

## The Day in Davenport

**Tenant Reports to Courts**—Rentals are so scarce in Davenport that tenants resort to every legal weapon available to retain possession. For instance: In the court of Justice of the Peace W. W. Scott Thursday afternoon the case of H. H. DeVore and F. L. Armstrong, tenant, vs. Scott Cunningham, agent, an action in forcible entry and detainer, was called for trial. If the court rules against the defendant the case will go to the district court on an appeal and application for an injunction restraining the lower court and containing from ousting the Cunningham family. That is just how scarce houses are in the city. Scott Cunningham, who is a traveling man and lives at 1601 East Locust street, dropped his business and returned here from Sioux City to fight the case. His attorney, John Higgins, announced Thursday morning that an application for an injunction would follow an adverse ruling of the justice on the ground that there is a positive impossibility for the plaintiff (meaning Cunningham) to procure a house of any kind, character, or nature, for rent or occupancy, in the city of

Davenport, due to the scarcity of houses.

**Battery Office at Armory**—A recruiting office and general headquarters will be opened up in the new Davenport battery organization. The office will be located across the hall from the present legion headquarters and will occupy the west wing of the old building. Prospects of an early completion of the peace strength quota of the new unit were bright today. It is now regarded as certain that Captain Harry Ward, former commander of D. Battery, will accept the offer of the backers of the new battery here and undertake the task of recruiting the required quota of men. Captain Ward is now employed at the post-office. He is a veteran organizer, having played an important part in the formation of both of Davenport's old units, B and D, of the First Iowa Field artillery.

**Red Cause of Damage Suit**—Is red more dangerous to children, by reason of its attractiveness, than other colors? Red has been the

basic cause of trembling European thrones, it has been the emblem of aggression in the bull pasture and the imperialistic Roman arena. It is now the novel pigment injected into a \$2,000 damage suit growing out of the loss of a baby's finger. The suit is brought by Mrs. Florence Schmalhaus, as "next friend," for her 5-year-old son against Edward Dishinger, grocer. One afternoon when Mrs. Schmalhaus accompanied by her infant son was at the Dishinger store making purchases, the child had his hand caught in an operating coffee mill and one finger was so badly lacerated that it had to be amputated. An action was brought against the grocer charging him with negligence in keeping a coffee mill where children can reach it. The coffee mill was painted a bright red. The plaintiff Thursday in an amended petition filed through her attorneys, W. M. Chamberlin and M. V. Gannon, alleges that the coffee mill, on account of its color and operating machinery, was peculiarly attractive to children.

he suffered four days ago while on a visit at the home of his brother, Jacob Suively, who lives in Davenport.

**Need Police and Firemen**—Shortage of labor has struck the police and fire forces, and the commissioners have sent out the Macedonian call for help to fill vacancies on the fire department which are there already, and to take care of some vacancies which will be created on the police force. With the double platoon system in effect throughout the fire department, there are still half a dozen jobs to be filled, before the force of flame battlers is up to war strength. Several policemen have handed in their resignations to become effective within a couple of weeks, and these, with the vacancies already on the force, will make it necessary to put on several more men.

**Bankers Plan Program**—Ernest R. Moore of Cedar Rapids, will be one of the principal speakers at the annual convention of Group 3, Iowa Bankers' association, which will be held here May 13. Preliminary arrangements for the convention were made at a meeting of the executive committee of the group held Wednesday at the Commercial club. This meeting was attended by W. J. Moore of Tipton, president of the group; Emil Webbles of Muscatine, secretary; A. C. Smith of Clinton; Joe Kelso of Bellevue and A. F. Dawson of Davenport.

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The woman who bought her hat early in the Spring and now wants a fresh hat more suitable for the bright sunny days at hand—

The woman who has made her old winter hat "do", in anticipation of this annual after Easter sale—

Both will find in this sale an opportunity to select from 185 hats which typify the best styles of the Spring and early Summer at prices that mean a big saving over their before Easter prices.

### French Room models included!

Every woman knows of our French Room and of the wonderful hats displayed there. No hat for which there is a duplicate can gain admission—and only the best of models from the foremost milliners of the country are admitted. Tomorrow a number of these exclusive styles are to be thrown into the sale.

### Six Sale-priced groups---

24 hats, formerly priced \$27.50 to \$32.50 go at <b>25</b>	29 hats, formerly priced \$12.50 to \$15.00 go at <b>10</b>
24 hats, formerly priced \$22.50 to \$25.00 go at <b>20</b>	28 hats, formerly priced \$7.95 to \$10.00 go at <b>5.00</b>
40 hats, formerly priced \$16.50 to \$20.00 go at <b>15</b>	40 hats, formerly priced \$3.95 to \$5.00 go at <b>2.50</b>

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