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## INTERURBAN MASS MEETING

The Meeting Held at Court House Friday Evening Quite Well Attended by Our Citizens.

## DENISON WILL CO OPERATE

In Building Line to Sioux City, But Waits For That City to Take Active Measures.

The mass meeting advertised for last Friday night to hear the representatives of the Sioux City and Eastern Traction Company organized to construct an interurban line from Sioux City to Denison was held in the assembly room of the court house. There was quite a large number present, not so many business men as there should have been, and yet quite a number of this class.

Both Mr. Harding, the secretary of the company, and Mr. Foss, an active promoter of the project, were on hand and fully outlined all the plans of the company.

The organization of the company is fully completed and the officers selected, most of them residing at or near Sioux City. It is proposed to solicit subscriptions for about \$800,000, which represents in the neighborhood of \$10,000 per mile, and when this is done to bond the road for enough in addition to the subscriptions to complete and equip it. The estimate is that it will require about \$30,000 per mile to perfect the survey, secure the right of way, grade, and fully complete and equip the road for operation. It is proposed as a preliminary step to ask for subscriptions of \$100,000, 15 per cent of which is to be paid at the time the subscription is taken, which amount is to be used to complete the survey, locate the line, and to make a careful commercial estimate in order to determine the feasibility of the route. It is the intention that of all subscriptions 15 per cent shall be paid immediately, and the further payment of 20 per cent at the time the work of grading is begun. The remaining 65 per cent is not to be paid until the completion of the road and it is ready for operation.

While the people of Denison are pleased with the suggestion of a road directly to Sioux City and are willing to subscribe for it, the sentiment was in favor of waiting for more tangible evidence on the part of the Sioux City people that they are ready to take a hand and vigorously push the proposition. As long as the movement had its origin at Sioux City, the feeling is that something in the way of subscriptions in favor of the proposition should be forthcoming, and when this is done Denison will do its part and cooperate in any way possible to bring about the construction of the proposed interurban line.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Baile will leave tomorrow for Lake Okoboji, where they will be guests at the McHenry cottage.

On June 29th the United States Civil Service Commission will hold an examination for the purpose of allowing positions for post office clerks and carriers in the post office service. Application blanks and instructions may be had by applying to Dr. Kemp at the post office.

Leslie Pearson, the twelve year old son of Andrew Pearson, met with a painful accident this week while playing with a rifle. He was extracting a shell and in some manner the gun accidentally went off the ball lodging in his foot. A doctor was called and succeeded in removing the bullet.

There will be a Flower Service at the Episcopal Sunday School next Sunday morning at 9:30. A beautiful service has been arranged and the children will bring their offerings of flowers. These flowers will afterwards be distributed among the sick. The members of the Sunday School will be glad to have their parents and friends present at this service.

The Knights of Pythias lodge of this city will hold Memorial services on Sunday, June 19th, at 3:00 p. m. at the cemetery south of the city. Judge Z. T. Church of Jefferson will be the orator of the day. A good musical program has been arranged and as Judge Church has a reputation as an orator, it is expected that the services will be well worth attending. The public generally is invited to be present.

## SERMON TO NORMAL COLLEGE.

Rev. Dr. Senseny Delivers Sermon at the Methodist Church on Sunday. Large Congregation.

The sermon to the graduating class of the Denison Normal College was delivered on Sunday night at the M. E. church by Dr. Senseny, the pastor, at a union service of the churches of the city. The doctor was apparently at his best, and in a manner pointed out to his hearers the way for success in life. He endeavored to impress upon the minds of the graduates that a certificate of graduation is not a guarantee of anything except that the members of the class have passed the examinations in certain studies; that the problem of their lives is still unsolved, and their success or failure depends upon themselves. He asserted that the chief requisite for success is goodness and the influence of a good life. He did not depreciate good laws, good organizations or riches; in fact, he recognized their benefits, but back of all these, and of greater importance, is goodness and a life of good deeds. He contended that such a life would result in good laws and other things which tend toward a higher civilization. He pronounced a eulogy upon motherhood, stating that he was not opposed to woman suffrage and other movements in which the modern woman is interested; but that, after all, the crowning work of woman is as a mother in the home, rearing and modeling the lives of children. The address was full of thought and calculated to inspire the members of the class and all present with the ambition to conform their lives to Christian conduct and goodness.

## SOCIAL NOTES.

With the vacation days comes a lull in the social activity of the community. The various clubs have completed their year's work and will have a holiday till September. Quite a number are gone or preparing to go for their summer outing, as Denison bids fair to be very dull the next few weeks.

Mesdames Kahler and Kelley gave two very large Kensingtons last Wednesday and Thursday. Sixty-five ladies being entertained each day. Several out of town guests were present on each occasion. The house was prettily decorated in cut flowers and the thoughtful hostesses provided some instrumental music to entertain their guests. Refreshments were served in two courses, the hostesses being assisted by Mesdames Wright, Ferguson and Miss Meyers.

Prof. and Mrs. Van Ness entertained at Dinner on Wednesday evening, the guests being the members of the College board. The affair was replete with the hospitality which characterizes all the functions presided over by these genial entertainers.

Mrs. E. T. Cochran gave another of her delightful five o'clock teas Saturday afternoon at which covers were laid for twelve guests.

On Monday Mrs. C. J. Kemming gave an informal farewell reception in honor of her sister, Mrs. Lottie Ley, who leaves this week for a summer in Europe. A large number of ladies called during the afternoon to wish the guest of honor "Bon Voyage". Mesdames Watson and Campbell of Omaha came up to "speed the parting guest."

Mrs. Altha Wood entertained Corrie at one of its pleasantest meetings on Monday. An alphabetical game was provided which created a great deal of merriment and in which Mrs. Sprecher won the honors. A very nice supper completed the afternoon's pleasure.

The D. A. R.'s enjoyed a picnic in Grace Park Tuesday. A feature of the afternoon was a burlesque field meet which made lots of fun. The gentlemen came to supper which was beautifully provided by the committee in charge. This will be the last meeting of the D. A. R.'s until fall.

Mrs. T. C. McCarthy gave an elaborate six o'clock dinner Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Clem Mahan and Miss Hazel Mahan of Missouri. Mrs. Wid McAhren was also an honored guest.

Mrs. R. A. Romans will entertain at dinner this evening.

Coffee club will meet with Mrs. Young this week Friday.

John Lueck, who recently had charge of the hardware department of the Halle-Brodersen store and is now located in South Dakota, is in Denison this week visiting his many friends.

## DENISON WILL CELEBRATE

Sufficient Funds Have Been Raised For One of the Largest Celebrations in Recent Years.

## AUTO PARADE TO BE A FEATURE

Base Ball, Fourth of July Sports, Speaking, and Bowery Dance to Make up the Day.

The Eagle will scream in Denison on the Fourth of July. Denison expects to have one of the biggest celebrations in the history of the city. Not having celebrated for six years, a special effort will be made to make this year's celebration go down in the history of our city as the grandest celebration ever held in western Iowa. There will be no stop in the fun, from the first gun in the morning to the dying of the last spark from the fireworks at night, it will be one continued round of excitement and pleasure.

There will be an auto parade that will be worth going miles to see, it is expected to have at least fifty decorated automobiles in the parade. A base ball game between Charter Oak and Denison will be contested in the afternoon, the reputation of these teams are such that a good game is assured.

A horse-shoe contest will be held with good prizes for the winners.

A speaker of note will be engaged to deliver an oration.

A bowery dance will be provided for those who enjoy that amusement, and the usual athletic sports, races, etc., will be held with generous prizes for the winners.

The committee is trying to arrange to have the Jeffries-Johnson fight reported from the ring-side, and if this goes through, a complete report of the fight will be given within five minutes after it actually takes place.

And then the fireworks, one of the grandest and most expensive bunch of fireworks that were ever fired in a town the size of Denison will be exhibited and during this exhibition the heavens will be a literal blaze of glory.

Watch the papers and bills for the prizes.

William Beck of Vail transacted business in Denison Monday.

Mr. Steve Kral of Melford township was a business caller in Denison Monday.

Miss Jessie Luney returned on Monday from a visit with friends at Charter Oak.

Stuart Scriver left this morning for Spirit Lake for a visit with friends for a few days.

T. J. Garrison and son, Earl, are making a business trip through the Dakotas and Minnesota this week.

Miss Alice Romans returned on Monday from her school work at the State University at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mrs. John Campbell and son and Mrs. Watson came up from Omaha for an over Sunday visit with Mrs. Ley and Mrs. Kemming.

Charley Saul and Frank Senseny left on Tuesday for Douglas, Wyoming, where they will work on the Saul ranch during the summer months.

The "Reds" of the Epworth League will entertain the "Whites" at Washington park Friday evening. All leaguers are cordially invited to attend.

Carl F. Kuehnle is in Iowa City this week attending the Commencement exercises. He will also attend the Masonic Grand Lodge at Waterloo before returning.

George Seemann and Gale Carey returned on Monday from a few days' outing at Lake Okoboji. They drove the George McHenry Buick runabout up to the lake.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. Sears McHenry on Wednesday, June 22nd. The regular 25c supper will be served, commencing at 5:00 o'clock. Everybody invited.

## DENISON MAN WINS HONORS

John Christiansen of Uncle Sam's Navy One of Best Marksmen on Board Ship.

## RECEIVES MEDAL AS OARSMAN.

Has Re-Enlisted and Starts on Three Years' Cruise to Foreign Ports.—Intends to Stay on the Sea.

John Christiansen, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Broder Christiansen, and many friends the past two weeks, took his departure for Seattle yesterday, at which place he will again rejoin his ship, the U. S. S. Albany, and in July of this year will start on a three years' cruise, stopping at Japan, China, the Philippines and a number of European ports.

While in Denison Mr. Christiansen met many of his friends of four years ago, and all were pleased, indeed, to see him and to learn of his most excellent record made while in the navy of Uncle Sam. He enlisted in September, 1906, and as his time expires



JOHN J. CHRISTIANSEN

this coming September, he will re-enlist again at an increase in salary, receiving \$30 per month. He likes his work very much and is making an enviable record for himself. As first gunner he made a world's record, from the fact that out of six shots in 25 seconds he made six hits with a 5-inch gun. He has also won distinction as an oarsman, having won a number of events as a single oarsman against foreign competitors, consisting of English, Germans, Mexicans and Japanese. For this distinction he wears a beautiful gold medal awarded him.

At one time when the steamer Indiana was forced upon the rocks during a heavy fog, Mr. Christiansen, single handed, manned a life boat and rescued a number of passengers from the troubled steamer. For this act he was highly lauded.

Mr. Christiansen is scarcely 22 years of age and is a giant in stature and strength. He is the picture of health and says life on the water agrees with him, and that he has no desire to return to any occupation on land. He is a young man without a bad habit of any kind and his parents and his brothers are justly proud of him and the record he is making. We are pleased to present a very good picture of this young man, dressed in his uniform, which he wears with credit to Uncle Sam and to himself.

## HOSPITAL NOTES.

Mrs. Hugh McWilliams Jr., was brought from her home near Manilla to the Denison hospital Sunday night in a very critical condition. Peritonitis, appendicitis and other complications made an operation necessary, and little hopes were entertained for her recovery. At this writing her physicians pronounce her case more hopeful. The little babe which was born on Monday did not survive, and was buried Tuesday afternoon. The many friends of the family sympathize with them in their trouble and hope for the speedy recovery of the mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Manley Randall of Omaha are the guests of Mrs. F. Nusbaum this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Butts and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rells drove up from Dow City Tuesday night to attend the meet of the Rebekah lodge at this place.

## OBSERVE CHILDREN'S DAY.

The Denison Churches Prepare Excellent Program and Children Carry Them Out Well.

Children's Day was observed on Sunday last by appropriate services at the several churches in the city. It was a great day for the little folks and for a large number of big folks who were fortunate enough to attend the services. The programs at the different churches were well arranged and charmingly carried out. The weather in the forenoon was fine and the attendance was larger than usual. It was worth a day's journey to see and hear the infant class at one of the churches. The exercises as a whole were more interesting than high priced theater in any city. A thousand times more elevating. We regret that the young people, who seek the theater for entertainment, could not have attended the services on Sunday and heard the songs and recitations of the children, for they could not have been otherwise than pleased and benefitted. The highest compliment ever paid to children was by the Saviour when He said to His disciples, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." This world is a great deal better and Heaven will be more attractive because of the children.

The superintendents and teachers, who so patiently give their time and efforts in training the children, should have additional stars in their crowns for the good they accomplish. It would be no mistake if every day could be Children's Day.

Committees are at work arranging for picnic to be given by the Presbyterian Sabbath School a week from Friday. Look for full particulars next week.

Mrs. Ollie Failor is spending a few weeks in Denison visiting with her sisters and brothers and old friends. She will later visit with Mrs. Gowdy and Mrs. Laub at Sargent Bluffs and Sioux City.

Mrs. C. Green came back from Spirit Lake to be with her son, Mr. Arthur Green, during his severe illness with quinsy. The swelling broke after five days of intense pain, and he is now better.

The friends of Miss Gertrude Tucker has been pleased to see her in Denison looking so well. She has been teaching the past year at Fort Dodge and contemplates similar work in Sioux City next year.

Mrs. Lou Martin and her esteemed mother, Mrs. Gulick, has gone to Wausau, Wis., to spend several months. They will occupy the home of Mrs. Curtis, who is with the Gulick's on party in Europe. Mrs. Martin will be missed in her Baptist church circles.

Another Crawford County man is making good in the world, for word comes that Prof. Rae, son of Thomas Rae, has been elected as principal of one of the large schools of Iowa City. He has made a success of his school work at Vinton and was elected with many other applicants in the field by the school board at Iowa City.

Last Saturday evening at 8:30 Dr. Hal C. Simpson, wife and baby, Mrs. M. Harding and daughter, Miss Ella, went for a drive in Dr. Simpson's new Buick runabout. While driving near Buck Grove near the Gilmorfarm, the brakes on the car failed to work and the car hit a bridge with such force that Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Harding were thrown from the machine that Mr. Harding is laid up in bed on account of being severely bruised and is under the care of a trained nurse.

Mrs. W. L. Hill, wife of W. L. Hill of this city, who resides at 3522 North Twenty-eighth Street, Des Moines, was saved from serious injury and possible death by the quickness of a motorman in lowering the fender. Mrs. Hill was crossing from east to west Thirtieth and Pratt Streets, and before Motorman William Snyder was aware, the car was upon her. He released the apparatus almost instantly and she escaped with severe bruises. She was unconscious for several minutes and is very fortunate in escaping with such slight injuries.

## MEYERS RECEIVES THE NOMINATION

President Taft Sends Name of F. W. Meyers to the Senate as Postmaster at Denison Postoffice.

## MR. MEYERS' FRIENDS JUBILANT

Was a Candidate for Reappointment on His Record and the Record of the Local Office.

The press dispatches of this morning state that President Taft has nominated F. W. Meyers to succeed himself as postmaster of Denison. Mr. Meyers was a candidate for reappointment on his record and the record of his office. These were found to be acceptable to the President and to the Postmaster General, and the nomination followed. There were other candidates of perfectly worthy gentlemen, founded on the assumption that Mr. Meyers would not be reappointed, and while these men will be disappointed in the outcome we believe that the mass of the people have been well satisfied with the local postal service, and that they will be glad that Mr. Meyers is to remain as one of the helpful, energetic citizens of our community.

This nomination was probably made by the President in conformity with the growing tendency to place the postal department on a civil service basis and to extend it to offices of the second class.

## A PERSONAL CARD.

According to the press dispatches President Taft has seen fit to nominate me to succeed myself as postmaster at Denison. The nomination must be confirmed by the Senate before it is effective. It is indeed gratifying to know that the record of the Denison office has been satisfactory to the Postoffice Department and to the President. Laying aside all differences of faction, of party or of perfectly praiseworthy personal ambitions it is my sincere hope that this nomination will be satisfactory to the people of Denison.

With newspaper cares very largely laid aside I shall devote myself towards maintaining the standard of postoffice service in Denison and perfecting it wherever possible.

Personally the nomination is received by me with humility as well as with sincere thanksgiving. I had schooled myself to the thought that the vicissitudes of politics would, perhaps, demand a change and I was prepared if occasion required to leave the office with nothing but gratitude in my heart for the kind friends whose regard and esteem have been proven in so many instances. Nevertheless the prospect which faced me, of seeking to establish myself in a new home, among strangers, away from the home of my youth and the friends of a lifetime was not a pleasant one. No one who has spent his life among the genuine, sincere and truly lovable people of Denison could part from them without a pang. All the ties that bind one to this world and to the next are here and I shall be sincerely grateful if it shall be permitted me to remain in the city I love so well.

I pledge myself to devote my time and efforts to the postal service of Denison and to the upbuilding of our city in any way in which I may aid.

I wish herewith to express my thanks, my most heartfelt thanks, to the President, the Postmaster General, to my Denison friends and to the friends throughout the state who have stood by me with such loyalty and good will.

Very sincerely,  
F. W. MEYERS.

Denison plays Lake City today at Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. Sears McHenry left this morning for Des Moines, where Mr. McHenry will attend the bankers convention which is being held there this week. While there they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Miller, who is president of the Iowa National Bank of Des Moines.

Jacob Weiss, the stock man, was on the Chicago market last Thursday with three carloads of stock, one of cattle for which he received \$8 56 a hundred, one of hogs brought him \$9 57 and one of sheep sold for \$8 65. He was delighted with the prices he received for his stock. Other shipments will be made by Mr. Weiss in the near future.