NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass.
"Mr. Riley," 5-cent cigar.
Why not smoke the Why cigar?
Leffert, 236 Bdy., tests eyes free.
Gas fixtures and globes at Bixby's.
Fine A. B. C. beer, Neumayer's hotel.
Dr. Stephenson, 101-Pearl St. Tel. 359.
Schmidt's photos, new and latest styles.
You get the best dinners at the Vienna.
Riley, best photographer, 402 Broadway.
Cab. photos $1.50 doz. Williams, 541 Bdy.
J. C. & W. Woodward, architects, 523 Bdy.
W. E. Lewis sells monuments, 301 B'way.
Lemp's beer, Soenke Boysen, sole agent.
Best beer, Budweiser. L. Rosenfeld, Agt.
Scientific optician at Woolman's, 409 B'way.

S. S. Keller left last evening on a trip to St. Louis.

Girl wanted, for housework, at 709 South Sixth street.

Mrs. George T. Melgs has gone to Colorado Springs.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter of 503 North Seventh street, a son.

Campaign pictures and buttons. C. E. Alexander & Co., 333 Broadway.

Mrs. Maria Thomas left yesterday on a visit to friends in Seattle, Wash.

Get your work done at the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway. 'Phone 157.

Attorney John M. Galvin has gone to Colorado for a two weeks' outing.

W. C. Estep, undertaker, 28 Pearl street. Telephones: Office, 97; residence, 33.

Mrs. Pfeiffer and Mrs. Deetken have returned from a pleasure trip to Colorado.

The regular meeting of Bluff City, Masonic lodge No. 71 will be held this evening.

W. F. Graff, undertaker and licensed embalmer, 101 South Main street. 'Phone 506.

Miss Alice Prior of McGee avenue is visiting her sister and other friends in Macedonia, Ia.

U. B. Thomas and family of 100 Bluff street have returned from a visit with relatives at Lincoln, Neb.

Miss Rose Cooper, a teacher in the public schools of Aurora, Neb., is in the city, visiting her sister, Mrs. P. C. Nelson, 923 Avenue B.

A little daughter of Hon. and Mrs. N. M. Pusey fell down stairs at her home yesterday and suffered a severe fracture of the right arm.

Ernest Minnick, charged with assaulting an employe of the Minnick livery barn, was assessed $5 and costs in police court yesterday morning.

Mrs. O. Ewall, who has been visiting with friends at Astoria, Beardstown and other Illinois points for the last two months, has returned home.

Roy Jones, charged with being implicated in a fight at the Meadow Lawn dancing resort, was fined $5 and costs in police court yesterday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Finley Burke of Oakland avenue returned yesterday from a ten weeks' trip to the Pacific coast and through Nevada and Montana.

The remains of Mrs. J. C. Blair, who died Sunday at the Woman's Christian association hospital, were taken yesterday to her home in Newell, Ia., for burial.

Cards are out announcing the wedding in Woodman hall, at 6 o'clock next Sunday evening, of Miss Mary Saltman of this city and Mr. Wolf Andler of Omaha.

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Knox have secured the Odd Fellows' hall in which to hold monthly receptions, beginning in September, for the members of Grace Episcopal church and their friends.

There will be a regular meeting of the Retail Clerks' association this evening at 8 o'clock. There is business of importance to come up for action and every clerk in the city is invited to attend.

The regular meeting of Concordia lodge No. 52, Knights of Pythias, will be held this evening at Hughes' hall. There will be work in the third rank and every member is requested to be present.

Officer Callaghan went to Glenwood yesterday, being a witness in the case against E. Dyke, the young man charged with robbing the cash drawer of the Burlington passenger depot at Hillsdale, Ia.

Attorney Emmet Tinley returned yesterday morning from a two weeks' trip to the lakes and eastern points. Charles R. Hannan, who accompanied him east, will not return until the latter part of the week.

Miss Jessie Norton, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Norton, of South Sixth street, for the last two months, will leave today for Clinton, Minn., where she resumes her position in the city schools.

Henry J. Rohling, who has been connected with the local freight office of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway for the last twelve years, has resigned, to accept a more lucrative position with the Bemis bag company of Omaha.

The children of the Grace Episcopal church Sunday school and their friends will picnic Wednesday at Lake Manawa. A special car will leave the church at 1 p. m. and will make stops at First street and at Pearl and Broadway.

Pat Moran, a saloon keeper of Omaha, has commenced suit in Justice Ferrier's court against Henry Kahler of this city, an employe of the motor company, to recover a bar bill of $23. Moran has garnisheed the wages due Kahler from the motor company.

The receipts in the general fund at the Christian Home last week were $97.01, being $102.99 below the estimated needs for the current expenses of the week and increasing the deficiency in this fund to date to $236.14. The receipts in the manager's fund amounted to $16.60, being $18.40 below the needs of the week and increasing the deficiency in this fund to $120.58 to date.

George W. Sachil, aged 25 years, died yesterday at the Woman's Christian association hospital. Deceased was a Rock Island brakeman and was injured several weeks ago near Lincoln by being knocked from the top of a freight car. The funeral will be held this morning at 10 o'clock from Estep's undertaking rooms on Pearl street and interment will be in Fairview cemetery.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers were filed in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street:

William H. and Joseph H. Bateman to Margaret Bateman, sw¼ 18-77-42, q. c. d.	$ 1
Jane Baldwin et al to William L. Whitney, lots 9 and 10 and part lot 8, block 20, Mill add, q. c. d.	100
A. Hoogewoning to Tony Van Beek, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 1, Meredith's add to Avoca, w. d.	400
Mary E. Watson to R. J. and Lily B. Waterbury, lot 2, block 29, Avoca, w. d.	300
County treasurer to A. J. Seaman, lot 2, block 34; lot 3, block 38, Everett's add., and undivided three-quarters lot 1, block 34, Everett's add, treasurer's d.	40
J. W. Lyman and wife to Margaret L. McGee, lot 6, block 13, Burn's add., and lot 22 and part lot 21, Thomas Elder's add, s. w. d.	250
Charles R. Hannan and wife to P. R. Davis, lots 1 to 15, block 28, and lots 1 to 10, block 49, Brown's subdiv., q. c. d.	1
Seven transfers, total	$1,092

Gravel roofing. A. H. Read, 541 Broadway.

WEAR HAMILTON'S $3.50 Shoes and save $1.50—others have and like them—why not you?

FARM LOANS
Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska and Iowa. James N. Casaidy, Jr., 128 Main St., Council Bluffs.

MONEY TO LOAN On City Property
Savings Loan and Building Associat'n
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

INHERITANCE TAX DECISION

Judge Smith Passes on the Real Estate Phase of the Law.

LAWSON ESTATE ESCAPES THE IMPOST

Amendatory Act Not Retroactive and Consequently Cannot Affect Title that Passed Before Its Enactment.

Judge Smith of the district court handed down his ruling yesterday in the matter of the estate of the late John Lawson, holding that it was not liable for the payment of collateral inheritance tax on the real estate and dismissing the application of State Treasurer Herriott for an order to compel L. F. Potter, the administrator, to pay some of the moneys in his possession belonging to the estate.

The case involved a question of general interest in connection with the Iowa collateral inheritance tax law, which has never been passed upon by the supreme court, and it is understood it will now be taken on behalf of the state to that tribunal for final adjudication.

John Lawson was an unmarried resident of this county near the town of Oakland, where he owned 280 acres of farm land. He also owned 320 acres of land in Texas. He committed suicide by shooting himself September 7, 1896, in Omaha. At the time of his death he owned in addition to his farms considerable personal property. There being no heirs living here Representative L. F. Potter of Oakland was appointed by the district court administrator and took charge of the personal property and real estate. After considerable trouble the administrator discovered three sisters of Lawson, two of whom were living in Minnesota and one in Sweden.

Application was made by State Treasurer Herriott for an order for the payment of collateral inheritance tax to the state and the appraisers under the collateral inheritance law placed the value of the real estate at $11,900 and the personal property at $768.91. The claim for inheritance tax amounted to $633.44.

Payment of the tax was resisted by the heirs on the ground that the collateral inheritance tax law, as originally passed, had been declared unconstitutional; that Lawson died after the passage of the original law, but before the passage of the amendatory act designed to correct its defects, and that therefore the estate was not liable for the payment of the tax.

The supreme court in another case had held that the amendatory act was retroactive as to personal property, but specifically declared that the ruling did not affect real estate, and the question has remained unsettled whether the amendatory act made the law effective as to real estate belonging to persons who died after the passage of the original law and before the passage of the amendment. The ownership of personal property belonging to the estate of a deceased person does not pass to the heirs until such property is distributed by the administrator or executor. The title to real estate, however, it is held, upon the death of the owner vests at once in the heirs and the question at issue in this case was whether the amendatory act of the legislature could disturb these vested rights. Judge Smith, by his ruling, holds that it could not and that so far as the real estate formerly belonging to John Lawson is concerned it is not liable for the payment of collateral inheritance tax.

Commonwealth 10-cent cigar.

HIGH SCHOOL SITE UP AGAIN.

Prospects of an Appeal from the Latest Location Are Good.

The thirty days in which an appeal can be taken from the action of the Board of Education in selecting the Street site as a site for the new High school building will expire next Monday. An appeal, however, will be taken before the expiration of the time limit and a well known attorney stated yesterday that the papers would be filed with the county superintendent some day this week without fail. The attorney said that he had been instructed to draft the papers by one of his clients and if he had not he would have appealed himself rather than allow the school to be built there without a protest.

In speaking of the matter yesterday a member of the board said he had hoped there would be no further litigation over the High school site, as if there was it would mean that the school would not be built this year. He said he believed that if an appeal was taken from the selection of the Street tract that the majority of the members of the board would vote again to place the school on the Glen avenue property. If this was done he realized this would certainly invite another appeal and that would end all chances of building the school this year.

The school board will hold its regular monthly session this evening, but it is not probable that any action will be taken on the site question.

Howell's Anti-"Kawf" cures coughs, colds.

Want Kissell for Assault.

A warrant was issued last Sunday night for the arrest of George Kissell on the charge of assaulting J. C. Hickman with intent to kill. Mrs. Kissell went to the home of her mother, Mrs. Hickman, Sunday afternoon and complained that her husband was drinking and gambling and not providing for their home in a suitable manner. Hickman carried a note from Mrs. Kissell to her husband, in which she warned him not to remove any of the furniture, as she feared that he might try to dispose of it to secure money to buy drink with. This enraged Kissell and he charged Hickman with fomenting his domestic troubles. He struck Hickman with a board, knocking him down and seriously injuring him. Kissell, after knocking Hickman down, escaped and so far has eluded the officers. He is believed to be in hiding in Fairmount park.

Davis sells paint.

Horses Stolen.

When Robert Budatz, living at 1050 East Broadway, went to his barn early yesterday morning to hitch up he discovered that his bay horse, Concord buggy and a new set of harness had been stolen during the night.

W. H. Kukhn, a market gardener living just east of the city near the School for the Deaf, reported to the police yesterday morning that during the previous night his barn had been entered and a sorrel mare and a top buggy and harness stolen.

The police also received word that two horses had been stolen from a farm house near Neola.

Petitions for Divorce.

Mrs. Ida Arp of Minden asks the court to divorce her from Kapke Arp, whom she married in Klintbeck, Germany, on January 27, 1894. Mrs. Arp alleges drunkenness and cruel treatment and asks for the custody of their two children, boys aged 5 and 2 years respectively; also that Arp be ordered to pay $2.50 a week for each for their support. She is willing to do the rest if he will pay this and give her the household furniture and $500 alimony.

Jonas Adams, who married Alice Adams in Council Bluffs on May 20, 1897, wants a divorce because he alleges his wife has treated him cruelly and has frequently threatened to take his life.

Case of Depravity.

The arrest by the police last night of Mrs. Emma LaRue, alias Mrs. Anderson, and a man named A. Heisman at the home of the former at Twelfth street and Sixteenth avenue revealed a terrible case of depravity. Mrs. Anderson and her paramour have been, according to the stories of the neighbors, been holding a drunken orgy for the last two weeks, while the two little daughters of the woman, aged 7 and 3 years respectively, have been permitted to go unfed and uncared for. The eldest child, it is charged, was sent at all hours to a neighboring saloon to secure drink for her mother and Heisman.

When the officers arrested the couple last night the children were found with barely sufficient clothing to cover them and the elder child said she had had nothing to eat all day. They were taken by the police to the home of an aunt, Mrs. Thomas Brown, living at 1601 South Ninth street, who has agreed with the assistance of an elder sister of the children who works in Omaha, to provide for them. An effort will be made today by the police to have the children legally taken away from their unnatural mother. About two years ago a crippled daughter of Mrs. Anderson, aged 13 years, committed suicide by drinking poison because she could not stand the ill treatment she was subjected to.

District Court Notes.

Leo Wolfson commenced suit in the district court here yesterday against Allen Bros. company of Omaha to recover $352.50 which he alleges to be due him on orders secured for the sale of baking powder. Wolfson alleges that under a contract dated May 24, 1899, he was appointed general agent by Allen Bros. for the sale of the baking powder in the state of Texas and the city of Shrevesport, La. He secured 251 orders for single barrels of the powder, of which number Allen Bros. accepted and shipped 113, but have refused to fill the other 138 orders. It is his commission on these 138 orders that he now sues for.

Mike L. Kadel alleges that George Kassing has been circulating defamatory stories about himself and his reputation has been injured to the extent of $1,000, to recover which he brought suit yesterday in the district court. Both parties live in Neola.

The trial of the suit of D. J. Fogerty against G. L. Newland and wife to recover $1,900 on an alleged contract for the purchase of fruit trees was commenced before a jury in the superior court yesterday.

Work of Burglars.

Burglars were abroad again Sunday night and two cases of houses entered were reported to the police.

O. C. Brown, living at 346 Benton street, reported that during the night his house had been entered and a gold watch and chain stolen from his vest pocket while it was hanging over a chair beside his bed. Entrance to the house was effected by removing a screen from the window.

A thief broke the lock on the barn at the home of Mrs. B. Durgan, Sixteenth avenue and Sixth street, sometime during Sunday night and stole a box of carpenter tools belonging to Joseph S. Bejma of 1811 South Thirteenth street.

Council Meeting Tonight.

The city council will meet in adjourned regular session tonight to approve the contracts with E. A. Wickham for the paving of the third group of streets. City Engineer Etnyre is expected to have his report ready, showing on which streets ordered improved the property will not stand the assessment, and it altogether depends on this report which streets will be ordered paved and the contracts entered into. The street commissioner controversy has also been made a special order of business for tonight, to follow the paving question.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed have been issued to the following persons:

Name and residence.	Age.
George W. Wilt, Omaha	35
Mrs. Maxie H. Grove, Omaha	34
Elijah East, Omaha	26
Anna Meikle, Omaha	22
Fred W. McCoy, Council Bluffs	24
Mrs. Jennie E. Lowrey, Council Bluffs	34

FLOYD MONUMENT STARTED

Cornerstone is Laid at Sioux City with Very Impressive Ceremonies.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Aug. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—With very impressive ceremonies the cornerstone of the Floyd memorial monument was laid this afternoon. In a few months more the tribute of the nation and state to explorer Charles Floyd, who helped Lewis and Clark to explore the great northwest, will stand completed, rising 100 feet from a bluff that overlooks the great river he helped to explore. Nearly 1,000 people gathered to witness the ceremonies and to hear the addresses of ex-Congressman George D. Perkins and State Senator E. H. Hubbard; among them a number of distinguished men of this section of the west. The monument marks the site of the old grave of the explorer, who gave up his life nearly a century ago while trying to blaze away through the unknown west for a later civilization. It will be an obelisk in shape and will rise to a height of 100 feet. Land has been purchased around the monument site for a park and the city expects some time in the future to develop and improve the grounds.

Church Celebrates Anniversary.

JEFFERSON, Ia., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Methodist church at Grand Junction was observed in the latter town yesterday. The principal feature of the anniversary was the sermon delivered by the Rev. Joseph Manning, now of this city, who organized the "class" at Grand Junction thirty years ago. Rev. Manning is about 80 years old, having been in the ministry nearly sixty years. He is the father of Former Lieutenant Governor Orlando H. Manning of Iowa, author of the famous epigram, "A school house on every hill and no saloon in the valley."

The church is somewhat noted for the extraordinay number of preachers who have ministered to the charge during the twenty-five years of its existence, there being no less than nineteen, many of whom were present and participated in the ceremonies yesterday.

A Close Call.

Mr. Henry Phipps had an attack of colic that he says would certainly have proved fatal before a physician could have reached him. He was cured by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy before the doctor arrived. Mr. Phipps is a well known citizen of Beckly, W. Va.

CRIME IN OFFICIAL LIFE

Scandal Brought to Light Regarding State Institutions of Iowa.

CROOKED WORK CHARGED AGAINST STONE

Superintendent of Industrial Department of the Mt. Pleasant Hospital Arranges to Deliver Quantity of State's Goods.

DES MOINES, Aug. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—The News tonight devotes several columns to an expose, in which it claims the state is about to be plunged into the depths of a scandal of gigantic proportions affecting the reputation of men high in official life and threatening to extend its ramifications to more than one of the state's institutions.

The fact has been unearthed that the industrial department of the Hospital for the Insane at Mt. Pleasant has been selling large quantities of the state's supplies to various parties for a small part of their value. These good are purchased by the State Board of Control in large lots and at wholesale or less than wholesale prices, but the thieves who have been looting the state and indirectly depriving the unfortunate inmates of its institutions of many of the comforts provided by the generosity of the state have been selling the goods at almost half of their selling value and dividing the spoils among themselves.

Boldness of the Thefts.

It is said that some of the goods have been unblushingly shipped away from the Mt. Pleasant depot, but most of them have been hauled in wagons to other stations and shipped to the consignees under ficticious names. Numerous shipments have been made to one firm at Burlington and by them resold in larger or smaller lots, but always at less than their value. It is even believed that the fire which on July 15, 1900, destroyed the building of the industrial department was the desperate and deliberate work of the gang of plunderers, whose crimes are soon to be laid bare, and it is hoped adequately punished. It is thought that they having been selling the state's supplies for months or years fired the shop in order to conceal a portion of the evidence of their crimes.

The snap was given away by a Des Moines boy who was confined in the asylum for a time and he and Eli Hardin, a well known Des Moines detective, have worked up the case which was turned over to the state officers today. The climax of exposure was reached when John M. Stone, superintendent of the industrial department of the Mt. Pleasant hospital, arranged to deliver a quantity of goods to the purchaser in Des Moines, the purchaser being none other than Hardin, the detective.

Had Confidence in Stone.

Stone has long enjoyed the confidence of the state. He was formerly connected with the Clarinda asylum and went with Superintendent Hoyt from there to Mt. Pleasant. It was a great surprise to the state authorities to learn that Stone was directly or indirectly connected with the sale of state goods and he will be given every opportunity to prove that his part of the work was done innocently and at the behests of others. It must be confessed, however, that letters written by Stone and now in the hands of the authorities make an ugly showing, indicating not only that he knew what he was doing, but took measures to place his actions behind the shield of secrecy. Part of his letters reveal remarkable boldness in disposing of the goods and show the audacity of a Napoleon in execution.

It is stated that the Board of Control will probably prosecute all the offenders. It is believed that thousands of dollars worth of supples have been sold.

Chairman Huffman of the democratic state central committee says the democratic committee, the candidates for the state and congressional offices and the chairman of the various county committees of the state will meet in Des Moines August 29 for the purpose of canvassing the entire situation and laying plans for the hottest campaign ever waged by democracy in the state.

ROBBER DID CLEVER WORK

Detectives Making Hard Search for Express Package of Missing Money.

BURLINGTON, Ia., Aug. 20.—The amount of money contained in the express package from which the contents were stolen enroute from Chicago was $20,000 instead of $25,000, as reported. The theft was one of the smoothest pieces of work known to the express or bank officials here. The package left the Commercial National bank, Chicago, Friday afternoon and was delivered to the Adams Express company, which brought it here Saturday morning and delivered it to the bank at 8:30, when the discovery was made that the package contained twenty bundles of neatly trimmed waste paper. Cashier John Fleming immediately reported to Adams Express Agent Kinney and the two went to Chicago with the dummy package. The address on the fraudulent package is claimed by the Chicago bank officials to be a forgery of their clerk's handwriting. Several Chicago detectives are here working on the case.

INFANT DIES FROM NEGLECT

Woman at Fort Dodge May Be Held on a Serious Charge.

FT. DODGE, Ia., Aug. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—A revolting case of possible infanticide has just been discovered here. Sunday evening while some men were walking through some thickets along the Des Moines river bank they discovered a woman lying in the thicket with a new born child by her side. She had been there since Thursday night and had been exposed to the heavy rains. The child was born Saturday night. It was dead when found and no effort had been made on the part of the mother to save its life. The woman's name is McIntyre and she formerly lived in Sioux City. She has been arrested and may be held to the grand jury for infanticide.

Iowa Man Killed by Train.

GLENWOOD, Ia., Aug. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Chester R. Andrews, a prominent farmer living twelve miles southeast of Hillsdale, was struck by Burlington passenger train No. 3 at what is known as the Reasoner crossing, two miles east of Glenwood, as he was driving home from this place, receiving injuries from which he died at 5:30. The buggy in which he was riding was demolished, but the hourse was uninjured.

Governor Shaw in Sioux City.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Aug. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Governor L. M. Shaw was in Sioux City today, but not, he declared, in connection with his forthcoming appointment of a United States senator to succeed Gear, but on a pure matter of personal business. He had a short visit with ex-Congressman George D. Perkins of the Journal, but he had nothing to say of the nature of their visit. While Governor Shaw was not averse to talk about the senatorship he refused absolutely to give any intimation of his probable appointment. "I have not made up my mind to whom I will give the appointment," he declared, emphatically. "The matter is still open and every candidate whose name has been suggested is still in the race as much as ever."

Hail Does Much Damage.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Aug. 20.—(Special.)—"As I begin to foot up the hail losses of the past summer," stated J. H. Ayers, a prominent representative of a hail insurance company, "I am greatly surprised at the total damage that was inflicted upon the crops in Woodbury, Plymouth and Monona counties. The total loss in these counties will foot up not less than $100,000. The storms in which losses occurred were never so numerous as in the present season. In one section of Woodbury and Plymouth counties not less than four storms swept over it since June 20, and nearly all its crops have been partially or totally destroyed. This refers principally to small grain; corn generally escaped without very great damage.

South Omaha News.

For the third time this summer the Board of Education went through the formality of purchasing the Hector site at Twenty-third and K streets for a public school building.

The matter came up at a meeting of the board held last night. All members were present with the exception of Roberts, who is out of the city. Upon request Attorney Breen reported on the decision of Judge Keysor, which was given Wednesday last. According to the court the board has a right to purchase sites for school buildings providing there is money on hand to pay for the same. When the decision had been given Member Ryan offered a resolution to the effect that the sum of $6,500 be set aside for the specific purpose of purchasing a school house site. As there is something like $14,000 in the hands of the treasurer of the district at this time there was no objection to the appropriation from any one except Mr. Brennan.

As soon as the appropriations had been made Ryan bobbed up with another resolution authorizing the president and secretary to enter into a contract and sign warrants for the purchase of the Hector property. This resolution passed by a vote of 7 to 1, Brennan voting against it.

It is thought now that this settles the matter ,although Secretary Brennan may still refuse to sign a warrant for the purchase price. In case he refuses it is understood that the courts will be appealed to in an effort to compel him to attach his signature to the warrant.

The board authorized the drawing of a warrant for $51 for the payment of the premium on Treasurer Koutsky's surety bond.

The bond and contract with George L. Dare for the heating apparatus at Lowell school was approved. This work will cost $2,166.

Superintendent Wolfe called the attention of the board to the need of new text books, and he stated that he was anxious to have the orders go in now so that the books might reach here in two weeks. This matter will be taken up at the meeting to be held next Monday night.

D. J. Farrell was awarded the contract for building outhouses at a cost of $695.

New floors will be laid in two of the halls at the High school building. Bids for fitting up a basement room at the Lincoln school will be advertised for at once.

No Bids for Repairing Pavement.

Not a single bid for the repairing of Twenty-fourth street was received by City Clerk Shrigley yesterday and so he will have to report to the city council that the advertisement for bids for this work proved futile. It is the desire of Mayor Kelly and the city council to have the street repaired before the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities and it was the intention to call a special meeting of the council to open the bids. Since no bids have been received there will be no necessity for a special meeting. It is understood that the paving contractors will not submit bids for the reason that no appropriation was made to pay for the work. Prior to the introduction of the levy and appropriation ordinances some members of the council favored setting aside a certain sum for the repairs to Twenty-fourth street, but acting on the advice of City Attorney Montgomery this item was omitted from the appropriation sheet and in consequence no bids have been received. Paving contractors do not appear to like the methods in vogue here in regard to such matters and will positively refuse to bid unless the money to pay for the work is set aside. The city attorney asserted that money could be taken from either the general or special license funds for the repairs, but this is not to the liking of the contractors and the result will be that no bids will be sent in until an appropriation is made.

Inquest Over George Young.

Coroner Swanson held an inquest yesterday over the remains of George Young, who was killed Saturday at Cudahy's. The jury after hearing the evidence of a number of witnesses, returned a verdict to the effect that the deceased came to his death by an accident caused partially by his own carelessness and partially by the carelessness of the Union Stock Yard company. Testimony showed that the engineer of stock yard engine No. 3 whistled long and loud for Young to get off the track and that he put his fingers in his ears to shut out the noise without looking around to see what the whistling was for.

Funeral services over the remains were held at the First Presbyterian church at 5 o'clock last evening, Rev. Dr. Wheeler officiating. The interment will be at Schuyler, Neb. Members of Beech camp of the Modern Woodmen attended the services in a body.

Clerk Shrigley's Statement.

Here is a statement of the 1900 appropriation, less the 15 per cent reserve, plus the balances remaining in the funds on August 1:

Street repair	$ 4,275	Fire	5,959
Water	8,333	Police	8,339
Salary	6,571	Park	1,548
General	4,529	Judgment	26,846
Interest	13,275		
Public light	8,547	Total	$93,598
Engineer	1,244		

From the books of the clerk there is an overdraft of only $31.66, and that is in the salary fund. All of the other funds pulled through the fiscal year with balances. The total balances for the fiscal year just passed amount to $2,272. While the 1900 appropriation comes to $107,480, a deduction must be made for the 15 per cent reserve, which leaves $91,368 of this year's levy available for warrants, in addition to the balances left over from the 1899 fiscal year.

Found in Pitiable Condition.

Two fishermen residing south of the city last Sunday afternoon came upon a man who was half buried in quicksand and mud at the edge of a sandbar in the Missouri. They were rowing out to their lines when they discovered him.

He was too weak from the exposure to give an accurate account of himself, but after an investigation it was learned that he was John Sweeney, an inmate of St. Bernard's hospital at Council Bluffs, who had wandered away in a delirium. Every care and attention was given the unfortunate man until the hospital authorities could come, but he was so exhausted that fears are now entertained for his recovery, even under the most fortunate conditions. His address was learned by a small bible that he carried in his pocket, the gift of the hospital at which he had been staying.

Magic City Gossip.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brennan, Twenty-seventh and L streets.

Street Commissioner Clark is repairing the culvert at Twenty-second and L streets.

A. L. Coleman is in Chicago, but is expected home about the middle of the week.

Mrs. M. Lamb of Chicago is the guest of P. McMahon, Twentieth street and Missouri avenue.

Officer Newman has been designated as acting chief of police during the absence of Chief Mitchell.

Thomas C. Allen, one of the clerks at the postoffice, has returned to duty after a week's vacation.

Mrs. P. McMahon and Mrs. P. Sheehy have returned from Excelsior Springs, where they spent three weeks.

Officer John Briggs has tendered his resignation as a member of the police force and will go into business for himself.

Magic City lodge No. 80, Fraternal Union of America, will give an excursion on the steamer Jacob Ritchman on Friday evening, August 24.

Former Councilman John F. Schultz and family have arrived in New York from an extended European trip and will reach South Omaha on Thursday.

The Swift ball team defeated the Neola boys Sunday by a score of 10 to 7. Swifts now claim the state championship, as the Neolas have defeated the Omaha Originals. Those who witnessed the game claim that it was one of the hottest contested and cleanest played games seen during the season.

At the meeting of the South Omaha Gun club last Sunday some very close scores were made, the two highest being those of S. S. and Charles Reemer. They tied at a score of 19. In the final shoot Charles Reemer won. The contest is in the form of a series of shoots for a medal offered by two leading jewelers of the city.

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