

### POLKS WELLS TIED HIM TO A CHAIR

Man Who Hanged Himself at Fort Madison Yesterday Was Once a Guard at the Penitentiary.

### HE HAD LOST HIS MIND

Was an Old Resident of the Place and Was a Member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Coroner Korschgen returned last evening from Fort Madison where he held the inquest over the death of Edward Hoffman, the verdict of the jury being that Hoffman hanged himself while temporarily deranged. The suicide was noted in this paper last evening and the particulars are given in the Gem City of last evening as follows: Edward Hoffman, an old and respected resident of this city, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself in a woodshed at the rear of his home, 1022 Fourth street.

Mr. Hoffman arose at the usual hour this morning and was about his home in apparently his usual health and spirits. At about 9 o'clock he informed his wife that he intended going to the Odd Fellows building to do some work there and, as she supposed, left the house for that purpose.

He had been gone about three quarters of an hour when Mrs. Hoffman had occasion to visit the woodshed, at the rear of the house, and was horrified to find her husband suspended from the rafters of the shed. Her cries for help brought to the scene of the tragedy Walter Bowman, Edward Kennedy and Eugene Keam.

When the body was cut down it was found that the old man was dead, having been strangled to death. The rope used by Hoffman was a 1/4 inch hemp cord. He had doubled the rope and made a noose by passing the end through a loop. He had fastened the rope to a beam in the roof of the shed and then getting upon a block of wood, so that he could reach the noose, placed his head through it and then swung free from the block. His death was due to strangulation.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman had always lived very happily together, having been married over forty-five years. Mr. Hoffman this morning visited the Santa Fe depot for the purpose of securing a Santa Fe Employers' Magazine which he brought home with him.

Was Born in Germany.

Edward Hoffman was born in Germany and was 73 years old May 3, 1909. He came to this country when he was 22 years old and had resided in Fort Madison fifty-one years. For seventeen years he was in the employ of the Santa Fe railroad, working in the car department of the shops here. Some time ago he was retired and was given a pension by the road for his faithful service during this long term of years. He was an attendant at the German Evangelical church and a member of the Odd Fellows fraternity and Brotherhood of Railway Carmen. For a number of years he was engaged in the manufacture of fur caps and gloves in Fort Madison, being a furrier by trade. He was a brother-in-law of George Rollett. For some time past he has been

### 100 Years Hence No More Drudgery—Just Live To Enjoy Yourselves.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox believes in a hundred years all drudgery will be done by machinery. We will fly through the air on the wings of the wind and have time to see and enjoy all the wonders of the world and perhaps of the heavens which are now sealed books to the majority because of the eternal grind of every day life. Look back 100 years and the changes made seem just as great. What we wear, how we travel, how we communicate, what we eat, sensible clothes, vehicles, speedy and comfortable, wireless telegraphs, telephones, fast trains and mail steamers, and healthful foods. Today instead of loading our stomachs with heavy, greasy breakfasts, that dull the brain and retard our morning's work, we eat delicious E-O Corn Flakes or Egg-O-See Wheat Flakes, made by the famous Egg-O-See process that insures perfect digestion, high nutrition and greater strength. Always ready to serve, good for babes, best for invalids—the sensible breakfast for the business man or the busy, energetic housewife. Remember it's the Egg-O-See process that makes the flakes so crisp and delicious.

subject to spells of melancholy and his wife had been in the habit of talking him out of these despondent moods.

He was a guard at the Fort Madison penitentiary about twenty-five years ago, was tied to a chair and gassed at the time of the escape of Poke Wells, Cook and Fitzgerald, at which time a guard named Elder was chloroformed by Wells and died as a result.

He is survived by his wife and three sons, Ernest Hoffman of Ottumwa, Percy Hoffman of Chicago and Robert Hoffman at home and by two daughters, Mrs. Charles Davis of this city and Mrs. H. L. Ziegler of Chicago, also by one brother, William Hoffman of Frazee, Minn.

"Doctors of the Masses" is what one writer has termed proprietary medicines.

Good, honest proprietary medicines like Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound succeed, and the homes of the masses are blessed by them, while those which are worthless or harmless soon drop out. Thirty years of success in curing female ills is the record of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Many of our citizens are drifting towards Bright's disease by neglecting symptoms of kidney and bladder trouble which Foley's Kidney Remedy will quickly cure. Wilkinson & Co.

SUGAR CREEK, MO.

Ed, Deltrick and family of Wyconda spent Sunday with C. J. Alexanders.

Mrs. Chas. McKinney was called to Farmington, Iowa, Tuesday by the death of her father, Patrick Murphy. Miss Northup of Illinois, was the guest of C. E. Walker and family several days last week.

Miss Ellen Deerman of Kahoka spent Sunday with Mrs. Jennie Weaver.

Herbert Hume and family, Jeff St. Clair and wife spent Sunday with Jno. Humes.

The Sunday School notes in the county papers were interesting. Alson Fish came home Friday, and returned Monday. He is working in Illinois.

Hattie Brammer of Winchester, is staying with Mrs. Ernest Rowe. Several from here drove to Ashton Pond Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. E. H. Stewart and children are spending the week with Grandfather Stewart of near Anson, Mo.

### HOME PRODUCTS TO BE BOOSTED

A Committee is to be Appointed to Urge the Patronage of Home Labor in This City.

### MEETING LAST EVENING

Trades and Labor Assembly Men and Retail Merchants Talk the Matter Over Together.

At a meeting last evening in Trades and Labor Assembly hall, members of the various trades of the city and retail merchants, gathered together and talked over the question of patronizing home industry.

C. Koepf presided at the meeting and talks were made by a number of gentlemen, the meeting finally deciding that a committee composed of quite a number of citizens, be appointed to formulate plans for the education of the people along this line. The chairman of the meeting is to appoint this committee and will announce the list soon.

Attention was called to the fact that Burlington has a scheme of this kind which has been found to be considerable good and the people there are more loyal to the home stores and products than they used to be.

By creating a better feeling between the employer and employed, this proposition is helped along and in many ways, the people can be educated to stop sending their money out of town, but spending it at home where it does more good.

Where money is made, it should be spent and the town where the people spend all of their wages, is the town which grows. After this committee has been appointed and gets to work, every effort will be made to increase the patronage of Keokuk stores and the sending away from town for goods will become almost a crime in Keokuk.

Labor and Capital.

Among the remarks made last evening, the thought was brought forth that a better feeling between the wage earner and the employer would result in a great deal of good.

The mail order business was mentioned and the plan was condemned. Keokuk made goods are just as good and just as cheap as those furnished by mail order houses, yet many dollars are sent out of Keokuk every year, which might just as well remain here and do some good to the community.

The appointing of the committee and a concerted action by all people would result in a world of good being done.

Men Past Fifty in Danger.

Men past middle life have found comfort and relief in Foley's Kidney Remedy, especially for enlarged prostate gland, which is very common among elderly men. L. E. Morris, Dexter, Ky., writes "Up to a year ago my father suffered from kidney and bladder trouble and several physicians pronounced it enlargement of the prostate gland and advised an operation. On account of his age we were afraid he could not stand it and I recommended Foley's Kidney Remedy, and after taking the second bottle he was no longer troubled with this complaint." Wilkinson & Co.

BOWEN, ILL.

Mrs. Ada Clark of Denver visited Mr. Daniel Smith and wife Monday.

Mr. Edward Bucklew and wife were Denver callers Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Kennedy of Plymouth was in town Sunday.

Mrs. H. B. Marsh and son Francis, visited in Augusta last week.

Ray Hughes of Augusta spent Sunday with home folks.

Miss Hazel Hecox is visiting friends in Urbana this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McCray of Mendota are the guests of C. R. Binkley and family.

Fred Norris of Topeka, Kans., is visiting his father, George Norris, this week.

Miss Mosyer of Quincy is the guest of Miss Grace Cunningham this week. Mr. and Mrs. Van Winkle of Plymouth were Bowen callers Sunday. Miss Beniah Motter returned to Quincy Monday after a few days visit with her parents.

### BUILDS UP THE THIN AND WEAK

Samose Makes Thin People Fat, or Great Meds. Bro. Will Return to Us Money.

In Samose are combined flesh-giving food elements that soon produce a steady and noticeable gain in flesh. Taken after meals, Samose mingles with the food, and causes it to be assimilated so that the fat producing elements are retained in the system, and you will soon get good flesh, steady nerves and a healthy body.

McGrath Bros. have seen such remarkable results following the use of Samose that they offer to pay for the treatment if it does not make this people plump and rosy.

You run no risk whatever, in buying Samose; it is a true flesh-forming food and is sold under the guarantee of one of the most reputable business houses in Keokuk to refund the money if it does not give complete satisfaction. Sent postpaid on receipt of price, 50 cents.

home in Arcola, Saturday, after a two weeks visit with relatives.

"It cured me," or "It saved the life of my child," are the expressions you hear every day about Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This is true the world over where this valuable remedy has been introduced. No other medicine in use for diarrhoea or bowel complaints has received such general approval. The secret of the success of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is that it cures. Sold by Wilkinson & Co., pharmacy, and J. F. Kiedalsch & Son.

KAHOKA, MO.

Otto Palnter has received his new automobile. Ed Wormhoudt has one ordered.

About 150 tickets were sold at the Kahoka station for Keokuk Sunday. A large crowd went from Luray and other points west and Wayland and Alexandria were well represented. The occasion was the double-header between Hannibal and Keokuk. The Kahoka boys wore badges upon which were printed: "We're from and for Missouri." After the Missouri teams' double defeat not a badge was to be seen.

Mrs. J. E. Dierstein and children of Monmouth, Ill., are the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bourn.

Circuit court convenes next Monday. J. H. Talbot has moved his printing plant from the Birch to the Miller building.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Seyb returned to their home in Richland, Iowa, Tuesday, after a few days visit with Kahoka relatives.

C. L. Young left Monday for Fort Madison, where he will take charge of the Keokuk Canning Co.'s plant at that point. Mr. Young will remain in the Iowa city temporarily during the summer and may move there this fall.

"Peck" is thoroughly competent and reliable, and his friends regret to see him leave.

The ladies of the German Evangelical church will give an ice cream social at the home of Jacob Trump Wednesday of next week.

Mrs. Julie Gray, of near Athens, has purchased lots in Kahoka and will soon erect a dwelling thereon.

Whitney Gregory has gone to Wheeling, W. Va., where he will be employed by Uncle Sam in the building of dams on the Ohio river.

Prof. and Mrs. Roth have returned from their out of town visit.

Murray Sisson, of Amarillo, Texas, and Miss Kathryn Mertsheimer, of Evanson, Wyoming, were married at the home of the bride Monday, June 14. The groom is a son of W. B. Sisson, of Kahoka, and is engaged as a telegraph operator. He is an industrious and capable young man and has the best wishes of many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Sisson are expected to arrive in Kahoka in a few days for a visit with relatives.

If you are not satisfied after using according to directions two-thirds of a bottle of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, you can have your money back. The tablets cleanse and invigorate the stomach, improve the digestion, regulate the bowels. Give them a trial and get well. Sold by Wilkinson & Co., Pharmacy, and J. F. Kiedalsch & Son.

CHARLESTON, IOWA.

While the base ball game was progressing rapidly Sunday in C. A. Swinderman's pasture, Lynn Hancock of New Boston had a collision with another boy who was running fast. Hancock was the victor.

The Health of Your Horse Will be best promoted—best preserved—if you are ready to give the proper remedy at the proper time. The proper remedy for all strains, sprains, or colic is Perry Davis' Painkiller. The proper time to use it is when the trouble first shows itself. Be prompt and you'll not only save the horse suffering, but you'll spare yourself the trouble and expense—maybe save a long time waiting. You ought to have a bottle ready. The "ne" size bottle cost 35 cents; one larger, 50 cents. Be sure your druggist gives you Perry Davis'.



PLEASE her with a ring of daintily wrought gold of intricate workmanship, or one of plainer mould in which gems sparkle—it all depends upon the occasion. Engagement rings, wedding rings, gift rings—rings for a thousand fingers at prices as alluring as the rings themselves. Sweet memories are often revived in a simple gift. It may be a pin, a bracelet, an ornament for the hair, a bangle or a brooch in filled or rolled gold.

Renaud RELIABLE JEWELER

cock was knocked down, dislocating his shoulder and injuring his arm. He was taken to his home and his bruises attended to. It will be some time before he can wield a bat.

The social given by the Royal Neighbors at the M. W. of A. hall Friday evening was well attended.

Mrs. J. J. Walker of Keokuk is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sollars at the Buckhorn hotel.

Quite a number are going daily to the Montrose berry fields.

Downey Bros. and families spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Harnagel of Mt. Hamill.

Sugar Creek rose to the size of a small river during the rains of the past week, the corn planted on the land near was overflowed and ruined.

S. W. Deer is building a barn on the Phillip Frank farm.

John Wickey is ahead on exterminating pole cats, having killed nine with two well directed blows with an ax.

Rich Men's Gifts are Poor beside this: "I want to go on record as saying that I regard Electric Blenders as one of the greatest gifts that God has made to woman, writes Mrs. O. Rhinevaul, of Vestal Center, N. Y. "I can never forget what it has done for me." This glorious medicine gives a woman buoyant spirits, vigor of body and brilliant health. It quickly cures Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Headache, Backache, Fainting and Dizzy Spells; soon builds up the weak, ailing and sickly. Try them. 50c at Wilkinson & Co. and J. F. Kiedalsch & Son.

CARTHAGE, ILL.

Mr. E. A. Wilcox was in Quincy the latter part of the week.

Bruce Westfall has accepted a position as telegraph operator at Washington, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Witt, of Loraine, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Drennon Johnson.

Garfield McCreary and Otis Bray were in Keokuk the first of the week.

Miss Agnes Anderson, of Dallas City is visiting in the city.

Don Callif, of Burlington, is visiting home folks.

Miss Nell Johns has been visiting Miss Helen Wright of Dallas. Sheriff Bertsch and son, Loyd, were in Niota one day last week.

Miss Emily Jacks of Adrian, was in the city a part of last week.

Clorus Ruchler has been visiting in Elvaston.

Miss Nell Johns has been visiting in Adrian, guest of Miss Fannie Ward.

Miss Nina Sollars of Elvaston, was visiting in our city last week.

Mrs. Nethery is visiting her sister, Miss Magge Singleton, of Adrian.

Mr. Stevenson of Keokuk spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Roy Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Mart Coleman have been visiting Mrs. Newman, of Adrian. Mrs. Mary Lawton is home for the summer.

### Clothes of High Degree



EVERY dollar of the price of these L. Adler Clothcraft and L. System suits

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Richness of weaves, high art in fashion and cut, perfection in finish and tailoring, smart colors and models.

No better clothes made and no such stock of them in Keokuk.

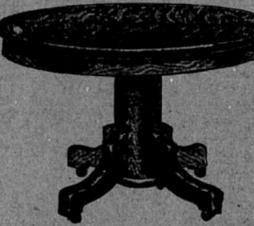
We have a great stock of separate trousers and children's clothing.

We show the best selected line of shirts, hats, underwear, neckwear and hosiery in the city.

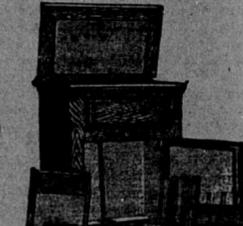
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### Summer Bargains

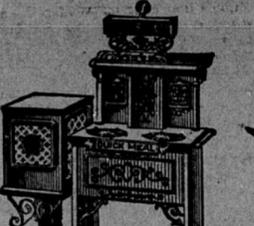
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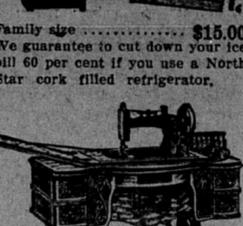
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Like cut a good bed ..... \$6.00 All gold, full size ..... \$7.00 Our best guaranteed felt mattress ..... \$9.00 Our Gem felt ..... \$8.00 Our fine combination ..... \$5.00 Reversible mattress ..... \$4.00



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Offer unparalleled service between Chicago and Mackinac Island and other famous Summer Resorts of Northern Michigan, connecting with all lines for Lake Superior and Eastern Points. The most attractive and direct route to Pentwater, Leland, We-quon-ton, Leaning Rock, Ludington, Northport, Herring Brook, Manistee, Traverse City, Harbor Springs, Frankfort, Charlevoix, St Ignace, Glen Haven, Petoskey, Mackinac Island, No. Manitowish, Bay View, Cheboygan, etc.

These elegant steamships are among the finest and best equipped on the Great Lakes. So large and steady as to assure comfortable passage to those who love lake travel. They offer the traveler every modern convenience that adds to the delights of an outing on the water. For book of tours, address: R. F. CHURCH, G. P. A., Offices and Dock, E. End Mich. St. or Rush St. Bridge, Chicago

The Demand for Automobiles. Cedar Rapids Gazette: The Keokuk Gate City says the demand for automobiles, from all appearances, is limited only by the supply of cash. Does The Gate City really imagine that the demand is limited by the supply of cash? The demand, the Gate City will find after a little investigation, is limited only by the amount of cash the people expect to have some time.

Everyone would be benefited by taking Foley's Orino Laxative for constipation, stomach and liver troubles, as it sweetens the stomach and breath, gently stimulates the liver and regulates the bowels and is much superior to pills and ordinary laxatives. Why not try Foley's Orino Laxative today? Wilkinson & Co.

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Advertisement for Wick Blue Flame Oil Cook-Stove. Includes text: "For the Summer's Cooking", "No kitchen appliance gives such actual satisfaction and real home comfort as the new Perfection Wick Blue Flame Oil Cook-Stove.", "NEW PERFECTION Wick Blue Flame Oil Cook-Stove", "Delivers heat where you want it—never where you don't want it—thus it does not overheat the kitchen. Note the CABINET TOP, with shelf for warming plates and keeping food hot after cooked, also convenient drop shelves that can be folded back when not in use, and two nicked bars for holding towels.", "Three sizes. With or without Cabinet Top. At your dealer's, or write our nearest agency.", "The Rayo LAMP never disappoints—safe, economical and a wonderful light giver. Solidly made, beautifully nicked. Your living-room will be pleasanter with a Rayo Lamp.", "If not with your dealer, write our nearest agency.", "STANDARD OIL COMPANY (Incorporated)"