

FALL CELEBRATION WILL NOT BE HELD THIS YEAR

Decision to Wait Until 1915 and Then Have Really Big One is Made by Directors.

ONLY BEST WILL SERVE

While Sentiment Favored it, Merchants Decide No Mediocore Show Will Do for Keokuk's Guests.

The decision was made yesterday at the meeting of the directors of the Retail League to not hold a celebration this fall, but to commence at once to bend all energies for a real celebration in 1915. The sentiment of the merchants is that a celebration on a large scale is the thing to have, but that a small street carnival such as has been held in the past is not the best for the town or the merchants. The money which would be available amounts to about as much as has been available in the past from the fall carnivals. This was not sufficient it was thought for a real celebration, such as should be staged here. With the numerous drains on the merchants, in the financial line, it was thought best this year to wait, and then in 1915 stage a real celebration with high class features. In the meantime the merchants will bend their energies toward organization for the 1915 convention.

Keokuk will not have a fall celebration this year. Although the merchants were favorable to the idea, still they did not feel that it should be held unless it could be held on a large scale. The amount of money promised for the celebration would not warrant such a celebration. For the reason that the business men of Keokuk will have many calls this coming fall, the directors thought it best not to force the celebration for this season, but to commence now to plan for 1915.

The meeting was held yesterday afternoon, attended by the directors of the league, and the chairman of the soliciting committees. It was decided that the matter need not go to the league membership for final decision, and the directors and committee chairman decided to call off the celebration idea for this fall.

Favorable with Few Exceptions. With few exceptions, the committee chairman reported that the business interests of Keokuk were favorable to a celebration. They said they would contribute, when the call for finances was issued, and they gave some idea of their contributions. It was found that there would be available a sum equal to that which has been available in the past for the small street carnivals which Keokuk used to have

for five days in the fall. These street carnivals do not have the tone that a big celebration has, and are not anything in the way of betterment for the town or the merchants, it was felt in comparison with a real celebration with plenty of features.

It was suggested that as long as only a mediocre celebration might be staged this fall with the amount available, why not wait until next year, when probably there would be the feeling that more money could be given, and that something worth while could be put on.

Would Have Only Best.

Keokuk merchants have a feeling that only the very best should be offered to our neighbors. The old street carnival with a few medium class free shows, and any number of more or less poor pay shows, is not the kind of a thing the local merchants want to offer to their out-of-town friends. The idea was to make the fall celebration something of a stupendous nature, everything free, good bands and something big in the feature line, either parades or fireworks display.

The merchants could not see their way clear to put this thing through on the money pledged.

It was then decided that the project would be given up for this year and that all energies would be bent toward the bigger and better fall celebration in 1915.

Can Go to Our Neighbors.

When the soliciting committees made their rounds last week, some of the houses in town which were against the celebration said they didn't want one and would be willing to pay them not to have one. As the celebration project is off for this year, the committees are considering calling on these concerns for their money.

The calling off of the fall celebration here this year will give the local merchants and local people a chance to go to the celebrations in the near by neighborhoods. Many of the towns in the vicinity of Keokuk will have carnivals or celebrations, and there are numerous county fairs to attend. Warsaw will have a big celebration in September at the unveiling of the Fort Edwards monument, so Keokuk people need not lack for features for entertainment.

OIL INSPECTION LAW IS DECLARED WEAK

Independent Dealers who Threaten Court Proceedings Win Bloodless Victory.

The oil inspection law of Iowa—enforced for more than twenty years—is illegal. State officials practically admitted its illegality in conference yesterday, says the Des Moines Capital. Through this law the state of Iowa has collected hundreds of thousands of dollars from oil dealers that should not have been collected.

Oil men won a complete victory at the conference yesterday. The state officials directed Oil Inspector Byers to confer with the independent oil dealers, who threaten to start suit to knock out the law. He will ask them to wait until January, when an amendment or a substituted law may be passed by the legislature. Then court action will be unnecessary.

The cost of oil inspection in the new law will be reduced from 10 cents to 3 cents a barrel. This is the demand of the independent oil men. The state has been collecting about \$118,000 annually for oil inspections. Almost \$100,000 of this amount has been clear profit. The constitution prohibits inspection where a greater fee is charged than necessary to pay the actual cost of inspection. Action may be taken by the oil men to secure a refund from the state for all fees collected above the cost of inspection in the past. The state cannot be sued. The oil men do not know how they will go about the task of collection.

MISS GARST GIVEN SUPPORT BY CHURCH

Christian Missionary Society Aids Her Work in Foreign Fields—in Japan Now.

In the Sunday Des Moines Register and Leader, appeared an illustrated article on the work of Mrs. Laura D. Garst and her daughter, Miss Gretchen Garst, in the foreign mission field. Local interest in the article centers in Miss Gretchen Garst, who is supported by the first Christian church of this city. Miss Garst is the foreign worker to whom the missionary societies of the church here give their support. She is at present in Japan, at Akita, some 500 miles from Tokio.

Heavy Loss by Fire.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WILMINGTON, Del., July 23.—Fire early today swept the town of Greenwood about eighty miles south of here, causing heavy property loss.

—Read The Daily Gate City.

The Golden Rule Great 7 Days CLEAN-UP-SALE

Commencing SATURDAY JULY 25 and ending SATURDAY EV'NG AUG. 1

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1,00 pieces of Women's and Children's Muslin Underwear, Princess Slips, Combinations, Gowns, Skirts, Drawers, and Corset Covers at un-heard of prices. \$1.00 garments 79c. 75c garments 54c; 50c garments 39c; 25c garments 19c.

Oxfords! To those who have longed to wear a pair of RED CROSS oxfords and felt that the price was prohibitive will now have an opportunity to try them. They come in patent, gun metal and kid in colonial, straps, button or lace. \$4.00 Red Cross oxfords now \$3.25 3.50 Red Cross oxfords now 2.85 3.00 oxfords, all leathers now 2.35 2.50 oxfords, all leathers now 1.98 1.50 oxfords, two straps in white now98	Oxfords! To those who have longed to wear a pair of RED CROSS oxfords and felt that the price was prohibitive will now have an opportunity to try them. They come in patent, gun metal and kid in colonial, straps, button or lace. \$4.00 Red Cross oxfords now \$3.25 3.50 Red Cross oxfords now 2.85 3.00 oxfords, all leathers now 2.35 2.50 oxfords, all leathers now 1.98 1.50 oxfords, two straps in white now98	Table Linens All \$1.25 table damask now 98c All \$1.00 table damask now 83c All 50c table damask now 43c Napkins correspondingly low. 500 men's best work shirts now 39c Men's 10c red or blue handkerchiefs 6c Men's 25c goatskin work gloves with gauntlets, now 19c 1000 yards all linen torchon lace, values up to 8c, while it lasts per yard 3c 500 women's white handkerchiefs, each 1c	Kayser Silk Gloves 16 button \$1.25 grade, now 98c 16 button \$1.00 grade, now 79c 12 button 75c grade, now 55c 2 clasp 50 grade, now 43c 25c Hale gloves, now 19c Wash Goods Ratines, volles, tissues, and many novelty cloths will be priced for quick selling. 25c wash goods now 17 1/2c 20c wash goods now 14c 50c wash goods now 35c 15c wash goods now 10c
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Men's and Women's Knit Underwear at astonishing low prices. \$1.00 grade 79c; 50c grade 38c; 25c grade 19c; 19c grade 13c; 15c grade 10c; 12 1/2c grade 9c; 10c grade 7 1/2c.

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Who Suffered As Many Girls Do—Tells How She Found Relief.

Sterling, Conn.—"I am a girl of 22 years and I used to faint away every month and was very weak. I was also bothered a lot with female weakness. I read your little book 'Wisdom for Women,' and I saw how others had been helped by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and decided to try it, and it has made me feel like a new girl and I am now relieved of all these troubles. I hope all young girls will get relief as I have. I never felt better in my life."—Miss BERTHA A. FELLOUIN, Box 116, Sterling, Conn.

Massena, N. Y.—"I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I highly recommend it. If anyone wants to write to me I will gladly tell her about my case. I was certainly in a bad condition as my blood was all turning to water. I had pimples on my face and a bad color, and for five years I had been troubled with suppression. The doctors called it 'Anemia and Exhaustion,' and said I was all run down, but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound brought me out all right."—Miss LAVISA MYRES, Box 74, Massena, N. Y.

Young Girls, Heed This Advice. Girls who are troubled with painful or irregular periods, headache, dragging-down sensations, fainting spells or indigestion, should immediately seek restoration to health by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

M. & ST. L. TO BUY OLD KEOKUK LINE?

Stories Are Emanating From Des Moines to Effect That Rock Island Branch May Change Hands.

AN OUTLET TO PEORIA

Road is Said to Figure Through Service to Central Illinois, Could Then be Established.

Persistent rumors were current in railroad circles yesterday that the Minneapolis & St. Louis is contemplating the purchase of the old Keokuk & Des Moines Valley railroad, which is now being operated under a lease by the Rock Island as its Des Moines Valley division, says the Register and Leader.

It is said that the Minneapolis & St. Louis is seriously considering the proposition and it is believed that the purchase will be made within the next few weeks. Local representatives of the Minneapolis & St. Louis refused to discuss the matter beyond admitting that there had been some mention of an attempt to acquire the road and expressing the opinion that the road would be of great service to the Minneapolis & St. Louis.

It became known yesterday morning that C. W. Huntington, vice president and general manager of the Minneapolis & St. Louis made a special trip over the Des Moines Valley division of the Rock Island as far as Oskaloosa, last week when he was in Des Moines. It is thought that he was inspecting the property at that time with a view to possible purchase.

Erb to Look It Over. Another announcement that Newman Erb, president of the Minneapolis & St. Louis is in the west and will be in Des Moines in a day or two, gave added support to the rumor. The avowed object of Mr. Erb's visit is a tour of inspection of the Minneapolis & St. Louis properties. But since the president usually makes but one such tour a year and was here only a few months ago, his visit at this particular time is regarded as significant.

It is said that the Rock Island lease on the Keokuk & Des Moines division expires the first of the year. One of the stockholders of the road a short time ago instituted a suit against the Rock Island, on the ground that it had not maintained the property as it should.

It is pointed out that the Rock Island, being uncertain whether it would have the Keokuk & Des Moines next year was unwilling to put more money into its maintenance at this time. This feeling of dissatisfaction on the part of the Keokuk stockholders is regarded as particularly favorable to the interests of the Minneapolis & St. Louis, should it attempt to lease or purchase the road.

Would Give Outlet to Peoria. Control of the K. & D. M. would give the M. & St. L. the outlet from Des Moines to its Peoria line from Oskaloosa, which it has so long desired, and would be of great benefit to the people of Des Moines since it would give them through passenger

and sleeping car service to Peoria and central Illinois.

The M. & St. L. has been contemplating the construction of a road from Des Moines to New Sharon to connect with its Peoria line, but it is pointed out that the purchase of the K. & D. M. would be a cheaper way of securing its outlet. The road now has only a freight service from Des Moines to Peoria, using the Burlington tracks as far as Oskaloosa.

RUSSIAN STRIKE BECOMES SERIOUS

Six Men Killed Today When Cossacks Charged Barricade and Routed Strikers.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] ST. PETERSBURG, July 23.—Fighting between strikers and Cossacks broke out in the streets of St. Petersburg today. Six strikers were killed

DIARRHOEA Quickly Cured

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and scores were injured and with renewed rioting breaking out at intervals it was believed the toll would be increased. Shortly after midnight a detachment of Cossacks massed in Samson Prospect. Strikers had thrown up a barricade there, prepared to resist an attack. The Cossacks charged down upon them, stormed the barricade and put the strikers to rout. Rioting of a serious nature has been in progress for four days and 250 men have been injured. The ranks of the strikers are being swelled hourly in protest against the treatment accorded workers who walked out at Baku and other provincial towns. Today 16,000 men had joined the strike in the capital.

Easily Exaggerated. Galveston News: About the easiest thing to exaggerate in this world is the good time a man says he had on his vacation trip.
ARGUMENT FILED IN BLUE SKY CASE
 Brief Before Iowa Supreme Court is Based on Decision in District Court.
 Attorneys for the Bankers Investors association of America filed in the

Iowa supreme court a supplemental argument in the blue sky law case. This brief is based upon the decision of the United States district court in which three judges declared the law to be unconstitutional. Judge McPherson of the federal court originally held the blue sky law to be constitutional. Judge McHenry held the law to be invalid. The opponents of the measure used the decision of McHenry as an argument in the federal court to get the court to reverse itself. Now that the federal court has held the law unconstitutional, this is being urged as an important fact in the consideration of the law by the supreme court.

KEOKUK DRUGGIST HAS VALUABLE AGENCY
 Wilkinson & Co. has the Keokuk agency for the simple mixture of buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adler-ka, the remedy which became famous by curing appendicitis. This simple remedy has powerful action and drains such surprising amounts of old matter from the body that JUST ONE DOSE relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation almost IMMEDIATELY. The QUICK action of Adler-ka is astonishing.