AIRSHIP MAN WAS IN KEOKUK

Pete Laird, a Former Fort Madison Boy, Visited Here Monday Afternoon and Talked of His Plans.

TO MAKE TRIAL FLIGHT

Son of Assistant Postmaster of the Upriver City Believes That He Can Succeed in the Air.

It is seldom that a real live airship man ever visits Keokuk but yesterday afternoon the city was honored by the presence of one of these men of the air and one whose home has ever been not more than twenty-four miles away from here.

Pete Laird, a former Ft. Madison boy, was visiting in the city yesterday afternoon with friends and in making his rounds a reporter through chance got an acquaintance and an interesting interview with Mr. Laird who is as much interested in flying machines and aviation as Thomas A. Edison is in his wizard bottles and wires.

Seven years ago Peter Laird was working in Ft. Madison, a young fellow. Then he decided to go west and grow up with the country. Being a mechanic he naturally applied his talents along that line and for the past several years had been connected with the Alexander Motor Company of Los Angeles, Cal. This construction company is one engaged in the making of automobiles and their parts and as a side line, they build parts for flying machines, engines, wings and all.

Laird has made up his mind to be an aviator and with another companion is at present engaged in making different tests of both the monoplane and biplane.

The idea that the young men are working on is the simple skimming craft that children play with, the straight stem with the scooped propellor or umbrella part at the end of this tiny shaft. From this the young aviators hope to obtain their fundamental principals for the building of a craft that will fly through the air.

Will Fly This Summer.

A hangar (airship shed) has been built by Pete Laird and his companion in Los Angeles. Laird stated yesterday that a flight would be made by him this summer as soon as the first machine had been completed. The flight will be over land as he is not yet ready to risk his life or machine over the water. Laird says that aviation is ninety per cent nerve and ten per cent power.

Returns West Soon.

Laird, the former Ft. Madison boy, returns west in about two weeks to resume his work as mechanic for the construction company and to complete his airship ideas. He has been called back to his former home by the death of a relative.

This new aviator to enter the field has seen Paulhan, Glen Curtiss, the Wrights and several of the other bird men make trial flights and believes that he too can meet with success if present plans on his machine carry through as they are intended to.

Mr. Laird who was here yesterday, is the son of Assistant Postmaster Laird of Ft. Madison, and of a well known and prominent family of that place.

Free Dyspepsia Sample

Sufferers from indigestion are waking up to the fact that peppermint lozenges, charcoal and "dyspepsia cures" are only makeshifts in the cure of so troublesome a complaint as chronic indigestion. What is required is something that will not only relieve but which will tone and train the digestive apparatus to again do its work normally, and this these simple remedies cannot do.

There is something more to the cure of indigestion than sweetening the breath, and yet a remedy that only contains digestive ingredients will not cure permanently, as the basis of indigestion is poor bowel circulation, and that requires a scientific laxative. We know of no remedy that combines these requirements better than Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which has been sold for a quarter of a century.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a laxative tonic, a scientific blending of natural ingredients for the cure of constipation, indigestion, liver trouble, sour stomach, sick headache and similar complaints. Its ingredients will so strengthen and tone the stomach and bowel muscles that they will again do their work naturally, and when that has been accomplished your trouble is over. Fannie Stuart, Staunton, Va., was a long-time sufferer, as was O. Tuck, Blackburn, Mo., and they both found their cure with this remedy. They became convinced that pills and tablets, salts, "dyspepsia cures," etc., were at best only temporary reliefs. They first accepted Dr. Caldwell's offer of a free sample bottle, which he willingly sends to anyone who forwards name and address. Later, having convinced themselves through the free sample, they bought Syrup Pepsin of their druggist at fifty cents and one dollar a bottle.

Dr. Caldwell personally will be pleased to give you any medical advice you may desire for yourself or family pertaining to the stomach, liver or bowels absolutely free of charge. Explain your case in a letter and he will reply to you in detail. For the free sample simply send your name and address on a postal card or otherwise. For either request the doctor's address is Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 405 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

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And If You Have Had It You Will Recognize This As a Truthful Description of an Actual Case.

Every one who suffers from rheumatism will recognize the description of a genuine case at sight.

In the following brief statement are vividly described the symptoms which every patient will recognize and the means by which a cure was effected in this case is described with equal fidelity.

If you are suffering from any form of rheumatism with loss of flesh and strength, and thinning of the blood, the remedy that was so effective here deserves a thorough trial.

Mr. W. R. Harper, of Altoona, Kan., who was cured of rheumatism by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, gives this blood-making medicine the following endorsement:

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"I was treated by several doctors and tried many remedies and liniments but none of them gave me much relief. It was not until I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that I began to improve. The pills gave me pure blood and entirely cured me. I have had no return of the trouble since.

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Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are also highly recommended for chlorosis or green sickness, general debility, anæmia, stomach trouble, and after-effects of the grip and fevers.

For further information about the treatment of rheumatism and the above diseases send for a free copy of our "Diseases of the Blood."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists, or will be sent, postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box; six boxes for $2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

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TRUE FISH STORIES FROM THE WALTONS

Sons of the Proverbial Isaac Returned to the City Sunday Evening, After Splendid Sport.

James Cameron, Sr., A. C. Decker and Charles Kirch returned to the city Sunday evening from Lake Lida, Minn, after spending two of the most enjoyable weeks of their lives in fishing. Lake Lida, the haven of fish and fishermen, is a beautiful spot in Western Minnesota and Lake Lida, near Pelican Island is about fifty miles from Fargo, North Dakota. Most of the Kahoka party that spent the two weeks past with the Keokuk gentlemen at the northern resort, returned to their Clark county homes last Friday.

Fair weather was the welcome climatic condition that stayed with the fishing party during its outing and an enormous number of the finny beauties of the deep lake were landed by the successful fishers. The largest fish caught during the outing was that pulled in by Charles Kirch of the Keokuk partiy, a specie of the Muskalonge being on the end of the silken line when it was pulled in by Mr. Kirch and weighed fourteen pounds.

James Cameron, Sr., another one of the Keokuk party, landed a five and a quarter pound, small mouthed bass. Most of the fish are game and this furnishes the real pleasure of these yearly expediions made by the Keokuk and Kahoka enthusiasts. Parties of fishermen from all over Illinois, Missouri and a number of other states of the union convene annually at Lake Lida, Minn.

Comet Direct Cause of Death.

Louisa of Savoy, mother of Francis I., was so frightened by the appearance of a comet that she declared it to be a signal for her death. And curiosly enough she died three days later under this fatal belief. Coming down to more recent years, one finds that in 1853 people all the world over were frightened of the comet.

Foley's Kidney Remedy may be given to children with admirable results. It does away with bed wetting, and is also recommended for use after measles and scarlet fever. Wilkinson & Co.

TALENT FOR Y.M.C.A COURSE

The Star Lecture Course for the Season of 1910 and 1911 Consists of Well Known Stars.

IT'S UP TO KEOKUK

If Enough Tickets Are Not Sold to Guarantee Expenses the Course will be Dropped.

The talent for the Y. M. C. A. Star lecture course for the season of 1910 and 1911 have been selected and the contracts will be closed as soon as committees sent out by the association can secure enough subscribers for season tickets to guarantee the expenses for the course. The course is not run as a money making scheme for the association, but simply as a feature of the social work and the officers do not feel like taking the risk of losing money again as was the case with last year's entertainments. Committees will soon go among the people to secure their co-operation and it will be entirely in the hands of the Keokuk public to signify whether or not they wish to have the course another year by their manner in subscribing for course tickets.

The talent selected are some of the very best on the present day lecture platform. Senator Thomas P. Gore, the blind senator from Oklahoma will probably be the first attraction. Senator Gore's career has attracted a great deal of attention throughout the United States. Although blind he made the canvass of the state of Oklahoma and was elected the first senator from that state in a most hotly contested race. In a speech before the Denver convention his remarks brought forth cheers for W. J. Bryan that lasted for sixty-four minutes and in the senate he is a power among the democratic members.

The Signor Bartilotte Concert company is included in the list. This company is headed by Signor Giuseppe Bartilotte, an eminent Italian tenor, who is supported by Miss Ella Schroeder, violinist; Mr. Gaylord Yost, violinist; and Miss Marguerite Chaffee, reader and impersonator.

The Kellogg-Haines Singing Party give a musical program that is humorous and interesting. Much of the work is in costume.

Edward Reno has been seen here several times and his work as a magician and entertainer has always given the best of satisfaction.

Mr. Phidelah Rice, a pupil of Leland T. Powers, will give a reading, the nature of which has not yet been determined. Mr. Rice has had remarkable success with his readings of Shakespeare's works and although a new-comer to western audiences he will no doubt be as successful before the critics of Keokuk as in Boston.

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SATISFIED WITH THE OVERHAULING

Keokuk Electric Light Company will Have the Large Hamilton-Corliss Engine in Commission Soon.

ALL CIRCUITS CONTINUE

Lights will Probably Not Have to be Shut Off During the Repairs Except Over in Illinois.

Repairs and general overhauling of the large Hamilton-Corliss engine at the power plant of the Keokuk Electric Railway and Power Company, are being vigorously pushed by those in charge and shortly it is expeced that the big machine will again be in tip top condition. It has been necessary to make new bores, and clean and refurnish the parts of the giant engine that has not been dismantled in five or six years, and put it in a newer condition.

Last evening during the time the light load was heaviest, the lights in Hamilton and Warsaw were cut off for a short time. Manager Ayres of the Electric Company stated that it will probably not be necessary to discontinue the service in various parts of the city to private consumers as was first expected. The company is doing its best to get the Hamilton-Corliss machine overhauled so that no inconvenience will be caused patrons.

Manager A. D. Ayres and E. L. Patterson spent some time at the plant on the canal today looking after the various details of the repairs and overhauling of the engine in the hands of the mechanics and report favorably on the progress being made.

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EXPERT TELLS OF THE INSECTS

Dr. J. M. Shaffer Writes of Those Things Which People are Calling Mormon Flies.

To the Editor of The Gate City:

The Golden Yellow River Flies—Potomoyis flava is the insect which is a pest to many from its immense numbers. This paper is prepared in reply to many inquiries and to correct a common error. These flies belong to the order Ephemerida, whence comes our common word ephemeral—living for a day, but these live two or three days. They are harmless; have no mouth; no digestive organs. Noted for the great length of the upper wings, and the comparative shortness of the under wings. The numbers in which they swarm is extraordinary, as very many of our people can testify. Dr. L. A. Howard drove through a cloud of them on the St. Lawrence river when the air and the ground and the clothing looked as though a snow storm was raging. Their early stages are always passed in the water. The larvae are active; breathe by means of fracheal gills; they both swim and crawl and feed largely upon vegetable matter, as seaweeds, and the like. The larval life extends from one to three years. These larvae furnish food for the fresh water fish. Dr. Howard was appealed to with regard to the possible extermination of these insects along the St. Lawrence, but such a result would be extremely undesirable, as with the flies must also perish the fine fish and fishing possibilities of that stream. Prof. Forbes, state entomologist of Illinois, examined the food of over 1,200 fish and found that a large proportion of fresh water fish depended more or less completely on insects as food and could therefore not exist without the insects. And there is a larger proportion from the lace-wings than any other group.

Careful observers say that the robin, grackle, thrush, wren have been seen eating these flies, carrying them to their young, and devouring them in great numbers. So in this locality this plague of flies may preserve the lives of our common birds and compensate for the lack of fruits and the marked scarcety of other insects. The error alluded to is in calling these the Mormon fly. This is quite a different insect and perhaps has not appeared here for eight years. It is known in the books as Macronemizebratum. Like others of this group it has no mouth and passes its larval life in the water. Its habitat is from Canada south to Virginia. Length over 1 inch, and expansion of wings more than an inch. The wings are beautifully spotted and shaded with yellowish brown.

In 1868 Prof. Walsh of Rock Island, Illinois, wrote a history of their appearance at Montrose and Keokuk in countless numbers. The air was filled with them, and they had been swarming in myriads for three weeks. This was in June. Called Mormon flies because of the advent of those people at Nauvoo and the marked swarms of flies near the same time, they must have appeared in special localities, every year for countless ages.

Today another river fly was observed—This was called the Mormon fly also, but it is very different from the two already described. It is much larger than the Mormon fly; wings lace—plain, handsomely nerved, and expand one and a half inches. It is remarkable in having two tails, much larger than the body. They appear along the river completely covering wharves, docks, lumber piles, houses. In July 18, 1909, an electric light globe was filled with them. Their stay was short. Known as Hexagenia bilineata. Of this order Ephemerida, about three hundred species only have been described and there are many more.

How long will they continue to swarm? There is no data available that give times of first appearance and final disappearance of the flies. This year the visitors were very numerous May 28, but were in evidence before that time.

J. M. SHAFFER.

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