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COUNTY TICKETS FOR PRIMARIES

Republicans Will Have Splendid Ticket for the Consideration of the Voters This Fall

OFFICIALS SEEK RE-ELECTION

Democratic Officials Now in Office File for Re-Election Except Evers, and Some Members of Board

REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET
For Representative
W. E. Fishel
Union
For Auditor
J. B. LYON
Denison
For Treasurer
E. W. PIERCE
Denison
For Clerk
C. A. SYKES
Nishnabotny
For Recorder

For Coroner

For Attorney
T. V. WALKER
Denison
For Sheriff
A. C. GREENE
Denison
For Supervisor (1921 Term)
E. N. SANDSTROM
Stockholm
JAMES McCRACKEN
Nishnabotny
For Supervisor (1922 Term)
F. R. SHIRTCLIFF
Willow

The republicans of Crawford county will have the privilege of voting for the above ticket at the coming June primary. It will be noticed that the ticket is complete with the exception of the offices of recorder, coroner and a supervisor for the term of 1922. We believe the voters of the county will agree with us when we say the ticket is a good one; every man on the ticket is well known, capable and worthy the full support of his party. Two years ago the party found itself without a ticket, for the reason that the filling of the same was left for the convention, and the attorney general ruled that the convention was out of its jurisdiction in naming a ticket; that the ticket should have been voted upon at the primary. This year efforts were made to fill the ticket in order that the voters be given an opportunity to indorse the candidates at the primary and each of the candidates has properly filed his nomination papers with the county auditor, and the names will appear on the primary ballot. While the different candidates have no opposition, we think it a good idea for every man on the ticket to visit over the county before the primary and become more acquainted with the voters of the different precincts. In these days of the automobile little time will be consumed, and such a visit will further the candidates' chances at the fall election.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET
For Representative
L. W. POWERS
Denison
For Auditor
P. J. PORTZ
Denison
For Treasurer
HENRY NATH
Denison
For Clerk
J. W. MONAGHAN
Denison
For Recorder
W. A. CRAMER
Denison
For Attorney
ANDY BELL
Denison
For Sheriff
JOHN J. COSTELLO
Denison
JAMES O'MEARA
Denison
For Coroner
A. L. JACKSON
Union
For Supervisor (1921 Term)
WILLIAM EGGERS
Denison
JOHN HENNINGS
Charter Oak
For Supervisor (1922 Term)
WM. EWOLDT
Hayes
THOS. AHART
Union

The democrats had little trouble in filling their ticket, for the reason that all of the present officials with the exception of some members of the board of supervisors sought re-election. For the office of sheriff there are two candidates, John J. Costello, of Denison, and James O'Meara, also of Denison. Louie Evers expects to retire from the treasurer's office with the expiration of his present term, and Henry Nath has been chosen as his successor, and will have no opposition at the June primaries. The ticket as outlined above is made up of Denison men with the exception of the coroner and the members of the board of supervisors. They have long held county office and are therefore well acquainted with the voters of the county.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Monday May 3—
James McKim and wife to F A True—Lots 8 9 block 4 W T L 1st add Deloit Con ---------- $ 275
Myron Myers and wife to F A True—Lot 4 block 5 W T L Co 1st add Deloit Con ---------- 100
L B Romans and wife to F A True—Lot 3 block 5 W T L Co 1st add Deloit Con ---------- 275
Mary McMahon widow to Kathryn Hassett—Lots 12 13 block 88 Denison Con ---------- 6000
William Lindberg to J A Bringleson—Lot 6 block 9 Kiron Con -- 2200
Wednesday May 5—
Robert Drake to Henry Didier—Lot 5 block 50 Denison Con -- 200
Ida Buhmann and husband to S A Huber—Lots 4 5 6 7 8 17 18 19 20 21 block 2 Clarks add Charter Oak Con ---------- 600
Saturday May 8—
H T Bliesman and wife to Lewis King—Lot 13 block 3 Charter Oak Con ---------- 7000
Thursday May 6—
Henriett Grill widow to Otto Wiebers—SE¼ NW¼ 7-84-38 Con ---------- 11000
A H Lee and wife to W A Quade Lots 4 5 block 97 Denison Con 5300
Total ----------$32,950

PRINT PAPER TO ADVANCE AGAIN

Alarming Rise in Prices for Raw Materials the Cause, Says Manufacturer—Advance to Come July 1st

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 5—Further advances in print paper prices are to be made by the International Paper company on July 1st, said a telegram from Chester W. Lyman, vice president of the company, which was presented today to the senate committee investigating the paper shortage.

The message, addressed to Joseph Pulitzer, Jr., publisher of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, said:

"Alarming rise in prices for pulp wood, other raw materials and mill supplies, together with inevitable increase in transportation charges, will necessitate a higher selling price for last two quarters. Impossible to foretell extent of increase on account of uncertainty of conditions. Increase in cost likely to continue, to turning point reached in general industrial, social and financial conditions.

"Only remedy for present trouble is rigid economy by publishers in their use of news print. It would be the height of folly for government to attempt to regulate or lower spot market—as it would result in diversion of many specialty mills now making news print to their normal product."

ANOTHER STILL IS LOCATED

Fred Kummer, Living Near Buck Grove Arrested Wednesday by Federal Officer and Local Authorities

BEEN DISTILLING CORN WHISKEY

Still Located in Cave Near House With Good Supply of Mash Which He Attempted to Destroy

A second still was discovered in Crawford county Wednesday afternoon by Federal Agent S. J. Knox, of Council Bluffs, and local officers. The officers located the still on the Fred Kummer farm two miles southwest of Buck Grove on what is known as the old Downes farm, about 1 o'clock in the afternoon. The plant was located in a cave adjoining the house and when the officers arrived Kummer was making every effort to destroy the still, evidently having heard that the Gibbons place south of Vail had been raided in the forenoon.

Two barrels of corn mash were in the cave, as well as about a gallon of spirits which Kummer stated to the officers was about 100 per cent proof. The still was made of a milk can and a kerosene stove was used to operated it.

Kummer was strictly a wholesaler, it is said, and disposed of his product to several parties who are well known to the local officers. It is said that Kummer manufactured whiskey in the old country. He is a native of Switzerland.

The raid on the Kummer place was made by Federal Agent S. J. Knox, Sheriff A. C. Greene, Deputy J. Johnson and Marshal Ed Flahive.

Kummer, together with Thos. Gibbons and Kenneth Short, was taken to Council Bluffs Wednesday afternoon and spent that night in the police station. Thursday morning they were bound over to the grand jury, bonds being placed at $1,000 each.

WOOL MEN TO SHIP

Wool Growers of Crawford County Meet and Decide to Market 1920 Crop with Growers' Asso'tion

At a meeting held in the farm bureau office last week, wool growers decided to market their 1920 clip through the State Wool Growers' association again this year.

While the returns were slow in coming, the shippers last year feel that it was due to the Wool Growers' association that satisfactory prices were received. The state association eliminated two middlemen between the producers and manufacturers. The wool growers received the benefit of this elimination.

The real value of shipping through the association is that the farmer is paid for the exact kind of wool he ships. It teaches the value of marketing of better quality products.

County Agent Quist announces that any men in the county having sheep and not familiar with the State Wool Growers association system of marketing should write or call at the farm bureau office for a discription of how the wool is handled.

Men who are skeptical as to the merits of marketing through the wool growers association should look up market reports and see if they can find where Iowa wool sold for 78 cents per pound until the State Wool Growers association came into existance. Some of the Crawford county shipments sold at that figure last year.

CITY APPROVES THE ASSESSMENT

Special Meeting of City Council on Monday Evening for Purpose of Hearing Objections.

ASSESSMENTS STAND AS MADE

Property Owners Along 15 Inch Sewer Pay No More Than Those Along the 8 Inch Sewer

The city council held a special meeting Monday evening to consider the assessment made by the engineer on the sewer constructed in the south part of the city by A. J. Gary last winter. Objections to the assessment as made were also considered, and after all had been carefully gone over the assessments were allowed to remain as made. There were some objections made on the grounds that property owners living along the line of sewer known as the outlet, which is a 15 inch pipe, were compelled to pay for a larger pipe than those property owners paid who lived along the line of the 8 inch sewer. This difference in the price because of the larger pipe was paid from the general sewer fund, however, and the property owners in the south part of the city were asked to pay no more per foot than those who lived in the north part of the city. Considerable complaint was made because of the contractor not having properly looked after the filling of the sewer ditch, and he was notified to take necessary steps to have the ditch properly cared for. The clerk, Mr. Johnson, was instructed to give notice to the property owners of the manner in which they could pay the assessment, and they will have thirty days from the date of said notice in which to either pay the assessment in full or take advantage of a waiver, and have six years in which to pay. The notice will say that they may call at the treasurer's office and either pay or sign the waiver.

The council accepted some bonds at the Monday night meeting from citizens asking for plumber's license, and transacted other business that could be cared for at a special meeting. It is expected the new attorney, W. E. Kahler, will take office about the 17th, and the new clerk, Jacob Johnson, is now serving. Mr. Johnson has been familiarizing himself with the work at the city hall during the past week and will be ready to take over that work the 15th.

During the week the council has had the streets marked for auto parking, but the wet weather has been bad for this work. The new parking signs will soon be in place also as the council ordered new signals at the intersections, and at the blind crossings, such as the one from the Crawford County State bank to the Milhek cafe "no parking" signs will be placed. The date set for receiving bids for the purchase of the block of ground known as Union park is Monday evening, May 17th.

ATTENTION TOWNSHIP COMMITTEEMEN

Republican Committeemen From the Various Townships and Precincts Should Issue Caucus Calls

We wish to call attention of the various township and precinct committeemen of the republican party to the fact that they ought to call party caucuses in the near future and nominate candidates for township officers. These candidates must file their names with the county auditor ten days before the June primary in order that their names be printed upon the ballot. We wish every township and precinct in the county would hold a caucus and nominate a full list of candidates for the offices in each township and precinct. "In union there is strength," and the better showing made by the different townships in regard to their officials, the more chance there will be this fall for the election of a full county ticket. Let's go.

Rock Rapids Reporter: Smith W. Brookhart, of Washington county, who is contesting in the seat held by Senator Cummins, appeared to be in line for one of the finest trimmings a man ever got in Iowa. The colonel appears to think that all he has to do is shout "machine" and the grapes will fall in his basket.

FRONTIER DAYS AT FT. DODGE

June 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th Will Furnish Thrilling and True Frontier Sports at Ft. Dodge

DUPLICATE OF CHEYENNE DAYS

Among the Contestants Will be Seen the World's Champions in Every Line of Frontier Endeavor

On June 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th the people of this community will have the privilege of witnessing the most thrilling exhibition of true frontier sports ever staged in the United States. A real western roundup with hundreds of cowboys and cow girls will be held both afternoon and evening at the new $300,000 plant of the Hawkeye fair and exposition at Ft. Dodge.

For this contest thousands of dollars have been offered in prizes by the merchants of Ft. Dodge, and the performance will be identical with that staged annually at Cheyenne, Wyo. A herd of bucking broncos direct from the range will be shipped to Ft. Dodge, likewise one hundred long horn steers direct from New Mexico.

This is not a wild west show or a paid performance, but a contest of western sports where cowboys and cow girls come to match their skill in open competition in bronco busting, steer roping and tying, bull dogging, bareback riding, wild steer riding, pony express races, cow pony races, fancy and trick riding and roping and twenty other events.

Among the contestants who will compete will be seen the world's champions in practically every line of frontier endeavor. Leonard Stroud, of Colorado Tommy Kirnan, of New Mexico, and many others will be seen in the most excellent exhibitions of trick riding ever presented to the public.

Oklahoma Curley, Yakima Canutt, Booger Red, Jim Lynch and other daredevil plainmen will be seen in "twistdown" contests with long horn Mexican steers and this event has been conceded the most hazardous undertaking ever engaged by man. The world's best bronco riders will match their skill against that of some of the toughest outlaw horses ever gathered from the plains and not only will cow man compete in this event, but cow girls as well. Among the lady bronco busters who will be present at the Ft. Dodge roundup are Prairie Rose Henderson, Texas Helen, Ruth Roach, Ruby Wilkes, Kitty Canutt and Prairie Lily Allen.

The roping and tying of steers will be engaged in just as it is on the open range and lovers of frontier sport will be afforded the greatest opportunity of their lives to witness a true frontier day celebration.

The management has spared no expense in making this roundup the greatest ever staged in the United States, and in addition to the competition events they have also secured the presence of such exhibition acts as Miss Mayme Francis, world's champion horse back rifle shot, Napoleon and Apollo, beautiful high school and dancing horses, Reine Hafley, champion lady trick and cossack rider, Joe Hetzer with his comedy mules and trained ropes, Kismet, the world's greatest high jumping horse, Chester Byers, the champion trick and fancy roper of the world, and several other attractions which are worth traveling miles to see.

The roundup is undoubtedly the greatest undertaking ever engaged in the amusement field in the state of Iowa and cost thousands of dollars to produce, and offering more world champions than have ever been heretofore assembled in one arena in the country.

Thousands upon thousands of people will attend this contest from every surrounding state in the west and from present indications the roundup will play to the greatest gathering ever witnessed in this section of the country. Reservations are coming in daily and the fair association urges all to reserve their seats as early as possible as there is no doubt that each performance will play to a capacity audience.

CLUB DISCUSSES ROAD CONDITIONS

Denison Commercial Club Holds Meeting and Takes Up Matter of Roads Leading Into Denison

WORKING COMMITEE APPOINTED

Chas. Bartcher, on Behalf of Western Iowa Funeral Directors, Thanks Club for Entertainment

There was a good attendance at the regular monthly meeting of the Commercial club held on Friday evening of last week and considerable business was transacted.

One of the most important matters brought up for consideration was the condition of the main roads leading into Denison, and in particular the one from the Lehfeldt farm to the Illinois Central depot. Denison for some time has been notoriously famous for having poor roads leading into the city and excelled only by our neighboring town of Vail. Members of the club expressed themselves in favor of taking this important question up with the city council and a special committee made up of J. B. Lyon, Hugo Gebert and J. T. Carey was appointed to wait on the council at its next meeting.

Chas. Bartcher, on behalf of the Western Iowa Funeral Directors' association, thanked the club for the entertainment given them at the time of their convention held here two weeks ago. Mr. Bartcher presented the club with a group picture of the members of the association, which is hung in the club rooms. Mr. Bartcher stated that the visitors were more than pleased with the hearty reception accorded them and that every member is now a big Denison booster.

A special membership drive is to be put on by the club this month and it is hoped to secure fifty new members by this drive. Carl F. Kuehnle, Hugo Gebert, Ora Malone, Geo. Lamberty, R. E. Mote, J. O'Connor and W. E. Kahler will have charge of this drive.

Des Moines Capital: The effort to unite the labor unions and the farmers into one organization in this state goes on. If the union is consummated it will be the strangest combination on earth. We are not prepared to say it cannot be done for the reason that in any age when worthless stocks representing not a dollar's worth of property can be sold at double price, almost anything can be considered possible.

CAPTURES AUTO THIEVES

Sheriff A. C. Greene Apprehends Two Men Wanted by Lincoln Authorities for Stealing Cadillac Car

Sheriff A. C. Greene arrested two men last Wednesday afternoon near the Northwestern roundhouse who were wanted by the authorities of Lincoln, Neb., for the theft of a Cadillac car. The men were taken to Lincoln that evening.

It seems that a Cadillac car was stolen from Lincoln and officers traced it as far as Omaha. A few days later they learned that it had crossed over into Iowa and was headed east over the Lincoln highway. The machine was found abandoned west of Dunlap and the culprits were known to have started on east. Sheriff Greene visited "Hobo Park" at the fork of the Boyer river and here picked up the two men.

Webster City Freeman-Journal: Gov. Edwards probably has no idea that he can win the presidential nomination with a corkscrew and a whiskey flask, but he wants to make himself strong with the whiskey guzzlers of the cities of his state, and it looks very much as though he has hit upon a plan that will do it. Of course, prohibition is here to stay, but will not deter cheap politicians from using the wet and dry issue for all there is in it.

SALVATION ARMY ORGANIZATION

Advisory Committee for Crawford County Been Formed and Permanent Organization Perfected

HUGO GEBERT THE CHAIRMAN

Army is Extending Its Efforts to All Parts of the Country, Knowing Thereis Much Work to Do

A Salvation Army advisory committee for Crawford county has been formed and a permanent organization for carrying on this important work has been effected. T. M. McCarteney, of Washington, D. C., fieldman for the Salvation Army, spent two weeks here studying conditions and it was through his efforts that the local committee was established.

The Salvation Army is perfecting an organization in every county of the western states in order that relief work of various kinds may better be carried out. The scope of the work is very wide and with the wonderful organization back of it there is no question but what its influence will be felt. Heretofore the Salvation Army has directed most of its efforts to the cities, but since the close of the war with its organization enlarged they have decided to extend their efforts to every community, knowing that there is much work to be done.

The committee organized here is as follows: Hugo Gebert, chairman; Jacob Sims, vice chairman; F. N. Olry, secretary. Members of the committee are Andrew Bell, Morris Wilkinson, J. V. Barborka, M. E. Jones, Roy E. Mote, J. W. Miller, Jr., Dr. E. Yoder, Dr. J. J. Meehan, C. E. Humphrey, John T. Carey, Clyde McPherson, Dr. P. J. Brannon, Leon W. Powers, J. Johnson, Mrs. M. A. Penney, Mrs. Geo. Richardson, Mrs. O. M. Criswell.

Sherman McNally, a freshman at the State university, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. James McNally, of Marshalltown, was a member of the successful debating team, representing the Betagathian society, in the finals of the annual freshman debate last week at the university. Mr. and Mrs. McNally will be remembered by the older citizens of Denison. Mr. McNally started in the newspaper game under the direction of A. B. Keith, then editor and owner of the Bulletin, and Mrs. McNally will be remembered as Miss Christie Belber, a sister-in-law to Mr. Keith. For many years they have lived in Marshalltown where Mr. McNally has been interested in the printing business.

FARMERS INQUIRE AS TO HOG TONIC

Many Farmers Visit the County Agent Seeking Information About Merits of Hog Tonics.

TONIC SOMETIMES DETRIMENTAL

County Agent Points Out the Danger of Feeding Patent Tonics. Formula for Conditioner

This season of the year when the pigs are being weaned farmers receive advice on handling their spring crop. From now on most of this advice comes from patent hog medicine agents who travel from farm to farm prescribing for hogs whether the hogs and pigs are ailing or not. A number of farmers called at the farm bureau office last Saturday, says County Agent Quist, inquiring about the merits of patent hog tonics. From reports gathered the stock tonic agents are offering to farmers, hog medicines that are cure-alls for all hog diseases, and medicine that would probably be as much of a cure-all for cattle, horses and all other living creatures found on farms.

Hog tonics, medicines etc., are not always detrimental to hogs. Often times they are benificial when properly used. The danger of feeding hog tonics, says the County Agent, is this; The stock tonic salesmen attempt to visit every farm. If the farmers' pigs are well the agents talk up their tonic as a preventative against all diseases. If the pigs are sick or ailing, the agent offers their stuff as a cure-all. In either case the salesmen's argument are "to buy." Methods for curing hog diseases are the same as for curing human ills. In the first place when people are well they do not keep doping themselves with patent tonics. Secondly when people are ill they get the best physicians possible to diagnose their case. After the kind of sickness has been determined the proper treatment is prescribed by the trained physician. Hogs are too scarce and valuable this year to be made experiments of by some of the agents who visit your farm and profess to be "hog specialists."

Last year the veterinarians of the county put on a campaign against the wholesale use of hog tonics. Not that hog tonics hurt their business, for in fact the indiscriminate use of hog tonics make more business for the veterinarians. The campaign was put on last year because they could not get satisfactory results in most places where hog tonics had been fed. Often times there are powerful poisons in the hog tonics and when a hog happens to get a little too much, the medicine acts as a direct peison to the hog.

When wanting a tried and true hog conditioner, those formulas given out by the state experiment colleges and the United States bureau of animal husbandry have been proven as cheapest and best.

The state experiment station of South Dakota recommends that the following be kept constantly before the hogs at all times.

Glauber's salts	3 parts
Salsoda	3 parts
Copperas	3 parts
Common salts	1 part
Sulphur	1 part

Care should be taken in giving this to not let the hogs have too much at the time it is first put before the hogs.

What a Farmer is Worth.

The sunshine state, a Sioux Falls publication devoted to the agricultural interests of South Dakota, has figured out the value of a farmer in dollars and cents. The basis upon which the calculation is made are sound and intelligent. South Dakota in 1900 had 52,622 farms. In 1910 it had 77,644. The increase in the number of farms was 26,022. The value of the farm lands in the state in 1900 was $189,206,890. In 1901 it was $902,606,751. The increase was $713,399,861. If the increase in land values—and they do not include improvements—is divided by the increase in the number of farms it gives the average value of a farmer in dollars and cents as $28,511. In other words, every farmer has added that amount to the wealth of the state in land values alone.

It looks as though this result is far too high and it might seem to be due to the fact that South Dakota was a comparatively new agricultural region for the period involved and that the change was one from zero to the final value. Those things are true, but the test holds approximately good from figures from other sections. In the group of states comprising Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana and South Dakota the number of farms in 1900 was 485,788. In 1910 it was 511,482, an increase of 75,704. In 1900 the land values, excluding improvements, were $1,505,064,310. In 1910 they were $3,850,798,473, a gain of $2,345,734,162. Again dividing the increase in farm values by the increase in the number of farms, and the value per farm is $30,986. In the whole United States the number of farms increased in the ten year period under consideration by 624,130, and the values increased by $15,417,666,174. The increase per farm is $24,702.

Against these results must be charged the increase in the value of the farms already in existence, and which increased in value along with the new ones and are included in the total increase value. But in taking this fact into consideration it must be remembered that their values increased largely because of the new farms. In other words, if the adjacent lands had not been improved, those already improved would have remained close to the value they had before the new ones were developed. It makes little difference what elements contribute to this increase. If it comes from the building of railroads, and consequently from better marketing conditions, it reverts back to the increase in the number of farms, for, except in rare cases, the coming of the railroads to agricultural regions is dependent on the increase in the number of freight producing farms. If the increase is based on the building of towns the same reason applies, for towns are built because the number of supporting farms has increased. So that in the last analysis the increase in farm land values depends upon the number of farmers. On this basis it is easy to determine the value of the farmer to the state and the community. The three analyses made show he is worth $25,000.—Sioux City Journal.

News and Comment About Iowa People and Events

—BY—
J. W. JARNAGIN

The labor situation in Iowa has forced the employment of a large number of Mexicans. Over 200 of these men were released by the Santa Fe railway at Ft. Madison after a contract limited by the duration of the war had expired, but these men did not return to Mexico. They scattered throughout various cities and sought work on railway, in paving gangs and the like. The high wages prevailing in this country is bringing thousands of these people across the border, the journey across the line being made under cover of darkness. The Rock Island located 48 Mexican laborers at Estherville recently and this is a sample of what the railways are doing all over the state. The men are paid 45 cents an hour, which is more than they received in a day in their country. It is estimated that 1200 Mexicans are in and around Des Moines.

Numerous changes are being made in the basement of the state house. The department of banking has taken quarters formerly occupied by the horticultural staff; the board of parole has moved to the former offices of the banking department, and the insurance department occupies the former board of parole offices and the state horticultural department is given a part of the room formerly occupied by the board of parole. The crowded condition of the state house is the source of considerable annoyance. A dozen different departments are housed in the large school building a block west of the capitol ground. The committee having in charge the location for the new temple of justice for which an appropriation of a million dollars was made by the last legislature, has held several meetings but nothing definite has resulted.

From the money obtained from the Red Cross Christmas seal sales the schools at Chariton are experimenting with a milk diet for the children in the grades. Miss White, in charge of the east school, is giving the pupils of the third grade one-half pint of milk just before recess every morning and an accurate account of each child's gain in weight has been kept. The total gain for the twenty-two children has been 35 pounds, making an average of 1.5 pounds per child. Paralleled to this record is that of the south and west third grades, where the children are not served milk. The total gain for the south third grade, composed of 18 children was 8 pounds, making an average gain of .4 per child while in the west building the total gain for 17 children was 7 pounds, or an average of .4 pound per child. Miss White reports there has been a marked increase in the scholarship of some of her children since the experiment began.

Jeanette Riedeman, a school teacher at Alton, Sioux county, is the first Iowa teacher to send in a contribution to the "America's Gift to France" fund. She sent $4.50 to John Blair, Des Moines, treasurer of the Iowa committee, as a contribution from herself and pupils to help make possible the erecting of a statue on the banks of the River Marne. In speaking of the gift which is to mark one of the spots where American troops helped turn back the German army as it essayed to capture Paris Miss Riedeman writes: "Hoping that this great movement which has been started for a gift to France will be carried to a successful finish in Iowa and the state will give its $5,000 quota for the Mac Monnies statue, I am sending in the contribution of children in my school. I trust that these children will grow to be loyal citizens and noble men and women in this great country of ours."

Charles Evans Hughes, of New York, president of the Italy-America society has asked Governor Harding to name May 24th as the day when Iowans shall commemorate Italy's entrance into the world war. The day will be observed with fitting ceremonies and patriotic programs in most states in the union. It was on that date five years ago that Italy entered the world war and cast her fate with the allied armies of England, France and Russia. Governor Harding will issue the proclamation as requested.

Marion LeRoy Burton, former Iowan and now president of the University of Minnesota and president elect of the University of Michigan, will deliver the commencement address to the 500 students graduating from Iowa State college at Ames June 9th. Dr. Burton was born in Brooklyn, Poweshiek county, and is one of the outstanding educators and university administrators of the country. His great success at Minnesota was the reason the regents of Michigan could offer him a salary of $18,000 per year to head their institution. His address will also be one of the features of the semi centennial celebration which is to be held at the same time in Ames. Other speakers listed for this occasion are E. T. Meredith, the secretary of agriculture, Gov. W. L. Harding and Dr. E. W. Stanton.

A sagging high tension electric wire caught Owen Woods, a farmer residing near Ryan, Delaware county, who was driving a four horse team along the highway, killing him and two of the horses. The testimony revealed that Wood was seen shortly before reaching the place by a farmer residing near there, who noticed shortly afterward that there was a great smoke coming from something on the road which investigation showed to be from the burning of Mr. Owen and the two horses lying across the highly charged wire. High tension electric lines all over the state have added a new and dangerous menace to life and property.

The Salvation Army warns the people of the state to beware of impostors who are out soliciting funds for some phase of religious work, claiming to represent Army activities. One man in particular who wears the uniform of a United States soldier has been reported from various communities, after it was too late to get him, has been reaping a harvest from well disposed but deluded people.

James Keller, Otto Knocke and Frank Miller, inmates of the penitentiary at Ft. Madison, faked insanity and were transferred to the insane ward at Anamosa. They were quartered in a room on the third floor with windows opening onto ground outside the walls. With file and case knife they made a saw with which they cut the bars and with ropes made from bedclothes lowered themselves to the ground. They spent six weeks sawing the bars. When they made their dash they left cleverly constructed dummies in their beds, so the guard in making his rounds failed to discover their absence. They were captured in box cars at Oxford Junction a day or so after their escape. Their faked insanity was their undoing. According to law an attempt to break out of the penitentiary is a crime of itself and carries an additional penalty to the one which they are serving. These men also forfeited all of the time gained by good behavior. The result is an added sentence of about ten years to the terms provided when they were sent to prison.

Great army motor trucks, capable of transporting 16 people each, are in constant readiness to take members of the Methodist quadrennial conference, now in session in Des Moines, to Camp Dodge that the educational work done there might be inspected by notables from all over the world. The work in basic education at Camp Dodge is under the direction of W. F. Barr, dean of the college of education, Drake university. The register and principal of the school is Otis Babcock, a man of successful experience as superintendent of public schools in Iowa. The teachers in the school all of whom are college trained, are: Miss Ethel B. Ash, Miss Lucy M. Pacey, Miss Louis Gackle, J. P. LoCoq, W. L. King, H. C. Keller, Virgil Briddle, R. D. Warner, Ransom D. Hickman The Camp Dodge school curriculum includes all work afforded in the public school system and such college courses as are desired by men qualified to do college work. While men enrolled for work are taught in classes or groups, the instruction is, as far as possible, individual and students are permitted to advance as rapidly as their work justifies, not in any case being held back by slower members of classes. The work below high school grade is divided into three departments, elementary, intermediate and advanced.

Peter Neyens, while plowing for corn on a Jones county farm, uncovered a den of snakes. They were wound up in a roll, 47 reptiles forming the collection. They were of all varieties except rattlers. In size they ran from 16 to 20 inches in length. Mr. Neyens says that the different stripes and coloring of the numerous varieties represented made an attractive sight. Allamakee county holds the record for bounties paid for rattlesnakes killed. The county auditor reports 1402 rattlesnakes tails submitted last season, for which the state bounty of fifty cents each was paid, making a total of $701. Allamakee county also paid a bounty of 15 cents each on 17,128 ground hog scalps. The population of the county is 17,298, so that there were nearly enough ground hogs captured to have afforded each inhabitant a pet. For wolves $556 was paid out; for foxes $871, and for pocket gophers $404.30. There are a number of persons in that county who make the trapping of fur bearing animals a business in the winter and during the summer make good wages killing rattlesnakes and trapping rodents for the bounty offered.

A. C. Allen, an abstractor at Nevada, Story county, has a full fledged libel suit on his hands. A man named McKechnie published a newspaper at Nevada and Allen roomed at his house. Afterwards McKechnie and wife moved to Charles City and it is alleged that Allen wrote letters to persons in that city in which serious charges were made against McKechnie and wife. He accused them with pro-Germanism and being "one of the smoothest pairs of criminals that ever lived in Iowa," and with being anarchists. For making these charges Allen is asked through the district court to contribute $50,000 if he cannot sustain the allegations.

Miss Myrtle Dungan, superintendent of the Lucas county schools, has secured Miss Isabel Kellman, a Red Cross nurse, to make an inspection of health conditions among the rural pupils of that county. She has visited ten districts outside of Chariton and the preliminary report shows that nearly 70 per cent of the children have defects of throat and tonsils, more than 50 per cent have nasal obstructions, an oven one-half have defective teeth, nearly one-third were underfed, more than one-fifth have defective vision and over 20 per cent actually had fever at the time the nurse visited the school rooms. This is not all—there are many with defective eyes and ears, impediment of speech and with tubercular tendencies. An effort is made to confer with the parents regarding their child's defects so it may be corrected before it becomes established to the detriment of the child's physical as well as mental development. An enthusiastic interest was shown by the parents throughout the county. The nurse also teaches the child health laws, so they may have a definite understanding of how to be perfectly strong and healthy.