

News and Comment About Iowa People and Events

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Des Moines, Iowa, June 14, 1920.—Before a meeting at which were present all officers of this province of the Salvation Army, composed of Iowa, Nebraska, and Western Illinois, Commissioner Thomas Estill, commanding the Western States, in a speech at Des Moines discussing the Home Service program for 1920, to be offered every county in the nation, denounced the methods of those persons who solicit money under the guise of the Salvation Army or by simulating the garb of Salvationists impose upon the public. "We have already prosecuted a number of such impostors and will continue to follow up prosecution until the unfair and unjust and pernicious practice is ended. The Salvation Army does not solicit funds in house to house visits nor does its members beg upon the streets or in public places. No Salvationist is authorized to solicit funds merely by the asking. This should be understood by the public," said Commissioner Estill.

The board of supervisors of Clarke county have let the contract for the grading of the Jefferson Highway through that county. The expense will be \$130,000. Other counties are doing a lot of grading. Millions of dollars are available for road improvement in Iowa. With the government going fifty-fifty with the state, something like \$80,000,000 have been authorized for investment in good roads. A dozen or so counties will pay a considerable mileage this season. Some counties where a favorable vote authorized

WALL LAKE ITEMS

Friends here have received wedding announcements of the wedding of Miss Fannie Elizabeth Wilbur to George Dixon on June 5th at the home of the bride's mother at South Sioux City. They will reside in Lincoln, Neb. Miss Wilbur has taught in the high school here the past two years and made many friends who will wish her all happiness in her new life. Miss Alice Morley spent Tuesday afternoon in Lake View. Mrs. George Wells of Rozet, Wyo., came last week Thursday, expecting to stay for a month before returning to Wyoming, where she is planning to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Kerns. On Saturday she went to Alta to visit her other daughter, Mrs. John Halton. Mrs. Paul of West Side, visited here last week with her sister, Mrs. T. G. Artman, and her mother, who is staying at the Artman home. Mrs. Ashpole of Clarion, left Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. J. W. Hayden, returning home Saturday. Mrs. Hayden has recovered sufficiently from her illness to be able to be around as usual. Arthur Payson and wife were up from Manning Sunday to visit his brother, Will, who is at the Artman home. Moving days are not yet over, especially for those who have purchased homes in which to live. Jas. Waldron has moved into the house he recently moved into from the Herrig place north of town, vacating the house north of the bakery that was bought by Frank Beck and into which he has moved. That made vacant the house north of the one occupied by C. K. Shaw purchased this spring by Mr. Garvin, and they moved up from Angus this week to live in it. Mr. Garvin will be associated with Mr. Claussen in the grain business. Misses Ardis and Clarice Pettigrew of South Dakota, Miss Ione McCord of Denison and Miss Lulu Staab of this place have been guests of Mrs. F. J. Dean while they were camping this week at Lakewood. Mrs. C. K. Shaw, and son, Edward went to Sioux City on Tuesday to visit the rest of the week while Edward has his tonsils removed and to visit relatives there. The house sold by E. C. Sherman, when he moved to Lake View has again changed hands. Emil Voss buying it for a home. He is planning to occupy it this fall. Mr. and Mrs. Will Eaton attended the "Round-Up" at Ft. Dodge last week on Thursday. Mrs. F. J. Dean and daughter, Emeline and son, Leslie, and Miss Lenore Finley leave by auto for their new home at Huron, S. Dak., on Thursday of this week. We are sorry to lose this family from our midst. The three young people are all graduates of our high school and all have been workers in the Presbyterian church where they will be much missed. Miss Mabel Johnson returned Tuesday from Iowa City, where she had been visiting for a few days with Miss Elsie Johnson prior to returning home from Ames. Miss Nina Bandy, of Dumont, is visiting here at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Ben Wildeboer. Walter Campbell and family camped over Sunday at the lake, the Gunn families joining them on Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. George Gunn and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gunn leave Thursday to motor over to Primghar where a sister of the Messrs. Gunn lives. They will visit there till some time the first of next week. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sifford and sons, and Mrs. Louise Sifford and daughter, Wanda, went down to Council Bluffs on Tuesday for a couple of days' visit. Fred Anderson is in attendance on the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M., which is in session at Fort Dodge this week. Rev. L. A. Mueller of Klerline, the many years pastor of the Lutheran church here, was visiting friends here this week. Margaret Firth, who has been attending school at West Side the last year returned home this week. Miss Hattie Montague of Luton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Archie Firth. Miss Annette Lottidge returned home to Sioux City the first of this week after a few weeks visit here at the G. A. Hanson home. Mrs. Cordelia Baker came back from Vail Monday after spending a week there with her daughter-in-law. The Yohnke heirs are advertising the sale by auction of the house here to enable them to settle up the estate. Auction held June 15th at 2 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Fishback and children left for their home in Red Oak early Thursday morning. Mrs. Hannah Murmney has returned from her visit with her daughter in Odebolt. Mrs. Ell Thompson visited here a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. L. C. Cloutier. G. A. Hanson returned Wednesday noon from a business trip to Des Moines. Mrs. Ida Wright returned Wednesday from a week's visit in Sioux City and Rock Rapids. Miss Verna Hunter stopped here on Wednesday on her way home from Ames to Sioux City to visit at her uncle's, C. J. Tyrrell. Carl Johnson returned from Ames on Wednesday of this week. Miss Mabel Johnson went to Sac

paving have deferred the matter until material and labor are more easily secured. At the Patrick Donohoe farm near Holbrook, Iowa county, was held the greatest cattle sale on record. There were 51 Aberdeen-Angus animals sold at an average price of \$5,303. The total sum from the sale reached \$270,453. D. G. Looney & Son, of Iowa county, paid \$15,000 for a cow and a calf. Automobiles filled the lane for over a mile. A band from Williamsburg enlivened the occasion. Schools in the vicinity were dismissed and the event was made a holiday. Mr. Donohoe had made ample provision for feeding the multitude and a great show tent was utilized for the sale pavilion. The war department has taken over the building and 40 acres of land at Knoxville, Marion county, which was originally used for an industrial home for the blind and later devoted to the treatment of leprosy and dope fiends. The departure of the saloon left the institution without any tenants and so it was closed by the state board of control. Under the contract the government leases the property until July 1, 1920, paying a rental of \$1,500 per month for it. With the exception of the forty acres which goes with the government lease, the state reserves the 280 acres or so in the farm and will operate it as a farm this season. When the legislature meets next January the proposal to buy the property may be put up to it by the government. The

government will use the property as a sanatorium for disabled soldiers. N. R. Stiles, in an address before the Rotary Club at Cherokee recently gave historical proof that Norsemen from northern Europe visited Iowa 130 years before Columbus discovered America. He said that prior to 1418 the hardy Norse colonists made many expeditions from their base in Greenland, establishing a post in Hudson Bay and following the tributary streams back into the wilderness. This leads to the fact that the first Europeans to see any portion of our state did so 130 years before Columbus made his famous voyage, for following the Red River south from Hudson Bay, they made a large camp in Douglas county, establishing a post in Minnesota county of that state, sending out scouting parties further south. As evidence they left a record carved on a granite boulder. Hocking is a mining town in Monroe county. There are six handsome teachers rendering service to the rising generation in the public schools of that town. At the close of the school year, these teachers featured an entertainment with the support of the pupils. At the close of the exercises the president of the board of education took the platform and after a few words of appreciation for the splendid services rendered by the teachers, he presented each with a check for \$60 on behalf of the directors. Mrs. Almenn Elizabeth Gardner, reputed to be the wealthiest woman residing in Decatur county, died recently and in her will she provided for the erection of a county hospital by leaving \$30,000 as a nucleus for such an institution. The will provides that the amount is available when the county puts up enough to make the sum \$100,000 and guarantees its support. She also made provision for the fixing up of one room for the use of those who are too poor to pay for hospital service. For this purpose \$5,000 was given. This room is to be named the "Gardner Ward" in memory of the donor. That the wives of farmers wear diamonds these times is shown by a piece of good fortune that overtook the Chas. Holler family near Lanesboro, Carroll county. Mr. Holler undertook to show a favorite hen out of the garden and in order to hasten her going he hurled after her a hard clod with more energy than he intended. He struck biddy up on a vital spot and she collapsed. Eight months ago, Mrs. Holler, while gathering eggs lost the diamond out of the set in her ring. From that time forward, every time a chicken was killed she examined the gizzard for the lost gem. The hen killed by Mr. Holler was given a similar examination and to the delight of the lady, the diamond was found securely bedded in the digestive apparatus of the faithful hen. The jeweler who reset the diamond in the ring stated that it is worth \$200 at the price precious stones are now selling for in the market. Congested freight conditions have forced delivery of new automobiles from factories by driving them to their destination rather than attempting to ship them by freight. A resident of

Colfax who had plenty of time at his disposal kept count of the new automobiles that passed through that town on the River to River road during the month of May and his report shows that 1023 passed through the place on their way to the "ultimate consumer." At the annual state convention of the Association of Title Men (Abstractors) of Iowa, J. A. Murphy of Ida Grove was elected president for the ensuing year. The Iowa association is the second largest in the United States. The Texas taking the lead in total membership. The National convention will be held in Kansas City, in September and will be largely attended by members of the Iowa association. Mr. Murphy has attended practically all of the conventions since the associations were formed and is a charter member of the National association which was in Chicago in 1907. Tama City has the distinction of being the only town in Iowa that has the advantage of two double track railroads. The main lines of both the C. & N. W. and the C. M. & St. P. run parallel through that town. Tama City also has the distinction of being the trading point of the Mesquaki Indians who occupy the only Indian reservation in Iowa which comprises several hundred acres of land skirting the Iowa river near that place. Hon. Gato Sells, a former Denison county citizen but now Commissioner of Indian Affairs, located at Washington, visited the Mesquakis a couple of weeks ago and heard numerous complaints that the red men had to offer. Under the state fish and game laws the fishing season opened May 15th. The restrictions of the law provide that no person shall use more than two lines, with one hook on each, excepting trot lines which must not extend more than half way across the stream and must not obstruct the free passage of the fish. In other words, trot lines cannot be set from one shore to the other. No seining is permitted except for minnows. In seining for minnows, the seine must not be more than five yards in length, and must be of a three-eighths inch mesh. The young of all game fish must be thrown back if caught in the seines. No spearing is permissible under the law. As to the length of fish to be taken by hook and line, all bass and catfish must be ten inches in length from the tip of the nose to the fork of the tail; all pike and pickerel twelve inches, and crappies eight inches. Not more than forty game fish of all varieties may be taken in a single day, and of this total there must not be more than twenty bass, pike, or pickerel. Out in Shelby county, an Audubon society has been organized for the purpose of studying the birds, their habits and usefulness during the summer. A systematic study will be made including the learning of the names of the birds, the nesting of the birds, and where they build their nests, their food and care of young, the making of bird baths, nesting boxes, feeding stations supplying winter feed, etc. The members of the Bird Club will take field walks with field glasses and notebooks to acquire a greater knowledge of the bird-life of this vicinity. There are at present 27 members. Mrs. C. E.

Schedorf home west of Boyer. Wm. Segelbath shelled several hundred bushels of corn Friday, hauling same to the Vail elevator at \$1.70 per bushel. On Thursday evening occurred the death of Tom Malloy, who for some time has been critically ill. He leaves to mourn his death nine sons and wife and many other relatives and friends. Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 12, at the St. Ann's church in Vail. Mr. and Mrs. George Cadwell and family spent Sunday afternoon at the Tom Dixon home. Among those spending Sunday at Lake View, were Mr. and Mrs. John Kock and son and Miss Mary Kock, the M. Madden family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rickers and son and Miss Anna Sohl and Misses Irene and Gladys Bzark and Henry Peters. Misses Alice O'Donnell and Anna Madden were over Sunday visitors at the parental homes. Imitation of Precious Stones. The opal is more difficult to imitate than is the diamond. But from artificial corundum, stained with chrome alum, real rubies can be made, and very cheaply. If the coloring agent is titanium oxide, the product becomes a genuine artificial sapphire.

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City to spend a few days there with her sister, Mrs. R. P. Irwin. Mrs. R. B. Howard and sons, visited last week with friends in Vail. Clarence Shetler of Perry, visited here with his sister, Mrs. Art Allen last week from Friday to Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Fenner returned to their home in Marshalltown on Saturday. Dr. Hayden is able to resume his practice again after his accident. Mrs. Wright went to Lake View on Thursday and her mother, Mrs. Eliza Eaton returned home with her. A war romance has come to our ears this week, with the arrival from France of the fiancée of Raymond Morley who went to Chicago the first of last week to meet her. They will live in the house now occupied by Nick Wetzel. Largest Pipe Organ. What is undoubtedly the largest and probably the greatest pipe organ ever made was that which was played in Festival hall in St. Louis, during the exposition in 1904. It was originally made for Convention hall, in Kansas City, but was never accepted. It remained in storage for years and was then bought by John Wanamaker and installed in his Philadelphia store, where it is played every working day. The organ weighs 375,000 pounds. Excess of Food Blamed. Dr. Pritchard, an English practitioner, believes that most of the digestive troubles of infants and young children are due to excess of food. And, besides the direct derangements of the stomach and intestines, these have an effect upon the whole system and may in the long run make it more susceptible to catching other diseases.

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