

THE DEATH OF JOHN CROUGHAN

Passed Away This Morning After Quite a Long Illness—He was Well Known in Keokuk.

EIGHTY-FOUR YEARS OLD

Lived to a Ripe Old Age—Was a Member of St. Peter's Catholic Church and Was Consistent Member.

Shortly before 7 o'clock this morning at the family residence, 206 Bank street, occurred the death of John Croughan, a well known and old time citizen of Keokuk, who had made this city his home for the past fifty-four years.

The news of his death will be received as that of sadness by his many acquaintances in this city as he was a friend of all, trustworthy and honest, and a good christian man.

The death of Mr. Croughan came as the culmination of a long sickness. On November 19, he was taken to bed with a stroke of paralysis and since that time his decline was quite rapid. During the past week when his condition was very low, and few expected that his feeble frame would be able to survive this late paralytic stroke, there were many inquiries made by friends.

The deceased was a consistent member of St. Peter's Catholic church.

Born in Ireland.

John Croughan was born in County Roscommon, Ireland, eighty-four years ago and by careful living was able to prolong his life for that length of time. Sixty years ago he came to America and six years later to this city. It was in Keokuk fifty-two years ago that he was united in marriage to Anna Connors, who still survives. During the long residence of Mr. Croughan in Keokuk he made a host of friends who extend sympathy to the relatives in their late bereavement.

Those surviving are the following: Wife, daughters, Mrs. Peter Costello, Mrs. G. Mulroy, Mrs. Thomas Joyce and Elizabeth, all of this city, one brother, Hugh of St. Louis.

AMUSEMENTS.

Society was again in a happy mood at the Roll-away last night, and the merry couples rolled away until a late hour, and the management was complimented many times on the Thursday evenings "at home" to couples only, as far as skating is concerned. Many who have never skated for many years are now participating joyfully in a former pleasant and healthful pastime and as the days go by, the popularity of the Roll-away continues to increase. There is not a single unpleasant feature connected with the new place of amusement. Every care is taken to see that all have an enjoyable time, both afternoons and evenings. Scores have learned to skate since the new amusement place was opened, and scores are still learning. There will be another jolly party tonight, and tomorrow night. Patrons are reporting early in order to make certain of skates. The splendid music by the band is an ever enjoyable feature.

CITY NEWS.

Fresh rabbits at Tigues, 10c. Meet me at the Roll-away. Fruits, figs and dates at Burke's. T. R. Board is ill at his home at Seventh and Franklin streets. K. H. S. vs. Mt. Pleasant, at "Y" gym this evening. See a good game. Why not a piano for Christmas? See the new interior player at the W. W. Kimball Co. See the W. W. Kimball Co.'s fine line and get their easy terms. G. C. Green, the popular driver of the Hotel Keokuk bus is ill at his home, 825 Exchange street. Make the home a Christmas present of a "Kimball" piano. You can buy one at a reasonable price, and on easy terms. See their fine line. An extra on the Q passed through the city this afternoon at 3:30 from Hannibal and was on its way to Burlington. Railroad business is on the increase again. A "Kimball" piano for Xmas. Just to please the children, the Golden Rule will have a real live Santa Claus and his little son, in their window from 2:30 to 4:30 Saturday afternoon. Just the thing for a Christmas gift, a reading lamp, King Plumbing Co. Saturday Christmas sale for Saturday from 7 a. m. till 9 p. m. William A. Rogers's best standard silverware, regular \$2 and \$2.50 per set teaspoons at 12c each; regular \$4.50 and \$5.50 per set tablespoons at 24c each; regular \$2 and \$3.50 per set desert spoons at 21c each; regular \$4 and \$4.50 per dozen knives at 24c each; regular \$1.50 and \$5.00 per dozen forks at 24c each. Limit of six of a kind to a customer. Duncan-Schell Firm, Co.

SOCIETY

A party of young people will enjoy a dance in Hawkes hall this evening. Music for dancing will be furnished by the Agne orchestra.

A marriage license was issued this afternoon to George L. Rueber of Fort Dodge, and Miss Eleanor S. Nelson, of Keokuk. The wedding is to take place on Thursday morning, December 24, at the home of the bride, No. 616 Palean street, and the couple will leave that morning for Fort Dodge, which will be their future home.

Yesterday afternoon in the assembly hall at the corner of Fourth and High streets in St. Francis church, the ladies of the church held their annual Christmas apron sale. The affair in every way was a success for the ladies. An apron table with many pretty aprons on sale was in charge of Mesdames Weisman and Wedler. A pretty candy table with many Xmas candies was in charge of Mrs. Carl Weber. A coffee was held in connection with the bazaar and many ladies enjoyed the afternoon here. Those who had charge of this part of the afternoon festival were: Mesdames Murphy, McManus, Jas. Cameron, Jr., and Timmond.

CITY NEWS.

Double disc records, 65c. Wolfe's. Ask for Goldrim flour, Immegeart's. Doll cabs and go-carts at Wolfe's. Holly and Christmas trees at Wolfe's. Choice dressed poultry at Joseph Haubert's market. A pocket light makes a good gift. Get it at Wolfe's. Gas and electric reading lamps. King Plumbing Co. Electric Christmas tree outfits. King Plumbing Co. Special prices on Christmas slippers and shoes until Christmas at Ludwig's. Coroner Fred Korschen left this afternoon for Ft. Madison at which place he will serve papers for Sheriff Datin. Call at the new grocery and poultry store, 720 Main. Dressed poultry a specialty. Everything new. Bell phone. W. A. Paris, proprietor. Christmas perfumes at Englehardt & Co., 900 Main. Toilet sets, manicure sets, at Englehardt & Co., 900 Main street. Shaving sets, traveling sets, at Englehardt & Co., 900 Main street. Sealship oysters at Immegeart's. Sleds and skates at Wolfe's. If you are looking for anyone, drop in at the Roll-away, sure to find them there. and under sides of the cars with snow. No. 12, arriving in the city this morning at 8:50 had two Rock Island coaches which were covered on the roofs and ice. From all appearances there has been some heavy snow fall farther north. 20c for tin trunk with padlock filled with one pound mixed nuts. 25c for one-pound mixed chocolates and hand-made fruit and nut top glacier. At Sutlive Bros. & Co. A traveling man came running to the depot this afternoon just after the south bound train had pulled out and was passing Bank street. The man gazed woefully after the train and then picking up his grip which he had thrown down turned and went slowly up the hill to await the next train. The sure and see the fine candies, baskets and bon bon boxes at Oak Hall candy store. In the district court this afternoon the case of Dr. W. Frank Brown vs. Preston Hickman was commenced. The case being one of a suit for the \$392 doctor's bill. The following jury was secured to hear the evidence: Albert Lutz, N. Rudd, Tom McDonald, W. E. Bowney, L. H. Surrena, Alois Gumble, John Harris, Sr., Thomas Freeman, Ernest Lindstrom, E. S. Powell, A. B. Metz and John Kelleher. Buy good candy at Burke's. Headquarters for Lownie's candies in boxes for nice Christmas gifts at Burke's, 504 Main. Keokuk made goods are as good as any other goods. Buy them and help local industries. Deputy Sheriff Crimmins went down into Missouri yesterday and brought Roy Stacy back, he being a colored man who was indicted by the grand jury at the last session of that body. There was no prosecution, for this afternoon a marriage license was issued for Stacy and Birdie Morgan and the two were united in marriage. The negro had no money and the county attorney advanced the necessary amount to pay for the license and the ceremony, while the sheriff gave Stacy a suit of clothes and he made quite a handsome bridegroom. Holiday crowds every afternoon and evening at the Roll-away. Join out. A Mexican section hand, working on the Santa Fe double track at Dumas, wandered away from the camp and turned up this morning at the O'Brien's home near Sugar Creek and O'Brien's begged for something to eat. O'Brien brought the man to Keokuk this afternoon and turned him over to the police station, but no one could understand him. He will be shipped to Fort Madison and from there the San-Fe officials will likely send him back to his work.

FOURTH CONCERT OF THE SERIES

Torrence School Pupils Delight a Large Audience and Concert is One of the Best of the Series.

ARTISTS TO BE HERE

Proceeds of Entertainment Will go to a Fund to be Used in Bringing Well Known Artists.

Today the fourth of the series of concerts of the grade school was given at Torrence school. Ten cents admission is charged to each concert. The proceeds will be used to pay artists to come to Keokuk and sing for the school children. These artist recitals will provide music so near perfection that it will be a means of helping the children to form a standard so they can discriminate between the good and the bad in singing. A contract has been made with Miss Eva Emmett Wycoff of New York and she will give three recitals for the children in February. Miss Wycoff has become a most successful concert singer since going to New York, and stops here while on a concert trip to the Pacific coast. The program is as follows:

- Torrence School. First room, Miss Klyn, teacher. The Train—Alice Bentley. A. B. C Song—McCurrie. This Little Piggie—McCurrie. The Shoemaker—Mrs. Gaynor. Clapp Your Hands—Mrs. Gaynor. Second room, Miss Vermillion, teacher. Tinkle, Tinkle Cup—McCurrie. Bubbles, Morning Glory, Salute the Flag—Mrs. Gaynor. Christmas Song—Eldridge. Third room, Miss Spears, teacher. Spinning Song—Reinicke. Sea Shells—Julia Adam. Dixie—Emmett. Johnny-Schmoke—Anon. Fourth room, Miss Calkin, teacher. The Raindrops, the Snowflakes—From the French. The Wind—Glechrist. Star Spangled Banner—Keyes. Fifth room, Miss Wende, teacher. In Spring, Hunting Song, Hush the My Babe—Sullivan. The Forge—Handel-Watson. Sixth room. Way Down on the Swanee River—Foster. Vesper Hymn—Russian. Spring Song—Mendelssohn. Spinning Chorus—Wagner. Wonderful Star—Eldridge.

UNITARIAN BAZAAR AND SUPPER

Was Held this Afternoon in the Church Parlors and the Supper This Evening.

The Unity Circle and the Woman's Alliance of the Unitarian church held their annual Christmas bazaar this afternoon in the parlors of the Unitarian church at Fourth and High. The Unity Circle had charge of one part of the pretty affair and the Alliance ladies the other part. In charge of the Unity Circle was the candy table, at which sweet meats were sold to many who called during the afternoon. Those in charge of this concession were: Misses Jennie Holt and Helen Hodge. At the fancy work table where many pretty articles were on sale those in charge were: Misses Mabel Fuerst and Helen Bradford. In the large recess at the end of the room Misses Conna Roche and Leo Currier served delicious hot tea to the ladies who visited their table during the afternoon. The Alliance ladies had charge of fancy work table, and a bag table. Mrs. J. F. Elder was in charge of this table. The bag table was in charge of Mrs. Hollingsworth and Mrs. Hugh Hodge. The affair was entirely successful for the ladies and the many who called during the afternoon were well repaid for their visit. A fine chicken pie supper will be served this evening to the guests.

PERSONALS.

E. M. Shelton, a Burlington C. B. & Q. attorney, was in the city today on business. Mrs. Pieper who has been visiting with Mrs. Frank Westerhoff left this afternoon for Fort Madison where she will visit. Thos. John, traveling freight agent of the Wabash, was in the city today. Mrs. Frank Singleton returned this afternoon after a weeks visit in Nauvoo with relatives. W. C. Thon left this afternoon for Montrose on business. Miss Eunice Peters left this morning for Iowa state college at Ames, for a few days visit with her brother. E. S. Hoyt is expected home this evening from a six weeks trip on the road.

WANT COLUMN

WANTED.

WANTED—Railroads are again calling for hundreds of trained men to fill positions as firemen, brakemen, electric railway motormen and conductors. Uncle Sam also wants more competent men for railway mail clerks, carriers and P. O. clerks. Our practical courses by mail will fit you in a short time for any of these good paying positions. Write today for free catalogue and say for what position you want to qualify. The Weather Ry. Corres. School, Freeport, Ill. Dept. 358. tf

WANTED—500 men to learn barber trade and take positions waiting our graduates. Few weeks completes. Constant practice furnished, scholarship include tools, instructions, demonstrations, examinations and diplomas. Write for catalogue. Moler Barber College, St. Louis, Mo. tf

FOR SALE OR FOR RENT—House and lot 811 South Sixteenth street. J. S. Ferguson, 1601 Carroll. tf

WANTED—A good girl for general housework. Apply "A," this office.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Two large, front, elegant office rooms, steam heated, second floor Younker's building, Fifth and Main. Two entrances from street. Easy stairs. Nothing better on Main street. Reasonable rental. See J. C. Paradise Realty Co., Gate City building. tf

FOR RENT—Dwelling with gas, bath and barn. Also farm near Keokuk inquire 727 Morgan street. tf

FOR RENT—Eight room house, 815 Concert. Apply 722 Franklin street. tf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Flyer for short time only. The two cottages of 5 rooms each, and barn, all on one lot, 19th and Tlamea streets, \$1,050. Reduced from \$1,300. Monthly rental \$12.50. Will net 12 per cent on investment. Owner needs money. Dirt cheap at \$1,300. J. C. Paradise Realty Co., Gate City building. tf

FOR SALE, RENT OR TRADE—Restaurant and lunch room, 920 Main street. 18-2

TODAY'S MARKETS

Furnished by Bennett & Co., Commission Merchants and Members of the Chicago Board of Trade—W. W. Gwin, Local Representative, 312 Johnson street.

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 18.—Open. High. Low. Close.

WHEAT—

Dec. . . . 100% 100% 100% 100% May . . . 105% 106 105% 106 July . . . 97% 97% 97% 97%

CORN—

Dec. . . . 57% 57% 57 56% May . . . 60% 60% 60% 60% July . . . 60% 60% 60% 60%

OATS—

Dec. . . . 49% 49% 48% 48% May . . . 51% 51% 51 51 July . . . 46% 46% 45% 45%

Chicago—Hogs receipts, 28,000; market steady; top, \$5.80. Cattle, 3,000; market strong.

Car Lots Today.

Chicago—Wheat, 39; graded No. 2, 2; corn, 241; graded No. 2, 4; oats, 113; graded No. 2, 30. Minneapolis—Wheat, 304. Duluth—Wheat, 42.

Estimated Receipts for Tomorrow.

Wheat, 46; corn, 412; oats, 224; hogs, 22,000.

Chicago Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—2:50; steady; beefs, \$5.40@7.70; stockers, \$2.50@4.60.

Hogs—27,000; steady; light, \$4.80@5.55; heavy, \$5.50@5.80; pigs, \$3.75@4.80.

Sheep—5,000; weak; natives, \$2.50@4.60; lambs, \$4.25@7.00.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 8.—Cattle, 2,000; steady; steers, \$4.50@7.25; stockers, \$3.00@4.00.

Hogs, 13,000; steady to 5 lower; bulk \$5.00@5.60; pigs, \$4.00@5.00.

Sheep, 2,000; steady; muttons, \$4.00@4.60; lambs, \$5.00@6.75.

New York Produce.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Poultry—Dressed, quiet; live, moderate. Butter—Firm.

Eggs—Nearly white fancy, 43@48c; fresh firsts, 31c.

Cheese—Full cream specials, 14@15 1/2c; skims specials, 11 1/2c.

New York Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—As soon as the early selling press was exhausted a strong tone developed and many of the important issues made material advances. The government was unchanged. The market closed firm.

Stocks.

Atchison 95% American Smelting 79% Amalgamated Copper 77 1/2

NEW STORE Ewers McCarthy & Co. 412 MAIN A GREAT CHRISTMAS STORE Presents this week a few suggestions for the consideration of the thoughtful, discriminating persons who seek gifts of character and worth, for men and boys. Your great advantage here is our stock contains nothing but new and well selected merchandise. SUITS AND OVERCOATS in both plain and conservative models, all wool . . . \$12 to \$25 Shirts, plaited and plain 50c to \$1.50 Hats, all new shades, including greens and olives \$1.50 to \$3.50 Sweater coats, Men's, boys' and ladies, all shades \$1.00 to \$3.00 Suspenders and suspender sets, silk and lisle, put up in Xmas boxes 50c. Hosiery, plain and fancy lisle 25c and 50c. Handkerchiefs, silk and linen, plain and initial 10c to 50c. Gloves, unlined, silk lined and wool lined 50c to \$1.50 Night shirts, muslin and outing flannels 50c to \$1.00 Pajamas \$1.00 and \$1.50 Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$4.00 Suit Cases \$5.00 and \$6.00 We would especially like to have you see our large assortment of beautiful silk Neckwear 50c and Mufflers all silk, from 50c to \$2, which is unequalled in Keokuk.

PORTUGAL WILL CALL ON ENGLAND

In Case of Trouble With China, John Bull Will be Appealed to For Aid.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—In the event of trouble with China over the firing on the fortifications at Macao, Portugal is taking no trouble to conceal the fact that she will call on England's aid. The foreign office is waiting a full report of the affair.

Robbed Nebraska Bank.

LINCOLN, Dec. 18.—The citizens of Gibbon, Nebraska, were held at bay early today by a gang of bandits in an auto who robbed the Holloway Exchange bank of \$25,000 and escaped in the machine. The attempt of the citizens to capture the robbers was fruitless.

The robbers are believed to be the same as those who robbed the bank at Keene, earlier in the day. Keene is in Kearny county and Gibbons is thirty miles north in Buffalo county. The towns in the vicinity have been notified to look out for the robbers. Automobile tourists are being closely watched.

NEWS FROM ALL OVER THE STATE

In the annual high school oratorical contest held at the Grand opera house at Ida Grove, Miss Mary Rees won the contest and will represent the local high school at the North Western oratorical contest to be held at Sheldon in March next. Miss Rees won in the dramatic class with "Gentlemen, the King," as her subject. Forrest Macomber was winner in the orator-

PHYSICIANS.

DR. F. C. SMITH, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office and Residence: 310 Main street, second floor. Office Hours: 10 to 12 a. m.; 2 to 4 p. m.; 7 to 8 p. m. Iowa Phone: 674-B.

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