

CO. L. READY TO LEAVE FOR FRONT

Captain Richardson Preparing to Muster Company to Full War Strength at Moment's Notice.

FIGHTING STRENGTH 83

Company L is One of the Largest and Best Companies in Four Regiments in Iowa Guard.

"I am expecting to receive orders at any time to open a recruiting station and recruit Company L to full war strength. We are fully equipped and munitioned and are ready to leave for the rendezvous of the Iowa national guard at almost an hour's notice. The telephone address of every man in the company, both at his home and place of employment, is listed and we could get word to them within twenty minutes."

Company L, with a fighting strength of sixty-three men, fully equipped for marching orders, is anxiously awaiting the command of the adjutant general to go to the front as soon as war is declared against Mexico, and according to the statement of Captain Richardson this morning, could be on the way within an hour's notice.

The telephone number of every man in the company is on file at the armory and an officer is stationed there to give out the word if any orders are received. The full equipment of every man is prepared so that the militia can be mustered without delay immediately upon reporting at the armory.

Await Call to Muster.

Captain Richardson is hourly expecting word to muster his company to full war strength and leave for Des Moines which will in all probability be the rendezvous of the four regiments of the Iowa national guard. These are the Fifty-third, Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth regiments, under the command of Brigadier General H. A. Allen of Cedar Rapids.

The Fifty-fourth regiment, to which Company L belongs, is under the command of Col. R. P. Howell of Iowa City. All the regiments are twelve companies strong, giving the Iowa national guard an approximate fighting strength of 2,880 men.

Company Fully Equipped.

Captain Richardson has detailed Musician Robertson to duty at the armory. The full equipment of every member of the company, consisting of gun, ammunition, blankets, uniform, and cooking kits, in addition to the quartermaster's supplies is kept so arranged that as each man reports for duty his equipment can be handed to him without a moment's loss of time. Several new men are being added to the company each day. Captain Richardson has the papers to swear in four or five new men when the company meets at the armory tomorrow night. At the meetings of the company being held, all members are required to be present for instruction in all kinds of drills and field maneuvers.

Ready to Go to Front.

All the members of the company are anxiously awaiting orders that will send them to the front. They are anxious to take a hand in teaching Mexico to respect the United States flag. The company has been itching for the beginning of hostilities. Many men in the city have expressed their intentions of enlisting with the company as soon as orders are received to recruit the company to full war strength.

Late this afternoon Captain Richardson was advised of a United Press bulletin which stated that it was the desire of the war department that militia regiments be at once recruited to their full war strength, and that a draft had been completed for a call for 250,000 volunteers. He stated that he was hourly expecting to receive orders from headquarters to open a recruiting station and recruit the company to full war strength. "We are ready," was his way of putting it.

Roster of Company L

- Captain—R. T. Richardson.
- 1st Lieutenant—Louis Rovane.
- 1st Sergeant—Clarence Powell.
- 2nd Sergeant—Aura Leighton.
- Sergeants: Ben Moody, Wm. Herber, Russell Maynard, Ralph Leake.
- Corporals: Harley Moore, Cleve Harniss, Robt. Smith, Robt. Hassett, Frank O. Barbar, Leo Carhoff.
- Cooks: John Braasil.

Dan Horn. Musicians: John Robertson, Smith Hamill.

Privates.

- Miles Arnold.
- Howard Auld.
- Leo Boquet.
- Fred Brown.
- Bert Brown.
- Wm. Benjamin.
- Wm. Cameron.
- Edward Chase.
- Arthur Cook.
- Harry Clemenson.
- Harry Drummond.
- A. L. D. Dapper.
- Chas. Hinman.
- A. S. Hedrick.
- J. C. Hedrick.
- J. F. Hedrick.
- Geo. Hoffman.
- Ed. Kirchner.
- J. Kline.
- Max Kendig.
- E. Lewis.
- E. H. Leake.
- Joe La Faivre.
- G. W. Mayer.
- Harry Mayer.
- F. D. Miller.
- James MacKenzie.
- Verne McCunn.
- Howard Montague.
- Elaworth Meredith.
- Ola Wyland.
- Kim Pickard.
- Robt. Robertson.
- Ben Raridon.
- A. Rader.
- Wm. Sunley.
- E. R. Sunley.
- Bent Stevens.
- Fritz Thelm.
- Stimm Todd.
- Frank Vandendoel.
- Hugo Weil.
- E. Warden.
- Wm. Stevens.
- Fritz Thelm.
- Stimm Todd.
- Frank Vandendoel.
- Hugo Weil.
- E. Warden.
- Wm. Stevens.
- Jay Wycoff.

Hold up Exports.

EL PASO, Texas, April 23.—Acting on instructions from Washington, Colonel C. A. P. Hatfield, commanding the second cavalry brigade at Fort Bliss, at 11 a. m. today notified Collector of Customs Zach L. Cobb to prohibit the exportation of arms and ammunition to constitutionalists or other persons through the El Paso port to Juarez or through the El Paso customs district at any point. The constitutionalists have a shipment of 150,000 rounds of ammunition due to arrive today and also have orders for 1,500,000 cartridges enroute to El Paso from the factory.

Army Plans Discussed.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, April 23.—The general staff of the army was convened today by General Leonard Wood, retiring chief of staff. It was believed that they were considering orders for a general army movement to Mexico and that orders would soon be announced.

—Read The Daily Gate City, 10c per week.



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Society

Keokuk Man Weds.

At St. Joseph church, Fort Madison, at 6:00 a. m., yesterday, occurred the marriage of Mr. Lawrence J. Ewers and Miss Ida Boncamp, Rev. A. J. Zaizer officiating. The service took the form of a nuptial mass, the regular church choir being present and Miss Emma Pruellage presiding at the organ. The altar was tastefully decorated with roses. There were no attendants. The bride was attired in a green moire traveling suit.

Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents, 919 Fourth street, where a wedding breakfast was served. The couple left on the morning train for Chicago for a ten days' visit, after which they will be at home at Sixth and Palean streets, Keokuk.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Boncamp, a young lady graced by nature, endowed with countless admirable characteristics and possessing many talents. The groom is a prominent young Keokukian connected with the cereal works, capable and well and favorably known. Several of his young friends came up from Keokuk in autos and trumpeted the departure of the couple in a manner to make the event memorable. The groom's mother and sister, Mrs. Anna Ewers and Miss Katherine Ewers, of Keokuk, were present at the ceremony.

Tate-Zimmerman.

At the home of Rev. R. W. Lilley, the pastor of the First Christian church, at 4:30 o'clock yesterday, occurred the marriage of Miss Lola Mae Tate, of 112 North Second street, Keokuk, Iowa, and Mr. Louis A. Zimmerman of Montreal, Canada. Miss Tate is one of Keokuk's popular young women and has many friends in this city. Mr. Zimmerman was formerly a resident here, being employed by Stone & Webster.

Owing to the ill health of the bride's father, it was a very quiet affair. Mr. and Mrs. Tate are now residents of Silver City, Mexico, having just recently departed. Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman will depart Friday for Chicago, New York and other northern points, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Dance at Keokuk Club.

Through the courtesy of the Keokuk club the dancing party for the benefit of the furnishing of the new country club house, will be held on Tuesday evening at the club house, near Fourth and Blondeau. Cards will be played in the reception rooms for those who do not care to dance. The grand march will be led by the president of the Country club, Major Montgomery Meigs, and his daughter, Miss Frances Meigs.

Planning Recital.

Miss Clara Gertrude Fry is planning for her annual pupil's recital which will be given early in May.

Honors Mrs. E. L. Barr.

A beautifully appointed 1 o'clock luncheon was given yesterday by Mrs. Eugene S. Baker in honor of Mrs. Edward L. Barr, who will leave on Monday for her new home in Des Moines. Covers were laid for sixteen at a table having for a center piece a large basket of sweet peas and trailing smilax. The place cards were tiny fans painted with pink blossoms in water colors. Following the luncheon the guests played bridge. Much regret is felt at the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Barr who have been popular in society during their residence here.

Civic League Annual.

The annual meeting of the Civic league will be held in the Y. W. C. A. building on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Officers and directors will be elected and annual reports made. A large attendance is expected.

Willing Workers Meet.

The Willing Workers of the Second Presbyterian church will be entertained on Friday evening by the Misses Mattie and Eunice Eads at their home on William street.

Gives Birthday Party.

Jessie Alberts gave a party in honor of her fifteenth birthday at her parent's home, 1215 Johnson street, yesterday afternoon. Refreshments were served and games enjoyed. The guests departed, wishing her many more happy birthdays.

MONTROSE LODGE COMING TOMORROW

Pucketchuck Members Here Will Entertain Visitors—To Put on Third Degree.

Tomorrow evening the Montrose lodge of Odd Fellows will journey to Keokuk as the guests of Pucketchuck lodge here. The third degree will be put on by the degree team from the lodge here. A week ago the degree team went to Montrose and put on the first degree there. They made such a good impression that the Montrose lodge wants to come here for a regular meeting.

Several candidates will be initiated at the meeting tomorrow night. After the regular work is disposed of, lunch will be served the visitors by the local lodge.

TWO MEN INJURED IN BAD RUNAWAY

William Ullrich and Nicholas Neyens Thrown From Seat of Truck and Are Injured.

DRAGGED UNDER TRUCK

Neyens Escaped With Few Bruises After Being Dragged for Half a Block Under Truck.

Two men were injured, one perhaps fatally, when they were thrown off a truck of the J. Lelsy Brewing company in a runaway on Main street shortly before 10 o'clock this morning. William F. Ullrich, 1317 Johnson street, who was driving the team, was thrown from the seat and struck the pavement on his head. It was thought that he was injured internally and the doctors were unable to tell this morning whether his injuries were fatal or not. Nicholas Neyens, 1522 Cedar street, who was riding on the seat with Ullrich, was thrown forward between the horses, and was dragged for half a block under the wagon while holding to the lines. Neyens' injuries were not serious and he escaped with but a few bruises and scratches.

Witnesses of the accident told different stories of how it occurred. It was stated that when about half way between Seventh and Eighth streets on Main, Ullrich turned his horses across the street car track. One of the wheels skidded on the track, jerking the wagon so violently as to throw both the men from the high seat on the wagon. One of the horses, a new one, became frightened and started to run, the other following. Ullrich was thrown off the seat to one side. Some who saw the accident said that Ullrich was run over by one of the back wheels of the heavily loaded wagon, while others say that he was not run over by the wheels.

Neyens was thrown forward to the tongue and from there fell between the horses to the pavement. He grasped the lines as he fell and held on to them, being dragged along for over a half a block. He said later that he was afraid to let loose of the lines, believing that if he did so that he would be run over by the wheels.

The horses were stopped momentarily near the corner of Seventh and Main and Neyens let loose. They started again at once, however, following a man riding a horse around the corner toward the postoffice. A number of men attempted to stop the horses. R. L. Speights, colored, 516 North Seventeenth street, caught the bride of one of the horses as they went around the corner. Speights held on and was dragged for half of a block. He succeeded in slowing the horses down, however, and H. M. Campbell, B. L. Anderson, A. L. Ackery, and others helped him to get the horses in charge.

Ullrich was carried into the rear of Haubert's meat market, where Drs. Gray and Gillilan were called and attended to his injuries. Ullrich seemed to be in great pain at the time, although he was not unconscious. He was removed to his home at 1317 Johnson street. It is feared that he may be suffering from serious internal injuries. The horses and wagon were uninjured.

REWARD.

A reward of \$50.00 for the arrest and conviction of the party who burned the Loewenstein barn and team of horses belonging to Archie McCoy, April 19.

ALBERT MILLER, President Lee County A. H. T. A.

Mrs. Wm. McGowan went to Ottumwa today as a delegate to the missionary society of the Westminster church.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. C. W. Chase of 718 Morgan street spent Wednesday in Ft. Madison. Mr. Chase and Mr. and Mrs. Butts went up in their automobile and returned with Mrs. Chase.

KEOKUK MEN ARE IN REGULAR ARMY

Col. Howell is in Infantry and Capt. Howell in Artillery Service. Keokuk are representatives in the regular army of the United States in the person of Col. D. L. Howell of the U. S. Infantry, and Capt. J. F. Howell of the U. S. Artillery. Capt. Howell is stationed at Fort Rodman and Col. Howell is at Honolulu. Both these men saw service during the Philippine war, and were both in the Philippine Islands campaigns. Col. Howell was brevetted for bravery in Cuba. Will Kesselring is also in the regulars.

REV. J. CONNORAN DIED LAST NIGHT

Was the Oldest Minister in the City and a Faithful Laborer in the Field.

BORN IN PENNSYLVANIA

Had Been a Resident Here Twenty-four Years and Was Well Known in Iowa, Illinois and Missouri.

A feeling of genuine sadness prevailed in the city today over the whispered announcement of the death of that honored and venerable citizen, Rev. James Connoran, who had been for a number of years identified with almost every movement inaugurated for the moral and religious uplift of the community. He was a quiet, unobtrusive personality, passing always the streets of the city, bearing a warmth of brotherly love in his heart, a smile on his face, kindled with a friendly beam in the eye, and a loving message on his lips, which always stamped him as a man of God. Age crept upon him, but his youth of heart and soul continued with him to the end, for these were immortal and knew no such word as decay.

Rev. Connoran was born in Lebanon county, Pa., January 10, 1834, a member of a family of ten children, and of that large family only one brother survives. When Mr. Connoran was a mere infant the family moved west to Indiana and there he received his education, attending Butler college at Indianapolis. Later the family moved to near Winterset, where Mr. Connoran taught school for some time and there he began his career as a minister of the gospel, and in the house where he taught school in or near Winterset, he preached his first sermon. That was probably over a half a century ago, and he has been a devoted follower and teacher for the Master ever since.

He was a veteran of the civil war, enlisting as a volunteer soldier in Company K of the Twenty-ninth Iowa regiment and served to the end as an obedient and exemplary soldier of his country as well as a true and faithful soldier of the cross. In all his long career he always kept in mind his duty to God, himself, his country, his home and the welfare of his friends, neighbors and community.

On September 1, 1887, he was married to Miss Marie E. Coons, near Scottsville, Macoupin county, Ill., who has proved a loving and worthy helpmate, who feels with the deepest sorrow the great loss she has sustained by the death of a noble and affectionate husband.

As a Pastor Here.

In 1890 Keokuk became his home and he was installed as pastor of the Christian church here, to whose service he gave several years of his earnest, active and industrious life without probably any promise or expectation of earthly reward for his labors. It is told of him that on one occasion here, so thoroughly aroused was he for a church here, ample for the accommodation of the growing congregation, that he unselfishly laid aside his own interests, and engaged in the sale of books to raise \$100 with which to make the necessary first payment on a lot upon which to erect a church building. His purpose was accomplished, perhaps beyond his first determination. While pastor here no pastor was more generally respected or had a deeper confidence of the congregation than he.

For several months he has been what his observing friends considered in failing health, but he continued his errands of love and mercy about the city practically up to the time of his death. He was out on the streets yesterday, and Tuesday he attended a funeral at which he offered a prayer.

Yesterday afternoon he returned to his home in the middle of the afternoon saying he felt all right. Later he complained seriously of his breast hurting. A doctor was speedily summoned and made quick response, treating him according to his apparent needs and leaving medicine to be administered in his absence. The physician left, feeling no special alarm as to the condition of his patient. After the doctor had departed, Mr. Connoran, who had been dozing, was aroused and in his usual strong voice asked about the doctor's visit and if he had left him any medicine. After being assured, Mrs. Connoran turned away from the sick bed to adjust something on a table nearby. With her back to him, she discovered something unusual in his breathing and turned suddenly to him. His face had an unnatural appearance and she rapidly commenced to administer to him by rubbing his face and finally sprinkled some water in his face. He gently opened his eyes and looked up to her and his lips moved as if attempting a last message. In her sorrow, Mrs. Connoran called out and immediately came to her assistance. After the Christian church. Friends are invited,

only one or two breaths, his arms fell gently across his breast and all was over. His life passed out without a struggle, and he went to his reward as peacefully as an innocent child goes to sleep.

He will be greatly missed in this community in the Ministerial association of which he has long been a faithful and active member and many other organizations to which he has given wise counsel and substantial aid.

Since he resigned his pastorate here, he has continued to preach at various points in Iowa, Missouri and Illinois.

Four Score Years.

At his last birthday anniversary, his eightieth, he received many appreciated presents and letters of good will and congratulations, among them a letter from an old friend, an editor at Des Moines, a copy of which is given below:

"Des Moines, January 9.—My dear Brother Connoran: Your good letter is at hand and I just want to write you a line of congratulation on your 80th anniversary. Surely you have seen wonders in your day and are one of the few men living who really knows what it is to do pioneer work for the Master. How I would love to sit by your side and have you tell me some of the struggles of those early days. I may come to see you one of these days.

"Wishing you still many happy, joyful days, your brother in Christ, John T. Nichols.

"P. S. Am glad to say that one of your good friends sends you The Christian Friend and no doubt will continue to do so as long as you enjoy reading it."

But the good man is gone and Keokuk feels a deep sorrow and extends heartfelt sympathy and tender condolence to his bereaved and loving wife and noble and faithful helpmate.

CITY NEWS.

—W. C. Reinhold Piano Co. will occupy the store room recently vacated by Piggett Music House, at 626 Main street.

—Merlin Stutenberg, 1616 Exchange street had the misfortune to fall last night while roller skating and his collar bone was broken. He passed a restless night but this afternoon seemed to be in a little less pain from the injury.

—The regular meeting of the school board will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock. The board's meeting will be preceded at 6 o'clock with dinner served by the domestic science department of the schools. The dinner will be served at 6 o'clock, and the board members and newspaper men have been invited to attend.

—W. C. Reinhold Piano Co. will in a few days remove to 626 Main, in the same room with Phillips' Art store.

—Ollie Webb Morrison of Monmouth, Ill., and Margaret F. Pashard of Burlington were united in marriage Tuesday by James S. Burrows, justice of the peace.

—In yesterday evening's Gate City among the Hamilton items appeared an item which read as follows: "Mrs. F. H. Elder returned to her home from a Des Moines hospital." This was an error on the part of The Gate City force in some way. The item should have read as follows: Mrs. F. H. Elder has returned from Osceola, Iowa, where she has been for a few days staying with her sister, who has recently been a patient in a Des Moines hospital, but who returned to her home last week.

—Special: Friday and Saturday, trimmed hats, \$1.98 and \$2.98. LaVogue.

—Will Garland and wife, Mrs. Nettie Goff Garland, of London, are here for a visit with Mr. Garland's mother, Mrs. Mary Garland, 921 Ridge street. Mr. Garland has a company of colored artists in London who are putting on a musical comedy there. The company is making a big hit with the Englishmen, and proving a successful venture. Mr. Garland himself has traveled to all parts of the globe. He will be here about three weeks.

—D. A. Glasscock, secretary of the United Charities, will lecture on the work before the Trinity M. E. ladies tomorrow.

—John G. Seltz and Mrs. Minnie Huntley were united in marriage this afternoon by John Leindeccker, justice of the peace.

—Adolph Beno of the firm of John Beno and Co., Council Bluffs, will arrive here tomorrow, enroute south for a look at the dam and power plant. Mr. Beno will be accompanied by his wife.

—A boy was born today to Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Walker. —Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Saunders, 172 South Seventh street, are the parents of a baby girl, born today.

—Suit was filed in the district court this afternoon by Ida Maxey against Francis Hurley and William Hurley. Plaintiff alleges she made arrangements to pasture cattle of defendants upon her property at the rate of 75 cents per head. She claims \$29.50 is due her. —Suit was filed by Dennis Moroney against George W. Gardner and F. R. Gardner, claiming \$354. It is alleged in the petition that defendants signed a promissory note for \$286.90, with interest, and the same is due and has not been paid. They ask for

Want Column

WANTED.

WANTED—Two good paper hangers, 47 1/2c per hour. J. M. Kenney, 729 Ridge. Phone Red 763.

WANTED—Girl or middle age woman for general housework. 217 Concert. Phone 1463.

WANTED—Light, cheerful room for light housekeeping within six blocks of the Hotel Iowa. Address G. B., care Gate City.

WANTED—Place as nurse girl, by a girl fourteen years of age, also work by the day by capable woman. Phone Red-1328.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—1307 Concert street, 3 rooms with bath. Enquire Maas-Bode & Larson Co.

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms, nice river view. 23 Blondeau. Phone Red-282.

FOR RENT—Modern five-room house, furnished. June, July and August. Address or phone F. E. Fuller, 824 Fulton street. References exchanged.

FOR RENT—Six room house, all modern. Inquire 1104 Leighton avenue or phone Red 525.

FOR RENT—No. 318 N. Third street, ten rooms and bath. Inquire at No. 222 Morgan street.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping, north side, modern. Phone Red-769.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Will sell our business. The Buffalo Candy Co. It sale can be made will join the U. S. army and go to Mexico.

FOR SALE—Cheap, four room house, corner lot, near Twenty-first. Cistern, some fruit. This is a bargain. Price \$400.00. See J. S. Miller, 14 1/2 North Fifth street.

FOR SALE—Top buggy, rubber tired, in good condition. Enquire 1318 Times.

FOR SALE—Good true work horse, coming five years old, weighs 1350 pounds, for only \$150.00. He is a bargain. Phone 2321-F23, White Elk Vineyard.

FOR SALE—Cheap, 7 room house, full corner lot, near Seventeenth street, four blocks from Main. Price \$850.00. See J. S. Miller, 14 1/2 North Fifth street.

LOST.

LOST—Young bird dog, color brown and white. Answers to name of Teal. Reward if returned to 24 South Third street.

LOST—English bull dog six months old, white around collar and face. Phone Red-1358. Reward.

LOST—Dozen baby photographs between Sandusky and Keokuk. Please notify this office or leave at Fiedler's grocery at Sandusky. Reward.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SMALL Missouri farm, either 10, 20, 30 or 40 acres (you take your choice regardless of size); also 3 town lots and 200 shares in successful 1,000 acre orchard company with two canning factories and full equipment, all for only \$200; \$5 down and \$5 monthly without interest or taxes. Will pay round trip railway fare of buyers. Payments stop in case of death. Write for photographs and full information, Willis A. Munger, 144 N. Y. Life, Kansas City, Mo.

the full amount of the note and interest.

—A marriage license was issued today to John G. Seltz, 45, and Mrs. Minnie Huntley, 42, both of this city.

T. S. HARRINGTON JR. STRECKFUS AGENT

Will Have Charge of Keokuk Office Which Will Open in Week.

The Streckfus steamboat line offices will open in Keokuk within a week, according to the announcement made this morning by J. C. Betts, traveling passenger agent for the Streckfus line. Mr. T. S. Harrington Jr. will be the agent in charge of the office here this season.

Mr. Harrington will handle all the business at this point for the Streckfus company. He will have the office in shape to open within the next seven days. A large number of excursion bookings have been made for Keokuk, and it is expected that there will be the usual heavy summer travel on the river.

An Important Room.

Mr. McCorkle was showing some visitors over the house. Arriving at the nursery he remarked, "This gentleman, is the bawl room."—Tit-Bits.