

# SPORTS

## Hamilton Gate City

Hamilton, Ill., Dec. 24.

Christian church, N. W. Evans, pastor, W. C. Hughes, chorister. Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Worship 11 a. m. Subject, Faith. What is Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Subject "How to Keep on the Up Grade. Worship, 7:30 p. m. Subject "What is a Christian? Teacher's meeting Monday evening at eight o'clock at pastor's home. Everybody invited to all services.

We made a trip through the industrial section of Keokuk yesterday and were more than surprised to see so much work going on. The big smelter works are nearing completion and are a big thing. The Standard Four Tire Co. is just about ready to begin operations and turn out tires. This plant will be a big addition to Keokuk's many manufacturing interests. The Electro Metals Co. are working on their building and it is moving along rapidly and the coming spring will find many more new industries being built in Hamilton. The country has its eyes on us and we predict more people will be in Hamilton.

Riverside district No. 134 of this township stepped from the mediocrity of the average Christmas entertainment this year, and distinguished itself by adopting the more progressive scheme of a community tree, every child in the district receiving a present, a treat of candy and a sun-kissed orange. The advanced idea of a community tree appealed alike to the patrons of the school and the board of directors, who generously of the affair possible. In addition to the above mentioned treat, each child received a toothsome pop corn ball, presented by Mrs. Horace Parsons.

The exercises accompanying the event were held Thursday afternoon at the school and the accuracy of the interpretation of the various numbers and the spirit of their presentation, reflected much credit on the pupils and teacher. Riverside school is one of the oldest in Hancock county and in other years was one of the foremost in reputation for scholarship and academic excellence, and the program Thursday evinced an ability on the part of the school to live up to its best traditions. The district officers are Messrs. George Gray, Horace Parsons and Nell Veight. Mrs. Blanch G. McArthur of this city is teacher. A. E. Fell, representing the P. & O. people, was in town looking after the agricultural dealers this week. E. H. Hazen is reported very low.

gan, his liberty was short lived. He was rearrested on a state warrant by Sheriff Mallory of Calhoun, Mich., at the prison gate and the party left for that place this morning.

Dearing will face a charge of defrauding, under the state law of Michigan. His son, Palmer Dearing, who was received here with the aged banker, was also released, but will not be returned for trial to Michigan.

### AMUSEMENTS

**Artists Recital at Baptist Church.**  
The artists' recital at the First Baptist church Monday evening, Dec. 27, promises to be an unusually enjoyable one. The following program will be given:  
Voice—A Little Bit of Heaven... Ernest Ball  
The Night has a Thousand Eyes... Maurice Klein  
Roses in June... Edward German  
Mrs. Collingwood Tucker  
Reading—If I were King... McCarthy  
Flute—La Sirene... Adolph Terschak  
Mrs. Hattie Baxter Gotte.  
Voice—Daddy's Sweetheart... Liza Lehman  
Why Adam Sinned... Alexander Rogers  
Mrs. Collingwood Tucker.  
Reading—Rosa... Mrs. Marie Beebe.  
Flute—Salute d'Amour... Edward Elgar  
Mrs. Hattie Baxter Gotte.  
Reading—The Little Rebel... People  
Mrs. Marie Beebe.  
Accompanists—Mrs. John Rankin Irwin, Mrs. Emerson Soland.  
—Advertisement—  
Holiday Events at the Grand.  
"Mr. Grex of Monte Carlo," with Paramount Newpictures, at the Grand tonight, is one of the best programs ever put on the screen. The same program pleased immensely yesterday and it will do the same for you tonight. "Mr. Grex" is in five reels of the finest, clearest photographs that has yet been seen and tells an absorbingly delightful story of romance, comedy and excitement that is even more entertaining than was the book by E. Phillips Oppenheim, from which the picture was made. Carlyle Blackwell, Theodore Roberts and Dorothy Davenport are the principals and they, as well as all the others, perform their parts so realistically that the audience forgets they are seeing only the pictures of them.  
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that Uncle Sam's service men of both branches plan for special Christmas privileges and programs. The work of decorating ships and army stations began today.  
Another and more important part of the Christmas program which started today was that of preparing some 150,000 pounds of turkey for the 100 army stations.  
Sixty-five thousand pounds of the national bird were required for the navy alone. Other items on the army and navy bills of fare were 6,000 gallons of oyster soup, 30,000 pounds of celery, 6,000 gallons of cranberries, scores of bushels of sweet potatoes and spuds, 45,000 or more pumpkin and mince pies and 36,000 pounds of plum pudding.  
\$2,000 for Santa Claus.  
DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 24.—Thousands of children gathered on

the river front this afternoon for the first community Christmas and every poor child in the city is to receive a present from a tree 75 feet tall, while several Santa Clauses make merry to the music of bands, open singers and glee clubs. Over \$2,000 was raised by the daily newspapers by popular subscription for the event.

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Two of a Kind.  
Marion Register: The Davenport Democrat thinks Iowa is a debatable state. If so, Texas is in the same class.

**HIPPODROME DEC. 27-28-29**  
**3 HOURS DAILY**  
(D. E. Reeves Attraction)  
**Big Musical Tabloid**  
Fox Rellly presents  
**"The Globe Trotters"**  
Big Beauty Chorus of Pretty Girls  
Funny Comedians  
**SIX ROYAL HUSSAR GIRLS**  
A Great company of entertainers in a great vehicle. Pretty Girls, vivacious girls, dancing girls, singing girls, real comedians, real comedy. Tantalizing tunes that make up a clever musical jockey. Don't miss this \$2.00 show at popular prices. You can secure seats now at Hotel Iowa Pharmacy.

### CHURCH LEAGUE IS ORGANIZED

Six Teams Enter at Meeting Held at the Y. M. C. A. Last Evening—Schedule is Arranged.

### RULES OF THE LEAGUE

Local Association to be Closed Tomorrow and Part of Sunday—Other Y. M. C. A. News.

Last night at the Y. M. C. A., the Keokuk Church Basketball league was launched on its second season, with six teams in the race. The six teams are those that held the highest records in the league last year, and drew positions as follows: Congregational, St. Peter's, Trinity, St. Paul's, Westminster and Baptist. Two rounds will be played, beginning January 4.

The following schedule has been made, on the same basis as the Commercial league:  
Tuesday, Jan. 4—Congregational vs. St. Peter's; Trinity vs. St. Paul's.  
Thursday, Jan. 6—Westminster vs. Baptist; Congregational vs. Trinity.  
Tuesday, Jan. 11—St. Peter's vs. Westminster; St. Paul's vs. Baptist.  
Thursday, Jan. 13—Congregational vs. St. Paul; Baptist vs. St. Peter's.  
Tuesday, Jan. 18—Trinity vs. Westminster; Baptist vs. Congregational.  
Thursday, Jan. 20—St. Peter's vs. Trinity; St. Paul's vs. Westminster.  
Tuesday, Jan. 25—Congregational vs. Westminster; St. Peter's vs. St. Paul's.  
Thursday, Jan. 27—Trinity vs. Baptist; exhibition game.

**Second Round.**  
No games during week of Feb. 1, on account of Y. M. C. A. minstrel.  
Tuesday, Feb. 8—St. Paul's vs. Trinity; St. Peter's vs. Congregational.  
Thursday, Feb. 10—Trinity vs. Congregational; Baptist vs. Westminster.  
Tuesday, Feb. 15—Baptist vs. St. Paul's; Westminster vs. St. Peter's.  
Thursday, Feb. 17—St. Peter's vs. Baptist; St. Paul's vs. Congregational.  
Tuesday, Feb. 22—Congregational vs. Baptist; Westminster vs. Trinity.  
Thursday, Feb. 24—Westminster vs. St. Paul's; Trinity vs. St. Peter's.  
Tuesday, Feb. 29—St. Paul's vs. St. Peter's; Westminster vs. Congregational; Baptist vs. Trinity.

**Times of Games.**  
Games to be played every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 o'clock. Small admission will be charged, and non-members of the Y will pay the usual bath fee. A banquet will be given the players at the close of the league, and a pennant awarded the winning team.  
The week preceding the opening of the church league, each team will be entitled to one full forty-five minutes practice period, a schedule of which appears as follows:  
Monday, Dec. 27, 6:15 to 7:00—Westminster.  
Tuesday, Dec. 28, 6:15 to 7:00—St. Paul's.  
Wednesday, Dec. 29, 6:15 to 7:00—Baptist.  
Thursday, Dec. 30, 6:15 to 7:00—Congregational.  
Friday, Dec. 31, 8:00 to 8:45—Trinity.

**Rules of League.**  
The rules governing the church league are as follows:  
Players must attend at least one service of the church on whose team they expect to play for each of the two consecutive Sundays prior to the first game in which they are to play, which, in order to get into the first game, will be Sunday, Dec. 26, and Sunday, Jan. 2. And they must attend one service a week at the church of their team, either Sunday school, church service, young people's meeting, or prayer meeting, each week throughout the schedule, and if absent from the city they may bring a written note from someone in authority at the out of town church which they attended.  
There will be no deviation from these rules. Written agreements will be signed before the first game as last year, and the captain of each team will be responsible for his men each week thereafter.

**Y. M. C. A. to Close.**  
The Y. M. C. A. will close at 6 o'clock tonight, and will be open again Sunday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock. Classes will resume Monday.

**Senior Bible Class Changed.**  
Beginning Monday, the senior Bible class, which Rev. McAllister is leading, will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock instead of 7:15 o'clock as before. This class is open to all men, and lasts thirty minutes.

The high school basketball squad will go through a daily grind each day of vacation to get in shape for the big Burlington game up north New Year's night. Mt. Pleasant will be here on Saturday, Jan. 8.

**New York's Big Card.**  
[United Press Leased Wire Service] Battling Levinsky and Jim Flynn are the big card for New York on Christmas day. Levinsky already is claiming he'll knock out the freeman

### DISPOSAL OF FEDERAL PLAYERS

Harry Sinclair Has Charge of Distribution of Federal League—Teams Loaded to the Guards.

### CUBS HAVE OVER FIFTY

Three-Fingered Mordecai Brown and Joe Tinker to Rejoin Cub Machine—Have Laugh on Murphy.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]  
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—John McGraw, Giant leader, threw on the brakes and stopped short in plans to leave for Cuba today while Captain Huston, Yankee owner, conferred with Manager Bill Donovan, all because Federal league players were being dangled teasingly within reaching distance by Harry Sinclair. The Federal league angel has disposition of all the Federal talent except the players of the St. Louis and Chicago outlaws, it was announced by Ed Barrow, president of the International league. Sinclair has assumed responsibility for contracts of all players. Barrow said, and will sell the live stock for what they will bring. The St. Louis and Chicago situations are exceptions in next year's baseball program and for the reason that the Browns and Cubs now consolidated with the Feds are loaded to the guards with players, neither will have to comply with the player limit rule. Each of the teams now has fifty or more players and to comply with the limit of 21 or 25 would have to dispose of thousands of dollars worth of playing stock at a very low price.

**Back to Cuba.**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Three fingered Mordecai Brown and Manager Joe Tinker of the Chicago Federals, gave Chas. Webb Murphy the loud gutta today. The two former Cub stars, who were cast aside from the once famous Cub machine when the cogs started to slip, will come back to their first love in glory, the former as leading pitcher and Tinker as manager.  
This, said Charles Weeghman, new owner-to-be of the Cubs, is a reward for their jump from organized ball, which put the Federals on the map.

### Fielder Jones is to Manage Browns

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]  
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 24.—Fielder Jones will learn sometime today that he is to manage the St. Louis Browns next year. In a midnight session Colonel Hedges signed away the Browns to Phil Ball and Otto Stifel, Federal magnates. The price is said to be \$500,000, but neither of the magnates would state the exact sale agreement.

**Magee to Leave Baseball.**  
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 24.—Lee Magee, for a short time manager of the Brooklyn Federals, is going to be an oil man. Harry Sinclair, credited with bringing about baseball peace, said so. Sinclair said several clubs offered \$15,000 for Magee.  
"Lee is worth more than \$15,000 to me," said Sinclair today, "and I like him. He's too good to be in baseball so I'm going to take him to Oklahoma and set to work with the gushers."

**Hommey has Edge on Cross.**  
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]  
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Packey Hommey's constant rushes outweighed the ring craft of Leach Cross and the Ghetto champion had a decided edge over the fighting dentist in their round bout at the Harlem Sporting club. Hommey clinched victory in the last round when he lambasted Cross without return.

**Willard vs. Moran.**  
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]  
Jesse Willard may meet Frank Moran in New York March 17. Tom Jones is talking terms today with the Madison Square arden management and will make terms for a championship no-decision bout.

**Three Trainmen Injured.**  
[United Press Leased Wire Service.]  
MARSHALLTOWN, Iowa, Dec. 24.—Three trainmen were injured and an engine and wrecking outfit partly demolished when west bound train number 13 on the Northwestern crashed into a swinging derrick of a wrecking train at work at Lamaille last night.  
The injured are: John E. Lee, engineer; A. J. O'Hara, fireman, and L. Haller of Boone, wrecking foreman.  
Running at forty miles an hour, Lee and O'Hara were thrown from their engine.

**Arrested at Prison Gate.**  
LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Dec. 24.—When H. M. Dearing, aged banker, stepped from the federal penitentiary this morning, following the completion of a five year sentence as the result of a bank crash in Albion, Mich.

**AMUSEMENTS**

**AT THE GRAND** Clean, Safe, Comfortable, Better Music, Extra Holiday Program, the best in Motion Pictures. Adults 10c, Children 5c.

**TONIGHT—A beautiful and elaborate picturization of E. Phillips Oppenheim's novel 'MR. GREX OF MONTE CARLO' With Carlyle Blackwell and Theodore Roberts**

**And the newest and interesting World's Events Movies. PARAMOUNT NEWSPICTURES**

**TOMORROW—XMAS DAY** Starts at 2, 3, 4:15, 7, 8, 9:15 **VICTOR MOORE**  
In his latest picture—the funniest, most delightful comedy ever put on the screen.

A sequel to his first "Chimmie," with his "Countess," the French Maid, and his dear old Irish Mother **'Chimmie Fadden OUT WEST'**

**Sunday & Marguerite Clark** IN HER **"Still Waters"** LATEST

# WARNING!

Several so-called film exchanges are offering to the public the following:  
Charles Chaplin, in "The Mixup" (4 reels).  
"Ambition" (4 reels) and "The Review," (3 reels).  
Charles Chaplin has asked us to announce that he never appeared in any of the above pictures, and in fact that he has never appeared in a four-reel motion picture.

From what we can learn, never having seen these films, we believe that some one who realizes the great demand of the public for Chaplin films, has taken the pains and liberty of getting together scraps of some of his earlier plays and assembling them, and now is trying to foist them on an unsuspecting public.

Mr. Exhibitor, we notify you of this so you may not be misled, and so your patrons are not misled. If we had not advised you we might be blamed. Now that we have told you, if you show the above named as the product of Chaplin's brain and art, you are fooling your customers, but through no fault of ours.

You know Charles Chaplin is producing exclusively for **ESSANAY.**  
We know you do not want to mislead the public. **ESSANAY**

**Special Christmas Program of 6 Reels, Including Charlie Chaplin "A Night Out" In Two Acts**

**ORPHEUM THEATRE**  
Prices Always 5c and 10c—Never Higher

**Artists' Recital**  
Mrs. Marie Beebe, Chicago Reader  
Mrs. Hattie Baxter Gotte, Ft. Madison Flute  
Mrs. Collingwood Tucker Voice  
**BAPTIST CHURCH**  
December 27  
8 p. m.  
Auspices Social Committee Benefit Building Fund See Reader in This Issue  
Admission 25c.

**Hippodrome** MATINEE DAILY FROM 2 TO 5 P. M. EXCEPT SUNDAY EXCLUSIVE PHOTOPLAYS.

**SPECIAL HOLIDAY PROGRAM TO-NIGHT**  
**Wm. Farnum and Dorothy Bernard**  
—IN—  
**"THE BROKEN LAW"** A WM. FOX MASTERPLAY  
A superfine photoplay of love, sentiment and conquest.

**MATS 2 to 5 P. M. TOMORROW EVE'S. 7 TO 10:30 P. M.**  
The most sensational photoplay of the season  
**BRED IN THE BONE** Four Acts  
Featuring the idolized screen star, DOROTHY GISH.  
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**SYDNEY in 'HUSHING A SCANDAL' TWO ACT COMEDY**  
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