

NEWS OF COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Stocker sells carpets and rugs. Letter, eyeglass specialist, 238 Broadway.

DIVIDES THE LIABILITY

Court Passes on Litigation Over Officer & Fussey Bank Failure.

EXPRESS COMPANY GETS PART OF CLAIM

Must Take Chances with Other Creditors for Remainder, While the Messers Are Let Out.

The long-drawn-out three-cornered controversy between the American Express company, the receivers of the defunct Officer & Fussey bank and M. B. Messer and wife over the liability for certain travelers' checks issued by the express company was decided yesterday by Judge Wheeler of the district court in favor of the express company.

Shortly before the Officer & Fussey bank suspended business Mr. and Mrs. Messer, who were about to take a trip to Europe, secured through the bank travelers' checks to the amount of \$1,800 from the express company. Mr. and Mrs. Messer paid the bank \$400 cash and gave their joint note for the remaining \$1,400.

When the bank failed the American Express company looked to Mr. and Mrs. Messer to recover their money, contending that a portion of the proceeds of the checks issued by it had been used by the Messers to take up the note at the bank. The Messers on the other hand contended that they had made no contract at all with the express company and that their liability was solely with the bank and this they had paid up.

The receivers for the bank took the stand that the Messers were the proper parties for the express company to look to for the recovery of its money. Judge Wheeler in his decision held that the American Express company was entitled to a preferred claim against the defunct bank in the sum of \$1,048 and that the balance of its claim, \$352, was to be considered as an ordinary claim against the bank. The preferred claim represented the amount of the note which the Messers were alleged to have taken up with the proceeds of the express company travelers' checks, while the balance represented the amount which they had paid into the bank at the time the bank secured for them the checks.

Fuck's Domestic Soap is Best for Laundry.

Past Week in Social World. Manawa Parties Comprise the Bulk of the Divertissement.

Mrs. Theodore Barker is visiting friends at St. Cloud, Colo. Miss Dickey entertained informally Thursday evening.

Miss Blafog entertained a few friends at cards Friday evening. Miss Orin Cook of Shelby, Ia., is the guest of Miss Flora Cooper.

Mrs. W. A. Maurer has gone to Spirit Lake for a company picnic. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hathaway have gone to Colorado for several weeks' visit.

Miss Laura Nelson left yesterday for a three weeks' trip to Colorado. Miss Eleanor Henning of Omaha is the guest of Miss Lida Miskell of Avenue C.

Miss Hazel Brown is visiting relatives in Earlston, Ia. Miss Cook of Avenue F entertained informally a number of friends Monday evening.

Miss Laura Nelson left yesterday for a three weeks' visit at various points in Colorado. The Woman's Whist club was entertained Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Mary E. Dalley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cass entertained a few friends at supper at Lake Manawa last evening. Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Day and family left yesterday for their summer outing at Lake Okoboji.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Keeline left Friday for an extended trip with friends in Wyoming and Colorado. Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hewitt left Friday evening for San Francisco and other California points.

Miss Minnie Foster has gone to Chicago and various points in Illinois to spend the remainder of the summer. Mrs. F. W. Ouren has gone to Colorado to spend the remainder of the summer among the mountains.

Mrs. E. M. McKune left yesterday for Los Angeles, Cal., where she will spend the remainder of the summer. Theodore Laszkowski and Thomas Farnsworth left yesterday for San Francisco and other points in California.

Miss Adah Dalley entertained a number of friends informally at her home on South street Friday afternoon. Mrs. J. M. Harstow entertained a party of friends at a picnic party at Fairmount park Saturday afternoon.

Oscar Herman and George Linden left Friday for an extended trip to Colorado, Utah, California and other western points. George Treynor, who recently returned to Osceola, Ia., from Council Bluffs, is in the city visiting relatives at Schuyler, Neb.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Atkins, Dr. T. B. Lacey and son, T. Lacey, Jr., are home from their summer trip. Mrs. Charles Test and guest, Miss Hall, left yesterday for New York City, where they will spend several weeks. Mrs. J. Frank of Chicago, accompanied by Miss Muikeus, left yesterday for a couple of weeks' visit at Colfax Springs.

Miss Edna Kline and her guest, Miss Hanniford of Chicago have gone to the Keeline ranch in Wyoming to spend several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Harris of South First street, accompanied by F. G. Miskell, will leave Monday for their month's sojourn at Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Miss Mary Coady of the government school for the blind at Schuyler, Neb., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Coady of Sixth avenue. Miss Gustie Greenewald, who recently returned from San Francisco, is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Oscar Fluemer, at Mitchell, S. D.

Mrs. M. E. Hoesland and daughters, Maude and Mabel, left yesterday for a visit with friends at Wichita, Kan., and Kansas City. They will be absent about a month. Mrs. Ellis Ellis and Miss Frances Bryant left yesterday for a two months' trip along the Pacific coast. They will visit friends at Denver and Salt Lake City on their way home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Watts of North First street were pleasantly entertained Wednesday afternoon at a luncheon by Mrs. E. P. Watts of their friends Saturday evening. A pleasant evening was spent with cards and music.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. McGrew of Chicago are guests of C. W. Brelford and family of Frank street. Mrs. McGrew is the general superintendent of the Chicago postoffice. Miss Nellie Harle entertained at dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Hazelton of Boston, who is spending the summer in this city. The party was pink and white roses. Covers were laid for eight.

Miss Elizabeth Beach entertained a number of young friends at Lake Manawa Thursday afternoon in honor of her guest, Miss Marion of Chicago. The party was pink and white roses. Covers were laid for eight.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beach and daughter, Mrs. J. B. Atkins, Mrs. Horace Ganson, Warner L. Welsh and Mrs. Horace returned the latter part of the week from Spirit Lake, where they have been spending the summer. Mrs. J. Montgomery of Fourth street entertained at a luncheon Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Kathryn Buschell of Chicago, who is the guest of Mrs. Frank True. Mrs. Montgomery was assisted in entertaining by her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Montgomery. Mrs. W. P. Montgomery of Fourth street, Mrs. Edith Brock, Nasturtium and Asparagus ferns were used in the decoration of the room.

Real Estate Transfers. These transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 1501 Pearl street: Orlean Henry to William Shaw, lot 10, block 2, Everett add., W. C. 1.20. Michael O'Connor and wife to William G. Galt, lot 1, block 2, Everett add., W. C. 1.20. Neela (except railroad), W. C. 1.20. Two transfers, total, \$1,200.

Marriage Licenses. Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following: Name and Residence. Age. Eugene H. Cunniff, Council Bluffs, 23. Mary Boggs, Council Bluffs, 18. Mack Turner, Houston, Tex., 24. Lucy D. Fields, Houston, Tex., 24.

Funeral Director. The Lewis Outler—Funeral Director—30 Pearl Street, Phone 97.

MAY BE A CASE OF POISONING

Mystery Surrounds the Death of A. M. Potter of Waverly.

EFFORTS TO ARBITRATE STRIKE TROUBLE

Democrats Offering Inducements for Boies to Run for Congress Against Speaker Henderson.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—There is much mystery surrounding the death of A. M. Potter, a well-known resident of Waverly, who died in a Des Moines hospital at 5 o'clock this afternoon. He had been drinking last night and went to a room at the Kirkwood. This morning Frank Scott called at the hotel and asked to see Potter, remarking that he feared he might be poisoned. He went to his room and found that Potter was dying. A doctor was called, but could not save the man. It appears he was "dooped" before he went to the room. Scott has been arrested, but disclaims any criminal knowledge and declares that the doctor which he had for him was given Potter by mistake. Scott and Scott were together last night and Potter asked a friend, a prominent Des Moines lawyer, to get him away from Scott, which he did and accompanied him to the Kirkwood. Scott is a morphine addict. Potter was head of the Red Cross order, which was recently transferred to an Omaha company.

It is learned that efforts are being made to submit the question of the extent of the telephone strike on the Iowa lines to arbitration. The movement started at Des Moines and a proposal is under consideration here for an arbitration board of three prominent citizens with full power to settle the strike. The arbitration board has not yet consented to arbitration, but may do so later. The officers of the company and leading trades unionists interested are willing to dispose of it in this way.

State Auditor Merriam today sent out notices to the county auditors of the state that the state tax levy this year is 2.5 mills on the dollar, to which should be added the one-fifth mill levy for the building fund of the State university at Iowa City, the one-fifth mill levy for the college at Ames and the one-tenth mill levy for the normal school at Cedar Falls, making a total of 4 mills for state and state educational purposes to be raised this year. He also sent out a notice to the county auditors to the effect that the Board of Review had made a personal assessment of the state for personal property this year. Only personal property was assessed and upon examination of the returns from counties in the state no fault was found at any place. The assessment appears to have been made fairly as between the different classes of property in the different counties of the state. The Board of Review for the first time in several years has made no change in the assessment, so that there will be no additional work of figuring out assessments either at the statehouse or in the counties. The certificates of telephone, express and railroad assessments will all be ready to go out in a few days, when the county auditors can complete their books. The new method of having all this work done by the board of review at this time has been found to work excellently.

Monthly report of the warden of the Anamosa prison shows that there were 398 prisoners there at the close of July, an increase of fourteen in the month and a decrease of twenty-two in the year. The monthly report today issued a charge to the Mount Sterling Savings bank; capital, \$10,000; B. R. Vale, president; W. B. Welch, cashier. The Mallard Lumber company organized with \$10,000 capital; W. S. McEwen, president; H. Fitzgerald, secretary.

Adjutant General Byers went to Okaloosa today to complete arrangements for the camp of the Fifthth Iowa regiment next week. He received word this morning of an accident to George J. Lincoln at Cedar Rapids, who was assisting in the unloading of his horse from the cars after his return home from the encampment at Atlantic, when he stepped off the freight platform and fell on the rails, about five feet high, so badly bruised that he is confined to his home.

Requisition and No Prisoner. A few days ago Governor Cummins issued a requisition for one Patrick Harrington, wanted in Albert Lea, Minn. The prisoner was supposed to be in jail at Toledo. When the sheriff arrived at Toledo with the papers the culprit had departed. The sheriff had been following Harrington, his freedom and as soon as Harrington learned that a requisition was out for him he took to the woods.

Democratic Conventions. The call for the democratic congressional convention in the Second Iowa district has been issued and it will be held at Iowa City September 10. The date of the Eleventh district convention has been fixed for August 27 at the first meeting. No call has yet been issued in the Third district. It is understood that efforts are being made by the democratic national committee to induce ex-Governor Boies to make the race in the Third district against Colonel Henderson.

Three Men Entice Martha Lawrence at Fort Dodge and Are Arrested. FORT DODGE, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Martha Lawrence, a weak-minded girl of this city, was enticed to Fort Dodge and outraged by three young men today. Her assailants are Jim Bayless, Dick Parker and Will Rouse, who have been working on a railroad near here. They were given a preliminary hearing this morning and held to the grand jury in the sum of \$500. The girl was enticed to Fort Dodge by the promise of securing her a place to work in the Bayless household. She was induced to get into a buggy with the three men and taken into the country, where the outrage was committed. Later the men held a drunken orgie on the streets of Clarion.

Bayless lives at Newhampden, Parker at Belmont and Rouse at Redwing, Minn. Foul Play Suspected. SUMNER, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—Friends of Will Eskey are not satisfied with the verdict of the coroner's jury which investigated his death July 12 and returned a verdict of suicide. He was found in a wheat field with a bullet hole in his head and a rifle by his side. The strongest point against the suicide theory is that there was no reason whatever why he should take his own life. His dog must have been near at the time of death, because he led the searching party to the body of the man in the field.

Burlington Changes Head News. CRESTON, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—Constant developments in railroad circles seem to confirm the rumor that the Bur-

TO BUILD NEW OMAHA ROAD

Boston Financier Mortgages Assets of Commutation Company to Construct Line to Sioux City.

SIoux CITY, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—John C. Coombs, the Boston financier who has been the leading figure in the settlement of the assets of the Credits Commutation company, the pool that was made to take care of the property that had depreciated when the big Sioux City boom was exploded in 1893, has purchased the assets of the company for cash. The assets will be hypothecated as security for a loan to build the Omaha & Northwestern railroad between Sioux City and Omaha. There has been a strong fight between Mr. Coombs and Colonel J. G. Elston of Crawfordville, Ind., president of the Sioux City Stock Yards company. Colonel Elston has urged against mortgaging the assets of the company for the purpose of building the road.

The principal asset of the company is the big combination bridge across the Missouri river. Other assets are lands owned by the Gateway Improvement company and the Commutation Land company.

The survey of the Omaha & Northwestern is completed and right-of-way either contracted or paid for. Union terminals will be used in both cities. The new road will pass through the Winnebago reservation. It will run along the river until Decatur is reached, then up to Tama, then to Florence and Omaha. The line will be ten miles shorter than the Northwestern and will be commenced at once.

MAY MEAN NEW IOWA RAILROAD

Prominent Street Car Men Propose to Build Electric Line from Omaha to Sioux City.

OMAHA, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Colonel J. P. Hoor and F. Y. Keaton, prominent street car men of Des Moines, Ia., have been in Sioux City for some days looking up the chances for an electric line from there to Lemars, but not being fully satisfied with the outlook came back yesterday and have decided to build the line from Omaha to Sioux City. The line will be about thirty-seven miles in length and will touch Whiting, Sloan, Salt and Sargents Bluff and parallel the Sioux City & Pacific railroad most of the way.

The towns along the proposed route all thriving and the country is well settled and very fertile. The line would no doubt secure a good share of the business as soon as built.

Charles Hord was instrumental in establishing the first electric light plant at Aurora, Ill., and is one of the stockholders in the new electric line just completed from Chicago to Aurora, on which it is claimed the cars can run seventy miles per hour.

The Colonel does not believe that electricity will take the place of steam for long distances for some time yet, but considers it the best means of communication for short distances.

DRIVE WOMEN OUT OF TOWN

People of Union Object to What They Believe to Be Blackmail.

UNION, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—There has been war and rumors of war for some time in Union, but there has been only one real battle, and that occurred last night, when a crowd gathered and tried to impress upon Messrs. Hamilton Clark and her outfit that they were not wanted in Union. For some time it has been whispered that they were laying their wires to get a hold on one of the business men here, and the matter came to a focus last week when, by their attorneys, Carpenter and Hildner, they went to Albert Readout and demanded a settlement or suffer a suit for \$5,000 for alienating the affections of one Mrs. Clark from her husband. A crowd was formed, with acid eggs, rocks, etc., as weapons. The crowd was followed and finally brought back and surrounded by the crowd and told they were not wanted in Union, and they were given two hours to leave the town.

PRETENDS TO BE HARRY TRACY

Man Walks into Afton Barber Shop and Holds Barber Up for a Shave.

CRESTON, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The town of Afton, just east of Cedar, Pierce, Wayne, Knox and Dixon counties in Nebraska, will change hands. Two syndicates in Randolph, Neb., have been negotiating for the lands, one headed by E. Brough and another headed by S. W. Mosher. The Mosher syndicate avowed the deal and secured an option on the land at \$25.00 an acre. The money to handle the deal will be borrowed from the First National bank of Sioux City.

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TRIO ASSAULTS SIMPLE GIRL

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GAMBLERS RETURN THE FIRE

Man Who Attempts to Hold Up Covington Joint is Shot.

SIoux CITY, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—A sensational holdup and shooting affair in a gambling house in South Sioux City, Neb., (Old Covington) which occurred Thursday night, has just come to light. Two unidentified masked men entered the house operated by "Billy" Knight and William Livingston. Livingston resisted and was struck over the head with a stool. The gambler in the room began to shoot immediately and in the melee one of the holdup men is said to have been severely shot and may die. His location and identity are unknown, further than that he is in South Sioux City and is being attended by a Sioux City physician, who refuses to divulge his name. This is the first outbreak of lawlessness since the gamblers were routed out of Sioux City.

Increase in Union County Receipts. CRESTON, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—The year 1932 promises to be the most profitable year ever known in the receipts of the county recorder's office of Union county. The recorder has already turned over more than \$1,100 worth of fees collected by the office for the first six months, which is in excess of the same period for any previous year. The month of July also shows a decided increase in the business, 210 papers, ninety warrant deeds, forty mortgages, twenty releases, forty chattel mortgages and twenty miscellaneous papers being the record in that month.



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Hington road is intending to make Creston an important railroad center. The latest in the converting of the St. Joseph main runs, which has been going over the Charleston and Kansas City branch via Clarion to the Creston and Hopkins branch via Creston. This brings two more train crews to Creston for their headquarters.

See the Manning Estate. GRINNELL, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—Iowa college has brought an action against the estate of the late Edwin Manning of Van Buren county for certain lands which, it is claimed, Mr. Manning promised to the college some years ago. The land is now worth \$20,000. Edwin Manning was one of the first settlers of Iowa and was very wealthy at the time of his death, having been engaged in mercantile business practically all his life. He was the father of Calvin Manning, a prominent Ottumwa lawyer and banker.

Union County Democrats. CRESTON, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The democratic county convention today named J. H. Schneider for auditor, W. M. Hicks for clerk, O. D. Moorehead for recorder, D. W. Higgins for county attorney. They selected delegates to the state congressional and judicial conventions and adopted a platform, reaffirming the Kansas City platform, condemning the president's Philippine policy, for tariff reform and municipal ownership of public utilities.

Boy's Wound May Be Fatal. CRESTON, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—Eugene Cameron, a 15-year-old boy living a short way from Lenox, a small town south of here, is not expected to live from the effects of a revolver wound accidentally inflicted by his younger brother. The younger brother in playing with the gun accidentally discharged it, the ball entering the body of Eugene near the abdomen. The doctor says there is but slight hope of his recovery.

Find Runaway Girl. FORT DODGE, Ia., Aug. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Ave Ducommun, who ran away from her home in this city last Monday, was arrested at Clarion, going under the name of Alice Bostness of Chicago. Her mother, who has been almost distracted with grief over her daughter's disappearance, has gone after her to bring her home.

STORM DAMAGE IN MINNESOTA

Buildings Unroofed and Tower Blown Down, Crashing Through Building in Redwood Falls.

REDWOOD FALLS, Minn., Aug. 2.—Redwood Falls suffered badly from a heavy windstorm and cloudburst late last night. King Bros' machinery warehouse was unroofed and otherwise damaged.

The courthouse roof was torn off and the city bell tower blown down, crashing through an adjoining building. Shade trees were uprooted and windows broken. Water ran in torrents in the streets. All crops are flat.