

WATER POWER'S FIRST FACTORY

Captain A. C. Decker Buys Extensive Piece of Property at Third and Blondeau for New Garage.

WILL MOVE PLANT ALSO

Should Railroad Company be Compelled to Change Track Location on Water Street, Decker to Build.

Work will be commenced in the spring on one of the finest automobile garages in this section, by Captain A. C. Decker, manager and owner of the Decker Manufacturing Company of this city.

This morning in the county recorder's office a deed conveying to A. C. Decker lots 1, 2 and 3 in block 38, this city, was signed by the Weber-Kirch Manufacturing company.

Captain Decker has for the past several months contemplated the buying of this property and today after ascertaining clear title, he became possessor of the piece for the consideration of \$1,250.

Savors of Water Power.

That the Decker Manufacturing concern of which Captain Decker is the active head, is playing its game with the water power proposition in a safe manner, is made clear by the statement today of Mr. Decker, that if forced to sell out to the water power company, certain portions of his plant which would be damaged by building the railroad tracks through his present factory site, he could easily build his entire factory at the corner of Third and Blondeau streets.

Certain engineering lines made by the chief engineer of the C. B. and Q. railroad last spring and also by the engineers of the Keokuk and Hamilton Water Power company, provide that the tracks of the Burlington will of necessity have to be laid through the southwest end of the Decker Mfg. Company on Water street, when the dam is built, to permit a gradual rise of the roadbed above the overflow from the great river wall. The Decker concern is one of the largest manufacturing plants in the city and conceded to be the largest of its kind in the output of their special kind of articles, in the world.

Garage, Two-story Building.

The garage which Captain Decker will have constructed in the spring, will be a two story, brick and concrete building, and will be made as nearly fire proof as modern methods can make it.

The automobile home which is to take the name of Auto-Inn, the same as the present one run by A. C. Decker, will be 50 feet front by 65 feet long.

In event that the factory on Water street should have to be moved, a three story structure adjoining the garage will be built of the same material as the building to be erected in the spring.

A Reliable Medicine—Not a Narcotic. Get the genuine Foley's Honey and Tar in the yellow package. It is safe and effective. Contains no opiates. Refuse substitutes. Wilkinson & Co.

ILLINOIS BANKERS ARE IN SESSION

Key Note is Sounded by President Who Urges the Teaching of Economy.

CAIRO, Ill., Oct. 26.—Deploping the general tendency to extravagance, but pointing with pride to the great deposits held by the banks of Illinois as an evidence that wealth finally returns to the community which produces it, Oscar G. Foreman, president of the Illinois Bankers association today sounded the keynote of the convention held here.

He said that we were losing the knowledge of the value of the dollar and the banker should do what he can to bring the people back to an economical basis.

Several hundred bankers are in attendance.

RESPONSIBILITY ON THE WOMAN

Coroner's Inquest Completed and Nothing New Developed From That Published in the Gate City.

WHAT THE VERDICT SAYS

That the Two Came to Their Death by Gasoline Being Poured on Family and Match Touch-ed by the Woman.

Fixing the responsibility of the Sunday afternoon tragedy on Mrs. Ben Steutermann the coroner's jury completed its work of hearing the evidence and returned a verdict. All of the evidence is simply a repetition of the facts as given in The Gate City Monday evening. The most important testimony was given by Ben Steutermann, husband of the dead woman. He said:

I am the husband of Rena Steutermann and was living with her on Oct. 23 at No. 108 Exchange street, John Sandberg bought 1-8 of a keg of beer from Kilgibell. The money was given to me by the Mrs. Marvin who rooms with John Sandberg. This was bought on Saturday evening and on Sunday morning about nine o'clock four of us drank about equally. I do not think my wife was intoxicated. We had no quarrel during the day. The only reason I can assign for her throwing the gasoline was that she had periodical spells, which she had frequently. Before she threw the gasoline she hit me with a slipper on the head, and said: 'We all three will go together, and throw the gasoline on me, but not on the boy. After I got out I thought of the boy and went back and got him. He had been shut up there in the room. The boy was 9 years old and was adopted by my wife.'

Others who testified were Mrs. Kate Brown, a sister, Dr. Frank M. Fuller, Dr. C. A. Diamond, Dr. F. B. Dorsey, Dr. H. A. Kinnaman, H. M. Schevers, chief of police, Dr. D. Johnson, Blanche Jackson, Ed. Martin, Wm. Dedman, Mrs. Eunice Dedman and John Anderson, chief of the fire department.

The verdict was: Mrs. Rena and Ben Steutermann came to their death by being burned to death; Mrs. Steutermann being responsible for her own death and of her son by throwing gasoline on herself and husband and then setting fire to it.

WM. KILROY,
WM. HOLT,
JOHN FERRIS.

CITY NEWS.

Henry Sanders is out of the saloon business. A wholesale liquor house has taken over the drink establishment of the hotel man and the wet goods contained in the annex to the hotel are to be moved immediately.

In the vacated bar room, a tonorial parlor will be conducted in connection with the hotel for accommodation of house patrons. No reason is given by the hotel proprietor for disposing of his liquor interests, but it is supposed that infelicities which have occurred from time to time has something to do with it.

Mrs. Henry Walton is just recovering from a severe illness which will be good news to her friends.

LATE AFTERNOON BULLETINS

LONDON, Oct. 26.—A definite decision to appeal to the court of criminal appeals from the death sentence imposed upon him Saturday for the murder of his wife was arrived at today by Dr. H. H. Crippen, after a conference with his lawyers.

COLUMBUS, Miss., Oct. 26.—Frank Ball shot and instantly killed Harvey and Charles Duncan, two brothers, in the railroad station here today. Bell's wife and baby stood at his side when he killed the two men. He was arrested. The murders are the outcome of a family feud.

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—A reward of \$5,000 payable after tomorrow was offered this afternoon for Alan S. Hawley and Augustus Post, who disappeared in the balloon America II.

Many ills come from impure blood. Can't have pure blood with faulty digestion, lazy liver and sluggish bowels. Burdock Blood Bitters strengthens stomach, bowels and liver, and purifies the blood.

Life. Every life that is worth living is a continuous struggle.—Dean Stanley.



Wolf-Dennis Nuptials This Morning.

Beautiful in its simplicity and elegance of a quiet home wedding, the nuptial service of Miss Verona C. Wolf and Mr. George Fred Dennis, was performed this morning at half after eleven o'clock, in the presence of thirty wedding guests, relatives and very intimate friends of both bride and groom. Rev. Jacob Nuesch, pastor of the German Evangelical church, spoke the words uniting the lives of these two happy young people, the beautiful ring service of that faith being used in solemnizing the event.

The bride's dress was a prettily made brown traveling suit of serviceable material, and in her hand she carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums. Mrs. Allen Lindsey attended the bride as matron of honor, attired prettily in a morning gown, carrying yellow chrysanthemums. The groom was attended by his best man, Mr. LeRoy J. Wolf, brother of the bride.

The ceremony took place in the parlor beneath an arrangement of wedding bells and autumn foliage and the room was decorated with red hearts and other appropriate bridal decorations, which added a touch of loveliness to the affair.

At high noon a three course wedding breakfast, sumptuous and complete in its every appointment was served the guests.

The bride is one of Keokuk's best loved young women. She was born and reared in this city, always a social favorite and possessed of many true friends, whom she has made through endearing traits of personality. She is the daughter of Mr. Peter Wolf, one of the city's oldest and most highly respected families.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Dennis of Rock Bridge, Ill. He is a business gentleman of highest worth and worthy in every way of the charming young woman whom he has made his bride. In their event today, many friends extend best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Dennis, and wish them everything well in future wedded life.

After November 15th they will be at home to their friends at 1020 Times street. Mr. and Mrs. Dennis left this afternoon for a honeymoon trip to Chicago, Springfield, Ill., St. Louis and intermediate points of interest. They will also visit at Rock Bridge for a short while.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Hartley With Relatives, Quietly Observe Twenty-ninth Wedding Anniversary, Tuesday.

A six o'clock dinner party, with the guests eighteen of the relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Hartley, enjoyed an elegantly appointed course repeat at the comfortable Hartley residence, 612 Exchange street, last evening. The occasion was one of brightest pleasure, Mr. and Mrs. Hartley having been married in Keokuk twenty-nine years ago, October 25 and life long residents of Keokuk.

Dr. and Mrs. Thos. A. Hartley and Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Gillilan of Warsaw, and Mrs. Lane and daughter, of the lodge.

CITY NEWS

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—The anniversary banquet of Puchechetuck lodge of Odd Fellows, No. 43, will be held Friday evening. The banquet will be served at 7:30 o'clock and dancing will be enjoyed from 9 o'clock until 1. Invitations have been sent to the members.

FISH PLENTIFUL IN M'CREARY POND

The Doctor Made a Record Haul this Morning, Pulling Out Several Hundred Catfish.

Dr. Samuel E. McCreary today went on record for making the largest fish haul of the season, when he pulled out, according to his own figures, 378 small catfish, from Lake Elliott on the McCreary stock farm. The haul was made with a trammel. A half hundred of the finny tribe members were to be seen today at the doctor's flat, 304 1/2 Main street.

LAZY LIVER

"I find Cascarets so good that I would not be without them. I was troubled a great deal with torpid liver and headache. Now since taking Cascarets Candy Cathartic I feel very much better. I shall certainly recommend them to my friends as the best medicine I have ever seen."

Osborn Mill No. 2, Fall River, Mass. Pleasant, Palatable, Potent, Taste Good. Do Good. Never Sicken, Weaken or Grip. 10c, 25c, 50c. Never sold in bulk. The genuine tablet stamped C. C. Guaranteed to cure or your money back.

Miss LaVelle of Moulton, were out-of-town guests, the affair being confined to relatives only.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley received many congratulations on the event of the anniversary and scores of friends wish them numerous such days, during the years that are to come.

Puckechetuck Banquet and Dance.

Invitations were issued today by Puckechetuck lodge No. 43, I. O. O. F. for a banquet and dance to be given in their hall on Friday evening of this week. A banquet followed by dancing from nine until one o'clock, will follow.

Grand Chief of Honor of D. of H.

At their lodge session last evening, the members of the Degree of Honor order, had the pleasure of entertaining the grand chief of honor of the state, Mrs. Etta M. Branson, of Shenandoah. Mrs. Branson arrived in the city yesterday morning and during the day was the guest of Mrs. Gertrude Bauer, chief of honor in the Keokuk lodge.

Mrs. Branson who holds the highest office in the state in the Degree of Honor lodge, will be present at the convention to be held in Ft. Madison tomorrow. Last evening she made a number of remarks of interest to the members here. A social session followed the lodge hour, light refreshments being served. Mrs. Branson left this morning for Ft. Madison, after a very pleasant stay.

Tomorrow about twenty members of Lotus lodge D. of H. will leave in the morning for Ft. Madison. Six delegates have been appointed who will take part in the program to be given.

Showered by Her Young Lady Friends.

Twelve young lady friends called at the residence of Mrs. Alva Nelson last evening at her home, 1309 Orleans street, and gave her a linen shower. The event was one which was to have taken place two weeks ago last evening, but Mrs. Nelson, formerly Miss Leta McMains, and her husband followed their many friends by quietly marrying and slipped away on their bridal trip.

Last evening's affair was one of the most pleasant events of the week and Mrs. Nelson received several pretty pleas as a remembrance of the occasion. Refreshments were served, being brought by the guests who surprised their hostess in a thorough manner.

Mrs. Fuller's Natal Day.

Mrs. Cecilia G. Fuller is celebrating her 83rd birthday in Quincy today. Dr. Frank M. Fuller and Charles M. Fuller will spend part of the day with her, returning this evening.

R. N. A. Coffee Yesterday Afternoon.

The ladies of the Royal Neighbor lodge gave a benefit "coffee" at the residence of Mrs. George Bunner, on Williams street, yesterday afternoon. Many attended the affair which proved to be a social pleasanter. Refreshments were served, Mrs. Bunner being assisted by several other ladies of the lodge.

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THE WORLD'S MARKETS

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PRIVATE WIRES A. G. PERKES, MGR.

Daily Grain Letter. CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 26.—Cables 3/4c lower. Leaders encouraging the idea that we have a perfect trading situation in wheat.

Corn bears using a mass of overwhelming statistics. Farmers unable to husk and crib. A couple of severe frosts touches required to finish the crop. Husking should be in full blast now but is delayed. Farmers not selling new corn. He is giving the change or bad weather an opportunity to help prices a few cents.

Ohio refuses to sell her new corn at 35c. May deliveries in corn and wheat are perhaps too near the recent low points of 98 3/4c, and 48 3/4c, to inspire great confidence in the idea that the markets have turned emphatically.

And I would not follow any upturn today. If the leaders are successful, we are about to encounter a series of sharp changes over a cent range.

Corn special—Wagner sentiment posts suggest a 45c level for May corn. Statistics on offer by bear extremists suggest 40c. Local houses with Illinois connections very bearish on the basis of a 3,050,000,000 crop. November reserves of 130,000,000 the U. S. will have 3,185,000,000 corn versus an aggregate around 3,169,000,000 in 1906 record year. New figures 3,215,000,000.

The south will consume and waste its increase of 100,000,000. If the corn bears get their own way, we shall witness an extraordinary swing in corn of 6 or 8 cents down followed by a ten cent upturn.

Daily Range of Prices.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 26.—

WHEAT—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec.	93	93 3/4	92 3/4	93 3/4
May.	99 3/4	99 3/4	99	99 3/4
July.	96 3/4	96 3/4	96 3/4	96 3/4

CORN—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec.	46	47	45 3/4	46 3/4
May.	49 1/4	49 1/4	48 3/4	49 1/4
July.	50 3/4	50 3/4	49 3/4	50 3/4

OATS—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec.	30 3/4	31 1/4	30 3/4	31 1/4
May.	34 3/4	34 3/4	34 3/4	34 3/4
July.	33 3/4	34	33 3/4	34

PORK—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	17.17	17.20	16.97	16.97
May.	16.10	16.22	16.02	16.02

LARD—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	10.17	10.32	10.17	10.17
May.	9.72	9.77	9.67	9.70

RIBS—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	9.05	9.10	9.00	9.00
May.	8.82	8.90	8.80	8.80

Estimated Receipts Tomorrow.

Wheat, 82; corn, 206; oats, 114; hogs, 16,000.

Chicago Car Lots.

	Graded.	Last Year
Wheat.	32	41
Corn.	218	81
Oats.	179	46

Northwest Receipts.

	Today	Last Year
Minneapolis.	241	378
Duluth.	171	433
Winnipeg.	450	509

Chicago Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Hogs opening 23,000; left over 6500; opened weak at yesterday's average. Mixed, \$8.15@9.15; rough, \$7.90@8.20; light, \$8.55@9.20.

Local Grain Market.

KEOKUK, Oct. 26.—The following markets, furnished by the O. A. Talbot company:

No. 2 Wheat, red.	84
No. 3, Wheat.	80
No. 2, wheat, hard.	84
New white oats.	26
New mixed oats.	25
Corn.	39 1/2

Local Live Stock.

KEOKUK, Oct. 26.—The following live stock market furnished today by Joseph Haubert:

Hogs—Good butchers, \$8.50@8.75. Sheep—Butchers, \$4.00 to 5.00. Calves—\$6.50.

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Stirling Woolen Mills

Buildings and Property Offered for Sale.

The real estate consisting of two store buildings and all unsold personal property, machinery, piece goods, etc., of the Stirling Woolen Mills company, will be sold at public sale at the office of the company in Farmington, Iowa, on Saturday, October, 25th, 1910 beginning at 10 a. m. The real estate will be offered at 2 p. m. All sales are subject to approval of the board of directors and liquidating committee.

W. E. BLAKE,
J. W. MILLER,
MARTHA LERCHE,
Committee.

STOCK SALE

Consisting of horses and cows, at the Linnenburger Dairy on Main Street Road, Tuesday November 1st.

Farms! Farms!

55 ac. 3 mi. out, good bottom land, 5 room house, fine large barn, well fenced \$2750.

20 ac. 8 mi. out, good poultry and dairy farm, fair improvements, \$2,000. Will take city property in exchange.

40 ac. 5 mi. out, splendid 4 room house and new barn, 400 fruit trees, best varieties, \$2,000.

76 ac. elegant fruit, berry and dairy farm, 1,200 bearing fruit trees, good improvements 9 mi. west of Keokuk, \$65 per acre.

317 ac. 8 mi. out, 200 in cultivation. Best of improvements. Splendid stock farm \$50 per acre. And many others as good or better.

M. S. Ackles

"The Real Estate Man" Room 1, Estes Building.

Want Column

WANTED.

WANTED—Men to learn barber trade. Few weeks completes. Time saved by steady practice. Careful instructors and demonstrations. Tools given, diplomas granted. Wages Saturdays. Splendid demand for graduates. Write today. Moler Barber College, St. Louis, Mo.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Dwelling, 309 Blondeau, Oct. 24, gas, bath, electric lights, E. F. Renaud, Agt.

FOR RENT—Modern cottage, 5 rooms, bath and furnace, 516 Orleans Ave. New house, 7 rooms, bath, furnace and laundry, 529 Morgan street. Six room house, 511 1/2 Exchange street. Inquire A. J. Ruddick, 504 Orleans Ave. Both phones.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Contents of Depot Hotel at a bargain. Hamilton, Ill. Call at once. A. J. Derksen, proprietor.

FOR SALE—Ten room house, two lots, beautiful lawn, \$2150. A lot on Boulevard 50x300 ft, only \$600. John A. Roberts, 28 N. 5th.

LOST.

LOST—White Spitz female pup about six months old. Call W. T. Hawkins, Summitville. Reward.

MISCELLANEOUS.

IF the party taking the pocket book at Winger Brothers' store Saturday afternoon will leave same at Gate City office, no questions will be asked. Party is known.

SET FRUIT, shade tree, grape vines etc., now. From 1515 Main St. John T. S