would actually be the means of protecting the people of this state (and that, primarily, was the only object of the laws governing life insurance companies), all honest companies would rejoice.

Had the legislature of the state of Nebraska passed such a measure instead of the Weaver bill, and senate file No. 35 incorporated in the law in chapter xliii, section 85A, governing "mutual benefit associations," which gives mutual benefit associations the right to issue limited payment policies, while such companies are not required by law to carry the reserve necessary to meet their obligation as the legal reserve life insurance companies are, it would have been a satisfaction to all concerned in legitimate life insurance, whether under the legal reserve law or the assessment or fraternal law. H. D. NEELY.

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TREES WILL BE LAID LOW

Contract Let for Removal of Superfluous Timber Lining Parade at Fort Omaha.

Bids were opened by the quartermaster of the Department of the Missouri yesterday for the removal of about 400 trees on the site of Fort Omaha. The contract was awarded to Withnell Bros. and the price will amount to about $200. The exact number of trees to be removed is uncertain and will be determined by an inspection to be made later.

About one-fourth of the condemned trees are cottonwoods and were planted in 1868. They have in many cases outlived their usefulness and the branches are breaking to a considerable extent. The remainder are box elders and maples planted around the parade ground in double rows. The trees were originally set out too close together, the intervening spaces being about twelve feet. The alternate trees will be removed all around the parade. The contractors will be allowed to dispose of the timber as they see fit. The purchasers are required to cut the trees level with the surrounding surface or if cut below the surface the ground is to be made smooth. All chips, branches and twigs are to be taken away and the grounds are to be left in a clean and tightly condition.

PRESENT FOR A PREACHER

Parishioners of Rev. C. W. Savidge Give Him a Fine Carriage for Christmas.

Rev. C. W. Savidge was the recipient on Saturday evening of a fine Christmas present in the shape of a new double-seated top carriage. The donors were the members of his congregation at the People's church, the gift being presented by a committee consisting of Eric Nelson, Joseph Gaghagan, Eldredge Duel and Ray Jester. The clergyman was taken entirely by surprise, but soon found words to thank the donors for the beautiful and useful gift.

XMAS FOR THE NEWSBOYS

Bee Prepares a Treat for the Lads Who Sell Papers on the Streets.

PRIZES FOR ALL THE ACTIVE WORKERS

Big Christmas Dinner, to Which All of the Youngsters Will Be Invited—Church Women to Take an Active Part.

Again The Bee wishes the newsboys of Omaha a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, and in order that the holidays may be more enjoyable than usual The Bee is to take a hand and give the lads who sell their wares upon the streets a handsome lot of Christmas presents. For this purpose The Bee has decided to make twenty gifts to the boys. The presents represent a cash value of $100. Every boy who sells The Bee is at liberty to enter the competitive race. The conditions are simple and apply to sales of the Christmas Bee, which will be issued this morning.

The prizes are:
One Victor bicycle valued at $40.
One Spaulding bicycle valued at $30.
One gold watch.
Two silver watches.
One cash prize of $2.
Two cash prizes of $1 each.
Two cash prizes of 75 cents each.
Ten cash prizes of 50 cents each.

Of course the boy selling the most papers will be entitled to the choice, the second boy to second choice, and so down the list. The boys will be at liberty to work the business streets, or if they choose, they may invade the residence districts, so that everybody by buying the Xmas Bee can help the newsboy enjoy their Christmas. However, giving presents is not the only thing The Bee proposes to do to make Christmas a joyous occasion for the boys who sell the paper. Arrangements have already been completed by which The Bee will entertain all the newsboys at a big dinner Friday evening, December 29, at 6 o'clock. This will be in connection with an entertainment that the women of the First Congregational church will give the boys in the church parlors. The dinner tables will be loaded down with turkey and all of the other good things that go to make up a splendid repast.

During the dinner hour, Major Wilcox, the popular manager for Browning, King & Co., clothiers, will be present and will make each of the boys a handsome present. This dinner is not only for the boys who sell The Bee, but is to be given to every newsboy in the city.

Some of the newsboys have already learned that The Bee has taken it upon itself to entertain them, and as a result they are spreading the glad news among their companions and are becoming enthusiastic over the prospects of having the best time of their lives. They are going to count their friends and only those who patronize them Sunday by buying The Bee of them will be kept on their lists.

Dr. R. D. Mason, rectal and pelvic surgery. 206 Brown block, Omaha.

CHRISTMAS AWARD OF HONOR

University Students Present Interesting Program at Their Annual Distribution.

The students of Creighton university and their friends gathered in the university hall Friday afternoon and listened to the program of the Christmas distribution of honors.

The Mandolin orchestra, under the direction of Albin Huster, rendered the "Belleville March." Vincent Dwyer of the first Latin class recited in a pleasing way "The Night Before Christmas." Thomas Green recited the well known poem, "Centuries Ago."

After a charming waltz by the musicians, Rev. Prefect of Studies Father Kuhlman, S. J., announced the names of the successful students in the examinations held during the last fortnight. The honors were awarded as follows:

Class in rhetoric: First honors won by John Bennewitz, whose average was 98. Christopher Kohne and Christopher Kelly ranked next in order. In the class of poetry Edward F. Leary held first place and Frederick Langdon second. In the class of humanities the high average of 98 per cent was secured by Alexander F. O'Hern. In the first academic, George Lee led the class with an average of 96. First honors were also awarded to William Brown, Thomas Green, Frank Jersal, John Lynam, Thomas Lynch, Joseph McCafferty and Cornelius Smith. In the second academic highest honors were awarded to Joseph Nachtigall, and Henry Hudson, Philip Cassidy, John White, James Fagan, Edward Fearon, Arthur Beckman, Cornelius Riley, C. O'Donovan and Mark Martin won first honors. In the third academic, John Sullivan ranked highest and Frank Whalen, Harry Sleepack, William Callahan, Charles Dennet, John Ketchmark, Charles Cahill, William Mullen and Michael Dulski had an average over 90.

The vesper hymn rendered by the chorus choir under the direction of Thomas Kelly was given with good effect and aroused hearty applause. Alexander O'Hern followed with the declamation, "Sent to Heaven."

The announcement of the class standing was made by Rev. Father Dowling, the president of the university. He congratulated the students upon their application to study during the last two months and commented in most laudatory terms upon the energy displayed by the Creighton Dramatic circle in the management of the play, "The Heir at Law," recently given.

"I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my health and life. It cured me of lung trouble following grippe." Thousands owe their lives to the prompt action of this never failing remedy. It cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results.

Arrested for Theft.

Mrs. J. Parrish, who lives in South Omaha, went to the People's store Saturday afternoon and saw spread before her a fairyland of toys and beautiful things for the Christmastide, but her purse was empty and her heart ached as she thought of her children at home destitute and she without means to make their hearts glad.

The more she thought of the barrenness of the home the more she longed to take with her some of the pretty things and finally the temptation was too strong and she slipped a warm hood under her cloak for her baby and some toys for the rest of the children. But the poor woman was not an adept at the business and she was so nervous and bungling in her pilfering that House Detective Grier caught her in the act and arrested her. She was taken to the police station, where a heartrending scene transpired, as the woman wept and told a pitiful tale of poverty and want that had driven her to theft for her destitute babies. She was allowed to go home, but she must return to stand trial on the charge of petty larceny.

Young Men's Dramatic Club.

The German Young Men's Dramatic club of the south side will give an entertainment on New Year's evening at the new Bohemian Turner hall on Thirteenth, between Martha and Dorcas streets. From 4 to 8 p. m. the school children will entertain the guests, assisted by the Harmonie Zither club. A dinner will be served from 5 to 8. At 8 the dramatic club will render a play entitled "The Crown and Palm." The Orpheus and Glee singing clubs will assist at the entertainment.

Pains and soreness in the stomach resulting from coughing paroxysms are relieved by Dean's mentholated cough drops. A package for five cents.

Mr. Frederick Hatter—

says: "If any one has failed in selecting a holiday present, that he still has some of his very best patterns and qualities in fur gloves and caps, wool gloves, cloth caps and umbrellas—to select from"—remember, winter has not begun in earnest and a nice cap or a pair of our fur gauntlets will not come amiss. Our $3.00 hat is the best value for the money you ever saw—they come in brown or black colors and soft or stiff shapes.

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CASE OF SMALLPOX REPORTED

Disease in Well Marked Form Makes Its Appearance in Omaha.

FOUND IN A HOUSE ON DECATUR STREET

Woman Sixty Years Old, Who Has Been Sick Since December 16, is Down with the Scourge.

A well-developed case of smallpox exists in the family of M. F. Blains, an expressman living at 2525 Decatur street. The afflicted member is Mrs. Blains, 60 years old, who has been ill since December 16. The family and those exposed to the infection so far as known have been strictly quarantined and it is hoped that the disease may be confined to its original location. There is no doubt as to the character of the malady, as the case has been investigated by both the Board of Health and outside physicians. They have declared it a pronounced type of the confluent form and more serious than the mild cases of last winter.

The attending physician is Dr. P. Von Lackum, 2004 North Nineteenth street, who first visited the patient on December 16. He made no report to the health office until yesterday, when he informed the officials by postal card that the case was varicella or chicken pox. The suspicions of the health officers were at once aroused, as that disease very rarely occurs in the case of so old a person as Mrs. Blains was reported to be. An investigation was at once begun and the case was correctly diagnosed.

Mrs. Blains will not be removed from her residence, which is in a thickly populated district, but stringent precautions will be observed. No theory of contagion is advanced by the physicians who have observed the case and the fact that Mrs. Blains has not been outside of her dooryard for several months adds to the uncertainty of the origin.

In the family are two girls, nearly grown, and one boy 9 years old. Fortunately the children have not been attending school and there is no danger of the disease spreading through that medium. All the members of the family and those known to have been exposed were at once vaccinated.

The Board of Health has $1,500 recently appropriated for the purpose of combatting the disease. The board will begin a campaign of vaccination and the wisdom of submitting to the preventive method is pointed out to those who have neglected to do so.

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EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENTS

Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, Local Branch, Gives a Jolly Dance.

The tinners, or as they are more elaborately known, the Sheet Metal Workers' International association, local union No. 3 of Omaha, had one of the jolliest dances Saturday night in Germania hall that has been given for a long time. The tinners and metal workers were there in their best bib and tucker and they had their wives and sweethearts with them, and the result was a joyous time from beginning until the end. The music was of the right sort to make the slowest feet trip lightly and the committee appointed had made every preparation for the comfort and ease of the large number of guests.

The stage was decorated with specimens of the craft. In the center was the banner of the lodge and beneath this the insignia—a pair of scissors with soldering irons, made of tin. From the center of the room tin chains, bespangled with stars of the same shining metal, were festooned in graceful loops and, with the many lights, this made a beautiful decoration. There were twenty-six dances on the regular program, but the list was considerably lengthened by encores. Among the dances were such uniquely named as "hammer and snips schottische," "mallet schottische," "old soldering-iron polka," "tinners reel" and "galvanized iron quadrille."

Edward Hannigan, at the head of the lodge, with his wife led the grand march. Mr. Hannigan was also master of ceremonies for the evening. He was ably assisted by the following committeemen: Arrangements, O. Neiderweister, C. W. Adair and R. G. Bierman; reception, J. L. O'Neal, C. M. Johnson, C. Hanks, W. Clark and D. E. Murray; floor, P. Miller, C. Haas, W. Kunoid, A. Schmidt and F. Martin; door, T. Southwell and F. Toner.

A. O. U. W. Dance.

The members of the drill team of Lodge No. 173, Ancient Order of United Workmen gave another one of their enjoyable dances Saturday night in Patterson hall. There was just the right number present to make the pastime a pleasure and the music was of the best. There was a little element of the Christmastide injected into the gathering, which made it more than usually enjoyable. The committees were, as usual, members of the team, each one vieing with the other to see that everyone had a good time.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

The public library is in operation once more, the books having been located at Stott's stationery store, in the old postoffice building on Twenty-fourth street. Quite a number of the books have not been placed on shelves as yet, but the books in greatest demand are ready to be served to applicants. When an invoice was taken it was found that some were missing, but J. A. Beck, one of the directors of the reorganized association, is working on the matter and expects to recover about 150 volumes, which were loaned and not returned. Any person who formerly held a library card or who still retains the cards of the old association is eligible to draw books from the library. New cards with the rules and regulations have been issued, and may be obtained by calling at the library. Books may be retained for fourteen days, and may be renewed for seven days longer. A fine of 5 cents a day will be exacted for every day a book is held over due. A change of residence must at once be reported to Mr. McReynolds, the librarian.

Several publishers have already placed the library on their lists, and it is expected that quite a number of books and periodicals will be received in this way. Plans are being prepared for the raising of funds for the purchase of more books. More than likely the city council will be requested to make a ½-mill levy for library purposes, and if this is done funds will thus be provided for the purchase of new books as well as the rebinding of some of the old ones.

Secretary Dennett Talks.

Wilson D. Dennett, secretary of the Western Meat company of San Francisco, was in South Omaha yesterday, the guest of E. C. Price, general manager of Swift and Company's plant. In speaking of conditions on the Pacific coast, Mr. Dennett said that the beef trade was active and that supplies were now being drawn from Nevada. At this time it appears difficult to secure enough beef to supply the demand. Heavy shipments of beef are constantly being made to the Philippines, thus adding greatly to the local demand. Mr. Dennett said that the sheep received at San Francisco are considered superior to the muttons slaughtered at Chicago. Hogs are scarce owing to the drouth of last year. Quantities of hogs are now sent from Nebraska and Kansas to the coast markets.

Mr. Dennett said that the only stock yards in California are private pens, and that the only cattle killed by the slaughter is such that they contract or purchase in the country and on the ranges.

Better Street Car Service Needed.

At the present time the street car company is operating twenty-one regular trains, three Q street trains, and three extra trains. An effort is to be made to induce the company to put on a few more regular trains and enough extra trains morning and evening to properly handle the traffic. As it is now, the cars are crowded and standing room is often at a premium before trains leave the terminus.

The extension of the Thirteenth street line is greatly desired, and if this is done there will then be two lines to Omaha and passengers will have their choice of routes. Now that the corporations have taken the matter up it is possible that something will be done to afford better service.

Sunday School Officers Chosen.

The following officers and teachers of the First Methodist Episcopal Suday school have been elected: Jay Laverty, superintendent; J. W. Jordan, first assistant superintendent; Mrs. William Lehmer, second assistant superintendent; J. E. Lush, secretary; C. L. Peterson, treasurer; Byron Smiley, librarian; Ralph Cressey, assistant librarian; Mrs. Jay Laverty, organist; Miss Tripp, assistant organist; W. H. Overton, chorister; H. L. Coombs, artist. Teachers: C. W. Smith, W. H. Overton, Mrs. F. A. Cressey, Mrs. A. F. Stryker, Mrs. C. W. Smith, Mrs. Grundy, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Slade, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Allsworth, Miss Martha Widdis.

Sympathy for Councilman Kelly.

Councilman A. R. Kelly is receiving the sincere sympathy of his friends over the death of his father, William Kelly, who died at Tekamah last week after a short illness. Mr. Kelly was born in New York state, June 18, 1815, and was over 84 years of age at the time of his death. He had been married fifty-one years, and besides a wife left a large family of grown children. He came west in 1865 and settled in Nebraska fourteen years ago.

Mr. Thurber Complains.

W. R. Thurber, a well known live stock dealer living at Ong, was a visitor at the stock yards a day or two ago. He complains bitterly of the change in live stock rates from dollars per car to cents per hundred pounds. As an illustration Mr. Thurber said that just before the new rate went into effect he shipped a car of stock from Ong to this market for $31.75. His recent shipment under the cents per hundred pounds rate cost him $47.20 or $15.45 more. Mr. Thurber thinks the change in rate is a good thing for the railroads, but the Nebraska shipper is bound to get the worst of it.

Corporation Employes Given Holiday.

Christmas will be observed at the packing houses by a suspension of almost all kinds of work. Only enough men will be kept on duty to keep the fires burning. No live stock will be slaughtered and every employe who can possibly be spared will be given a holiday. The scales at the stock yards will be closed and no business will be transacted at the exchange. A small force of men will be kept on duty to care for stock, should any arrive. The banks and city offices will be closed all day and business, generally, will be at a standstill

Magic City Gossip.

Police Officer Burson is on the sick list.

Try Jack Gallagher's cigars, 408 N. 24th st.

P. J. Walsh and wife have removed to Denver.

Holiday trade at the stores is reported to be exceptionally good.

Mrs. Clem Hendricks has gone to Red Oak, Ia., to visit friends.

Special Christmas services will be held at all of the churches today.

Want to buy a diamond? See Godfrey.

The banks, city offices and stock yards will be closed all day on Monday.

Mrs. W. S. Taft and sons left last night for Wisconsin for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Watkins will spend Christmas with friends at Clinton, Ia.

John F. Schultz is being considered a probable republican candidate for mayor.

Monte Weeks left yesterday for Belleville, Kan., to spend Christmas with relatives.

M. Donnelly has returned from the Federation of Labor convention held at Detroit.

Storm Sash—E. H. Howland Lumber & Coal Co., 438 N. 24th St., between M and N.

George Parks and wife are up from Kansas City to spend a few days with friends.

See Ed Munshaw & Co. for lumber. Tel.245

Dr. Wheeler preaches a Christmas sermon at the Presbyterian church this morning.

Mrs. F. M. Smith and Mrs. C. M. Schindel entertained the Afternoon Whist club Friday.

George Dare leaves tomorrow for Chicago, where he goes to look after business interests.

Rev. J. A. Johnson preaches at the Methodist church this morning on "The Angel's Song."

Mrs. Mary A. Widdis, Twenty-fifth and J streets, is slowly recovering from a painful accident.

Federal Labor union No. 7112 will give a dance at Koutsky's hall on the evening of January 1.

Want a fine watch for Christmas? It's at Coleman's, the N street jeweler.

The reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cramond on Friday evening last was a very enjoyable affair.

Albert Bursick, one of the old settlers of Sarpy county, is dead and will be buried in Bellevue cemetery today.

The dancing party given by the Century club at Odd Fellows' Temple Friday evening was greatly enjoyed by those present.

Dentist, Slabaugh, 24th and N streets.

General Manager Kenyon of the Stock Yards company has gone to Chicago to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

The revolver used by Frank Pyszka in shooting John Fyda has been found and is now in the possession of the chief of police.

Chief Carroll's resignation takes effect today. Captain Allie will be acting chief until the mayor appoints Carroll's successor.

On Friday afternoon the Home Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet with Mrs. Mabery, 1325 North Twenty-fifth street.

Best line of jewelry at Coleman's.

J. W. Ballard is a candidate for janitor of the High school building to succeed James Reach, who has been appointed a deputy sheriff.

Harry Caldwell will lead the Christian Endeavor sunrise prayer meeting at the Presbyterian church on New Year's morning.

Beef Butchers' union No. 28 gave a mask ball at Koutsky's hall last night. There was a good crowd and the affair was a success.

Trading stamps or choice box of bonbons given away at Coleman's.

The Ladies' circle of the First Methodist church will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Chace, Twenty-third and K streets.

Maurice Fenton of this city was married to Miss Anna Schaeppe of Omaha last Wednesday evening. Rev. Dr. Wheeler performed the ceremony.

The dance given by Independent Order of Foresters' lodge No. 825 at Odd Fellows' hall last week was one of the most enjoyable occasions in the history of the lodge.

An old-fashioned Christmas tree was the object of a great deal of interest at the First Baptist church Saturday evening. The tree was beautifully decorated and laden with gifts for all.

Thomas J. Bell died at his home, Sixteenth and N streets, Friday night of pneumonia. Funeral services will be held at the First Methodist Episcopal church at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Interment at Laurel Hill cemetery. The deceased leaves a wife and five children.

Oest's bowling alley open 20th & Missouri ave.

The Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church celebrated Christmas at the church, Twenty-fifth and J streets, last evening in an appropriate manner. Pastor Wheeler's "roll of honor class" received special presentation for merit.

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All of Drex. L. Shooman's little friends will hang up their stockings and there won't be a thing put in them that will make their little hearts beat faster than will a pair of our $2.00 armored cruisers. These are great shoes—they will keep the little toes warm and the little feet dry—and wear longer than any other shoe ever sold at $2.00—the soles are covered with tiny horse shoes that prevent the soles wearing out or the soles wearing the carpets out. We love the little ones and love to give them the best bargains in the whole store and we wish them all a Merry Christmas.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

W. T. Holmes of Hay Springs is in town.

J. A. Simpson is an Auburn visitor in the city.

J. T. Phipps of Superior is in town to spend Sunday.

C. W. Eckerman of Lincoln is in the city on business.

J. S. Kennedy, a prominent Nebraska City man, is at the Millard.

Mr. Harry Tukey returned Thursday from the University of Nebraska.

J. L. Long, a merchant from Modale, Ia., is in the city for a few days.

C. G. Mason, a Marshall, Mo., stockman, is registered at the Merchants.

Mr. Benjamin Cotton returned yesterday from Andover college to spend the holidays in the city.

Mr. H. A. Thompson of Thompson & Belden, has been called east by the serious illness of his father.

John W. Hamilton, ahead of "The Telepone Girl" company, is in town arranging for a date at one of the theaters.

M. L. Blumenstock, advertising manager for the People's store, has gone to Chicago to spend Christmas with his family.

Senator F. E. Warren of Wyoming passed through the city Saturday on his way home from Washington to spend the holidays.

H. W. Bowen, western representative of the Marshall Field company of Chicago, has arrived in the city and will make his home at the Millard with his mother.

Joseph Weinstein of St. Louis, representing the Hass-Jeans Clothing company of that city, has removed to Omaha and will reside at the Millard hotel during the winter. Mrs. Weinstein will arrive today.

Harrold T. Cooley, a prominent traveling man of the Lee Broom and Duster company of Davenport, Ia., and Lincoln, Neb., is in the city. He is well known in Omaha, having been connected with the local press for some years past and read law in the office of his brother, Julius S. Cooley, of this city.

F. L. Mary, one of the clerks in the governor's office, came to Omaha yesterday to visit the South Omaha stock yards and secure an idea of their workings. He had gone to Plattsmouth to spend Christmas with his wife's family and availed himself of the opportunity his visit afforded of running up to Omaha and South Omaha.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

John Melow of Adair, Ia., arrested for being drunk, claims he was robbed of $50 some time during his spree.

Perry & Bauer report the loss of two crates of eggs from the rear of their wholesale house at 1213 Howard street.

The employes of the Richardson Drug company are indebted to C. F. Weller, president of the company, for turkeys for their Christmas dinner.

The Omaha section of the Council of Jewish Women will meet Tuesday instead of Monday at 4 p. m. in the lecture room of the Omaha Public library.

Rev. Father McGovern told the police yesterday that a pair of brass candlesticks are missing from the cathedral at Ninth and Harney streets.

Any man, woman or child who has not had a "square meal" on Christmas day up to 6 p. m. is invited to Trinity cathedral parish house as a guest to the dean's dinner party.

The Omaha Philosophical society will hold a meeting in the lecture room of the public library this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Subject: "Hero Worship." Opening address by J. J. Points.

Peter Kirt was robbed Friday night in a lower Farnam street wine room while entertaining some newly made friends. Lillie Stewart, Harry Hawkins and Fannie Bradshaw were arrested on suspicion.

Rev. Edward F. Trefz, pastor of Kountze Memorial church, has recovered from his recent illness to such an extent that he will be able to conduct the services in his church this morning and evening.

At the federal building the Christmas holiday will be rigidly observed. With the exception of the postoffice, every department will be closed. At the postoffice the carriers will make the morning delivery and the mail windows will be open for a couple of hours in the morning.

In making a run to a fire yesterday afternoon, hose cart No. 2 of the fire department collided with a street car at Thirteenth street and Capitol avenue. The shaft of the cart was driven into the side of the car. Nobody was injured, but the passengers on the car were badly frightened.

DIED.

PARR—Frank, December 23, 1899, aged 14 years, son of Mrs. Mike Parr. Funeral from Grace Lutheran church, 26th street, between Woolworth and Popleton avenues, this (Sunday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment, Prospect Hill. Friends and all members of Capitol lodge No. 3, A. F. and A. M. invited.