ILLINOIS READY TO WAR ON RATS

Board of Health in Neighboring State Has Commenced Fight Which Will be Check on These Rodents.

WILL PREVENT PLAGUE

Believe It is Easier to Fight It Than to Allow It to Get a Foothold in the State.

To the present there has not been much stir in Iowa in regard to the plague danger and the rat problem. There was an announcement of some kind, to which little heed was given and which was forgotten the day after it was printed. In the mean time, a few more cases of the plague have been discovered at New Orleans and some of the best plague fighters in the world have taken charge of matters there. Over in Illinois, the authorities seem to be alive to the importance of the situation, while on this side, in Missouri and Iowa, there has been little stir to date. A Springfield, Ill., correspondent writes under date of July 18:

"Bubonic plague, one of the most fatal diseases known to mankind, has been discovered by the health authorities in New Orleans. Several cases in at least three widely separated points in that city have thus far come to light.

"In view of these developments the United States public health service has, on invitation of the Louisiana authorities, assumed charge of the work of suppression of the disease and while they no doubt have the situation well in hand, they have deemed it necessary to advise health officials of Illinois and all other states in more or less direct communication with New Orleans by rail or water transportation lines, to immediately take steps to prevent the introduction of bubonic plague into their respective states.

"The Illinois state board of health in prompt response to this notice has instructed the health officers of all towns and counties fronting on the Mississippi, Ohio, Wabash and Illinois rivers to immediately inaugurate rat extermination and clean-up campaigns in all communities under their supervision. The officials of all rail and water transportation lines entering Illinois from the infested territory also have been similarly advised with respect to their warehouses, freight yards, wharves, rolling stock, etc., at ports of entry and elsewhere in the state.

"To see that the advised action is immediately undertaken and the work efficiency carried out, the Illinois state board of health with the approval of Governor Dunne, has despatched its sanitary inspectors on a tour of inspection of the principal points in Illinois affected by the order. These inspectors will co-operate with the local health authorities at all points visited, instructing and otherwise assiting them in the inauguration of approved methods of protection against introduction of the disease into this state."

Congregational Conferences On.

BURTON, Wash., July 22.—With a seven days program scheduled that embraces many topics of vital importance to the church and the public, the annual Congregational conference of the northwest began sessions on Vashon Island today. A large number of churches of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and British Columbia were represented, besides hundreds of clergymen and laymen, interested in the work to be considered. Practically every one attending is living in tents, and the meetings have all of the features of a summer camp.

Experienced Women Advise Mother's Friend

Because it is so perfectly safe to use and has been of such great help to a host of expectant mothers, these women, experienced in this most happy period, advise the use of "Mother's Friend."

Applied externally to the abdominal muscles its purpose is to relieve the undue tension upon the cords and ligaments resulting from muscular expansion. Beneath the surface is a network of fine nerve threads and the gentle, soothing embrocation, "Mother's Friend," is designed to so lubricate the muscular fibres as to avoid the unnecessary and continuous nagging upon this myriad of nerves. Applied to the breasts it affords the proper massage to prevent caking.

There is scarcely a well-stocked drug store anywhere but what you can easily obtain a bottle of "Mother's Friend" and in nearly every town and village is a grandma who herself used it in earlier years. Expectant mothers are urged to try this splendid assistant.

Mother's Friend has been prepared by Bradfield Regulator Co., 310 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., for nearly half a century. Send for valuable little book to expectant mothers.

The Nauvoo Gate City

Nauvoo, Ill., July 22, 1914

There has been no dealings in dirt in Nauvoo for some time and not likely to be for some time to come.

The first of August will be upon us before we know it.

Whenever wheat takes a drop it is a noticeable fact that flour in Nauvoo pays no attention to it.

Spring chickens raised in Nauvoo are said to be very fine but our poultry dealers are not receiving many of them. Probably they are sent to the larger cities for the rich man's table.

There has not been any drownings in the big bath in Nauvoo or vicinity so far this season. Our people are careful with the big lake.

Nauvoo's assessor found some mighty poor people during his rounds this spring, people whom everyone thought were well-to-do before his labors began. But they had to "cough up."

Nauvoo's two blacksmiths have had plenty to do during the dry spell, setting tires.

The lawn mower has had considerable rest during the long dry spell.

St. Mary's academy and Spalding institute are quiet buildings just now and will remain so until next September. It is vacation time in these Nauvoo schools.

Since the old Winslow house has been placed in first class condition our people are wondering as to what use this ancient house will be put to. Its location makes it a fine place for a hotel or boarding house.

Many Nauvoo people formerly rested along the big river or on the islands every nice Sunday and have sumptuous spreads of good things and a nice quiet time all by themselves. Since Lake Cooper has formed, they don't do so any more.

Some day some bright fellow is coming forward and catalogue all the soda drinks sold during the hot weather.

Quite a number of Nauvoo and vicinity people attended the Hagenbeck-Wallace shows in Burlington last Thursday.

Threshing machines have been very busy the past week in Nauvoo's neighborhood. Our farmers near Nauvoo now have their grain in the bin or hauled to the nearest and best market.

This is the season of the year when the city dweller migrates to the country.

Nauvoo people who planted late potatoes are now interested in a teaspoonful of Paris green to a gallon of water to kill potato bugs. There will be few if any late tubers raised in Nauvoo this season.

A large number of automobilists, fellows and their dyedamies, from neighboring towns visit Nauvoo nearly every Sunday, partaking of the bountiful hospitality, agreeable shade, and splendid refreshments that can be obtained here.

A visit to the flower gardens about Nauvoo affords one an agreeable surprise. The beds are filled with rare and beautiful flowers of many varieties. The collection of roses is the largest and rarest you ever saw and that finer specimens ever were grown is unthinkable. This is not strange, however. A Nauvoo lady and Nauvoo soil are a combination that beats the world in the production of anything that may be undertaken.

Nauvoo is a splendid summer resort, especially on Sundays.

The pond lillies that formerly grew so profusely in the bottoms among the islands opposite Nauvoo in the big river have been almost entirely exterminated since the formation of Lake Cooper here. This beautiful flower was gathered by many of our citizens in the month of June every year.

The excessive hot weather has been hard on our work horses.

Nauvoo has plenty of employment for our people in the summer, but it ought to have more employment—giving industries that pay out salaries each month during the year; then times would be better all the time.

During the past week several farmers passed on our streets with a number of calves for slaughter at our meat markets for shipment and home consumption. On inquiry we learned that they were worth from $10 up per head. These are very tempting figures, especially in view of the shortage of pasture and other feed. Yet these calves will be needed all the more within the next year or two to augment the rapidly declining beef supply. The only solution in sight is to enact a state law that will take veal out of the family diet. If the Illinois legislature with nothing better to its credit than voting itself an increased salary all around, could be induced to give a few days of its valuable time to serious economic questions, many of its members would stand a better chance to get back to Springfield next session. If quail, deer, prairie chicken, squirrel and the like have their so-called out of season periods, so could beef. The one protective law should conserve all. Beef each year is booming in price. Through greater scarcity soon it will reach prohibitive quotation, and then, of course, the law will step in and start corrective measures. Right now is a good time to begin planning for it.

A bevy of young ladies who are summering over at Bluff Park, came to beautiful Nauvoo last Friday afternoon, ate ice cream and viewed a few of the great historical sights before returning. They seemed to enjoy their visit here.

Mr. John Meyer of Kahoka, Mo., visited the last week end in Nauvoo with his mother and other relatives.

Dan Agne of Keokuk, was among our cigar dealers last Friday and sold quite a lot of his famous goods. If they are as good as his orchestra, his smokers will find a ready sale in Nauvoo.

In a small town in this state a boy was born last year and named Thirteen. He was born July 13, 1913, 13 minutes before 3 a. m. If this youngster reaches manhood safely, handicapped as he is—name and all—and we are still on the job as The Gate City's reporter here, we'll be the first to admit that this so-called thirteen hoodoo is just plain, ordinary foolishness. The reason the boy was given the name Thirteen was because he was the thirteenth child born in the family.

Nauvoo's Ladies' Priscilla club has abandoned their meetings until later in the season on account of the hot weather. The weather has been dancing near the 100 mark and the ladies said that it was very uncomfortable to do fancy work and gossip.

It is the easiest thing in the world to write booster talk but to get up and boost, that's where the hard work comes in.

Nauvoo and business men and citizens ought to announce a picnic to be held in Geo. Marzolf's fine grove, in which everybody should bring a well filled basket and the contents of which should be spread socialistically when all could have a huge time.

It will not be long until the Nauvoo barbers will display this sign: On Saturdays, Sundays and holidays hereafter, we will charge 20 cents for a shave. N. B. All the bank holidays not included.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wolff and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Narrley and daughter, Madaline, of Keokuk, autoed to Nauvoo last Sunday. They stopped long enough to shake hands and say hello to your reporter's family.

Last Sunday afternoon the Nauvoo and Hamilton baseball clubs met in our ball yard and the latter defeated our team by a score of 10 to 4. In the beginning of the game it looked like it would be a close contest, but in the fifth inning the Nauvoo team went up in the air, which lost them the game.

There was a big chicken fry held in one of the beautiful spots along Lake Cooper near Nauvoo last Sunday and several dozen of the frys consumed, besides inside "washs" sold in our thirst parlors. Reports has it that a sumptuous time was had by the participants.

Nauvoo is bounded on the east, west, south and north by cities and towns a good deal hotter.

Carl Blum is the proud father of a bouncing girl baby, which came on Tuesday of last week. Every one is glad to know Carl is able to be around again. He came near killing the baby by feeding it vegetables. He said he thought it was hungry. He was very much surprised when the doctor told him all babies were born without teeth. This is the first child and all concerned are happy and mother and daughter doing nicely.

These are busy Saturday nights in Nauvoo in our business section, so many people are on the move.

One week from next Monday night Nauvoo's council members will meet again. The city official's pay day occurs then.

We have not heard of any hen roosts being robbed lately. Nauvoo used to have a lime kiln club, but it must have disbanded or is probably waiting for the spring crop of chickens to mature.

An important town would gradually develop right in this neighborhood if the Marsh interurban will be built. It is Nauvoo, the beautiful.

Some one with means could make a profitable investment by opening a pleasure and summer resort in Nauvoo along Lake Cooper for there are a number of places delightfully situated that could be fitted up for the accommodation of outing parties. A bathing beach could be built and an ideal place arranged for an outing during the hot summer months. There are numerous shaded places above and below the city limits.

The Packer, published in Chicago, in a recent issue places the Nauvoo grape crop this year at 150 to 200 car loads. This is putting the crop at a big figure. It is believed that about 120 car loads will finish the crop this season. About twenty years ago Wm. Stahl of Quincy, who was the only shipper here then, shipped about 200 car loads and that figure has never been reached since that time. The harvest of the grape crop in Nauvoo will begin in less than four weeks. Last year it began on August 15.

The little boy and the older ones, too, must be careful lest Lake Cooper separates him from his breath.

All that hospitality can offer is tendered with the heartiest good will by our citizens to visitors.

The Nauvoo Keokuk Daily Gate City's reporter preached the gospel of a new city park for several years. Now, in this beautiful town, we could see the fruits of our work in a few years if the present Nauvoo city council would go to work in this direction. We need a city park and we still have vacant places for many young trees.

While Yankee Doodle didn't visit Nauvoo last Fourth of July, but visited other places, our business men ought to arrange a celebration for one, two or three days this fall. Are we going to do anything to attract people to Nauvoo this year?

The Keokuk High Tension club, an organization of the employes of Stone & Webster companies came to Nauvoo last Saturday afternoon on the steamer G. W. Hill. The boat arrived in Nauvoo at about 5:30 and the excursionists immediately proceeded to the Nauvoo's club ball yard where a game of base ball was scheduled to take place between the power house and electrical company nines. Arriving at the grounds both teams took up their positions at once in the battle for a silver loving cup presented by the Renaud jewelry house. The rooters for the power house nine gathered along the first base line and those for the electrical workers at the third base line. When the umps announced "play ball," pandemonium broke loose among the rooters. It was one of the prettiest and best ball games pulled off on the Nauvoo diamond this season. At the end of the sixth inning when time was called, the score stood 1 to 1 and the ball teams, excursionists and many of our citizens who were present would like to have seen the teams play one more inning which might have decided which team would gain possession of the prize. Everything on the ball park was arranged in apple pie order for the visitors. A large tank filled with ice water and a telephone was installed. Dr. Barr was right on the job and announced the time of departure of the steamer, rooters' positions and distance and direction to the ball grounds through his decorated megaphone. It was one of the most orderly, well behaved and pleasant lot of excursionists that has ever visited Nauvoo and our citizens would be glad to see them come again when they can remain longer. There were about 600 people on the boat. The excursionists left Nauvoo at about 7:20 for Ft. Madison.

Four young men from Pekin, Ill., were in Nauvoo last Monday. They came through Peoria, Galesburg, Monmouth and a number of small towns to Nauvoo in their automobile. From here they went to Keokuk and Quincy to St. Louis before returning to their Pekin home. While here they met an old friend Mr. J. O. Boyer who was a resident near Pekin several years ago. Mr. Boyer showed them the interesting sights about Nauvoo.

Emerson's floating theatre visited Nauvoo last Sunday evening and was greeted by a large crowd of people. The show presented by Mr. Emerson's company was the best ever seen here and everyone atending was well pleased with the performance.

The shoe workers of Warsaw will give an excursion to Ft. Madison next Saturday afternoon. The steamer is announced to land at Nauvoo at 3:45 and probably a number of Nauvooites will attend.

The steamer Dubuque leaves Nauvoo for Burlington every Sunday morning and quite a number from here go up to the Orchard City for a day's outing on Lake Cooper.

Miss Clara Kuhn of State Center, Iowa, is in Nauvoo for a visit with relatives.

There is a rumor affoat about the city that Nauvoo will probably have another saloon before the summer ends. It is said the application for license may be presented to our city council at their regular meeting on the first Monday in August.

Mr. Oscar A. Drake of Alton, Ill., has been selected to teach the Nauvoo high school the coming term. He will move his family here this fall before the school term begins.

Just about the time you think the corn cures are going to win, the sunburn lotions run up and fouls them and the race is called off.

Two negroes were in Nauvoo last Friday and Saturday with a contraption called the African slide which they exhibited on the corner of Thirteenth and Mulholland streets. A person was allowed to throw three base ball for five cents and when you threw and hit a target the ball would trip a set of stairway allowing a negro to slide in a well-filled canvas tank of water. The outfit attracted good crowds and the negroes were doing a good business. It afforded considerable amusement for the kids as well as the grown-ups to see the colored gent slide down the steps into the water.

Mr. Sansone of Keokuk has again started the movies going in Nauvoo. He is giving splendid satisfaction by throwing fine pictures on the canvas and while the attendance has been small the crowds will grow larger in time. The movies are shown three evenings a week in our opera house. They are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights.

A newspaper in a neighboring town says there is a three-months-old child in its city who can talk distinctly. Girl, of course.

Young squirrels are ripe, and it is now lawful to gather them in so far as the open season is concerned and yet hunters are liable to prosecution for trespassing if they shoot game on inclosures without obtaining permission from the land owners, whether notices to keep out have been posted or not. The open season in Illinois began July 15.

Only a few of the excursionists that came up with the High Tension club of Keokuk last Saturday came up town and missed seeing one of the most beautiful towns in this section. The club at their first annual outing had printed some unique programs for the occasion. It contained the events of the day and the base ball score card on the back page. Our people would like to see the ball clubs come back to Nauvoo and play off that tie for Mr. Renaud's loving cup.

Defective hammocks have caused more Nauvoo girls to fall out with their beaus than anything else this season.

A number of Nauvoo people will attend the Hamilton chautauqua which begins next month.

Nauvoo vs. Wayland, Mo., ball team are scheduled to play a game in our city next Sunday afternoon. The Wayland boys are a strong aggregation and our team ought to strengthen up considerable if it expects to win.

Mrs. Vina Marshall Steele of Nauvoo has brought suit for divorce from her husband Sam Steele. There is another Nauvoo divorce suit case in the circuit court at Carthage which has been hanging fire for a considerable length of time with no immediate settlement in sight.

The Nauvoo stand pipe is slowly nearing completion and it will be two or three weeks yet before it will be finished. When completed Nauvoo will have a fine municipal water works plant.

The Nauvoo township commissioners condemnation suit against the Kimball heirs for public road right of way through their farm north of the city, was settled out of court. The heirs receive $1,500 and now work will begin to run the highway road through to Niota.

Prof. Ten Pass who taught the Nauvoo high school last year will leave for his old home in Wisconsin some time next week.

Nauvoo milk dispensers have raised the price of this fluid from 6¼c to 8c per quart, claiming there is a great scarcity of cow feed. All articles one by one are raising in price and the wages of the laborer remains the same.

Amos Roberts of Nauvoo who has been an inmate of an infirmary, has returned to our city greatly benefited in health, which is glad news to his relatives and friends.

Jack Hagerty and wife of Chicago arrived in Nauvoo Monday for a two weeks visit.

Misses Sylvia and Dorothy Pfaffe of Keokuk are visiting relatives in Nauvoo.

The Knights of Columbus society of Nauvoo have appointed a committee to arrange a picnic to take place some time next month.

We may have a marriage to chronicle soon if reports are true. A young lady clerk and knight of the razor are hinted as the contracting parties.

Clyde Bruegger of the Nauvoo Independent force and Elmer Schliecher of the Datin & Lappert store are vacating this week and went up the river to visit a few of the cities.

On Aug. 15, the Powelliton M. W. A. and R. N. A. will hold their annual picnic at the above place about seven miles east of Nauvoo. These societies are capital entertainers and everyone attending has a delightful time.

Wm. E. Beckhart of Denver, Colo., was in Nauvoo Monday and spent the day with Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Haggett, relatives of the gentleman.

An epidemic of colds has been ravaging Nauvoo recently. Quite a good many here have been exchanging sniffles and have been delayed in doing their regular work.

Two families in Nauvoo suffered ptomaine poisoning caused by eating some food. A physician was necessary to relieve them, but all are well again.

The Presbyterian folks of Nauvoo have begun repairing their house of worship The improvements will cost about $1,500.

It is said that the French New Sensation floating theatre is on its up-river trip and will land just below the city limits and give a show for Nauvoo people and vicinity on account of the reformers in Nauvoo prohibiting boat shows here on Sundays.

Mrs. C. J. Bortz and daughter Mrs. M. Graf of Mendon, Ill., who have been guests of the son Dr. A. J. Bortz of Nauvoo have returned home.

On Wednesday of last week lightning struck a big ash tree on the old Baumgartner place and the residence of John Eid. The bolt struck the bed in which Mr. Eid and his little son were sleeping. It tore some boards loose and knocked plastering down, with no other damage.

Figures don't lie, they say, but there are girls in Nauvoo who are mighty gay deceivers when they get their Sunday clothes on during these hot summer days.

Chiggers are unusually plentiful and very active this season in and around Nauvoo. Many have inquired how to get rid of them and the only safe way is to keep off the grass.

The secret society goat is not butting many candidates this warm summer in Nauvoo.

Up to this time we have not seen a dog in Nauvoo muzzled and this is muzzle-the-dog season, according to the city ordinance. If our dog owners don't want to muzzle them why don't they keep them tied up at home.

The Presbyterian congregation of Burlington excurted to Nauvoo on the steamer Sidney last Tuesday, arriving here at about 11:30. The boat landed at Geo. Marzolf's beautiful grove, but on account of the small rain and threatening weather the picnic proposed was not held. The larger part of the crowd came up town to see the old Mormon buildings and other sights which they heard existed in old Nauvoo. They wanted to see the Jos. Smith residence, Brigham Young's home, counterfeiters den, Mansion house, Nauvoo house and Mormon graveyard and were directed to these places of interest.

Our commissioners are repairing the small bridge just below the southeast city limits by putting in concrete abutments. The bridge is located on the boulevard just before entering the city.

A Good Investment.

W. D. Magil, a well known merchant of Whitemound, Wis., bought a stock of Chamberlain's medicines so as to be able to supply them to his customers. After receiving them he was himself taken sick and says that one small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was worth more to him than the cost of his entire stock of these medicines. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

Just Half in Bed

Clyde, Ky.—Mrs. I. A. Decker, writes from Clyde: "I recommend Cardui, the woman's tonic to any woman in need of a remedy. For five years, I was unable to do my own work. Half my time was spent in bed. At last I tried Cardui. Now I am well and happy, and can do my own work." Don't suffer pain, headache, backache and other womanly miseries, when your own druggist has on his shelf a remedy for such troubles—Cardui. Get a bottle for your shelf. As a general tonic, for weak women, nothing has been found for 50 years that would take its place. Try it. It will help you.—Advertisement.

FRATERNAL CARDS

MASONIC.

Meet in K. of P. building, corner of Fifth and Blondeau. Eagle Lodge No. 12 holds its regular meeting the first Monday evening of each month.

Hardin Lodge No. 29, holds its regular monthly meeting the second Monday evening of each month.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.

Hall, Seventh and Main streets. Keokuk Lodge No. 13, meets regularly Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. C. A. Devero, N. G.; E. L. Boud, recording secretary.

Puckechetuck lodge No. 43, meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Chas. Weld, N. G.; George W. Immegart, permanent secretary.

Puckechetuck Encampment No. 7, meets first and third Thursday evenings of each month. John Eisenhuth, financial scribe.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA. GIBBONS HALL

Keokuk Camp No. 622, meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. Our latch string is out to neighbors. John C. Wustrow, V. C.; J. A. Pollard, clerk.

B. P. O. ELKS.

Keokuk lodge No. 106, meets first and third Thursday nights at Elks' hall, Sixth and Blondeau streets. Club rooms open daily. Visiting brethren cordially invited. Dr. J. B. Howd, E. R.; Leroy J. Wolf, secretary.

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES.

Keokuk Aerie, No. 683, meets first and third Wednesday of each month at Eagle's hall, 523 Main street. Visiting brothers cordially invited. Ralph Foulds, W. President; C. A. Noakes, secretary.

K. OF P.

Morning Star lodge, No. 5, meets at Fifth and Blondeau, K. of P. building, Tuesday at 7:30. N. J. Montague, chancellor commander; J. A. Burgess, K. of R. and S. Visiting knights fraternally invited.

PYTHIAN SISTERS

Keokuk Temple No. 256 Pythian Sisters meet every second and fourth Friday of the month at 8 o'clock at K. P. hall. Mrs. N. J. Montague, M. E. C., Mrs. O. W. Rowe, M. of R. and C.

KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF SECURITY KEOKUK COUNCIL NO. 1039

meets the first and third Monday of each month at Hawkes hall, at 8 o'clock. Dr. C. A. Jenkins, president; Ernest Best, financier; Mrs. Ralph Muse, secretary.

ROYAL ARCANUM

Keokuk Council No. 536 meets first and third Friday each month, Hawkes hall, Eighth and Main. Visiting brethren fraternally invited to attend. C. M. Kingman, regent; J. I. Annable, secretary.

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE

Keokuk Lodge, No. 704, meets every Tuesday night at 8 p. m., in Moose hall, corner of Sixth and Main. Visiting brothers cordially invited. John G. Stadler, dictator. Ed. S. Lofton, secretary.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.

Gate City Camp No. 81, Woodmen of the World, meets second and fourth Mondays of each month at Hawkes hall, corner Eighth and Main. Visiting sovereigns cordially invited. Albert Kiefer, consul commander; Jos. M. Skinner, clerk.

COURT OF HONOR.

Keokuk Court No. 144 meets every fourth Tuesday of each month at Hawkes hall, at 8 o'clock. Visitors fraternally invited. R. F. Sullivan, chancelor; August C. Koch, recorder.