BREAK IN COLD WAVE EXPECTED HERE BY FRIDAY

Relief From Near Zero Temperatures Is Forecast—
Was 6 Above at 8 a.m. This Morning.

LOWEST RIVER STAGE

New Record of Minus .6 of a Foot Set Due to Ice Jams Up Stream.

Rising temperatures are expected in this vicinity Friday by the weatherman. This possibility is viewed with interest, considering the extreme low temperatures of yesterday and today. The mercury at the weather bureau dropped to 13 below zero this morning.

STORK PLAYS SANTA CLAUS

Four Babies Were Born on Christmas Day to Independence Couples.

Four Independence families received Christmas “packages” from the stork as well as Santa Claus on Wednesday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Basham, 217 Independence Avenue, yesterday morning at the Independence Sanitarium. Earlier in the day a daughter had been born to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Doutt, 1510 South Nolan Road, also at the Sanitarium.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Stokes White, 1232 Home Avenue, yesterday morning at the home. Mrs. White formerly was Miss Marie Benzel.

Another Independence boy, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Momyer, 618 East Lexington Street, was born at St. Vincent's Hospital in Kansas City.