

Last Saturday, January 25th, was the 50th birthday of Joseph Selinger, one of Iron County's most popular citizens and successful farmers. On said date, Mrs. Selinger suggested that they celebrate the event while both are still young, but Joe, who gets more pleasure out of work than most any man said—"too busy. Wait till I reach the century mark. I am half a hundred, but I am not half dead. When I get 100 we will have a regular John Gilpin of a celebration." But Mrs. Selinger, like John Gilpin's spouse, had her way when she suggested that the celebration might be had on Sunday, the day following the birthday. "Anything to please the wife," said Mr. Selinger. (He has been married six years longer than Cooper's hero who celebrated the anniversary of his "twice ten tedious years.") But the young people on Upper and Lower Crane Pond believe in running on schedule time and Saturday night about 7:30 P. M., while mine host was listening to his good wife talk of the preparation she had made for the celebration of his 50th birthday, and after Joe's shoes had been dropped beside the clean "winged hearth," half a hundred guests began rolling in at the door to the great surprise of the folks who had planned the "big time" for the next day. But you cannot catch Joe and his good wife so off guard that they do not know how to entertain. Their way is just to say, "Come in, folks!" and, when in, "Make yourselves at home." (Joe would never make one nor any greater number wait till he had got back into his shoes.) "Come right in." And they did. And they stayed till almost Sunday. Song and laughter filled the good old home till nearly midnight.

The next day was Sunday. The day set for the celebration, and on which, to use Joe's expression, they were to "have something a little extra." And they did! More than seventy guests, ranging in ages from the proverbial three score and ten to two months—the friends kept coming! All the way from Ironton to Lower Crane Pond and beyond! Your writer was taken over several miles of road (I would say rough only for respect for the veteran road overseer) by William Selinger, who declared in the outset that his Ford would be more effective in shaking up than all the evangelists of earth. You know how Bill drives. We had a doctor with us. Occasionally we pushed over a muddy place. We hoped we would make it in time for dinner. We were already familiar with Mrs. Selinger's cooking. We landed in good time. How we did enjoy that dinner! Seemed like they had a monopoly of all the good things to eat. The more we ate the more there was to eat. The table was loaded. Even the doctor ate more than he would advise one to eat.

Dinner over, we went to the porch and viewed the cattle, sheep, and hogs on the hills, and the sunshine on the green fields of wheat, while others enjoyed the splendid music in the parlor. Not content with looking over the broad acres, we walked over the fields, noted the splendid up-keep of the farm and the thrifty condition of the live stock.

We returned to the house and there was more music and more to eat. We talked with our guests and soon the sun resting on the hilltop indicated that it was time to return. The Honk-honk of the Ford was heard and we said "Good-bye!" and wished our host and hostess many more birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Selinger have six children—four girls and two boys. All but one are at home on the farm—the place where Mr. Selinger and wife moved soon after they were married. Observing this happy farm home, I tried to think who it was that said, "The farmer is nature's nobleman, who has heaven for a canopy, and the earth for a throne."

A GUEST.

Des Arc Items.

We are still having fine weather. Never saw such a winter.

The bodies of two soldier boys were brought to the south end of Iron county for burial the past week. A. Abernathy, from near Brunot, died at Camp Funston and was brought here. John Knight, son of Dick Knight, was taken to Chloride and buried. Eight soldiers acted as pall bearers.

Miss Edna Johnson, daughter of Wm. Johnson, has been very sick with pneumonia, but is better at this writing.

Luther Daniels has bought the De-bord house on College Hill.

Mrs. Huff and daughter, Miss Jessie, and Misses Eunice and Hazel Morris visited Piedmont Saturday and Sunday.

The wheat prospect is not so good around Charleston.

I was through the Lead Belt Friday. Things are looking blue to the miners. Some of the married men are still working.

I am proud to be the recipient of the following, from St. Louis: "Dear Mr. Fitz—I find great pleasure in bestowing the Southern Cross of Honor, which you so justly deserve, in the name of the M. A. E. McClure Chapter, U. D. C. Your name was read out before a large number of veterans, Camp 731, Sunday. Mrs. L. W. Ray, President."

I stopped on my way home Friday at Annapolis and ate supper at the Annapolis Hotel. Judge Add Reese has improved the Benson hotel so you would hardly know it. He has recovered it, painted it inside and out, and put in Deico lights. Has a light in every room, in the store, cellar, barn and on the porches. It looks fine, as you go by at night. And his wife sets the best table along the Iron Mountain railroad. If you don't believe it go and try it.

Chas. E. Bolch and Hartford Collins are doing a big business with their stores. More lumber, ties and props come in there than any any point on the road.

James Stevenson and brother are putting on some lumber at Annapolis. They own the Lone Hollow. I was at Brunot Saturday. The roads are horrible. I could hardly get through on horseback. Jas. King, the 6th, has moved to Des Arc. I say "the 6th" because there are six Jim Kings in this section, and all good people. Gilbert and Leslie Wallis, Jas. Maddox and Dan Lovelace, soldier boys from France, are in St. Louis. We look for them home to-night (Sunday.) ISAAC.

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IRONTON, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, at the New Commercial Hotel, from 8 A. M. to 1 P. M. Any word may be left for him there.

Bismarck, Wednesday, February 5th. Write for appointment.

Flat River, Wednesday, Feb'y 5th, at New Hammond Hotel, from 3 to 8 P. M.

Write for information or appointment.

Annapolis News.

So far our winter has been ideal. But very little snow and only a few cold days. The ground hasn't frozen more than two inches deep, and not more than two inches of snow.

Work seems to be plentiful here at living prices.

John W. Hampton of Elvins is here looking after a job of work, he being one of the unlucky ones to lose his job in the Lead Belt. He thinks it may be some time before the mines are active again, as they have enough lead piled up over there to fight two or three more Kaiser wars.

David Cuiton expects to go to St. Louis soon to look for a job.

Sam Moss is a very sick man with pneumonia fever. Dr. N. A. Farr of Des Arc is waiting on him.

Geo. W. Hampton is working on the new saw mill which Sam Moss is putting up in the west end of town.

Mr. Propst of Crane Pond is down south buying a load of corn for himself and his neighbors.

Mrs. L. T. Lotz is now running a restaurant in Annapolis.

The lead mines of Annapolis are progressing finely, as far as drilling goes, and some fine cores are showing up.

Stevenson & Stevenson in Lone Hollow, Reynolds county, are doing a large business in lumber. They ship from Annapolis. They have quite a large stock of merchandise at the mill with which they furnish their hands. One of the Stevensons had a son to die since he moved out there. He was twelve years old and had \$1,000 life insurance.

The boarding cars are here and some repairs will be made on the water tank.

Quits a number of crapshooters in this community. They ply their vocation in the empty freight cars on the side track.

John Johnson, a former resident of Bear Branch, this county, but now of Leadwood, was in Annapolis the past week looking for a location to move back here in the near future.

Miss Jines, a young lady from Vulcan, has charge of the Annapolis post-office at present.

Albert Radford, of Jewett, Madison county, C. M. Stevenson, of Piedmont, Gus Funk, of Annapolis, and several lawyers, C. F. Damon, of Fredericktown, being one of them, had business in St. Louis last week.

John T. Webb is now permitted to grind wheat again after having been shut down fifteen or thirty days for violating the government regulations in regard to shipstuffs and bran. I see where the mills at Flat River and Farmington have been in the same kind of trouble. BULLETIN.

Mule Wanted—I want to buy a mouse colored mule, three or four years old. Must be a good animal. Apply to Geo. Pollo, two miles east of Pilot Knob, Mo.

METHODIST MENTION.

REGULAR SERVICES.

Fort Hill—Sunday School, 9:45 A. M. Preaching 1st, 3d and 5th Sundays, at 11:00 A. M.

Union Church—Sunday School 10 A. M. Epworth League 6:45 P. M. Preaching, 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Laymen's meeting Sunday night at the regular church hour (7:30). The public is cordially invited.

The Mission Study Class will meet with Mrs. Johnson Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Junior Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. Curry Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Teachers' Training Class Friday evening, 7 o'clock, at the parsonage.

Union Prayer Meeting, Wednesday night, 7:30, at the Baptist Church. Bro. Curtis will lead. Come out.

Church Conference and Social Thursday evening, 7:30, at Union Church.

In compliance with the laws of the church there will be a Church Conference held at the Union Methodist Church, Thursday evening, 7:30, January 30th. All members of the church are requested to be present. Immediately after the adjournment the Missionary Society will receive us at the home of Mrs. J. R. Baldwin, to enjoy the first church social of the year.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM. Song. Prayer. Scripture Reading. Election of Secretary. Reports—1st. From preacher. 2d. From Class Leader. 3d. From the Sunday School. 4th. From the Stewards. 5th. From the Epworth League. 6th. From Committee on Layman's Activities. Appointment of Committee. New business. Adjournment and benediction. Social at Mrs. Baldwin's.

H. E. STONE, Pastor.

Bellevue News.

E. M. Logan was a St. Louis visitor last week.

Mrs. William Gillam, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. L. Bell, in Ironton, spent Saturday in the home of Mr. J. H. Campbell.

Miss Dorothy Phillips spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Miss Mignon, in Ironton.

C. F. Shelton has bought a home on Front street and expects to move soon.

Wm. King transacted business in St. Louis a few days last week.

Mrs. J. H. Pries, who has been critically ill for some time, was taken to a hospital in St. Louis for treatment.

The entire community was well represented last Saturday evening at the supper given by the W. O. T. U. and their friends at the hall. The table was loaded with everything required for a bounteous repast. The proceeds, about \$30, will be given for relief work in Belgium and France.

Ralph Highley and Miss Kittie Nelson were married in Ironton Saturday and went to St. Louis for their honeymoon. ALPHEA.

Do not fail to note the offer, "A REAL NEWSPAPER BARGAIN," made by the sterling newspaper, the ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT elsewhere in this issue. In spite of the enormously increased cost of production, the DAILY GLOBE-DEMOCRAT, except Sunday, is offered at the remarkably low rate of \$4.00 per year—or in complete clubs of three or more, at the net club rate of \$3.50 for each yearly subscription. The DAILY GLOBE-DEMOCRAT including Sunday, is offered for \$7.50 per year, or in clubs of three or more at the net rate of \$6.65 for each yearly subscription. Again we urge you to read the offer and send in your order AT ONCE. Address the Globe Printing Company, Publishers, St. Louis, Mo.—Adv.

Mr. Keith Would Have Voted "Dry."

JEFFERSON CITY, Jan. 25, 1919.

Ed. Register—I notice in your locals where you say that it is reported that Judge Keith was absent on account of being sick when the vote on the National Prohibition Amendment was taken in the House.

I will state, in justice to Judge Keith that he was sick at the time the vote was taken, a fact which he very much regretted, because he expected to have his vote re-ordered with the members who voted for the amendment.

Judge Keith and I are looking about the provision for pensions for the Confederate soldiers, also a provision to pension the members of the Militia, which the federal government has so far failed to make any provision for pensioning.

When the adjustment is made we will notify those affected through the columns of your paper.

Respectfully,
C. H. JONES.

FOR SALE—On the W. A. Russell farm, Bellevue, Mo., about 10,000 feet of lumber, came from a store building, consisting of dimension lumber, 2x4, 2x6 and 2x8, running 6 to 20 feet in length, and boxing, 18 feet, ceiling and flooring; building wrecked was 20x30, 18 feet to eaves. Also a lot of Shelving and set of Good Counters. Any one interested will apply to John C. Russell, who will show the lumber and make prices.

A Trip to Cedar Mountain.

Sunday afternoon some boys and girls met at the Post-Office corner and started for Cedar Mountain about 2:30 o'clock, with Miss Irene Marshall as a chaperone. First they went to Pilot Knob, and stopped a while at the Lutheran Church, and from there they started to climb Cedar Mountain.

Misses Lucille Jones, Marion Huff, Alice Phillips, Dorothy Reese, Helen Reese, Arline Tual, Gladys Lovelace, Dorothy Phillips, and Messrs. Freddie Adolph, Adrain Buckley, Elmer Forshee and Eli Ake, and Miss Irene Marshall as chaperone.

They soon found a path leading up the mountain, and their journey began. Some of the boys had their cameras and they took many pictures, until after a time the party found a good place to sit down and rest for a while. Some of the boys who were climbing around on the rocks were hurt. One of them was Adrian Buckley, who, not knowing that a little piece of the rock he stepped on was loose, tumbled down between two big rocks. He could not get his leg out for a while, but after little he pulled it out and was all right. A little later the party ate their lunch, and then started for home. There were three of the party that were left behind—Marion Huff, Alice Phillips and Elmer Forshee. Elmer Forshee had fallen down between two big rocks, and these two girls went back to look for him. He was found there a good while later by the two girls who helped him to get out of the place. He hurt his leg and arm, and was pretty stiff the next day. But outside of that all went well. These three got home about 6:30 o'clock but the others came home about 5:15 o'clock. All that were present had a very nice time, and every one was well pleased with the trip. ONE OF THE BOYS.

Doyle Items.

Still our weather is fine.

Mrs. Emma Shipp has been real sick with neuralgia, but is improving slowly.

Misses Lola Midyett and little brother are suffering from the "flu."

Mrs. Clements and daughter, Miss Grace, of Buick, visited Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Clements Sunday.

S. F. Stricklin and N. A. White made a business trip to Ironton last week.

Mrs. Frank Crocker and children of Edgehill spent the week-end with her sick mother, Mrs. Shipp.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Crocker of Buick visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stricklin Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Ed Stricklin, Sam Leonard, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hedgcock were called to Leadwood last week by the sickness of Mrs. Stricklin's sister, Mrs. Tom Davis, whom we are glad to say, is reported much improved.

Ray Voiner has returned home from Camp Funston, having received his honorable discharge.

We surely sympathize with Mr. and

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Mrs. Adams in their lonely hours of waiting for news of their son, Randolph, in Franke. May God bless and watch over our soldier boys wherever they may be!

Mrs. Harriet Stricklin visited Mrs. E. W. Shipp Wednesday.

W. A. White had his hog pen torn down and a hog weighing about 300 pounds, driven off January 12th. Quite a loss. Hog thieves are getting quite bold in the west end.

Lonely One. Buy your Pork, country style, at Kuhn's Meat Market, Iron ton, 25c per lb.

Goodwater Items. Fine weather this. The flu is subsiding. There have been about 100 cases, and no death in this neighborhood.

Mrs. G. A. Hartzell, of Ironton, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Abbott.

Allen Neff died at his home here of abscess of the liver on the 17th. He was 58 years old, and leaves a wife and four small children. He was buried Saturday. Funeral services were conducted by the Yeoman order. L. W. S.

United States Food Administration. The Federal Food Administration in Missouri will come to an end on January 31st. On that date the office of the County Administrator will be closed, as well as those of the Deputy Administrators of the county. Many of the rules and regulations of the Food Administration have been rescinded, but those still in effect must be observed. The enforcement will be carried on by the Washington office.

In his notice to the County Administrator, Mr. Mumford says "The remarkable success of the Food Admin-

stration in Missouri is due in a large measure to the patriotic, voluntary support of consumers, dealers, and proprietors of hotels and restaurants. All of the requests made during the last year were cheerfully followed out. The women of the State deserve much credit for the way in which they not only observed all our requests for conservation in foods, but did active work in order that the necessary food might be saved."

In this success the people of Iron County have taken a conspicuous place. Wheat consumption was reduced from 60 to 75 per cent. There was almost no grumbling, and the great majority of our people showed themselves to be patriotic and loyal. The few who refused to conserve have become marked in their communities.

The Deputy Food Administrators and the Woman Food Chairman did splendid work in carrying out the rules of the Administration and keeping the people informed of the requirements. They worked purely from patriotic motives and performed a great service.

We also feel deeply indebted to the newspapers of the County for their loyal cooperation. The editors gladly gave space, and without their aid we should have labored under a great handicap.

We wish especially to thank the ladies for their loyal support, without which there would have been no success to record.

I thank you, one and all. W. W. REESE, County Food Administrator.

Red Cross Sells M. U. Students Face Masks.

COLUMBIA, Mo., January 27.—All students at the University of Missouri are still required to wear face masks at all classes, libraries, lectures and athletic contests. These masks are made of white cloth and are sold to

the students for ten cents each by the Red Cross.

Only about fifty cases of influenza have developed since students returned for the winter term. A serious outbreak of the epidemic has been prevented by the wearing of masks, it is thought.

Missouri Pacific Section Men Get 8 Hour Day. (Poplar Bluff Republican.)

Beginning this week, the Missouri Pacific section men, along with other laborers now employed by the company and in the calculation of whose wages the hours forms the unit, were put on an eight hour basis.

This means not only shorter hours for men now employed, but means also the employment of many others. As explained by a representative of the railroad company, thousands of former employes of the railroad companies throughout the country gave up their positions in the early stages of the great war and enlisted for service with the understanding that they would get their positions back when they should return—and the desire of the railroads is to make this promise good and still retain others now employed, where possible.

Along with their abbreviated day, section men are receiving better wages now than men in that department ever received before, the pay now being 35 cents an hour.

Fresh Beef—18 to 30 cents a lb.; Fresh Pork, country style, 25 cents a lb. NICHOLS MEAT MARKET.