

ANNUAL MEETING OF ASSOCIATION

Hancock County Sunday School Convention is in session in Warsaw today and also tomorrow.

THE NEWS OF WARSAW

Fire Department Takes Practice Run in Order to Get Ready for the Tournament in October.

WARSAW, Ill., Aug. 26.—Mr. B. M. Cavanaugh of Chicago and Mr. Clyde Johnson, states attorney, of Carthage, drove over on Monday morning and called on Dr. Huckins and Dr. J. Eaton Johnston. The two visitors were college classmates and Mr. Cavanaugh contemplates locating in Warsaw for the practice of law should he see any inducement.

Misses Jennie and Anna Johnston of Chicago, and Mrs. J. Eaton Johnston of Warsaw were Keokuk visitors on Monday.

No rain here for nearly one month. The fire ladders had a practice run on Monday evening in preparation for the tournament early in October.

J. A. White, Jr., returned Monday from a short visit with relatives in Massachusetts. Mrs. White will return about ten days later. Her health is quite improved.

Miss Gertrude Bechtel of Warsaw is assisting photographer Gully in his gallery here. One of her first pieces of work was a family group of twelve excellent likenesses, some of them leading citizens.

Capt. Dippel has commenced the excavation for his new residence.

Louis P. Schmidt, Warsaw's wood turner and carver, has left the White planing mill and opened business for himself.

The W. R. C. will serve lunch on Friday evening from 6 to 8 p. m., on the lawn of Mrs. John Spinauer.

The Hancock county Sunday school association will hold its annual session Thursday and Friday August 26-27 in the Presbyterian church. A specially interesting program has been prepared, also special music by the combined choirs of several churches. On Thursday evening State Worker Muller will speak on "The Man of Galilee for the Men of Illinois." A large attendance is expected.

There will be an excursion from Canton to Warsaw on Sunday next, by the Canton baseball club. The club will play Warsaw at 2 p. m. that day at the fair grounds.

Dr. F. F. Worthen, of the Marshall-Worthen, O'Brien Co., of Des Moines, is here visiting his mother and sisters.

On Wednesday, Geo. Schildman bought of J. A. White, Jr., lumber for a handsome residence he proposes to build on his farm. Twenty wagons were required to haul the lumber and when loaded, they were grouped in front of the White lumber office, and a photo taken by Emmet Hayes, a view artist. This is one of many big bills of lumber sold by this firm this year.

The Hancock County Sunday School Association met Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, in the Presbyterian church. There was a good attendance from country as well as town. The two days session promises to be more than usually interesting.

Bottom corn promises a good yield and is of good quality in spite of the drought.

A special trolley car came in Thursday noon with Carthage delegates and visitors to the Sunday School convention.

Wednesday's rain was accompanied with much blustering, but it only laid the dust.

The demand for cement sidewalks in the residence districts is growing, and a great many are being laid both on the street and in the lots.

Warsaw has many visitors the hot summer days on pleasure and business bent. Hotels are also doing a good business.

John Grant and wife and Harry Grant and wife expected home soon from Colorado.

CITY NEWS.

Street cars will meet excursion given by Trinity Young Men's club tonight.

Go on the moonlight excursion tonight. Street cars will meet the boat on its return.

Chief Justice Evans of Des Moines made a mistake in appointing Judge Smythe to this district and his appointments have been slightly changed, following word sent by the Keokuk Bar Association. As a result Judge Withrow will hold court in Keokuk, Judge Smythe will hold court at Burlington, Des Moines county, and Judge Bank in Wapello county, the last appointment being the same. A meeting of the local bar was held this morning and A. L. Parsons named to confer with Judge Withrow over the long distance and report to a meeting to be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

LAUNCH OWNERS ARE CARELESS

A Noted Steamboat Pilot Tells of the Trouble they Cause the Pilots on the Big Boats.

EXCURSION YESTERDAY WAS WELL THOUGHT OF

Moonlight Trip Tonight on the Keokuk—Movements of the Steamers in These Waters.

Speaking of the launch accident which occurred in Burlington, Capt. Jack Ritchman, one of the two pilots on the Mississippi who is capable of taking a boat over the LeClaire rapids at Davenz, has the following to say in the Burlington Gazette:

"There are so many launches operated contrary to the navigation rules that it keeps the steamboat men constantly on edge. It seems as if the launch men would take better care of their own lives and not risk them by going out at night without proper protection. I have narrowly missed running down three launches in each of which there were women. Each time I had to back the engines as hard as they could go, to keep from hitting the small boats. Down near Alton one night I flashed the searchlight to find the end of a certain dam and I saw a small launch coming directly for the bow of my boat. I was almost on top of it, yet it kept coming. I had the engines reversed and prevented a disaster. There were several women in the boat at the time. I asked the man why he didn't watch where he was going and he called back to me and asked why I didn't watch where I was going. He didn't seem to care how he endangered the lives of those innocent parties in the boat. He had no lights and I did not even know he was there.

"It will probably take some terrible accident to make the launch men provide lights."

What the Boats are Doing.

Besides the regular passengers on board the steamer Keokuk this morning there was a party of about fifteen Hamilton people who expect to spend the day taking in the sights of Quincy when the boat reaches its destination.

One of the largest excursions given to this place during the summer, came in yesterday. The affair was given by the Danville Citizen's band of Danville, Iowa, a town about Burlington. There were nearly four hundred people on board the Columbia when she pulled in, shortly after 2 o'clock. The rain interfered somewhat with the enjoyment of the visitors. The crowd went to Burlington on a special train leaving at 10 a. m.

This evening at 8 o'clock the steamer Keokuk will leave the landing with the guests of the Young Men's club of the Trinity church on a moonlight excursion. Special arrangements have been made for the entertainment of those on board and the affair is expected to be a very pleasurable one.

The steamer W. W. passed down the river yesterday, going through the draw at 10:45. The boat was on its way to Quincy where it carried a crowd of the excursion of the Cathedral Choir boys in the form of a moonlight ride on the river.

The Dubuque passed up the river last night, arriving here about 8:30 p. m. She carried about 150 passengers and a good cargo of freight. After a short stop here the steamer continued on its way to up stream, passing through the draw at 9:45.

CITY NEWS.

Harry Berte, former manager of the Jacksonville team, who as stated in The Gate City last evening has been signed by Manager Belt will join the team at Jacksonville tomorrow and play his first game in an Indian uniform against the club from which he was discharged. There is no denying the ability of Berte as a player and field captain and his ginger is what is needed among the Indians at the present time. With Berte in the line-up Annis can be given a needed rest, Grodnick will go to second and Hildebrand in right, making the lineup complete. Treasurer Sterne was talking over the long distance with Belt this morning and learned that Krebs, whose home is in Burlington, will work behind the stick for the Indians this afternoon. Krebs, caught for Burlington during the early season and is a good man. The Wichita catcher is sick at the present time and unable to report. A deal is under way, also, that will bring Shea, who was with Des Moines during the early season to the rescue of the Indians. At the present time he is in St. Louis. Shea is well known by sport followers in Keokuk and is a good man, in fact better than Krebs, the Wichita man or any player Keokuk has had behind the bat during the season. The team will be through Keokuk this evening and will remain during the night, going to Jacksonville tomorrow.

LONG IN THE MAIL SERVICE

Joseph H. D. Chenoweth Whose resignation Took Effect Yesterday, in Service Thirty-Eight Years.

ALL ARE TOO BUSY

Des Moines Papers' Editor Speaks Highly of the Veteran Mail Clerk of Long Service.

Mention was made in these columns last evening of the resignation of Joseph H. D. Chenoweth, taking effect yesterday and after a faithful service of thirty-eight years for Uncle Sam he has retired and is today taking life easy at his residence, 1209 High street.

An article appearing on the editorial page of The Gate City during the spring, spoke at length of the resignation of the veteran mail clerk and of his service in the railway post office of the Rock Island during his long period of service.

The Des Moines Capital of yesterday has to say of Mr. Chenoweth and his resignation:

Joe Chenoweth, the veteran mail clerk who has run so many years between Des Moines and Keokuk, has retired from the railway mail service. Chenoweth, besides being a veteran mail clerk, is a veteran of the civil war. He has given his best years to his country in war and in peace. He retires with the good will of everyone who has ever formed his acquaintance. He ought to have enough to keep him about ten acres of good Iowa soil with a neat cottage on it he would be finely fixed. He may have such a thing; we do not know. But whenever these old mail clerks retire we are inclined to the belief that some arrangement ought to be made by which they could hold the fourth class post offices. We are quite opposed to civil pensions, but there ought to be some way of helping to take care of these faithful postal clerks whose lives are in danger every minute when they are on duty.

Revolts At Gold Steel.

"Your only hope," said three doctors suffering from severe rectal trouble, lies in an operation, then I used Dr. King's New Life Pills," she writes, "till wholly cured." They prevent Appendicitis, cure constipation. Headache. 25c. at Wilkinson & Co. and J. F. Kiedaisch & Son.

Mrs. D. A. Collier will entertain a number of friends at a bridge party at her home at nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

Miss Meta Kummer will entertain at a chafing dish party at her residence on South Sixth street, Friday afternoon in honor of the Misses Rose Stoffit and May Williams of Moline, Ill.

The Young Ladies Society of St. Mary's church gave a most enjoyable social last evening in the hall at Fourteenth and Johnson streets. The affair was to have been a lawn social but owing to the inclemency of the weather the social was held in the hall and proved to be a most enjoyable evening for all who attended. The Water Power band was present and stationed at one end of the hall, dispensed music for the crowd. Ices, cakes and other refreshments were disposed of by the young ladies in a pleasing manner.

Beware of Ointments for Catarah That Contain Mercury. Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarah Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarah Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists. Price 75 per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Big Offer for the Fight. Jack Monroe Will Give One Hundred Thousand for Jeffries-Johnson Match.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Jack Monroe, the ex-pugilist, now mayor of Elk Lake, Ont., today wired an offer of a hundred thousand for the Jeffries-Johnson fight to take place in Canada one year hence.

Busy Getting Ready. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The Interior department has had a busy day preparing the statement of the Cunningham Coal land cases that has demanded. It is understood that Hutchitt who is supporting Glavis in an effort to have the Cunningham claims investigated before patented has been requested to present his side of the controversy.

CITY NEWS.

Read The Daily Gate City.

There were 120 people on the P. E. O. excursion to Quincy yesterday. Instead of less than 100 as stated. Had the weather been clear, the crowd would have been much larger.

Eugene Bentzinger and Lovisa Bentzinger filed articles of adoption today adopting as a son William Joseph Puppinger, son of William and Zenora Puppinger.

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GOOSE FARM IS THE LATEST

Two Keokuk Business Men are Looking for a Third Party With a Hundred Dollars to Invest.

QUICK ACTION SAVED HIM

The Scheme Looks Good and with a Hundred Dollars Invested, Thousands Can be Made.

The idea is a new and novel one in Keokuk and has set the wise heads to thinking, quite strongly, whether or no, the venture would be a perfect safe one and if it would be as remunerative as it looks. Most every one in Keokuk who does not read The Daily Gate City, has a hankering after the Globe-Democrat or one of the other metropolitan papers of the country. In this case it was the estimable columns of the Globe that put the idea into the heads of two of Keokuk's hustling business men. Yesterday morning, J. R. Roberts, the real estate man, saw a get rich quick scheme in the St. Louis sheet that took his eye immediately. It read something like this:

Three men, subscribing \$100 each, can buy 300 geese as a starter. If these geese do the right thing they will lay 900 eggs a week, 45,500 a year and 140,000 eggs in three years. Estimating that 40,000 of these will be "bad eggs," this will leave 100,000 goslings, which later will become geese and produce 300,000 pounds of feathers, which, sold at \$1 a pound, would net the trio of geese raisers \$300,000. Each of these geese will produce 100,000 pair of geese livers, at 60 cents a pair, which will bring an income of \$60,000.

Each goose's bill will furnish ten buttons at 10 cents each, or a total of \$20,000, and each goose dressed will sell for \$1.50, thus netting a grand total income of \$530,000. To raise this revenue will require an expenditure of \$190,300, leaving the net profits in three years \$339,700, or over \$113,200 for each stockholder, on an original capital of only \$100 each. The geese raisers are then at liberty to let go of the geese and invest their earnings in some get rich quick scheme.

The ex-railroad man memorized the above quite thoroughly and he and his business partner, H. W. Bischoff, agreed to wait for their first victim, and try to get him in on the scheme as the third party with the third one hundred dollars. The first one to happen in during the afternoon, was J. J. Crimmins, the general undertaker. The scheme was sprung to him to become the third member of the Goose Farm company, but after due consideration of the matter, he told the two enthusiastic poultry men that things were just a little too busy in his line at present to embark in the wonderful scheme.

H. E. Alton, the livery man was the next approached. He thought the scheme was a good one but his business would not permit his embarking into the goose business, as he had cares enough looking after his horse flesh.

H. C. Duncan was let into the wonderful scheme but he also had to turn the magnificent proposition down on account of pressing business.

Messrs. Roberts and Bischoff were willing to furnish the farm for the geese down in the Ozarks or any where else if they can find the third man to invest his hundred, but the right man seems to be playing the dark horse act, and hasn't put in his appearance just yet.

It's a wonderful scheme and one where golden eggs are not needed but too many have been sold gold bricks recently to embark into a business of this kind, anyway the geese might take a notion to fly south when cold weather came unless their wings were kept clipped and no one has the time to accept the job.

CITY NEWS.

Read The Daily Gate City.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR LITTLE CHILD

Vernon Thomas, Fourteen Months Old Child, Took Poison Intended for Ants and Nearly Died.

THIRTY-THREE MILLION

Jewish Congregations Show the Largest Per Cent of Increase With Latter Day Saints Ahead of Protestants and Catholics.

Lying on his stomach and with his little head half way under the ice box fourteen month old Vernon Thomas fished out a saucer containing tartar emetic, a poison used to destroy ants, and before his mother or grandmother could stop him had dipped his fingers in it and licked them, obtaining enough poison to almost end his life. The incident occurred at the home of the child's grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Thomas, 1116 Exchange street, the little one having come from next door where his parents live.

The mother discovered the child with the poison and immediately took it away from him. About ten minutes later when the parent was nursing him he gasped and immediately grew deathly sick. The folks in the house were alarmed about the child's sickness and immediately summoned a doctor, who administered an antidote and did everything possible to relieve the little one and place him beyond danger. And he was successful in his efforts, for in several hours the child seemed beyond pain and was sleeping. Had it not been for the prompt action the child would be dead at the present time, but as a result of the immediate call the child is resting easily and well.

The parents and the grandparents live in the double house at Nos. 1114 and 1116 Exchange street. About 9 o'clock this morning Vernon went to his grandparents side of the house to play and for the time was unnoticed. The poison which had been placed for ants under an ice box in the kitchen and apparently beyond reach of hands without moving the ice box out from the wall. The only way the child could have reached it was by lying on his stomach, crawling partly under the ice box by lifting a swinging board at the bottom and reaching this seemingly with little difficulty and would probably have licked considerable of the poison had not been discovered by the mother.

RACE WITH DOGS FOR A BIG PURSE

The Miners and Mail Carriers of Alaska will Have an Exciting Speed Event for \$10,000.

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 26.—Eli F. Smith, a mail carrier in Alaska who won distinction by driving a team of malamutes from Nome to Washington, D. C., four years ago, when he was received by President Roosevelt is in the city with his team of dogs to make final preparations to participate in the race between the mail carriers and miners for a purse of \$10,000. Smith believes the carriers will win, as they are used to long drives and are thoroughly familiar with every part of the country in the Northland through which they will travel. He said that Alaska is attracting much attention this year, adding that thousands of persons from various parts of the east, south and middle west are going into the district this summer. He has been in Alaska since 1891, when he joined the mail service, and declares he could not be induced to stay for any length of time in another part of the world. Mrs. Smith, who is with him, will make the return trip by rail, while he will travel over the trail.

PERSONALS.

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CHURCH CENSUS OF THE COUNTRY

Count of Religious Bodies As Made by the Government Shows Some Figures Which Will Prove to Be Quite Interesting.

THIRTY-THREE MILLION

Jewish Congregations Show the Largest Per Cent of Increase With Latter Day Saints Ahead of Protestants and Catholics.

That the church members in the United States numbered nearly thirty-three millions in 1906; that there were a billion and a quarter dollars invested in church edifices; that every day eight new churches sent their spires skyward; that males formed considerably less than half the total church membership; that a larger per cent of Catholic males than Protestant males were members; that in 16 states the majority of the total church membership were Roman Catholic; but that of the grand total of church members reported for the United States 61.6 per cent were Protestants and 36 per cent Roman Catholics; these are the salient and conspicuous facts appearing in the proof sheets of a United States Census Bureau bulletin, prepared by Chief Statistician William C. Hunt of the division of population, of the United States Census Bureau.

The bulletin will be issued this month. It is in the nature of an abstract of the comprehensive report, now in press, giving the results of the fifth census of religious bodies in the United States.

Fewer Male than Female Members.

It is stated that United States census statistics of church membership by sex were collected for the first time in 1906. Of the total number of members reported by the various religious bodies and classified by sex, 48.1 per cent were males and 51.9 per cent females. Among the Protestants the difference was greater, only 39.3 per cent being males. In the Roman Catholic churches there were relatively more males, the number forming 49.3 per cent of the total membership.

Fewer males than females were found among the Latter-day Saints, the Lutherans, Disciples, Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, and Protestant Episcopalians, the percentages of male members decreasing in the order shown, and there being but 35.5 per cent male among the Episcopalians. Among the Christian Scientists, only 27.6 per cent were males; and of the Shakers but 21.3 per cent; but in the Greek Orthodox church, 93.9 per cent were male, as practically all Greek immigrants have been males.

Proportion of Church Members in Total Population.

Of the total estimated population of continental United States in 1906, the church members formed 39.1 per cent, as against 32.7 per cent for 1890, amounting to 4.4 per cent more in 1906 than in 1890. Of this 6.4 per cent increase, the Roman Catholic church is credited with 4.4 per cent, and the Protestants with 1.8 per cent, the remainder being divided among all other denominations.

It is stated in the bulletin that the total number of members reported by the various religious bodies for 1906 was 32,935,445, of which number the Protestants were credited with 29,287,742, and the Roman Catholics with 12,073,142. Of the Protestant bodies the Methodists numbered 5,749,838; the Baptists, 5,622,234; the Lutherans, 2,112,494; the Presbyterians, 1,829,555; and the Disciples or Christians, 1,142,359.

Of the total of 32,935,445 church members, 61.6 per cent were Protestants; 36.7 per cent Roman Catholic; and 1.7 per cent members of other religious organizations. The rate of increase shown for the Roman Catholic church is 92.5 per cent, which is more than twice that for all the Protestant bodies combined. The Methodists reported 17.5 per cent of all Protestant church members; the Baptists, 17.2 per cent.

The total number of local religious organizations in 1906 is given as 212,230, an increase since 1890 of 47,079, or 28.5 per cent. The Protestants are credited with an increase in this particular amounting to 27.8 per cent; the Roman Catholic church, 21.9 per cent; and the Latter-day Saints, 33.3 per cent.

The Methodists reported the largest number of local organizations, 64,701; the Baptists reported 54,880; the Presbyterians, 15,506; the Lutherans, 12,703; and the Roman Catholics, 12,482.

Other interesting features of the bulletin are those showing that the total seating capacity of churches was \$8,536,330, an increase over the 1890 United States census figures of 24.4 per cent; that the rate of increase was practically the same for

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both Protestants and Roman Catholics and kept pace with the increase in population; and that \$1,257,575, \$87 was invested in church edifices in 1906. The total amount of debt was \$108,050,946, or 8.6 per cent of the total value; of this total the Protestant bodies owed \$53,301,254 and the Roman Catholics, \$49,488,055. In 16 states a majority of the church members were Roman Catholic; in 29 states, Protestant; and in 1 Utah,